

Campus controversy: to build at Madera or Coarsegold?

Daniel Cabuco
Staff writer

A newly unveiled plan by California's community college system intends to add 16 new community colleges at the cost of \$1.8 billion by the year 2005. As one of the state's fastest growing areas Madera County may be an area selected for a new community college.

The plan came in response to the 400,000 students expected to hit community colleges in the next 16 years.

Dr. Hank Padden, assistant to the Chancellor of the State Community College District, says there is "a lot of

potential growth" and sees the move as an important one. "We need to put it where it will serve the majority of the students," says Padden.

Among the many people in Madera County trying to influence the choice of a site is Ruthella Wilcox, of Coarsegold, whose group is willing to donate land for a college in the mountain community.

A committee will be organized to make an analysis of the needs of the community, the population, the cost of the land, population trends and the situation as a whole.

Consultant Merle Canon will be assisting in the process so a viable presentation in June or July can be

made to the state board of governors.

The new college would not be complete when built, but rather subject to expansion. It would also not be duplicating any special fields, such as a farm for agriculture like King's River.

Recommendations must be submitted by community colleges, UC and CSU systems to the California Post-secondary Education Commission.

The higher education system is expected to grow by 1.7 million students in the next 16 years for all college systems. The current UC, CSU and community colleges can hold about two-thirds of that number with expansions.

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The Royal Couple of FCC



Homecoming King Sean Sanchez and Queen Frances Vasquez after their coronation at halftime Saturday.

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Sanchez and Vasquez new King, Queen

For the second year in a row Sean Sanchez, nominated by Phi Beta Lambda, is Homecoming King. This year the Homecoming Queen is Frances Vasquez, nominated by the LAE Law Enforcement Club.

The King and Queen were taken on a limousine ride to dinner at Sweet Georgia Brown's.

Judging the contestants on academics and extracurricular activities were Lee Farley, Assoc. Dean of Student Affairs, Linda Albright, head nurse, Dr. Emory Luck, Athletic Director, and Soledad Dominguez.

Other Queen candidates were Nancy Garcia, Denise Ingledue, Mary Ann Estacia and Koreena Kelly.

Other contestants for King were Sean Lambert, Ward Mitchell, Michael Sanders and Michael Braa.

Cars, for contestants to ride in, were loaned by Herwaldt Chevrolet, Fresno Chrysler Plymouth, Halowell Chevrolet and Ed Becker Nissan.

Thieves rip-off football players during game

Daniel Cabuco
Sports editor

A daring thief broke into the FCC fieldhouse and made off with an estimated \$1,575 worth of the players' gold jewelry, watches, and money.

The burglary occurred during the September 30 football game against American River College.

Somebody cut the locks off the lockers of nineteen of the football players with bolt cutters and took their valuables while they were out on the field sometime between halftime and the end of the game.

Norm Ching, athletic equipment manager, discovered the open lockers shortly after the game.

"The lockers were open," explained Ching, "but nothing was thrown around."

Sergeant James Stahl, the officer in charge of the investigation, suspects that the thief may have been locked inside.

Stahl said the thief could have gotten out any time because there are crash bars which allow the fieldhouse to be opened from the inside for safety reasons.

"There are a million places to hide," explained Stahl, "and the custodians can't check every part of it."

Stahl has also instructed the coaches to inform him of any leads that they uncover.

"I told Volek and the other coaches that if they or any of their players found out anything about who may have robbed them, to let us know."

Coach Volek believes the thief had been "scoping out" the football team. "He obviously knew what he was doing," Volek said.

A total of nineteen lockers were broken into and most of the locks were missing.

Police are still checking out any possible information, but have no definite leads yet.

Legislation to require reporting of campus crime

John R. Graham
Managing editor

There is a movement to require colleges and universities to make crime statistics on campus available to prospective students and their families.

The bill is being carried by Senator Art Torres, D-Los Angeles for a group of parents whose children have been murdered or assaulted on campus.

The parents' group attacked the "myth" that a college that looks safe is safe. It charged that college administrators hide the facts and refuse to disclose statistics about violent crimes on campus.

The bill would fine and otherwise penalize colleges which fail to release crime statistics.

State Center Community College District Police Chief Kenneth Shrum doesn't see any problem with the law's reporting requirements.

"We already keep records and report to the district," he said. "Anybody who's interested could get the information."

Mary Zubeck, the secretary who would have to file the reports saw it slightly differently.

