

EDITOR'S NOTE: Here is a campaign summary statement of each of the three ASCC presidential candidates. (See story...ads inside.)

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We will continue the quality and excellence of the ASCC, based on our several semesters' experience as very active members of student government.

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BARBERA
Reyes



BALLARD
Mota



FERES
Aguilera

Slates hope to avoid a run-off in ASCC hot presidential race

By Debra England
TM Features Editor

The weather forecast for this week may be hot, but the ASCC Presidential race today and tomorrow is expected to be hotter. A close three-way contest will likely push the decision into a run-off.

A simple majority of votes cast would win the election the first time around, but most observers don't see this happening.

The three slates include a woman and a man, a man and a woman, and two women.

The first to petition for candidacy was Jackie Barbera and running mate Al Reyes, followed by the teams of Christopher Ballard and Ana Mota, and Paula Feres and Elizabeth Aguilera.

Candidate Robert Ramirez of MEChA, dropped from the race last week, but has announced his personal endorsement of Barbera and Reyes.

As they fight for the top spot in the ASCC, each presidential team is offering platforms to improve the Cerritos College campus and service to its student body.

Barbera, ICC Commissioner and Senate Secretary, and Reyes, Commissioner of Extended Days, feel that each issue they're covering is no more important than the other.

"One thing we really have to keep a perspective with is priorities," they said.

Barbera and Reyes plan to deal with issues such as the important tuition struggle and Financial Aid.

With tuition, they have recently met with Assemblyman Bob Epple to lobby against the possible increase.

"We want to provide our students with a quality service program—Financial Aid availability for all our students."

One at a time is the plan for the handling of issues if they are elected. "We'll handle them individually, so we can get them accomplished... we want to prioritize and not set one thing ahead of another, but we want to do the one thing that is most beneficial to the students; one that we can start now, then keep going."

They also want to keep a "purpose and a perspective and keep a level head with each challenge that comes to us."

Barbera and Reyes feel that the personal endorsement made by former candidate Ramirez is "something that's fine, and we appreciate it. It's not on behalf of MEChA, but a personal support made by Ramirez himself."

Ballard, a former senator and member of the speech team, and Mota, senator and president of Puente Club, pledge changes with job placement, financial aid, the Learning Assistance Program, and tuition.

They plan to grasp each issue by "Looking at all perspectives, becoming team players, and working on it the best we can," they said.

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CCA, AFT union bid crushed by no-rep vote

By Jeff Atalla
TM News Editor

Faculty will not go union, according to the results of the Thursday, April 14 PERB (Public Employment Relations Board) election.

Out of 228 faculty members nearly 200 voted and the majority chose to continue with the current "meet and confer" process.

The CFT/AFT (Cerritos College Federation of Teachers) carried 22 votes, the CCA/CTA (Cerritos College Faculty Association) got 50 votes, and the "No Representation" ballot carried 124 votes.

Cerritos College President Fred Gaskin stated, "I'm pleased the faculty had the opportunity to make a decision to continue the 'meet and confer' process or go to collective bargaining. They've chosen to stay with 'meet and confer' which has worked very well."

With an almost 2-1 outcome, it

appears the majority would rather continue with current procedures and avoid any drastic changes.

"We learned a lot of people's concerns. We have to address this faculty and the issues. We have a history as a united and happy faculty and I believe we will return to that and solve problems in the coming year," said Hugh Wilkoff, Faculty Senate Chair for Business/Para-legal.

Cerritos College is in the minority as a non-union faculty college.

The results proved that the Cerritos faculty would rather stay in that minority than follow the majority just because not everything works out the way they want it to.

Wilkoff stressed, "we're not looking at the rest of the state, we're looking at what's best for the students."

Henderson sings title in Gala one-act; other profs perform

By Christy Botero
TM Staff Writer

Cerritos College Music Professor Scott Henderson, is singing the title role in Puccini's one act comic opera, Gianni Schicchi, as part of the 9th Annual Music Faculty Gala, scheduled for Saturday, April 23 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 24 at 2:30 p.m. in the Burnight Center Theatre.

Rhonda Dillon will sing the role of the daughter which includes one of the definitive soprano arias in opera.

Other faculty participants include Christine Lopez, piano; Richard Spitz, trombone; David Englert,

piano; and Peter Kraus, guitar. The department boasts some of the Southland's finest professional musicians. All proceeds from ticket sales will support future concerts, instrument and equipment purchases and ongoing music programs at Cerritos College.

Included on the bill of fare are Puccini's one act comic opera, Gianni Schicchi, and various instrumental performances of Jazz, Contemporary and Classical music.

Ticket prices are \$8 for adults and \$4 for seniors/children/students I.D. required.

Groups of 10 or more are encouraged to call for extra discounts.



Frogs jump at Hoe Down Days

A 99-inch three-jump took top honors among frogs... GLBC's Rhonda Young, upper right, was the big winner. See story Page 7.

— TM Photos by EDGARD AGUILAR



• **DROP DATE**
Drop it by this Friday, April 22, or you will get the grade you're getting....

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• **SUMMER SCHOOL**
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Business prof Gene Blackmun knows whereof he teaches business — P2

Don't tread on us too much—we're watching, with the help of others...

It's not easy when your mocked, laughed at, have personal things taken away and sit there and bite your lip. It's about time we tell it like it is.

For example, just what exactly constitutes "experience." In Saturday's edition of the Long Beach Press Telegram, an article reported the staff's anger at the thefts of the Talon Marks paper by some claiming to be members of M.E.Ch.A.

They didn't want the public to know about the intimidating pressure tactics they were using to get their "demands."

Organization co-adviser Sally Morales-Havice said Talon Marks journalists are not experienced enough to know not to publish the article that ran on April 8, — an article, incidentally, that was taken directly from the list of "demands" presented to college officials.

That takes experience — especially since we had to ferret it out when it was denied that it even existed.

Is she or anybody else on campus here until one in the morning putting a paper together for the students and by the students.

When has she ever dropped by. We're in AC 42. We don't hide there. We're open to the public.

And what about Dr. Serafin Zasuefa and President Fred Gaskin's comments in Saturday's edition. They were totally uncalled for. There is a controversy here.

This campus is not utopia. It's time to face the music. No, it's time to be honest with the public. Open your eyes.

We're not out to get anybody. We just want the truth and that's all we tell. No falsehoods, no innuendos or lies, no matter what other people might say.

No problems, no hassles—just the facts and the truth, or at least the information you give us.

...Too many witnesses reported seeing M.E.Ch.A. taking stacks of papers which had over \$800 in ads — and cost \$700 to reprint. Expect a bill. Don't take the people's papers. You would be denying the rights of the people that you yourself are fighting for.

WRITTEN FOR THE EDITORIAL BOARD BY BEN VILLA

MARLA MISC/marla amendola If you demand to be treated differently — you will be....

We support the original intent of the Multicultural Studies Program.

We have some problems with the concept of "political correctness," the attempt to direct people's attitudes by issuing gag orders, imposing prior restraint, and by not allowing others to give voice to them, deluding ourselves into believing that difficult issues don't exist.

On the Cerritos campus, Multicultural Studies, and some groups have perverted their mandate. They have been arrogant and divisive, polarizing students into counter-productive rivalries.

It's a shame that the same set of students who were largely color blind five years ago are now sounding like bitter separatists.

M.E.Ch.A. has been guilty of this type of divisiveness.

They circumvented the normal chain of authority to present a list of demands to the president and vice-president.

They tried to "steamroll" their demands into fruition without the heat of public scrutiny.

When the demands were made known, Talon Marks wrote about it.

Our reporter quoted directly from their list and although she tried to get a comment from M.E.Ch.A., they were unwilling to cooperate.

They were unhappy with the article and suddenly were available, demanding to see the reporter who wrote the piece.

This time they showed up in a group and behaved in an aggressive and intimidating manner. They called the Talon Marks Staff racists (if you were white) and a sell-out (if you were Hispanic) in addition to making gratuitous insults about the Talon Marks advisor.

We think it is time for M.E.Ch.A. to stop screaming racism every time someone doesn't agree with them.

To call any Hispanic who doesn't agree with their outrageous demands for preferential treatment a sell-out is a cowardly and easy cop-out.

