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Rams surface big against Pirates

☐ Rams rally past Modesto in conference opener.

Allen Coleman Staff Writer

The pre-season jinx seems to have left the Fresno City College Rams football team. Freshman Scott Seals kicked a game-winning 41 yard field goal with eight minutes and 37 seconds remaining in the game, preserving a 23-20 victory and upset over the Modesto Junior College Pirates last Saturday night at Ratcliffe Stadium.

Three points on the scoreboard for the Rams couldn't have come at a better time, with the game tied at 20-20. "I kicked in high school at Bullard four years ago," Seals said. Believe it or not, Seals is a wide receiver who hasn't caught a pass all year, and it didn't seem to matter. He got his chance at place-kicking. "We had a field kicking contest at practice, and one of the coaches saw me make a 45 yarder," he said...

Ironically, the Pirates haven't won at Ratcliffe stadium in 12 years, since Oct. 5, 1985. With the game tied at 7-7 at half-time, Rams running back Christian Laita, who hasn't seen much action this year, sparked a Rams offensive "attack" by returning an opening second half kick-off return 66 yards, putting the ball on Modesto's 26-yard line. Laita's return came as a surprise to the Pirates, setting up a 1-yard touchdown run for Steve Stephens, and a 14-7 lead. Stephens would manage to score again later on in the game from 12-yards out, giving him his sixth touchdown run on the season. He also has one touchdown reception this season. Stephens continues to lead the Rams in rushing, with 72 carries for 319 yards. "We're getting it together, and we're doing better as a whole, I give credit to my offensive line,"

Stephen said.

Rams defensive end, Robert Theus who is considered a "big play" guy on defense, made crucial fumble recovery in the third quarter with 1 minute and 11 seconds remaining on the score clock. The Rams were trailing 20-14 with 2 minutes left in the third quarter, when Rams doubtful starter, Freshman quarterback Kenny Rose, fired an awesome 60yard touch-

down pass deep over the middle to wide receiver Mike Marquez, tying the game at 20-20. "I feel I'm getting better. We got the intensity up, and the defense and offense came up big," Marquez said. It was Marquez's fifth touchdown reception for the season, and all have been for 60 yards or better, with the longest at 86 yards for a total of 367 yards.

It appears that Marquez is Roses' deep target. The two might be a serious threat to Central Valley Conference defenders this season. Roses' knee hasn't completely



Pirates safety Joe Navalle overtakes running back J.D. Burnett after a good gain Photo by Don Davis

healed, but he hasn't seemed to have missed a beat after sitting out three games. "Itdoesn't bother me. We're looking better. We will do good in this conference, and I think we will come together as a team now," Rose said. Rose completed 8 passes for 123 yards.

Modesto's head coach, Steve Deprato, and his Pirates squad should have charged Rams cornerback Kendrial Terance with a crime of "piracy". Terrance seemed to have found the Pirates sunken treasure with his game saving interception. He found his way to the end-zone, evading several Pirate de-

fenders from 65 yards out, only to have his first run-back interception on the season called back due to an illegal blocking penalty against the Rams. Terrance's "gem" came with only 58 seconds remaining in the game, handing the Pirates their first loss in the Central Valley Conference opener.

Modesto was riding on high hopes coming into the game against Fresno City College, while leading the conference in offensive rushing yards, averaging 403.8 yards per game, and 1,169 yards passing on the

FCC students to study in London

☐ Students can attend a semester in London, credits transferable

Elizabeth Leffall Staff Writer

Imagine spending 13 weeks living with a family in London, and experiencing the once-in-a-lifetime chance of taking transferable Fresno City College courses in a foreign land. Is it possible? According to FCC teacher Terry Scambray it is, through a program called the 1998 Spring Semester in London.

Scambray spoke about the opportunity for students to live in Kingston-upon-Thames, a suburb cluster in London, across from the palace of King Henry the VIII. According to Scambray, Kingston is a place famous for the crowning of Anglo-Saxon kings during the time of the ancient Romans and as a place of fine museums, literature and history.

The studying of literature, the experience of travel and the opportunity to see places in person instead of in the textbook serve as a supreme motivation for this trip," said Scambray.