"It depends on how much they require," she said. "It would make our jobs a lot harder if they require us to report on every itty-bitty detail."

Fresno City College has its share of crime, according to Shrum.

"Our number one problem here is theft from autos," he said.

Another common problem at FCC is domestic squabbles. Police

have been called a number of times to settle disputes over broken relationships.

"Sometimes there is a restraining order and a few cases have been turned over to the district attorney but most have been settled by the dean of students, Shrum said.

The only incident involving a firearm this year was in March when Officer Jaque Haynes was called to a disturbance by the railroad tracks.

When she arrived, she found two apparently intoxicated men (not FCC students) arguing with some students.

She searched the suspects and took a loaded .25 caliber semi-automatic pistol from them.

They were booked for public intoxication and carrying a concealed weapon.

Editorials

The master race student of the future?



Ban college sexism

Dallas Blanchard

Photo editor

Threatened protests, criticism and a couple of controversial flyers surrounded the Fresno City College Miss Intramural contest during last week's Homecoming Week events.

The controversy began when a few students brought up concerns that the contest was sexist and degrading towards women. The charge of sexism was based on the fact that contestants were to be judged on poise, appearance and a swimsuit contest.

People in a place of higher education should be judged on their intelligence, not on how they look in a swimsuit.

What kind of message is the Intramural department and the Associated Students sending women by sponsoring such a tasteless event?

A few individuals have told me "If women want to participate in such an event, let them." Well, I agree as long as the event does not degrade all women.

Hopefully FCC would never condone an event that degraded or treated a minority as less than equal.

So why are we allowing women to be treated in such a manner? To many, sexism is just as disgusting as racism. Let's not be so insensitive in next year's event.

Bigotry alive and well at university

Paul Edwards

Editor-in-chief

A few weeks ago, I blasted *Spin* magazine for its glorification of socially regressive elements in our culture, and I stated there are some ugly attitudes sweeping through our society. Since that time all one would have had to do to confirm that statement was to keep up on the news at Fresno State during the past few weeks.

An October 2 article in the *Fresno Bee* reported that six white students surrounded a female student at an FSU eating area and began chanting "KKK is the way, KKK is here to stay."

This event stemmed from the fact that the young woman, Roxana Zapata, was one of many students who had participated in a sit-in protest last year against alleged racism and sexism on the part of the student government.

"It was just words," Zapata said, "but had I been walking in a secluded area by myself, it might not have been just words."

Zapata and other students said they have been receiving threats and harassment ever since the protest—which occurred last May—including an incident in which some skinheads followed a participant home from the campus.

The fact that a university in California could have students who behave like outback rednecks and Nazis is a commentary in itself, and these neo-Neanderthals need to have their heads examined, if not surgically removed from their rectums.

This isn't a case of just one isolated incident of racism, either. Nor is racism the only form of bigotry that has occurred.

Several months ago, a group of students joined in cheering on a Klan group as it paraded down Shaw Avenue simply because it was also bashing gays in its diatribes.

Last Friday, someone vandalized a club booth belonging to the Gay Lesbian Bisexual Student Alliance for the second time in two years. It had already been burned down in 1987, and the club put a lot of trouble and money into obtaining another booth that could not be easily burned.

But that didn't stop vandals from spray-painting phrases such as "Sick" and the misspelled "We spread AIDS" on the

face of the booth.

As always with ignorant boneheads who write on walls and property, whoever did it couldn't spell. We all know the type—the kind of idiot philosopher who spells such things as four-letter words with three letters.

But what's distressing about this act is not that those who did it disagreed with the GLBSA or that they were just plain stupid, but that they committed an act of open hostility and destruction of property against an entire group of people.

As much as I myself disagree with the purpose of the booth, the fact is, no one has the right to deface and vandalize the property of others, regardless of the sexual preference of its owners.

In America, when we disagree with an opinion or a movement of any kind, we can picket against it or stage a peaceful demonstration. People who don't like gays and lesbians can take these and many other actions against the propagation of their ideas, including passing out literature and speaking in their free speech area.

But hatred, physical harassment, and destruction of property show nothing but stupidity and actually give more fuel to the so-called "enemy's" cause.

It's ironic that so many of these booth-burners and bigots are also ardent flag-wavers and overly-patriotic zealots, since they show blatant contempt for American principles such as respect for others' rights to life and property, the preservation of the free discussion of ideas, and in the case of acts against ethnic minorities, the tenet that "All men are created equal."

