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Integrity of test copying policy questioned

Students working in production office raises some serious questions

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by Leah Eddens

Serious questions have been raised by faculty and students, regarding the policies of the FCC production office in which staffed students run off copies of materials and fests for instructors.

Richard Hanson, Instructor of Psychology began to complain about the situation nearly a month ago. "You can't have a secure testing situation with students working," Hanson said. "You can, but the probability of students grabbing tests is much higher, one would imagine, than somebody that has a full time job."

Hanson is not the only instructor who feels

this way. Dr. Maurice Van Gerpen, political science instructor, has spent several hundred dollars running off his tests at Kinko's. This has been an out-ofpocket expense, one which some feel should be reimbursed by the school. "He should really get reimbursed," Hanson said of Van Gerpen, "If I were doing that, I'd take it to the damn board." Van Gerpen, however, is unwilling to put up with school bureaucracy in seeking reimbursement. "In 40 years of teaching,

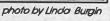
personnel would not allow anyone other than the staff to run off tests.

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This is one measure the office takes to insure the security of the environment. "Yes, it is a concern,"

Art Ellish, Dean of Instruction, said.

" In forty years of teaching. spending several hundred dollars near the end of my career is worth securing the integrity of test taking " Dr. Van Gerpen



"What do you do to make tests as secure as possible? With human beings involved you will always have a potential problem." That security was breached several years ago when a full-time, non-student, staff member of the production office copied to run off his tests for him, but, office and sold tests. "It was a personnel said.

matter, and has remained confidential." Ellish said.

Evelyn Fiorani, production department supervisor, is presently on vacation, and was unavailable for comment, however,

Michael Guerra, college business manager, expounded on some of the policies enforced to help insure security.

Instructors of students who work in the production office are notified of the student's schedule; there is always a full-time staff member present, and the copy machines have meter readings which monitor the exact number of duplications made, these readings are checked and confirmed with the number of requests made by the instructor. When asked what she thought of the policies and procedures, one full time staff member declined to comment or state her name.

"Forthemostpartit's well maintained" said Guerra, "no matter how much control you have, it can never be risk free." Despite the security efforts, people are still up in arms. "This (student's running off tests), I'm just not willing to take!" Hanson

FCC to host Showcase '97

April 16, 1997

5,000 visitors expected on campus

By SherylYoungblood, contributing writer

Fresno City College will be open to the community on Thursday, April 17, for Showcase '97. The event begins at 8 a.m. with tours leaving the main fountain near the west lawn along Maroa Avenue.

The purpose of Showcase is to give the community a chance to come on campus and see what's here," said Ken Chavez, Showcase coordinator. "We find that the college campus can be intimidating to people. We try to make it fun."

The objectives are to invite area high schol students. from as far north as Yosemite High School and Oakhurst, and as far south as Lemoore, and to interest adults thinking about returning to college.

Fresno City College receives about 3,000 first-time freshmen each fall, said Chavez, who works in the School Relations office in the Student Services building.

"We're slowly getting into targeting welfare recipients," Chavez said. "Staff-wise and time-wise, we haven't been able to do that."

Showcase '97 will have booths. open classes, and demonstrations for visitors and students. "We'll have about 5,000 people on campus that day," Chavez said.

For more information, call the School Relations office at 442-8225, or stop by the office in the back of the Student Services building.

Congressman Penny's debt talk makes miles of cents

National debt may put us in the poor house

by Leah Eddens

With the intention of informing students about the problems of the national debt, and the hopes of moving students to action, former congressman Tim Penny, (D) Minnesota, paid a visit to Fresno City College, Tuesday, April 8.

Penny stressed the importance of making people aware of what the national debt is, and how it affects each and every person, college students in particular. The national deficit refers to the amount of money that is spent each year that exceeds the budget. The national debt is the cummulative deficits plus interest over the years.

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Part of the problem, Penny said is that people don't give the debt much thought, "it's not something people feel passionately about." People tend to think it's a federal problem, not a personal one, and it's overwhelming, presently at more than \$5.4 trillion. "I feel we need to give people a personal motivation to take the deficit seriosly, just the way all these interest groups have a personal motivation to protect their part of the budget."

Penny explained that the debt affects students in several ways. The underlying national debt means that we have 15 cents of every tax dollar paid to the federal govemment going simply tofinance this outstanding debt. It takes two hundred million dol-

lars in interest just to roll the debt over to the next year. That's 15 cents of every tax dollar every student will earn for the rest of their lives, and



The Cocord Coalition is the citizen's voice against federal budget deficits

> that's money they can't spend on anything else because they've got to pay it on interest on a debt they had See Penny back page

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Famed Film Critic Michael Medved Lectures At FCC

Exposes society? think again

By Nathan Kirkpatrick, contributing writer

The co-host of the weekly movie review show "Sneak Previews" and chief film critic for the New York Post Michael Medved gave a lecture at FCC on April 9th. His topic was "Hollywood's Three Biggest Lies About Media & Society."

After discussing the examples of such immoral films as "Crash" and "Kissed," he presented a list of Hollywood illegitimacies: "We're giving the public what they want, we are reflecting society, and we are entertaining" with the large nuber of violent and sexually graphc films that have emerged in recent years;.

