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Professor Terry Pricewatches student Larry Witherspoon work on mold for spar tube in advanced fiberglass class. Area is part of targeted grant. See accompanying story.
— TM Photo by FAUSTO RAMOS

Technology gets help from Clinton in \$1.4 million government grant

By Ben Villa
TM Editor-in-Chief
Cerritos College received a much needed shot in the arm from President Bill Clinton when he announced last week that the school's Composites Technology Center was the recipient of \$1.4 million in federal matching funds from the Technology Reinvestment Project. The Cerritos Composites Technology Center is one of two satellite facilities sponsored by the Great Lakes Composites Consortium located in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

The center will show 16,000 small defense and commercial companies in Southern California, the latest techniques in manufacturing and using high strength, lightweight materials in everything from cars to sporting equipment. The \$1.4 million federal matching grant to Cerritos College is part of a Clinton initiative to help the defense industry nationwide adjust to life after the Cold War. Randy Peebles, Instructional Dean of Technology at Cerritos College on the grant: "Over the

last two years, the plastic manufacturing department has been having some real special advisory meetings on how to expand our plastics and get additional funding in the area of composites. Through that we were able to strike up very good relationships with a number of local defense contractors in the area of Composites Technology. Through our efforts this summer, we wrote three different grant proposals asking for funds and

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Senate considers tuition hike fight today; Gaskin says \$1 million a week runs college

By Carrie Redfox
TM Campus Editor
Every voice adds to the crescendo. Student Senators David Russell and Darren Hulbert are presenting a bill today opposing another statewide tuition increase. The Senate will be asked to adopt the Recommendation of Opposition on tuition increases that is to be sent to the state capital. The recommendation urges the California legislature not to enforce a tuition increase, because of the undue hardship it will place on students.

"We are hoping that it will make the legislature realize that an increase will be a major financial hardship on students," stated Russel, coordinator of the recommendation effort. If a tuition increase of up to \$20 per unit does become a real threat, the Senate will kick off an intense petition drive. Dr. Fred Gaskin, President of Cerritos College, told the Senate that it is much too early to "get excited" just yet about a big tuition and fee hike in his Feb. 16, Senate appearance. Gaskin said 75 support

positions—including custodian and secretarial—are vacant and are not expected to be filled soon with the hard-hit budget. He stunned the senators by emphasizing the fact that it takes \$1 million per week to run Cerritos College. "We are trying to figure out ways in which to keep things as they are with fewer people," Gaskin said. While the immediate discussion of budget crunching brought down the mood of the meeting, Gaskin remained optimistic on the future

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Barbera, Ballard, Feres race for ASCC top spot

By Ben Villa
TM Editor-in-Chief
It's anybody's for the taking. The 1994 ASCC Presidential Elections race is on the way and this year, there is no clear cut favorite. Current ASCC Vice President Daisy Mae Uy Kimpang clearly would have been the favorite if she had decided to run for office. Kimpang is citing financial reasons for choosing not to seek election in the Executive office but hasn't ruled out an eleventh hour change of heart: "probably not—I wouldn't want to say it's a definite, but it looks more toward the negative. Maybe I'll win the lottery tomorrow and not worry about money anymore and then I'll run. It's pretty much leaning towards the not doing it because I have re-

sponsibilities other than school. Being President wouldn't give me any time and I don't do anything halfway. If I'm going to be President, I'll devote one hundred percent time to it like I do the Vice President position right now. Is it a definite I won't run? I don't know. I'd love to." I want to but I'm trying to be practical and responsible. Also I don't know if I'm going to be accepted to a four year school or not. I won't know until election time," said Kimpang. Monday was the first day that students could pick up the applications for the office of ASCC President at Student Activities. The deadline for submitting petitions is Friday, March 25, at 4 p.m., at Student Activities. The elections will be held on Wednesday, April 20, and on

Thursday, April 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., then later at night the ballot offices will re-open from 6-9 p.m. at the following locations: the Student Center, the Social Science building and at the Health Science building. To run for office, candidates must be a Sophomore in standing, hold down a 2.25 cumulative GPA and a minimum 2.0 GPA from the previous semester. They must maintain an enrollment of ten or more units at Cerritos College during your term in office and no student can have served more than a total of six semesters in the ASCC student government. Also one of the most important things about this year's race is that anybody who decides to run must live within the district.

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Steenhoek sees Board presidency as an 'awesome responsibility'

By Debra England
TM Features Editor
When her oldest son was preparing to attend Cerritos College, Dr. Ada Steenhoek, president of the Board of Trustees, wasn't prepared herself to run to be a member of the board. "Someone said to me, 'Isn't your oldest son going to Cerritos?' and I said yes. That person said, 'Well, you're an educator and one of the educators is retiring, so would you consider running for the board?'" said Steenhoek. "I accepted the challenge of running and put in a file at the county recorder's office. When I came to a meeting, I thought to myself, 'What have I done? This is such an awesome responsibility!'"

As Steenhoek says, "I've followed my children from one area to another. I've always wanted to try to re-train the school system for what they've done for us." "And I appreciate all that I've learned here at Cerritos College by being a trustee."

Dr. Steenhoek began her formal education in 1959 when she received her Associate of Science degree at Weber State College in Utah. In 1966 she received a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education, in 1970, her Master of Science in Special Education, and in 1985, received a Doctor of Education Management from the University of LaVerne. For 20 years, Steenhoek was a homemaker as she raised her 10 children. She then went into the field of special education, which she has taught for 11 years as well as in gifted and regular programs. Then in 1981, Steenhoek was elected to the Board of Trustees. She had been approached on numerous occasions to run for the president, but since many of her children were still at home Steenhoek declined, until this year. "There are so many times you have to be here as board president to be supportive that in the past, I didn't think I could do much justice," said Steenhoek. "But now I only have two children left at home, so I can give

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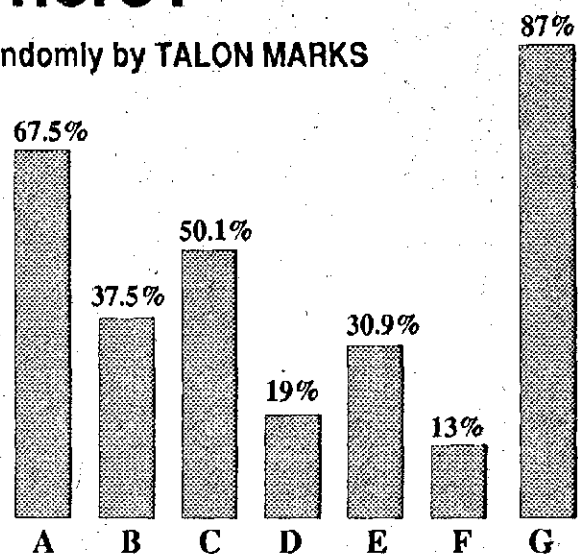


Do you feel safe here?