M.E.Ch.A. may have gotten negative feedback because these ideas are essentially unworthy and offensive.

It is self-serving and presumptuous to make such a list of demands when budget constraints are costing us all a loss of class options and the accompanying deterioration, obsolescence or outright lack of modern equipment is jeopardizing the transferability of technical and scientific classes.

Some advisers and officials are part of the problem. They support the vociferous minority and they discount those who disagree as having no purpose. They make excuses by labeling their presumption as "a search for identity."

Well, who, pursuing higher education isn't seeking identity? And, why should some think they should be allowed to rape the public resources to do so.

It's been said that we have lots of leaders but little leadership, that we are bankrupt of people willing to stand up and categorically state that, "No, this is unacceptable."

President Gaskin and Vice-President Zasuefa should have refused to dignify this list of demands with a hearing.

These are intelligent, well-paid public servants. Their (our) time is too valuable to be squandered on such a frivolous exercise of brattiness.

Beware the self-styled messiahs with delusions of becoming folk heroes, stepping forward, claiming to represent you. Everyone should speak but the Hispanics who disagree with M.E.Ch.A. must speak.

The saddest thing is that when this incident is talked about the conversation evolves from M.E.Ch.A. to all Hispanics, to all minorities. People cite specific incidences where the boundaries were changed, the standards lowered, the deadlines extended or the rules softened for some member of a minority, angrily citing also rationale from instructors such as, "Well, they didn't have your advantages."

We cannot allow whole portions of our student population to be perceived as not earning their certificates or their degrees.

These policies hurt everyone, but mostly the minorities.

These policies hurt the credibility of the institution.

These policies are the perversions of the Cultural Diversity mandates.

Political Correctness has silenced us for too long. The wish to enrich us all in our diversity has sent us careening into the destructive path of hatred.

The public may appreciate the ideal of Multiculturalism, but, as taxpayers, they think our mandate is education, with high standards, evenly applied.

If you demand to be treated differently — you will be.

WHAT TEACHING'S ALL ABOUT Professor Gene Blackmun tells it as he see's it...

It's an overcast day. Gene Blackmun walks through the door in SS 312.

He wishes everybody a good morning and asks if anybody has any current events.

"The Olympics are over," one student replies.

"I'm glad those darn things are over. They don't do it for their country — they do it for themselves," Mr. Blackmun replies.

He goes on with the lecture, not skipping a beat. At one point of the class he sits down with the rest of his students in the aisles and asks if anybody minds. No one does. He seems rather to enjoy it. "I like being down here with you guys. It's kind of fun."

The class is fundamentals of business, international business or marketing. It doesn't seem to matter. They're all kind of alike.

He's talking about his family now, about his oldest son who works at Nordstrom. "He's tired of going to school. He wants to be married now. He's doing quite well. I'm telling you girls. One of you should snap him up," he chuckles.

This is not your usual banter from a college professor.

Then again, Gene Blackmun is anything but usual.

He went to Long Beach City College, graduated from BYU, started his own business, "The Little Home Shop," ran it successfully for over 20 years, then tried to kill it. During that time, he also got married, raised three children, sent two of them to BYU, watched one of them graduate. The other still is attending, and his youngest is in high school.

"We don't want the business anymore. I'm tired. My dad's tired. My dad wanted to be the next J.C. Penney's. Then he found out that one shop was good enough. We closed the doors, took the ads out of the yellow pages and people still call us telling that they want some drapes installed and asking if we can do it. There's only three Blackmun's in the phone book — me, my father and my brother; that's how they still find us."

His time is filled with teaching. He thoroughly enjoys all his classes from sales to advertising—you can see it on his face.



PROFESSOR GENE BLACKMUN

Faculty Newsmaker Award he received several years back from the College Press Club. If you ever talk to him about it, you might notice the smile getting bigger and bigger as the conversation gets longer and longer.

"I learn from the students. They keep me young. While other people work in places where the personnel get older, I work in an environment where the age never changes."

It's nearing 10:30 and class is almost over. People are starting to get restless and some are packing up until his voice begins to rise when he talks about some of the politics here on campus. He doesn't like them and wouldn't consider taking any other job than his own, even when they have been offered.

A former Faculty senator, he's chaired several important committees and served on others.

He's free to speak up when he believes something is wrong and has done so. "They can't get rid of me. I have tenure. What I tell my students and what I have told some members of the Board of Trustees is that if you don't want something done, then form a committee. It's true. Nothing happens in them. To me when somebody does that, it's a cop out. They're afraid to take charge."

He's like a student because he has their mind set. I guess that's why they respond to him and why they keep coming back.

His classes are continually filled semester after semester. The desire still burns within him to teach. He's home grown, raised here, and probably will retire here.

Blackmun is a permanent fixture on this campus, or at least the business department. He was invited to speak at the ASCC Student Leadership Conference held in January. When he spoke, the audience listened.

He's left his mark on the students he's taught. Ask any of them as they leave — they'll tell you.

They'll probably say his class is different — not like anyone they've taken before. Did they leave with something they didn't know before? Yes, they learned about business and something extra about life.

Isn't that what teaching is all about?

—BEN VILLA

During class, it appears at times that he veers from the subject he's teaching with a story about his life. It could be about old cars, or his hobby in photography.

The stories usually last five minutes. Some of the class looks confused until he gets to the part which directly involves something in class. It always does and it probably always will.

Once you've had him for two or three classes, nothing seems to surprise you anymore.

He starts reminiscing about the Lemonade stand he started when he was young growing up in Sacramento, relating it to competition and supply vs. demand. Next he speaks about the time he spent in Brazil doing missionary work for three years and tells us, "You better know the culture. You have to know what you're getting into or else."

What Gene Blackmun brings to the classroom is experience. Students get a first rate education from someone who knows what he's talking about. He's done it all and still could if he wanted to.

If you have a question about price location and start-up cost, he'll answer them for you. "I know other ways to make money besides teaching. What I try to bring to the classroom is nearly 30 years of business know-how. If you want to know how to start a business and what it takes, I can help you because I've already done it."

One of his greatest joys is when one of his former students comes back and has made something of his life. "Nothing would please me more if one of my students would come back and take my job."

In fact, if you ever go into his office in the basement of the Social Science building, you'll notice the

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With job placement, Ballard and Mota plan to meet with the job placement director and "get more students involved with job placement... encourage them to be involved at (the upcoming) Career Expo."

They also plan to meet with Dr. Phil Rodriguez of Financial Aid to rectify the problem of long lines for those students who are in need of Financial Aid. They want to see how they, if elected, can help resolve this.

With the Learning Assistance Program, Ballard and Mota want to get funds for the "vital program, since it is one of the programs mostly used by students," they said.

As well as the other teams, Ballard and Mota want to fight a possible tuition increase. They plan to meet with Assemblywoman Grace Napolitano who will give them a "status on the tuition process, how we can represent the students. If the tuition keeps going up, students won't be able to afford college and therefore drop out."

"We want to do whatever we can to keep a steady level and keep it from skyrocketing," they said.

The team of Feres, Commissioner of Public Relations and former editor in chief last fall,

and Aguilera, former senator and executive editor, plan to tackle such issues as Student Equity, fee hike fights, a renovation of the Student Center, a "student-friendly" Campus Police, and a computer info-structure for all students.

Yet they feel their most important issue to overcome is student housing.

"It's definitely needed," they said. "It will be needed in the near future as more and more students are being pushed into community colleges due to the budget crunch and financial burdens."

Feres and Aguilera see each issue as they are—important. They said, "It just has to do with timeliness. It's important to get it all rolling at the same time."

"They all need attention at the same time to get them completed by the end of our term—because that's what we're shooting for."

About the fee hikes, Feres and Aguilera are outraged. "It's too much," they said. "We're going to meet with (Governor) Pete Wilson himself because we are a community college and not a university, so we shouldn't have to pay for higher tuition."

Feres and Aguilera plan to handle all the issues that come to them "with an open mind."

"We'll take information, ideas, and recommendations from all points with the students and administrators."

"We want to be headstrong."

Campaigning continues today and tomorrow, with elections Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and then again from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Locations on hand are at the Social Science quad, the Health Science quad, and the Student Center.

