

Vote April 19-20

Friday, April 21, is the last day to officially withdraw from semester length classes

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Fierro, Padron face off in polls for prexy seat

By Raysa Botero
NEWS EDITOR

It's on.
Friday, March 31, was the deadline to turn in any ASCC Presidential Candidate applications for the term 1995-1996.

Only two parties will run for the president and vice-president offices; Susy Fierro and Brent Glasgow, and Idania Padron and Matt Oliver.

Thursday, April 6, was the Candidate Orientation meeting and was the first chance these two parties had to announce their platforms and goals.

Both parties have emphasized the tuition increase, campus safety, and student representation as important issues.

Fierro and Glasgow's platform includes a 1000 plus signature petition against the hike in tuition. Fierro has also personally started a safety audit on campus.

They want to push for implementation of a common course numbering system and a cross-enrollment program which will aid students in deciding which Cerritos College courses are transferable.

Fierro and Glasgow also want to expand the Learning Resource Center, and finally they want to increase shared governance. "We believe we should have a stronger say on campus," stated Fierro.

Padron and Oliver's platform is also tackling tuition with a student letter-writing campaign. With campus safety, they want to especially focus on aiding night students.

Furthermore, they want to give night students, as well as, vocational program students a larger voice in representation on campus.

Fierro and Glasgow have three years of experience with ASCC government. Fierro has served as a senator and court justice, and is currently chief justice. Glasgow has served as a senator for one semester, and is currently Alpha Gamma Sigma co-president.

Fierro states she is the best candidate because, "I have the dedication, seniority, the motivation, and two years of experience to offer."

In case of any emergency and in need of taking over as president, Glasgow feels very "competent" in doing so.

Currently Padron and Oliver are both senators for the first time. Padron is heavily involved with the Court Reporting Program, and is currently president pro-tem of the club. Oliver is involved with Alpha Gamma Sigma and for two years in the athletics program in football and one year in track.

Padron feels she is the best candidate because besides having a "strong character" and "the ability to develop friendships and trust," she is "not scared to stand by my issues."

As for how he would aid his partner in office, Oliver hopes to "keep the emotion up and keep the fire burning."

One of the first things both parties want to address next year is the Cabinet. Fierro hopes to build one that is "more responsive to the students."

Padron wants the Cabinet "to reflect the diversity on campus and to be aware of the student's needs."

Fierro and Padron also want to be more attentive to night and vocational students. Both stated that there is not enough representation of these two groups on campus.

As for student participation, Glasgow says he hopes that as vice-president, being in charge of 30 senators will mean 30 more people to help spread enthusiasm.

On the other hand, Oliver states, "clubs hold a lot of weight here," and he wants to encourage club involvement with Senate for more participation.

Voting is Wednesday, April 19 and Thursday, April 20, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Coffeshop, and Social Science and Health Science patios. Students need to have their Cerritos College I.D. card to vote.

Senate allots funds for clubs, backs plan for proposed Honor Program

By David Viayra
MANAGING EDITOR

There was no rape, pillage, or plunder in the weeks prior to Spring Break, but still the ASCC was at work making decisions.

On March 22 the ASCC granted approval of funds in the amount of \$513 for ten members of PSI Psychology Honor Club to attend the Western Psychological Association Convention which was held on March 31.

Phi Beta Lambda also came before the Senate asking for approval of funds in the amount of \$1,482 to send eleven members to the State Business Leadership Competition which was held from March 31 to April 2 at CSULA Rosemead.

Erica Martinez delivered the Judicial Report on March 29, urging student senate support of the establishment of an honors program

here at Cerritos College.

Immediately following was the introduction of Senate Bill #95S012, regarding establishment of an honors program here at Cerritos College was introduced to give the senators an opportunity show their support for the establishment of a program such as this.

The Senators showed their support with a unanimous vote.

A program such as this could provide for a higher level of prestige and achievement.

The next bill introduced was Senate Bill #95S013, regarding approval of funds for Phi Rho Pi Speech team in the amount of \$3,590 to send six of its members to the 1995 National Forensics Championship to be held on April 9-15 in San Francisco.

This bill was also approved unanimously.

In the April 5 meeting Chief

Justice Susana Fierro delivered her findings from her safety audit which called for improvements in landscaping, lighting, the need for bicycle patrols, which has already been implemented and the need for emergency telephones in the Parking lots. She is currently preparing to go up before the Board of Trustees next month.

She is still open to suggestions and can be reached by leaving a note in her mailbox, which is located in the Student Activities Office.