Scambray and fellow FCC teacher Joan Newcomb are not only the program coordinators, but will be teaching courses in London as well. Some of the classes offered include: English 1A, Sociology 1A, English 3, Speech 8, An Introduction to London, and Speech 2. All classes are transferable and meet undergraduate requirements for California State Universities and the University of California.

The program price of \$4900 includes transportation, room and board with a family, two meals a day, tours, bus and train passes, and field trips to places such as Stonehenge, Dublin, Paris, and Stratford-upon-Avon. Fees do not include tuition, books, or Spring Break accommodations.

"The opportunity for travel is a big part of this program," said Scambray. "During Spring Break, a student has the opportunity to travel where ever they want to. For one week, the student is responsible for themselves without help from their family. In the past we've had students go to Egypt, Switzerland and Ireland. Anything is possible."

"The student interest has been wonderful this semester," added Scambray. Thirty-two students have already signed up for the program.

Before leaving for London, the students will attend classes for three weeks at the Clovis center starting January 3. They will leave for London on Feb. 5.

For more information, contact Terry Scambray at 442-8125 or Sarah Reyes at 271-0910

FCC gives pints and saves lives

☐ Student faints for good cause at blood drive

Sheryl Youngblood Rampage Staff

One enthusiastic donor became a victim at the Central California Blood Center blood drive on Fresno City College campus on Oct. 15.

The student was sitting in the recuperation area when Blood Center volunteer Warren Keyes asked him if he was okay. "His eyes rolled back in his head. He was out," Keyes said. Keyes called a nurse over and they laid him on the ground. "He was out for 45 minutes." Two other donors felt very faint.

One hundred twenty-three pints were donated in two blood mobiles in front on the gym during the crowded Club Awareness day.

The CCBC services 32 hospitals, including Valley Children's Hospital. "We need 200 pints a day," said Karen Streatch, CCBC recruitment department secretary. "There's days we don't use quite as much, but there's days we use more because of more accidents and incidence of injuries."

Donating blood begins with a questionnaire. Questions refer to drug use, prostitution, tattoos, and any sexual contact, whether direct or indirect, with a male homosexual, said Trish Studt, CCBC donor recruiter.

They ask you all kinds of weird questions," said donor Marilu Lujan. "They ask if you've lived in Congo."

The main response that donors have for going through the entire process of giving blood is to help other people. "It hurts," said Lujan, "but you've just got to think that there's somebody out there who needs it." Lujan is a first-time donor, and she found the event scary because she "couldn't stop looking at the needle."

Some veteran donors give blood every year. Bandages around both elbows, Carolina Moreno was unconcerned by the numerous punctures in her skin due to her wiggling vein. "I'm one of those with a rare blood type: O positive," she said. The procedure is not at all scary to Moreno. "You have it, why not give it?" she said.

Refreshments were on hand for those who survived the blood drawing. Pat Brunetti, a nurse at FCC health services Please see Blood Drive page 2

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Students encouraged to patronize clubs

☐ Clubs promote awareness and raise funds

Elizabeth Leffall Staff Writer

Fresno City College held its monthly Club Awareness Day on Wednesday, Oct. 15. Colorfully-decorated information booths covered the free speech area while vendors sold food and handed out information advertising clubs on campus. Music blared overhead.

Students and faculty alike were encouraged to stop by booths and patronize each club. "Club Awareness Day gives people a chance to get to know about all the different club on campus," said FCC student Melondy Wharny. "It's cool

people can learn and get information even if we're not sure about certain clubs. It gives clubs an opportunity to make money as well."

"I think it's a great idea," said Student Maggie Callahan. "It's neat to learn about so many cultures, to taste great food and to get some much-needed information all at the same time."

Club Day gives clubs a chance to promote membership, to fundraise and to promote overall club awareness, according to Gurdeep Sihota, Assistant Director of College Activities.

Next month's theme for club day is "homecoming." To find out more about your club of choice, call the College Ac-

DRCHARD SPRAYE

Happy Halloween! Pumkin patch at Simonian Farms, Clovis

Blood Drive: Students give the gift of life

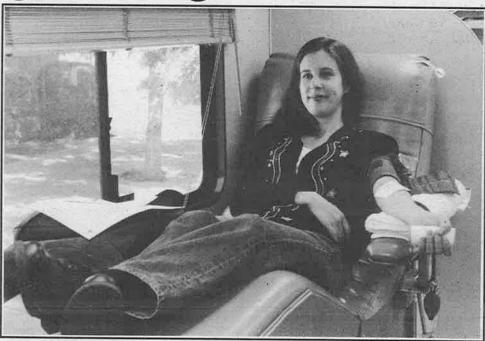


Photo by Ericka Montana A brave student. Kimberly Jeff donates blood during the Blood Drive.