Ballot tabulation is April 21. Results will be announced Thursday night.

A run-off would be held the following Wednesday and Thursday.

Workshop right on on writing

If your grade in English 1 seriously needs a facelift before finals, take advantage of the two remaining learning skills workshops available for the month of April.

Workshops such as the "Writing Essay Exams" on Tuesday, April 19, 6-7 p.m. and "Memory" on Thursday, April 28, 6-7 p.m. are available monthly as part of the Learning Assistance Program (LAP) sponsored by Cerritos College.

Collaborative study skills groups are also available every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. which feature such groups as "Identifying your learning style," time management, and interactive video groups.

Under the LAP, students may

take advantage of open lab facilities in the writing center and ESL writing labs in room LC-207.

Stress management groups meet every Thursday 2-3 p.m. in AC-52.

For LAP scholarship information, students may enter in a \$100 "Glenn Butler Scholarship" by picking applications up in SB-22.

Deadline for the application is this Wednesday, April 20. Qualifications include active participation in at least one of the five LAP components: tutorial services, learning skills workshops, open lab facilities, supplemental instruction, and the Survey of Reading and Study Efficiency. A minimum of six units at Cerritos College is also mandatory.

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Christopher Ballard-

- Associated with Cerritos for 9 years
- 3.3 G.P.A
- Student Senator
- Night student enrolled in 18 units
- Talon Marks Staffmember
- Forensics (speech) team member
- Food court committee

Ana Luisa Mota-

- Student Senator
- Day student enrolled in 15 units
- President of Puente Club
- Member AGS Honor Society
- Peer Counselor for the Learning Assistance Program

Tuition Learning Assistance
Financial Aid Job Placement

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Paula Feres ASCC President

- Commissioner of Public Relations
- President Astronomy Club
- Member AGS (Honor Society)
- Editor-in-Chief *Talon Marks* Fall '93
- Editor-in-Chief *Wings* Spring '93
- President Beta Phi Gamma Fall '93
- 3.7 GPA
- Journalism Major/English

Elizabeth Aguilera ASCC VP

- Executive Editor *Talon Marks*
- Member AGS (Honor Society)
- Vice-President Beta Phi Gamma
- Student Senator Fall '93
- Falcon Swim Team member Spring '93
- Member Anthropology Club Spring '93
- 3.4 GPA
- Political Science Major/Journalism

Just some of what to expect from us

- Create and support the building of Student Housing
- Enforce Student Equity
- Fight for no additional fee hikes
- Renovation of Student Center
- Support development for a Food Court
- Develop an easily accessible Computer Info-Structure

Ramirez challenges Talon Marks

DEAR EDITOR-IN-CHIEF:

Last week's libelous attack on M.E.Ch.A. that was orchestrated by Elizabeth Aguilera and Paula Feres to discredit my candidacy for ASCC President and the organization that's supporting me isn't worth the paper

that it's printed on. The article was filled with half-truths, innuendos, and bold-faced lies. Also, I believe that it was unethical and a conflict-of-interest to allow Elizabeth Aguilera and Paula Feres to write such an article since they are running against me.

As a result of this negative publicity, my running mate-Daksha Kurani-became terrified of the imminent assaults on our campaign and our characters by the press should we have decided to continue our campaign for the Presidency, Daksha was so frightened that when

she was talking, her hands were shaking and her voice was quivering. She told me that she no longer wanted to participate in the upcoming Presidential elections because

she doesn't want to be a part of the dirty politics that taints most Presidential elections. Because of her untimely withdrawal and the inability to find suitable replacement, I am forced to withdraw from the Presidential Race.

I would like to clarify some additional points before I close this letter. I am not creating a Senate Ethics Committee. I am thinking of forming a Student Shared Governance Committee-composed of Senators, the ASCC President, and with the Faculty Senate Liaison-who will have the authority to write recommendations regarding college policies and procedures that

student would like to be added, taken away, or changed. If students want additional ethnic studies

courses, than this committee will write recommendations to the college to create additional ethnic studies courses. If students want the Health and Wellness Center to be located by the gym and swimming pool, then this committee will write recommendations to the college to approve this site. Ethnic Studies was never a major issue in our campaign.

On Wednesday, April 23, at the ASCC Senate meeting on 2 pm, I will publicly endorse one of the other Presidential Candidates for next week's election. You can be positive that Paula Feres won't be one of them.

ROBERT F. RAMIREZ

Talon Marks challenges Ramirez

EDITORS NOTE:

Let's clarify some things. Mr. Ramirez, you say that the article that was run on April 6 was filled with half truths, innuendos and bold faced lies.

All the article did was quote directly from a copy of the list of "demands"—you're talking about the source itself! The article did not even mention you.

Under no circumstances would we deliberately print anything that even resembled half truths or bold faced lies.

All our reporters take pride in their work and would never take just one side in a

story. It would violate everything we stand for.

Personally, I would not stand for it. Everything run in the article was the truth and we have the evidence to prove it.

As for the reasons you decided to drop out, I'm sorry that your running mate, Daksha Kurani, decided to drop out, but to blame it on assaults

made by the press on your character is totally absurd.

We treated each candidate fairly and at no time did we attack anyone for any reason. All interviews and sessions were conducted in the most

dignified manner. If not, I would hope that you, sir, would personally come and tell me.

As for any of your further endeavors here at Cerritos College, I wish you the best of luck.

Anytime you wish to speak to me about such affairs, I would be more than happy to sit down and talk to you about them.

I can be reached Monday through Friday in AC 42 from 11 a.m. till 5 p.m., or call Ext. 2618.

BEN VILLA
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Ballard challenges Barbera, Reyes

DEAR MR. VILLA

Ana and I are taking the time to write to you because we are deeply concerned for the students. That concern has stemmed from our decision to run for the highest held student offices on campus.

When we decided to run we realized that time and brain power would be tested and that our ideas deeply effected the student body. We also surmised that with the current campus issues such as the WASC evaluation, tuition increases, and shared governance, addressing of these issues would be a long and arduous task.

Along with those, and the many other issues that will come up throughout the next presidential term, the presidential office holders should always exemplify veracity.

Veracity, we feel, is the most important quality an office holder should possess. If the students are unable to trust the presidential office holders, then in our opinion that will be the beginning of the end for our first class Cerritos College student activities.

We know and now want the students to know that veracity is not a quality of our colleagues. Ms. Jackie Barbera and Mr. Al Reyes obviously do not agree with us on these issues because their platform is being blatantly fabricated and intended to mislead the students.

The following are clear cut examples of Ms. Jackie Barbera's and Mr. Al Reyes's exaggerated claims.

During the presidential forum Ms. Jackie Barbera and Mr. Al Reyes announced their platform. It consists of (1) keeping tuition at the amount it is now, (2) improving Job Placement, (3) improving Financial Aid and finally, (4) Implementing a food court.

Since the forum they have spoken to a numerous amount of classes, two of which Ana was in attendance. During those visitations, Ms. Jackie Barbera and Mr. Al Reyes chose to expand on their announced platform.

When they spoke on (1) keeping tuition at the prices they are at

now, they also added that they spoke with local legislation on keeping those prices affordable. When asked by a student who was the local legislature, they had no answer. They had no answer because they failed to meet with local legislation.

Ana and I have had numerous encounters with Assemblywoman Grace Napolitano and she seems unable to remember who Ms. Jackie Barbera and Mr. Al Reyes are, needless to say, never meeting with them.

When they spoke on (2) improving Job Placement, they said that they have met with the coordinator of Job Placement and are giving the students this year's job fair because of their efforts. During one of the meetings Ana and I had with Stephanie Rodriguez, coordinator of Job Placement, we asked her what Ms. Jackie Barbera and Mr. Al Reyes spoke to her about?

What did they do to 'give' the students the job fair? Mrs. Rodriguez was shocked and appalled that presidential candidates would lie about such issues.

Mrs. Rodriguez not only did not know who Ms. Jackie Barbera and Mr. Al Reyes were, but she also had very little student help on the job fair project. She added Ms. Jackie Barbera and Mr. Al Reyes were not around to provide any help.

When speaking on (3) improving Financial Aid, Ms. Jackie Barbera and Mr. Al Reyes said that they will make financial aid more accessible to all students, and continued to say that they had also met with the director of the program.