Using the word "ludcrous" al-

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most once a minute, Medved shot years. This is a gross assumption, down the three Hollywood excuses. Though almost all of his examples were extremely potent, such as the Ellen DegGeneres commercial ban, most convincing was his listing of box office results for the last two vears.

Only "G", "PG", and "PG-13" films made the top 5, being the highest money makers. This was the proof that Americans really do not want to see violence, despite what one of Hollywood's "lies" suggests.

Though Medved was highly successful in disprving Hollywood's excuses for the kind of matierial it is producing, his attempts to explain why they continue to churn out these types of films were less substantial. He claimed that most Hollywood filmmakers are former high scool nerds who feel the need to expose the machismo they have been storing for

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he said.

His remedy for the film industry to bring in more "caring" people is hardly a strong enough statement to motvate people with the same family values as himself to join the bandwagon.

After one last hasty moral judgement regarding the 1996 film "A Time to Kill," Medved's overall messages really began to sink in. America really is not the way the Hollywood "mirror" depicts it, nor does it want to be. Despite Medved's brief occasions of compartmental and morally-snobby thinking, he proves himself a devoted and highly effective speaker. He successfully proves that Hollywood and the media do not present an accurate depiction of American



Photo By Don Davis

Michael Medved lectures on Hollwoods three biggest llies, Using the term ludrous repeatedly.

This week in Rampage history.....

DRUG USE HIGH ON CAMPUS

A look back at Rampage news of the past

Compiled by Ryan LaMar

5 YEARS AGO as reported on April 22, 1992: Michael Levin, a philosophy professor from the City College of the City University of New York, spoke to a packed crowd about opposition to affirmative action. 500 spectators showed, but only 200 were allowed inside, and of those, the majority disapproved with what he stated. He made claims that blacks and women do not have less opportunities today, and it is impossible to prove that past oppression of certain groups have had an impact on succeeding generations. This was met with loud groans.

25 YEARS AGO as reported on April 20, 1972: The capitol's best known picketer has turned over to police a bomb that someone asked him to throw in a crowd of Governor Ronald Reagan supporters. Robert Henry Simpson, 92, told police that someone knocked on his door, handed him the bomb and said, "You don't like Reagan, do you? Well, throw it in a Reagan crowd."

30 YEARS AGO as reported on April 20, 1967: Spencer Kendig, Editor-in-Chief, mentions the increasing use of hallucinatory drugs on college campuses is an indication that more and more students wish to escape from making decisions on the pressing realities of life. He stated

marijuana smokers have been observed in classes laughing uncontrollably to the frustration of the instructor. This leads the Rampage to believe that drugs are harmful for, if no other reason, the fact that they prepare students for facing anything but the real world. **ANSWERS**

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Police Log

At the sound of what appeared to be gunfire, Fresno City College police officer Robert Bowman raced to Parking lot D, April 10. When he approached the area, a vehicle sped off in the direction of McKinley avenue and a chase ensued. Bowman attempted to initiate a traffic stop, but the suspect would not relent. In regard for public safety, Bowman discontinued the chase, and relayed the information to the

Fresno Police Department.

Apparently class registration stress is so intense, students are resorting to violence. An officer was dispatched to student services to contain a fight that had broken out between two students regarding their place in the registration line. The subjects were given a talking-to, and one was sent to the Dean's office.

DEBATE TEAM RECEIVES TOP HONORS

The FCC debate team returned home last week after receiving top honors at the National Parliamentary Debate Association's tournament, held in Colorado Springs, CO. The team earned a second place finish in the community college division out of 30 two-year schools. The team of Alex Spjute and Desiree Terronze was one of three community college teams to reach the elimination rounds. The FCC team earned key wins in preliminary competition against Rice University, Texas Tech and Washington State, before being eliminated by William and Mary University.

This represents the highest ranking ever for the FCC debate team. Other team members who attended the tournament were Mia Gonzales, Richard Kiel, Ryann McMath and Clifford Rold. The tournament marked the end of an outstanding season for the debaters as they ranked second among 65 community colleges participating in the debate, and 14th in the nation among 160 two and four-year schools.

Deof Watch

As of Tuesday, April 15th, at 9:50 a.m., the national debt was \$5,394,506,410,099.12 Each citizen's share was \$20,185.66.The debt is growing by \$722 million per day.

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Setting it straight

In the April 2 issue, the front page had a photo caption stating the the Rams pitched a double sutout over spring break. It should have been stated as one shutout.

The Rampage apologizes to ASG president Cary Catalano for the frequent misspelling of his

The Rampage Weekly policy is to correct mistakes. Errors that significantly affect a story may be reported by calling or faxing ext. 8263

Director of College Activities inspired by association with City College Students

Reid maintains positive, energetic approach to job

By Debbie Irwin

Fourty-two-year-old Director of College Activities at FCC, Craig Reid feelshe is both educated and inspired by his close association with FCC students. This attitude personifies his positive and energetic approach to his job.