Senator Idania Padron followed by informing her fellow senators about the letter writing campaign to fight the increase in tuition costs.

Al Reyes then took the torch to discuss the need for common course numbering system among the CSU, USC, and community college systems to avoid confusion.

Coffeeshop closing night

By Raysa Botero
NEWS EDITOR

Thursday, April 27, is the Art Club's final presentation of Coffeeshop Night for this semester in the Student Center.

Six alternative bands are set to perform for the night. Beginning at 4:30 p.m. is Jelly Lorum. Following are Garganta, Coffeeshop Night veterans The AnAesthetics, Cowboy Buddha, Flores Negras, and the Over-Reactors, a husband/wife team who play covers and take requests.

The Cerritos College Improv group will perform spontaneous skits.

Between band sets a dee-jay will spin old-school and reggae music and the Literary Club will be performing poetry readings.

Director Jeff Valencia and actress Erika Elizondo from the Sick and Twisted Festival film "Smush" will be present. Scenes will be projected throughout the night, along with other visual stimulation.

An art den will feature 15-20 students working on several projects in progress, such as a potter's wheel, sculpture, portraits, paintings, sketchings, and body painting.

Pieces from the Student Art Exhibition as well as photography and sculptures will be displayed.

Culinary Arts will be selling mini pizzas for \$3.50 and Giotto Please see COFFEEHOUSE, page 3

Student to appeal Court ruling

By Gabriel Villarreal
FEATURES EDITOR

Former student Tim McCarthy plans to appeal a ruling handed down by Chief Justice Susana Fierro and a body of four which claimed that there is no proof his attempts to file a grievance last fall were impeded.

The decision stems from a Student Grievance Hearing Committee Meeting held last month

in which random students were asked to hear McCarthy's side of a story in which he claims his attempts to file a grievance after his performance in last Fall's Mock Rally were impeded by Dean of Technology Randy Peebles.

The student originally filed a complaint against cosmetology instructors Jeanne Johnson and John Pelloni claiming they attempted to prevent him from performing in

the rally because he is gay. The complaint was thrown out because McCarthy surpassed the statute of limitations.

McCarthy moved 200 miles away in the midst of the complaint and hearing process.

"Candidly, I feel like my efforts are not fruitful," said McCarthy.

"I have been involved in this for so long and so many times I've sat Please see GRIEVANCE, page 3

TUTORS WANTED

The Learning Assistance Program is recruiting tutors in English, math, science and humanities. Applications available in LAP Office.

DROP DATE DUE

Friday, April 21 is the last day to drop classes for the Spring semester. Students not filing may receive an 'F' or an incomplete grade.

PEP SQUAD TRYOUTS

Incoming and continuing men and women students are invited to be candidates for pep squad and mascots. Workshops begin April 24.

ITALIAN DELIGHT

On Thursday, April 20 an Italian menu will be offered in the Cafeteria from 11 to 1 p.m. Offerings range from squid to Legumi in aceto.

EDITORIALS

Politicians are only skin deep

Elections for student body officers are coming up shortly. As usual, only a small percentage will take the time to actually cast their ballot.

Since there are no pressing issues to worry about, and no silly platforms, vote for who says what you want to hear.

And why not?

It's a historical tradition.

Presidential candidates have always had to be good speakers, going from city to city making speeches before hundreds of people.

Warren G. Harding became President of the United States with his "Return to Normalcy" campaign. In other words, he was telling America, "Let's do Nothing."

The advent of radio in the 1930's allowed politicians to reach millions of people instantaneously, but speechmaking remained essentially the same.

The coming of television, on the other hand, changed the way voters see politicians.

In the 1960 election, Kennedy was relatively unknown. Richard Nixon had years of

experience and was very popular as a political speaker. But after watching a sickly Nixon sweating profusely on national television, many voters opted for the handsome and dynamic Kennedy.

Not only do they have to sound good, they have to look good too.

So take it easy and don't worry about their ideology. The candidates have taken the time to hang their campaign posters all around campus, so the least we can do is vote.

It doesn't get much easier than that. But then again, some important factors are missing from student elections.

The traditional mudslinging and trashing of the opposition is so commonplace in national elections that this one just doesn't seem sincere without it.

And what about the affairs? Who's been sleeping around with whom? We need to know these things.

Perhaps this won't be such a simple decision after all.

—Written for the Editorial Board by MARK NEWTON

Politically incorrect

Politics and service as practiced by ASCC President Jackie Barbera is beginning to smell a lot like the old Tammany Hall political machine of yore. The machine is composed of the several questionable practices of nepotism, cronyism, and ordinary, garden variety, bad judgement.

