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## Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday celebrated in Fresno



Photo by Joe Sanchez

by James Todd Rampage Reporter

On January 18, Martin Luther King Jr. Day was celebrated across the country. Events in Fresno were listed by the California Advocate and took place all weekend long.

On January 15, King's actual birthday, the Opening and Garlanding Ceremony was held at the Fresne County Courthouse; on January 17, a candlelight vigil was held at City Hall; and on January 18, a march and program were held beginning at the City Hall and culminating into a celebration at the William Saroyan Theatre, according to the Advocate.

King's 1963 speech at the Lincoln Memorial was also reprinted. An excerpt of this timeless speech appears here:

"...And those who hope that the Negro needed to blow off steam and will now be content will have a rude awakening if the nation returns to business as usual.

There will be neither rest nor tranquility in America until the Negro is granted his citizenship rights. The whirlwinds of revolt will continue to shake the foundations of our nation until the bright day of justice emerges."

Bill Riddlesprigger, former head of the Fresno NAACP chapter, member of the FUSD Board of Trustees, and an FCC English instructor, shared his thoughts on King.

"People like Martin Luther King Jr., Thurgood Marshall, and Rosa Parks gave birth to the Civil Rights Movement," said Riddlesprigger.

He added that African-Americans like these fought against the established order of second class citizenship forced on them due to Euro-American racism.

"The black presence stands as a metaphor for what the American experience is all about."

# New lounge, new look, new controversy

Fresnans march in celebration of Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday

by Alexander Asher Staff Writer

The integration of a recreational facility-study hall makes the new student lounge a haven for students looking to do something (or nothing) to do between classes.

Craig Reid, the new director of college activities, believes students are motivated to come into the student lounge because of its coziness.

"It's so much more comfortable and classy a place. It's like a living room, whereas the facility they had before was like a romper room," Reid said.

Student Adam Bernays agrees, "I like it a lot better than the old lounge. The new lounge is very comfortable and very nice, especially the new senate chambers," he said.

Complete with new carpeting, furniture, aluminum
doors, flooring, painting, hollow metal window walls and
separate rooms for lounging,
playing games and watching
TV, the new lounge shows little
resemblance to its predecessor
where empty space and plastic
furniture predominated.

Even though the new facility is about the same size as the old lounge (the old facility was 5,800 square feet, the new one is 5,100 square feet), the low ceiling, furniture, and separation of rooms makes the building look much smaller than it actually is. The patio outside the new lounge is also newly renovated.

However, with all of the improvements taken into consideration, the rooms are small. Only 20 to 35 people can watch TV at a time and the recreation room can barely accommodate a pool and ping pong table, frustrating many students who must wait in line to play those games.

"You go into that game room when there are people in there and you start feeling claustrophobic," said Associated Students' senator John Roberts.

Roberts misses certain aspects of the old lounge. "In the old lounge we had our own Pepsi machine and our own [candy] vending machine," he said. "We can't even eat in the new lounge."

Associated Students' president Greg Simmons shares see Lounge, back page

## Opinions on recent attacks on Iraq vary

by Lucas Kleinfelter Rampage Reporter

Student opinion varied on campus during the first two weeks of the semester as a U.S.-led coalition formed by the United Nations began a second air-attack against Iraq.

The attacks which were deemed necessary in part because of Iraq's recent raids into Kuwait to retrieve military equipment and Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's unwillingness to guarantee U.N. weapon inspectors safety were aimed at surface-to-air missile batteries and alleged Iraqi nuclear weapons sites.

When asked if they felt the attack was justified, students replied with mixed reactions.

"Considering the chances

given to Saddam Hussein, I think war was our only choice," said biology major, Charlene Hitchick.

"Of course we attacked them once for going into Kuwait. I don't understand why they would expect House anything else this time." said Tracy Lillser, an English major.

The aggressive action taken by the United Nations is still supported by the majority.

"I think the United States, as well as other nations, need to continue to show Saddam Hussein that he cannot take whatever he wants," Myra Blaylock.

"It's the only thing that seems to get through to this man and if that's what it takes then I'm behind it," said art major Doug Mekaskill.

"I see it as the only answer to the threat being posed in the Middle-East," said Nancy Harper, an English major here at FCC.

Still, many students seemed to convey a hope that the new president might bring peace in the Middle-East with him to the White House.

"I would like to see the new president try more diplomacy when dealing with the Middle-East... so far war hasn't gotten us anywhere," Genevera Espinosa, a FCC Agriculture major commented.

"If President Clinton follows in the footsteps of George Bush we will be fighting Iraq in the year 2000," said Greg Porter, a chemistry major

"This has been going on for a couple of years and we're still not any closer to solving our problems with Iraq. I hope the new president has an answer other than war," said history major Aaron Lawson.

# **Drop Deadline Decision Delayed**

Dr. Brice Harris, president of FCC, postponed the decision one month regarding the shortening of the drop period from 14 weeks to 8 weeks, at a board meeting Tuesday. There was no objection to this delay. This confirmed an earlier report from Greg Simmons, president of the Associated Students, that there would be a delay in this decision.

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EDITORIAL

## Hope for an end to hate

by Whitney Brown Editor-in-Chief

As we soar into 1993 with our eyes on President Clinton moving into the White House Americans seem hopeful and to an extent patriotic after a long period of apathy.