Reid attributes this personal philosophy to his parents James and Helen Reid. They taught him that, "if you love your job, you'll never work a day in your life." Reid truly enjoys assisting personal growth in young people. For the past five years his job at FCC has allowed him to do this while he makes a living.

Reid and his wife Carmen have three children named Tasha, Steven and Tamara. In previous jobs he was able to volunteer his spare time to work with youth. Now that he has children of his own to raise, he has quickly realized he can not sacrifice his time with them to assist others. His pursuit of his current occupation allows him to now succeed at both.

Prior to his arrival at FCC, he



served as Director of Public Affairs for Fresno County. That job included extensive community outreach and hosting television programs on KAIL TV-53 and Continental Cablevision. He spent four years as Weekend Sports Anchor for NBCaffiliate KSEE TV-24. He also served as a color commentator for Fresno State football and basketball for four years. Reid has done freelance reporting for KCBS TV in Los Angeles and ESPN.

Being born and raised in Montclaire, New Jersey, his academic background centers close to that area. He graduated in 1976 from Oberlin College in Ohio, with Honors in History. In 1977, Reid graduated from Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism with a Masters of Science Degree.

Currently Reid is a frequent guest on 1300 am KYNO during a sports program which is broadcasted from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Several FCC students have listened and said it was great hearing him on the show.

If one does not know who Craig Reid is, it's a safe bet that they have seen him on campus. He has been involved in various campus activities from sporting events to a close involvement with the Student Senate and ASB.

His presence is known not only due to his over 6' frame. When he is present, there is a definite energy that fills the air. His enthusiasm is catch-

Reid relays high praise for Dean Fox and says Fox has been like a father to him. He attributes his success here to the well organized FCC staff. He also feels the professional and student workforce is second to

Reid found his beginning goals here would be easy to obtain with the help of Gurdeep Sihota, the FCC Center Assistant, considering her status as a recent FCC alumnus. This has allowed him to reach out to the students rapidly and establish the shared government philosophy between the Student Senate and fac-

In instituting this progression, a major aspect was showing the students benefits of conducting business in a professional manner; such as using proper protocol and not taking things so personally to the point that you are not able to work through a problem. This has helped the student body interact with the faculty culminating in win-win situations for all concerned. He cited the new Computer Lab hours and the student fee raises being reduced as examples of changes which students have helped to achieve.

Another important effort was to improve and emphasize multiculturalism on campus. He feels successful with this goal, also crediting the effort to the Interclub Council. When a special cultural event focuses on one group, other clubs are encouraged to participate. This is a great way to learn about other cultures and develop an understanding and hopefully an appreciation for

Looking to the future, one goal Reid hopes to accomplish for students is to enter the new millennium with the proper technology. This would mean lap-top computers for the members of the Student Senate and increased access to the Internet. Another issue that is very important to Reid is to combat, "the decrease in a lack of tolerance for the link between the students' environment, mental health and their academic performance." He says to do this he will work to educate the faculty on the subject. "We can not keep saying the 18 to 30-year-olds are facing the greatest challenges of our century, such as AIDS, herpes, drug abuse, mounting deficit problems etc., then turn around, come here to work and act like this is Princeton (mom and dad are taking care of everything) and everything is fine."

FCC offers students an opportunity to experience education in London

Foreign students' fees waived while in program

By Melissa Rios, Contributing Writer

Fresno City College English instructor, Terry Scambray, speaks to students about an educational program for FCC students to spend a semester studying in England.

"The England semester is an FCC program in which students are able to live with host families and take regular classes in Kingston-Upon-

Thames, just outside London," Scambray said. "Students attend classes for 14 weeks and have an eight-day vacation around Easter. Students are able to continue college courses uninterrupted while in Europe."

Scambray also notes that students pay the same tuition required at FCC. Foreign students do not pay the foreign students' fees, international fees are waved while in the program.

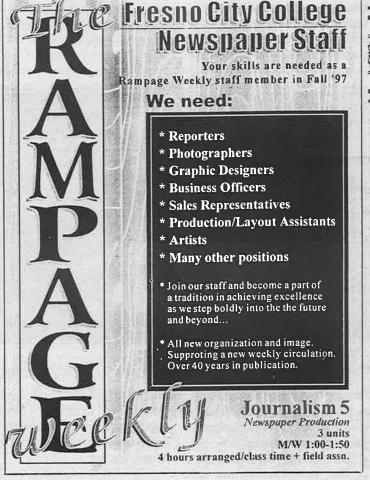
To participate in the England semester from February through May, students are encouraged to take 12

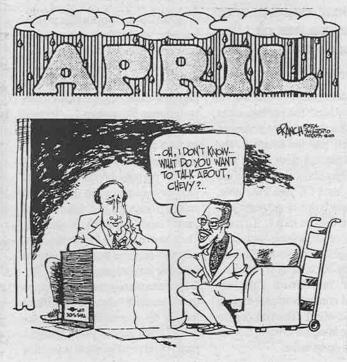
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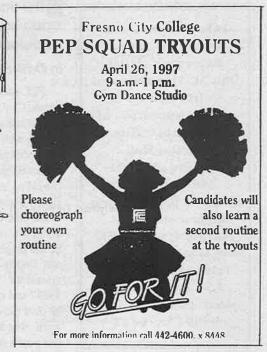
The cost of the program is approximately \$5,000. Financial aid and government loans are available. The cost includes round-trip airfare from Fresno to London, room and board with a British family, tuition, insurance and some field trips.