As a jury for the conferring of awards at the ASCC Spring Banquet, Jackie has appointed Aladdin Nalbasi, last year's ASCC president, his brother dating back even farther, their sister, and a Veysey student (part-time, high school). The regulations try to get new blood on the jury by prohibiting anyone from serving more than twice and then diluting the intent by excluding jury service while serving as president, V.P.,

or Chief Justice of ASCC or ICC Commissioner.

Ex-presidents, with their main priorities at the university level aren't the best choice. Part-time, high school students aren't here enough to make a truly fair judgement.

The quickest way to get students to adopt a lack of interest is to convince them that there is a self-serving, static, in-crowd who won't move on or move out.

As she has done in the past, Jackie has exercised her technical right to do something one way at the expense of doing it in her constituents' best interests.

—Written by the Editorial Board

Are celebrities immune to justice?

By Marla Amendola
STAFF WRITER

The media circus surrounding the O.J. Simpson trial constitutes the newest assault on our collective sensibilities. Our faith in the concept of trial by jury in particular and the American criminal justice system in general are being raped by this current madness.

Charges of racism, I think are specious. While racism has and does exist in our society, pop-culture figures such as rock music stars and sports heroes have not only enjoyed an enormous amount of immunity from racism but, thanks to the perversion of the fans, have also enjoyed an immunity from personal responsibility for their actions.

Think of the number of minority sports stars who have used illegal drugs, driven a vehicle and gotten into accidents while under the influence of alcohol, committed weapons violations, and have been

guilty of assault on both fans and on their spouses and for all intents and purposes, have gotten away with it.

If they go to prison at all, it is for a short time and the fans will be there when they get out.

The average citizen will do real time and won't have the money for a sophisticated defense team to hang in there over the course of the appeals process. Nor will the average Joe have the high profile options for public service to offer the court as an alternative to hard time.

The last time the police were called for a domestic fracas between the Simpsons, O.J. was permitted to perform community service by way of sponsoring a celebrity golf tournament.

I remember the sports coverage of that event. No big deal was made of the reason for the tourney.

After slapping at a cop, Zsa Zsa Gabor had to wear prison garb and mop floors among the general prison population. She never left a

mark on the guy and certainly didn't do it eight times before they called her on it.

Sexism, yes. Racism, no.

You must understand, too, that undermining the legitimacy of the procedural techniques of the prosecution is a standard approach for the defense to take. In criminal cases, all the defense has to do is plant doubt in ONE juror's mind since a guilty verdict must be unanimous.

We have also perverted the concept of poisoned fruit to the point where we almost have to have a letter of intent from the perpetrator before the fact in order to use evidence from the scene of the crime.

At any crime scene there are many things a criminalist could gather and examine—perhaps hundreds of things. This first examination of the crime scene often occurs before much is known about the victim, their recent activities, or the people in their lives. The criminal-

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Lovers of literature
create 'Literary' club
seeking new members

By Cristina Hernandez
STAFF WRITER

"To be or not to be," William Shakespeare asked himself several years ago. Today there is a way to answer that question and many more about literature by joining the Literary Club.

According to Professor David Fabish, "The main purpose of this club is to promote the enjoyment and appreciation of literature. This knowledge will help the student transfer more successfully to a four year college."

Fabish, an English instructor here at Cerritos College is the club advisor. He thinks that this new club will be of great benefit for many students attracted by any part of the field of literature.

The idea of a literary club was conceived by three English students who visualized a place to share and discuss their thoughts about different essays and writers.

Some of the future plans of this club are to sponsor activities between its members and the college community in general such as es-

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'Women's history'
should be all year

By Gabriel Villarreal
FEATURES EDITOR

You really could have heard a pin drop when Elham Bayour read her "Women's History Month" first place essay about the struggles of her grandmother.

Last month's activities were entirely well organized, well executed and well worth the time of the participants—but it can't stop there.

Emotion coupled with a slap of reality came through her reading and they were the same two factors that composed the thread which ran through the activities in the month of March.

In a time when battered women's shelters are filled 365 days a year and the most educated of women still struggle for equal pay, the last 31 days seemed insightful into the history of women's suffrage and inspiring in the lives of human beings.

The workshops, seminars and simple chats in passing over the struggles of individual women and the new ground broken by them filled the air of Cerritos College.

If even a few people sat back and really tried to feel the emotion and pain of the holocaust survivor, delved into the real causes of domestic violence or even pondered a French woman's poetry, progress was made.

