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Queen voting concludes today

5-2 VOTE Campus cops can't carry guns

While declaring that Campus Police are fully qualified to carry weapons, the Board of Trustees voted 5-2 Tuesday to keep guns out of their hands.

The move apparently has settled over a year of quibbling between Campus Police, Faculty Senate, Administration, and the Board.

Board President Mark Durant and John Moore voted for firearms.

Against the move were Vice President Katie Nordbak, Secretary Harold Tredway, Ruth Banda, Ada Steenhoek and Joseph Suits.

Adamant supporter Durant implored the Board to "get more information" before taking the vote.

Nordbak said, "This is a perfect example of bureaucracy bogged down in process."

Richard Vandenberg, the only non-incumbent candidate to attend the hearing, told the officials, "When I see people asking to bring an outside agency, to gather more information — that says to me they don't want to make a decision. You're saying 'We don't trust you enough to carry weapons.' We can't act like Cerritos is separate from the surrounding community."

Most observers felt that the Board members came in with their minds already made up on the issue, with little chance of being swayed one way or the other.

All five votes against carrying guns were without qualifications, allowing no room for any exception.

Goboc's pleas for what he called "officer safety" during late night hours fell on deaf ears.

He told the Board crime has dropped 80 percent and that he is not asking for officers to be armed during the day when there is no real necessity.

"If there was a high crime problem I would have asked for arming 24 hours," he said.

The Board admitted it did not have enough information to make an informed decision, but several members indicated they wanted to get the issue settled.

None admitted or denied political hot potato implications, with the election coming up.

The Board completely ignored a Talon Marks student survey, which showed that 201 students out of 311 favored arming officers for protection of students and the campus.

In fact, several members admitted they had not even read the article in the paper before the meeting, despite the fact it was in the back-up material is routinely sent to them by special messenger.

One board member claims it was not in the packet. Copies were before them at the meeting.

The Talon Marks adviser addressed the Board during hearing comments period, drawing their attention to the survey of students and noting that students had not been mentioned during the entire proceedings.

He emphasized that the Editorial Board did not take a stand in the survey story — they simply reported findings.

The margin of nearly 2-1 surprised even the student editors. They called the survey a viable reflection of student concerns, stressing that the paper's purpose is to have students speaking for students.

A recent Research and Development survey of 1200 students indicated some 60 percent

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'WIRED' FLOAT BUILDER

Yards and yards of chicken wire are being used as Homecoming float builders sculpt and transform sketches into reality. Tania Montoya of AHORA is one of hundreds of students prepping for Saturday judging.

7 in running; Homecoming crown at half

By KARLA HUFENBACH
TM Associate Editor

The happy ending to the "Fairytale" Homecoming is just a dream away, as they say, for one of seven Court members.

Voting begins today to choose the one who will be queen.

Every ASCC card holder will be able to vote for the beauty of their choice from the Homecoming court members.

The seven "Fairytale" Court members are Monica Arce (Press Club), Dawn Williams (AASU), Joanna Gregorio (MEChA), Alicia Orozco (Alpha Phi Beta), Marcie Mendez (AHORA), Denise Trapp (AGS), and Georgina Whyte (Water Phi Polo).

"Everything is going really smooth," said Scott Simmons, Homecoming Committee Chairman. "I'm really happy with the large voter turn-out during the Court elections, and we are anticipating more of the same."

Homecoming activities have not been at a standstill waiting for the crowning.

Thursday the Student Center came alive with the traditional Mock Rally.

Each of the court members introduced their "mockers" — men dressed up in feminine attire — then the show began. The mockers answered questions put to them by Emcee Richard McGrath, and then performed lip sync routines and demonstrated a variety of dancing skills.

The winner, Gary Bermundo, representing Marcie Mendez (AHORA), won with his interpretation of Polynesian dances in an authentic costume complete with back up dancers.

The real "Fairytale Queen," however, will be crowned during half time ceremonies complete with red carpet, roses and velvet cape.

Some 20 clubs are getting in the spirit building fairytale floats.

Monday, float beds were given out and by Tuesday afternoon skeletons of floats were beginning to appear on the flat beds. Workers were hammering nails, bending wire and double checking design sketches.

Some of the Cerritos Homecoming floats rival professionally built floats, and add to the pomp of the half time ceremonies.

Editorial cartoon



Homecoming Court ballot choices



Monica Arce (Press Club)



Dawn Williams (AASU)



Alicia Orozco (Alpha Phi Beta)



Joanna Gregorio (MEChA)

One
will
be
Queen



Marcie Mendez (AHORA)



Denise Trapp (AGS)



Georgina Whyte (Water Phi P)

EDITORIALS:

Mock Rally tally; panel—with applause

The winner at last week's mock rally basked in applause... In fact, applause or popular appeal was the yardstick by which the contestants were measured. Many competitive events on campus are judged by a panel — Homecoming Floats, Mr. Cerritos and the Chili Cook-off, to name but a few. One event which should be included on that list is the Mock Rally. At the rally, each Homecoming Princess is represented/impersonated by a male friend. While the impersonator dances and lip syncs to a popular song, the crowd can applaud, laugh or make noise. This year's winner was the impersonator for Marcie Mendez of AHORA. By any standard he was a clear winner — he was that good. There is little doubt that AHORA, which has roughly 30-40 members, can applaud louder and thus support their candidate better than a smaller club. Water Phi Polo or Beta Phi Gamma, for instance. This is basically "uneven." The decision should be taken out of the hands of the crowd and placed into that of a panel of unbiased judges. This change would make the contest more impartial without being made any less fun. Certainly, applause would still be a criteria for judging, just not the sole determination.