When we scheduled our meeting with Dr. Rodriguez, director of financial aid, we asked him what did Ms. Jackie Barbera and Mr. Al Reyes want to do to improve the Financial Aid program, and how are they going to make it more accessible?

He like the other people we spoke with, did not know who they were, and did not meet with them.

So far as improving accessibility, financial aid is accessible to all students who qualify anyway.

Ana and I want to reduce the line sizes, a task that is at least reachable.

Finally, when Ms. Jackie Barbera and Mr. Al Reyes spoke on (4) implementing the food court, they said that if they were not elected the food court would not be a part of the Cerritos College campus.

They went on to say that they have been working on the food court idea for a while now.

The food court idea started over six years ago, and until the announcement of the idea again a year and a half ago the only real student involvement has been given by the current ASCC president.

The rest of the involvement by students will be added with the implementation of a food court committee.

When I asked Donna Jones if the food court implementation would make a difference if a certain party became elected, she said that the district has given its approval and no matter who is president, she would still need the student's support, but there would not be a difference made on the implementation.

So what does this say about Ms. Jackie Barbera and Mr. Al Reyes? We will let the public decide and we will let the court justices decide for themselves what is truth and what is fantasy.

But what we will say is this, at any time that Ms. Jackie Barbera and Mr. Al Reyes want to challenge us to an open forum to discuss these issues, we will be there, along with Dr. Rodriguez, Mrs. Rodriguez and the witnesses and tapes we have made of their public speeches.

Yours truly,

Christopher Neil Ballard
ASCC Presidential Candidate

Ana Luisa Mota
ASCC Vice-presidential candidate

cc: Ms. Liz Aguilera, Ms. Jackie Barbera, Ms. Paula Feres, Dr. Fred Gaskin, Mr. Phil Houseman, Ms. Donna Jones, Mr. C.T. Nelson, Mr. Al Reyes, Dr. Phil Rodriguez, Mrs. Stephanie Rodriguez, Mr. Rod Smead, Mrs. Ada Stecnhock

...And Feres joins in the challenge

Dear Editor,

In reference to the letter sent by presidential candidates, Christopher Ballard and Ana Mota, regarding presidential candidates Jackie Bar-

bera and Al Reyes concerning their platform, I would like to express my own opinion.

It is of great concern to me and my running mate, Elizabeth

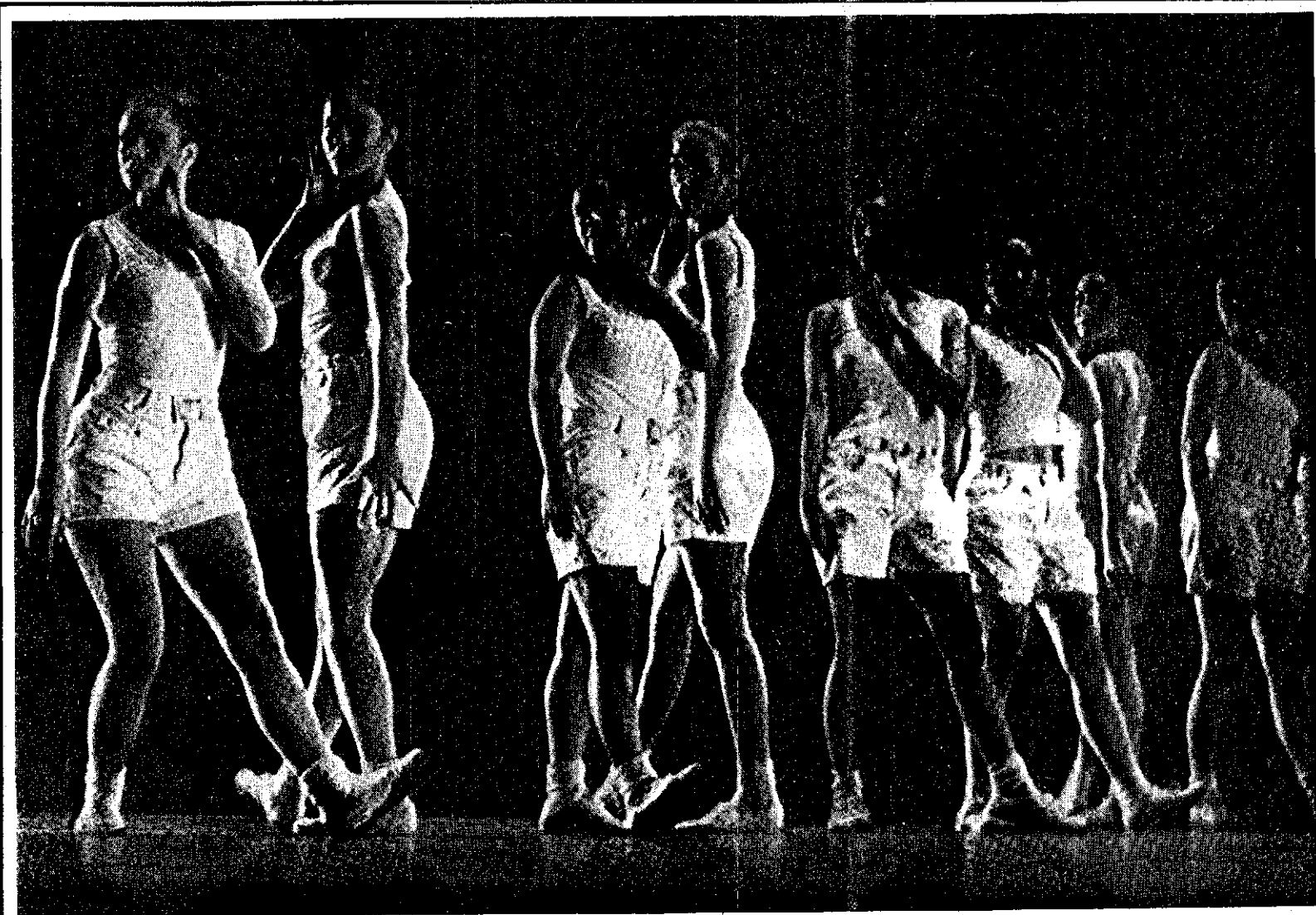
Aguilera, that such undocumented statements made by the Barbera campaign are behind such a highly visible campaign effort.

It is in our belief that we have an obligation to the students here at Cerritos College not to participate in that particular aspect of their political double dealing. We remain firm and busy with our own

platform, as does the Ballard-Mota slate.

In conclusion, we must not forget that we are all students and that we are here to learn. Anything beyond supportive learning is conducive to the deterioration of this institution for higher learning.

Sincerely,
Paula Feres, Liz Aguilera
#3 Presidential Candidates



Dancers practice routine for big performance — TM Photo by EDGARD AGUILAR

Spring Dance Program features over 40 students, faculty; several styles shown

By Christy Botero
TM Staff Writer

Over 40 students and faculty participated in the Spring Dance Program which ran from April 14-16 in the Burnight Theatre.

Try-outs were Feb. 1 and 2 where some 50 students, from beginning to advanced classes, were selected to participate in this semester's performance.

Many different styles of dancing from modern to ballet and ballroom were presented by student and faculty choreographers.

Usually the Spring Concert is reserved for faculty presentation only, but some of the students were

asked to choreograph certain numbers.

Among these students were Evangelista Estrada, Roger Garcia, and Marina Ortega.

There were 13 numbers, each different in every aspect from lighting and costumes, to music and tempo, to the message behind each dance.

Some pieces were easier to follow than others. One student said, "The issues that society is dealing with now were grasped in an artistic manner through the dances."

The issue of rape was shown in one piece entitled, "Walking and Falling: Recovering From Rape."

The sequence included a poem dividing the piece into 5 sections

explaining what each section was referring to.

Georgia Well, a dance teacher said, "The Faculty was very pleased with the performances. A lot of students participated and the audience responded with enthusiasm. There was a wide range of dances: a ballet on point, a Middle-Eastern piece, serious dances, and some fun Hip-Hop. Overall the show was eclectic and I got to see performers grow, which was fun. The pay-off for me as a teacher is to see your students grow as performers and achieve stronger techniques and performances."