Eleven months will pass until the struggles and strife of women

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Connie Mantz,
'our' counselor,
teacher, friend

Connie Mantz, former professor of Psychology and Sociology here at Cerritos College, has been fighting a case of ovarian cancer for the past two years.

Mantz, a well loved friend to some and great teacher to others,

began her career at Cerritos College as a Counselor in 1973.

She moved on to bigger and better things in 1975 when she coordinated the largest International Women's Year conference in the United States.

Ms. Mantz loved to spend time with students inside and outside of class.

She was Faculty Senate President, sponsored the Veteran's Club, was a member of several committees and was a recipient of the Talon Marks "Gladly Would She Teach" award.

Her interaction with people gained her love and respect.

By Efrain Villanueva

POLICE BEAT...POLICE BEAT...POLICE BEAT...

Compiled By Gary Mecija

Following is a summary of the Cerritos College Police report for the weeks of March 13 - April 16.

• March 13 - Officers responded to Lot C-1, Row "N" where a student reported that someone had entered her 1982 Toyota. They "punched" her ignition and took the steering wheel cover and towel.

• March 14 - At 5:27 p.m., officers observed a vehicle failing to stop at a posted "Stop" sign in Lot C-1. The driver parked his vehicle and ran to his class. A check on the license plate showed that he was a student. He was arrested, cited, and released at the Cerritos College Police Department.

• In Lot C-1 a student reported that someone had taken his black 1983 Chevrolet.

• March 16 - At 8 a.m., officers responded to the Business Education Building where a staff member reported that a student was threatening to "kill" another student. A report was taken and processed with the Dean of Students/Judicial Affairs.

• March 20 - At 7:35 a.m., officers observed a vehicle go through a red light signal at Falcon Way and Studebaker Road. A subsequent check showed the driver was driving with a suspended license. The vehicle was towed.

• At 11 a.m. in Lot C-11 someone had used an unknown instrument to damage four parking meters.

• March 21 - At 1:10 p.m. a student reported that someone

had taken his backpack from one of the cubicles.

• March 22 - Officers responded to the Parking Information Building, where a student worker reported that someone had taken his police scanner.

• April 3 - At 6:03 p.m. a student reported that someone had smashed his white 1972 Chevrolet front windshield in Lot C-10.

• April 4 - At 12:25 p.m. a student reported that someone had entered her white 1981 Oldsmobile, in Lot C-1 damaged the ignition and taken miscellaneous cassette tapes.

• April 5 - A red/blue Suzuki motorcycle was stolen from Lot C-10.

• At 10:22 p.m., officers responded to the Cerritos College Police Department parking lot where a student bruised his knee when he jumped off a moving Taylor-Dunn vehicle. According to the student, the brakes of his car failed.

• At 1:39 a.m., officers responded to the north wing custodian closet of the Physical Science Building where an activated water sprinkler flooded the area.

• At 7:30 a.m., a traffic collision occurred in Lot C-10 and Falcon Way. No injuries reported.

• At 11:43 p.m. a visitor reported that someone had stolen his cellular phone at the handball courts next to the Gym.

• April 12 - Officers responded to Lot C-5, where a student reported that someone had entered her brown 1983 Toyota and took her purse.

#2 PADRON & OLIVER #2
YOUR Vote
for 1995/96

Idania Padron for President & Matt Oliver for Vice-President

- Limit student fee hikes
- Revise food services
- Increase student representation
- Improve campus safety
- Expand night student's involvement

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#1 ON THE BALLOT

EXPERIENCE COUNTS

- Chief Justice
- Senator
- AGS (Honor Society) Members
- Affirmative Action Trained
- Various Committees
- Award's Committee Members
- Multiple Service Awards

ENDORSED BY:

- AGS (Honor) Society
- LAE (Criminal Justice)
- Phi Theta Kappa (National Honor) Society
- Psi Beta (Psychology Honor) Society
- Sociology Club



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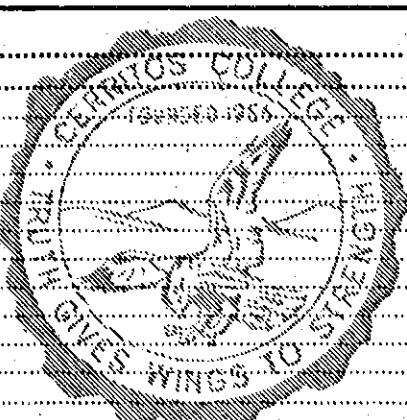
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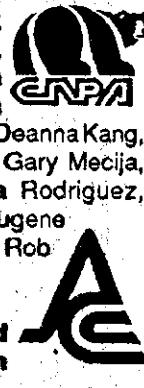
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THE HUMAN RACE

Disabled Leaders club offers fundraiser to campus clubs; CS Dominguez to host event

By Cristina Hernandez
STAFF WRITER

Clubs are you looking for a way to raise funds? Join the Human Race.