In almost every quote taken from the election to the Inauguration, the word hope was emphasized. One of my hopes for the future of this nation is that we take steps to eliminate the hatred that lies within so many Americans.

There is a bitterness among many of the races in this society, dispelling the myth that this country is one happy melting pot of diversity.

Diverse we are. Tolerant of each other's differences we are not.

Hate crimes are performed by all people in all areas, but none are justifiable. We as Americans have to decide the future of this country and act against the igno-

Will we continue to regress and end up with segregated sections for each race? Will we still teach our children about white devils, niggers and conniving kikes before they learn to read? Will certain people continue to presume their superiority over others due simply to skin color? I hope not...

In the 1970s, in grammar school, a bunch of us would act out scenes we'd memorized from the movie "Grease." The other day I heard a friend say his kids act out scenes they've memorized form the Rodney King beating.

After dramatically mimicking the kicking and clubbing, the little boys back off and the black boy gets up off the ground, brushes himself off and says, "O.K., now it's my turn. Who's gonna be Reginald Denny?" Giggling, someone volunteers and it starts all over again.

We cannot rely on a president to reduce the hate. We have to take responsibility for our actions and opinions ourselves. Children learn this kind of hatred and anger. It's not innate.

A psychologist spoke a few months ago at C.S.U.F. One of her several topics involved anger people hold on to for the majority of their lives. She said that holding on to anger is similar to holding on to a hot coal from a fire to throw at someone you hate when you find them most vulnerable.

"You hold it and wait to throw it at the perfect time," she said, "but the whole time it's burning your hand and the only one you're hurting is yourself."

If the coal is dropped, the burning stops.

#### Letters to the Editor

Does being problack mean that you are racist? For centuries whites and African-Americans have been separated by the color of their skin or by their national origin. Race relations have been under strain for years because of unjustified racism at the hands of a few closed-minded whites. Racism, if analyzed thoroughly, means to have power or superiority over a certain number of people or races.

African-Americans and other minority groups cannot be racist because they have no real power in the structure of government and economics. Whites can be racists because they do hold power in these areas. Does this mean that all whites are racists and that they're all out to get African-Americans?

As I walk on the campus of FCC, I feel racial tension in the air. When I am upstairs in the A.S. office I have to fend off negative attacks on African-American people by white male students. After my first Affirmative Action Campus Committee meeting, I was told that I'd ruffled a few feathers by asking about African-American faculty or the lack thereof. I was then told politely by an administrator that I should be careful about the questions I ask because committee members may think that I am

biased when it came to other minorities.

When I started this, I found myself asking, "are all whites racist?" Then I started to think about the misinformation that goes around when people of other races don't understand each other's culture. Being pro-black and in America is a very difficult task, because the first time you say something about uplifting the African-American race, you are deemed a racist or a separatist.

What white people do not seem to understand is that since 1444 (the beginning of the Atlantic slave trade) almost everything Africans and African-Americans have accomplished has been hidden or manipulated into something evil.

Wanting to learn your culture and know your history should not bring a person to the level of a racist. African-Americans are trying to uplift their race, but not at the expense of eliminating the white race. They are trying to win back their community and restructure an understanding of African-American history that has been destroyed by the white supremacy that they have to face every day of their lives.

Do white people fear that if they give African-Americans what they owe them (reparations)

that they will have too much power and turn against them? After viewing the film Malcolm X, I came to the conclusion that African-Americans have been cheated by history books and the media. The education system or just the system, kept African-Americans from learning about a man that had a major impact on millions of lives. African-Americans couldn't learn about how the African slaves resisted slavery or how freed African-Americans resisted Jim Crow laws. African-Americans were taught to turn the other cheek and love your enemy. They weren't taught how to defend themselves if a white person attacked them.

After being oppressed by certain white people for five centuries, African-Americans have a right to be angry and determined to reclaim the lost heritage that was taken from them. No, they shouldn't hate all white people, but again they have the right to be wary when they encounter a white person. This problem does not have a simple solution, because African-Americans are still feared in the eyes of white America. The plea made by Rodney King, "Can we all just get along?" does not cut it in the real world.

KEISHA WHITTEN

#### EDITORIAL

### The quest for truth in teaching

by James Todd Rampage Reporter

The need for truth has become obvious in various areas of teaching. While this fact has been recognized and indeed spearheaded in some classes such as the various cultural studies, we still have a long way to go.

For instance, one professor comes to mind who recently taught his class the old anthropological story about the beginning of civilization in ancient Mesopotamia. According to more recent evidence, however, including the research of

Desmond J. Clark, John G. Jackson, Chancellor Williams, and W.E.B. DuBois, civilization began in ancient East Africa. Although this distinction may seem trivial to some, it is nonetheless truth, and important for those of us interested in where we originally came from. Of course, this is relatively minor compared to those professors who would have us believing in the genetic inferiority of African-American people next to Euro-Americans. Those of you who attended FCC last spring will remember that we have tried and true racists teaching here as well.

