

Doffoney named FCC President

One year after Larios resigned from office, first African-American president chosen

By Tony Losongco

News editor

Once State Center Community College District chose Ned Doffoney to be Fresno City College's next president, the consensus feeling on campus became, "Finally." Now that Doffoney's on the job, he expresses the same sentiment.

Exactly one year after Daniel Larios left the college's top post, following a nationwide candidate search frozen by the post-Sept. 11 hiring climate, and under the watch of an in-

terim president, Doffoney surpassed dozens of applicants and became FCC's first African-American president July 1.

Doffoney laughed, animated on the first day of classes as he described his plans for the school. "I engage, I don't observe," he said. "I have had an excellent introduction to the college."

He arrived at FCC as an ex-Californian, having served as president at Saddleback College in Orange County and in high-level

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FCC President Ned Doffoney's last college...

South Louisiana Community College

Founded 1997, in Lafayette, La.

1,021 2001 enrollment

7 Associate degree programs

\$749 Tuition and fees for 12 units

Sources: California Community College Chancellor's Office, Fresno City College catalog, South Louisiana Community College catalog

...and Doffoney's new one

Fresno City College

Founded 1910, in Fresno

20,469 enrollment

94 Associate degree programs

\$144 Tuition and fees for 12 units

A year of memories

Anniversary of Sept. 11 remembered at special events

By Luis Quezada

Rampage reporter

The one-year anniversary of the terrorist attacks to the World Trade Center is still causing students to feel alarmed and disappointed. One student is really concerned. "It's pretty scary, it could happen anywhere and it makes me wonder if it's going to affect my family," said Corrine Lopez, fourth semester student. "My husband is in the service and he's already on a stand by alert, getting trained, going on little missions."

"I'm still worried, scared about them. It wasn't right. It's really sad. They shouldn't have bombed that building," said a student who wished to remain anonymous.

There are others who have not felt any impact. "It's like nothing happened, we have been able to go back to our daily lives. I think it has to do with the fact that it happened in New York and we're in California," said a first semester student who also wished to remain anonymous.

In some way or another many people have been affected by the attacks and those who wish to show sympathy will be able to do so. College Activities received many phone calls from students asking if there would be any sort of ceremony.

A 9-11 Day Of Remembrance is scheduled to take place at the Fresno City College Peace Memorial at noon, on Sept. 11. Also, before the noon event, a Freedom Tree donated by Tree Fresno will be planted on campus at the time the first plane hit the World Trade Center.

The activities scheduled are:

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Grizzlies new den



Photo by Lenetta Huxley

Grizzlies Stadium has provided locals with a fresh venue for good, clean entertainment. The stadium has housed more than 500,000 people over the span of 63 games at about 8,000 fans a game. For more information on the Grizzlies Stadium, please see the article on page 9.

Bond measure drafted for elections

By Tony Losongco

News editor

With a single vote, the Board of Trustees of the State Center Community College District kicked off a \$161 million school bond measure, igniting just as much debate about growth and class issues as on classroom issues.

The board, citing swelling enrollment and future needs, drafted a resolution last month to ask voter approval for the bond — the district's first — which would fund Fresno City College, Reedley College and the other district centers.

The bond, Measure E on the Nov. 5 ballot, would also help the district break ground on a new

community college in north Fresno — tentatively named "Willow/International" for its location — and allow the development of a new center in southeast Fresno.

FCC projects would receive about \$82 million from the bond, paying for restoration of the Old Administration Building, a new police academy site and much needed infrastructure repairs.

As important as the bond money, said Brian Speece, district vice-chancellor of business and operations, is the way bond money talks at the state Capitol, where local districts compete for funding that of

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Editorial

Some of us didn't enter Fresno City College concerned with earning an associate degree. So sadly, some of us won't finish with this two-year school within two years. More painfully, however, is that most of us can't.

Just as stories of earning a bachelor's degree in four years have become folklore at many universities nationwide, community colleges like FCC are struggling to satisfy students desperate to get through, get out and transfer.

Unfortunately, the demands on the FCC student may prove too great to finish a program in two years. To finish on time in 24 FCC majors, as prescribed by the current catalog, students must take at least 15 units one or more semesters, more than the traditional 12-unit full-time load.

The General Motors ASEP Program, for example, suggests taking so many units the first semester in the major — 21 in six courses — that a counselor must approve the student's schedule.

By the way, being "transfer-prepared" at any California community college, by the federal Student Right-to-Know Act definition, requires 56 units, which is an average of 14 units over four semesters.

This is hardly an impossible task; hundreds of graduates earn degrees each May. But add the obstacles many of us FCC students face: requiring extra preparatory

courses, working full- or part-time, unusual personal circumstances. Factor in the squeeze many of us experience on campus, from crowded classrooms to long lines for everything.

For a school of over 20,000 students the unacceptably low graduation numbers confirm how difficult getting through and getting out can be. The most recent statistics show that only 24.9 percent of students here became transfer-prepared even after three years, the lowest rate for FCC in at least four years. Furthermore, that rate ranks us among the bottom third of community colleges statewide.

To accommodate the needs of students, not to mention more students, FCC has to be extremely flexible. Forum Hall room 101 is a campus lecture hall that some days holds classes almost continuously from 8 a.m. to 9:20 p.m. From General Psychology on Monday all the way to Art Appreciation on Friday, classes use the hall 44 hours and 30 minutes a week this semester — more time than even many employees spend on campus.

Yet FCC often provides a short supply even for core courses given such high student demand.

Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) classes taken by FCC students allow them to transfer lower-division courses to California State University and the University of Califor-

nia. The only single IGETC course both university systems require is English 3, Critical Reading & Writing.

There are only 494 slots at FCC for 16 sections of English 3 this semester. Once again, not impossible, but what if you work full-time on weekdays, when 11 of the sections are offered? What if you already have classes evenings or weekends, when the other five sections start?

Perhaps it's unfair to blame someone for our collective poor progress toward degrees. But the issue begs an explanation: is it the students' fault for being so plentiful, or is it the college's fault for not making classes plentiful enough? Or is it the state's fault for dumping CSU's and UC's rigorous lower-division load on the community colleges?

Maybe we're all fooling ourselves for thinking that in today's world the community college could still be a two-year school.

Granted, FCC offers a wealth of programs for the casual learner undistracted by many of life's obligations. But for non-traditional college types that traditionally have found a haven in FCC — the older working professional, the single parent, the disabled, the migrant — someone or something has impeded getting the all-important degree in increasingly degree-minded career fields.

Police log

From the files of the SCCC Police Department

Aug. 20

- Officer took report regarding stolen parking permit.
- Sergeant observed vehicle with excessively loud stereo, initiated traffic stop. Driver cited.
- Officer took report regarding suspicious activity at the Theater.
- Officer contacted individual regarding panhandling on campus. Report taken.
- Officer took report regarding theft of laptop computer from the Math/Science Building.
- Officer took report regarding thefts of VCRs from the Math/Science Building.

Aug. 21

- Officer assisted Fresno Police with a general incident involving graffiti suspect. Report taken.
- Officer took report regarding an abandoned vehicle in Parking Lot A.
- Officers dispatched to theater regarding battery of staff member. Individual arrested, booked into Fresno County Jail. Report taken.
- Officer took report regarding theft of cell phone.
- Sergeant took report regarding theft of wheel rim from Parking Lot S.
- Sergeant assisted allied agency arrest wanted suspect. Report taken.
- District Service Officer took report regarding petty theft.

Aug. 22

- Sergeant took late report regarding non-injury hit and run.
- Sergeant took report regarding suspicious circumstances at Counseling Center.
- Officer took report regarding suspicious individual by the Old Administration Building.
- Sergeant observed vehicle in Parking Lot I with excessively loud stereo, initiated traffic stop. Driver cited.

Aug. 23

- Officer took report regarding indecent exposure.
- Officers dispatched to cafeteria regarding disturbance. Both parties advised. Report taken.
- Sergeant observed wanted individuals on campus. Individuals taken into custody. Report taken.

Aug. 26

- Officer took report regarding traffic accident involving injury to a pedestrian.
- Officer took report regarding theft of a wallet.
- Officer took report regarding non-injury hit and run.
- Officer took a late report regarding theft of laptop computer.
- Officer took a counter report regarding the theft of items in vehicle.

News briefs

Drop Deadline

The drop deadline looms for students wishing to avoid a penalty on their transcripts.

Saturday is the final day both to drop a course without incurring a "W" for withdrawal, and to register for courses. The period to claim a refund for dropped courses has already expired.

Admissions and Records, located on the lower level of the Student Services building, will open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. tomorrow, and from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday to accept drop requests.

Transfer Day

University representatives will descend upon FCC next week for College and University Transfer

Day.

The annual event, to be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday on the College Mall, gives FCC students access to dozens of undergraduate schools. Prospective transfers can meet school reps, who can provide information on admissions, financial aid and support services.

Jill Harmon, coordinator of the FCC Transfer Center and Transfer Day, said the event helps students form contacts at the school of their choice, adding that the Transfer Center facilitates contact year-round. "We make sure that students have this kind of information — and it's free," Harmon said.

For more information on Transfer Day, contact the Transfer Center in ST-200, 442-4600, ext. 8290.

New Rampage Adviser

A face familiar to Fresno City College welcomed the Rampage staff last month as the newspaper's new adviser.

Lisa Boyles, an editor of the Rampage a decade ago while attending FCC as a student, succeeds Dan Edwards, who left this summer to begin a master's program in journalism at California State University, Fresno. Edwards had been Rampage adviser for four semesters.

Boyles and Edwards are both copy editors on the news desk of The Fresno Bee.

Campus calendar

Club Activities

ICC Institute - noon to 1 p.m. tomorrow, Staff Dining Room

Native American Indian Student Association Powwow - 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sept. 28 and Sept. 29, West Lawn

Club Rush - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Oct. 2, Fountain

For more information on club events, contact the College Activities office at 265-5711.

Events

Transfer Day - 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday, College Mall

9/11 Day of Remembrance - noon, Wednesday, Free Speech Area

College Night - 6 p.m., Wednesday, New Exhibit Hall, 700 M St.

Mexican Independence Celebration - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sept. 16, Free Speech Area

Volunteer Faire - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sept. 18, Fountain on the College Mall

Board of Trustees Meeting - 4 p.m., Oct. 1, Board Room, State Center Community College District Office

Intramurals

3-on-3 Basketball - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sept. 13, Gym

2-on-2 Volleyball - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sept. 20, Free Speech Area

3-on-3 Soccer - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Oct. 4, behind Gym

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Paying respect to the fallen heroes

By **Tony Losongco**
News editor

I still remember the last day I had been in New York City four years ago. My visit, about an hour, was confined to a Greyhound bus in the underground Port Authority terminal. It wasn't my first time in Manhattan — I had been there dozens of times — but I swore I would come back to visit the island aboveground.

Yet when I made my pilgrimage to New York this July, I knew even after the smoke wafted away from the World Trade Center site, the city would never look the same.

As a tourist I used to visit photo-friendly places like the Empire State Building and Times Square but never the Trade Center. It seems trivial now, but to me it was too far from the sights of 24-hour midtown Manhattan to warrant going to the city's financial district.

When my roommate's phone call woke me the morning of Sept. 11, the south tower of the World Trade Center had already collapsed. I didn't recognize the remaining building on television at first without its partner, but my second reaction — after disbelief — was disappointment that I never made it to the Trade Center.

So when my roommate and I decided to take a vacation this summer, a trek to the Trade Center cleanup site was our only consolation after the New York terror attack, and our smallest expression of sympathy.

Every sign told us our chances of viewing the site were slim. We had heard that visitors had to line up for tickets to see it from an observation deck for a specific half-hour period. You don't get to choose the time, we had read, which could be as much as a day

Sept. 11 shows to be aired by networks:

- NBC: "America Remembers"
- PBS: "We Remember"
- FOX: "9/11-The Day America Changed"
- CBS: "9/11: The Day that Changed America"
- ABC: "9/11"

later. Before following this lead, we went to the Statue of Liberty.

Pictures do the statue no justice, although the island it rests on offers little more now than refreshments and gifts. Security measures closed the museum and famed observation deck within the statue. Nonetheless, the relative calm of Liberty Island allowed a chance to reflect on the statue's symbolism.

Also, the island offered a chilling view of the Trade Center from across the Hudson River. A sign posted near the shore compared the statue's height to that of tall buildings in the New York skyline, including the former Twin Towers.

Looking up from the sign we could see exactly where the towers should be among the other skyscrapers. On the five-minute ferry ride back to Manhattan, the towers' absence was more noticeable to passengers than the presence of any building left.

The families on the ferry — foreigners and locals alike — quietly spoke volumes about Sept. 11. They sported patriotic gear, they pointed at the gap in the skyline, and they tried filling the gaps of information for each other on what happened and why.

Sober from what we had seen thus far, we got off the ferry and headed toward the Trade Center site. As we walked through lower Manhattan, we met with indications that

the neighborhood hadn't yet recovered emotionally from the attacks.

First of all, I was surprised when I saw a neighborhood flier advertising a comedy club. The flier's map showed how close the club was to the old Trade Center, but the reference on the map, simply "WTC Site," was more of a landmark than a memorial.

Furthermore, scanning the streets we could only guess what vantage point the local buildings offered. Most were at least a dozen stories tall, but we expected many to be unreceptive to perverse terror tourism.

Still, we knew our intentions were good. Because of its second-story bridge, we entered 1 World Financial Center, address of a number of large American companies. The banners that read "Welcome Back" from Merrill Lynch and other firms made us a little less apprehensive about going there.

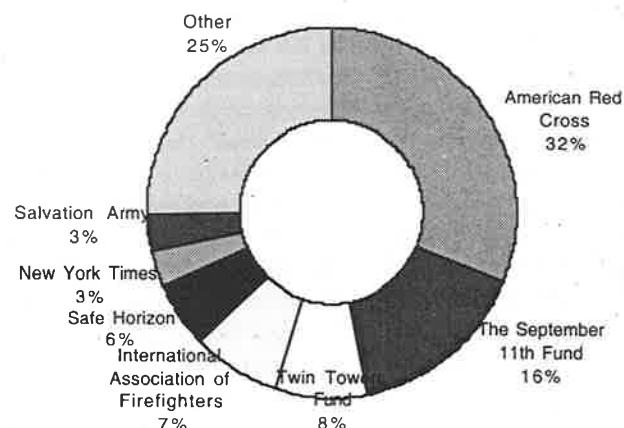
Maneuvering around the Financial Center complex, however, we found that windows that faced the Twin Towers were frosted, so we couldn't see the cleanup site. We spotted fellow tourists, in shorts and with camera in tow, that didn't belong there. They were as lost as we were.

