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## FCC votes 'yes' on apathy

By Tony Losongco

News editor

The general election next month will test not only voters on issues that could aid Fresno City College, but also many FCC students who show woeful apathy to voter issues. Concerned FCC students and staff have committed to change the campus voting climate.

Even as Associated Student Government organized a rally that Monday hyped voter registration and the district's bond measure, many students expressed a lack of knowledge or interest in the candidates and issues appearing in the Nov. 5 general election.

"I'm not into that stuff, I guess," said Keondra Moore, an FCC nursing student who has not registered to vote. "I don't know. It just doesn't concern me."

J.P. Barretto cannot vote because he is not an American

citizen. However, the first-year student had firm opinions on voting.

"Either way, I'm here to study, so it really doesn't affect me who's governor," Barretto said. "I'm not gonna vote, so I'm not really gonna have much interest. It's not gonna really benefit me in any way."

Barretto, however, voiced opinions on some of the election issues that were echoed by many FCC students, including the environment and other social concerns.

"California, especially the valley, has got really bad air," Barretto said. He also talked about welfare: "A lot of people out here don't necessarily have the means to help their kids."

Fae Giffen, on the other hand, is registered to vote next month. The political science major said she tries to stay an informed voter.

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Laura Meja registers to vote during a rally to raise support for Measure E, the bond that would provide money for State Center Community College District expansion projects.

Photo by Kensey Stufft

## Madera Center moves ahead



Photo by Lenetta Huxley

State Center Community College District officials break ground on the third phase of construction of the Madera Center campus. The five-building Academic Village will open in January 2004. Participants are, from left, a student representative; Don Yeager, vice chancellor/president designate; Patrick Patterson, SCCC trustee; Phil Forhan, SCCC trustee; Judith Redwine, district chancellor; William Smith, SCCC trustee; Ron Manfredi, SCCC trustee; Dorothy Smith, SCCC trustee; and Les Thonesen, SCCC trustee.

## Rampage wins awards at conference

The Rampage, Fresno City College's student newspaper, brought home 15 awards from the Journalism Association of Community College's NorCal conference Oct. 12 at San Francisco State University, including General Excellence for a tabloid newspaper.

News editor Tony Losongco placed first in the news writing contest and third in the copy editing contest.

Reporter Jen Langworthy took first place in the on-the-spot headline writing contest. Editor in chief Brianna Quilici placed third in the front-page design contest for a tabloid-sized newspaper.

Entertainment editor Megan Edwards received an honorable mention in the editorial writing contest. Edwards and photo editor Lenetta Huxley took third for their team feature. Quilici, Losongco and Langworthy received an honorable mention for their entry in the same category.

Awards were also won in several mail-in categories, based on work done last semester: Sean Durham, second place in front-page design for a tabloid paper; sports editor Anthony Galaviz, fourth in sports news story; Wendy Alexander, fourth for sports news photo; Chuck DeLaCruz, fourth for advertising; Kat Strauss, Carl Geissert and Edwards received an honorable mention for column writing.

## Fate of OAB rests with voters

By Josh Harding

Rampage reporter

Supporters for the restoration of the Old Administration Building are waiting as its moment of truth draws closer. On Nov. 5 the State Center Community College District bond measure election will determine if the restoration project will receive funding; this is not the first time the topic has appeared on the ballot.

Paula Castagna, FCC faculty member and head of the current effort to restore the building, said there have been other proposals in the past, but they were only for a partial restoration of the structure. The proposal to be

voted on in November would provide \$25 million for a total restoration of the building.

The building has sat unused for more than 25 years, while nature has taken its toll. Its structural integrity is still good enough to permit work on it, but Castagna warns that may not last for much longer.

"Something must be done soon, in the next few years," Castagna said.

The restoration proposal lays under the blanket of the Measure E initiative and is just one of many improvements that will be made in this district if the measure passes.

The measure would improve technology and try to meet space concerns at the Fresno, Clovis, Reedley, Madera and Oakhurst cen-

ters. Overcrowding is a problem not just at FCC; according to Castagna, the Clovis center has rented about 47 classrooms on the Buchanan High School campus to serve the number of students enrolled.

If the bond passes, the OAB would be used to house much-needed classroom and lab space from different departments.

There won't be drastic change to the structure itself; much of the work will go into upgrading the building to meet current safety standards, which were the reason it was closed to begin with. Better lighting, ventilation, seismic upgrades for earthquake safety and improved access for disabled people are a few goals in the restoration proposal.

The coalition to restore the OAB has been around since September 2000, before the creation of the bond measure; but the focus of their efforts has culminated in this bond. They have maintained a website dedicated to the building at <http://www.restorefcc.com> as well as organized tours of the building with the Fresno Historical Society.

For Measure E to pass, it must receive 55 percent of the vote. In an off-year election such as this, Castagna stressed the importance of students coming out to support the measure. Restoring the OAB would not only save part of the college's history, she said, but also ensure a part of its future in serving the ever-growing student population.



# News Briefs

## SCCCD executive visits FCC

FCC president Ned Doffoney welcomed the newest executive of State Center Community College District at a reception on campus Monday.

Douglas Brinkley, formerly of the Turlock School District, was hired last month by the district to be vice chancellor for finance and administration. He replaces Jon Sharpe, who left the district for a similar post at Los Rios Community College District in Sacramento.

## Drop Deadline

Friday, Oct. 18, is the last day to drop a fall full-term class. Students who withdraw from a class

before the deadline take a "W" on their Fresno City College transcript. After the deadline, students must receive a letter grade — A through F — for their classes.

Admissions and Records, located on the lower level of the Student Services Building, will open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday to accommodate drop requests.

## New UC opens

FCC has started a transfer program that can guarantee students admission to the first graduating class at University of California, Merced.

Up to 40 students a year can enter the guaranteed transfer admis-

sion program, starting with fall 2004 transfers. The program requires students to complete a contract of specific courses with a minimum grade point average.

"And as long as they get that GPA and take those courses, they'll be guaranteed admission to UC Merced," said Deborah Ikeda, associate dean of students. She added that the contract admits a student to UC Merced while still enrolled at FCC.

FCC also has guaranteed transfer admission programs with UC campuses at Berkeley, Davis, Riverside and Santa Cruz. Information on all these programs is available at the Counseling Center on the second floor of the Student Services building.

# Campus calendar

## Screen

"Time Changer" Premiere — Oct. 25, Signature Theaters. The movie was filmed last year in the Old Administration Building.

## Public Affairs

SCCCD Board of Trustees Meeting — 4 p.m., Nov. 5, District Office.

## Club Activities

Club Rush — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 6, Fountain

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

## Arts

"Mere Mortals" theater production — 7:30 p.m., Thursday; 7:30

p.m., Friday; 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Saturday; 7:30 p.m., Oct. 24; 7:30 p.m., Oct. 25; 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Oct. 26; FCC Theatre

Fall Choral Festival — 9 a.m., Oct. 30, Recital Hall

Jazz Ensemble — 7:30 p.m., Oct. 30, FCC Theatre

Community Concert Band — 7:30 p.m., Nov. 1, FCC Theatre

Margaret Hudson "In Retrospect" Exhibit — Nov. 3-Dec. 10, Art Space Gallery

## Events

Vendor Fair — 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday, Campus Mall

Old Administration Building Tour — 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesday; 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Oct. 26; North Parking Lot Entrance

Ramburger Roundup — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Oct. 23, Free Speech Area

Juvenile Diabetes Foundation Walk — 10 a.m., Oct. 26, West Lawn

Homecoming King/Queen Elections — Oct. 29-31, Fountain

Homecoming Hawaiian Luau — 6 p.m., Oct. 30, Free Speech Area

Fall Safe and Sane Carnival — 5:30 to 8 p.m., Oct. 31, North Field

Homecoming Rally — noon, Nov. 1, Fountain

Homecoming Celebration — Nov. 2, Wall of Fame unveiling; tailgate, 5:30 p.m., North Field; football vs. College of the Sequoias, 7 p.m.