So, as students seeking truth (and perhaps an education in the bargain), we must remember that our professors are also human, with human prejudices. Don't be afraid to question them, and to ask for evidence of what they are teaching whether you personally agree with them or not. If they are good instructors they won't mind, and might even be happy to see students taking an interest. But most importantly, don't be afraid to disagree when the truth is on your

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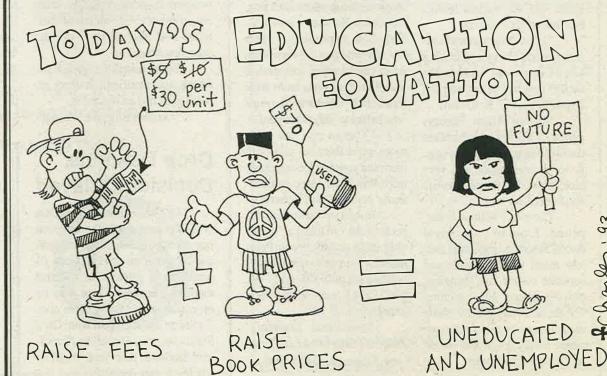
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### **Adventures in Real Life**



## FCC's affirmative action program is one of the best in the state

by James Todd Rampage Reporter

"Our district's Affirmative Action record is one of the best in the State," said Dr. Padden, Vice Chancellor of Personnel for the District and currently sitting in on the district's Affirmative Action committee.

Indeed, the numbers are impressive for FCC's district. While the education code mandates nonwhite ethnicity hiring of at least 30 percent on a system-wide basis, FCC's district has surpassed this goal by over 12 percent on all levels of employment.

At FCC, several different departments send people to serve on the college's Affirmative Action Committee, ranging from the Academic Senate to the African-American Faculty Association to Associated Students.

Joaquin Jiminez, Associate Dean of Admissions, Records and Financial Aid, as well as chair of FCC's Affirmative Action committee, said the committee serves as a monitoring agent for the Academic Senate and as an advisory

board to the President of the col-

Dona Alpert, a member of the Affirmative Action committee, is also a full-time FCC counselor, chair of the Curriculum Committee, and a part-time Women's Studies instructor. She believes FCC itself has a comparatively good Affirmative Action program. "FCC is one of the most diverse campuses I have ever worked on,"

Associate Dean of Students Lee Farley, Vietnam Veterans representative to the committee, stated, "Our job is to try to be proactive," rather than dealing with complaints.

While there are in-house mechanisms to handle these complaints, the Department of Housing and Fair Employment generally conducts investigations into cases such as the one filed by coordinator of financial aid Frank Ramon last semester. Ramon stated he charged racial discrimination after being refused a management position to keep in line with his management duties, such as managing a six million dollar budget,

making virtually all decisions regarding financial aid, and being required to submit manager-level credentials for the coordinator position he holds.

On a larger scale, Alpert feels that the previous Reagan and Bush Administrations worked to have the public perceive Affirmative Action negatively as a "quota" system, rather than equality of opportunity. Jiminez agrees. "Is the Pope male, Catholic, and Polish?" he replied with a grin.

## LRC's Jannett Jackson promoted in National Guard

by Sammi Winniski Rampage Reporter

Jannett Jackson is a mother, FCC instructor, and army officer. Don't tell her it can't be done because she does it all. This woman plays roles in society many people would consider impossible.

Jackson began her career with the California Army National Guard fresh out of high school nearly seventeen years ago. Unto this day she still devotes one weekend out of every month to the army. Her sole reason for entering the National Guard program was basically to receive educational benefits. After her work as enlisted personnel, she became an officer in charge.

Jackson dives into her work whole heartedly. In Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm she was in charge of hauling 101st Air Force division to and from various station spots on the war field in Iraq. For her dedication with Operation Desert Storm Jackson received the Arcom Award, which is an Army command medal.

The Y.W.C.A. also recognized Captain Jackson as "Woman of the Year" in 1991. Deservedly so, Jackson has been promoted and was able to turn over the position of Company Commander in the change of command ceremonies which took place on January 15 of this year. Jackson is coming up on her seventeenth year with the National Guard and is proud to say that this is "the longest job I've ever had."

The fact that Jackson is a woman in the military and has had hands-on experience in the battle field is a substantial accomplishmentinitself. Jackson feels women need to be more well recognized for their roles in the military and is proud to say,"I like who I am and what I am."

Though at times it would have been easier to get ahead in her role if she had been a man Jackson has definitely created a success story of herself. Women in the military have been in the battle fields for a little over twenty years now and are deserving of their accomplishments. Jackson is one of those women and is now able to sit back and enjoy her accomplishments.



photo by Marc Aminian Jannett Jackson

#### GAIN helps in job search

by Vincent Guzman Rampage Reporter

These days it has become increasingly difficult for the average person to find reasonable training, let alone a decent job, in today's work force. For someone with children and without the resources to immediately attend school, it could be next to impossible. For this reason, the GAIN program exists.

GAIN stands for Greater Avenues for Independence. It was created by the California Health and Welfare Agency to operate in conjunction with the Aid to Families With Dependent Children program. FCC has it's own GAIN office located at the Independence Center in the portable buildings at the corner of Weldon and Van Ness.

The purpose of GAIN is to provide its applicants with the education and counseling necessary to aid in finding a job. The overall goal is to help and encourage people to become self-supportive so that they may eventually graduate from the AFDC program. Although GAIN is mandatory for anyone already receiving AFDC aid, one may also participate voluntarily. Simply schedule an appointment with GAIN counselors Victor Yang or Susan Satzger, Monday through Thursday, to determine if you qualify.