No signs of times leave campus drab

A classic bit of Americana is passing from the scene almost unnoticed, so to speak, and Cerritos College must take its share of the blame. You can't tape anything — notices, signs, posters, flyers, notes, etc. — to the glass at Cerritos. The tape preventers say it dirties up and muddles windows and doors... making the college look bad. Now GTE has jumped on the band wagon. Here is a partial quote from a recent telephone bill inclusion. It reads: More and more signs placed on utility poles advertising garage sales, clean-up services, etc., are proliferating in our neighborhoods. Not only are such signs an eyesore, they can also be a safety hazard. "These seemingly innocent notices can threaten the safety of our pole climber employees." Obviously nobody wants no-body to get hurt. We're not talking eyesores versus pole climbing sores... We're talking saving the most convenient community bulletin board in the world. At Cerritos we're talking saving the most convenient community bulletin board on campus. And, we need a little something "messed up" around here — it looks so clean and antiseptic, you'd hardly know it's a college. Beautification and aesthetics are arguably relative. Naturally, some controls are necessary. But we haven't seen all those glass surfaces around here all that abused. Not at the expense of any genuine Americana. Nor have we heard of too many students being injured climbing up windows to remove taped, glued, or otherwise attached pieces of paper — which, by the way, are usually fairly artistic. This campus needs something to brighten it up, rather than to further drab it down.

Mock Rallying

Most colorful of the Homecoming festivities preceding the crowning of the Queen is the Mock Rally where men impersonate the Court members and perform "talent" routines. Below, Rico Smith sheds wig to approving crowd as he represents Dawn Williams of AASU, Right, Gary Bermundo who won as Marcie Mendez for AHORA.



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Media mixes: Faculty artists gallery exhibit closes today

By MONICA ARCE
TM Staff Writer
The spectrum has been pushed to its limit in both hue and technique by faculty artists, at the Art Faculty Exhibit finishing up its two week run in the Fine Arts Gallery. Media ranging from chalk to metal sculpture are represented. Of particular interest is the oil pastel on canvas by Cynthia Kastan, titled "Snakes." The colorful pastel work seems to be in motion and tends to draw in the viewer.

Other works by Kirk Miller, Manuel E. De Leon and Larry Klepper are equally impressive. On the other hand, some works such as "Parallel Tracks," by David Di Michele were lacking in the sensitivity displayed by other faculty artists. I highly recommend seeing this show before its Oct. 19 closing. All works are on sale with prices ranging from \$200 to \$10,000. The Gallery is located on the east side of the Arts and Crafts building. Admission is free.

LISA-AT-LARGE

Morning dress rush is really no sweat(s)



Why was I late for school this morning?
No I didn't have car trouble.
I wasn't finishing up already late homework either.
My alarm even went off at the appropriate time.
So why the unpunctuality?
Clothes.
Clothes are my downfall, because of them I am destined to be unsocially tardy.

No matter what time I get up or how carefully I plan, I end up arriving at my destination late.
A typical morning starts with my alarm blaring in my ear at 5:30 a.m.
After the ringing in my head subsides, my mind desperately sets to work to try and figure out what outfit I will clad myself in today.
I originally wanted to wear my Bermuda shorts, but as I take a

quick peek out the window I realize mother nature has other plans.
What to do now? Well I could wear my jeans — if they were clean. That narrows down the choice. My cotton skirt is clean, but I detest ironing. Strike two.
My sweats would be excellent to wear since they are not only clean but require no ironing at all.
But who wants to be seen in sweats?

As I lift my head up in frustration, I get a view of the clock through the corner of my eye. Wow, if it wasn't for this odd angle I'd swear it was 8:55.
Thank goodness it's only... 8:55!
Strike three.
I speed to school unaware of anything but the time.
Why didn't I think of wearing my sweats in the first place?

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5K RUN SLATED OCT. 28

Red ribbons signal 'drug free' week

By ANGIE VILLANUEVA
TM Opinion Editor

Everyone will be seeing red next week.

Red ribbons calling attention to a special drug awareness program will be worn by students, faculty and staff.

Activities will culminate with a 5K run fund raiser Saturday, Oct. 28.

Entry fee for the run, which has categories for all ages, is \$7.

It's all a part of Drug Prevention Week which runs from Oct. 23-28.

State wide "Drug Free Red Ribbon Week" is designed to increase drug awareness among young people, aiming at grammar school through college students, according to campus coordinator Pat Cook.