Veteran's Memorial Celebration — noon, Nov. 8, Free Speech Area

Police Academy Graduation — 3 p.m., Nov. 15, FCC Theatre

# Police log

From the files of the SCCC Police Department

## Oct. 3

- Officer took report regarding vehicle burglary in Parking Lot C.
- Officer took report regarding harrasment of one student by another.
- Officer took report regarding vehicle burglary.
- District Service Officer took report regarding petty theft.

## Oct. 7

- Officers took report regarding disruptive student.
- Officer took report regarding vehicle vandalism at the Career and Technology Center.
- Officer took report regarding non-injury hit and run.
- Officer took report regarding theft from vehicle in Parking Lot D.
- Officer took report regarding petty theft.
- Officer took report regarding vehicle theft.

## Oct. 8

- Check by Parking Control showed vehicle with excessive unpaid parking citations. Vehicle towed. Report taken.
- Officer took report regarding vehicle burglary.
- Officer took report regarding stolen vehicle.

## Oct. 9

- Officer dispatched to Parking Lot S regarding suspicious subject in vehicle. Check showed driver with suspended license. Driver arrested, cited released. Vehicle impounded. Report taken.
- Officer took report regarding vehicle burglary in Parking Lot C.
- Officer took report regarding vehicle burglary in Parking Lot D.
- Officer took report regarding general incident.
- Officer took report regarding vehicle burglary.

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# FCC students seek on-campus living

By Tony Losongco  
News editor

Throughout Fresno City College's history, students have seized upon any available, affordable housing. While FCC students have decided to stay with family, the idea of a dormitory, available at peer community colleges, appeals to many of them.

FCC exists as a commuter school, without on-campus housing. Over the years, waves of students have filled the apartments, houses and other accommodations in the neighborhoods around the campus.

Steven Stone, a theater arts major, likes the Tower District, the area south of campus popular with students for housing and entertainment. "It's really nice...right next to campus. You just walk right over."

In the meantime, however, Stone lives with family, about a 15-minute drive from school. Serena Castillo, a first-year student like Stone, faces the same barrier as Stone when it comes to finding her own place — cost.

"Cost is a big-time issue," Castillo said. She also lives with family, about 20 minutes away by car.

"Certain teenagers aren't as committed as other teenagers to getting a job," Stone said. For many students like Castillo and Stone, the demands of school make it difficult to work. Furthermore, the demands of work and affording an apartment make it difficult to keep up with schoolwork.

Shirlene Daw, who started at FCC seven years ago as a nursing student, said she pays "too much" — about \$950 for three bedrooms.

"I would love to live in one of those older homes," Daw said, gesturing toward the Porter Tract homes northwest of campus. But her motivation for living farther away is to be "in the nicer school district for my children."

"So basically as a mother I sacrifice," Daw said.

Census Bureau statistics show just how unavailable and unaffordable local apartments can be. In 2000, the four census tracts around FCC — bordered mostly by

the streets Belmont, Palm, Shields and First — had vacancy rates between five and 10 percent.

The Census also revealed that gross median rent in these tracts ranged from \$445 to \$534 a month. Ironically, the most expensive of these areas — the main Tower District — had the highest rate of studios and one-bedroom apartments.

Students like Pa Yang and See Her find living with family away from campus to be a suitable alternative. Both pay about one-quarter of their families' \$650-a-month rents.

"It's easy access to school," said Yang, who lives in southeast Fresno. "It's okay because my in-laws don't expect that much."

Her, a second-year student, lives near school, and prefers the current arrangement. "It's okay for now," she said.

Some community colleges, however, offer on-campus residence halls. In California, 11 of the 108 community colleges, including Reedley, West Hills, and Taft, provide housing to a limited number of students.

Reedley's residence hall can house 200 students, two to each air-conditioned, partially furnished room. On-campus students currently pay \$1900 to stay for the academic year, approximately \$190 a month.

Frank Mascola, Reedley's residence hall supervisor for 25 years, said the students gain from the on-campus living experience.

"I think the student living on campus has more benefits," Mascola said. "There's a sense of ownership and camaraderie that develops in the residence hall."

The dorms sit away from a residential area, closer to Reedley businesses that can benefit from their residence hall neighbors. "You have an audience or clientele of 190 students, of 190 potential customers," Mascola said.

Mascola added that while the on-campus student pays \$190 a month for rent, he estimated that a student seeking off-campus housing could pay \$400 to \$450 monthly for a one- or two-bedroom apartment and al-



Photo by Margo Woodward

Many students find housing in apartments in the Tower District, a desirable area because of its location and nightlife. Census Bureau statistics show that median rents in the Tower District exceed \$500 a month.

most \$1200 in initial expenses.

"The dollar amount runs up quite quickly," said Mascola, who said that students often compete with seasonal workers for Reedley-area housing. Students who do not start their fall-semester search by July 1, he said, "would be hard pressed to find something."

A major difference between FCC and the California community colleges with housing is campus setting. Of the 11 with housing, only Santa Rosa Junior College is located in a large city, while the rest have few housing options in their rural settings.

Santa Rosa's dorm houses only 72 students among its enrollment of more than 33,000. At \$268 a month, the residence hall compares well to the local rents of up to \$750 for a shared room, according to Santa Rosa's website.

"It creates a community living experience. That's an experience in itself," said Deborah Wooten, manager of the residence hall.

However, Santa Rosa receives little support from the administration, which Wooten said will meet

next month to decide the residence hall's future.

"It's very labor-intensive to have," Wooten said, adding that some students enter the dorms believing they can recreate the freshman experience at a university. "College students will be college students, and there will always be discipline problems."

Mascola said, however, that the dorm concept could translate to an urban school like FCC. He said Santa Barbara City College has contacted Reedley interested in studying the idea of a residence hall.

"There's arguments on both sides," Mascola said. "I'm sure that the apartment rates are pretty expensive or they're climbing."

Although there is no formal proposal to provide housing at FCC, students liked the idea of an on-campus dormitory.

"If not dorms, apartments pretty

close to school," Yang said. "The majority of the students would go for it."

"It'd be a chance to meet more people," said Esperanza Gonzalez, an FCC student who lives with her mother about 10 minutes away by car.

Stone suggested that the administration could take the lead on this issue, "if Fresno City College was approaching the situation as: they'd like to do it. I think that the Tower District is old and the college would like to do something with it," he said.

Castillo thought housing was becoming more difficult to find. "People are starting to move down here from the Bay Area," she said. "It's getting packed."

Fellow student Her offered a suggestion to make housing available on the historic Old Administration Building site. "You could tear that down," she said.

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# Big Fresno Fair brings people together

By Luis Quezada  
Rampage reporter

Every year a live event seems to attract thousands of residents of the San Joaquin Valley to the city of Fresno.

This year's theme to the Big Fresno Fair was Cow'ifornia Dreamin'. "Each of our themes are agriculturally based for the fair each year, so this year we were going to tie it to cows, which is a tribute to the beef and dairy industries," said Susanne Finley, director of communications.

Staff members submitted entries and one was selected. "It's basically a salute to the beef and dairy industries and the state of California, and we chose to single

out the beach aspect of California," Finley said.

This year new attractions were presented to the fair: a squalus sea lion show, which is the only traveling show in the United States; Brad's World Reptiles located at Kids Town, where children can touch and learn more about reptiles; a fire safety demo taught children the importance of fire safety; Beach Toys honored the Beach Boys; Proud Mary paid tribute to Tina Turner; and Model "A" Hillbillies, another new attraction, paid tribute to "The Grapes of Wrath" era.