Once someone is a registered participant in the program, assistance is provided to determine and educate as to the best possible avenues for training and eventual employment. In addition to resume skills, interview techniques, and assisted job searches, GAIN offers many other services to assist in the process. These include adult education classes, such as English-as-a-Second Language or GED, child care, transportation, and one on one personal counseling.

In the end, the GAIN program is an invaluable addition to the many financial and educational assistance programs already on campus. If students have any questions or are interested in registering with GAIN. contact the Independence Center between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday in Room IC 100, or phone 442-

## New A.S. Executive Board takes over



photo by Marc Aminian

The new A.S. executive board includes Legislative V.P. John Connelly, Executive V.P. Nika Shoemaker, president Greg Simmons, and president pro-tempore Michelle Gonzales

by Jeff Connelly Staff Writer

With the new semester comes a new lineup of student govemment.

The president of the Associated Students for the Spring '93 semester is Greg Simmons. He is in charge of the executive board.

Nika Shoemaker, executive vice president, is in charge of fi-

John Connelly is the legislative vice president. Besides acting as office manager, he is in charge of legislation and runs Senate meet-

Michelle Gonzales is the president pro-tempore of the Senate. She substitutes for the legislative vice president when necessary, and is the chairman of the Inter-Club Council, a forum of campus club presidents.

Rounding out the A.S. staff is Rene Juarez, chairperson of the programs and activities committee, Steven Sauer, chairperson of the public relations committee, Dena Luna, chairperson of the Student Lounge Committee, and Brenda Stebbins, chairperson of the Alumni Committee.

According to Sauer, "The A.S. represents the students in such matters as fee increases, book prices, parking problem solutions and other concerns. The A.S. also organizes events such as Club Awareness Day, and helps organize major events including Showcase and Homecoming."

Without the A.S., students would be unrepresented, and representation of students by students is vital. Otherwise the students would have no control over policy changes which affect them, said Sauer.

#### AIDS forum postponed until March

by Mary Sorenson Hays Rampage Reporter

The AIDS Forum for African-Americans scheduled for February has been postponed until March due to lack of support for the forum.

A new date for the event is not yet set. The forum will host speakers who will discuss the social, legal, economical and medical effects of the disease, as well as the use of safe sex to avoid it.

The Central Valley AIDS team has a number of services on a regular basis. It provides education and prevention information to people at risk in the Central Valley. The team also provides support services for people already infected with AIDS.

The group has an H.I.V. library which is open to the public. Members provide counseling to victims and family, case management for social service interface, a foodpantry, homemakers program, volunteer training and placement, a buddy program for emotional and social support, pro bono legal referral, and funds for food, utilities, and transportation. All is provided on a sliding fee schedule based on the ability to pay. No one is turned down for assistance due to lack of funds.

For more information call 264-2436.

# Steps taken to solve parking problem at Fresno City College



Photo by Joe Sanchez

Students squeezing through the hole in the fence between Lot S and the rest of the campus

by Steven Sauer Managing Editor

For years, students and staff have agreed that there is a problem with parking on campus. Now, with the problem worse than it has ever been, some solutions are finally being found.

Many people believe that there is not enough parking on campus, while others contend that there is plenty of parking, although some of it is far from the center of campus.

Greg Simmons, president of the Associated Students, is one who believes that the problem is too many cars, and not a lack of parking spaces.

"We need to look at alternate forms of transportation, like taking the bus or riding a bicycle to school," said Simmons.

He also suggested carpooling as a way to reduce parking congestion

Craig Reid, the Director of Student Activities, agrees with Simmons.

"We need more carpooling and ride-sharing," said Reid, "but the number one thing is that we must demand that the city of Fresno expand its bus service."

A new Parking and Transportation Task Force formed by college president Brice Harris will address the parking problem.

The Task Force, headed by Bill Seaberg, will consist of 10 members, including two from the Classified Senate, two from the Academic Senate, and two from the Associated Students Student Senate.

It will examine all facets of campus parking and transportation, and make recommendations on steps that can be taken to improve parking and traffic flow.

The first report from the Task

Force should be out by mid-March.

Last semester students complained that some of the parking lots were closed with little or no notice to accommodate guests during special events, including Transfer Day and a meeting involving General Motors

It's not the closing of the lots that has the students concerned as much as it is the lack of notification.

Reid said that everyone involved agreed that the situation was handled poorly.

According to Reid, the administration sent notices regarding the lot closures, but they were small memos that most people never saw, and in some cases they were not issued until the day before the event, much too late to let the student know that the lot was to be closed.

"We now know that it's not enough to notify people," said Reid. "We must make the announcement

in a way that people will see it."

Reid expects things to run a lot more smoothly in the future, mainly because of the increasing involvement of the students in campus affairs.

"The Associated Students' continued involvement, which began to be encouraged under Dr. Lee Farley and has been continued with my arrival, is going to go a long way toward solving a lot of these problems," said Reid. "The A.S. currently consists of some of the most dedicated and conscientious students that I have seen on many a campus on many a day."

Student Senator Rene Juarez echoed the thoughts of many people on campus when she said that most people complain if they can't get a parking space rightnext to the buildings where they have their classes. She thinks that if people were willing to walk from the outer lots there would fewer complaints.