For more information about the semester in England, contact instructors Terry Scambray, Joan Newcomb, or the International Education office at 1525 E. Weldon, Fresno, CA 93704, or call (209) 244-5908.









'Blank' hits its target

Cusack gives a unusual twist to the high school reunion scenario

By David Bletz

All high school reunions should have a professional assassin. Imagine the conversation?

In the new film "Gross Pointe Blank "actor/producer John Cusack gives an original spin on the high school reunion thing. Throw in some romance, murder and mayhem, a little suspense and some great comedy and you have a great story. Wouldn't you like to see that at your next reunion?

John Cusack gives a endearing performance as Martin Blank, an ex-CIA hitman who lately has felt his life unraveling around him. His shrink (Alan Arkin) is afraid of him, his performance on the job has been less than admirable and a rival assassin(Dan Aykroyd) is trying to get him to join a union (not a good idea when your a professional killer). On advice from his semi-neurotic secretary and his frightened shrink he returns home to Detroit for his 10 year high school reunion.

Things only get worse for him when he gets home. His old house is now a convenience store, his mother has been institutionalized and now Aykroyd has turned canary and sold him out to the government who's now trying to kill him. An angered former client has hired a third assassin (there as common as accountants in this picture) to kill him and to top it off he confronts his high school love (Minnie Driver) whom he stood up on prom night .. PHEW!.. The story blends all this plots together nicely and the cast provides some some great humor along the

I have nothing but praise for this picture. A great, original story with exceptional performances. Cusack is wonderful, Alan Arkin is hilarious as his shrink and Aykroyd is cast well as the fanatic rival gunman. Much of the humor in this Film Noir is from the good chemistry between Cusack and Aykroyd but the chemistry between Minnie Driver and Cusack is the what makes this such an enjoyable film. The spark between them is apparent from there first scene together and really shines in the film.

So far in this young year this has been the best film reviewed by this critic. A definite recommendation.

International Jazz Saxophonist and Recording Artist Dan St. Marseille and his Quintet will be appearing at Fresno City College Recital Hall Monday April 21, 1997 7:00 P.M. Clinic to follow, bring your instrument. Admission is FREE and it is sponsored by "Friends of the Arts" For Information please call (209) 442-4600 Ext. 8463

'Since when is culture not educational'

The Tewaquachi Pow Wow that almost wasn't.

By Debbie Irwin

A Pow Wow is not only a very entertaining event, it is a chance to see Native Americans dress in full Regalia, dancing their hearts out. Apparently the Associated Student Senate at CSUF doesn't see it that way. They voted down funding the 15th Annual Pow Wow under their new rule stating the event must be educational and not

The Dancers spiritual love and respect for nature shows through all of their actions. This value system is evident, from the effort put into their outfits to the gratitude they present to the drum; giver of the music. Their outfits (Regalia dress is never referred to as costumes) are authentic and there are many elders present to explain the symbolism and ori-

Roger Barsoon, a CSUF Technician on hand for the weekend event, provided us the headline quote. He is not a Native American and was very serious in his response, feeling the Pow Wow was educational, for

all who at-

tended.

Dr. Dolores Huff of CSUF American Indian Studies (who was not available to comment), wrote an informative piece in this year's program. She explained how the CSUF Provost Alexander Gonzales came to their rescue by sponsoring them. Huff attributes the actions of the Associate Student Senate (ASS) to the efforts of a campus political party. She also gave responsibility to Coyote; who every decade or so runs amok to keep Indian People on their

We are all lucky that the Provost recognized the true meaning It is the second largest Pow Wow held in the California University system (Stanford holds the largest). The Fresno City Counsel even the gave Tewaquachi Club a proclamation honor them, for the efforts regarding this

of this event

year's Pow Wow. The Counsel credited the club for the value of bringing many Indian Nations to our city.

When ASB President Carey Catalanowas asked why he thought the CSUF ASS took this approach,

> event sponsorships I believe their policy is good philosophically, however, they need to revisit their guidelines and

> > policy. I firmly believe an Indian Pow Wowisa very educational ехрегіence that will enrich the lives of all who attend. Further, this type of action divides the

ness of the multicultural experience. The ASS President should have never allowed it." When asked if FCC's ASG would

sponsor a Pow Wow for our campus club his reply was favorable and encourages them to contact Craig Reid, at Activities setting the wheels in

The dress Regalia this dancer wore was breath taking. Photo by Linda Burgin

'I firmly believe an Indian Pow Wow is a very educational experience that will enrich the lives of all who attend." Cary Catalano

motion.

Aside from the controversy, Fresno was treated to two days of mouth watering Indian Tacos, beautiful crafts, jewelry and spectacular outfits. The Pow Wow drew approximately 20 Nations from all over the western United States.