Program to honor College Foundation top scholars May 10

Top Cerritos scholars will be honored at the Cerritos College Foundation Academic Excellence Awards program in the Burnight Center Theatre on Tuesday, May 10 at 7 p.m.

The awards are based solely on academic excellence. Faculty members nominate students from a list of those meeting the criteria which include number of units completed and a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

Recipients will be escorted to the ceremony by their nominating faculty member. The formal ceremony is to be followed by a reception in the Boardroom for recipients and their families, faculty and staff.

—DAVE CARPENTER

Gaskin to speak at May 15 graduation; ceremony at 5 p.m.

By Kelly Barth
TM Asst. Managing Editor

Cerritos College students who have earned their degrees will graduate on Sunday, May 15.

The guest speaker will be Cerritos College President Dr. Fred Gaskin.

All graduates must report to the gym no later than 4:30 p.m. on May 15 for commencement ceremony instructions, doors will open at 4:00 p.m.

The ceremony will commence at 5:30 p.m.

Mid-year and summer school graduates are encouraged to participate in the commencement ceremony.

Summer school graduate degrees will be conferred after completion of all requirements.

For last minute purchases on caps, gowns, tassels, and graduation announcements, the bookstore will be open from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. on May 15.

Students participating in the commencement must be dressed in academic attire.

Graduates who have earned a 3.3 GPA and have a A.A. degree qualify as honor students.

Silver tassels can be purchased in the north-west concession stand in the gym on May 15.

The only graduates eligible for the silver tassel are A.A. degree candidates.

Pepper Spray courses show how

By Mike Myers
TM Asst. Sports Editor

Cerritos College will be offering instructional courses in the safe use of Pepper Spray.

Tom Beringer will be presenting the three hour course which will include proper instruction, crime prevention, tips, and information on the criminal consequences if the spray is used inappropriately.

The course fees is \$19 per person, plus an additional \$30 fee for state certification and a container of pepper spray.

Students from the age of 16 to 18 will be allowed to sign up with written permission from their parents or guardian. Permission slips are being handed out in the Community Education Building.

Courses are scheduled for Tuesday, April 26 from 7-10 p.m., Saturday, May 14 from 9 a.m. to noon and Tuesday, May 24 from 7-10 p.m. in the Community Education Building.

Those already certified for Mace who are interested in carrying pepper spray may also sign

up for special courses. Participants will be required to review a film and pass an inert spray test on an object.

The course fee is \$12 per person. Participants are required to present their original certification card.

Date scheduled for the courses is Tuesday, April 26 from 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.; Saturday, May 14 from 8 a.m.-8:30 a.m.; and Tuesday, May 26 from 6 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

To register for either offered courses and additional information contact the Community Education Office at (310) 467-5050 at ext. 2521.

Student art club stages sale, show

(Continued from Page 1)

The Cerritos College Art Club will also hold an art show and sale in the theatre lobby.

Performances will be held on May 6, 7, 8, 13, and 14. Dinner is at 6 p.m. with the show beginning at 8 p.m.

May 8 is a special Mother's Day performance with a 12 p.m. brunch and 2 p.m. show.

CARRIE ON/Carrie Redox

When push comes to shove, it's all a matter of style

When did pushiness become a crime? Is it unethical to "push" to get things done?

According to some members of the Student Senate, it is.

Eleven Senators and Vice President Daisy Mae Uy Kim pang ran an "informal session" to rag on the character of Senator Robert Ramirez after the closing of last week's Senate meeting.

Ramirez co-sponsored a Health and Safe Environmental proposal with Kelly Wimberley who is the founder of the bill.

The bill was on the agenda for Wednesday's April 13 meeting, but was tabled at the request of Wimberley.

During research and development of the bill "Ramirez allegedly began to take charge of the situation" and pushed Wimberley out of control of the proposal.

"You took something important away from me," stated Wimberley.

Wimberley, offended by the action, complained to Vice President Kim pang.

"Any one Senator that feels that another Senator has not up-held the dignity of the office can then start proceedings to expel the Senator," explained Kim pang.

Although this was not the case at Wednesday's meeting, there is still talk among Senators of trying to impeach Ramirez.

"If you keep offending people, when you get out into the real world you're going to make a lot of enemies," said Danyelle Williams, a participating Senator.

What would happen if the U.S.

Senate decided to impeach all the Senators who came across pushy or offended another Senator?

"...We wouldn't have a Senate. After the put-downs and criticism Gabriela Covarrubias, Senate Pro-Tem, urged, "Who are we to say and judge your personality?"

Other Senators joined in and tried to reassure Ramirez that this was not a personal attack on him.

"...Just what impeachable "crime" he committed was never made clear. Operating style is to each his own..."

Retired Faculty Association campus luncheon April 21

By Marwa Morsi
TM Staff Writer

The Cerritos College Retired Faculty Association will be holding its semi-annual meeting and Retired Faculty Luncheon on Thursday, April 21 at 10 a.m. on the Student Center stage.

"The main purpose of the event is to renew old friendships, and to get the progress of the school," stated Robert Allen, treasurer of the association.

There are approximately 120 members who come together and share their memories every semester at this event.

President Sherill Mosses will be starting the program with a few words of appreciation.

Speaking at the event will be College President Fred Gaskin, Vice President of Academic Affairs Serafin Zasuela, and Faculty Senate President Richard McGrath.

Social hour will be from 10-11 a.m. The meeting will begin from 11 to noon, with lunch following immediately after.

Lunch will be served by the Culinary Arts students, and a lottery will be conducted for prizes.

Tickets are sold for eight dollars each. For more information or reservations, contact Robert Allen at (310) 943-1235.

All Day -All Gay conference to feature big name speakers

The Second Annual All Day - All Gay Conference will be held Tuesday, April 26, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. in Health Science 102 from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. in the Boardroom. Wednesday, April 27, a special seminar is planned at 7:30 p.m. in HS 102.

Scheduled guests include Robert Gentry, City Councilmember and Associate Dean of Students at UCI, Kathy Gill, Commissioner for the

Board of Education, Kate Hutton, Caltech "Earthquake Lady", Morris Kight, L.A. County Commission on Human Relations, Niurka Medina-Valin, Professor of Spanish and Co-Advisor to the GLBC at Cerritos College, Teresa Mendoza, Poet, Curtis Shepherd, Campus Coordinator for the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, and Teatro Viva, a comedy group.

—DEBBIE ROGERS

Free workshops designed to help 'future thoughts'

Free workshops designed to help you think of your future are being held on five Fridays from 10 a.m. to noon in Community Education Building, Room D.

The program is sponsored for mid-life and older adults who are dislocated workers or are women entering the workforce without recent work experience.

Participants will learn how to gain the training and skills for a successful job search.

Topics are:

April 22: Identify your people/work preferences

April 29: Identify barriers and ways to overcome them

May 6: Identify training programs/job options

May 13: Communicating effectively in a job interview

May 20: Developing your action plan.

Call the Re-entry Center at 310/860-2451, Ext. 2362 for sign up.

—TAITANA BOLDEROFF

International Week celebration

In celebration of International Week, Cerritos College held an International Food Day, yesterday in the Quad from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

The menu represented the different parts of the world, as did the entertainment.

Performers were Japanese Taiko drummers, two Native American dance groups: Danza Azteca

Xochipilli, Eagle Spirit Dancers, R.N.H. Creations, a Russian American dance group, Kuumpotu Productions, a South African Dancers and more.

The International Food Day was sponsored by ASCC, Multi Cultural Studies, and various student organizations.