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center, was distributing carrot cakes, cupcakes, and twinkies, as well as pineapple and apple juices. "We're trying to get their blood sugar up, so we give them sweet things," she said. Brunetti also made sure that every donor received a free T-shirt and, of course, the pint of

Baskin Robbins ice cream in exchange for a pint of blood. Brunetti has been participating in this biannual event since 1980.

The next CCBC blood drive on campus will be on Apr. 15, 1998. For those who don't pass out, the entire process takes 45 minutes.

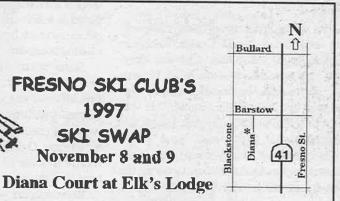
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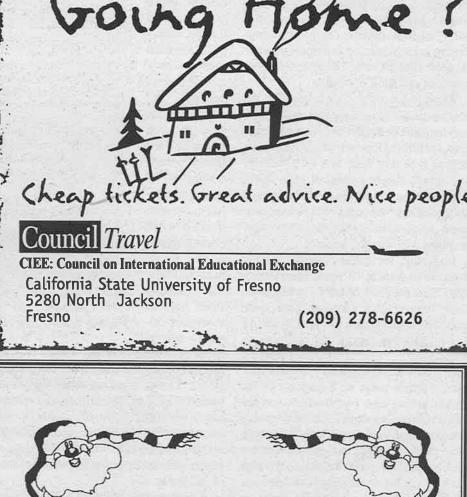
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Editorial

August 1978: a sweltering hot summer day in Jackson, Mississippi. I am pulled up at a traffic light that takes forever to change. Figures in white robes with pointed hoods are wreathed around the cars ahead. I roll my windows up, stare straight ahead, and drive on as the light thankfully changes.

I remembered this incident a couple of weeks ago when I read about the Klan leaving hate messages on car windows during a Fresno State football game. Somewhere in Southern California, a young black man lay in a deep coma, his body broken by a young white man who had not known him, yet hated him with every fiber of his being simply because his skin was a different color.

I thought of it again when Critical Thinking class was analyzing an excerpt from Hitler's Mein Kampf. Amazed at the twisted misrepresentation of science and the absence of any legitimate logic, one wide-eyed student looked up: "How could they believe any of this and do what they did to the Jews?"

So, I talked for a while about scapegoating; about the long history of anti-seminism in Western and Eastern Europe, about the need for post-World War I Germany to find someone to blame for its economic woes — other than itself or the powerful nations that had defeated it.

I also talked about the religious bigotry I had been raised with in Glasgow, Scotland, about the anger that frequently spilled over into violence during soccer games between the Glasgow Rangers, the most popular of the Protestant teams, and the Glasgow Celtic, whose players were exclusively Catholic. I quoted my Mother who blamed Glasgow's crime and gang violence on "those Irish" while my father, who knew better, slowly shook his head.

In November of 1963, a few weeks after my arrival in West Texas on a track scholarship, I was helping a college maintenance crew roof some classrooms when word came about John F. Kennedy's assassination. The head carpenter turned his head toward me and slowly enunciated, "Serves that nigger-loving-son-of-a-bitch right," That comment, indelibly etched in my mind, introduced me to America's legacy of racial hatred.

Ten years ago, after 13 years in Texas and another eight years in Mississippi — mostly teaching literature at Southern Baptist colleges — I moved to Fresno, California. There were many reasons, of course, but foremost among them was my certainty that I did not want my children to grow up amidst the overt racism I had grown so familiar with in the South. California seemed the brightest hope.

I have not yet changed my mind. Every time I walk across the Fresno City College campus, I study the rich variety of faces whose heritage reaches all across the globe, and realize yet again that this college is a microcosm of a changing world—a world that is experiencing the greatest tribal movement in its history.