The Human Race is a fund-raising event for non-profit agencies and community groups. This is a 20 K. event in which participants may walk, jog, roller-skate or ride in a wheelchair.

During the last 12 years, the Human Race, sponsored by the Volunteer Center, has raised over \$1,400,000 for more than 200 non-profit agencies and it has become

the major fund-raiser event for many agencies.

This is a great opportunity to help the clubs at campus to increase their visibility and raise funds needed for programs which help feed the hungry, provide clothing and shelter to the homeless, counsel battered women and children, plant trees for the environment, encouraged the disabled and help with many other things that Cerritos supports.

This walk-a-thon also has a separate course for wheelchairs and roller skates. The event is open to all.

Any non-profit organization, school, church, etc. may participate and raise funds for their programs.

This year the Human Race will take place Saturday, May 13 at CSU Dominguez Hills from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This is not a timed event. Participants may stop and rest, eat and socialize. For more information about the Human Race contact April Tellez from FDLA (Future Disabled Leaders Association). Leave a message in the box in Student Activities.

Seigel collection to show in library, focus on diversity; author speaks April 27

By Mark Newton
OPINION EDITOR

To celebrate the establishment of the Nona Siegel Special Library Collection, author Janet Mitsui Brown has been invited to Cerritos College to discuss her book, "Thanksgiving at Obaachan's" (grandmother's), on Thursday, April 27.

The Nona Siegel Collection, established shortly after her death in 1991, is the first special collection at the Cerritos College Library. It contains books that were personal favorites of Siegel and emphasizes books by multicultural authors and diversity themes, including some award winners.

The presentation begins at 11:00 a.m. and is followed by a reception

where Brown will sign copies of her book.

Parking will be permitted in student and staff areas.

As an actively growing collection, contributions are always welcome.

For information or donations contact Fran DeFrance, ext. 2806, or Lynda Sampson, ext. 2417.

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Coffee will have its usual assortment of hot and cold drinks to satisfy appetites.

Representatives from Press Telegram, KCEB, Culinary Arts, Literary, Anthropology, and the Native American Indian Clubs will have tables set up as well.

Admission and parking in Lot C-10 are free, and all ages are allowed.

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back and really wondered why I am spending so much time, but I know that it is the right thing to do," McCarthy said.

McCarthy said he will send a letter to Cerritos College President Fred Gaskin about his concerns regarding the issue, but plans to end the complaint there.

McCarthy said that his attempts to follow through with the grievance have been steadfast and not continuing may be met by criticism.

"I really don't see this as giving up," said McCarthy. "I know that this really isn't going to go any further," he said.

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all over the world localize on campus.

Those 11 months will be filled with constant revamps of Nicole Brown Simpson's life, back-burner PSAs on sexual harassment, some Thelma and Louise genre movies and bad sit-com humor about the working woman.

This is not a pessimistic view, it is a realistic view.

A view based on society's theory that women have reached equality because they own businesses and can file for divorce.

Realize, now, that before we can solve the problems before us, we must recognize our collective failings and make attempts to rectify the situation called intolerance and ignorance that prevents headway.

The "Women's History Month" brought forth real problems and put us on the path toward real answers.

The efforts of the organizers and speakers should be applauded.

Workshop offered

An "Assertion Training" workshop will be offered Thursday, April 27 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. in

the Boardroom.

The workshop is aimed at asserting oneself in life and "taking the first step" to gaining control and direction to increase confidence.

The workshop is free to students.

For more information, contact Re-Entry specialist Maureen May at ext. 2362.

Literary club offers writing experience...

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say contests, and readings by established writers. The club also wants to give the opportunity to new talents to show their works at some of the activities the club plans to sponsor.

Anyone who is interested in learning more about literature, meeting people with similar interests about literature or just enjoying a nice time is invited to join the club. The only requirement is to be a member of the Cerritos College community.

The club meets every first and third Tuesday of the month in room LA 27 at 11 a.m.



PRACTICE MAKES PERFECTION—Students rehearse for the upcoming show and the stage seems to be set for a six-day run of "You Can't Take It With You" at the Burnight Center April 28 through May 7.

TM Photo by EDGARD AGUILAR

Hart and Kaufman play set for six-day run in Burnight

About 50 people have been sewing and painting, waiting for cues and moving furniture to transform Burnight Center Theater into the New York home of Martin Vanderhof.