Chumash Daughter Tara Celeste Gomez, was selected Miss Tewaquachi for the second year in a row. Gomez is a CSUF student from Santa Ynez where the Chumash nation is from. She explained to me the meaning of Tewaquachi, which is the name of their club, on campus. It stands for Hope and that we are living in the fourth world. Indian spirituality believes the earth has been destroyed three previous times, each once by Wind, Rain and Fire.

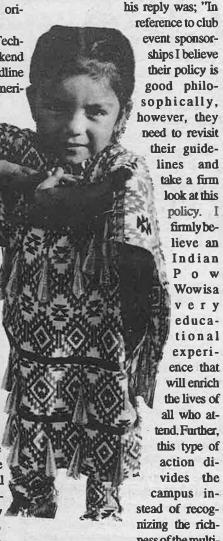
When asked what message she would give to fellow Native American college students, she replied, "I

would emphasize a good education, stay in school and become a positive role model for the youth." This years theme was Honoring the Youth of All Nations.

At the vendors' booths there was a lot to learn about Native Americans by their crafts. Their culture and spirituality is reflected from the jewelry, to the soapstone carvings, to the Kachina Dolls. When Don and Freda Pagh, of Paghs' Indian Treasures in Lindsay were asked why they got started, they stated that they started by collecting and decided to start selling items as a way to make money during retirement. They are both part Native American. Their son's Indian name is White Wolf, and he also participates and makes many of the items.

Their booth was attractive because of the variety. They shared that they travel all over the United States visiting many reservations to bring new items to this area. They attend approximately two Pow Wows a month from May to October in Northern California. After six years in the business they still enjoy it very much and related how much there is for the children to learn about their heri-

In review, this type of event is perfect for a field trip or a handson classroom for Indian American studies. Not to be limited to students, this would be enjoyable to parents and children of all backgrounds to enjoy.



FCC City Jazz 97'

The Jazz departments open house was as popular as ever

by Debbie Irwin

PCC successfully hosted the 7th annual City Jazz. The performances started at 8 a.m. in the main theater, lasting well into the evening. The event culminated with guest performer Bobby Shew playing, accompanied by the FCC Jazz Ensemble. Bobby Shew is one of the finest jazz artists on the scene today. To mention a few of his accomplishments; he has played with Woody Herman and Buddy Rich, won a Grammy Award for "Jazz Album of the year 1983" and conducts master classes all over the world. The jazz department was honored to have him as this year's guest artist.

Mike Dana, Director of jazz sudies, said, "during the evening awards concert, winners were presented scholarships," instead of the proverbial trophy. Before Bobby Shew played with the FCC Jazz Ensemble, two Honor Ensembles, from the "best of the best" area Junior and Senior High school musicians, performed.

The purpose of the event is to provide a combination open house and performance critique for area Junior and Senior High students. They have a chance to tour the carnpus and become familiar with the fantastic jazz program offered. Besides the recruiting, participants have the rare chance to have their abilities judged by a celebrated panel, locally. Each school plays before a panel of three judges and is taped at



Sounds like this Middle School Jazz Ensemble had a great experience.

Photo by Ted Valerde

the same time. They are then sent to a separate area where a fourth judge reviews their performance and gives them a personal critique.

The event has become so popular, that several schools that had

forgotten to sign up in time, came anyway hoping to get a spot Since no one dropped out of the competition, the hopefuls were unable to compete this year.

FCC Tennis Teams Collect Conference Championships

Men and Women finish strong: CVC **Toumament** upcoming

By Scott Mayes

The books have little in common except the ending. The Fresno City College men's and women's tennis teams wrote a critical chapter in this season's best seller last week.

The men's team continues to merely play with the CVC in winning their 16th consecutive conference championship. The women, following an 0-14 season last year went undefeated in winning the Central Valley Conference as well.

"Everyone was really happy when we one the title (the CVC championship against Porterville)," recalled women's coach Mark Belman. "That was our goal. We felt it was a goal we could work with."

Meanwhile, the men's team clinched their conference with a 8-1 thrashing of Modesto last Thursday.

Belman pushed the credit away. "Susan Yates and Ron Scott deserve the credit. Since the inception of Title IX, those two have been pushing for quality women's sports. I'm just a spoke in the wheel."

The storied books of both teams have an identical table of contents. Featured there you will find heart, determination, solid coaching, and

The week was unparalleled for FCC tennis. The men beat Porterville 9-0 on Tuesday. On Wednesday, they upset Ventura 5-4 before clinching the conference on Thursday with the convincing 8-1 win over Modesto.

The women took their conference title two days before the men in a 7-2 victory over Porterville. They backed up that performance with a 9-0 shutout of Modesto on Thursday

Both teams will be in Visalia this week (April 17-19) for the CVC tournament. The NorCal regionals will take place May 2to 3 with the state competition May 8to 10.



Southpaw Cody Stephens delivers once Photo By Knog Meng Vang again for the 1997 CVC Champions.