One of the main problems with the outer lots is that the largest of them is separated from the rest of the campus by the train tracks, and the fence that borders them.

The fence is unbroken from McKinley to Weldon, and many students are not willing to walk all the way around the fence to get to the main part of the campus.

A few students have taken matters into their own hands, and cut a hole through the fence with wire cutters, but soon after the hole is made it is sealed back up, only to be cut open again a few days later in a seemingly endless cycle.

John Connelly, the new Associated Students legislative vice president, said the entire parking problem would be solved if the proposal to move the train tracks went through, and the district purchased the land currently occupied by the tracks and the fence and converted it into parking.

Unfortunately, that proposal did not go through, and the fence

and railroad tracks will continue to run through the campus.

The final decisions regarding parking are made by Dr. Brice Harris, the President of FCC.

Dr. Harris came to FCC a little over a year ago, and said that it was no secret at that point that there was a parking problem. However, the situation had to be examined before any action could be taken.

Now that the extent of the problem has been determined, Dr. Harris has formed his Task Force with two goals in mind: to reduce the number of cars on campus, and improve the existing parking.

The original plans called for the removal of the Old Administration Building, with extra parking and a connecting road to be placed in that location.

Recent efforts by preservationists have temporarily halted the plans to remove the historic building, leaving the plans for the added parking in limbo.

Construction of other lots has been proposed.

A few of the locations that are being considered for new parking are the dirt lot behind the cafeteria, the dirt area next to the large lot east of the railroad tracks, and in an area behind the district offices where the college has recently purchased property.

Additional sites for new parking areas will be proposed by the Task Force.

Recently, Dr. Harris spoke with some people from Fresno Ride Share. They gave him a "shopping list" of possible ways to reduce parking congestion, but most of the suggestions were things that had already been considered, such as lowering prices on parking permits for carpoolers, charging a higher fee to park close to campus, thus encouraging people to use the lots further from campus that are not currently being used to capacity, and using more mass transit.

# Helpful tips for finding a parking space at FCC

by Sammi Winniski Rampage Reporter

It's 7:45 a.m., you pull into one of FCC's parking lots with 15 minutes to spare before your 8 o'clock class. You figure you've got more than enough time to find a parking spot and run to class. You immediately start scanning the lot and slowly realize you aren't going to find anything nearby. You wait behind three cars for what seems like two hours while they wait for someone to pull out of a stall to free a space.

Then you see it out of the corner of your eye. It winks at you. It's a free space but it is two lanes over. It's your space you say to yourself. You get closer and closer to it and just before you can pull in, someone else spots it and takes it.

Your pulse quickens, your blood simmers, and your mood has gone from bad to worse. You accept the fact that although you arrived early, you are already ten minutes late for class again.

For those of you who experience this every day, we at the Rampage have assembled a few parking tips to aid you in your search.

1. Give yourself enough time in the morning, even if it means setting your alarm clock and watch ahead. If you leave enough time, you will eventually find a parking space.

2. Don't forget to look for space in the neighboring areas around the campus, but be careful where you park. Some neighboring streets require a special permit.

3. Ask students walking toward their cars if they are leaving or not. Sometimes they are only dropping something off at their cars, and you will have waited for nothing.

4. Arrive on campus before 8 a.m. for morning classes, or between 12 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. for afternoon and evening classes. Most classes are between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Arriving during the off hours will make it easier to find a parking space.



Photo by Jill Korynasz

Students waiting for parking spaces in one of FCC's crowded parking lots

5. Don't limit yourself to the southern parking lots (A, C, and D). There are usually spaces available in the eastern parking lots (E

and F), and are almost always spaces open in the parking lot east of the railroad tracks (lot S).

Decal parking is enforced

Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for student parking stalls, and is constantly enforced for staff parking stalls.

## Fence erected around Old Administration Building

by Mary Sorenson Hays Rampage Reporter

Has your favorite shortcut been blocked? Is your preferred meeting place now inaccessible? Contract workers completed construction of a six-footcyclone fence around the Old Administration Building. Dr. Brice Harris, President of the college, cited safety reasons for the enclosure.

The building was constructed in 1915. It's exterior walls contain no reinforcing steel. Thus, it fails to meet current earthquake standards. The Field Act says the college must take precautions to prevent injuries to the students and

staff. These injuries might come from the possible collapse of the building or from falling debris from the tile roof. The college began evaluating the potential hazards more than five years ago, but the final decision was made at the end of November. The state legislature made the college exempt from liability up to this point, but that exemption will soon run out.

Richard Cleland, business manager, said the fence cost about \$12,000. The money for this project came from the vice chancellor's capital projects fund. Dr. Harris said that they tried to choose a fence material that would be as inobtrusive as possible.

Currently, only maintenance people are allowed inside the building because some janitorial supplies and building materials are still stored there. These supplies will be eventually be moved and all access to the building denied.

Due to the bad weather, the sidewalk to the west of the building is not completed. Two gates will be left open on this side to allow students to use the old sidewalk nearer the building until the new sidewalk is finished.

Claims of the building's historical value have restricted the college's decision to tear down the building, and the current budget crunch also prohibits restoration.