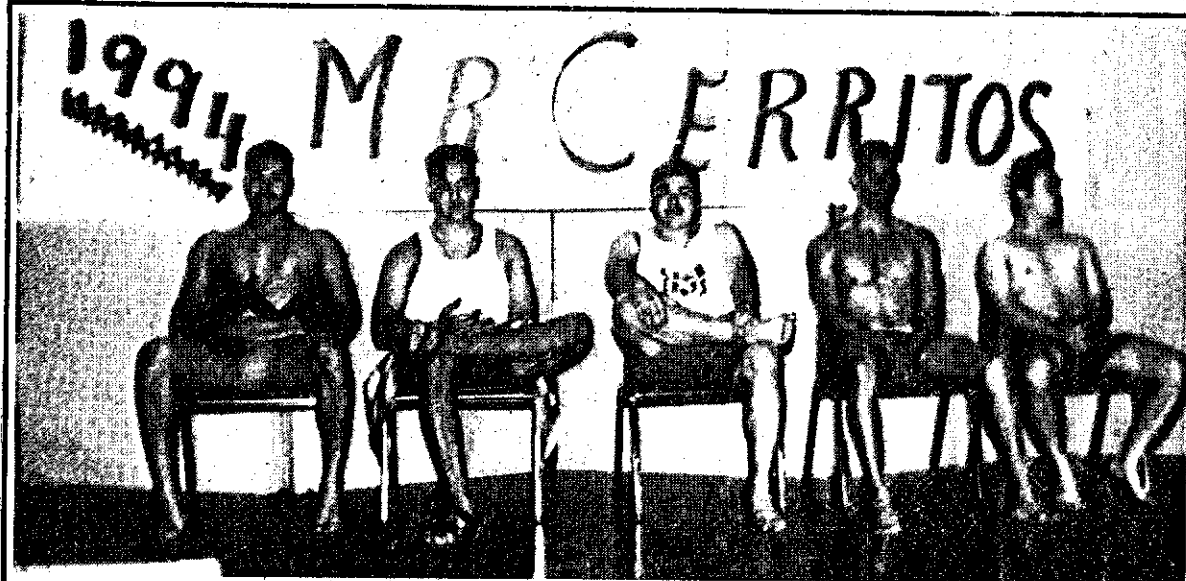
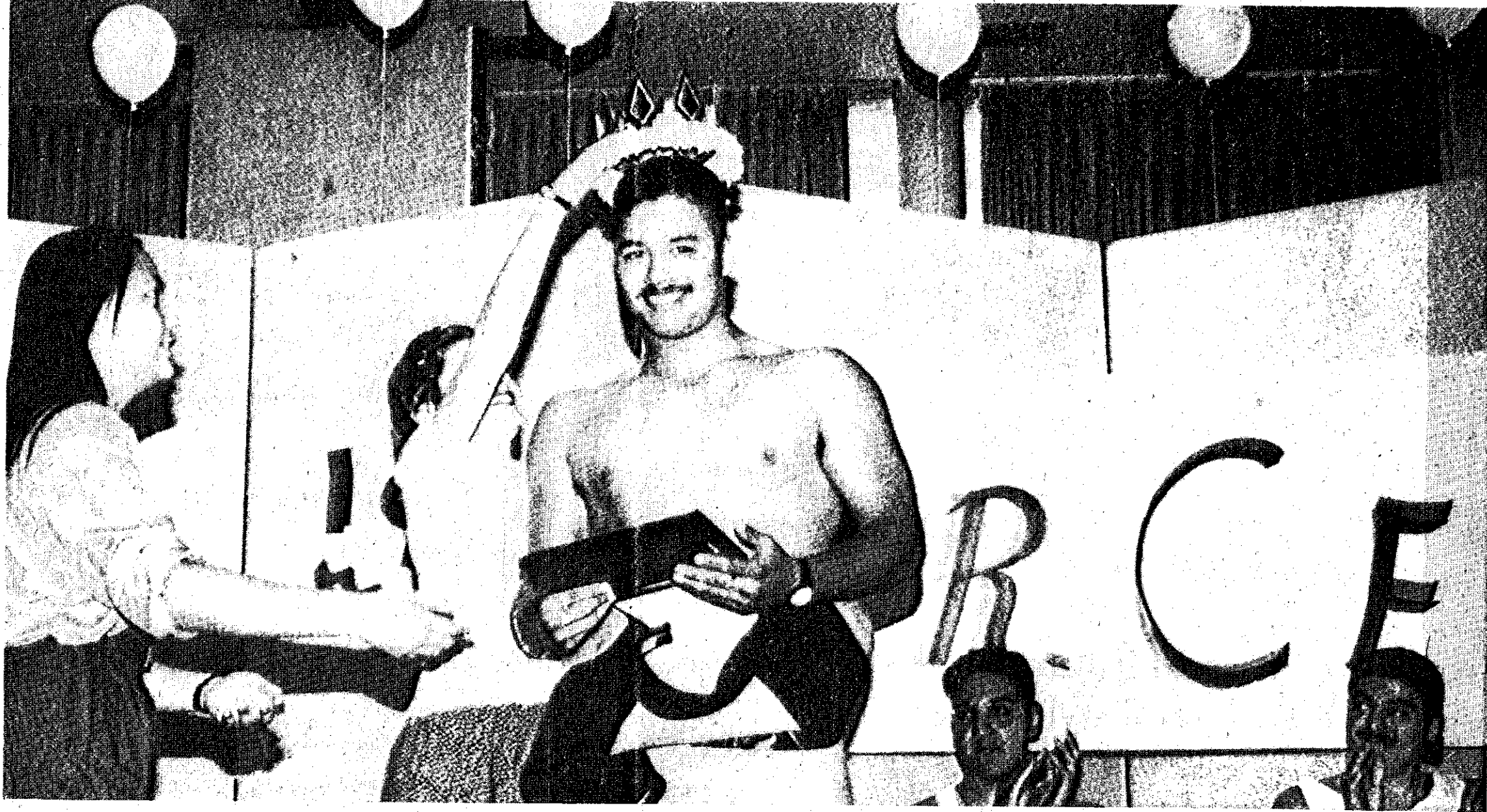
—TASHA WIGGINS

POSSE BOX

- 4-4— VANDALISM: Graffiti gang tags on wall next to AC-70F.
- VERBAL ALTERCATION between two groups in the Student Center, leading to a series of threats including physical assault and armed confrontation.
- PARKING PERMIT STOLEN from Volkswagen Cabriolet; no sign of forceful entry.
- ATTEMPTED BURGLARY in west side of football stadium; suspects fled trying to take CO2 tanks.
- 4-4— BATTERY in weight room leading from threats of armed confrontation between a male and female.
- 4-6— NEWSPAPERS STOLEN: Campus newspaper Talon Marks taken from racks around campus. No charges yet filed.
- 4-7— BURGLARY: stolen items from a 1991 Toyota 4x4 Pathfinder amounting to \$1620 in Lot C-11, approximately at 6:45 p.m. Forced entry through smashed driver's side window.
- PETTY THEFT: book bag with class ring valued at \$450 and \$7 worth of currency stolen from gym.
- 4-9— VANDALISM: graffiti on chalkboard in LH4, suspects reported to be two females.
- 4-11— ATTEMPTED AUTO BURGLARY: Damaged passenger window \$50 in Lot C-1, suspect noticed staring at car from an car adjacent victims'.
- GRAND THEFT AUTO: 1992 Honda Accord taken from Lot C-4, approximately around 6-9:45 p.m., estimated worth at \$15,000.
- GRAND THEFT AUTO: 1988 Honda Prelude taken from Lot C-3, approximately from 9-10 p.m., estimated worth \$8,500.
- 4-13— PETTY THEFT: Murray Mountain Bike valued at \$150 taken from bike rack, east side of Social Science Building, under lock and chain.
- PETTY THEFT: 10 speed bike worth \$100 stolen from bike rack in the east side of Administration Building, under lock and chain.

*Compiled from the campus police reports for the Month of April by Dennis Pangitnan

Mr. Cerritos livens up Hoe Down Days



HUNKS — Mr. Cerritos Danny Gomez, L-R, Iota Phi Omicron; Jimmy Banuelos, United Students Association; Louis Hernandez, Alpha Chi Epsilon; runner-up Roger Wagner, Lambda Phi Sigma; and David Kim, Cosmetology Club.



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Danny Gomez captures 'Mr. Cerritos' title as gents strut stuff in Hoe Down highlight

By Carrie Redfox
TM Campus Editor

Cerritos College students were rolling in hay, April 12 and 13 at the annual Hoe Down Days and crowned Danny Gomez, Iota Phi Omicron, Mr. Cerritos and Roger Wagner, Lambda Phi Sigma Sorority, runner-up.

The Mr. Cerritos Contest and the Chili Cook was the final round-up on Thursday.