• Survey of 1000 students conducted randomly by TALON MARKS

Legend

- A - Prefer an official Police Department
- B - Prefer an effective security force
- C - Would feel safer with armed officers
- D - Would not feel safer with armed officers
- E - Does not matter if armed or not
- F - Have a reason to feel unsafe on campus
- G - Have no reason to feel unsafe on campus



Survey coordinated by PAULA FERES and TALON MARKS staff. Graphics by DENNIS PANGLINAN



SCHOLARSHIPS 'LOST AND FOUND'—The recent Campus Police "silent auction" netted \$533.57 which was turned over to the ASCC for the Inter-Club Council scholarship fund. Chief Don LaGuardia presents check to student president Aladdin Nabulsi with Dr. Fred Gaskin, college president.
— TM Photo by EDGARDO AGUILAR

Steenhoek vows 'change and unity' in new Board

Shared governance still a question?

Assembly Bill 1725 gave some real power to faculties along with staffs and student bodies to share in the governance of the community colleges. The very acknowledgement that instructor input might be of value exhibited a radical departure toward common sense for California. Recently, Cerritos College stated that the goals of the institution are teaching and learning. Egad! More common sense.

"Any instructor at any institution of higher learning should be tarred and feathered for believing otherwise. That it should have to be stated at all is sad.

The complication is that these two commitments are neutralizing each other here at Cerritos.

In the interest of shared governance as mandated by AB 1725, we have many committees, agencies, and interest groups dealing with important issues which will impact directly on teaching and learning.

Accreditation sub-committees, Division meetings, College Council, and many other meetings are scheduled.

Faculty members say that they are having more and more difficulty attending the meetings that address the issues that impact the teaching and learning — that lived in the house that Jack built, etc.

Divisions have lost people by attrition resulting in everyone's schedule being tighter than ever.

Administrators seem to be in direct opposition to faculty. Plans are steamrolled forward in opposition to faculty wishes because meetings are held during class hours.

Faculty representatives are often given lengthy agendas to take back to their respective divisions for polling or input with the directive to "get it back to us by tomorrow."

This approach is habitual and fulfills neither the letter nor the intent of the law.

Release time must be expanded so that critical issues are not decided only by administrators and only by default.

This is a college. Someone needs to look up the meaning of "de jure" and "de facto."

De jure means by law. De facto means in fact or what really is. Shared governance is a commitment.

What you say it is doesn't make it a fact.

Whatever needs to be done to make de jure shared governance a de facto shared governance should be undertaken with all haste and sincerity.

The students are scared, the staff is demoralized, the faculty is frustrated and the Accreditation Commission is losing patience.

—Written for the Editorial Board by MARLA AMENDOLA

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as much time as need be."

When Steenhoek was elected this year as board president, she vowed "change and unity."

"I stated that this year, the most important thing is to follow up on what the United Nations calls 'The Year of the Family.' So let's make it, I decided, a Cerritos College family, to have all the celebrations we can think of; celebrate all the great things going on here—and there's a lot of great things going on here at Cerritos."

About the new board, Steenhoek feels this is one outstanding team and began the acquaintanceship this year with a retreat.

"I really enjoyed the motivational tools and the behaviors we gave for management," said Steenhoek. "Those kinds of things helped unite us so we can have a better collegial team in our decision-making."

"We made special ambassadors out of each of us so we are all responsible for a divisions and a city, and we can show that the college cares — that we are a community college. We are there for the community."

As president of the board, Steenhoek has her mind set on future goals and accomplishments for the college, all in the name of newer technology.

"Our major priority is to bring about as much technology as possible," states Steenhoek — "To have as much computerized learning

of students, I did it here at Cerritos College, because my dissertation was on the 'reverse-transfer' student.

"I wondered why, after these students obtain their Associate of Arts degree here, they still come back to a community college later on. What I found out was that everybody here, whether they are reverse-transfer students or are new, they all come here to improve their job skills."

"And now, more than ever in American history, we all need to improve our skills because of the changing technology and economy."

Yet Steenhoek doesn't devote all her time to Cerritos; she's also

as an educator and mother to her two youngest children.

While Steenhoek isn't presiding over the board, she is a special education teacher in the East Whittier School District and takes time to sew for her seven grandchildren.

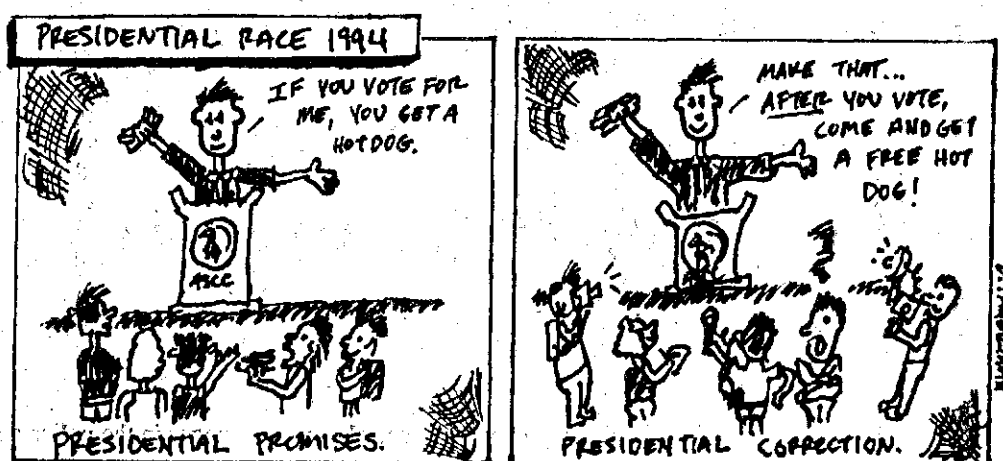
Steenhoek takes pride in her family, especially when it comes to education.

"Education is extremely important in my family because it teaches truth. The more truth you have, the more capable you are to work in our environment."

And Steenhoek carries the same belief with her to Cerritos College.