We walked the bridge through a loud construction area where workers guarded temporary walls. We knew they concealed a view of the Trade Center site. We were pleased with finally reaching the end of the bridge where there was sunlight, but we weren't prepared for what we saw next.

The bridge opened up to typical New York noise levels, but the 200 or so people outside were relatively solemn and silent. The scene they were viewing was surreal.

The hole in the ground was mas-

Giving back to 9/11 victims: charity spending to June 2002



Graphic by Jen Langworthy

sive enough to fit trucks and construction crews and moving equipment, but it looked too shallow to imagine two buildings more than 100 stories each. It looked too small to imagine a grave of thousands.

Most of the crowd in the observation area paced back and forth, flashing photos or staring at the site through a chain-link fence. Many cried, and others talked openly about their feelings. Everyone seemed considerate of others' emotions.

As we started taking pictures about a half-dozen people from Spain strolled through, one carrying the Spanish flag around his neck like a cape. It was as if he had come to represent his country among the mourners at the Trade Center site.

There were families and there were couples, but I don't recall anyone there alone. All those groups of people, no matter how weak their connection to the Trade Center and its victims, represented themselves in giving their condolences and their support.

As we left the observation deck, we navigated through the neighborhood and saw that some things in

New York never change. People still distribute or sell items on the street.

Some of these items were free pamphlets: information about religious events or spiritual help. At one sidewalk table, a man asked us to identify a bloody, heavily scarred person in a photo — it turned out to be him on Sept. 11. He had memorial coffee-table books and photo sets, on which he switched between giving away and selling for \$10.

My roommate and I had a great time visiting other parts of Manhattan that day. But visiting the Trade Center site was one of the most somber experiences I've ever had.

This trip helped me understand more than anything else why the people of New York haven't fully recovered. If I had to work in the Financial Center and see a hole where two national symbols once stood, I don't think I would have much confidence in our nation or economy.

I know I never got to see the Trade Center when the towers stood, but I left with a stronger bond to the scene of the terror attacks: to its victims, to its spirit, to its future.

Events taking place

- Spirit Airlines is offering free seats to all passengers on Sept. 11 commemorating the one-year anniversary. Tickets are no longer available.
- A moment of silence will be observed at 8:46 am, one year to the minute after American Airlines Flight 11 careened into the north tower.
- The Fox Broadcasting network and Fox News Channel said they would not accept advertising for their Sept. 11 coverage.
- The TV networks are planning elaborate programming marathons to commemorate the one-year anniversary.
- Many advertisers plan to honor the day by staying off the air.
- Bookstores are expecting from 75-150 new works on Sept. 11 to be available by the anniversary.
- Sept. 2: Less than one year after the terrorist attack, construction teams defied expectations and met their psychological and physical goal: to have workers reoccupy the damaged section of the Department of Defense Headquarters by the one-year anniversary.

Sept. 11 Terms

Anthrax — fatal powdery substance. Mail containing it shut down the United States Postal Service, the Capitol in Washington, and several media organizations, but anthrax killed less than a dozen Americans.

Armory — center of post-9/11 social and psychological services in lower Manhattan. Also a place where New Yorkers placed photos of missing loved ones.

"Axis of Evil" — coined by President George Bush, a group of rogue nations, including North Korea and Iraq, where the United States intends to fight terrorist activity.

Bin Laden, Osama — Saudi-born ally of the Taliban, widely considered the mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks. U.S. armed forces have searched for him unsuccessfully.

Homeland — term to refer to America, as in the newly-formed federal Office of Homeland Security

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pipes played by Bobby Cobb; the singing of the National Anthem; laying of wreaths by the FCC police and fire academies, accompanied by Judith Redwine, chancellor of State Center Community College District; the unveiling of a bench; and a "Taps" musical piece.

Other activities tentatively scheduled are a flyover and a 21-gun salute. Psychological Services will be present to talk to those who are still affected and wish to discuss their feelings due to the attack.

"I think it's important to take part in the Day of Remembrance because it's important to pay tribute to individuals who were innocently killed," said Gurdeep Sihota, director of college activities. Sihota thinks honor should be made to those who were killed because no one knows when a disaster will occur. "You just never know what to expect," said Sihota.

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Another day in parking paradise

By Sakina Zaky
Rampage reporter

During the first week of school, all over campus, students circled the parking lots, in search of places to park. The growth each year of the number of students with cars has created an acute problem at Fresno City College.

"Fresno City College, Reedley and the Clovis Center parking is a nightmare this semester," Marvin Reyes, State Center Community College District police chief, said. "However, building extra lots is not the answer."

Students and staff have long complained of early-semester parking woes, telling of waits of 30 minutes and longer for spots, vehicle

congestion and general driver frustration.

According to Chief Reyes and many students, the parking lots are all full on weekdays by 8:30 a.m., and many must find space east of Blackstone Avenue, far from the main campus area.

Chief Reyes is preparing solutions to the parking crisis to be presented to the district Board of Trustees, which governs the operation of motor vehicles at district campuses.

One of the suggestions is for students to start car-pooling or taking the bus more often. There was even the idea of subsidizing the bus passes for students who choose to take the bus, although details for such a proposal have not yet been approached.

Although there have been very few accidents in the parking lots this semester, there have been citations issued to control parking without permits. Parking permits are only \$17, but some students complain it becomes too much of an expense burden. Some still have to pay for a parking meter because unauthorized vehicles take the paid parking spaces. Many of the paying students are very upset that they have to pay extra, or find other means of parking, after having paid for a permit.

Chief Reyes also mentioned that some students are taking those spaces designated for the disabled students, which displaces elderly and disabled drivers and passengers.



Photo by Margo Wood
Students and staff tell of waits of 30 minutes and longer for parking spots in the congested vehicle parking lots at FCC.

Martinez eager to begin new school year as ASG President

By Latasha Ball
Rampage reporter

Being president of a junior college is to some people a job filled with fun and authority, but with that fun come priorities and responsibilities. As Associated Student Government president, Nancy Sumaya-Martinez has concerned herself with getting students at Fresno City College more involved in their school.



"I want to make them feel like this is their school and not just somewhere where they come and go every single day," Sumaya-Martinez said. "I want them to feel

like they're a part of it."

She plans on making that happen by having a welcome booth for any student who has a question about day-to-day school life. "We'll have a booth every month and I would plan to be at each one," she said. "If you have an issue or problem or something that I need to be aware of, then I'll be there."

Even if a student wants to get more involved at FCC or wants to be a part of the student government, there will also be information at this booth.

"There's a lot of students that want to be involved in the student government and there's no way that we can get all of them in but if you're really interested, we would

like to get everyone out in the campus community," Sumaya-Martinez said.

Along with spreading awareness about FCC activities, Sumaya-Martinez plans to organize student voter registration and to increase the number of students who voted in this year's ASG election — a little over 200.

"We've got this bond measure going and we're really working on it," Sumaya-Martinez said. "My goal is to help this go through and ASG plans on doing everything can to get people to vote."

To have more student participation could also mean more students take an interest in who will lead their school each year.

"We want to let them know who we are and what we can do for them," Sumaya-Martinez said. "We're not just here taking up space, we're here for them."

Another awareness issue for the ASG president concerns racial discrimination on campus. "We need to educate other students of different ethnic backgrounds and cultures," Sumaya-Martinez said.

She feels that not only does FCC need to be educated on this important matter but also other schools. "I believe that so much energy is wasted hating [people] when you don't even know who they really are," she said.

Sumaya-Martinez, FCC's first-ever student Volunteer of the Year,

has earned impressive credentials to back up her agenda. Not only she taken leadership roles in campus clubs like MEChA and Alpha Gamma Sigma, but she has made the National Dean's List. Sumaya-Martinez is very involved in her new position but it as only a one-year commitment. She plans to continue her leadership at California State University, Fresno, where she hopes to earn a master's and become a college math professor.

"I would not run again next year because it's good to have a fresh face every year," Sumaya-Martinez said. "Everybody needs an opportunity to shine."

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ten requires a local match dollar-for-dollar. "We get in line, we do our due diligence," Speece said. He added that the state judges local building projects for funding on a point system, and 25 percent of the points are awarded based on a local district's ability to match state money.

"Right now we rely on state funding," Robert Matthew, interim vice chancellor of finance and administration, said. "[A bond] kind of shows local commitment."

"If we can get it to pass," Speece said, "we're maximizing our ability to be competitive with the state."

Several projects on the bond's priority list assume state matching funds, which could raise the \$161 million commitment to repairs the bond promises. Speece said that the district currently has five such projects asking for state approval, including Willow/International.

FCC student Steve Falagan, returning to school 25 years after he left, supported the basic goals of the bond. "I don't mind taxes as long as the money's well spent," he said. "I think the biggest concern is parking."

The bond would give FCC about \$2.6 million to add parking spaces, although last semester Jon Sharpe, Vice Chancellor Matthew's predecessor, said there was no plan to build a parking structure. Additional projects would direct bond funds to configure campus buildings for Internet wiring and disabled access, among other things.

The four-county district has tested its bond chances for more than a year, first forming a building advisory committee. Since, the district has paid for telephone research of voters and stated its case to employees and other stakeholders.

Speece called the telephone survey "helpful," and he said bond-related mailers have resulted in feedback for the district. But some members of the FCC community, however, have given the district strong anti-bond feedback.

Bruce R. Morris, son of a former FCC math instructor, addressed the board last

month when it approved its bond resolution. He focused his distaste on Willow/International, dubbing it the "Copper River Country Club Community College Campus."

"It will be the next chapter of the 'Tale of Two Cities' if that's built," Morris said, pointing to Fresno Mayor Alan Autry's fear of socially split north and inner-city Frenos. Morris instead pushes for an expanded FCC and Clovis center.

Members of the Fresno City Council have also expressed support for FCC expansion. Tom Boyajian, FCC-area council member from District 1, said earlier this year he would "try to bring amenities to the inner city," and dismissed Willow/International as "urban sprawl."

A resolution passed by the council last month advised the district against building a new community college at the Willow/International site.

Vice Chancellor Sharpe said this spring before his resignation that a new campus could withstand growth, as opposed to leaning on existing centers. "There's only so many efficiency measures you can take to maximize the utilizations of your space," Sharpe said.

As early as March, the district began negotiating with landowners on the Willow/International site. The district has already purchased a 17.7-acre parcel there, according to Speece, and is in talks for 20 acres more.

The district's eagerness to proceed with Willow/International concerns some citizens, including FCC student Harmail Singh, who worry the district will move key programs or even its own headquarters from the FCC area. "They don't have to build anything," Singh said. "If they build that [college], this one's gonna get worse."

"Never," Speece said in response to the talk of moving. "There's not thought of ever abandoning or lessening the City College campus."

Speece and Matthew pointed out that the board revised its proposed bond spending over the summer to include projects in other perceived growth areas, such as south Fresno. The plan now provides \$10 million to acquire land for a center in southeast Fresno.

More Info:

Since California lowered the voter approval rate to 55 percent for school bonds, community college bond measures have shown up on ballots statewide. State Proposition 47 this November could raise more than \$700 million for community colleges. Here is a list of local community college districts' efforts to pass bond measures:

District	Measure	Amount	Date
Kern CCD	Measure G	\$180 million	11/02
Merced CCD	Measure H	\$53.5 million	11/02
Merced CCD	Measure J	\$11.93 million	11/02
State Center CCD	Measure E	\$161 million	11/02
West Hills CCD	Measure G	\$19 million	passed 11/89

Sources: California Secretary of State, Merced County Election Department, Tulare County Elections, West Hills College)

The Career and Technology Center, FCC's vocational training unit, would move to the southeast center from Annadale Avenue. Speece said the current CTC site is landlocked, so a more comprehensive, more accessible site would help long-term expansion.

"It would help get that center started," Speece said of the proposed southeast center. "It would also give students access to some of those academic courses."

These and other revisions from an April project summary add \$11 million to the bond total. The Old Administration Building, built in 1916, maintains its previous bond pledge of \$25 million conduct a retrofit, remove asbestos and reopen the space for academic programs. The building has sat vacant since the 1970s.

New FCC president Ned Doffoney said a restored OAB could add as much as 100,000 square feet to the campus. "It would bring into use a facility that is a treasure for the community," he said.

But Morris, a member of an OAB preservation group, thinks the building provides the district a way, through the bond, of passing less worthy projects. "They need the OAB to pass the bond," he said.

To pass the bond, at least 55 percent of voters in the district must choose "yes" on Measure E Nov. 5. SCCCDC spans Fresno, Madera, Kings and Tulare counties, and campus sites from Oakhurst to Kingsburg and

from Orange Cove to Kerman.

The district turned over the campaign to a citizens oversight committee headed by former television anchor John Wallace. The committee, not on-duty district employees, spends time and money on the campaign because election code prohibits using government resources on campaigns.

If 55 percent vote yes, the district can begin issuing up to \$161 million in bonds which residents will repay within 25 to 40 years, according to the bond resolution through property taxes, roughly \$14 per year on a \$100,000 home.

Falagan as a student accepted the need to address overcrowding, but as a taxpayer worried about the cost. "A dollar here and a dollar there... before you know it, they add up," he said.

If Measure E fails, the district can test the next general election under the same rules. But any special bond election would require a two-thirds majority to pass.

"If that bond doesn't pass," Speece said, "that slows the process" of securing state funds and getting campus projects done.

With a single vote SCCCDC decided to put its future in its constituents' hands. And with a single vote the constituents will decide two months from now the direction of the district's future.

Doffoney,

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positions in the Los Angeles Community College District — all large-school jobs.

But Doffoney's last position, as first chancellor of five-year-old South Louisiana Community College, showcased the hands-on management style he hopes to apply at FCC.

"We were supposed to be a school without walls," Hilda Curry, South Louisiana's dean of students, said. She explained that the state of Louisiana expected the college to function at first out of existing schools' classrooms, but Doffoney secured a permanent building to house the new college.

"He really was responsible for everything, from the ground up," Curry said. "He hired all the people that originally came on," including Curry.