Across the world, barriers have fallen: the Wall that divided Eastern from Western Europe; Apartheid, the totally repressive political system that divided black from white in South Africa. In Europe, trade and language barriers are falling as countries that have been bitter rivals for centuries move toward a unified currency and marketplace.

But other barriers remain. Genocide, the extermination of a different race, still masquerades as "ethnic cleansing" in many countries. Wherever the ethos of racial superiority is preached, violence follows. The brutal beating at Fresno State and the Klan's swift response can also happen at FCC if ignorance prevails.

Jim Ewing Eng. 1A Teacher at FCC

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Brain Candy

A baby boy born in New York in 1935 inexplicably died 27 days after his birth. He had been a perfectly-developed, normal child, and the cause of death was unknown — until an autopsy revealed that the infant's head contained nothing but water.

President William Taft weighed 325 pounds and had a custom-made bathtub. It had enough room to accommodate four average-sized men.

President Calvin Coolidge used to hide inside White House bushes, then jump out and scare unsuspecting Secret Service agents.

The height of the Eiffel Tower varies by as much as six inches, depending on the temperature.

GETTING IT RIGHT

Steve Stephens' name was misspelled in the Sports Page photo caption of the Oct. 15 edition of the Rampage.

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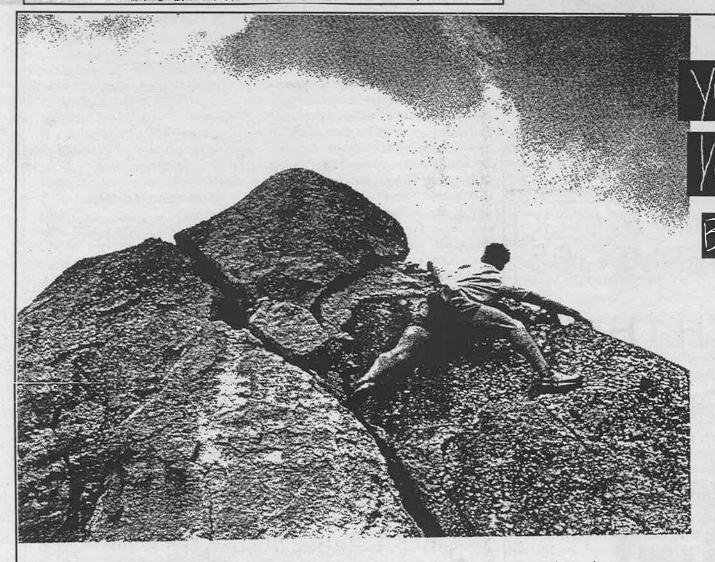
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First place and kickin'

☐ Lady Rams cling to marginal lead

Eric Mendoza
Staff Writer

Head Coach Bill Neal's FCC Women's Soccer Team remained undefeated after eight Central Valley Conference games, has outscored its opposition 20-0, and still they find themselves looking over their shoulders - as they hold just a 2 point edge over second place College of the Sequoias.

Freshmen Striker Melinda Rosario's first-half score helped FCC beat C.O.S. 1-0 on Oct. 21, in Visalia. Just two weeks prior, the two teams battled to a scoreless tie at Ratcliffe Stadium, on Oct. 9.

The Rams (7-0-1) and the Giants (6-1-1) will meet twice again before league is over, including their season finale showdown on Thursday, Nov. 13 at Ratcliffe - which could decide the fate of 1997's CVC championship title.

Last Thursday's (Oct. 23) 5-0 home victory, over last place Porterville, was an offensive explosion FCC needs to maintain to defend their crown.

In week #1, Porterville brought just eight players and lost 4-0, despite Chelsea Green's school record 36 saves. Last week the Pirates suited ten members, they could've played with twelve - it still wouldn't have mattered.

FCC point leader, Striker Melinda Tejeda scored the only goal of the firsthalf, giving the Rams a 1-0 lead at the break.

With Porterville playing a slow-down defense, the Rams switched gears and began to score in bunches during the final 45 minutes.

All-League Hoover High School product Beth Kubley's right foot blast from 40 yards out found the left side of the net to make it 2-0.

The freshman trio of Gina Gonzales, Melinda Rosario, and Ruste Parker helped dictate the offensive tempo and gave Green more than she could handle.