And the stage seems to be set for a six-day run of Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman's Pulitzer prize winning play "You Can't Take It With You."

Under the direction of Peter Goodman, about 20 students will take the stage (some with accents) to re-create the 1930s.

Immediately following opening night will be an informal reception in which the audience can meet the cast crew and director and discuss the presentation and preparation.

"It is a really nice and festive ending to opening night," said

Theater Production Specialist Gloria Manrique.

Performance dates are April 28, 29 at 8 p.m., May 4-6 at 8 p.m. and May 7 at a 2:30 matinee.

General admission is \$8 and \$6 for students and seniors.

Tickets may be purchased at the box office Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

—GABRIEL VILLARREAL

News Brief(ly)News

Art week on April 25

Next week is designated Art Week, and will include various activities sponsored by the Art Club. Tuesday, April 25, from 6-9 p.m. in the Fine Arts Gallery, is the opening reception for the Student Art Exhibition.

Two musical acts will perform, and the Art Club has had the reception catered for the evening.

Wednesday, April 26, from 7-8 p.m. in AC-33, a slide presentation will be held, featuring Life Drawing instructor Harrison Storms. Last year, the Art Club began this spotlight slide show with Art Club Moderator Steven Potigal.

The slide presentation is a chance to highlight the instructor's personal experiences, struggles, and successes, and to give students a closer look at their teachers.

To finish off Art Week, Art Club will hold its last Coffeehouse Night for the semester in the Student Center from 4-9 p.m.

All events are of free admission.

—RAYSA BOTERO

Pow Wow

opens April 27

The Native American Club and Multi-Cultural Studies are sponsoring the 1995 Spirit of Spring Renewal Pow Wow on Saturday, April 22, and Sunday, April 23 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on the Soccer Field.

The two day celebration will host events including ceremonial dances and vendors with wares of all kind.

All drummers, dancers and general public are welcome to join. For more general or vendor information call Kathy at (310) 928-8761.

—JENNIFER PICKETT

'Expo' hosts 70 employers

Career Expo '95 is here! On Thursday, April 20 Cerritos College's Job Placement Center together with the ASCC will hold a Career Expo in the Student Center from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

There will be close to 70 employers represented including Bank of America, Radio Shack, City of Norwalk, Federal Express, KRTH Radio, the Military Services, and LA Police and Fire Departments, even the IRS.

The Assessment Center will provide a table to include career counseling, resume writing, and Internship and Re-Entry information.

The Expo is open to everyone—students and public alike. Admission and campus wide parking (except handicapped, metered, and carpool zones) is free.

For additional information, call (310) 860-2451, ext. 2366.

—DEBORAH ROGERS

Registration begins May 1

Spring Semester Finals are almost here, so we know what that means summer school registration will begin soon.

In fact touchtone registration for Summer School runs from May

1 through 5 from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. for all summer sessions. Walk in registration starts after May 17.

Students who filed their intent to register will receive their appointment by mail.

There will be a condensed selection of classes to choose from compared to Spring or Fall Semester.

All class fees can be paid on campus after registration.

—JENNIFER PICKETT

Music show opens May 10

A "Concert of Popular Music" will be presented by the Cerritos College Music Department on Wednesday, May 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Burnight Center.

The band, orchestra, and choirs of Cerritos College will be taking part in this event.

The concert will be featuring performances of well known songs from Andrew Lloyd Webber such as "Jesus Christ Superstar," "Phantom of the Opera," "Evita," "Cats," and "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat."

In addition to this, music from the "Lion King" will be performed that evening.

The finale will feature student Kris Lee doing a performance of "Beethoven's 1st Piano Concerto."

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Lady Falcons need jump-start heading into play-offs, recent loses taking toll on already shaken confidence

By Kelly Barth
ASSOCIATE EDITOR/SPORTS

During the recent spring break the Cerritos softball team's confidence must have felt like an Easter egg shaken with a mixture of colors, passed around and eventually scrambled.

Cerritos currently is riding a losing streak that reached five games with a pair of losses in the Easter Dessert Classic to East Los Angeles 7-5, and Hancock 7-0.

Hancock is currently one of the top six teams in the state.

Cerritos' week was one filled with one bad break after another and it began with Long Beach City.

It was typical of Long Beach once again to lower their standards to what most would call the lowest common denominator.

The game was televised on a local cable network with the only purpose to make Long Beach look more superior.

It would have been nice if the Long Beach announcers had stopped

talking about the Viking players long enough to let everyone know that there was another team on the field.