I'm just glad we haven't had these kinds of problems at FCC, and I certainly don't mean to imply that all or most FSU students have intelligence problems.

Fresno State is a higher institution of learning, not of idiocy, and these few imbeciles attending there need to learn to function at an adult intellectual institution or get out.

How are instructors supposed to deal with people who are this backward and immature—make them write 500 times on a blackboard, "I will not act like Hitler at school?"

Unfortunately, at this stage in our history and our social decline, there probably isn't anything we can do to completely rid society of this kind of moral disease.

Reasonable solution to RR problem

John R. Graham

Managing editor

I recently wrote an article on the impending enforcement of the railroad right-of-way where students cross the tracks illegally. That was a factual article about the situation and the dangers to students from trains and railway police.

This, on the other hand, is my personal opinion on the subject.

Anybody intelligent enough to attend college should be able to cross the tracks without getting hit by a train. I do it every day. When there is a train coming the bells ring at McKinley and at Weldon and can be heard between.

Trains also make a lot of noise and vibrations. We can hear them from inside the classrooms with the windows closed.

Even my deaf friends can feel the vibrations and know that a train is coming.

The problem is that if there is anybody on campus stupid enough to get hit by a train, the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company would probably get sued. That's what the railway officials are really concerned about.

So they are taking "all reasonable precautions" to protect the railway from massive damage suits. They have notified the *Rampage* and *City at Large* to publicize their crackdown and placed "no trespassing" signs by the tracks.

These precautions are taken to be used as evidence in court, should there be a "wrongful death or injury" suit, that the AT&SF was not negligent in attempting to keep people off

See *Railroad* on page six

Roving Reporter

Photos by Dallas Blanchard



I'm personally opposed to it but definitely pro-choice. Because of the difficulty in pinpointing when a fetus becomes viable no group of citizens, legislators or judges should decide what is right for a woman.

Camilla Colby

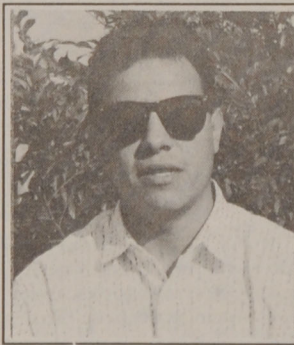
Spanish and English instructor



To me, abortion isn't right, but I feel women should have the right to choose.

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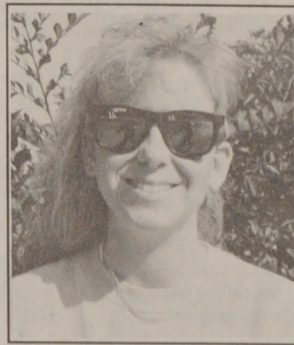
Human services



Personally I am opposed to abortion, but I am pro-choice. A woman has the final say over her body.

Mario Garza

Liberal arts



I'm neutral on it. I feel abortion is necessary in cases when the mother's life is in danger. I'm against abortion if it is used as birth control.

Jenny Lanciotti

Journalism

What is your view on abortion?

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Student wants to be world champ

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Managing editor

Fresno City College student Randy Jimenez is going to Japan, November 14 - 20, to fight for the Heavyweight Championship in a match sponsored by the World Federation of Kick Boxing.

Jimenez is one of only 12 Americans chosen to compete against the International Santin Karate Association in Okanawa, Japan.

"These guys are the best," said Jimenez. "They don't pull any punches. At this level everybody's out for blood."

Okinawa is the first fight that Jimenez won't wear any gloves or footgear. His previous matches have all been in America where protective equipment is standard.

Jimenez has one more fight in America before going to Japan.

Broadcast live on ESPN (Ch. 9), Jimenez will defend his current titles against some of the top challengers in the country, on October 28. See your cable guide for details.

This has been a big year for Jimenez' kickboxing career. In April he won the title Grand Champion of Southern California in a bout in Long Beach.

He won Grand Champion of Northern California at San Francisco in May.

August found him in Corpus Christi, Texas where he won the title Western United States Heavyweight Champion.

Then he went to Chicago in September where he won the Northeastern U. S. Heavyweight Championship.