The Chefs of Iron was one of the competitions that took place on Saturday, Oct. 5. Modeled after the Food Network's program "Iron Chefs," two chefs competed for the top honor:

Fermin Martinez from Jon's Bear Club in Reedley and Anna Chai Wong of Dai Bai Dang in Fresno. Ricarda Cerda, a food and nutrition instructor at Fresno City College, was one of the four judges.

Wong won, receiving the Golden Whisk trophy.

"It was fun," Cerda said. "How many times do you get to eat fillet Anjuo and fresh tuna for free." She thought the food was good.

People of all ethnicities and ages were present to enjoy what the fair had to offer.

"I like the variety of food and the exhibits," said Tanya Liscano, who is currently retired, but former president of American Federation of Teachers Local 1533 at FCC. "I don't like the crowds, but today it's

great because we chose a weekday to come in, rather than a weekend."

"Each year we grow," Finley said. "By pushing family values we get bigger and bigger every year."

That's not the only thing that seems to attract people.

"It's just wonderful," Liscano said. "There's lots of food, lots of people and lots of exhibits. Some of the news broadcasting is done here and that's fun to watch too, people that report on the news, seeing them live, seeing a live show. That's kind of fun."

Liscano said there's a magician duo from Las Vegas that she would like to see perform at the fair in the future: "I think I'm going to want to see Siegfried and Roy and make all of Fresno disappear."

Attendance figures this year were surprising, organizers said. "Everything's been going great, attendance is up this year from last year, we've had wonderful weather, everything is been going really well," Finley said.

As the years pass, many changes are made, but all with the same purpose: "Our goal is to promote this facility as a family-friendly venue," Finley said. "We really try to gear our entertainment toward family: the sea lions, the reptiles, the stimulator. It's all educating children, and that's our main goal, to educate, to bring the community together and have fun in a safe, family environment."

## Workshops clear students' foggy career goals

By Latasha Ball  
Rampage reporter

It's common for students to change their majors throughout their college careers.

"Seventy-five percent of college students change their minds from the time they register for college than when they actually start class," said John Powell, career counsel who led a self-assessment career seminar last week.

Many college students are looking for a step in the right direction when it comes to a lifelong career. "I know what I want to do but I don't know specifically what degree I want," stated Julie Kent, a FCC student who attended the seminar. Powell hoped to provide an opportunity for students to explore the difficulties they're having in finding their way. "We try to get some clarification as to why they may be having some difficulty and some approaches to take on making a career

decision," Powell said.

There are three parts to the seminar: Self-Assessment where the students can explore their interests, Vocational Exploration that allows the students to identify with some career interests, and the Career Decision-Making workshop where the student can come to a decision and develop an educational or training plan.

"Hopefully once you have your plan you'll be able to follow through on, and then you can do your job search once you secure a position in the new career you've chosen," Powell said.

Students can get lost finding their chosen careers because they want to please everyone around them and don't listen to what they really want.

"Making a career planning decision is a personal decision- it's something that has to reflect you," Powell said. "It can't reflect you trying to please someone else" stated Powell.

"I wanted to be a veterinarian when I was little or do something in the medical field," stated FCC student Trista Kent.

Because students may want to please their family or friends, they wind up doing a job that doesn't satisfy their interests in life. "We want you to decide on a career rather than a job," said Powell. "People tell me lots of things and I want to do something that I enjoy doing," stated first-semester student Anna Melikian.

The classes also give students an opportunity to work together and explore their career paths. "I feel it's an opportunity for students to come in and work in a group situation to explore and do self-assessment in terms of the career-planning process," Powell stated.

These are workshops that last up to two hours at the most and are geared toward working around students busy schedules. The Self-Assessment seminar includes the

### More Information:

What: Career Decision-Making

Time: 5 to 7 p.m., Oct. 22

Time: 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Oct., 30

Cost: \$5

What: Vocational Exploration

When: 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., Oct. 23

Details available at the Career Center, upper level of Student Services building.

Vocational Exploration and Career Decision-Making Seminar, along with activities to help students make a career decision.

"It's an extension of the Career Center services and our main goal is to assist students in identifying a major and / or a career that they would like to pursue as a part of their educational program here at FCC," Powell stated.

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## Election,

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"I try to keep aware of the news on a daily basis," Giffen said. "I suppose in a local election, in foreign relations I look at immigration policies."

Elizabeth Morales, a Mexican immigrant, has paid attention to the candidates' appeals to Spanish-speaking voters. "How come every time they're trying to talk about Spanish," the criminology major said, "and after that they can't help us?"

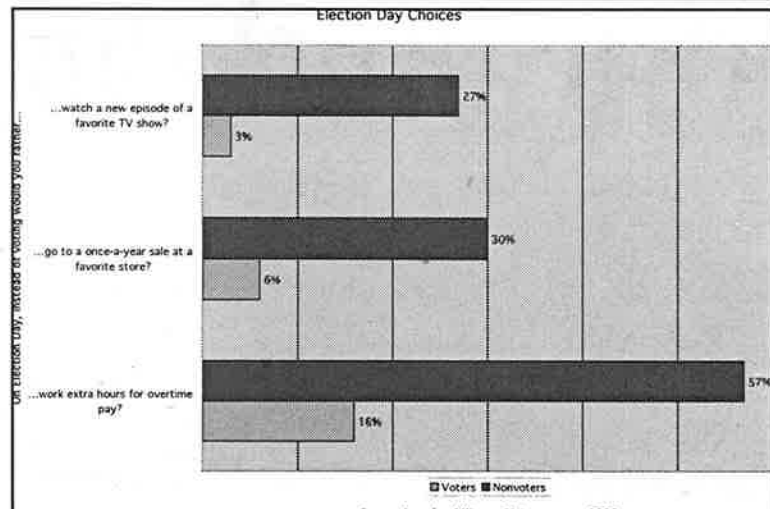
Morales, who also attends California State University, Fresno, finds education and the rights of immigrants to be her main concerns, but has not examined this election. "Right now I'm not interested," she said.

At CSUF, a Candidates' Fair this month drew candidates to campus where students could hear them debate and interact with them. FCC student government held a bond rally Monday but ASG has no such fair scheduled.

ASG's Rock the Vote Rally attracted radio and television stations to the Free Speech Area Monday, where students could hear from supporters of the district's bond Measure E and register to vote.

Catrina Asanuma, ASG's executive vice president, found that FCC students care about voter issues, but acknowledged that they have other tasks ahead of them apart from studying campaigns.

"Our goals for having the rally was to educate them," Asanuma said. "You guys, as students here, can make a difference. Your voice



makes a difference."

"Why don't we?" Giffen asked when she learned of the CSUF fair. "Probably the biggest question I would have [of the candidates]...would be budget proposals, how they plan to distribute money."

First-year student Josh Bird, however, found an election connection in one of his classes. Bird's learning community — a set of FCC English and sociology courses — hosted Fresno County Clerk Victor Salazar and several candidates.

"Candidates don't usually talk to people our age, because most of us don't vote," Bird said. He registered to vote in his English class during Salazar's visit, and he said he plans to vote in the upcoming election.

Gerry Bill, who teaches Bird's sociology class, has taught at FCC since 1970, before the 26th Amendment to the United States Constitution gave 18- to 20-year-olds the right to vote. Election discussions are a regular feature of

## More Info

U.S. citizens over the age of 18 can register before Monday, Oct. 21 to vote in the Nov. 5 election. For more information on voter registration, contact the Fresno County Clerk, 2221 Kern St., 488-3246.

his learning community classes.

"Before we had the guests...there were only about 20 percent registered to vote," Bill said of the county clerk's visit. "By the time he left we had 60 percent of the class registered to vote."

Bill describes the student attitude toward voting as "massive disinterest," but he has watched attitudes change over time. His current students have asked about healthcare, deregulation of drugs like marijuana, and the Patriot Act.