CC Falcon/marla amendola A splash of high Spring humor

- **SPRINGY BREAKY** — Surf, Sun, Soaps, Sleep, Study? Eenie-meenie-minie-mo. —Monique Rivera
- **OUT FOR MOORE** — Ms. Steenhoek's outlook for the presidency seems mighty different from Moore's (out)look. Peace, love, and understanding for one may be changed cuz cynicism is, after all, passed on along with the mantle. —Dennis Panglilan
- **FAST FOTO** — Everybody is going to have one minute photos. With the coming digital cameras you can get pictures straight from the camera faxed directly to your home. —Cynthia Robles
- **MEDIA MISSTEP** — The winter Olympics left lots of viewers frustrated. The results were early, the events were late, as far as being able to see them on TV. Talk about your timing. —Miguel Perez
- **SMALL QUAKING** — The Jan. 17 Northridge shaker caused \$450,000 of minor damage on the Cerritos College campus. Does this imply that Ross Perot is tall? —Steve Morganthaler
- **SUMMERY SPRINGTIME** — Ah, Spring with its 80s. Break out your cool threads and prepare for the Ides of March. "Cause, as they say, March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb. Or is it the lamb first? —Debbie England
- **SPRING FLING** — Want a healthy lawn? Ammonium sulfate and plenty of water is the key. The nurseryman will tell you how. Follow it closely and you could have the greenest lawn on the block. —John DeLaura
- **USE IT OR LOSE IT** — No more ketchup on the table. There was too much waste, with more left unused on the floor and tables than on the food. If you want ketchup, just ask and you shall receive. —Jeff Atalla
- **MCCERRITOS STYLE** — Why mess around with the "big Mac" egg thing? The Cerritos Coffee Shop serves a great breakfast special. It's fast and it's cheap. That's a value meal if you ask me... —Nofu Tautolo
- **GOING IS THE GOLD** — Cheers for Bonnie Blair but appreciate the non-medalists, too. They spent just as many hours and gave just as much dedication to be among the best of the best. —Jennifer Amendola
- **HOT DOG OASIS** — The new stand in the quad serves hot dogs and polish sausage complete with sauerkraut and all the toppers plus soda, chips and hot churros. HOT DOG! Hope they stay around. —Marla Amendola



Technology dept. grant

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throughout the last couple of months, we go to rejection letters but we knew we still had one more to go. Last Tuesday, President Clinton announced that Cerritos College had been chosen for one of them."

The program is actually going to be a \$1.4 million grant over a two year period to the school. The money will be used in the Composite Technology area. Terry Price will take over the duties of Project Director and will be the person most responsible for utilizing the funds and setting up work shops.

Composites are materials made from a blend of fibers and resins that can have the same or even greater strength than conventional metals but much lighter.

Composites have been used in military and civilian aircraft for some time now, and are showing up more in everyday items like tennis racquets.

The Center will provide direct workshops, demonstrations and seminars throughout the 24 month period.

These programs are designed to take people all the way from the shop floor activity all the way to upper management. It will inform them about innovative methods currently on the market and secure jobs that could be maintained by retraining their employees and enhance

job growth in this region.

"What this means in the very near future is we're going to receive those resources that would enable us to enhance our facilities and programs that are in already and in the long term, we're in a position nationally to start networking through Government and private enterprises to utilize our facilities and aid others in direct need of our services," said Price.

Already companies and institutions are contacting Cerritos College about participating with them and want Cerritos' help.

FEMA Proceeds to give needed aid to 'quake damaged' structures

By Deborah Rogers
TM Associate Editor

The earthquake bill for Cerritos College is nearly \$1/2 million, however, the district's share will be only about 2 1/2 percent, with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) covering the rest.

This included replacing the entire ceiling in the Administration Building and painting the outside of the Health Science Building.

The college withstood the earthquake with no major structural damage.

We had only minor damage, some ceiling tiles fell, a few cracks, and the stairwell over at SS was closed for only a few days, according to officials.

The Damage Survey Report (DSR) has been signed and

The students will benefit because Cerritos is one of the few facilities that have composites and the training will be superior to other schools and therefore, Cerritos College students will have an advantage in the job market.

"When the President only announces a handful of projects and Cerritos is one of them, it gets us a high level of notoriety, not only at a local level but with the Governor, state legislature, and senators. It gives us a real positive look and it makes Cerritos College real responsive to the community needs," said Peebles.

authorized by FEMA in order that work may proceed.

Buildings that sustained damage included the Social Science, Health Science, Natural Science, Liberal Arts, the Library, Administration, and the Bookstore.

Several bathrooms that are currently closed all over campus were not damaged by the earthquake. They had been closed temporarily while being remodeled to make them accessible for disabled students.

"The students should feel safe," said Mike Sebak, Director of Maintenance, "we have taken all the precautions to ensure their safety."

In February a seismograph was installed in the Natural Science Building, in order for information to be obtained if and when there is another earthquake.

DENNIS ANYONE...Dennis Panglilan

Searching for that missing spice...

I had the awful sensation of my taste buds going awry.

I had no craving for anything that I've tasted before.

This made breakfast a very difficult obstacle.

I needed to eat something original to quell my growing disgust of another bland feasting.

Sure with a little extra dough and even less creativity, I could have bypassed this problem by stopping over the nearest McDonald's.

And I supposed frying another egg could diminish the hunger—had it not been the third day in a row that I've slurped the yolk poultry.

So, like the old folks of yesteryear, I decided to forage around for my food.

Yes, forage: actually look for food.

Luckily enough, within the confines of the house, I didn't have to stray too far.

After browsing through several bottles of MSG in the cupboard, I found this innocuous brown powder labeled "cinnamon."

The first thing that came to mind was "Oh, Cinnamon. That's the stuff they put in cinnamon rolls that makes it taste gewdli!"

The second thing that came to mind was "Oh no, what if this is the stuff that makes you sick and radiates toxic fumes through your blood."

Putting aside all irrational fears, I ventured a taste of the real stuff.

Although it had a ring of gritty familiarity, it was grossly more bitter than the last time I had "cinnamon" rolls.

POSSE BOX

- 2-10—A red Toyota pick-up wearing false license plates was stopped; the driver was questioned and the plates were removed.
- 2-12—Vandalism-graffiti in men's restroom.
- 2-17—Attempted burglary-smashed side windows on yellow jeep.
- 2-17—Automobile was stolen and recovered by Norwalk Sheriff's Department; several items were stolen.
- 2-19—Dance Hall and Cafeteria plate-glass doors were smashed with tree stakes; two kids on bikes were chased off campus by police.
- 2-20—Three juveniles responsible for the excessive vandalism (knocking over trash cans, graffiti men's restrooms) on 1/31 were cited and are scheduled to attend juvenile court.

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Three teams slated for top offices

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In the past, the ASCC has had trouble with people trying to run while living outside the district and using a phony address for the benefit of the admissions office.

The ASCC court plans to crack down on them this year by possibly using tax forms and a notarized affidavit to show proof of residence.

The district consists of the ABC School, Bellflower, Unified, Norwalk-La Mirada and Downey Unified as the districts Cerritos falls in.