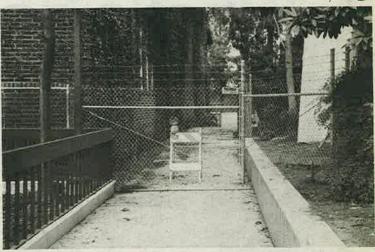


Photo by Jill Korynasz

The walkway between the OAB and the business building in no longer accessible to pedestrian traffic.

# Hazardous Material Waste At FCC Is More Than Costly

by Tony Downs
Sports Editor

According to campus officials, FCC has a definite problem with hazardous material waste (known as HAZMAT) and its disposal. We may never get rid of it.

"You marry this hazardous waste forever," said Kenneth Shrum, FCC campus police chief.

Even though FCC pays several industrial companies to dispose of the hazardous waste FCC will always be responsible for the proper containment, security, transportation and storage of the waste.

If the current storage program were to become inadequate, FCC would have to pay for the relocation and safekeeping once again.

According to Shrum not only is hazardous waste dangerous, but it is also expensive. In some cases disposal can cost as much as \$700 per fluid gallon.

Hazardous waste transport has no set schedule or constant size parameters. The material, which varies from hypodermic needles and oils to chemical waste, is usually stored on campus for up to two weeks until one of several out of town companies can transport it. The waste is then taken to a hazardous waste disposal site where they store or destroy it according to state and federal regulations.

The biggest contributors to FCC's waste are the art and science departments plus the auto and photography divisions.

Shrum, who coordinates the hazardous waste disposal, said that money is not the only expense that FCC will encounter with hazardous waste.

"Hazardous waste is dangerous. All schools will have to start looking at new ways to teach and we are going to have to eliminate some hands-on experience."

Hazardous waste is not only FCC's problem. It is not only a school and business problem. It is a worldwide problem demanding everyone's attention and sacrifice.

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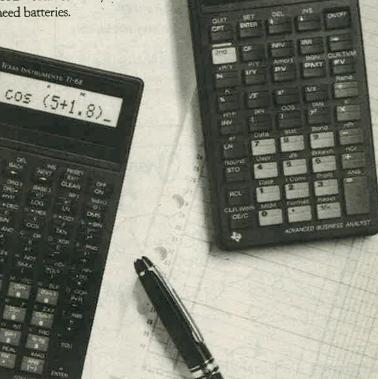
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#### What's going Fresno

#### Museums

■ Discovery Center 1944 N. Winery Ave. Will host a hands-on science museum with a Native American exhibition and a cactus garden park. Exhibit ends January 31. \$1.75

German Museum 3233 N. West Ave. Artifacts from Russia and early Fresno Genealogy Library. Tours are

Metropolitan Museum 1555 Van Ness

on exhibit featuring Monet and Van Gogh. World War II photography exhibit: Steichen and His Men. \$4

#### Galleries

■ Art Space Gallery at FCC will feature a "New Direction in Handmade Paper," by Ramspott, a hand papermaking cooperative from the Central Valley. This exhibit will end January 31.

■ Gallery 11, 1490 W Shaw Ave. Ste. G. "Valley Pride: Landmarks and Ave. Paintings on loan Landscapes," featuring from San Francisco are places of merit in Fresno

and Yosemite by artist Pat Hunter. Exhibit ends February 27.

■ Spectrum Gallery 1306 N. Wishon Ave. hosts a photography exhibit from Marion Leon entitled, "Mostly Yin: A Vision of the Heart," through February 28.

■ Gallery 25, 1526 Fulton St. will feature a collection of paintings and mixed media exploring social concepts and views of reality entitled, "Politically Correct," by artist Rowena Netzley. Ends January 31.

#### Theater

■ The Dining Room, a humorous look at the lifestyles of wealthy W.A.S.P.s by A.R. Gurney will be performed at FCC January 27-31. \$15 Call 442-8221 for more information.

Les Miserables, at the Saroyan Theater February

#### Music

■ Roger Perry Friday, January 19 at the Butterfield Brewing Company

■KFCFBenefitfeaturing five bands Friday, January 29 at the Wild Blue

Beat Farmers Saturday, January 30 at the Cadillac Club

Chum and the Frenzy (CD release party) Saturday, January 30 at Club Fred

■ Black Fry Saturday, January 30 at the Wild Blue

# Movie Review

#### Lorenzo's Oilis Oscar calibar

by Jeff Connelly Staff Writer

Lorenzo's Oil is an intense film. Not a crowd-pleaser in the technical sense, but one that everyone should see.

Susan Sarandon and Nick Nolte play Micheala and Augusto Odone, parents who discover that their six year-old son has a rare disease known as adrenoleukodystrophy. So rare and unusual is this condition that there's been no formal search for a cure-because there's no profit margin.

Much of the film deals with the research and the battles of the Odones as they battle red tape and their own lack of medical training. It's not like reading a textbook, though; their love of their child is the thrust of the film, not fatty acids and myelin.

This film never slides into the mushiness that would make it a

1.85:1 television movie. Better, the film moves fast; although it covers a span of roughly eight years and runs 135 minutes, it never drags. Scenes usually are no longer than two or three minutes, with subtitles giving the date and fades between nearly every scene. It never has a chance to get boring.

Susan Sarandon, as the American Micheala, seems to be incapable of giving a bad performance. The real-life Augusto Odone is Italian, and Nick Nolte's accent didn't seem forced. Peter Ustinov plays a sympathetic but impotent doctor.