Several votes on the ballot next month have a great impact on the future of Fresno City College and the State Center Community College District. No matter how students feel about the issues, they will vote on about \$200 million in pro-

posed funding for SCCC.

The district's Measure E, for which ASG held its bond rally, pledges about \$161 million for the district, including more than \$82 million for FCC projects. John Wallace, former television anchor, heads a citizens' committee that has thrown its support behind the bond.

"As a student government, we have endorsed the resolution to support Measure E," Asanuma said, citing its effect on all FCC students. "When the first day of school starts, how many students are standing?"

Fresno County Measure C would extend a half-cent sales tax already in effect for transportation needs. Supporters have promised that an extension would set aside millions to ease traffic and safety concerns at railroad crossings, like FCC's Weldon crossing. Measure C's original renewal plan in March earmarked \$5 million a year toward consolidating the Burlington Northern Santa Fe tracks, moving them several miles west of campus.

State Proposition 47, worth about \$13 billion, would fund all California public school systems. The state Community College League expects more than \$7 million to go to SCCC within the next two years if the proposition passes,

including about \$1 million to modernize FCC's Applied Technology buildings.

In addition to the measures and propositions on the ballot, candidates for spots on the district Board of Trustees, the Fresno City Council and the California governor's office can control further funding in and around FCC.

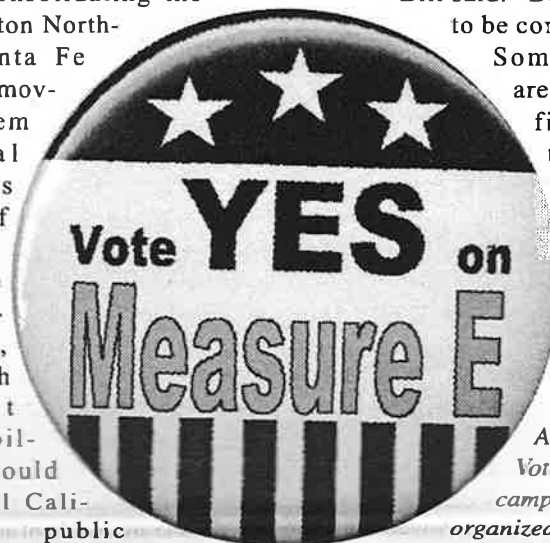
Incidentally, some FCC faculty and staff have become personally involved in the election, running for or holding elected offices on school boards, councils or special districts throughout the San Joaquin Valley.

Bill, while acknowledging the campus climate of voter apathy, suggested his students reflect a general trend of increased awareness of those propositions and candidates that affect FCC.

"I think there's more apathy than there was 30 years ago,"

Bill said. "But it seems to be coming back.

Some people are starting to figure out this stuff really does affect their life."



A "Rock the Vote" rally on campus Monday organized students in support of Measure E.

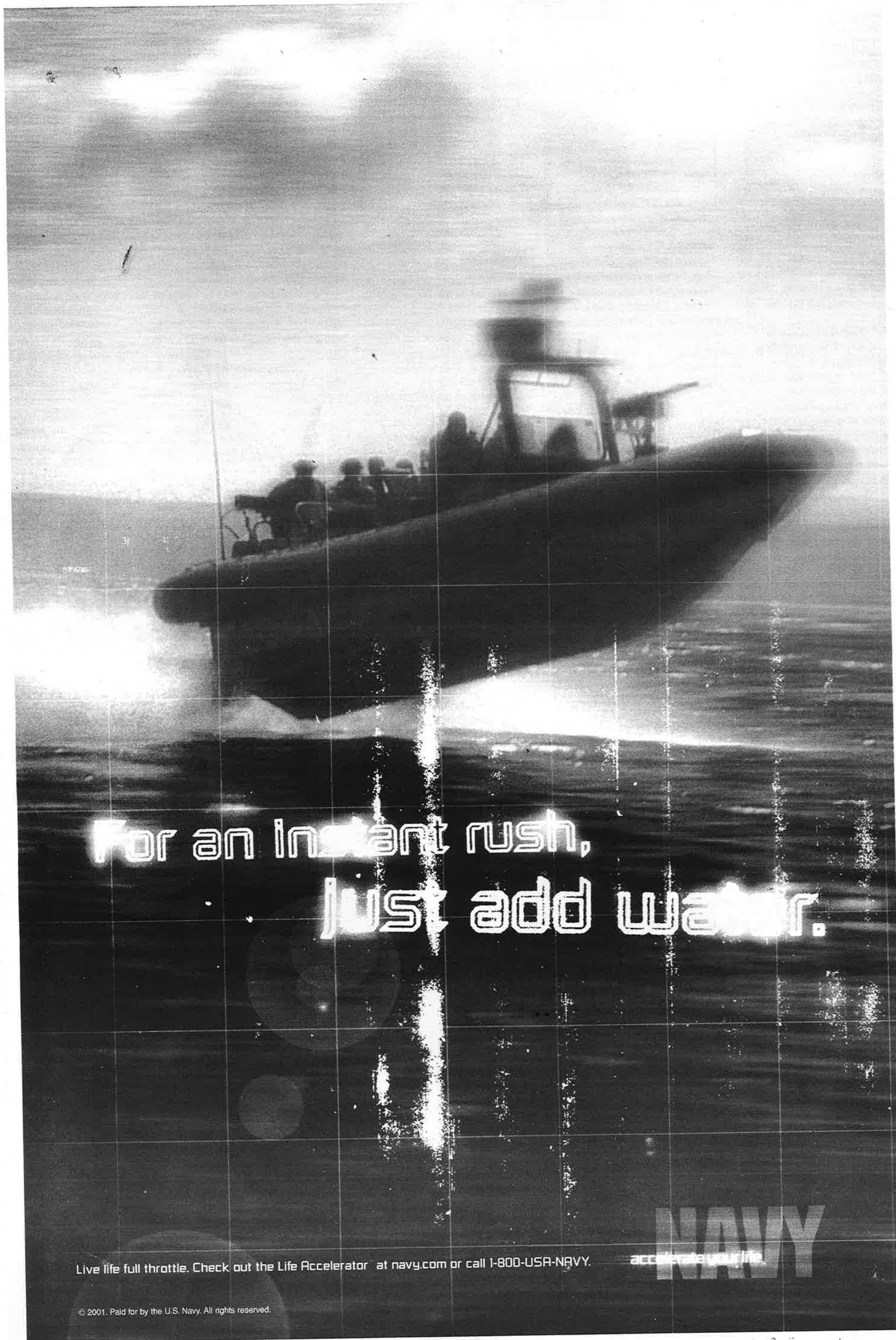
Buttons distributed at the rally echo Associated Student Government's support for the district bond measure.

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# Fresno life flows down Blackstone

"My name is Life," he said, flashing gang signs as he hung out the side window of his car. He feigned a smile and squinted at us, adjusting the shirt that hung on one shoulder, revealing a sprawling tattoo.



**Megan Edwards**

Entertainment Editor  
Opinion

We couldn't help but burst

into laughter. "Is this guy for real?"

"Your name is what?" Lori hollered back at him from her window, trying to converse and keep her car straight as we floated down the river of lights that is Blackstone Avenue.

"Lice, is it? Is that why you shaved your head?" We couldn't keep a straight face, much less a straight line.

He laughed a little and pulled a tainted arm back into his shirt.

"Yeah, clever. Hey, what are you doing tonight?"

"Nothing, what are you doing?"

"Nothing."

That's how it went. That's how most of

the "conversations" went that night. Up and down the shadowed street, members of an urban subculture crept along, communicating in an alternative language of "nothing's," "wanna race's" and "vroom, vroom, squeal's."