"It's going to take somebody with a real positive attitude, they're going to have to work with lots of different constituencies. He or she represents the students, but they're also going to have to work effectively with the Board of Trustees, work with a new administration, work with the

faculty and the classified staff, the alumni and the community.

So although their number one purpose is to represent the student, to be effective, they have to communicate effectively with all those groups and build consensus," said Phillip Houseman, Associate Dean of Student Activities.

As of Tuesday the candidates that have already turned in their applications are the team of Jackie Barbera/Al Reyes who are first on the ballot, followed by the tandem of Christopher Ballard/Ana Mota on the second ballot and Paula Feres/Elizabeth Aguilera who are third on the list.

The unknown factor in this race could be Jay Lamothe who is rumored to be interested in running. He currently has not decided on a running mate which might have de-

layed him from turning in his application.

M.E.C.H.A. is also rumored to have several candidates in mind and probably won't stand pat during this election.

The early odds on favorite seems to be the team of Barbera/Reyes. Barbera is the current ICC Commissioner who has worked closely with the current President Aladdin Nabulsi and Vice President Uy Kimpang over the past year.

Barbera, 20 has served as Commissioner of Activities, been on a number of committees which include Dean of Academic Affairs Screening Committee and the Dean of Athletics Screening Committee.

Reyes, 24, is the brother of former ASCC President Helen Reyes.

Reyes was attending UCLA but decided to return to Cerritos. He

currently serves on the cabinet as the Commissioner of extended day and formerly held the position of Commissioner of Student Activities.

"I have the experience, I've been serving on committees, I know what's going on and if the people elect me I can carry on what the current President is already working on," said Barbera.

Christopher Ballard is a newcomer to the political scene here at Cerritos College. Ballard, 19, was a Senator during the Fall of 93. He's also served on the Food Court Committee and works with the Learning Assistance Program in the Santa Barbara Building. He's also a member of the Cerritos College speech team and did won First Place in his only tournament performance of the year.

His running mate Ana Mota, 19,

is the President of the Puente Club and also served on the Senate last year and still holds the title of Senator for the remainder of the school year.

"If you agree with my issues and my philosophies on what I want to accomplish as President along with Ana Mota as Vice President and if you agree with my platform and you agree you want a better Cerritos, then you will vote for us," said Ballard.

Paula Feres, 22, is former Editor-in-Chief of the Talon Marks. Also she is the current President of two clubs, the Astronomy Club and the Rush Limbaugh Club which she started this semester.

She also serves on the Cabinet as the Commissioner of Public Relations.

She has served on several shared governance and administrative

screening committees and is a member of AGS.

Elizabeth Aguilera, 20, is the cuis a former Senator and is a member of the swim team here at Cerritos College. She also is a member in the Honor Society, and is currently Executive Editor of the campus newspaper.

"I felt that the professionalism held by previous presidents needed to be continued and I felt that we were the right people to do it. I've been involved in covering politics and that I've known a lot of controversial issues and agendas that's around campus. I can better benefit the students because I know them and I can work with them and help change Cerritos for the better," said Feres.

More possible candidates are expected to turn in applications as the weeks unfold.



MARKET PLACE — Variety of items were featured at Afrikan American outdoor market — TM Photo by DEBBIE ENGLAND

Blood Drive set in-March

By David Viayra
TM Staff Writer

Sign-ups for the Cerritos College blood drive have already begun. Those interested in donating can sign up in the Student Activities office, Health Science building, or tables located around campus on Tuesday, March 8 and Thursday March 3 and 10.

Lay down, close your eyes, roll up your sleeve and before I forget, "It won't hurt."

The blood drive will be held on

Thurs., March 10 from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. Donors who did not sign up will also be taken the day of the blood drive, however, in order to avoid a wait you are encouraged to sign up early.

Blood is at an all time low and at least 100 donors are needed. The floods in the midwest, our own regional earthquake, and cold eastern weather have all diminished the blood supply down to about one-sixth of its normal level.

New officers (e)nforce campus

By Jeff Atalla
TM News Editor

Two additional police officers, and a trained student security force are being added to campus police.

At this time, final testing and background checks are being conducted on all candidates for their applicable positions.

It is estimated that the police officers will begin in mid March, and the security to follow soon after.

In addition, a bike patrol is being organized to increase security around campus and the patrol cars

are going in for a makeover, getting a new paint job and design.

These changes are set to take place as soon as funds are made available to campus police.

Each department is allocated an X amount of dollars and at this time, the fiscal year, which runs from July 1 to June 30, is nearing close, bringing the budget down to zero.

However, Campus Police Chief, Don LaGuardia will soon be talking to the Board of Trustees to make recommendations regarding changes in the police department.

Board taking responsibility for Accreditation 'Fall Out?'

Cerritos' accreditation, credibility, and integrity is again on the chopping Board.

For students, an accredited school means everything, let's not "kid" anyone. In 1990 and 1993, a team of individuals from Cerritos College held a kind of "self examination-self study." It was discovered that from 1990-93 nothing was done towards bettering the recommendation offered during the 1990 visit. There were, of course, resignations, pink slips, reorganization attempts-but undeniably the campus' organizational support structure weakened daily.

The 1990 accreditation evaluation team recommended the College to review its structures and organization and deliver a report by March of 1993.

In March of 1993, after an interim visit, Cerritos College was issued a formal warning by the commission stating inadequate progress in these areas.

1. Progress in linking comprehensive planning to budget development and resource allocation. The college should present evidence of significant activity in planning and program review, not just planning to plan.

2. Progress in clarification and definition of the Board of Trustees' role and practices. Evidence should be presented to show that new practices are in place and demonstrable in Board behavior and actions.

3. Progress in completing administrative organization and procedures for effective decision making. The college should demonstrate that a stable administrative organization, with effective decision making procedures, is in place.

A red tag, so to speak, was placed upon Cerritos College.

The bottom line...our courses would no longer be accredited.

"It makes me unhappy to see that students worry about our accreditation," stated ASCC President Aladdin Nabulsi.

Finally, without regard to the Board's request to "water it down," due in part to, as Board of Trustees President Ada Steenhoek stated, it being "too negative," the three Accreditation Task Force Organization Subcommittees for Accreditation have finished their "self study" and submitted their reports.

These subcommittees were among those to include faculty, students, administrators, community members, business district members and fully utilize the aspects of shared governance.

The subcommittees were overseen by a steering committee that included former President of the Cerritos College Faculty Association and newly appointed Dean of the Liberal Arts Division Donna Miller, Faculty Senate President Dick McGrath, and former Vice President of Business Service Walter Magnuson.