FCC's age and size offers new challenges for Doffoney. But here, he said, he understands his obligation to college tradition. In fact, the new president has already started thinking about 2010, when FCC will celebrate its centennial.

The goal then, he told a meeting of college staff this summer, is "that Fresno City College be nationally recognized as one of the great American community colleges."

"It is also my role to increase

the treasury," Doffoney said of his place in FCC traditions.

The vision Doffoney has shared with FCC thus far accepts a few challenges, one being a college identity crisis beyond the region. "We have allowed the valley to be an isolating influence," he said.

To hear him talk though, he seems ready to engineer an image makeover for FCC. "A responsible educator doesn't hold on for selfish reasons to the good [he knows about]," he said.

The problems of overcrowded classes and aging buildings on campus also chip at Doffoney's vision. The FCC class schedule booklet lists courses that meet from 6 a.m. to as late as 11 p.m., plus numerous weekend and distance education classes to accommodate demand.

Doffoney acknowledged these growing pains, adding that the older buildings on campus have been difficult to wire for Internet access.

"Fresno City College is an established institution with serious gaps in its delivery system," he said. "When you overuse a facility, you put at risk the maintenance of the facility."

Challenges aside, Doffoney's vision stresses persistence. "I know there are limitations," he said. "That's not gonna stop me."

For example, he supports the passage of school bond Measure E

in November to pay for campus building repairs and upgrades, saying the measure would restore for FCC "the type of educational infrastructure it had in the past."

The president's praise for Measure E centers on proposed spending to restore the Old Administration Building. "It took a lot of courage to build that building," he said.

Even in an election year for three of the district board seats, Doffoney indicated he is ready to work with anyone, taking no position on the board races. "It's important that we respect the citizens' choice," he said.

Doffoney brings to the district a fresh perspective on its bond effort. Now that he heads the district's largest school, the district plans with the passage of Measure E to build a new community college like his last school.

South Louisiana Community College, founded five years ago, opened its doors under then-chancellor Doffoney. It remains a small school with about 1,000 students.

In northeast Fresno, the district wants to construct a college similar to FCC, tentatively called Willow/International, which opponents have said threatens the standing of FCC in the community and the district's ethnic diversity.

So does FCC's first African-American president, fresh from a job founding a college, feel his campus could lose the most from a new

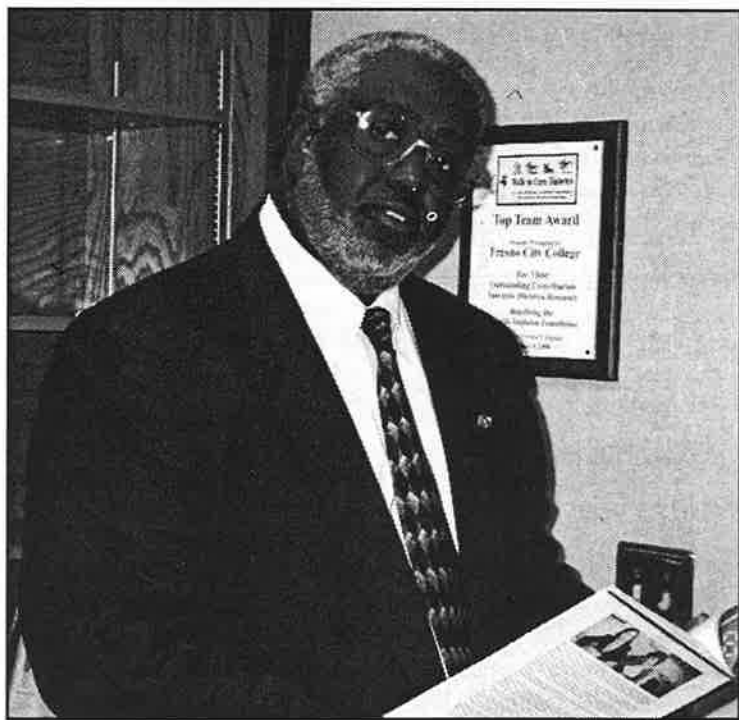


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Ned Doffoney's last position was as first chancellor of the five-year-old South Louisiana Community College.

community college?

"No matter what happens," Doffoney said, "we've got a 90-year head start." He also questioned whether in its founding Harvard University, where his wife attended college, every yielded to concern about building a new school.

His family and a "good spiritual life," the president said, help him cope with his work duties. Before he came to Fresno, he used to seek refuge fishing in a Louisiana river delta called Atchafalaya.

Despite his recent move, how-

ever, Doffoney said he hopes to continue fishing, even through "mental vacations" that he sometimes takes during his workday.

President Doffoney, through all his experience at community colleges, said he finds the "spirit of success" strongest at FCC. It excites him that students, he said, get to make themselves better each day than they were the day before.

"I can't waste their time, I can't waste their talent," he said.

Doffoney can't wait to start making a difference, finally.

Try going elsewhere for air

"Ahem."

It seems there has developed a serious epidemic of uncontrollable coughing, hacking, and clearing of throats. We have forgotten how blue the sky is and how bright the sun. When looking out across the treetops, you see the horizon reduced to a blurry nothingness.

What happened to our snow-white clouds and sapphire sky? Are we a community of chain smokers? Are we of the Central Valley plagued by some mutated strain of the cold virus?

We might as well be.

The air quality of the San Joaquin Valley has become an abomination. It has come to the point where any dry spell from wind or rain has left us swimming in a tepid lake of carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide and all sorts of harmful oxides.

Remember the great Sierra Nevada mountain range? Well, they're still there, ancient giants towering over our little valley nook. They lie in wait, trapping the stagnant air that's floated around since May, against their massive sides. They're just about 25 miles from here,

but how would we know? They hide behind a curtain of smog.

Blue skies? Once commonplace has faded in our memories, existing only as a legend as gray as the horizon.

After the long awaited rains here, the crisp, bright rays of the sun blind me as the shade of pollution has finally been lifted from my eyes. I feel like some kind of vampire, hissing at the piercing light of day.

It was a sad day when the weatherman admitted that we would soon be looking forward to cleaner air as the forecast revealed that the air quality was only hazardous for sensitive groups. Oh good, I can't wait. Perhaps now I can see farther than 200 feet.

Most of the hazy fog that swirls around us is a product of the vigorous vehicular activity of a million valley people buzzing through San Joaquin streets, combined with agricultural dust clouds, chugging manufacturers, and blazing forest fires.

Not

only must we choke on our own industrial discharge, but California's weather pattern pours that of the Bay Area into our bubbling caldron of chemicals.

This state is a beehive of economic activity; an agricultural, industrial machine that is not about to slow down because of a few hacking individuals. But there has to be something that can be done. I don't know about you, but I've grown tired of the constant sting in my eyes and the tickle in my throat as clouds of smog curl through my lungs.

So please, do what you can. Take the bus, carpool, walk. Not only will you open up a few more parking spaces around campus, or burn calories, but you'll be doing a service to your fellow valley-dwellers.

Until then, I suggest investing in a high-quality gas mask.

For information go to www.calcleanair.org.



Illustration by Megan Edwards

Our 'homeland' at risk from our repeated acts

In the mid 20th century, something devastating happened to this country. Not from outsiders, but from hysteria and ourselves.



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It was called McCarthyism, which was part of a larger phenomenon known as the "Red Scare." It was a time in which fear and hysteria caused people to start pointing fingers at anyone who might be a communist sympathizer or be a Russian spy.

Many people were held before a public tribunal on pumped-up charges. Some were accused for reasons such as having a cousin with a friend whose brother's wife's half-sister dated a guy who went to a high school with someone who attended college with a suspected communist. A few people were accused who had even less of a connection to communism.

Of course many of these people were innocent, not to mention loyal Americans, but were found guilty before the tribunals began. Now we're beginning to experience that again.

The phrase "Homeland Security" at first makes you think that we are protected, however, we are now all at risk. With the unchecked power given to this "Homeland Security," we now risk an even worse era of fear.

Already, at least one person has not only been accused of being a terrorist, but has been taken into custody and sentenced without even a tribunal, let alone a trial or the chance to defend himself.

What is worse, the government has been request-

ing people to report any and all possible threats to the United States.

Well, we all know that some people are more prone to fear than others, so I'd be worried who your grandmother might think is a terrorist. She'd have turned in her neighbor due to his growing legion of followers even now.

If that doesn't scare you, just imagine yourself in that person's shoes. If indeed he is innocent (no one really knows because there has been no trial or even an investigation). You're at home watching television or reading a good book, then suddenly, what seems like an armed man, all in black, carrying automatic weapons, break down your door, smash through windows, hold you and every member of your family at gunpoint.

Twenty minutes later after having been "interrogated" with a gun in front of your family, you are arrested and taken away. You have no clue what is going on except you are repeatedly "interrogated." You have no clue where your family is or if they are safe.

Finally, it seems as if interrogation stops and you are placed in military prison. You are told you have been found guilty of being a terrorist even though you didn't even have a trial.

If you aren't scared now then you should be worried for this country.

One final thought, George Bush, along with the rest of the United States, has been throwing around the phrase of "Homeland Security" as if it were candy. Well, if I remember correctly, the last great power to use the phrase "Homeland Security" was Germany.

Kat's Meow

The Rampage staff will be starting a new segment, Kat's Meow, an advice column that caters to the students of Fresno City College. But, we can't do it without your contribution. Have questions that you would like our always opinionated writer, Kat Strauss to answer?

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To pledge or not to pledge that is America's question

From elementary school through high school, I was told that the fact that I have the right not to say the Pledge of Allegiance is



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the very reason why I should. Well, if certain people have their way, that right to choose will soon disappear.

Certain officials, such as state Sen. Pete Knight, R-Palmdale, have recently decided to challenge a ruling by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco that requires students to say the Pledge of Allegiance as unconstitutional. It was decided as such due to Michael Newdow's lawsuit stating that the phrase "One nation under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance is a religious statement, which students who do not believe on God should not be forced to say.

Those apposed to the Courts decision and who are pushing a bill that will require students to say the flag salute at least twice a

week, say that the phrase is nothing to get upset about. They also say that it is just as inoffensive as the phrase written on our currency, "In God We Trust."

Well, I say that even if it doesn't offend most people, those who don't want to say it for that reason shouldn't have to.

But, even putting religious reasons aside, what about that famous document that was written over 200 years ago? Have we reached a point to where we only wish to focus on one area of that document and not the other?

The Constitution not only guarantees the freedom of religion, but also the freedom of speech. And that freedom of speech also guarantees our right not to speak.

One famous man, who many people admire and respect, has a famous phrase of his own, "I may not agree with what you have to say, but I will defend your right to say it."

I believe that, under the circumstances, that man would agree that the phrase could also be said as such, "I may not agree with what you believe, but I will defend your right to choose whether or not to speak it."

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'Toon Network wanes 'Moon'

When news hit the Internet that "Sailor Moon" was coming back, countless fans (or "moonies")



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across the nation were thrilled to no end. However, what no one knew was that the show's ratings were being used for another show that no one

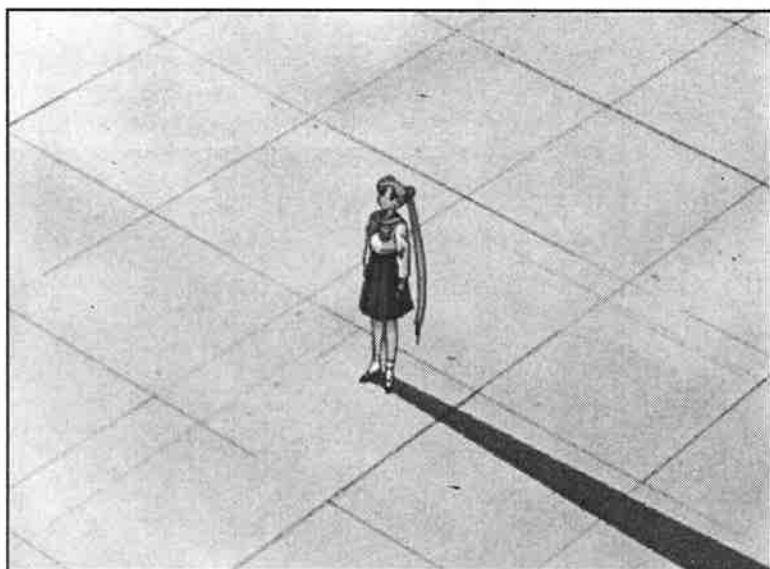
was even watching in the first place. When Sailor Moon was put back on the air, fans all over the nation had their videocassette recorders set to start taping the show at a cheaper rate than buying it on VHS or DVD. It was the start of something great, but who knew that it would not last for long?

The show was placed on the air to get ratings for another Japanese anime show called "Hamtaro." However, what the executives failed to realize was that "Sailor Moon" was the one show that many fans were dying to see back on the air.

Out of all of the seasons that have been dubbed and sub-titled, there has only been one that remains untouched and that is the last season of the show "Sailor Moon; Sailor Stars."

Since Sailor Moon had gotten back on the air, the ratings for the show were actually being kept hidden until they could get "Hamtaro" on the air, which they knew was going to be the key goal when it came to keeping that show on the air and getting rid of "Sailor Moon."

Here is the strange thing. When Cartoon Network got the ratings for the show since they put "Hamtaro"



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From "Sailor Moon", Serena aka 'meatball head' stands alone. Could it be in wonder as to why Cartoon Network canceled and rejected her?

on right after "Sailor Moon," everyone at the networks were thinking that the new show right after "Sailor Moon" was doing great. Just one slight problem that Cartoon Network never factored in was that once they took off "Sailor Moon," with no plans of putting the show back on the air, everyone would freak out.

The main reason Cartoon Network put that show on the air was demographics. But now that "Sailor Moon" is off the air, Cartoon Network has kept all of the ratings information to themselves. If the ratings happen to be down in the dumps they will not tell us about it.

When the show was taken off the air on July 13 everyone started asking what happened. The ratings that were published only reflected certain areas, which, if one looks at them the way the network wanted them to be looked at, it would show that "Hamtaro" was doing great.

On the Save Our Sailors (SOS)

Web site, they were the first to post news about the fact that something had gone wrong. They started up several campaigns to get "Sailor Moon" back on the air, including flooding the network with phone calls and e-mails. However, despite how much the fans were knocking at Cartoon Network's door, the network would not give in. They left a false message on their Web site saying that "Sailor Moon" would be back on the air Aug. 5. However, two days later, they changed the Web site and put in its place another show called "Ed, Edd and Eddy," the show that had replaced "Sailor Moon" before they even got the hamster on the air.