Lorenzo's Oil was released intentionally during the winter for Oscar consideration. It's a good thing, because a movie this thoughtful would have been lost in the shuffle during the summer and ignored. Be sure not to miss this one.

Rating: 8 \*s.out of 10



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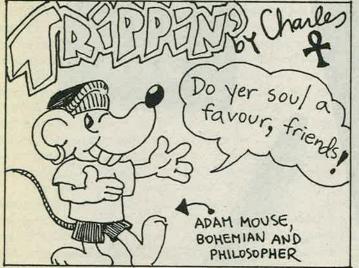
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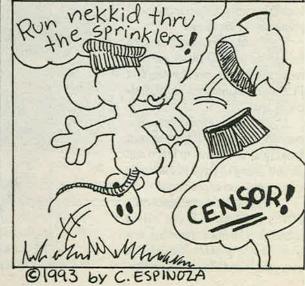


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# FCC Wrestlers can't pin down the state championship

by Tony Downs
Sports Editor

The Fresno City College wrestling team came up short on their goals for the 1992 season.

"We just didn't get the breaks when we needed them," said wrestling coach Bill Musick. "We had the talent base, but we had some bad decisions and some injuries that really cost us."

Overall, FCC took first place in seven of nine tournaments, and finished second and third in the other two. FCC also won all of its 10 dual meet matches.

Fresno, CA – November 28,

The California State Dual Meet Championships were held at FCC. This was the first time such an event had taken place. California's two best teams, one from Northern California (FCC) and one from Southern California (Palomar CC), came to do battle in a different fashion... one on one.

FCC was victorious in this bragging-rights match, but not without the help of a little controversy.

Palomar was winning 22-13 with a definite momentum advantage going into the next to the last match.

Palomar's Phil Martinez (190) was leading FCC's Kory Westbury by nine points with just over two minutes remaining. It was then that referee Frank Kirby disqualified Martinez for biting Westbury.

"It was obvious and unsportsmanlike," said Kirby, one of the state's top officiators. "We are always worried and concerned about the safety of the men in a sport such as wrestling."

This set the tone for the final match as FCC's heavyweight Ed Neal pinned Matt Henry in the first period to give FCC the victory, 25-22.

"It was one of the guttiest performances I have been associated with," said Musick.

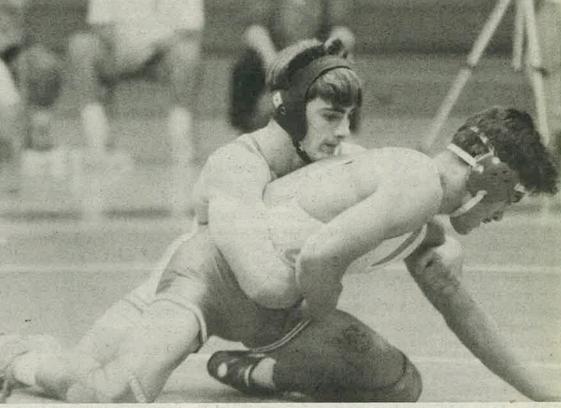
Norwalk, CA – December 12, 1992

The California Community College Wrestling Championships at Cerritos College was an all-out war, with the top 23 schools in attendance.

FCC finished third in the state with 82 points. Palomar CC was first with 116 points, and Cerritos was second with 86 3/4 points.

It was obvious FCC was not firing on all cylinders. Nick Quintana (118 pounds) could not wrestle due to a previously injured shoulder. Roger Norred (167 pounds) suffered a head butt during the match and never recovered. Alex Solano (126 pounds) entered the tourney with a sprained ankle and sprained the other one during the first match, which severely hindered his efforts.

Jose Ruiz (118 pounds), fill-



FCC wrestler Ben Ervin (134

pounds) won his second straight

title.

FCC wrestler Dustin Riley

photo by Joe Sanchez

"He has killed everyone [he

wrestled], and had only three close

matches in two years," said Musick.

ing in for Quintana, was winning his first match 6-2 when he was pinned.

Dustin Riley (142 pounds) lost his first match in two years. He finished third in the state at his weight after being first in 1991.

Alfonzo Tucker (150 pounds) lost his final match 4-0 to take second in the state. David Umada (177 pounds) finished fifth.

Heavyweight Ed Neal finished third in the state, losing only one match.

"He would have pinned his opponent had the match lasted another five seconds," said Musick.

# Intramural Sports Schedule: Spring 1993 3 on 3 Super Hoops: Friday, February 5 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Main Gym 3 on 3 Soccer: Wednesday & Thursday, February 10 & 11 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Free Speech Area

Exhibition Martial Arts: Wednesday, February 24 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Fountain Area

Flag Football: Wednesday, March 3 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Free Speech Area

Super Hoops Finals: Saturday, March 5 at U.C. Berkeley

Renaissance Faire: Saturday & Sunday, March 13 & 14 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the West Lawn

Miniature Golf: Wednesday, March 17 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Free Speech Area

Slam Dunk Competition: Friday, March 26 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Main Gym

Green Beach Volleyball: Wednesday & Friday, April 14 & 16 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Free Speech Area

Bench Press Competition: Wednesday, April 21 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Free Speech Area

Softball Tournament: Saturday & Sunday, May 8 & 9 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Euless Ball Park

# Mens' hoopsters get the ball bouncing

by Tony Downs
Sports Editor

Head coach Steve Cleveland and his FCC Rams have had a productive if not stellar first half of the season.