The report submitted by Adolf Johnson, subcommittee chair for the "Organization subcommittee for accreditation," was the one "charged on" by the Board of Trustees.

It states "Our principal goals were to write a comprehensive report, make reasonable recommendation, and develop greater insight and understanding of the issue of organizational instability which was noted by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges accrediting team."

The committees did not deliver the reports for approval but were merely informational in effort to help support their recommendations that...too much trustee involvement at the administration level has led to interference and over extension of trustee power, resulting in institutional instability. It is not the function of the Board of Trustees to run the college administratively from day to day...the administration of the college should be left to management,

otherwise the confusion of responsibility will continue."

It is widely known, that the colleges Trustee positions are frequently used as a political stepping stone. The recommendations and critiques brought forth by these committees in their true and honest form does not better the already shabby credibility of past and present Board of Trustees.

It's time the Board take some responsibility for their actions, whether directly or indirectly rather than dump the blame on the administrators, who are easily swept under the political rug.

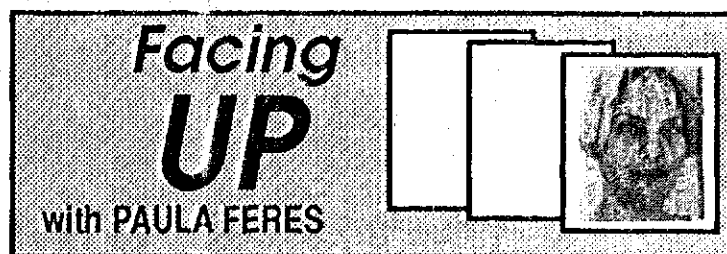
Some of the Board members have been around for sometime, and they know what's been going down, or maybe not so "up."

Is the Board continuously making bad choices in hiring incompetent administrators or is the Board interfering with qualified administrators' jobs and responsibilities?

Either way, something is wrong with the Board.

They need to be held accountable for these past doings.

The one member who's been around from the beginning is Dr. Ada Steenhoek who served a 4 year term, was defeated by a few votes in her second try only to come back a few years later and win a seat again.



They know better than to do such a sloppy job and for sometime no one on campus has had the nerve to stand up and say, "Wait."

"The reports are straight out the truth. Obviously, certain individuals want this to be delivered in a Fairy Tale manner, but if it could, we wouldn't have these concerns. I'm sorry to see it come to this, but they (Board of Trustees) have been warned for sometime," stated Nabulsi after the special Board meeting held on Feb. 25 at 6 a.m.

"The success of the students is safe," said Cerritos President Fred Gaskin at the same meeting.

But, curiously at a previous meeting the Board attempted to "get rid" of Gaskin.

Too many outstanding administrators have been chased off our campus with a stick, seemingly after being hand picked by our Board of Trustees from 1986 until presently.

It appears, the lack of control the Board has on those positions the more apt those administrators positions are of disappearing.

And it has happened too many times to consider it coincidence: the early retirement of President Wilford Michael, the resignation of Vice President of Instruction Olive Scott in May of 1986, the resignation of President Dr.

Ernest Martinez, the Board voted not to renew the contract of Vice-President of Student Services Dr. Steve Heifgot, the forced resignation of Vice-President of Instruction George Melican, the forced resignation of Vice-President of Instruction Bob Silverman, the resignation of Board President Barbara Hayden, the forced resignation of Director of Personnel Ken Lorenzan, and the resignation of Board of Trustee member Mark Durant in April of 1993.

Durant was quoted as saying "I don't like the direction of this Board and refuse to be a party to the demise of this institution," in direct reference to the concurrent Accreditation team visit.

He also expressed his concerns towards the timely "accusations of Board misconduct."

If one year later this same micro-managing is still quickly distinguishable, it might be time for certain Board of Trustees members to step down and allow the College time to heal and become the renounced institution we once were.

Doesn't it take 10% of the votes cast for an individual Board member to recall that member as defined by the city registrar?

The report delivered by Dr. Johnson also stated "The Board has the ultimate authority and legal responsibility for the financial affairs and general welfare of the college. Therefore, it is impossible to overstate how important it is for Board members to formulate, know, and accept the goals and priorities of the college. If the Board of Trustees actually understands, accepts, and basically supports the goals and key priorities of the institution, they are most probably inclined to move the institution in the desired direction in a dedicated and truly effective way."

This report was totally supported by the Faculty Senate who for some time has not had the best relationship with Dr. Johnson.

In fact, some faculty Senators said, the report delivered was not firm or severe enough.

The question of how long has Cerritos been crumbling seems to boil to the top.

Years and years?

How much control does the Board have? A lot.

How competent do they seem?

No implications of laws ever being broken have every been filed but how far do the rules prepared long since, to ensure the stability of the college have to be bent before they break?

Do we have to lose our accreditation, our funding, our students, our community support, our pride before we realize what's at stake?

Wake up.

The report continues, "It bears repeating that the main functions of the Board of Trustees are to set policy for college, monitor how those policies are carried out, remain informed on all significant aspects of the college's operations, and assure that the president is capable of leading the institution...In this connection, they must provide hiring, evaluation, promotion, and dismissal policies and procedures that remove any and all doubt about politically motivated appointments, nepotism, patronage, and favoritism taking precedence over open searches and appointments. If this is not followed, the college could be plagued by infirmities that could be seriously debilitating, leading to political tension and conflict where it has no real place...the college has a job to do and should not be diverted by political wrangle. The students and ultimately the community will be the beneficiaries of sound Board policies and actions. At stake is nothing short of institutional progress and stability."

Is it any wonder the college has gone deeper and deeper into reclusion?

The school net applications for the position of president last year was only 35 to Long Beach City's 80.

Cerritos has been called an administrative graveyard for some time. Let's hope we're not turned into an academic one as well.

In tennis, it's 'as assigned'

By Nofu Tautolo
TM Sports Editor

"Be tough, be consistent and win!"
Coming off a shaky start in pre-season, the Cerritos College women's tennis team had no choice but to do some studying.
After doing a little homework, they passed their first test as they defeated El Camino 7-2, their toughest opponents in league.
"The Coach from El Camino came up to me and said 'You beat us mentally,'" said Falcon's Coach Terri Button.
Button felt a lack of "self motivation" within the team during the pre-season, so she sent them home with a little assignment to help them become motivated.
Before the match against El Camino, the team had to write "Win" 100 times. The team was down in their first sets, four to two, but later came back to win the match.

The day before the San Diego Tournament, Button sent the team home with another assignment. This time, they wrote "Be tough, be consistent, and win." Four of six players from Cerritos advanced to the finals. The top three seeded doubles teams all advanced to the finals.