For now the only thin that we can hope for is that Friday, Sept. 13, at 4 p.m., Pacific Time, Cartoon Network will air "Sailor Moon Super S the Movie: Black Dream Hole." Let's hope they get the point. Dub and sub the last season.

Sugar without spice not so nice

You grew up learning sugar was bad for your teeth; it made you hyper, and could even wear you out



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after the rush wore off.

But did you know it's a non-nutritive, empty calorie that robs the body of vitamins and minerals through digestion,

detoxification and elimination of the sugars by-product? Sugar has a great deal to do with heart disease, increased stomach acidity, kidney and liver enlargement, cancer, a weakened immune system, and even a dependency upon the sweet, sweet narcotic.

Sugar runs your body down. Without proper nutrition your body can't function as well as it would like. Sugar robs it of its strength, causing muscle fatigue, sleeplessness, and many flu-like symptoms that are just overlooked as a bug.

Do you show signs of irritability? Chronic or frequent bouts of depression? Lack of enthusiasm, even forgetfulness? Do you even remember why you're reading this?

These are signs of too much refined sugar in your diet. Once sugar has taken hold in your diet, it's hard to wean off of it. Some doctors even go as far as to say that it's like kicking heroin, with the same signs of withdrawal.

Less than 10 years ago the average person consumed something like 153 pounds of sugar a year. Today, with obesity running high on the list of America's health problems, I can only guess the intake to be much higher. Sugar, like alcohol, is intoxicating, creating an imbalance of neurotransmitters in the brain.

Only one third of a person's consumption is purchased as packaged sugar, the rest is consumed in manufactured foods. Almost everything on store shelves has sugar in it, even salt and cigarettes. Because sugar is used as a preservative in some foods, the FDA requires it to be in the foods or they can't be sold. Imagine this if you can: Americans consume 10 times more sugar than we do all the other 2,600 or so food additives put together.

So you want to kick your sugar intake? Be cautious about reading the labels; they are sneaking sugars in other ways that the average person may not understand. Look for other words like sucrose, fructose, glucose, maltose and lactose, as they are just fancy words for sugar. Safer sugars to use would be sucanat, barley malt, fruit juice, honey, rice syrup and yinnie syrup.

If you're thinking, "If refined sugar is this bad for me, I should switch to artificial sweeteners. They're scientifically tested, and they should be safe, right?"

You couldn't be more wrong. Completely avoid products like neotame, aspartame (NutraSweet, Equal), sucralose (Splenda), acesulfame-k (Sunette, Sweet-n-Safe, Sweet One). Especially aspartame.

It may take years, but it seems that aspartame can cause reversible and irreversible changes in health over long-term use. Brain cancer was found frequently in animal experiments; in humans signs of abdominal pain, anxiety attacks, blood sugar problems, breathing problems, depression, hair loss, hearing loss, vision loss, joint problems, allergic-like reactions, and so much more has been linked to the intake of aspartame.

It has even been quoted that MS is often misdiagnosed, and that it could be aspartame poisoning.

So why does the FDA allow it to be so widespread in the public's reach? Aspartame had one of the biggest studies done on it, more money was put into it's research than any other drug or chemical compound, and even with the studies showing evidence of brain cancer, the FDA approved it simply because they were assured that in small amounts it would be harmless.

But the American public is taking more than the small "daily allowance." The Acceptable Daily Intake (ADI) for aspartame is 50 milligrams.

Anything that tastes good is more than likely bad for you. So going along with the saying "If it tastes bad it's good for you." I'd have to agree, there are lots of healthy alternatives out there, and you just have to be willing to partake in them. You can leave sugar behind. It might just save your life.

Employed to the flat economy

A number of different things are told to young students looking to get a good paying job. One is that



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they need to have an education and continue through college to be able to get the good paying jobs that are out there.

The one thing that they do not tell students is that, when it comes to the "real world," it is not based on an education, but it is based on the economy. Moreover, that is what leaves many young students

new to the world, in dire straights when it comes to what really happens.

What happens is that young new students get that paper that says that if they have this or can do that, they will get the job that they are going for. One slight problem is the fact that, more often than not, the one thing that they don't bother to do is get a secondary, lower job, like Toys "R" Us or Vons or McDonalds' type of places, when it comes to making sure that they have a secure way for income to flow in.

Many students that get their degree believe that once they get the job, they are set for life. Wrong. Depending on what the economy happens to say, their employers will

be the ones that determine if they get to stay or not, and more often than not, they lose their jobs in the end.

What does that mean when they lose the job that they thought they would always have? It means, for them, that they have to move to a lower rented area of the country or state. If the person happens to have a secondary lower job it only means that they have a chance to not only keep the money coming in, but also get time to be able to get another high paying job.

However, as long as the thought remains that they can be able to get a good paying job and keep it for a long time, then they will continue to remain in the pits for a long time.

Taking it to the Streets

What was the craziest thing you did this summer?

Compiled by Jen Langworthy



Lisa Adame
I moved from Oregon to California in one day.

Miriam Carbajal
I took classes here rather than go on vacation with my family.



Shelby Aaron
I went hunting and hunted down a mountain lion.

Noelle Anderson

I worked the graveyard shift at an AM/PM on Blackstone.



Elenora Vela and Brittany Caskey
We spent the night sleeping in sleeping bags on Pismo Beach.

Hurry up ... and wait ... and wait ... and wait



Photo by Emily Atkinson



Photo by Theresa Carr



Photo by Margo Woodward

(top left)
A parking permit is only a hunting license. It does not guarantee a parking spot.

(above)
Students of all ages, race and sex wait in the financial aid office for two or more hours to get their much needed assistance for their education.

(left)
Students park for pink slips in the Fresno City College area just to get those crowded class on time.

(below left)
Increased security in the bookstore area have students checking their backpacks at the door, and the flow of traffic also being maintained by FCC Staff

(below)
As if finding a parking spot was hard enough, trying getting through the traffic jams caused by pedestrians, trains, and red lights, students become impatient and may cross in areas where it is unsafe.

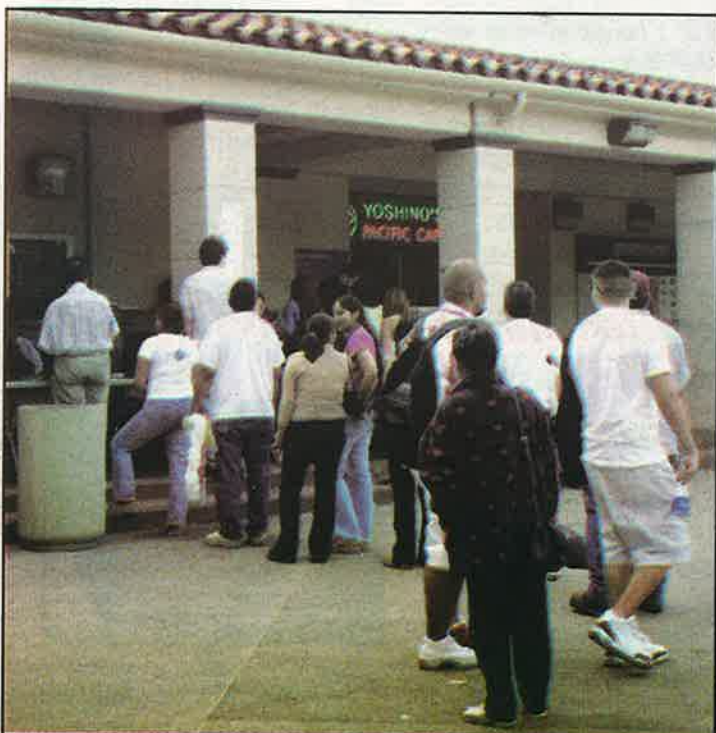


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Grizzlies Stadium hits a home run in entertainment

By Megan Edwards
Entertainment Editor

"You're blind," cried a passionate member from the crowd, quickly rising to his feet to defend a complete stranger as he rounded the bases and slid into a cloud of dust and legs at third.

"Yyyoww," bellowed the man in blue below, the catalyst to a chain reaction of boo's and oh's echoing from the surrounding stadium and ending in the chance meeting of two men.

"Did you see that?" he growled at the person in the row behind him. "Honestly, the nerve of that guy," returned the other.

He slowly leaned back into his green, plastic seat, anxiously gumming a tortured sunflower seed.

"...name's Jim," he said to the other, more pleasantly this time. Shaking hands they were immediately bound by loyalty to the Grizzlies, their skepticism of the umpire's visual faculties, and an eternal love for the great American pastime.

Since its opening day on May 1 Grizzlies Stadium has provided locals with a fresh venue for good, clean entertainment. Praised as the nicest minor league ballpark in the country, it has quickly become a Central Valley hangout. From families to lone baseball fanatics, business meetings to wedding receptions, people are flocking to see the Grizzlies and their new home in downtown Fresno.

There was tremendous buzz over the huge project of building a new minor league ballpark. The 11.5 acre park of 12,500 seats cost \$46 million and took 11 months to build.

Matt Williams, director of public relations and media relations for the Fresno Grizzlies, helped open the Grizzlies' gates on the first day.

"It was absolutely insane. We were moving in as contractors were moving out," said Williams in an office full of boxes that still have yet to be unpacked. "We even had to open a half-hour late because it took a while to get the electricity up and running."

But despite the initial stress, Grizzlies Stadium let the games begin as fans poured in.

Fresno City College sophomore C.J. Nuckles was a drop in that sea of baseball fans on opening day.

"I was the first person to walk down the aisle and the first to sit in the seats," she said. "It was just so clean it was amazing and I was the first person to mess it all up by dropping sunflower seeds on their perfect floor."

The stadium has housed more than 500,000 over the span of 63 games - about 8,000 fans a game.

"For Fresno to come out and support it the way they have has been tremendous," said Williams.

One question that arises from this sudden success is whether it will continue or fade away with age. And, now that the baseball season has ended, how will it survive the offseason?

"If we do our jobs right, this stadium will always be new and it will always be exciting for people to come down here and hopefully they will always be in awe when they leave," Williams said. "That's the challenge of this business."

Therefore, people like Williams are always planning fresh and fun events to entertain spectators.

Such events include the Blues Brews, and Barbeques Festival hosting B.B. King on Sept. 20.

On Sept. 21, Barney will visit the stadium in one of only five appearances nationwide. The Grizzlies also hope to one day host Johnny Lang, Aerosmith, and other big-name concerts.

"It's all about keeping the entertainment fresh, and hopefully we'll keep families wanting to come out here forever," said Williams.

He thinks that Grizzlies Stadium is hailed as the finest minor league ballpark in the country because "the seats are wider, there's more leg room, the concourse is 20 feet wider than Pac Bell [Park] in San Francisco, which gives the fans more room and more comfort."

In fact, more seems to be the basic theme for the park.

Grizzlies Stadium boasts a "tremendous sightline," as Williams said, from any of the seats. It has



Photos by Lenetta Huxley

Grizzlies Stadium was nearly overflowing with fans on opening day when 12,000 people filled the 12,500 seat stadium. The new stadium drew around 500,000 people in its first season. the 600 Club is shown below.

an indoor batting cage for the players, a state of the art press box operating a closed circuit television program for monitors all over the park, so as not to miss a big play. Four cameras are at work during the game as an 18-by-24-foot screen displays instant replays, fan shots, and commercials.

Most importantly, there are twice as many women's stalls as there are men's. That means no more long lines for the restroom, a huge relief on so many levels.

The stadium also houses more venues than the baseball games or post-game concerts. This multi-purpose stadium has hosted football games, carnivals, pool parties, and there are even plans for moto-cross and snow this winter for sweating Fresnoans to play in. Whatever the situation, locals love the new stadium.

The stadium was intended to bring life to the economy in downtown Fresno as the beginning to a series of revitalization projects. So far the effect of the stadium has been hinting at a big change.



"It's just getting started," Williams said.

"The potential for business in Fresno is huge," Williams added. "Since the deal was signed we have started to see change in downtown Fresno. I think it's going to be awesome."

Though the stadium is hitting an entertainment homer, the team itself struck out 30 games below .500 this season.

But even though it has been the Grizzlies' worst season, it has broken attendance records for all CSU Fresno sporting events combined.

Said Williams, "A lot of times people go home after seeing the fireworks or the Famous Chicken not even knowing who won. They just know they had a great meal,

some great entertainment and had some great family time together."

"I think it's just getting started as downtown starts to develop more visible businesses and restaurants, giving people a reason to stay down here for a while. The stadium will get better and the whole area will get better," said Williams.

"Baseball is a totally different niche from other sports," Williams said. "It's a really social game, you can actually sit and have a conversation with the person next to you and enjoy the game at the same time. You're not bombarded with loud music like at a concert or have to sit quietly like at a movie. It's really different and I think Fresno is truly lucky to have it."

The Skyroom brings Fresno night life to new heights

Nightclub brings new view to the downtown area of Fresno.

By Megan Edwards
Entertainment Editor

The Skyroom, a window-surrounded room located on the top floor of the Howard Johnson Hotel in downtown Fresno, has quickly become a popular nightclub.

This multipurpose room has always existed as a restaurant. The room also hosts such events as banquets, birthdays, reunions, "basically anything you need it for," said club manager Christopher Nguyen.

In June, it opened as a club on Wednesday through Saturday nights.

So far, it has been doing well, attracting about 300 to 400 club-hoppers.

"On club nights we usually max out," says Nguyen. The room only has a capacity of about 300 people.

The hotel decided to establish a club due to the inquiries of hotel guests.

"We'd get a lot of questions from people saying, 'Well, is there anything to do in Fresno?'" said Nguyen.

Fernan Dogloria Jr. and his friends found the Skyroom on Friday, Aug. 30. "We were at another location and it was kind of dead. So we decided to come out here and it's a lot better here. It's friendly and professional and it has good music."

"A lot of people complain about the night life in Fresno," said Nguyen, "Everybody was getting tired of the same old functions. The

town needed something new."

With that in mind, a new nightclub was born.

Each night, the Skyroom hosts a different event.

Every Wednesday is Q97's "College Wednesdays," held in the lobby of the hotel.

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Thursday nights are the Skyroom's busiest nights. Those that are 21 and over can enjoy an outdoor terrace, dance music, and drink specials.