It's just the type of classless act that ranks right-up there with the Long Beach players playing a pick-up football game instead of taking batting practice.

These types of unconventional pre-game activities may be funny to the Long Beach coaches but in the event of an injury such as a jammed finger, who would be laughing last.

This is not some type of an attempt to vent "sour grapes," this has nothing to do with winning or losing it's about dignity and knowing how to be a gracious winner as well as a gracious loser, which is exactly what the Long Beach program is full of (losers), when these types of acts are permitted.

Long Beach without question scores big on the field but draws a huge goose egg when it comes to class and sportsmanship.

Another team that's scraping the bottom of the floor is East L.A.

East L.A. took a blatant attempt at stealing signs when one of the assistants stood behind the home plate umpire and catcher in an attempt to get signals to its pitcher.

Then the ELAC pitcher intentionally hit Cerritos' Veronica Jaramillo in the knee with a hard fastball.

While Jaramillo was lying on the ground writhing in pain the ELAC catcher was laughing and giving a thumbs up signal to the third baseman.

Is this the kind of garbage that good college programs that play by the rules are going to have to put up with when facing a lesser opponent.

ELAC will be at Cerritos one more time this season on April 26.

Despite all the negatives of the past week Cerritos has had a fabulous season and achieved one of their goals and are closing in on the final two.

First they won a tournament, and are just two wins away from the 20 win plateau. The 20 wins will help complete the triple crown and place them in the regionals.

Coach Wells' team ready for Tourney

This spring Cerritos Coach Doug Wells has witnessed both outstanding team and individual performances.

Yet he still wonders what could have been?

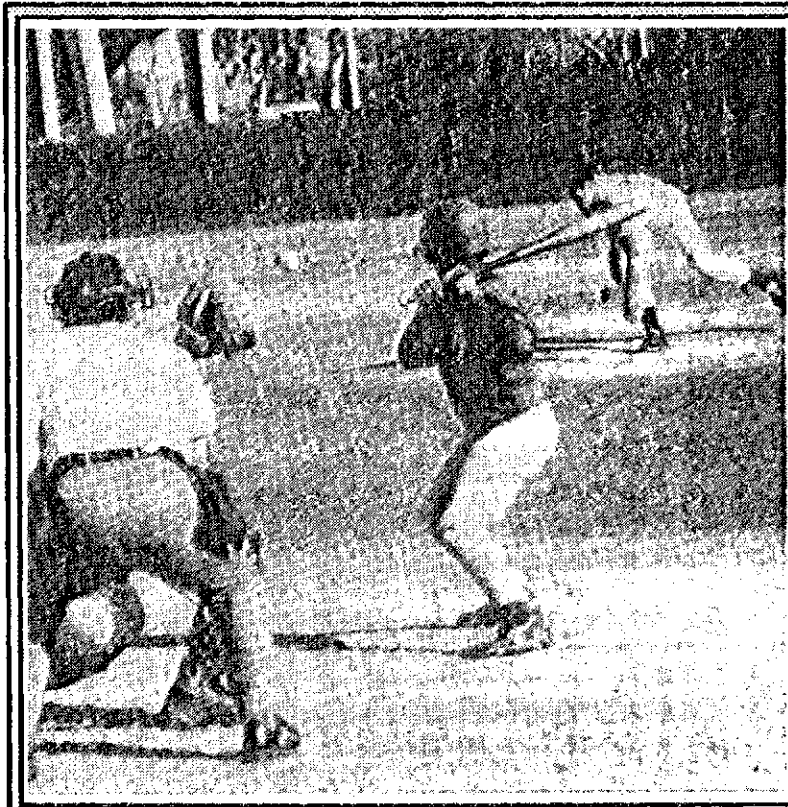
That's because his best hurdler Alonzo Wiggins has missed most of league and possibly the rest of the season with a leg injury.

"With him, we could have been in the mix of things, (League Title) but without him we'll probably battle El Camino for third," said Coach Wells.

However Cerritos does have the second best hurdler in the state in Jeff Correia, and not to mention the best sprinter in the state, Corey Kelley.

Someone that could play a vital role in filling Wiggins shoes is Jay Young, the freshman from Bellflower High who has posted the fourth best times in the state in both hurdling events.

The relay teams for both the 100 and 400 meters are each in the top five in State. — HECTOR BARRAGAN



HITLESS IN CERRITOS— Freshman pitcher Jose Peraza added his name to the record books by pitching a no-hitter against L.A. City. Peraza's no-hitter is only the third in Falcon's baseball history. TM Photo by EDGARD AGUILAR

...Justice for all?