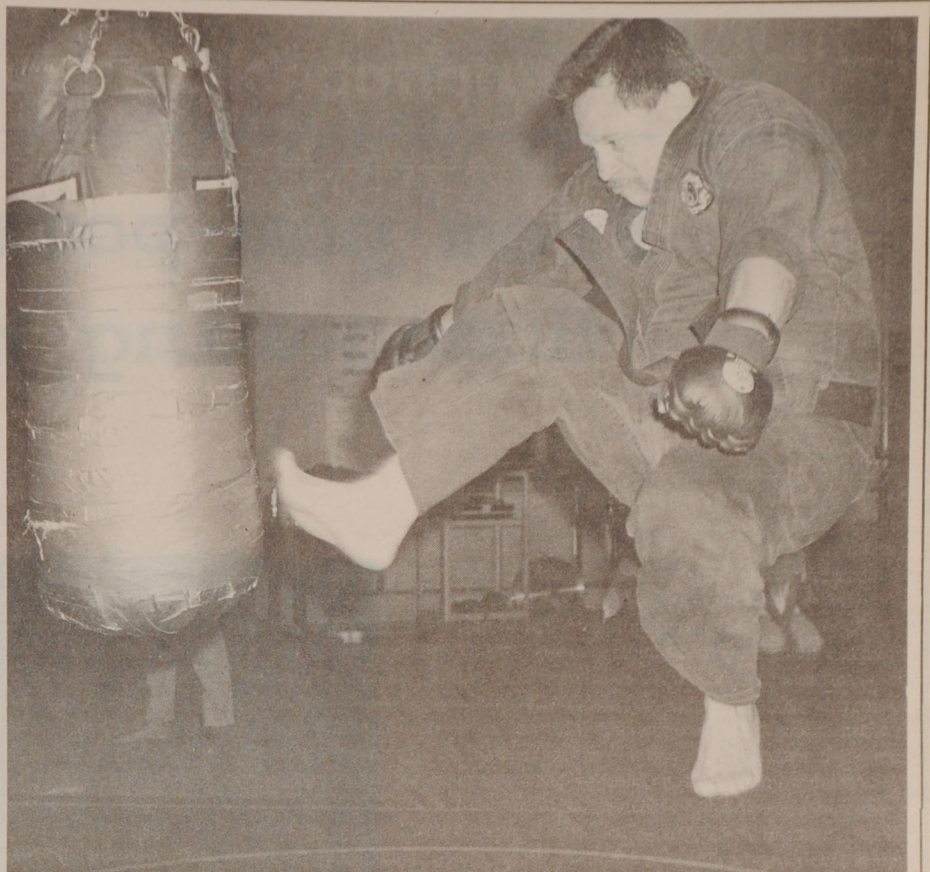
During this time Jimenez has not fought a match that paid less than \$10,000 except for charity.

Each time he wins a match, \$1,000 of his winnings automatically go to charity and another \$1,000 to his education fund.

Besides fighting, Jimenez has become active in the Gang Prevention Program sponsored by the FCC counseling center.

On November 21, the day after he is to return from Japan, Jimenez is scheduled to speak on "alternatives to gang activities" at the Holiday Inn.

"If I can still talk," he laughed. "Maybe I'll be beat up too bad."



Randy Jimenez practices for his upcoming kickboxing meet in Japan where he will fight for the World Heavyweight Championship Belt.

Quake relief

Students for Peace and Justice is sponsoring an earthquake relief drive to aid the victims of the bay area quake. They will have a collection table in the fountain area Friday 9-3 and Tuesday 9-1.

The first pickup load will be delivered to San Francisco Friday evening by members of the club.

Blankets and non-perishable foods are badly needed.

Correction

The Rampage incorrectly identified a volleyball player as Robyn Pseis in a sports story on October 9. Her name is actually Robyn Pfeif. The Rampage regrets this and any error, and it is our policy to print corrections when mistakes are brought to our attention.

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New club wants to save the rain forests

Patricia P. Tsai
Features writer

In the face of the tropical rain forest crisis, a new club on campus, Rain Forest Action Movement, has formed to help stop the destruction of the rain forest through fund-raising and raising student awareness.

Amie Bailey, a liberal arts major, and friend Jason Riley, a theater arts major, shared concern about the rain forest and wanted to put on a benefit concert.

When Bailey asked FCC staff for permission to host the concert on campus, they suggested she start a club.

Although the club began only this semester, Bailey, as the group's president, says she was overwhelmed by all the concern students have shown.

The club is one of many groups world-wide affiliated with the Rain

Forest Action Network based in San Francisco. The organization has led campaigns against logging and the World Bank in protest.

Presently, the destruction of the rain forest has not been addressed as a national problem, Bailey says. Although the forests are located in certain countries, the repercussions are felt world-wide.