A view from the bar at the Skyroom.

Photo by Megan Edwards

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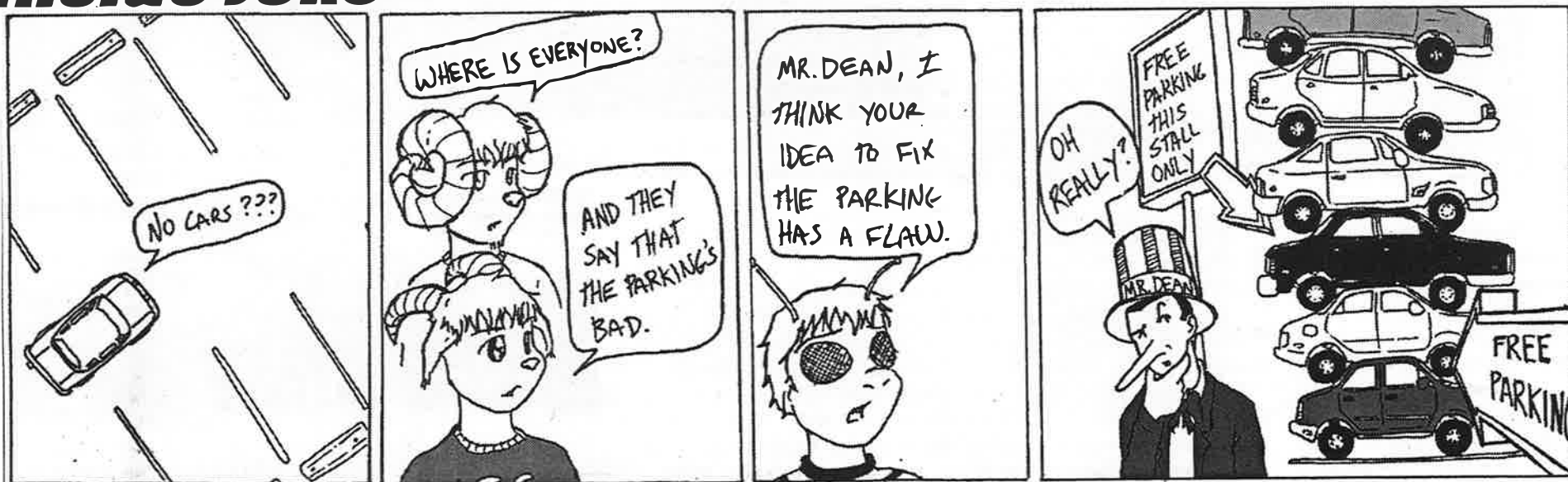
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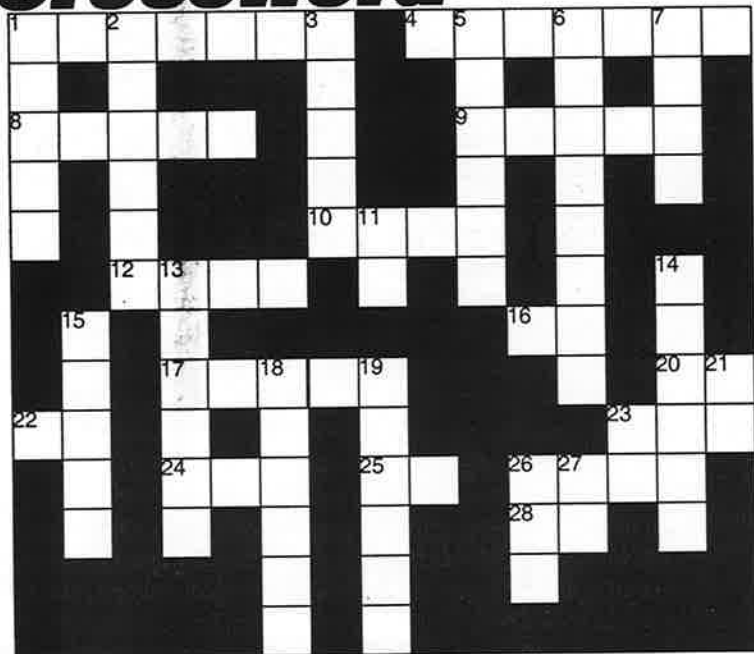


Inside Joke

by J. Riley and Jesse Garcia



Crossword



Across

1. drug used for treating fevers, esp. malaria
4. more formal than "need"
8. prevent happening
9. to provide food service
10. direction in which the sun rises
12. Christmas, Abbr.
16. New Testament
17. state capital of Oregon
20. Thursday
22. calcium
23. measure of electrical resistance
24. cannot be divided exactly by two
25. New York
26. hard central part containing the seeds of certain fruits
28. Arizona

Down

1. feeling of nervousness or uncertainty
2. refrigerator
3. escape from by a trick
5. cause one to lose calmness
6. being at the end
7. lightly cooked
11. Alabama
13. airport code MOW
14. rope or chain to which an animal is tied
15. airport code DAC
18. account book recording money in or out of a business
19. long open container used for feeding horses and cattle
21. His/Her majesty
23. operations research
26. computer aided design
27. ounce

Answer Box

These are the answers for this issue's crossword puzzle and this issue's "Say What?"

10 Recs.

Just a few recommendations from the editorial staff

- **Movie to see:** "Simone," Al Pacino stars as a Hollywood director who creates the perfect actress.
- **Video to rent:** "Jumanji" Robin Williams portrays a boy who is sucked into a board game and returns 25 years later.
- **CD to burn:** Toby Keith's "Unleashed," featuring the song "The Angry American," Keith's tribute to our armed forces.
- **Book to read:** "Star Trek: Kobayashi Maru," Captain Kirk, McCoy, Scotty, Sulu and Chekov are stranded in a shuttlecraft and pass time telling their stories of the Kobayashi Maru test to pass.
- **Web site to view:** www.rinkworks.com/dialect/ The Dialectizer! Translate your favorite Web site into jive, moron or something else entirely
- **Place to go:** Dai Bai Dang Located in the Riverpark shopping center, they offer a mix of gourmet Asian food.
- **Live event:** Make-a-Wish foundation Field of wishes In memory of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, the firemen and policemen will play a softball game at Grizzly stadium.
- **Game to play:** Mah Jong Classic Chinese tile game similar to Tai Pei
- **Television show to watch:** "The Dead Zone," based on the Stephen King novel. Stars Anthony Michael Hall and David Ogden Stiers.
- **Poem to recite:** "Crazy Dream," by Shel Silverstein.

Say What?



"By Grabthar's hammer, by the Sons of Warvan, you shall be avenged"

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Otep turns poetry into music

Otep, meaning creative offering in Egyptian, is also an anagram for a poet, which suits the vocalist for the band perfectly. The band is made up of three musicians and one poet.

With the mixture of savagely poetic lyrics and heavy metal instrumentation, the band is bringing something new to the table. The heavy baseful guitar riffs are played by Rob, the bass player is Evil J, and on the drums is Moke.

Joining in 1999, Otep released a five-track demo called "Jihad." The demo impressed many labels, but the Los Angeles-based band decided to sign with Immortal records and joined such bands as Korn and Incubus on this label.

For two years they toured around L.A. playing at clubs until they were discovered by the Ozz-man himself, Ozzy Osbourne who signed them to the second stage at Ozzfest in 2001.

Otep's oddly melodic style, with crushing heavy metal undertones, is making something new. Otep brings enraged and sad vocal sounds along with wailing screams.

Rob's guitar creates a heavy, bone-jarring sound while the



Nick Bergstrom
Rampage
reporter
Music review



bassist just destroys his instrument and brings a melodically heavy style to the band.

The drummer, Moke, can change beat and tempo at the drop of hat. When you mix all of these things, you get their debut album "Sevas Tra." On this disc there are some slow, poetic songs like "My Confession," and there are downright brutal ones like "Tric," "Battle Ready" and "Blood Pig." This album is as diverse as the people who play the music.

The song, "Blood Pig" is an extremely angry song, which fits the mood that is prevalent throughout this album. It has a destructive introduction from

the very beginning of this song that just kicks.

The heavy guitar riffs and a pounding baseline just make this a cool song. Otep's flowing, poetic lyrics burst into a violently destructive chorus. This song is worth sitting down and listening to.

The song "Battle Ready" is headlined by the rhythmic, angry singing style of Otep, as one of the most rage-filled songs on the entire album.

If you want to know more about this band go to www.oteptives.com. Or just take my word for it and go buy their album "Sevas Tra."

Band: Otep
Album: Jihad
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■ Masters and Vincent: Borders Books and Music 7722 N. Blackstone Ave., Fresno, CA, (559) 435-5501, 7 p.m., no cover charge, all ages.

■ Atari Champ: Kuppajoe, 3673 N. First St., Fresno, CA, (559) 229-3320, 7:30 p.m., \$6, all ages.

Saturday, Sept. 7

■ Serperfluid Helium 3: Koffeeheads, 5730 N. First St., Fresno, CA, (559) 435-3835, 8 p.m., no cover charge, all ages.

■ Furious Slugs: Borders Books and Music, 7722 N. Blackstone Ave., Fresno, CA, (559) 435-5501, 9 p.m., no cover charge, all ages.

■ Okie Chrome: Zapp's Park, 1105 N. Blackstone Ave., Fresno, CA, (559) 266-0334, 9:30 p.m., price to be announced, 21 and over.

Friday, Sept. 13

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Saturday, Sept. 14

■ Zig Zag: Hog Wild Saloon, 1033 Simpson Ave., Kingsburg, CA, (559) 897-2111, 9 p.m., no cover charge, 21 and over.

■ PLOY: Zapp's Park, 1105 N. Blackstone Ave., Fresno, CA, (559) 266-0334, 10 p.m., \$5, 21 and over.

■ Red Rock: Elk's BPO Lodge, 386 N. Main St., Porterville, CA, (559) 784-1342, 9 p.m., \$5, 21 and over.

■ Old Time Tock and Roll Band: Cedar Lanes Lounge, 3131 Cedar Ave., Fresno, CA, (559) 222-4424, 9 p.m., no cover charge, 21 and over.

— Compiled by Megan Edwards

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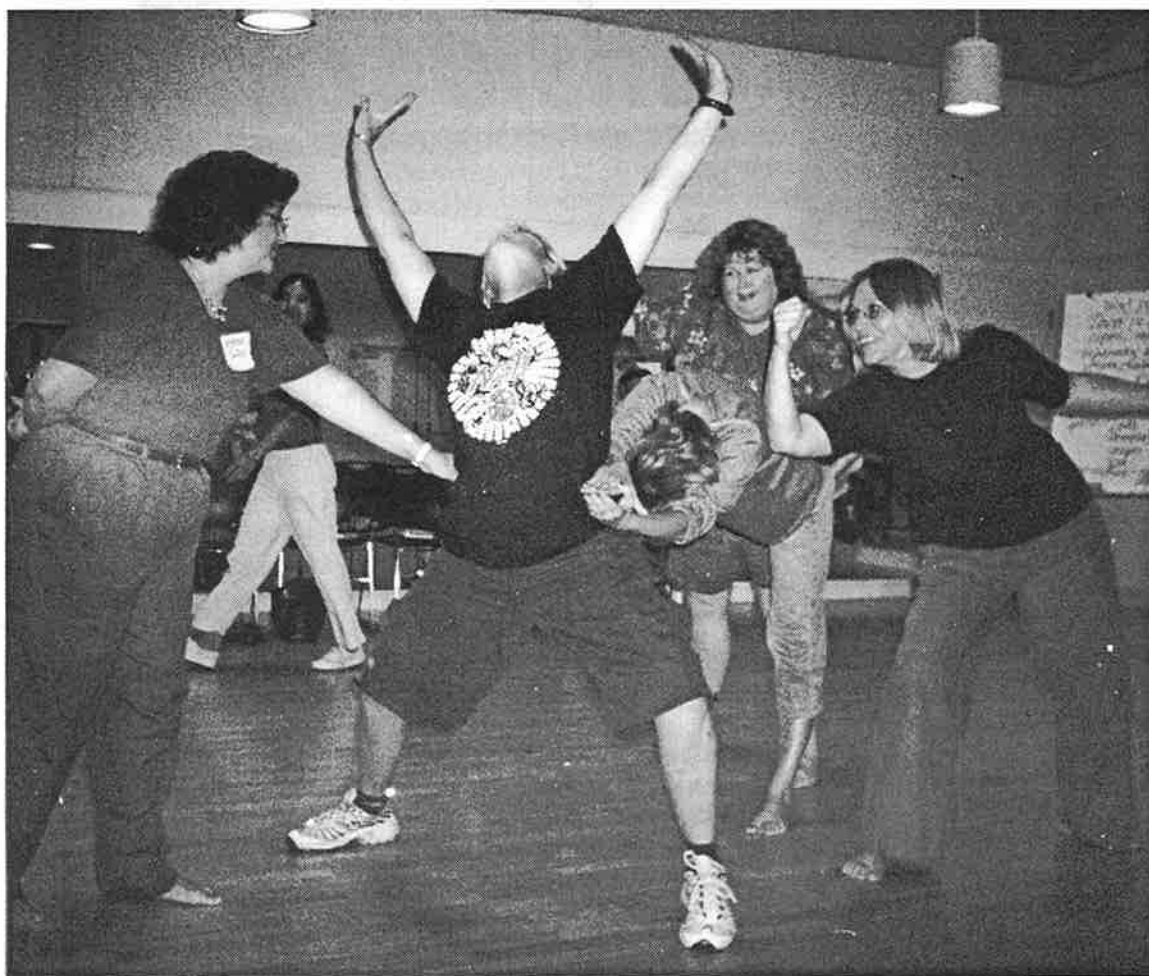


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'School Minded Arts'

On August 9 and 10, the Merced and Madera County's Art councils teamed up to host the School Minded Arts in Education Conference. The conference also known as SMARts, was sponsored by the California Arts Council and was held at the Merced Multicultural Arts Center. Workshops held included Dance, Music, Theatre and Visual Arts. The workshops were designed to teach teachers to bring the arts into their classrooms. Above is an improved dance routine by 5 different teachers, see if you recognize any.

'Undisputed' makes mark

By Luis Quezada
Movie review

"Undisputed" is a movie that takes place at the Sweetwater Prison in the Mojave Desert. It tells the tale of the life of inmates that have been convicted as rapists, armed robbers, murderers and several that have been connected to acts of gang violence.