Unlike any other community, this was a mobile one where interaction begins and ends with "the car." He, or she in our case, who has the fastest, loudest or most expensive automobile rules. They pull up at stoplights, size one another up with a cold glare, and rev their engines in a display of testosterone-boiling energy. Then it's over in less than 5 seconds as someone pulls away and another interaction begins, hopefully with one other than the car with the flashing red and blue lights.

Life was probably the most social character out there, smiling through his braces and twisting his fingers confidently into ambiguous symbols of organized

crime, although I am new to the ways of this subculture and thus I am not sure if we even should have taken note of him, hanging out of his Bronco.

Perhaps we should have rumbled by, laughing in our silver Saleen, just as the other Mustangs and souped up Hondas were doing around us. But, then, this was just another interaction, another "vroom" in the form of a gang sign and a bare shoulder, another "squeal" as we giggled over his mannerisms and pulled away, resolving to have nothing more to do with him that didn't include a public setting, two car doors and the space between two lanes.

My friends and I were a little more bored than usual that night, debating over whether to play pool or rent a movie. But

Lori, with the silver Saleen, was feeling ambitious and Blackstone was calling. Being the owner of a Nissan Sentra, decked out with no more than angel hearts that hang from the rear view and a couple of stickers, I had never taken part in the motorized celebrations of the Riverpark area. It was exciting to ride in a car that turned every head and attracted whoops of approval and glares of envy. I'm usually dodging cars as they nearly careen into me, barely noticing my tiny in-line 4.

That night I discovered a lively subculture wherein people ritualistically "cruised" Blackstone, challenging one another to a war of speed, exchanged dialogue through a series of primitive head nods and revving engines and offered up sacrifices of gas money to the automobile gods.

"What was the attraction?" I wondered. "Was it

the ability to displace one's own problems or shortcoming by assuming the cold, metallic personality of a car? Was it the shallow interactions of chance meetings as cars shuffled along the river of lights? Or was it the gratification of turning heads and beating pompous pedal pushers off the line?"

Whatever it was, I would probably never understand. For alas, I was restricted to the rear leather seat of Lori's silver Saleen, never to glare fearlessly into the eyes of the driver next to me, knowing he would soon be gazing enviously at the trunk of my car as it sped off into the distance.

I returned to my Nissan that night, poking the angel hearts thoughtfully and turned on the silent engine. I chuckled in remembrance of the night's most comical moment. For,

above all else that happened that night, I experienced "Life."

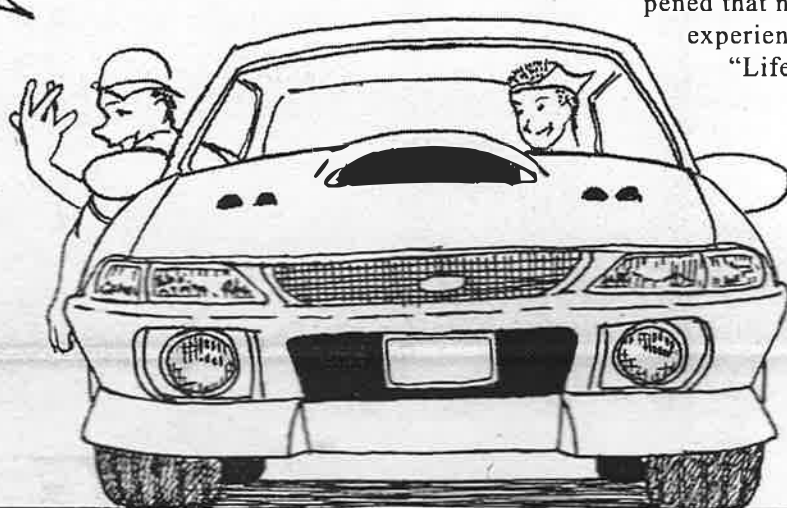
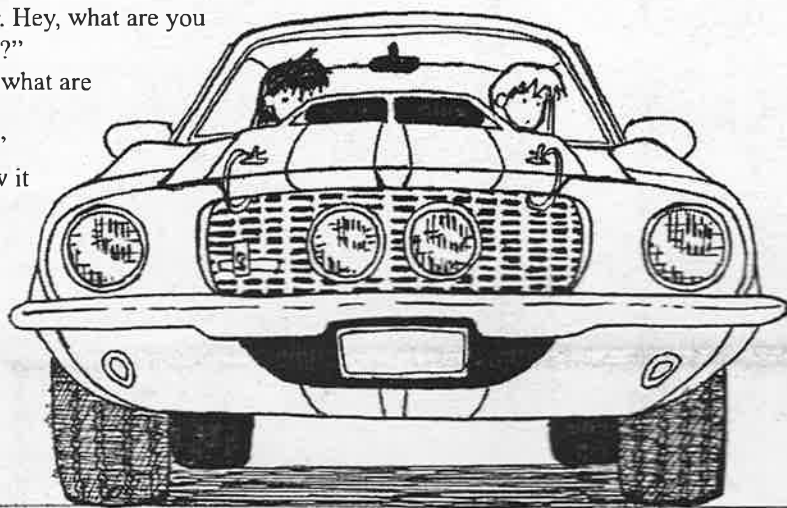


Illustration by Jesse Garcia

## Kat's Meow

Do you know the signs of sexual harassment, or your rights when it comes to it? Sexual harassment is unwanted sexual attention. It can take many different forms, ranging from unwelcome comments or leering to physical contact to creating a "hostile environment."

The legal definition of sexual harassment is widely debated. The laws against it only apply in schools and the workplace because under those circumstances it amounts to "sex discrimination," meaning that it violates your right to get an equal environment. Most cases of sexual harassment involve men harassing women, but it can happen with any gender combination. In many, but not all cases, the harasser has some sort of power over the other person, such as a boss over a secretary.

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission defines two basic kinds of sexual harassment. "Quid pro quo" harassment is when sexual favors are expected in exchange for raises, grades or as a condition for keeping a job or not failing a course, etc. Sexual relationships between teachers and underage students can qualify as quid pro quo harassment because of the inherent power imbalance. (Sex between an adult and someone under the age of 18 is considered statutory rape.)

"Hostile environment" harassment is when school or the workplace is made uncomfortable for someone in a sexual manner. Hostile environment harassment is especially murky territory, because different people have different levels of tolerance for graphic sexual talk, teasing and visual material.

It takes witnesses and a great deal of evidence to sue someone for sexual harassment in court. Nonetheless, there is a small record of successful suits against schools when complaints about lewd graffiti and/or relentless sexual teasing in the hallways were ignored, and against former employers, complaining that supervisors demanded sex or used sexually vulgar language in the workplace.

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## Family fun bids Big Fresno Fair-well



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*Students from Turner Elementary compete with fruits and vegetables grown in a school garden. The second-, third- and fourth-grade students won various awards for their efforts.*