Coming on the heels of a colorful Homecoming, the drug free theme is expected to be highly visible with posters and red ribbons getting the message out.

The Cerritos College Board of Trustees received symbolic red ribbons at their Tuesday night meeting.

Yesterday Senate members were also pinned at their 2 o'clock meeting.

Ribbons will also be distributed to the members of diverse campus clubs and organizations, along with the encouragement to pass the drug awareness theme, "My choice, Drug Free," to the entire student body.

Consultant Ron Heitzinger will be on campus Thursday, Oct. 26, Friday, Oct. 27 and Saturday,

Oct. 28 to speak on the awareness of drugs and substance abuse.

Heitzinger's schedule follows: Oct. 26, 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., in Burnight Center to speak with all the Cerritos College athletes.

From 11 to 12, he will address the general faculty.

He will speak with classified staff and general faculty at 1 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. and again at 2:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. in BS 111/112.

On Saturday, Oct. 27, from 9 a.m. until noon in the Assessment Center a workshop will be held by Heitzinger for Cerritos coaches.

'Aids' program Wednesday

By DAVID MEDINA
TM Staff Writer

"Sexually Transmitted Diseases" will open Aids awareness day, Wednesday, Oct. 25 from 10-11 a.m. in the Student Center Patio and the Social Science Patio.

This topic will also be offered in the evening from 5-6 at the Social Science Patio and Health Sciences Patio.

Aids awareness information topics are slated throughout the day, including 11-12 p.m. and 6-7 p.m.

THE NEWS
IN BRIEF

Registration for the second 9-week session began Wednesday, Oct. 18.

Continuing students can register from 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

All other students can register as follows:

Thursday, Oct. 19, 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 20, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Monday-Thursday, Oct. 23-26, 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 27, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

in the same location, along with Aids testing information from 12-1 and 7-8 p.m.

The event is sponsored by Cerritos College Psychological Services and the Los Angeles Centers for Alcohol and Drug Abuse.

All these programs are free to everyone.

Campus Psychological Services Head Dr. Allan Boodnick encourages students and staff to attend one of these awareness programs.

Classes will begin Monday, Oct. 23.

Theatre Auditions

Auditions for a Children's Theater production "Tom Sawyer" begin next Monday.

Roles are available for adults and teenagers as well as children. Auditions will also be held for the chorus.

Scripts are available from Community Services. Performances will be held in January in Burnight Theatre and will tour Orange Coast, Cerritos and Long Beach colleges.

Alcohol awareness

In conjunction with National Collegiate Awareness Week, School Nurse Shirley Jankowski will be available to answer questions regarding alcoholism tomorrow.

"It's essential for the college community to wake up and realize that alcohol is a significant problem," said ASCC Commissioner of Public Relations Scott Simmons.

Crime Seminar

A seminar on violent crimes including rape, and assault with gun and knife is being held for staff members on Friday, Oct. 20.

According to Justice Department statistics, a woman gets raped every six minutes in this country.

Botanical 'Horrors'

"Little Shop of Horrors" opens Friday in Burnight Center Theatre and

runs through Oct. 28, with Oct. 22 a matinee performance.

General admission is \$7.50, \$6 for seniors, special staff tickets are priced at \$5.

Tutor needed

Students with an overall 2.75 GPA are needed to help maintain the college tutoring program.

Applications are available in the LRC Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Other requirements must be met including a TB test clearance and a score of 23 on the Reading Placement Test.

Waterfowl art

"Waterfowl sculptures and Duck Décoys" is the title of art professor Joseph Girtner's work going on exhibit Oct. 24 in the campus Art Gallery.

Over 20 traditional and interpretive carvings will be on view through Nov. 16. Admission is free.

The Gallery will be open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and Tuesday and Thursday evening 6-9 p.m.

Video Dance

Video highlights of Homecoming activities will be featured at the Homecoming dance Saturday after the football game.

Pro Productions has been out and about filming footage of the mock rally, Court introductions and float building.

Footage of half-time ceremonies will also be shown.

GUNS: Board denies request

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felt that Cerritos was a very safe campus, according to Dr. Fran Newman, vice president of student services, who presented this information after the vote had been taken.

An active campus escort service frequently escorts Dr. Newman to her office in early morning and late evening to assure her safety, according to police logs.

The service is also provided for other staff and students "who are fearful for their safety."

Trustee Stits challenged the procedure which brought the issue before the Board. "It is not being supported by the appropriate dean or the administration," he said.

At an earlier candidate's meeting he declared he would "always be opposed to guns."

Tredway, addressing college president Dr. Ernest Martinez, wanted to know if he still held the same position on guns as in an earlier memo when he was against arming the officers.

"I have not changed my opinion," Martinez replied.

At one point in the discussion, an angry Tredway challenged Faculty Senate representative Richard McGrath on the Senate claim that the Board requested them to do a survey for the Trustees on firearms.

"I resent them (Faculty Senate) trying to pass the buck to the Board. It was the Faculty Senate who originally requested more information," he said.



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