The Rams, 11-10 as of January 20, began the season with two wins and two losses before winning the Monterey Thanksgiving Classic, beating Mt. San

Antonio College 60-50, and Monterey Peninsula College 102-

Since winning the Monterey Classic, FCC finished second at the Modesto JC Invitational.

FCC is led by 6'8" Reggie Johnson. He leads the team in both scoring (11.4 points per game) and rebounding (7.4 rebounds per game).

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# Art Williams Is Painting A Winning Picture

by Tony Downs
Sports Editor

First year coach Art Williams and his women's basketball team are learning and winning together.

"We are just sticking to the basics and playing smart," said Williams, whose team had an impressive 71-63 home victory over Hancock College (16-3) January 20.

The victory over Hancock gave FCC (22-5) an early advantage in the Coast Valley Conference standings. Many schools have already conceded the CVC title to either FCC or Hancock.

The Rams have taken first place in two of the four tournaments they have played in this year. They were victorious at the eight-team Kings River Classic (Nov 27-29) and the sixteen-team Sequoias Tournament (Dec 3-6).

FCC is on a six game winning streak and has not lost in January.

FCC is led by Angela Whitfield (23.7 points, 8.4 rebounds, 4.1 assists), Datri Elliot (15.6,4.6,4.9), Dara Wright (13.0, 9.2, 1.7), Balinda Thomas (7.4, 8.9,4.3) and Tracy Stepp (8.0, 2.7, 4.3)

## **FCC Wins Dairy Bowl**

by Tony Downs
Sports Editor

On December 5th the Rams of FCC walloped the Rams of Gavilan College 37-6 in the 3rd annual Producers Dairy Bowl at Ratcliff Stadium.

FCC (6-4-1) handed Gavilan (9-2) its first loss since their season opener against San Francisco CC.

In FCC's first appearance in the Dairy Bowl since the inaugural game in 1990, the Rams dominated the state's third ranked team in most facets of the game.

Gavilan Scored first on a 26yard field goal to lead 3-0 at the end of the first quarter.

From that point on it was all ECC.

FCC quarterback Tom Brown, the game's M.V.P., completed 6 of 12 passes for 220 yards and two TDs, and had no interceptions. Brown also ran one yard for another score.

FCC runningbacks Karlin Adams and Leonard Zarate combined for 199 total yards and one touchdown.

Wide receiver Daniel Aguayo was on the other end of both Brown TD passes. They covered 41 and 51 yards each.

FCC outgained Gavilan 442 yards to 190.

The FCC defense limited Gavilan to only 81 yards rushing and intercepted four passes, including Brad Ford's fifth of the season.

#### Lounge, from page 1

many of his colleague's feelings about the new student lounge.

"There's no place the students can have dances now. We can't hold one in the gym because we don't have a cover for the gym floor and we can't hold it in the cafeteria because who would want to?" asked Simmons. "And where can you go when it's cold and you want to have lunch when you're studying? The cafeteria?"

Simmon's solution to this problem would be to enclose the patio and put three or four pool tables there, which would leave space in the game room open for more video games.

But according to A.S. president pro-tempore and student lounge worker Michelle Gonzales such steps aren't necessary.

"At first people were complaining about the problems with space but now the only thing students complain about is putting the next movie on or when somebody is going to come back with the dominoes," Gonzales said.

Reid believes students are grateful for the \$138,784 administration invested in renovating the former cafeteria cafe despite the problems.

"Obviously, the students are always going to be pushing for more space and more area, but the students are recognizing the financial commitment the administration has placed on getting a class place like this," said Reid.

All the activities that occurred at the old lounge will be continued at the new, including the film series, mini-lectures, and the blood drive. The college activities office also hopes to hold tournaments in pool, chess, Monopoly, and ping pong later this year.

Reid says the new student lounge is geared toward helping the student do well in school.

"It's a place where you can come between classes and watch the movies you like or come and play a little pool," said Reid.

Reidrealizes a room can only do so much, but is confident that a catalyst for a philosophy that we

photo by Joe Sanche

Many students are using the new student lounge, but few are completely satisfied with it.

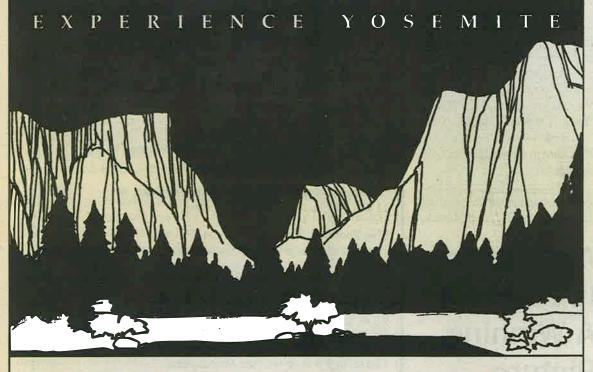
the new student lounge can do much to enrich the lives of students at

"We have to let the room be

have that students are going to want to come here," said Reid. "We want students to stay in school and maximize their time on cam-

pus, as opposed to viewing this

campus as a place you run in, go t class, run out, check to see if yo have a parking ticket, and get ou of here."



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