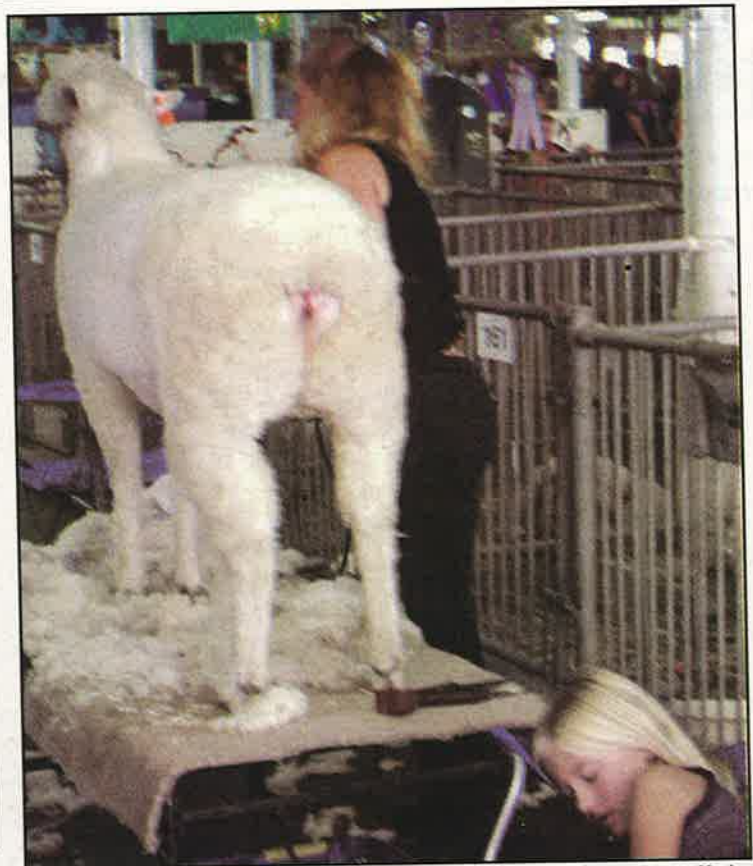


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*Michelle Cannon gives her daughter Alexis, age 11, a break during the long hours of Fair competition. They represent the Coalinga 4H Club.*



Photo by Wendy Alexander

*The ferris wheel provides a birds-eye view of the Midway. The fair ended this year's 10-day run Sunday, Oct. 13.*

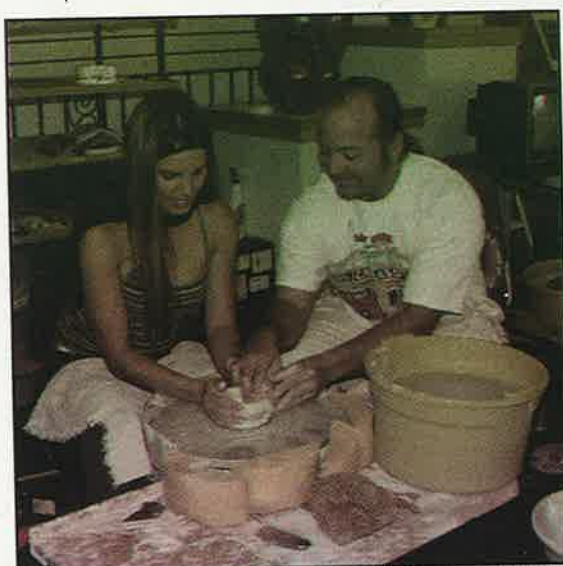


Photo by Wendy Alexander

*Work of Art owner Perry Argyilan makes pottery at the Fresno Fair with Denise Walker.*



*Participants intensely watch the judges as they lead their prize entries through the swine showmanship competition.*

Photo by Lenetta Huxley



# Agriculture not so baaad at the fair

By Megan Edwards  
Entertainment Editor

Fresno, once the agricultural capitol of the world, places great importance on livestock, produce and other forms of agricultural endeavors. And the Big Fresno Fair epitomizes the celebration of those elements.

"Fairs were originally intended to see whose bull was the biggest, whose apple pie was the tastiest, etc.," said Carolee Boele, livestock superintendent at the Fresno Fair, "so livestock has always been an integral part of any fair."

That can easily be seen as observers mill about through the Livestock building of the Fresno Fairgrounds. People come to see the best of the Central Valley bleat and oink and chew their cud. In the petting zoo, children chase after galloping billy goats and stare awestruck at a long-necked llama.

But none have more fun than the competing members of Future Farmers of America.

Morgan Gillispie of the Fresno FFA said, "It's great to meet new people around the county and to educate little kids."

"It's a lot of fun showing animals and seeing all of your work pay off," said Kristopher Welker of the Fresno FFA.

This year was Michael Carlson's fourth year being involved in the Kerman FFA. He enjoys the program because "I like meeting new people, going places and having fun."

FFA itself, however, has recently experienced a budget cut. The Fresno coordinator of FFA has transferred to Sacramento to conduct other duties, causing local FFA groups to lose support in the area.

"That's a problem for us because we can't hold regional activities without the supervi-

sor," Carlson said. "That means we don't get to do all the things we want to do."

Carolyn Spain works at a feed store and her daughter is showing goats at the fair. "I'd like Gray Davis to come down here and look at the hard work these kids have done. He doesn't understand."

And these competitors do work hard. "It takes commitment to the event," Boele said. "These kids that are raising animals for these events undertake some 11- or 12-month projects."

The competitions have gathered a number of animals. The Livestock building has housed more than 400 head of sheep, more than 400 pigs and more than 200 head of cattle.

Competing animals are judged based on certain characteristics specific to the species, such as dairyness or big body capacity. And judges are selected based on a specialized knowledge of the species.

If you had a chance to go to the fair, you may have noticed that the Fur and Feathers building, showcasing top breeds of birds and rabbits, was closed. This is because the fair decided to be proactive in halting all movement of the avian species in the state of California due to the presence of a disease in poultry called New Castle. None of the birds in the building were shown to have the disease, but fair officials wanted to be safe.

But animals aren't all there is in the scope of agriculture. Fresno County has a booming industry of produce that is celebrated as well. Here, towns compete by trying to create the most attractive or creative booth to display their town's contribution to agriculture.

The best decorations an animation went to the Kerman booth, earning them the Niagra

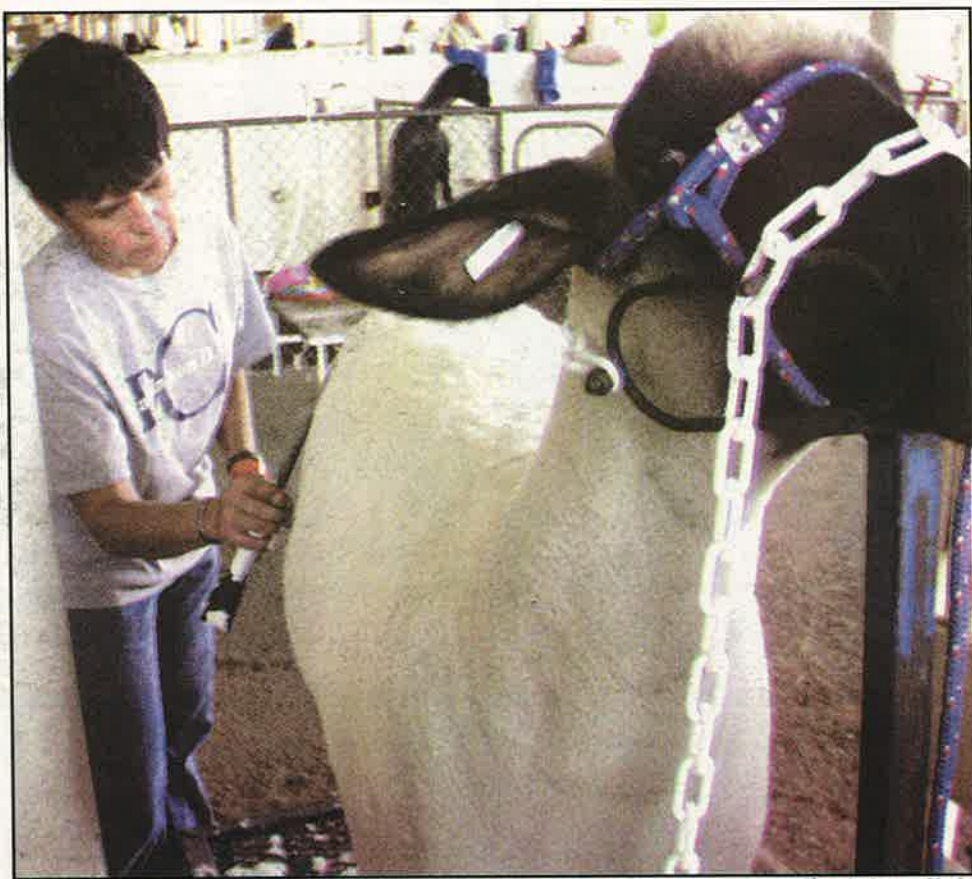


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Roz grooms a sheep that has been raised for 4H. Her child is a student at Easton's Pacific Union High School. Showing animals is a major part of students', and parents', 4H and FFA activities.