Monroe Hutchen, played by Wesley Snipes, is a boxing star in the state of California who one night commits a crime and is sentenced to life without parole.

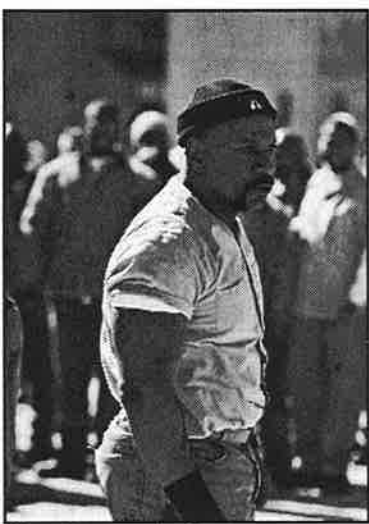
His record is 67 wins and no losses. He is considered the champion by all of his inmates. Hutchen has fought every possible boxer in prison until one day he has the opportunity of his life. The World Heavyweight Champion George "Iceman" Chambers, played by Ving Rhames, is transferred to Sweetwater under a rape charge.

At this point in the movie I got the impression that the situation was going to get problematic. It caught my attention and I couldn't wait for what was coming.

This is where the action really began. Hutchen is scheduled to fight with "Iceman." After much training, the day finally comes. Many people have placed bets. It's a fight many want to see but to see it they would have to be in prison.

What is unique about this boxing match is that they're using London Prize Ring rules, which include fighting to the finish, no referee, and lighter gloves.

Emmanuel "Mendy" Ripstein,



Ving Rhames in character as George "Iceman" Chambers.

played by Peter Falk, organizes the fight. Ripstein is well connected to the Department of Corrections Parole Board, the state government, and the mob. Yank Lewis, played by Daton Callie, who is Iceman's manager, accepts the fight, even if that means releasing "Iceman" earlier from prison.

Since "Iceman" is a public figure, he gets much publicity, but none on the fight.

I thought the screenplay for this movie was well written, even though I would have liked to see some history on the main characters before entering prison. I think that would have added more impact to the story.

One boxer leaves with the victory and continues his life in the boxing business and sends the money to his sister and kids like he had wished. The other forgets that the fight ever occurred because his loss doesn't benefit his career.

Even though I was expecting

Lead: Ving Rhames
Movie: Undisputed
Rating: ★★★

more from this movie, I enjoyed the fact of seeing a different aspect of boxing and learning more on that subject. If you're a fan of boxing I think you'll enjoy this movie because it gives you a different point of view on boxing unlike the kind of boxing some people are used to seeing on Pay-Per-View.

Other actors in this film were Dennis Arndt, Michael Rooker, Jon Seda, better remembered as Chris Perez in the movie "Selena," Fisher Stevens and rap artist Master P.

Beetle's race well

What is a beetle? If you said a bug, you are correct. If you said a funny little car that looks like a



Jen
Langworthy
Rampage reporter
Game review

pregnant roller-skate, you are also correct.

And it is exactly these funny little cars that are featured in "Beetle Adventure Racing"

for the N64 game console.

For those of you who enjoyed playing "MarioKart," this game is very similar. Choose from one-player, two-player or Beetle Battle modes (Beetle Battle being, by far, the most entertaining).

Then pick your car, change the color and test it out on some rather interesting courses. If you are into the Jurassic park movies, particularly the scene where the T-Rex gets out of his cage, then I suggest the "Inferno Isle" course, where he makes an appearance once each lap.

In one- and two-player mode



you can choose from full grid (eight cars head to head), duel (one on one no holds barred) or time attack (race against the clock for a record).

In Beetle Battle mode anywhere from two to four cars can go at each other in an all-out frenzy. Race around several different tracks trying to collect different colored beetles (yes, the actual bug-type beetles).

This game definitely gets credit for the whole idea of creating a game based on A CAR! I also have to give props to the designers for the sweet tracks and for the special rainbow car (nice paint job but it takes a bit of work to get it).

Overall this game is totally worth the money you spend to rent or buy it and way worth the time spent playing it.



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as any back been around."

"We have great depths and we will see a lot of production out of that position." Rating: 8.

WIDE RECEIVERS

Two-sport athlete Willie Johnson returns giving the Rams a lot of speed at the position. Johnson caught 24 passes for 423 yards and 11 touchdowns last season. Daniel Idiart, who surprised coaches during camp with his catching and speed abilities, will see playing time along with West Hills transfer Jason Bland, Jason Washington (Fresno State); Billy Jack Erdman (Clovis); Justin Janzer (Clovis West); Covell Crosby (Butte) and Justin Amaral (Pittsburg) will contribute. Rating: 8.

"Willie is a prototypical wide receiver," Caviglia said. "He's big, tall, fast, physical, great hands and a great athlete. We know about his basketball prowess. Willie has the ability if he keeps getting better and faster to go on to play at big-time college football."

TIGHT ENDS

Probably the tallest FCC has seen at this position. Tommy Briggs (6-5, 255), who backed up Aaron

Austin in 2001, will get the start. Briggs (Merced) caught 11 passes for 133 yards for the Rams last season. Briggs will share time with Tony Curtis (Seaside). Curtis (6-6, 250) played defense last season, but Caviglia feels the two tight end offense will create problems for opponents. Rating: 8.

"We think with those two guys, we can hurt some teams," Caviglia said.

OFFENSIVE LINE

Returning starters Kurt Walton (strong tackle), Cody Fannin (center) will anchor the offensive line. Caviglia considers to be "solid". David Dirkmaat, who played on defense last season, will start at tackle along with Tony Ward (left guard), Justin Rich (strong tackle) and Kurt Walton (strong tackle). Rating: 8.

DEFENSIVE LINE

Chris Bessinger and Jacob Leota (redshirted last season) anchor's the line. Bessinger is a returning starter. Leota (defensive end) ability to get to the runner will create problems for opponents. Richard Morales and Dek Bake will share playing time with Leota. Benito Reyes (nose guard), Tafa Samuela (nose guard), Brian Holmsinger (nose guard) will also see playing time. Tackles will

include Adam Fain (Reedley), Jacob Houston (Sanger), Kirk Johnson (Clovis) and Lavar House (Hoover).

George Benson, who played sparingly for Fresno State in 2000, will also join FCC at the line.

University of Washington offered Benson a scholarship in 2000 but was ruled academically ineligible before redshirting at Fresno State in 2000. Benson played three games and had two tackles for the Bulldogs. Rating: 8.

LINEBACKERS

Caviglia considers this position to be the strength of the defense. Here's why. Josh Costa and Adam Wagner, who helped the Rams finish fourth in team defense last season, return as starters.

"They're two very physical inside linebackers," Caviglia said. "Big guys that can run."

Marquell Stinson (outside linebacker), Ed Mitchell (inside linebacker) and Brandon Wheeler (inside linebacker) will see a lot of playing time, Caviglia said.

Stinson had one interception last season. Backup: Danny Finnegan and Roosevelt Cooks. Christopher Williams (6-3, 230, outside linebacker) will backup Stinson. Rating: 9.

SECONDARY

Matt Giordano (5-11, 180) and Rodney Woods (5-10, 185) both all-Central Valley Conference selections lead the Rams at the safety position. Commission on Athletics last season named Giordano to the all-region team. Woods accomplished a goal in the off-season becoming the state track and field champion in the long jump.

Woods' speed should give opponent receivers problems because of his ability to read the quarterback.

Ray Hightower (5-11, 175) is a sophomore-returning starter. Backup: Steve McKesson, Leonard Davis, Daniel Ching and Omar Muhammed. Rating: 9.

Two cornerback positions include Jonathan Holland (6-0, 165) and Cory Logan. Backup: Marquis Roberts, Steve Simonton and Ronnie Warsinger.

"We're going to be young at the corner position," Caviglia said.

Roberts, who played baseball at McLane High, was drafted in the fifth round by the Tampa Bay Devil Rays in the 1997 June Amateur Major League Baseball draft. Roberts' baseball career ended when he tore his rotator cuff in 2000.

Meanwhile, Holland was an instrumental part of the Rams' de-

fense when he had two interceptions in 2001.

Simonton is the brother of former Oregon State standout Ken Simonton. Rating: 7.

SPECIAL TEAMS

After a stellar year by former FCC standout Ron Anderson, the Rams will count on two freshmen to handle kicking duties which includes former Clovis High standouts Danny Munster (punting) and James Scott (kicking). Rating: 8.

"Both of them are doing a great job," Caviglia said of Munster and Scott. "I think we will be in good hands."

Munster and Scott played in the City/County All-Star Football Game in July at Grizzlies Stadium.

Overall, Caviglia is comfortable about this season because of the depth on the team.

"We got great starters," he said. "We're making sure our depth is where we want it to be. We have great talent across the board."

**The position ratings are the opinion of the writer, and are not reflective of the Rampage or Fresno City College*

Coaches corner

By Josh Butters
Rampage reporter

After 24 years, Vance Walberg has finally made the transition from high school to college by replacing Mark Mendez as men's basketball coach at Fresno City College.

Despite Mendez being named the coach of the year with a record of 21-7 and leading the Rams to a Central Valley Conference title, questions arose about his resume early in the season pertaining to his win/loss record at South Mountain (Ariz.) Community College.

Mendez resigned as head coach after only one season, leaving the position open.

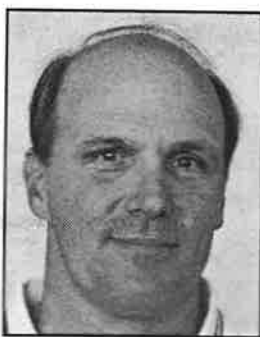
Walberg, who spent 13 years at Clovis West High and is going into his 25th season as a coach, was hired over the summer.

"It was the right time and the right place for me," stated Walberg. "I didn't even have to up and move my family."

Even though Walberg was hired in mid-summer he has already gotten to work as coach.

"We got some recruiting done... we're going to be a small team this year but we will run up and down the court."

As Clovis West's head coach, Walberg helped lead the Clovis West to Central Section championships and a Southern Section title, which unfortunately was for-



Vance Walberg

Walberg plans to keep his mentality at FCC the same as when he was at Clovis West. "Nothing has changed... we're going to play hard, we're going to play smart and we're going to play together."

Even though this is his first year, Walberg has the same goal as every other coach in the CVC.

"I don't know if any coach goes into the year and doesn't want to win [league]," he said. "I want [the players] to understand the expectations of the team and the program and the success will hopefully follow."

Other candidates for the head coaching position were FCC assistant coach Don Slade and Washington High coach Vonn Webb.

"I'm really looking forward to [this season]," Walberg said. "Getting on the floor and doing what I think I do best which is coaching,"

feited later due to an ineligible player on his roster.

Even though they had to forfeit some wins and titles, Clovis West was still able to remain a central valley powerhouse in boy's basketball.

"I had a lot of hard working players at Clovis West and if we have the same [kind of hard working players] here I think we'll be successful."

KFIG (radio) to broadcast four Rams football games

The Rampage

Rams coach Tony Caviglia announced Aug. 30 that the Fresno City College Rams will break into the radio spotlight with four football games including a possible bowl game that will be broadcasted by KFIG-1430 (ESPN radio).

KFIG will air FCC the games

beginning Sept. 14 when it hosts Sacramento City College at 7 p.m. at Ratcliffe Stadium. Tony D'addato and Paul Swearengen will be the announcers during those games.

Other games KFIG plans on broadcasting include the Sept. 28 game against Foothill, Nov. 2 (College of the Sequoias) and Nov. 23 (Reedley). All games start at 7 p.m.

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Rams opponents capsules



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The Rams prepare for their quest to take the Nor Cal conference with an intersquad game played at Ratcliffe Stadium where the coaches get their first chance to see what the team looks like in game situations.

GAME 1 SACRAMENTO CITY PANTHERS

When: Sept. 14. **Where:** Ratcliffe Stadium. **Time:** 7 p.m.

Location: Sacramento

Stadium: Hughes (22,000)

Colors: Maroon and Gold

Coach: Gary Garabato (first year)

2001: 4-6 overall, 1-3 (Third, Nor Cal Conference)

Last bowl: 2000 Shrine Bowl (defeated College of the Redwoods 59-22)

Series record: FCC leads series 19-11

Last played: 1993, FCC 37, Sacramento 22

Key returnees: CB Rob Price (All-Nor Cal Conference selection); WR Phil Goodman; LBs Dominic Bosch, LaMont Providence; CB Harold Domingue; RB Terrance Lee; QB Emiliano Salazar; OL Perry Thompson (All-Nor Cal Conference)

Key losses: QB Lamar Lee; RB Mike Alexis; WR Joe Pierce; TE Abe Frailey; OL Brian Walker; DLs Ishmeal Thrower, Shane Jones; LBs Joe DeBise, Brennan Mallory

Notes: The Panthers have three incoming freshman who were named to the All-Region team in High School. They include OT Travis Johnson of Elk Grove, DL Julius Davis of Vallejo and LB Chris Daniels of Grant High.

"We are playing one of the top teams in California to start the season," Garabato said. "We're certainly going to find out where we're at."

Sacramento City comes into the game No. 7 in the preseason Commission on Athletics Northern California junior college football rankings.

GAME 2 BUTTE ROADRUNNERS

When: Sept. 21. **Where:** Ratcliffe Stadium. **Time:** 7 p.m.

Location: Oroville

Stadium: Cowan (2,300)

Colors: Black and Gold

Coach: Craig Rigsbee (13th season, 102-24-2)

2001: 8-3, 4-0 (First, Nor Cal Conference)

Last bowl: 2001, Tri Counties Bank Holiday Bowl (defeated Santa Rosa 6-0)

Series record: Butte leads series 5-3

Last played: 2001, FCC 48, Butte 26

Key returnees: FB Leyland Henry; FL Bobby Bernal; TE Marty Schulp; DLs Ed Smith (All-Nor Cal Conference selection), Andrew Richardson; LBs Joe Munson, Cam Yeow (All-Nor Cal Conference selection), Jared Smith; OL Rob Christie (All-Nor Cal Conference selection); DB Roderick Stallings (All-Nor Cal Conference selection)

Key losses: RB Chris Bruhn; QB Matt Ray; WR James White; OLs Greg Owens, Matt Gustavson; LBs Isaac Greer, Casey Corbaley; DBs Sherod Holmes, Glen Nunley, Gabe Martin, John Burke, Sharrod Holmes; DT Kevin Williams; DL Ramon Ochoa

Notes: Last season, Yeow was named to the Commission on Athletics All-American first-team defense. The Roadrunners are ranked No. 3.