Number one seeded doubles team Denise Wilson and Bernadette Mendoza took first place in their flight as the number two seeded team Sandra Camacho and Kathy Taing finished with a strong second place. Ester Gomez and Trini Leon, seeded at number three in the doubles category, came out on top. "It was a Cerritos College final," said Button.

Button sees a lot of improvement within the team. "They lacked self motivation in pre-season and they're making up for it right now by being mentally tough," says Button.

"The freshmen players are playing really good at this moment and the singles players' mental act is really coming along."

Button is quite impressed with the improvement coming from the freshmen players. Among these are Camacho and Gomez.

Despite the minor injuries within the team, Coach Button feels the team is really mentally tough and is prepared for league.

Men netters try hard work

After ending their season with a record of 20-3 and ranking third in the state last year, this year's Cerritos College men's tennis team will need to work extra hard to maintain their status.

The team finished their pre-season with a 3-3 record with no returning players. "These are all first-year players, and they're not as strong as last year's team."

However, they're hard working and what they lack in experience they make up in hard work and team morale," says Falcon Coach Tom Spence.

Within the league, Marymount is predicted to be the team to beat.

"Marymount has three new players from out of the country and they've got a lot of tennis background," says Spence.

Since the team is just getting involved, Coach Spence feels that every match they play is going to be close.

—Nofu Tautolo

Men's basketball heads for next round of playoffs



COURTSIDE CONCENTRATION — Coach Jack Bogdanovich rallies troops for big come-from-behind win over tough Santa Monica
—TM Photo by FAUSTO RAMOS

Women softballers start slow; open conference today hosting Mt. SAC

After a slow beginning to start the year, the Cerritos College Women's Softball team shows some positive signs that it's coming around and should be ready for conference.

The Falcons host Mt. SAC today at 3 p.m. to start South Coast Conference action.
Over the weekend, Cerritos took part in the Huskies Tournament in South Gate. Schools from USC, San Bernardino, East Los Angeles and San Diego City participated in the two-day event.

The Falcons went 2-2 over the weekend but more importantly, some of the pieces to the puzzle are starting to fit.

Cerritos got thirdbaseman Kandice Ernster back from an arm injury and she responded with two

homeruns, including a grand slam and she drove in all five runs during the 5-1 win over Rio Hondo on Saturday.

The offensive came alive all weekend long and the Falcons boast some very lofty batting averages from several key players.

In its debut, USC bested Cerritos 5-2. Next came the Rio Hondo game where the Falcons got excellent pitching from Teresa Negrete who went three solid innings and only gave up one unearned run. Carolyn Cisneros relieved Negrete in the fourth and finished up by not allowing a base runner to cross second base.

Irvine Valley followed and Cerritos handled them easily for a 7-2 victory. The tournament ended for the Falcons when San Bernardino

edged them out 3-2 on Sunday.
The tournament was double elimination.

"It gets frustrating at a time when you know you can win all of your games, but the offensive played very well and the defense is improving every week. The team is shaping up," said Secondbaseman Patty Powers.

—Ben Villa

LA Harbor presses to oust Lady Falcons from playoffs

When two teams play each other more than once in a season, sooner or later one will get the upper hand. And that's exactly what happened Friday night when The Lady Falcons lost to Los Angeles Harbor 70-52 and put an end to Cerrito's season.

The Lady Seahawks came out with a very difficult press to beat and it worked as Cerritos turned the ball over continuously.

The Lady Falcons found a way to keep the score close towards the half 28-24 with not much production coming from sophomore center, Kate Larrabee, only scoring

two points in the first half.
At the start of the second half, Cerritos went straight to Larrabee and eventually took the lead, but not until Harbor started up with their full court press, which left the Lady Falcons at a season-high 42 turnovers for the night.

Cerritos ended up chasing Harbors State Leading scorer, LaTasha Burnett, who put on an awesome display of talent.

Cerrito's leading scorers were Liz Espinoza with 16 points and Iris Ortega with 10 points.

—Fausto Ramos

9-3 baseball back with Long Beach

Cerritos baseball is continuing its winning ways as they take a 9-3 mark into conference.

The Falcons opened at Long Beach City yesterday. Game results were not available at press time. They face LBCC tomorrow at 2 p.m. Cerritos last Feb. 23 was the winner 7-3 in the Casey Stengel Tournament.

On Feb. 26, Cerritos pounded College of the Canyon 14-0 at

home. Jim Reinecker went six innings. Joe Abell and Scott Jones came in relief. The Falcons were beaten 8-1 by the College of the Canyon earlier in the Cerritos/Fullerton Tournament.

In the Casey Stengel Tournament last week, Cerritos won three of the four games. Along with the win over LBCC, they beat Fullerton 4-3 and LA Valley 8-3. Their only loss was to Rancho Santiago at 10-5.

Last week's offensive attack was led by Santos Cortez as he went 8-11 at the plate to raise his average to .480. He also had 13 RBI's which places him second behind catcher Dusty Wathan with 18 RBI's. Wathan is hitting .396.

Leading the way for the pitching staff is Reinecker with a 3-0 mark in 24.7 innings of work. Eddie Sanchez has a 2-1 record with 18.3 innings.

The team's earned run average is 2.69 in 12 games. They have al-

PRACTICE PLUNGES — Swimmers warm up for tomorrow's dual meet opener here against Santa Monica and Citrus. Admission is free.
—TM Photo by EDGARDO AUGILAR

Swimmers open here tomorrow

Today the Cerritos men's and women's swim teams open their season against Santa Monica/Citrus in a duel match.

The men's team is led by Dan Poppin, and Vince Trotter. They will be looking to help an up-and-coming squad that finished just out of the top twenty a year ago to improve.

Poppin will be swimming the breast stroke, butterfly, and individual medley, while Trotter will carry the load in the 100, 200, and 500 yards.

Good things are also expected from a women's team that was ranked 16th a season ago.

Coaches are particularly imp-

ressed with Hilda Salas, and Amanda Amendola.

They will be looked at to help lead the Falcon women back into state competition.

If there is one spot of concern it's the depth on both teams. The men's and women's squads are

carrying one freshman and one sophomore.

Coach Tyne believes the depth problem can be neutralized if the freshmen and sophomores can finish second and third on a consistent basis the rest of the team should do fine.

—Kelly Barth

Cerritos College Sports Schedule

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Mar. 3	Sat.	TBA	TBA	Mar. 10	Thurs.*
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*Conference Meet

Board reviews accreditation report, makes no changes

By Liz Aguilera
TM Executive Editor

The Cerritos College Board of Trustees has met time after time to consider the accreditation of the college.

Initially the Board was charged with meddling in daily activities and micro-management.

A subcommittee for accreditation was formed to find out what is required to bring institutional stability to the college.