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ist gathers what he can of the evidence in a reasonable, and practical, and professional manner. The defense would lead the average person to believe that if the entire neighborhood wasn't dusted for prints and examined for blood spots than the evidence is somehow not adequate.

This is not true.

Also, the prosecution is bound to do the best job it can with real life restrictions of time, manpower and expense. For the defense to charge that there is some grand scheme to frame O.J. is ludicrous.

For the defense to have made the charge that all police are taught to methodically lie at the Police Academy is an outrage. That sounds more like a law school practice to me.

The defense has only one side of the issue to worry about. The prosecution has to try to prove a person's guilt and at the same time protect his (and every other citizen's) Constitutional rights.

You must remember that the same lawyer who is now trying to discredit the value of DNA testing will somewhere down the road become that test's greatest advocate when his client stands to benefit by it. A well trained lawyer will change points of view as often and as easily as he does his underwear.

The most distressing thing about this affair is the distortion of the concept of peer. In the criminal justice system, a peer is a person, just a fellow citizen from the community where the crime was committed.

Modern juries tend to consist of students, retired persons, civil servants (they get reimbursed), or housewives. That is, unless you are a wealthy person, in which case you can employ jury experts whose job is to help the defense team stack the jury in favor of the accused or find ways to subvert an already empaneled jury.

If we must cling to the jury format, then let us seat the first 12 citizens who are not related to the accused. And let's do color-blindly, trusting their very number to offset any bias. This was the intent of the founding fathers.

Jury trial was not meant to be the drawn out gamesmanship ritual that it has become.

We need to revamp the justice system.

An independent investigator needs to be used.

This investigator would work with both sides in the interest of finding the truth. The two sides would then plead their cases but would not be allowed to slander and mislead. The judge would manage this dog and pony show in the interests of the common welfare.

and justice.

The option of using a professional jury would exist. These people would be trained to assess the evidence and cut through the dead wood. With trained people on the jury, lawyers would be less likely to employ their smoke and mirrors tactics.

Lastly, I think the media ought to be barred from the courtroom. Yes, the public has a right to know, but whoever said it had to be immediately. Anyone can go into court records and examine the case after the fact. That is soon enough.

The feeding frenzy of the popular media has perverted the justice system. The tabloid trial has reduced the courts to the level of sleaze radio and pulp fiction.

I object. Will you object, too. Or will you allow Siskel and Ebert to be the judge?

By Mike Myers
ASSOC. SPORTS EDITOR

While the rest of Cerritos vacationing from school last week, the Birds spent their spring break playing in the Allen Hancock Tournament on April 12-13.

The Birds, 14-2 SCC, were looking to vent their frustrations after their 14 game SCC winning streak had just come to an end the game before.

Cuesta, their tournament opener, was the unlucky recipient of their venting.

Freshman John Ruiz got the start and pitched his fourth complete game of the season. He finished the day with three strikeouts and only allowed three hits.

The Birds got on top of the Cuesta pitcher and never let up. Once again the freshmen stepped

at the plate and contributed with several clutch hits. Shortstop Tony Vasquez had four hits, third baseman David McRill and center fielder Fito Marquez each added three hits.

Not to be outdone, sophomores Rod Barajas, and Jose Miranda both had two hits apiece. Carlos Olea drove in five runs for the Birds with two doubles and a sacrifice fly. Norm Padilla scored four times including a solid shot for a double.

When the smoke cleared from the

Birds' bats the final score was 14-1.

The Birds then faced Cypress, the defending state champions.

The game's momentum moved in the Birds' favor when freshman Jose Alvarez belted his fifth home run of the season and scored two runs. Alvarez finished with four RBIs and scored four times. The steady batting of Carlos Olea also added three hits.

Eric Boardman started for the Birds but had early control problems and was relieved by Joe Abell in the third.

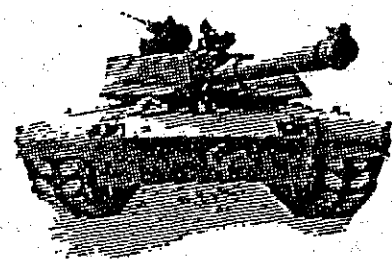
The left-hander Abell took over and went on for the win allowing only four hits and gunning down eight batters.

The final score was 9-6.

Just as it looked like another win streak was about to begin, Cerritos dropped their next two games to host Allan Hancock (7-6) and then to Fresno City (8-6).

"Birdland" will be visited by ELACC, who is only three games behind Cerritos for first place, tomorrow at 2:30 p.m..

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