GAME 3 FOOTHILL OWLS

When: Sept. 28. **Where:** Ratcliffe Stadium. **Time:** 7 p.m.

Location: Los Altos Hills

Stadium: Foothill (5,000)

Colors: Red and Black

Coach: Marshall Sperbeck (10th year, 69-38)

2001: 8-3 overall, 3-1 (Second,

Golden Gate Conference)

Last bowl: 2001, Silicon Valley Bowl (defeated Redwoods 16-0)

Series record: Foothill leads series 3-2

Last played: 2001, FCC 52, Foothill 0

Key returnees: RB Steven Holloway; WRs Nate Ramezane, Rob Mamula; DLs Joe Maningo, Jonathan Turrell; OLs Chauncey Bailey, Lanakila Kaoni, Scott Jobe, Sione Tuipulotu and Siuta Helu

Key losses: RB Peter Shields; LB Joey Barnes; DB Kevin Ernst; QB Wayne Terry; Steve Torgerson; WRs Ken Coleman, David Dobbins, Daniel Murray; PR Nick Swanegan

Notes: The Owls are ranked No. 5. Holloway rushed 131 times for 960 yards with six touchdowns last season, and Ramezane had 39 catches for 685 yards and 13 touchdowns.

GAME 4 SAN JOAQUIN DELTA MUSTANGS

When: Oct. 5. **Where:** Stockton, DeRicco Field. **Time:** 1 p.m.

Location: Stockton

Stadium: DeRicco Field (N/A)

Colors: Black and Gold

Coach: Gary Barlow (Second season, 8-3)

2001: 8-3 overall, 4-1 (Second, Mid-Empire Conference)

Last bowl: 2001, Capital Shrine Bowl (defeated Sierra 32-12)

Series record: FCC leads series 19-7-1

Last played: 1979, FCC 53, Delta 14

Key returnees: QB Dan Taylor (All-Mid-Empire Conference selection); WR Jomo Wilson (All-Mid-Empire Conference selection); OL Austin Dumlao (All-Mid-Empire Conference selection); DL Lamar Maxey (All-Mid-Empire Conference selection); DBs Joseph Brown

(All-Mid-Empire Conference selection)

Key losses: WRs Tony McPherson, Wesley Williams and Steve Vickers; P Gilbert Rocha; S Phowthai Keoveuxnay; OL Everett Rosette; DL Tyrone Evans

Notes: Taylor completed 186 passes on 331 attempts for 2,085 yards and 15 touchdowns last season. Without McPherson, Williams and Vickers, the Mustangs will need somebody else to step up at the receiving position.

GAME 5 DIABLO VALLEY VIKINGS

When: Oct. 12. **Where:** Ratcliffe Stadium. **Time:** 7 p.m.

Location: Pleasant Hill

Stadium: Viking Field (5,000)

Colors: Green and White

Coach: Ralph DePew (Eighth season, 21-49)

2001: 4-6, 2-3 (Fourth, Mid-Empire Conference)

Last bowl: 1992, Series record: FCC leads series 2-0

Last played: 1979, FCC 53, Delta 14

Key returnees: WRs Marcus Maxwell and Paul Alberta; QB Kenny Edwards. LB's Nick Quinones and Rob Harter; DB Maurice Lyles; DT Wallace Dixon

Key losses: RB Joe Morrison; WR Karim Toney; OL Rob Berry; K Mario Lucchesi; DL Jaron Blueford; DBs Kevin Anderson, Damien Moore

Notes: The Vikings have several players who transferred from other colleges including DL Evan Poussard and OL Nick Boyle (Los Medanos); DB Jeron Stotler (University of San Diego); LB Sam Treas (Chabot)

Diablo Valley is coping with the loss of DB James Williams who died on Aug. 19. Williams collided

with a teammate during football practice at DVC. In memory of Williams, the team will place a patch with his initials onto their helmets.

GAME 6 WEST HILLS FALCONS

When: Oct. 26. **Where:** Coalinga, Memorial Bowl. **Time:** 7 p.m.

Colors: Blue, Red and White

Location: Coalinga

Stadium: Memorial Bowl (4,200)

Coach: Mark Gritton (Seventh season, 24-35)

2001: 5-5 overall, 3-2 (Third, Valley Conference)

Last bowl: 1999 Capital Shrine Bowl (lost to Sacramento City 21-21)

Series record: FCC leads series 21-6-1

Last played: 2001, FCC 28, West Hills 28

Key returnees: QB Kory Rening; RBs Adarius Brown, Dwayne Wright; P Jose Nieto; LBs Wendell Rainey, OLs Junior Louissaint (All-VC selection), Carlos Rojas, Tony Austin; M Chucky Sanders; K Gerardo Nunez; LB Jerome Ard; DL Mike Taylor

Key losses: RB Rayvon Johnson; WRs Theandre Ballou, Albert Madrid; QB Tywan Stevens; TE John Bowers; OL William Sanders, Paul Green; LB Aqua Etelia; DL Zack Villa; LB Billy Strother; DB Donell Allister

Notes: The Falcons are ranked No. 10. West Hills open the season Sept. 14, in Chico against Butte College. It doesn't get any easier for the Falcons who play Bakersfield College in Coalinga on Sept. 21.

"We're hoping to play at a competitive level," Gritton said. "We'll find out early playing Butte at Bakersfield. I think our offense has to come through early."

GAME 7 COLLEGE OF THE SEQUOIAS

When: Nov. 2. **Where:** Ratcliffe Stadium. **Time:** 7 p.m.

Colors: Orange and Blue

Location: Visalia

Stadium: Mineral King Bowl (7,142)

Coach: Roger Kelly (14th season, 69-65-2)

2001: 2-8 overall, 1-4 (Fifth, VC)

Last bowl: 1998 Hawaii Punch Bowl (lost to San Francisco 55-16)

Series record: FCC leads series 24-3

Last played: 2001, FCC 16, COS 16

Key returnees: QB Jason Bailey; FB Mike Stephens; WR Kevin Marrero; OL Jeremy Ogle; LB Cedric Taylor; DB Shaun Laird; WR/KR Eddie Renteria; TB Ed Seymour

Key losses: RB Steven Clark; WR Kevin Gonzalez; OL Steve Sanchez, CB Sean Laird, DE Sean Liua, DB Sam Seiler, LBs Jamon Lewin and Jason Johnson; LB Brandon Williams

Notes: The Giants may look young this season but will be getting several talented incoming freshmen. QB Paul Ferrell (Tulare); RB Joe Houck (Gold West); LBs Wade Brown (Gold West), Scott Gerlach (Redwood); Josh Lopez (Buchanan), Wa-

Brown (Golden West), Matt Thomas; DL David Weaver (Redwood); DB Deadrick Brunson (Hoover)

GAME 8**MODESTO PIRATES**

When: Nov. 9. **Where:** Modesto Junior College. **Time:** 7 p.m.

Colors: Royal Blue and White

Location: Modesto

Stadium: Modesto Junior College (N/A)

Coach: Sam Young (Third season, 15-6)

2001: 9-2 overall, 4-1 (Second, VC)

Last bowl: 2001 Pacific Graffiti Bowl (defeated San Mateo 24-6)

Series record: FCC leads series 26-10-1

Last played: 2001, FCC 21, Modesto 19

Key returnees: OLs Dwaine Herton, Ryan Marohl; RB John Benton; QB Nick Brown; DL Jason Yamamoto; DB Jamone Collins; LB Ryan Estes (All-VC selection)

Key losses: QB Tim Garcia, FL Steve Gonzales, SE Mike Fuller, FB Ben Oehninger, Jerod Gibbs, Gerald Fryman; TE Ben Allison; OLs Jose Salgado, Ryan Souza and Randy Lambert, NG Blaine Bradley, DE David Vargas, MLBs Armando Perez and Willie Herrera, FS Scott Thiessen; DB Anthony Castro

Notes: Young is optimistic about this season. Modesto brings back 10 sophomores. The Pirates were ranked No. 11 in the state last season. The line includes Jason Yamamoto, Chris Starky and Antoine Thomas.

"We are very happy with the

progress of our back-ups," Young said. "We feel we will be very competitive this coming season."

GAME 9**MERCED BLUE DEVILS**

When: Nov. 16. **Where:** Merced. **Time:** 1 p.m.

Colors: Navy Blue & Gold

Location: Merced

Stadium: Stadium 76 (8,000)

Coach: Tony Lewis (14th year, 75-62-2)

2001: 3-7 overall, 0-5 (Sixth, VC)

Last bowl: 1997 Elks Bowl Classic (defeated College of the Sequoias 31-14)

Series record: FCC leads series 11-9

Last played: 2001, FCC 41, Merced 6

Key returnees: QB Kevin Oberlander; RB Shawn Harris; TE Justin Harris; WRs Leon Hall and Jeremy Joe; OT Ralph Sanders; DTs Josh Calvert and Greg Bryant; DE Tremaine Mobley (All-VC selection); LB Branden Dart; CB Ricky Guzman; FS Donnie Drake; SS John Davis; K Brian Murry and P Justin Harris; OL Jamison Hyatt (All-VC selection)

Key losses: QB Willie Steverson; TE Josh Hamel; RB Shawn Harris; FBs Marque Modica, Joey Nunes, Kevin Brown; C John McCave; LG Steve Harrison; RT Mike Serrano; DT Paul Lyle; OL B.J. Austin

Notes: The Blue Devils chances of making the postseason after a lackluster season got better with Michael Stamps transferring from West Hills. Merced's defense is taking shape under Mobley's leadership. Merced's slogan this season is "Breaking Through in 2002."

GAME 10**REEDLEY TIGERS**

When: Nov. 23. **Where:** Ratcliffe Stadium. **Time:** 7 p.m.

Colors: Orange & Black

Location: Reedley

Stadium: Reedley High (5,000)

Coach: Michael White (13th year, 46-75-1)

2001: 4-6 overall, 2-3 (Fourth, VC)

Last bowl: 2000 Merced Elks Bowl (defeated San Joaquin Delta 44-38)

Series record: FCC leads series 36-7

Last played: 2001, FCC 34, Reedley 12

Key returnees: LBs Craig Harvey (All-VC selection), R.J. Pullings; OL Donyell Booker; DLs Rayshun Crosby, Phillip Jackson; LB Rod Jones; WRs William Richardson, Vincent Mitchell

Key losses: RB Eric Higgins; WRs Vince Copeland, Charles Radford and William Richardson; TEs Kakami Malaki and Sinclair Broome; DL Mikel Zarembo; DB Sam Lopez, Gary Harris; OLs Jeremy Anderson, Nick Campbell, Donyell Booker, Nick Campbell; CB Julian Worley; LB Demitrice Hammond

Notes: After a redshirt year, Booker returns to give the Tigers an added boost on defense. Returning will include All-Conference defensive back Lionell Green.

"We're going to have a fuller team on defense," White said.

Caviglia believes the Tigers are one of the teams to beat in the Valley Conference.

Reedley opens at Antelope Valley Sept. 14 then host Santa Rosa on Sept. 21.

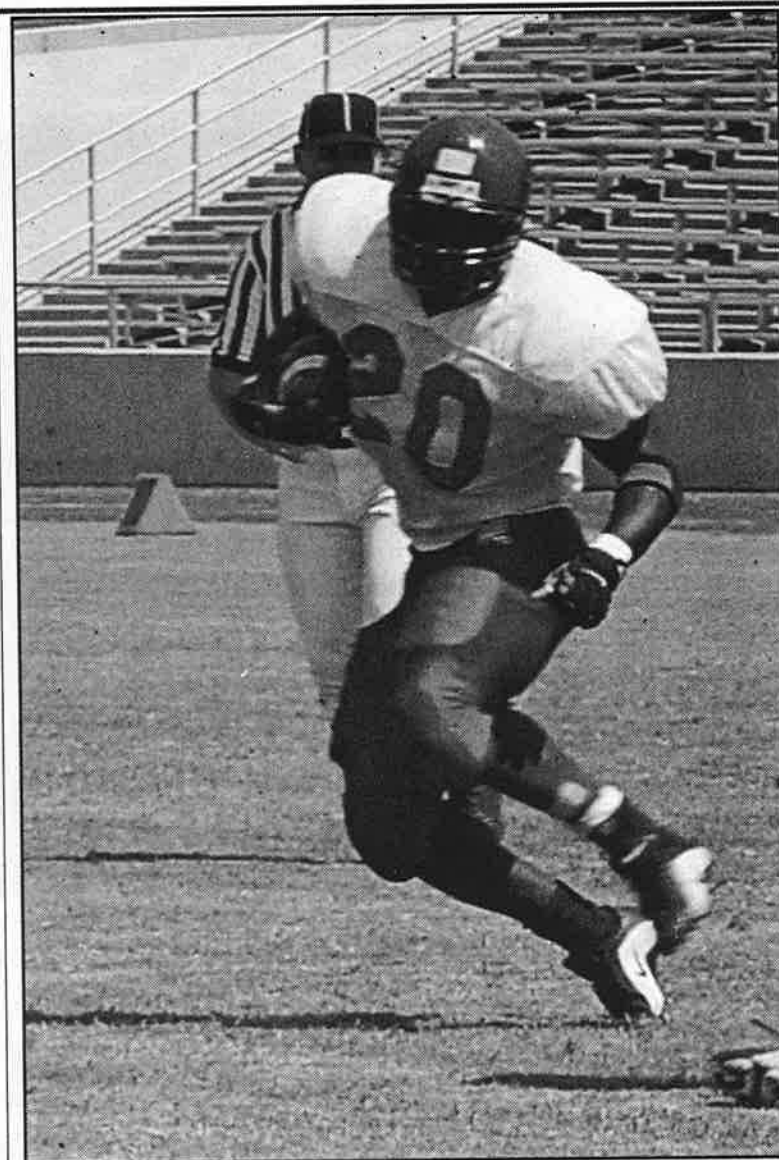


Photo by Wendy Alexander

Earl Charles gets a little taste of what the season might hold for him in the Red vs White scrimmage at Ratcliff Stadium

Player Profile:

Earl Charles is ready to assist his team while trying to break 5 year old records

By Anthony Galaviz

Rampage reporter

Earl Charles is an anxious football player.