While the committee with Dr. Adolph Johnson, Dean of Academic Affairs as chair, met to resolve the accreditation questions the Board was implementing their own changes.

Feb. 16 the Board amended their policies to read that they would not be involved in the interviewing process of dean-level positions as was advised by the accreditation report last spring.

As of Jan. 18, the subcommittee turned in their final recommendation.

Dr. Fred Gaskin, college president was expected to present the final product to the Board of Trustees for approval, but only asked for a review.

The analysis went on to the accreditation team with no amendments by the Board.

The subcommittee was comprised of faculty, students, community representatives, classified, confidential and managers.

Although the report is long and in-depth the basis of it is a lack of unity and cohesiveness, micro-management on the part of the Board and the absence of organizational clarity and consistency at Cerritos College.

"You can't have all four or six wheels of the wagon deciding where they're going. There has to be a wagon master pointing the direction. There can be consensus, and Assembly Bill 1725 encourages that. But, that wagon master takes it in the direction of the decision. You cannot have the wheels going their own ways because the wagon will not either move nor head in the desired direction," one committee member said.

The obvious goal is that the college knows where it is headed.

The accreditation team will visit Cerritos College sometime in April to conclude their report.

The Board publicly noted that it considered the report "too negative" in reference to them.

New library set to open on March 7

By Dennis Pangilinan
TM Staff Writer

Nearly 2 years later and some six million dollars spent, the new Cerritos College Library will open Monday, March 7.

In preparation for the grand opening, the library will be closed March 2-5.

Alternative study areas nearby include the Norwalk Public Library on 12530 E. Imperial Highway, (310) 868-0778 or the Cerritos Public Library on 18600 Bloomfield Ave (310) 924-5776.

Police shifts change from 4 to 5 day weeks

In cooperation with the Air Quality Management District (AQMD), campus police has shifted over from a four day-ten hour week, to a five day-eight hour week.

The change was made in light of the fact that it is more economical for everyone. According to Campus Police Chief, Donald LaGuardia, "by changing from a 4-10 to a 5-8, in effect, you pick up another 40 'man hours' a week, it's like giving you another person."

With the previous schedule, the

department required more people to run it, in addition to the three days on the weekend that had to be filled.

It is a much more efficient, and effective system as well as cost saving.

The new schedule is estimated to save the school almost \$50,000 a year.

"We're saving money for the school — we're able to provide a better service with more 'man hours' available. Like they say on television — it's a win-win," says LaGuardia.

—Jeff Atalla

Paris trip, French classes offered during summer

Au revoir! Cerritos College is going to Paris this summer.

The all inclusive trip to Sorbonne University this July costs \$2990.

Study French while being immersed in the culture. Trip includes air fare, classes, books,

food, housing, and several excursions.

Financial Aid is available and no experience in French is required.

Interested? Call Professor Roland Belluge at (310) 860-2451 Ext. 2827.

—Monique Rivera

Multicultural looking for volunteers

Cerritos College Multicultural Studies Program is looking for volunteers to help with the High School Senior Conference "The Future— Take up Time do it Right".

The conference will be held on Friday, March 18. The schedule

will be 8:30-8:45 a.m. Registration, 8:45 -9:45 a.m. Welcome Orientation, 10:10:35 a.m., College Prep Workshop 1, 10:40-11:15 a.m., College Prep Workshop 2, 11:25-11:50 a.m., Cultural Awareness Workshop 1, 11:55a.m.-12:30 p.m. Cultural Awareness Workshop II, 12:30-

1:45 p.m., Lunch-University Fair-D.J.

If you are interested don't hesitate to call or stop by the multicultural Studies Office between 9a.m.-1p.m. Tuesday-Friday or contact Julian White at (310) 860-2451 Ex 2487.

—Cynthia Robles

College, community, high school musicians on tap

The month of March holds great expectations for the Cerritos College Music Department.

The Music Department has scheduled three concerts in an attempt to increase its visible presence in the surrounding communities.

The concerts are also a tool in recruiting high school students to the college.

This will be the first in many years that the Orchestra, Concert Band and Jazz Band have performed together in a single semester.

The month starts with the ABC Unified School District Orchestra performing with the College Orchestra on Wednesday, March 9,

The district Orchestra will be directed by Anne Sampson and will feature 90 students in grades 6-12.

The Norwalk High School Concert Band will be sharing the stage with the College Concert Band on Thursday, March 17. The high school's band will be directed by Tom Phillips.

Both concerts are free and begin at 7:30p.m. in the Burnight Center Theater.

On Saturday, March 26, the Music Department will be co-sponsoring a Jazz Festival with La Mirada High School.

The Jazz Festival will be presenting 25-30 High School and Junior High Bands from all over southern California. The Festival is from 8:00a.m. to 6:00p.m. and is

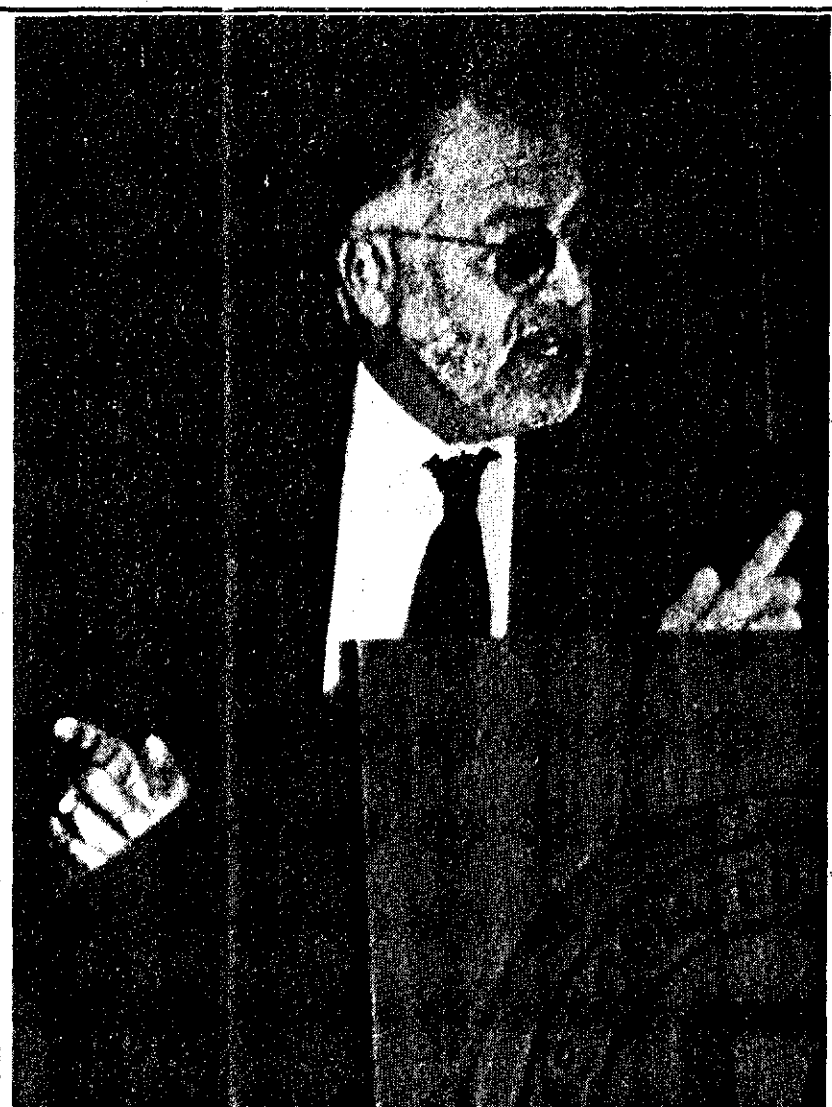
free to the general public.