FCC softball wins doubleheader

Women dive in and get dirty

By Chad Ryman



The F.C.C Ram's softball is on fire. The Rams pounded Kings River Community College not once but twice in Tuesdays doubleheader. The ladies shut out K.R.C.C. 8-0 both

Once again the Rams brought it all togeather, offense and defense. The ladies crushed the ball, 23 hits on the day. 15 hits in game one and 8 in

game two. The Ramsin the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 6th producing two in each inning. In game two the Rams decided to waituntil the bottom of the 5th to score all 8 runs.

Defensively, Sara Pinkerton and Christy Anderson both pitched outstanding games. Both allowed only 7 hits in between the two games.

Pinkerton allowed only four hits in game 1 and Anderson gave away only 3 in game 2, but they couldn't have done it without the errorless fielding of the other eight players.

Kings River tried to find a hole but the Rams sealed every hole in the infeild. Karla Tovar and Shannon Rhames got dirty robbing base hits, they shut down the middle infeild allowing nothing to get through. The outfield closed the gaps and allowed only one double in both games.

From the plate the Rams pounded Kings River. On the basepads the Rams took advantage of every K.R.C.C. misstake. Erica Vollweiler stole two bases off the catcher before she could get the ball out of her glove. Shannon Rhames had a big day going 4-4 with a pair of doubles and two RBIs. Vollweiler went 2-4, Julie Montague 2-4, Jacky Renya 3-

> 3 with a double, and Denine Jones went 2-3 with a double.

"I love seeing the ladies diving and getting dirty, we played great defense.", said coach Rhonda Williams.

The Rams are 7-1 in the Central Valley Confrence with an overall record of 25-9. Other C.V.C records; Modesto 6-0, C.O.S 5-7, Taft8-0, West Hills 7-5,

Pitcher Christy Anderson and Kings River 2-6. The Rams next home game is on April 17th when they'll play a doubleheader against Porterville College.



Coach Mark Belman readies his team for a run at the Conference tourrnament

Rams Rally Past Porterville, Crush West Hills

Viveros, a Tulare Western transfer is

FCC catch final home game

By Allen M. Coleman

BASEBALL



A Ram 13-3 Central Valley Conference record isn't exactly a Cinderella performance for the '97 season, but it may certainly be good enough to pressure the COS Giants who are currently leading the Conference with a 15-1 record. Unfortunately the Rams have dropped 2 games to COS. The only other misfortune was an 8-7 loss to Merced, although an awesome Ram 15 hit "attack" wasn't enough to overpower the Blue Devils. It's not over yet.

Righthander Danny

currently leading the staff with a 7-4 record. "Viveros is versatile, if we win on Tuesday against COS, it will put us back in the thick of things," said pitching coach Eric Solberg. Solberg also said Viveros will probably break the school's single season individual pitching record in mound appearances. The record is currently held by righthander Kirk Griffin, who attended Chowchilla High and Fresno State. Griffin had 21 appearances in 1996. Where is Paul Avery?

Avery is a transfer from Long Beach State who have started most of the Rams games on the road, we haven't seen him throw at home much this year. "It is harder to win on the road than at home, and Avery's strike out to walk ratio is great," said Solberg. Avery's 3-2 record is not in any way a reflection of his pitching potential. The flame throwing lefthander fired a 7-0 shut out against the Taft College Cougars on April 10. Avery fanned 12 and walked 1 in 8 complete innings.

A 5-4 comeback victory against Porterville on Tuesday April 8 was a thriller. The Rams were down 4-2 going in to the bottom of the 9th inning. Ryan Accardo sparked a ninth inning rally with a hard hit lead-off single to left field. Pinch hitter Mark Fethers, who seems to be hitting well lately followed with a line drive single to right field with 2 runners aboard. Fethers' clutch hit loaded the bases. Still trailing 4-2, Right fielder Brent Gutierrez's 2 run single tied the game at 4-4. "This is

my6th or7th start and I changed bats which helped my confidence," said Gutierrez. Gutierrez switched from a 34 inch bat to a 33 and has been hitting the ball consistently. Center fielder Steve Woodward was the spoiler. Woodward sliced a game winning run scoring single that bounced off the left field wall and ended the game. The hopeless Pirates slowly walked off the field. "I felt comfortable at the plate and I tried to hit safely. Actually, I didn't realize I had hit the ball that hard," said Woodward. Jeff Munster turned in a fine performance. The hard throwing righthander fanned 9 Pirate hitters in 8 innings and received a no decision. Danny Viveros was the winning pitcher and Brad Seyda (1-2) was the loser. Steve Woodward, Ryan Accardo, Scott Barr and Brent Gutierrez had 2 hits apiece.

Saturday's game against West Hills resulted in a 15-5 Ram Victory.

The game was highlighted by Ryan Accardo's 3rd inning 2 run homeroverthe right center field wall. Accardos' blast went completely out of Euless Park. Brian James 3-0 picked up the win and Josh Maloney 0-6 was the loser. Third baseman GJ. Raymundo had 2 doubles in the game "I felt good today and I got my 15th double of the season," said Raymundo. Raymundo was 2-4 for the day. Shortstop Kevin Patrick had 2 in every department. Patrick had 2 at bats, 2 hits, 2 runs scored and was 2-4 with 2 RBIs. Brent Gutierrez went 2-4 with 4 RBIs. Ryan Accardo was 2-4 with 3 RBIs.