Midway through track and field season, the Fresno City College tailback looked around at Ratcliffe Stadium and made it clear he missed playing football.

After a nine-month layoff, Charles' wait will end Sept. 14 when the Rams host Sacramento City College at 7 p.m. at Ratcliffe Stadium.

"I can't wait," Charles said of the season-opener. "I'm ready to go. I've been waiting for a long time. My friends tell me all I think about is football."

It doesn't take much to get Charles motivated.

Already, Charles is talking about breaking Maurice Morris' rushing and touchdown records he set in 1998.

"I want to break records," Charles said. "If I don't get (those records), I want to help the team win. I want to help get our team get to the state championship and win the national championship."

Morris played one year at FCC before transferring to University of Oregon. The Seattle Seahawks with the 54th overall pick selected Morris in the second round of the NFL draft.

Hoping to surpass Morris' numbers, Charles needs 2,674 yards to break the national rushing record and 26 touchdowns to break the school record in a single-season. Charles said he would like to have a 2,000-yard season and score 30 touchdowns.

But if Charles doesn't achieve those goals, he hopes the nucleus

of the team propels them to another Valley Conference title.

"We have a great group of guys coming back," Charles said. "We have some good freshman coming in. I want them to learn from me and I want to learn from them. Be a leader. That's what you need."

FCC coach Tony Caviglia agrees.

"We hope he can be a leader," FCC coach Tony Caviglia said. "A lot of young players will look up to him. We're expecting a lot out of things out of him. He has strength, speed, great vision and runs well."

Though Charles had to share time at tailback with Rodney Davis and Providence Hingano last season, Charles rushed 129 times for 1,035 yards to lead the Rams in rushing.

"I learned a lot from Pete Hingano and Rodney Davis," Charles said. "It's a lot of pressure (this season) for me. I'm still learning the game. To be the best, you got to play the best."

Before coming to FCC, Charles attended Canarsie High in Brooklyn where he was named the most valuable player of the New York state all-star game in 2000. Only in his fourth season playing organized football, Charles continues to get letters from big-name universities hoping to land the Brooklyn, N.Y. native.

In no particular order, Miami, Pittsburgh, USC, Fresno State, Oregon State, Oregon, Baylor, Nebraska, Iowa State, Kansas State, Kansas, N.C. State and Washington are looking at Charles.

"If I have a good season," Charles said. "There will be more schools. No doubt about it."

2002 FCC Football Roster

2 Jonathan Holland	DB	6-1	170	So.	50 Jacob Houston	DL	6-3	235	Fr.
3 Jason Bland	WR	6-0	205	So.	51 Dek Bake	DE	6-2	230	Fr.
4 Covell Crosby	WR	6-2	180	So.	52 Adam Fain	DL	6-3	245	So.
5 Joe Tomasello	FB	6-0	220	So.	53 Anthony Ward	OL	6-1	270	So.
6 Willie Johnson	WR	6-5	205	So.	55 Brandon Wheeler	LB	6-3	240	So.
7 Rodney Woods	FS	5-10	180	So.	56 Albert Mendiola	LB	5-11	235	Fr.
8 Ray Hightower	FS	5-11	175	So.	57 Chris Cerkueira	LB	5-10	210	Fr.
9 Tommy Briggs	TE	6-5	255	So.	58 Danny Finnegan	LB	6-0	220	Fr.
10 Daniel Idiart	RB	6-0	175	So.	59 Benito Reyes	LB	6-1	245	Fr.
11 Ed Mitchell	LB	6-0	210	Fr.	60 Jordan Urbano	OL	6-1	290	Fr.
13 Mark Hetherington	QB	6-2	225	So.	61 Sterling Rutledge	DB	5-10	170	Fr.
14 Wayne Desmond	QB	6-2	210	Fr.	62 David Dirkmaat	OL	6-8	280	So.
15 Danny Peracchi	DB	6-4	200	Fr.	64 Niko Alo	OL	6-1	250	Fr.
16 Mike Van Worth	FB	6-0	245	So.	65 Joe Krumpleman	OL	6-4	285	So.
17 Josh Costa	LB	6-2	235	So.	66 Iakopo Leota	DL	6-2	250	So.
18 Jason Washington	WR	6-4	185	So.	68 Cody Fannin	C	6-2	280	So.
19 Emlen Mattingly	WR	6-4	185	So.	69 James Corbett	OL	6-7	300	Fr.
20 Earl Charles	RB	6-0	205	So.	70 Michale R. Nulick	DL	6-0	230	Fr.
21 Steve Simonton	DB	5-9	170	Fr.	71 Fidel Whyte	OL	6-6	340	Fr.
22 Marquell Stinson	LB	6-3	235	So.	72 Justin Rich	OL	6-5	285	So.
23 Billy Jack Erdman	WR	5-10	170	Fr.	73 Chris Bessinger	DL	6-0	250	So.
24 Matt Giordano	SS	6-0	200	So.	74 Matt Kutz	OL	6-4	270	Fr.
25 Ron Warsinger	DB	5-9	160	Fr.	75 Kurt Walton	OL	6-5	300	So.
26 Leonard Davis	RB	5-10	205	Fr.	76 Alonso Nuñez	OL	6-6	270	Fr.
28 Corey Jackson	RB	5-9	190	Fr.	77 Juan Cuenca	OL	6-0	270	So.
29 Marquis Roberts	DB	5-10	185	Fr.	78 Brian Holness	OL	6-3	300	Fr.
30 James Scott	K	6-0	170	Fr.	79 Jake Kellom	OL	6-5	265	Fr.
31 Arthur Isa	RB	5-9	170	So.	80 Justin Amaral	WR	5-11	175	Fr.
32 Cory Logan	DB	5-11	175	So.	81 Larry Bland	WR	5-10	170	Fr.
33 Andrew Havens	FB	6-0	213	Fr.	82 Taurean Finn	WR	6-1	180	Fr.
34 Terrell Howard	RB	6-1	210	Fr.	83 Shawn White	WR	5-11	185	Fr.
35 Roosevelt Cooks	LB	5-10	210	Fr.	84 Conner Long	TE	6-0	220	Fr.
36 Reyn Gibson	DB	6-0	185	Fr.	85 Justin Janzer	WR	5-11	170	Fr.
37 Jeremiah Leota	LB	5-10	210	Fr.	86 Kyle Cogburn	DL	6-4	265	Fr.
38 Ta'amilo Ta'amilo	DB	5-11	205	Fr.	88 Tony Curtis	TE	6-6	250	So.
39 Omar Jones	DB	5-11	210	Fr.	90 David Alison	DL	6-2	260	So.
40 Steve McKesson	DB	6-3	200	Fr.	91 Tafa Samuela	DL	6-2	250	Fr.
42 Adam Wagner	LB	6-1	220	So.	93 Ski Davis	WR	6-2	180	Fr.
44 Tyrone Wilson	FB	6-1	243	So.	94 Kirk Johnson	DE	6-1	240	So.
45 Daniel Ching	DB	6-2	195	Fr.	95 Leonard Fanoti	DL	5-9	245	Fr.
46 Nate Brown	DB	5-10	175	Fr.	96 Lavar House	DL	6-4	255	So.
47 Christopher Williams	LB	6-2	227	Fr.	97 Richard Morales	DL	6-3	240	So.
48 Kevin Burns	RB	5-10	210	Fr.	98 Ali Bahrami	DL	6-1	220	So.
49 Danny Munster	P	6-3	202	Fr.	99 George Benson	DL	6-3	285	So.



From left to right, key Fresno City College football players include Cody Fannin, Rodney Woods, Adam Wagner, Josh Costa, Mark Hetherington, Matt Giordano and David Dirkmaat.

Unfinished Business

Determined to rebound this season after its loss to City College of San Francisco The rams face three teams ranked in the top ten

By Anthony Galaviz
Rampage reporter

Heading into the season, the Fresno City College football team doesn't want to duplicate what happened the last two seasons: Losing to City College of San Francisco in the Northern California championship game.

The Rams have other things in mind.

"We want to go 12-0," FCC quarterback Mark Hetherington said. "We got to take care of business. I'm not satisfied about what happened last season."

Hetherington came out against San Francisco in the first half because he lost feelings in both hands in FCC's 19-7 loss. San Francisco defeated FCC 41-7 in 2000.

If the Rams didn't need any more motivation consider this. It's been nine years since FCC has won a bowl game. The last time that was accomplished was in 1993 when it defeated Long Beach City 18-15 in the Producers Dairy Bowl.

But getting back to the Nor Cal championship will not be an easy task for the Rams.

FCC will open its season against three teams ranked in the top 10 in the Northern California preseason Commission on Athletics junior college football rankings which were released in August.

The No. 2 Rams host No. 7 Sacramento on Sept. 14. On Sept. 21, FCC hosts No. 3 Butte. No. 5 Foothill visits Fresno City on Sept. 28. All games are at 7 p.m at Ratcliffe Stadium.

FCC coach Tony Caviglia sees it as a challenge.

"Our preseason schedule is brutal," said Caviglia, who is 29-4 en-

tering his fourth season as FCC coach. "If we come out (of the pre-season) OK and healthy, we'll be OK in the (Valley Conference).

"It's going to be tough to win 10 games."

Butte, Foothill and Delta went 8-3 and won bowls last season. Sacramento and Diablo Valley went 4-6.

FCC travels to Delta on Oct. 5, and then hosts Diablo Valley Oct. 12 before the bye week leading to Valley Conference play.

Despite the tough non-conference schedule, defensive tackle George Benson promised a championship.

"We're not going to try," he said. "We're going to do it."

Safety Matt Giordano said the defense is much prepared this season.

"We should be really strong," he said. "We're a big family working together. We don't look at playing San Francisco; we're looking to go to the state championship. We can't get way ahead of ourselves because those three games will be a good test for us."

A position-by-position look at FCC:

QUARTERBACK

Hetherington (Buchanan) will lead the offense this season. Hetherington completed 146 passes for 2,342 yards last season. Hetherington threw for 30 touchdowns. Hetherington, an honorable mention in the J.C. Grid-Wire All-American last season, set a school record for touchdowns in a season with 26 against Modesto. Hetherington (6-foot 2, 210 pounds) has great awareness on the field and should find his targets. Backup: Wayne Desmond and Danny

Peracchi. Rating: 9

"It's great to have a returning starter," Caviglia said. "It means so much to the offense and we were able to build on what he accomplished last year."

RUNNING BACK

Earl Charles, one of the nation's top tailbacks, is looking to shatter some records this season. Charles, a pre-season JC Grid-Wire All-American, rushed for 1,035 yards last season. Backup: Arthur Isa, Terrell Howard (Silver Creek High, San Jose); Corey Jackson (Bullard). Rating: 9

"We expect Earl to have a great year similar to Maurice Morris," Caviglia said. "He's an all-around back, power-back, speed-back and catches the ball well in the backfield. We expect him to do great."

Fullback Joe Tomasello will start at this position. Tomasello had a separated shoulder against West Hills that ended his season in 2001. Tomasello caught two passes for 12 yards. Caviglia likes what he sees in Tomasello this season. Backup: Tyrone Wilson (Started a couple games last year), Mike Van Worth and Andrew Havens.

Tyrone Wilson (Started a couple games last year), Mike Van Worth and Andrew Havens.

"He's done a really good job in the off-season," Caviglia said of Tomasello. "He put on a lot of weight (in the off-season). He has tremendous speed and works extremely hard. He has great hands coming out of the backfield. A fullback got to block first, catch the ball second and run third, and Joe can do those three things. He's as good

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FCC adds seven new members to the Wall of Fame



Richard and Larry Shehadey (left to right) recieved their awards after being inducted to the Fresno Ciry College Wall of Fame

By Anthony Galaviz
Rampage reporter

Fresno City College will dedicate a new football Wall of Fame at Ratcliffe Stadium for the Nov. 2 homecoming game against College of the Sequoias.

It will be installed on the outside of the stadium facing Blackstone Ave.

Eighty members including former Oakland Raiders coach Tom Flores will have their name enshrined at the ceremony. Other notables include: Hans Wiedenhofer, Clare Slaughter, Jack Mattox, Bill Musick, Bill Wayte, Don Larson, John Volek, Calvin Schexnayder and former FCC president, Art Ellish.

Meanwhile, FCC inducted seven new members at the Wall of Fame Dinner on Aug. 30 at Pardini's.

Here are the new inductees:

Larry and Richard Shehadey - Cornerstones: The Shehadey's were instrumental in helping FCC start up the Producers Dairy Bowl. The bowl lasted from 1990 to 1996. Larry Shehadey, 95, owns Producers while son, Richard, is the chief executive officer.

Ross Bauer - Defensive Back/Kick Returner, 1966-67: A graduate at Fresno High, Bauer came to FCC and was a two-time all-conference defensive back during the 1966-67 seasons. After FCC, Bauer transferred to Cal Poly where he was an all-conference pick and returned an interception 100 yards for a touchdown against Cal State-Northridge.

Greg Boyd - Defensive Line, 1972-73: A graduate at Edison High, Boyd played at FCC and was named an All-American in 1973 and helped the Rams win one state championship in 72.

"FCC was a magical time for me," Boyd said.

After FCC, played at San Diego State and helped the Aztecs win

two Pacific Coast Athletic Association titles. Boyd was All-PCAA and All-West Coast. Boyd went on to play in the National Football League for nine seasons. Boyd played for the Denver Broncos, New England Patriots and the Oakland Raiders.

Boyd resides in Denver.

Bill Fortenberry - Defensive Line/Center, 1962-64: Fortenberry was one of the versatile players-of-all-time at FCC. Fortenberry went on to play at Fresno State as an outside linebacker and did some snaps at offensive center.

Before coming to FCC, Fortenberry graduated from McLane High.

Ray Luna - Linebackers, 1971-72: After playing linebacker for FCC, Luna transferred to Fresno State and played two years.

Luna graduated from Clovis High.

Tom Lucero - Defensive Back, 1968-69: Lucero still holds the career interception record (20) and shares the single-season interception record (11). He helped the Rams win state titles in 1968-69. After FCC, Lucero played two years at Cal State-Northridge where he was an All-California Collegiate Athletic Association first team selection as a defensive back.

Lucero graduated from McLane High.



Greg Boyd (left) recieves his plaque for his years at FCC