FCC led 3-0 after freshman Karen

Trapp took advantage of a Pirate clearing miscue and from 25 yards out - fired a bullet into the right side of the goal.

Three minutes later, Tejeda scored her second goal of the afternoon, bouncing a shot off Green and the right goal post.

Freshmen Sweeper Felicia Zarate's crossing pass found a wide open Rosario, who booted in her second goal in as many games, for the Rams' fifth and final score.

Porterville managed to cross the midline just twice, as CVC's #1 ranked keeper, Lydia Rodriguez never stepped foot in her box.

Coach Neal was pleased with the second-half offensive output, but has tougher competi-

tion on his mind.

"We have to get up for the games remaining," Neal said after the win.

"Against C.O.S. and Modesto we're

really gonna have to get at it."

Even with their slim lead in the standings, the Rams are confident being in the driver's seat.

"When we play together, nobody can beat us," said Tejeda. "I think we can [make the playoffs]. We've got a good enough team."

With offensive threats such as Tejeda, Trapp, Kubley, Rosario, and Parker - coupled the CVC's #1 ranked defense endured by Zarate, Gonzales, and Rodriguez, who has yet to allow a goal in conference this year, anything less than a playoff appearance would be disappointing.

"Overall we're coming together," said Rodriguez. "Every game we've improved." The goalkeeper, who has also started every game in her two-year career at City, likes her chances better with this team. "We have a lot more skilled players as a team. I give credit to the whole team. I never have to worry."



Ram's striker Melinda Tejeda scored two goals

Dusten Splan

RAMNEWS & NOTES

Compiled by Eric Mendoza
Sports Writer

Wrestling squad are still on a roll, finishing their second month of action. The Rams are still the #1 ranked team in the state, by California Community College Wrestling News. Defending state-champion Paris Ruiz (134) and fellow sophomores, Selso Garcia (118), William Brown (150), and the Gohde brothers — Tom (190), and Heavyweight, Scott — all continue to fare well. The Rams have dropped just one dual-match this season. FCC will host the North-South All Star Duals on Sat., Nov. 1.

Third-year Head Coach Susan Yates is guiding her Women's Golf Team to another outstanding season. The Rams are tied for first place at 10-1 this fall and will be definite contenders at this year's Bay Valley Conference Championship in San Jose on Nov. 3rd. FCC is led by freshman Cydnee Sciacqua, the Rams' best hope for an individual state champion, when they play host to this year's Northern California State Tournament at Copper River Country Club on Nov. 17. The Rams will be shooting for the school's first state title in just the third year of the program's existence.

Rams' Second-yead Head Coach Scott Alcorn and his Men's Soccer Team (5-1-1) will face Central Valley Conference-leading Taft College (6-1) three more times before the season ends on Nov. 13. FCC rebounded from a 0-3 loss at Modesto (Oct. 21) and destroyed West Hills College 10-0, last Thursday at Ratcliffe Stadium. The Rams hope to defend their CVC crown and advance to the state playoffs. "I think the loss is going to help us more than anything," said co-captain Marty Zubiri. "Our potential right now is where it's at. We need the same intensity [as Thursday] to carry us to the league chamionship.'

RAMS' SCOREBOARD

FOOTBALL

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MEN'S SOCCER

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

(10-1-3); (/-0-1) 1st place SEPT. 25 PORTERVILLE COLLEGE (FRESNO) W 3-0 SEPT. 30 Modesto Jr. College (MODESTO) W 1-0 Oct. 4 MODESTO JR. COLLEGE (FRESNO) W 2-0 Oct. 7 Porterville Coll. (PORTERVILLE) W 4-0 Oct. 9 COLL. OF SEQUOIAS (FRESNO) T 0-0 Oct. 16 MODESTO JR. COLLEGE (FRESNO) W 4-0 OCT. 21 COLL. OF THE SEQUOIAS (VISALIA) W 1-0 Ост. 23 PORTERVILLE COLLEGE (FRESNO) W 5-0



RAM STAT OF THE WEEK:

HOME-COOKIN'?: FCC's Men's Soccer, Football, Women's Soccer, Women's Golf, and Volleyball Teams have an incredible Central Valley Conference home record of a combined 14-1-1! (Despite the lack of fan support from the Ram Student-Body.....and they call Fresno a great sportstown.)