To a crowd of applauding and cheering Cerritos College students the five contestants strutted their

stuff in the Mr. Cerritos Contest. Participating contestants also included, Jimmy Banuelos, United Students Association; Luis Hernandez, Alpha Chi Epistola Sorority; and David Kim, Cosmetology Club.

Personal interview, lip-sync, and the bathing suit competitions were the basis for the judges voting.

Representing the Cosmetology club, Teri Shedarovich's chili won for Hottest Chili.

The Best Chili Award went to Shonda Bowser from Lambda Phi

Sigma and the Judges Favorite was Katie Masjek's chili.

Over 20 campus clubs sponsored events and game booths on Wednesday.

The frog jumping contest was a leap above the rest, as a crowd gathered to watch Rhonda Young, representing the Gay, Lesbian, and Bi-sexual Club, won first place.

Second and third place in the frog jumping contest were, Kyu Yi from Phi Beta Lambda and Patricia Regan from Mu Omega Alpha, respectively.

'Chorus Line' featured in Dinner Theatre setting; opens on May 6

By Christy Botero
TM Staff Writer

The Cerritos College Department of Theatre and Associated Students presents the Pulitzer Prize winning, "A Chorus Line" Dinner Theatre.

Cerritos College is the only junior college in all of Southern California who has the Dinner Theatre Combination. This is a chance for the Culinary Arts and the Performing Arts to join together. The musical was originally conceived, directed, and choreographed by Michael Bennett.

The book *A Chorus Line* was written by James Kirkwood and

Nicholas Dante. Music is by Marvin Hamlisch and lyrics by Edward Kleban.

The musical director is Hector Salazar, Vocal Director Shala Ball, and Director and Choreographer is Georgia Well.

"A Chorus Line," the longest running smash hit on Broadway is Michael Bennett's famous rendering of too many chorus line hopefuls auditioning for too few parts in a musical.

Well said, "A Chorus Line has started a big revival in dance in general all over the country and specifically in strong dance and musicals. We've moved away from

that and we need to get back to it. It's a show I've always wanted to do. I'm not only directing and choreographing, I'm also performing in it."

Performances will be held on May 6, 7, 8, 13, and 14. Dinner is at 6 p.m. with the show beginning at 8 p.m.

May 8 is a special Mother's Day performance with a 12 p.m. brunch and 2 p.m. show.

General Admission is \$25 for students, \$22 for senior citizens and \$20 for groups of 20 or more.

Advanced reservations are required contact (310) 860-2451 EXT. 2638.

First campus AA club meets every Thursday

By Ben Villa
TM Editor-in-Chief

You don't need drugs and alcohol to have a good time.

"I thought that when I first went sober three and a half years ago that my partying days were over and that I would never have fun again, but that's not so. I have a good life. I enjoy it so much better now without any chemicals in my body."

Those words were spoken by Sonja Barella, a 42 year old Cerritos College student who used to be an alcoholic but has been sober for over three years now.

Barella works in the Cosmetology department here on campus and formed the first Alcoholics Anonymous meeting here at Cerritos College.

"Anyone can come into our

meetings and find what's going on in A.A.. Maybe they can learn to stay sober. I know there's a lot of young people on campus and maybe this group can help them. I'm not saying names or anything, but I was young once and I know coming to school is very stressful and it took me 23 years to stop drinking and using drugs.

"There is another way to live, and that is clean and sober. This is not something to be embarrassed about. Anybody can be an alcoholic and I've finally realized that. I just hope this group can help somebody like it helped me."

The A.A. meetings will take place every Thursday from 11 a.m. till noon in the Liberal Arts building, room 26.

"It's sending out a message that you're not alone. It's a positive meeting and it's nothing to be

embarrassed about. Everyone I've talked to has been fully supportive of this group. Sonja leadership has been outstanding and I think it's going to be a success," said ASCC President Aladdin Nabulsi.

"The meetings will not just be for people with a dependency problem. A.A. will be open to everybody; if your father, mother, or brother has a problem, then come. If you have a friend who's an alcoholic and want to help then you're more than welcome to attend."

Barella on Cerritos youth: "Kids have problems and this might help them share their feelings and emotions with other people who've gone through the same things and maybe they won't feel so quite alone."

"It doesn't matter why you come, as long as you come. It might save somebody's life."

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Outstanding Faculty, Classified honored

The Most Outstanding Faculty Member and the Most Outstanding Classified Staff Employee will be named at receptions in the Administrative quad at 11 a.m. on May 10 and May 17 respectively.

Speech Professor, Max Freifield, has been named Most Outstanding Faculty Member for the 1993-94 year.

Freifield, who has taught at Cerritos since 1989, is the coach and advisor for the Speech Team.

Outstanding Divisional Faculty also named were: Don Sewell, Counseling; Roy Wilson, Technical Math; Connie Bayer, H.P.E.R.; Robert Kreger, Geography; Don Karvelis, History; Mary Balmages, Court Reporting; Kathy Ninomiya, Dental Hygiene; and Steve Portugal, Fine Arts.

The Outstanding Classified Employee will be named at the reception May 17, and will be chosen from among the 11 Outstanding Classified Employees of the Month selected during the '93-94 year.

The Cerritos College Foundation gives a \$500 award to the winner of each of these two groups.

Campus Crusade for Christ seeks new members

Campus Crusade for Christ, a Christian-based club, encourages students to join their group.

Meetings feature films, lectures, and open forums. Tentatively scheduled for the April 28 meeting is a film titled, "Fury to Freedom."

Campus Crusade for Christ meets bi-weekly, on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to noon in SS 140.

—DEBBIE ENGLAND

Child Development gets \$6,000 grant

Instructional Dean of Health Occupation Dr. Marilyn Brock announced a \$6,000 grant would be handed down to the Cerritos College Child Development Center from the Pacific Care Foundation.

The Child Development Center plans on investing the funds in a provided anti-bias curriculum which began last year.

The curriculum is a provided program which will teach children to respect cultural and ethnic differ-

ences and eliminate stereotypes. The educational programs that are featured in the Child Development Center include art, music, story-telling, science and

language experience activities. At the same time, the Center promotes physical, social, emotional and cognitive development in each child.

According to Center Director Patricia Kepner, over 100 youngsters ranging from the age of six months to two years have participated in the program, and all are children of Cerritos students or employees.

—NOFO TAUTOLO

Uy Kimpang takes 7th in national

Top ranking and five medals were secured at the Cocoa Beach Florida National Speech competition, April 3-10, by the Cerritos College Phi Rho Pi National Speech Team.

Daisy Mae Uy Kimpang, ASCC Vice President, was ranked seventh in the USA among top speakers.

Kimpang also received a gold medal in Extemporaneous Speaking, a silver in Impromptu Speaking and a Bronze medal in Team Debate.

Michael Chen also won a Bronze medal in Team debate. In the Lincoln Douglas Debate James Philipps received a Bronze medal.

—CARRIE REDFOX

7C's sponsoring Angels game trip

The Cerritos Community College Celebrates Classified Cooperative Committee (the 7C's) is selling tickets for the June 24 Angels baseball game at Anaheim Stadium.

The Angels play host to the Texas Rangers are 7:05 p.m.

All Cerritos employees and families can purchase tickets at the communication center for six dollars.

There are 200 seats available on a first come, first served basis. The seats are located at field-level on the first baseline.

New \$100 Glenn Butters award seeks applicants

A \$100 Glenn Butters Scholarship is being awarded by the Learning Assistance Program.

In order to be eligible, students must have attended at least one activity from each of the five LAP components: Tutorial services,

Learning Skills Workshops, Open Lab Facilities, and Supplemental Instruction. Applicants must also have taken the survey of Reading and Study efficiency.

April 20 is the deadline. Students must be taking a minimum of six units. For information go to LAP Room Santa Barbara-22.

AARP joins Re-Entry for 'future' workshops

The Re-Entry Center and the AARP are sponsoring a six week workshop series entitled "Think of Your Work Future" to help those between jobs, out of work, or returning to the labor pool without recent work experience.

The six session program begins on April 15 with "identifying your skills and values", and will cover such topics as work preferences, barriers to work, training programs and job options, effective communication, and developing action plans.