BASEBALL

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MEN'S GOLF 4/8 K.RIVER 394, MODESTO 398, COS 408, COLUMBIA 409, 4/10 MODESTO 366, K.RIVER 383, COS 390, FCC 397, COLUMBIA 403

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TRACK THIS WEEK **DUAL MEET 2P.M.** RATCLIFFE STADIUM

GOLF NOTES

By Mark Avila

Mike Unquez led the Fresno City College golf team to a fourth place finish with a 76 on Thursday, April 10.

the five teammini-tournament took place at Fig Garden, which was their last competition in Fresno, where they beat out Columbia by six for the fourth place

April 16, the team traveled to Columbia College for another mini-tournament and will compete April 18 in Visalia at the College of Sequoias Tournament. They have two more tournaments before the NorCal regionals beginning on May 5.



Editorial -

By Ryan LaMar

Chalkone up for the three judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. Their bold decision behind accurate reasoning has overturned Judge Thelton E. Henderson's steadfast blockage of Proposition 209, and barring further appeal, it can be implemented as soon as two weeks from today.

In Proposition 209's defense the appellate court mentioned that it advances the 14th Amendment and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Constitution permits the ban of race-based and gender-based preference.

This is absolutely correct. The 14th Amendment states that the U.S. shall not "deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws." Therefore, by law the U.S. is egalitarian, thus depriving it of any legitimate basis for preferential treatment. This is also evident in Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 which disallows "preferences [in hiring] because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin unless these are bona fide job qualifications" and "that this section is not to be used to require quotas in employment, unions, or training programs on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

To the favor of true equal rights supporters, the courts are finally opening their eyes and actually seeing the unfair practices in the Affirmative Action program and are righteously repudiating it. No one should receive preferential treatment, even those people who were at one time discriminated against. But, everyone should be allowed equal, non-hereditary access to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

This has always been guaranteed in the Constitution, and has been strengthened through the

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Amendments to eventually include everyone. But this cannot be properly or effectively executed while Affirmitve Action is in existence. It unfairly gives an advantage to minorities, causing many to despise them for their unearned ascendance, and causing them to be infuriated when they still complain in spite of their advantage. Playwright August Wilson wrote of these feelings through the character of Toledo in Ma Rainey's Black Bottom. "A [minority] gonna be dissatisfied no matter what. Give a [minority] some bread and butter... and he'll cry 'cause he ain't got no jelly. Give him some jelly, and he'll cry 'cause he ain't go no knife to put it on with. If there's one thing I done learned in this life, it's that you can't satisfy a [minority] no matter what you do. A [minority]'s gonna make his own dissatisfaction."

This view is embedded in the minds of the majority, who have also become dismayed over current admittance and hiring practices which place quantity (minorities) over quality (competence). Not only is it unfair, but it is terrifying to know that people who are not the most qualified for certain jobs are being hired to fill minority quotas. Imagine being operated on by a surgeon who is lesser qualified but was hired anyway because of pressure from Affirmative Action—a pure quality issue because your life rests in his or her hands.

Affirmative Action is a hindrance on the quality, growth, and egalitarian stance of the U.S. Not only that, it is unconstitutional. It was only ever tolerated because it was unconditionally needed to ensure that the equal, non-hereditary access to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness would be more than a guarantee on paper, but a realization. And that time has come.

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Teaching Discipline

An editorial on discipline in the family

By David F. Peck

It is a shame when parents beat or yell at their children in anger. Such parents are thinking like children themselves, focusing on thier own feelings rather than on the feelings of their children. They have no control over thier emotions because they were not taught self discipline as children. There are two important aspects of parenting, nurturing children and teaching them self discipline. Contemporary psychology belittles the second. Many in the child development field are convinced that children are born perfect but too emotionally fragile to learn from punishment. All we need to do is nurture them and model respectful behavior and the children will grow up respecting others. This is seldom the case.

Recently The Bee has had a news article and an editorial reguarding FresnoCounty's Nurturing Parenting Program. I certainly commend a program that teaches parents to give up their own personal problems in the care of their children. However, it is a shame that these parents must be taught to give up their own frustrations and have empathy for their children. Empathy can be taught to children at age four. Apparently the parents of thes young parents did not teach them the self discipline needed forthe experiece of empathy. In The Bee's article about this program I saw nothing to indicate that the County's program teaches the importance of teaching children self discipline. They apparently believe that loving and nurturing children is enough.