Bailey says the rain forest is being destroyed at the rate of an acre a second. Not only are the trees being cut down through native "slash and burn" techniques, the wildlife is being smuggled out to be sold on the world market.

While the forest area is cleared for the cultivation of crops, the soil is poor. Bailey describes the area as a closed cycle that, without the trees, cannot renew itself.

The end result is land that can be cultivated only for a single year and exists as a desert wasteland for years

afterwards.

Bailey adds that the destruction of the rain forest depletes the oxygen level of the atmosphere, compounding the greenhouse effect.

In an effort to save the forests, Bailey encourages students to join and help raise money. The club hands out fact sheets and urges members to tell others.

The club's main goal is, at the end of the semester, to buy actual acreage in the rain forest to preserve it at a cost of \$50 an acre.

During the up-coming National

Rain Forest Week, October 23-27, the club is planning activities to be held around the fountain area including the sale of t-shirts and stickers as well as a live band.

That Friday night, October 27, a benefit concert will be held in the Student Lounge, next to the bookstore. Cost is \$5.

Featured will be the Quagmires, the Wallflowers, and Let's Go Bowling. It will be Let's Go Bowling's last show in Fresno before they leave in a European tour.

A.S. axes proposed listening post budget

Daniel Cabuco
Staff writer

The Associated Students voted down a proposition last week to continue a Listening Post on campus this year.

The Listening Post, run by the St. Paul Newman Center, was present on campus one day a week last year and was designed to listen to student problems and let them relate their anxieties.

Having been on campus since the fall of 1986, the post wanted to pass a provision to extend its services by appearing two or three days a week, restricting parking permits on those days the post would be on campus, and the spending of \$166 per year by the A.S. to cover snacks, tablecloths, baskets, and publicity expenses.

It was a source of debate among A.S. senators. Some believed that the Listening Post provided a positive atmosphere and could have

been used to make the Associated Students more visible.

Others believed the post was unnecessary due to the fact that listeners were not supposed to respond.

Eluterio Escamilla, an A.S. senator, believed that people with problems should deal with "somebody with professional standards," such as the campus psychologist.

Escamilla believed that psychological or counseling services are provided for under the \$7.50 health fee.

While allowing students to share wants, needs, and ideas, the Listening Post was not meant to be a traditional counseling center and did not provide any answers.

The post's goals were oriented toward offering an unthreatening place for students to share their concerns and joys amid the pressures of work, school, and family.

The A.S. had been considering the Listening Post for the past month.

Associated Students pool tournament winners

When all the chalk was cleared and the scratches were counted Rafi Bazerkanian, FCC business major, came out ahead of 35 other players in the Associated Students pool tournament on Tuesday, October 18.

Finishing a strong second was James Ferguson, computer science major. Eddie Veliz liberal arts, and Sean McKenry, business, had a playoff for third which was won by Veliz.

Bazerkanian, Ferguson and Veliz recieved trophies for their efforts. Everybody else had to settle for the enjoyment of playing pool.

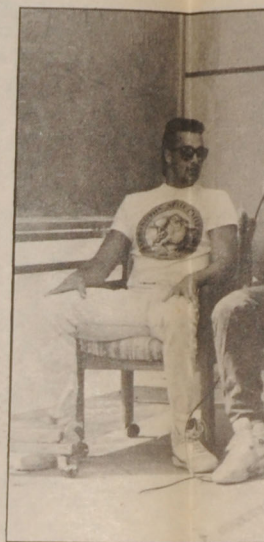
The tournament, which lasted from noon to 3 p.m. in the student lounge, was single elimination until the final four, who then played double elimination.

Players who had some bad luck this time, and those who didn't get a chance to compete, can try to win the next pool tournament. Watch for it.

From pom-poms to protest: Homecoming Week in words and



Dallas Blanchard/Rampage



Top left: AS Senator Karena questions bachelors in last Wednesday's Dating Game event as Kim Ho hosts. *Above:* Ram football player Chad Avakian, bachelor number one, answers a question as teammates Greer, left, and Nick Filuta compete for the affections of Karena Kelley. AS president Oscar Segura ignores Oscar Moreno as she protests alleged sex on Friday's Miss Intramural contest, an unsuccessful event in which only one contestant competed. *Bottom left:* FCC cheerleaders give their best to school spirit during the pep rally. *Bottom right:* Homecoming candidate Nancy Garcia rides around the stadium at the big half-time Saturday night.



Tash Stublefield/Rampage