Chemical Award Perpetual Trophy.

And where would the produce industry be without bees? Nowhere, beekeeper Phillip Clinton might say. "Without bees, a lot of the crops would not get pollinated, specifically seed crops," said Clinton said.

In the Agriculture building, observers would find a window frame full of active bees that were carefully placed inside for display.

"Very few people know much about bees so we show them to educate the general public and show how important they are to our agriculture," Clinton said.

So whatever character — whether mooing cows, clucking chickens or buzzing bees — each element is vital to the Valley's economy and central in the celebration of the Big Fresno Fair.

## Fair fun for all species

By Jen Langworthy  
Rampage reporter

The Big Fresno Fair is back in town once again and along with it are some interesting new shows as well as some familiar, but entertaining, faces. From racing piglets to show-off sea lions, the Fresno Fair does not disappoint.

Somewhat of a tradition at the fair the last few years has been the All-Alaskan Racing Pigs. Actually the racing "pigs" are young piglets between eight and twelve months old.

During the course of the race there are usually three heats — two qualifying rounds and one championship race — but this year, viewers are given the option to extend the session by one exhibition race in which the four-and-a-half week old racers-in-training run with two of the older pigs to learn to run the track, and also to show off for the audience.

Another returning guest is the Traveling Game Show. One man, known only as "the Traveling Game Show guy," pushes around a cart, that he created, which is equipped with speakers, sound effects and sequins and puts on a game show wherever he sees a crowd. He appears at random times during the day and you never know where you'll see him next.

The Traveling Game Show is very simple. The host will ask random questions from a variety of categories, such as entertainment, sports and leisure, name that tune, and superhero alter egos as well as others. And if you answer the question correctly (in other words scream out the right answer as loud as you can before anyone else) then you get a string of "Mardi Gras good luck beads" and are in the running for "all those valuable prizes." Anyone amassing three strings of beads can, if they so choose, trade them in for a "valuable prize," such as a whoopee cushion (no

house should be without one), and a string of winner's beads.

One new attraction this year is the Sea Lion Splash featuring California sea lion, Sammie, her two cohorts, Patagonian sea lions, Minni and Alicia and their trainer and friend Marco Peters, a.k.a. "Surfer Joe." When they're not biting Joe or kissing him they are actually quite impressive with their ability to balance balls, play soccer and Frisbee, stand on one flipper and generally act like "three-year-old children."

The sea lion show serves to entertain and educates viewers. One of the first things that the audience is told is that the sea lion's behavior is comparable to that of a three-year-old. This makes them slightly easier to train but it also makes them a little unpredictable. The audience also learns that a sea lion actually balances a ball by holding it with their whiskers and that they swallow fish whole so that they don't get small bones stuck in their throat.

Brad's Wide World of Reptiles was on-hand in Kids Town to showcase some unique critters and to teach people about them. The exhibit featured some rather large snakes, two turtles and a nine-year-old alligator as well as other smaller creatures. People could be seen lining up to hold the alligator and have their picture taken. Those who wanted to could hold a variety of snakes and lizards, with the handlers watching over them, and children were allowed to pet the animals. Along with the various reptiles were several species of cockroach as well as a rather large tarantula.

All of these attractions were held at the Big Fresno Fair located at the Fresno Fair Grounds. Show times and locations were listed on a program given out at the gate upon entering the fair.



Photo by Theresa Carr

Ray Charles and band entertained fairgoers on the Big Fresno Fair's opening night.

## Ray Charles opens up for the Fresno Fair

By J. Riley  
Production manager

The Big Fresno Fair kicked off its opening day with a bang this year. Not only did organizers have everyone's favorite attractions and fair food (such as the deep fried twinkies), but they also brought to the stage a man who can bring a smile to anyone's heart, Ray Charles.

Of every performance I have seen at the

Fair over the years, Charles' performance was by far, the best. It began with his band playing a set or two of jazz. Then on came the highlight of the evening. Charles took the stage, led by an assistant, and got to work on the ivories.

Many of his most popular songs got a lot of attention as soon as he would begin to play. As a matter of fact, sometimes, if you weren't a fanatic, you wouldn't be able to tell which songs were being played until the minute screams died down.



## City Life

by Jesse Garcia

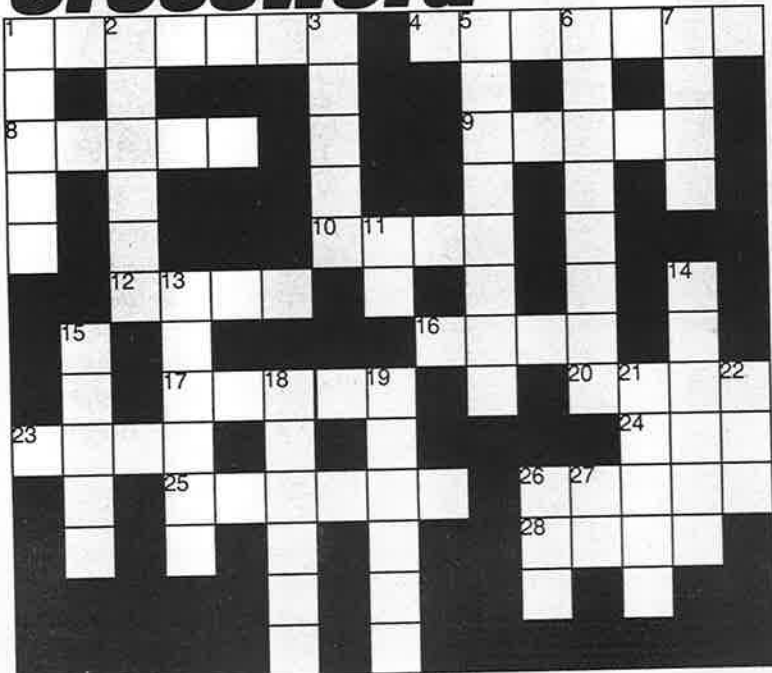


## Inside Joke

by J. Riley and Jesse Garcia



## Crossword



## Across

1. When the sun rises
4. Absolutely ridiculous
8. Compare to something
9. What people often donate when they die
10. What people shout when realize something shocking
12. What they do to you when you join a fraternity
16. Make beer
17. Aromatic herb related to daisies
20. What you receive when you arrive in Hawaii
23. A green gemstone
24. \_\_\_ farm
25. Lay waste
26. Ridiculous action

## Down

1. some balloons are made of this
2. having a trim appearance
3. type or category
5. burns and smokes without flame
6. a person who stays up all night
7. how many months you are pregnant
11. Germanium
13. makes different
14. shrink from pain
15. what oysters make
18. where Las Vegas is
19. what Yoplait makes
21. where we all live
22. female saint
26. dandy
27. Alcoholics Anonymous, abbrev.

## Answer Box

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

CROSSWORD - Across: 1. Morning 4. Astime 8. Liken 9. Organ 10. Legad 12. Haze 16. Brew 17. Tansy 20. Lets 23. Jade 24. Ant 25. Ravage 26. Farce 28. Oath Down: 1. Mylar 2. Rak- ish 3. Genre 5. Smolders 6. Mighitowl 7. Nine 11. Ge 13. Alters 14. Finch 15. Pearl 18. Nevada 19. Yogurt 21. Earth 22. Site 26. Pop 27. AA SAY WHAT? - Robin Williams "Good Morn- ing, Vietnam"

## 10 Recs.

## Movie to see: "Jonah"

Veggie Tales hits the big screen in the retelling of the Bible story of Jonah and the whale.