Muslim Club starts chapter on campus

The purpose of the M.S.A. is to break the stereotypes of Arabic peoples and the religion of Islam.

This was the sentiment of the leaders of Cerritos College newest club, the Muslim Student Association.

M.S.A. meetings are every Tuesday at 11 a.m. in SS 138.

The meetings are for everybody, Muslim and non-Muslim. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend all meetings.

The club will consist of activities, study groups, fund-raisers and will have several guest speakers.

The first meeting will be held on Thursday, April 28 in Lecture Hall 5, from 6-8 p.m. The topic will be "an introduction to Islam" and will be presented by Samir Etman and Dawid Khalil-Ullah.

International Food Day features fancy food

In celebration of International Week, Cerritos College held an International Food Day, yesterday in the Quad from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

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HARD SLIDE — Cerritos baserunner cuts it close at the plate. — TM Photo by FAUSTO RAMOS

Cerritos meets Harbor for title

By William Torres
TM Staff Writer

The battle between Harbor for the South Coast Conference title will take place at Kincaid Field on Saturday at 1 p.m. The Falcons currently are tied with eight games remaining. They will face Harbor for the last time on the road next Tuesday. The local's overall is 24-8 and 13-4 in conference. The team will host Pasadena City today at 2:30 pm. They will travel to Pasadena City on

Thursday. First pitch will be at 2:30 p.m.

The Falcons hosted Long Beach City last on April 14 and were winners in a while game, 12-7. The bats were explosive for both teams as 14 runs were scored. Pitcher Chris Hill started the game but only went 4 1/3 innings. Pitcher Scott Jones came in and picked up the victory.

Leading the hitting attack was first baseman Rodrigo Barajas who collected four hits. He also had two runs batted in. Catcher Dusty

Wathan also collected three hits and two RBIs.

April 16 they visited the Vikings and came away with a 9-3 win. April 12 they beat Mt. Sac 12-9.

Leading the attack for the Falcons is Barajas, .371, with 18 RBIs. Others who are right behind are third baseman Norman Padilla at .366 and Carlos Olea 2nd baseman, with a .337 mark.

The work horse of the pitching staff is Pitcher Jim Reinecker with

a 7-2 mark. His earned run average is 2.53. The team is hitting at a .318 clip. They have collected 350 hits in 1101 at bats.

In conference play they have hit .322. Barajas is the leader with a .400 batting average.

The pitching staff has done well in conference play with an ERA of 3.35. Leading the way is Reinecker with three wins and two losses. Pitcher Ryan Dewitt is 3-0 with a 1.19

Softball comeback falls short

By Ben Villa
TM Editor-in-Chief

Everything was in place for a Cerritos comeback.

They had the right situation. The Falcons, trailing by three runs in the bottom of the seventh, had two runners on with nobody out.

They had the right batter at the plate. Third baseman Kandice Ernster, leading the Falcons in home runs this year, strode to the plate.

Everything seemed to fall into place as Ernster lined a solid shot into centerfield that appeared would fall, but Mt. SAC Centerfielder Nikki Brashean came up and snared the fly and threw to second base to double off Cerritos' Shortstop Kristy Beck, who was running on the play.

The play ended the Falcon rally as Cerritos went on to drop a especially tough loss to Mt. SAC 3-0 last Friday.

Cerritos will next host Long Beach City today, April 20 at 3 p.m.

Mt. SAC got a good game from Pitcher Lynsee Mallet who went the distance for the victory and only allowed two hits going into the seventh.

Mt. SAC scored all the runs they needed in the top of the fourth inning as first baseman Sandi Lee tripped to deep rightfield when Cerritos Outfielder Susan Norio appeared to lose the ball in the glare. The ball rolled to the warning track and Mountie Infielder Robin Johnson came all the way around from first to score.

Mt. SAC picked up two more runs in the seventh but could never put Cerritos away as they got good pitching and strong defense all game long. With two out and a runner in scoring position, Tara Midgett hit a grounder up the middle when Beck reached all the way to her left, caught the ball, managed to hold her balance and threw to Stephanie Ourique at first who had to go to the ground to make the play and barely get the runner out on first.

That set the stage for the bottom of the seventh, but unfortunately for the Falcons, the ball didn't bounce their way as the game ended when Second baseman Patty Powers grounded out to third with a runner on.

Swimmers looking to rebound from loss to Long Beach

By Kelly Barth
TM Asst. Managing Editor

Rebound, usually a key word in basketball, will have to become a key word for the Cerritos men's and women's swimming team.

A week ago the swim team had a tough outing loss against Long Beach, and they'll be looking to regain lost momentum heading into their conference meet set for Belmont Plaza.

A few bright spots for the Falcons were Dan Poppin, who took the 1000M, 100M and 200M.

Vince Trotter shined in the 500M, and Amanda Amendola flew past the competition in the 100 fly.

This coming week at Belmont Plaza Coach Tyne expects Dan Poppin, Vince Trotter, and Amanda Amendola to qualify for state.

The men's team has the conference's fourth place spot wrapped up.

Record setting day for track

The Cerritos College men's and women's track and field team recently traveled to Mt. SAC for the Mt. SAC relays.

In the women's field events, Wendy Bryant set a new school record in the discus, throwing for a mark of 132ft 10in. The throw itself earned her a third place finish in the event. Stacey Cobb placed third in the long jump with a jump of 18ft 4 1/2in.

For the track events, Shirene Mc Kinney placed third in the 400 hurdles. Trina Taylor finished second in another leg of the 400 hurdles. Antonia Avendano ran an 11:23.3 in the 300 and finished 11th.

As for the men, Robert Ernster threw for a 176'7" mark in the javelin. Kelvin Gamble finished with a time of 54.64 in the 400 intermediate hurdles.

The Falcons will travel back to Mt. SAC April 26 at 2pm for conference preliminaries.

—MIKE MYERS

Cerritos tennis vaults into first place tie

By Nofu Tautolo
TM Sports Editor

After defeating a very tough Long Beach team 5-4, the Lady Falcons have now moved themselves into a tie for first place with the Vikings, with only one match remaining in the South Coast Conference.

Both Cerritos and Long Beach have a record of 8-1.

Among the big winners were top seed doubles partners Denise Wilson and Bernadette Mendoza. After dropping their first set to Long Beach, Wilson and Mendoza rallied from behind to defeat their opponents 6-3 and 6-2.

Also delivering a victory for the team in the doubles category was Ester Gomez and Trini Leon who defeated the Vikings' Kristina Ellis and Kelly Dunphy.

In the singles category, Wilson pulled another win for the Falcons while Mendoza had an upsetting setback losing 1-6 and 2-6.

The Falcons will meet Mt. SAC today at 2 p.m., and will then prepare themselves for the Ojai Tournament on Thursday.

200 Angel tickets are reserved for Cerritos

The Cerritos Community College Celebrates Classified Cooperative Committee (the 7C's) are selling tickets for the June 24 Angels baseball game at Anaheim Stadium.

They play host to the Texas Rangers at 7:05 pm.

All Cerritos Employees and Families can purchase tickets at the communication center for \$6.

There are 200 seats available on a first come, first serve basis.

The seats are field level on the first baseline. —WILLIAM TORRES

Foundation Golf Classic fund-raiser set for Aug. 8

By Dave Viayra
TM Staff Writer

Golfers will again be competing for positions in the ninth annual Cerritos College Foundation Golf Classic which will take place on Monday, Aug. 8, at noon.

Cerritos College president Fred Gaskin said, "We look forward to seeing our community and business friends join the Cerritos College family for this big event."

Golfers will be competing for three trophies and special recognition in the city and business competitions. Prizes will also be available at specified holes throughout the course.

Open participation will be welcomed in the raffle and evening auction that will take place.

The fee for golfers will be \$150. For those who do not play, dinner will be available at the cost of \$35 and all proceeds will go to benefit the College's Foundation scholarship programs and activities.

Golf fee includes: lunch, driving range, dinner, green fees and cart. Also included are beverages and goody bags which will be available on the course.

The golf tournament will be held at the Yorba Linda Country Club located at 19400 East Mountain View in Yorba Linda.

To register, or for more information contact Cerritos College at 860-2451 ext. 2129 or 2526.

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