The faulty thinking that love is enough shows up in The Bee's editorial in the line, "Children who are loved and parents who love them are unlikely to show up as part of crime statistics are be social detriments." Here appears the myth that it is the lack of parental love behind the social problems of today. It is alleged that if your kids have problems as teenagers, and as adults, it is because you did not love them as children. I have met hundreds of parents in my practice as a family counselor over the last 25 years, many whose children could be called "social detriments", and I never met one who did not feel a tremendous love for their children. But it seems that child development psychologists and the government have undertaken to redifine love. It is no longer an emotion we feel, it is a politically correct way of raising children. If you spank your children in an effort to teach them self discipline, we will tell the world that you don't love your chil-

Those who have faulted America's parents for shaming their children are using shame as a form of emotional blackmail to motivate parents into accepting faulty parenting methods. This blackmail hass been quite successful as most parents have reduced the teacing of self discipline. The result is an increase in undiciplined children who grow up to be "social detriments." One of the

outcomes of this past faulting parents who teach dicipline is generations of parents who y beat their children in anger ins punishing them in love.

The parenting methods that used by most parents and l down from generations to s tions up until 50 years ago w perfect. However, close ex tions will show that they did p better citizens then the "nurtur into good citizenship" methods today. Cuddling young chile good, teaching them that parer punished them do not love t not good. I am glad that the County is teaching parents sel pline. I am sad they apparen not teaching those same par teach self discipline to their ch If they did, maybe Fresno could get out of the parentin business sometime in the ne

The "nurture 'em into go zenship" bunch decried the p of the Three Strikes law. Yet, o down since it has gone into Apparently this firm punish teaching some immature ad respect others. The same fin ishment, at an age appropriat will also teach children to others. Teaching children to others does not require spa However, it requires love, and firm punishment. It is al work. In the long run, this cos less money then punishing More important, it results in less emotional turmoil.

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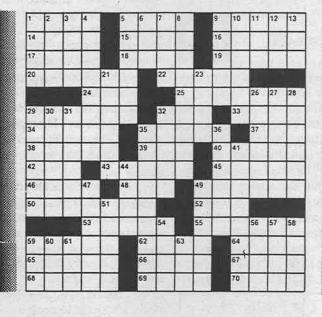
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Roving Reporter - "Do you know the difference between the national debt and the national deficit?"



Elena Montano - The national deficit is the overspending of assets. The national debt is money that is owed.



David Carillo - The national debt is what we owe. The national deficit is when we spend more then we have.



Deon Nguyen- I don't know enough about this to have a good answer.



Deborah Logan - The deficit is the amount of money that is spent. The national debt is the debt that the United States is in.



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RAM Top 10

Top 10 reasons to register for summer classes

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- 9. Dad said, "Go to school and get a job."
- 8. Mom said, "Go to school soon and do your own
- 7. Too old for Fresno High
- 6. Use F.C.C. air conditioning instead of own
- 5. Naval watching
- 4. I just look forward to driving around and around looking for a parking space
 - 3. Campus P.D. sooooo professional
 - 2. Have nothing to do this summer
 - 1. Cheaper than Cheez-whiz

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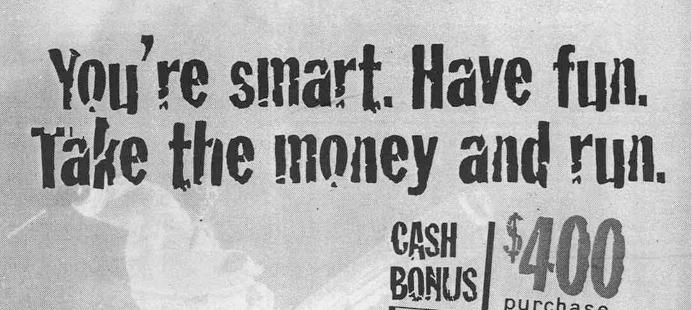
nothing to do with creating. Presently, the debt amounts to a personal bill of more than \$20,000 per person. Just last week, the debt increased by another \$69 per person; that's ten dollars per day.

Penny said that the other concern students should have is that some programs like Social Security and Medicare can't sustain themselves. We used to have 16 workers supporting every retiree, now it's four workers to one, by the time college students are in the midst of their working years, it's going to be two workers for every retiree. "You can't raise payroll taxes enough to keep these programs in balance, or at least we shouldn't resort to higher payroll taxes," Penny said.

"Progress is grudging and slow," Penny said, "but we are making some head way." In 1993, the federal deficit was \$290 billion (keep in mind, this is money spent over the budget allotments) today the deficit is about \$115 billion, about a sixty per cent reduction in the anual deficit. This was accomplished in several ways. First, President Clinton's budget in 1993 cut Pentagon spending, and raised taxes on the wealthy. Secondly, the relatively strong economy over the last four years, along with lower unemployment and higher wages, has meant more money going into the federal government, and less money going out for food stamps, welfare and other unemployment programs. The third reason is that when the republicans took over congress in 1994, they forced Clinton swallow about \$20 worth of budget cuts. However, the factors that dictate spending are again taking control, driving the deficit up again unless budget amendments are made to implement a downward trend.

Though the outlook may appear bleak, and the debt undentable, there is a glimmer of hope. The deficit can be eliminated quickly by balancing the budget. However, it has taken 25 to 30 years to get the debt to this level it will take about 25 to 30 years to eliminate the debt if we can get the budget to balance, and stop adding to the debt.

Penny's visit washosted by Students in FreeEnterprise. Sife is collecting pennys to form a mile-long debt awareness campaign.





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