At 6:30p.m., the Cerritos College Jazz Ensemble will be in concert with Jack Sheldon and the Frank Collett Trio. The one hour show will have limited seating at \$6 a ticket. Contact the Burnight Center Theater for more information.

Dr. Richard Spitz, the director of all three of Cerritos College bands, said, "This is a very exciting! This is a building program — we are starting relationships with surrounding schools."

Dr. Spitz said that although this is a big undertaking, he has had a lot of help from the school. "Without their co-operation, this wouldn't have happened."

—Christine Copp



VP Dr. 'Z' speaks to ASCC Senate — TM Photo by EDGAR AGUILAR

Gaskin, Zasueta share ideas with ASCC Senate

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plans for Cerritos College. Improvement of the Financial Aid program and an International Education program are major goals according to Gaskin.

"At Cerritos College about 15% of the student population is receiving financial aid. And

approximately 60% of the students are eligible," said Gaskin.

The problem apparently is that students don't understand how to successfully apply.

We have a good financial aid program, he told the Senate, but we can pattern our program like schools outside of California. Gaskin said the potential is being worked on.

The International Education program will connect Cerritos College with local Universities, the first being Cal State Dominguez.

This program will allow students to take Cal State Dominguez classes here at Cerritos College.

"We are trying to match class needs with the needs of students," stated Gaskin, reflecting the same

objectives as Dr. Serafin Zasueta, Vice President of Academic Affairs, who discussed instruction and accreditation with the Senate on Feb. 23.

The theme at the Academic Affairs office is "Excellence on the Move to Teaching and Learning," commented Zasueta.

Zasueta is also concerned with the matriculation. He wants to make sure that Cerritos College has the up-to-date technology to meet student needs.

Zasueta has stressed the need to stay focused on the "customers" of Cerritos Colleges.

"Last week I challenged the Board with the concept that the students of Cerritos College are not their customers, their constituents are," explained Zasueta; "Coincidentally some of the constituents are students."

Rodolfo Ramirez, Senator representing M.E.C.H.A., asked what advice Zasueta could give to rising Latinos.

Zasueta replied, "If you want to master something, it takes a lot of hours and continuous improvement."

Low matriculation rate to be studied

Out of 20,000 students here at Cerritos, only 5% transfer beyond to higher education, report officials.

Of those 20,000 a large majority come in to Cerritos with full intentions to transfer.

The program designed to deal with this subject, and other student related matters is the Matriculation Counseling Center.

Matriculation is basically a student success program which began

in California in 1987 as an assembly bill.

According to Counselor of Matriculation, Joyce Ricci, "Assembly people realized that we were spending too much money. A lot of people came to the community colleges and they were in a revolving door. They came in, went out, and didn't really get anything."

Matriculation was developed to stop this revolving door by offering assistance to students.

It is a process designed to help students in planning, choosing, and attaining educational goals through the college's programs policies, and requirements.

"It means that all new students need to receive certain services that we give them in an effort to select and achieve an educational goal," says Ricci.

Matriculation consists of admissions, orientation, assessment, counseling, coordination and train-

ing, research and development, and follow-up.

With the exception of incoming transfer students, all who attend Cerritos have participated in some part of Matriculation.

Some more than others, which may account for the low percentage of transfers.

It has been concluded through research that students who go through these steps are more successful than those who don't.

Every community college has programs like Cerritos and must be reviewed by the Chancellors office to maintain a high degree of productivity.

On Tuesday, March 22 through Friday, March 25, it is Cerritos College's turn to be reviewed.

The Chancellors office will have a team of seven representatives from other colleges as well as the office itself.

They will have scheduled inter-

views with over 60 of Cerritos College's leaders, instructors, and committee heads to discuss matriculation and its effectiveness on our campus.

Ricci is looking for students from ESL, new students, continuing students, those in basic skills courses, and evening students to also be interviewed.

"It is not a quiz on how much you know about Matriculation, but how are these services working for the campus. It is a technical assistance review mainly to help us. If there are areas in our program that aren't working very well, they'll point them out and make recommendations," stated Ricci.

On Friday, March 23, from 11:30-12:30 will be the committee's presentation, where they will read their report in the Board Room.

Any students interested in being interviewed are asked to contact Joyce Ricci at ext. 2136 or go to office B in the counseling center.

—Jeff Atalla

Peer Power conference hosts 20 schools Friday

By Liz Aguilera
TM Executive Editor

Some 300 participants from 20 different high schools and community agencies will be on hand Friday for Cerritos College's 3rd Annual Peer Power Conference.

This event is being sponsored by the Associated Students of Cerritos college and Cerritos college School Relations/Counseling.

Opening the program will be Motivational Speaker and Comedian Broderick Rice with "You can Do It."

"He is really powerful, in the tradition of the Black Minister," said Dr. Steven Helfgot,

Coordinator of School Relations.

There will be five workshops happening concurrently twice during the conference.

They will deal with: Sex and sexuality, AIDS and sexually transmitted diseases, Substance Abuse, Family Dynamics and Diversity.

Closing the day will be Danc'n E.T.C., a music/dance team from Orange Coast College.

"Entertainment with a message," said Helfgot.

The conference begins at 9 a.m. and concludes at 2 p.m.

Event cost is \$20 a person which includes continental breakfast, lunch and a T-shirt.

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The following is a sample listing of 1994 Summer Sessions courses (subject to change):

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ART 387	Painting (3)	DESN 121	Two-Dimensional Design (3)	THEA 122	Appreciation Theatre Arts (3)
		MUS 180	Exploring Music (3)		