## Video to rent: "40 Days and 40 Nights"

One man decides to do the impossible - no sex of any kind for 40 days and 40 nights.

## CD to burn: "Yellow Submarine"

The soundtrack to the Beatles hit movie.

## Book to read: "Floating Dragon"

by Peter Straub. Starts off a little slow but quickly pulls you in and won't let go.

## Website to view: askjeeves.com

Got a question? Ask jeeves - the online butler.

## Place to go: The movies

Open the paper, pick a movie, grab some popcorn and exit reality.

## Live event: "Mere Mortals"

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday; 2 p.m. Saturday; 7:30 p.m. Oct. 24, Oct. 25 and Oct. 26; 2 p.m. Oct. 26; FCC Theatre

## Game to play: "Super Mario World"

Sure, it's old, but, hey, it's hard to beat a classic.

## Television show to watch: "Sue Thomas F.B. Eye"

Based on the true story of a deaf woman who worked for the F.B.I.

## Poem to recite: Anything by Emily Dickenson

They're all so good. How do you choose just one?

## Say What?



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## A montage of art and symbols comes to FCC art gallery

By Megan Edwards  
Entertainment Editor

The Art Space Gallery is hosting "Montage: Symbols, Portraits, and Paintings" by Tim Williams, a former student of Fresno City College, from Oct. 3-25, in what may be his last one-man show in Fresno.

The Art Space Gallery decided to display the work of just one artist because "the tendency [in assembling a cultural art exhibit] is to group artists' work together and that's not necessarily fair," said Bernida Webb-Binder, curator of the Art Space Gallery and art history instructor at FCC. "[Williams] had a clear viewpoint of this whole idea of group shows for people of different ethnicities so we decided to go with a one-man show for him," she said.

Williams took an oil painting class once with FCC instructor Robin Bates, and "she's the reason that I even bother with oils," Williams said.

"I have no patience," he said, "so most of my work is with acrylics, which allow me to do a lot of compositions in a relatively short period of time."

The majority of his work on display is done with acrylic paintings, portraying a vibrant array of historical, religious and other abstract symbols.

Webb-Binder's favorite aspect of Williams' work is "his use of color as well as the expressions he portrays on a lot of his portraits. It's quite insightful."

Of his work, Williams enjoys painting those with the theme of symmetrical shapes contrasting landscapes. "I can't just paint landscapes without adding a twist to it," he said.

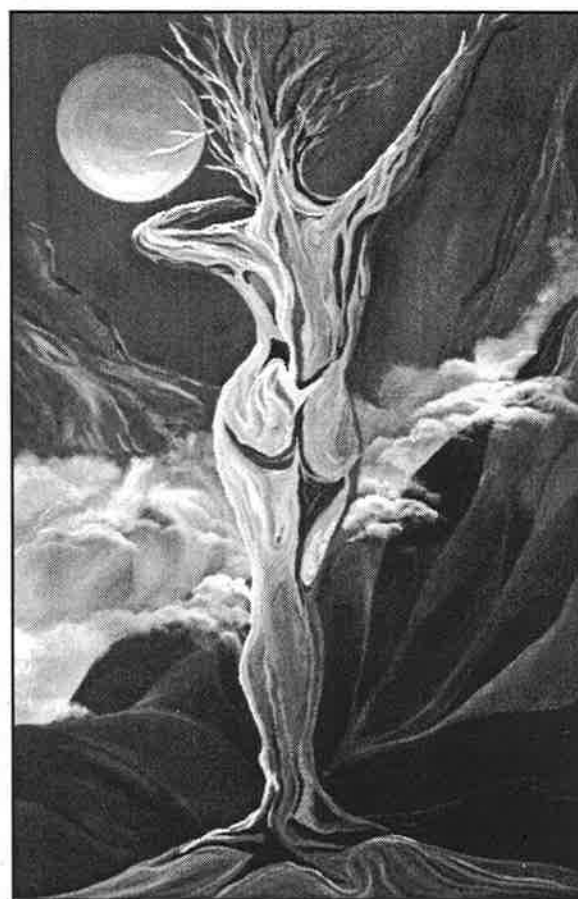
He also enjoyed the tree ladies. "I consider them deities," he said. "I wish the gallery could have had the room to display all of my tree lady paintings because then students could see the progression. In later pieces the tree lost its bark,

representing Eve's fall from a kind of deity to being a human like us."

Williams' work takes on meanings relevant to the college student. The painting "Self Destruction" is not only a commentary on slavery, but an image of the manner in which every human being "puts pressure on themselves," says Williams. "I paint something and give you a sense of what I'm saying, but you can interpret it to fit your own life," he added.

Williams has been painting since the late 1980s, and professionally since the 1990s. He quickly excelled in art at the early age of 6 when, armed with markers and pencils, he would just "go at it," he said.

The exhibit is doing well with students, Webb-Binder said. About 160 people attended the opening reception, which took place from 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 3. Entire classes have come to observe, as well as passing students. "It is quite popular," Webb-Binder said.



Tim Williams has been involved in art since he was just six years old. As a natural, he has always excelled. Now his work appears at the Art Space Gallery located on campus in the Art/Home economics building, room 101. On the left is one of his favorites, a painting from the "Tree Lady" series. His work will show through October.

Photo by Margo Woodward

## Mere Mortals mirrors life in new production

By Latasha Ball  
Rampage Reporter

Based on everyday lives, "Mere Mortals" is a play that looks into the private acts of people and portrays them for the public.

"It is difficult because there are a series of different one-act plays in which each character must be defined and analyzed under given circumstances," said Dana Fouch, who is performing in the play.

A play with a lot of diversity is going to get mixed reactions from the audience. "If the audience goes into sketch humor and are not afraid to get a little risqué, then they're going to enjoy it," said Christopher Martinez, a seventh-semester student at FCC.

"It's a really great play and it has some creative ideas in it," said Gia

Solorzano.

"People as an audience want to see private affairs performed in public, and revel in what otherwise would not be said. That is why the theater continues to evolve, and why plays like this one will continue to be popular in the public eye," said Fouch.

When it comes to the synopsis of Mere mortals, the cast feels confident they'll have a positive outcome. "I feel that Fresno is not too cultured when it comes to art so I feel they'll take the obvious humor and be happy with it," said Taylor Cole.

"David Ives wrote a very upbeat and optimistic play," said Solarzo.

The play will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 17 through Oct. 26. It is also being shown at 2 p.m. Oct. 19 and Oct. 26.

## Altered Modalities to hold first concert

By Megan Edwards  
Entertainment Editor

Altered Modalities, a contemporary dance group, is holding its first concert along with invited dance companies at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 24 and 25 in the Tower Theatre. Tickets are \$20.

The concert to be held will be the first full-length concert consisting of award-winning choreographer Martha Kelli-Fierro's individual work and dancers. Also performing will be a dance group from California State University, Fresno, and the San Francisco Dance Company.

The group has participated in a number of benefits all over the state, but Kelli-Fierro hopes that "this will get us out there a little better."

Romy Yoshimoto, company

member and former employee of CalPro Nutrition Education at FCC said, "People should come to see us just to be enlightened by the caliber and level of trained dancers that are affiliated with [Kelli-Fierro's] dance studio."

"Audience members will see some amazing dancing," said Kelli-Fierro. "The choreography is different and challenging from a dancer's perspective as well as for an audience to absorb."

The company consists of 10 dancers from all over Central California, such as Clovis, Exeter, Fowler, Fresno, Hanford and Porterville, as well as from San Francisco. Four of the dancers — Dana Young, Ahley Tutuoglu, Noelle Cavalla and Kirby Randall — are students at FCC. The 10th dancer is Kelli-Fierro.

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# REEL Pride a sell-out

The 13th annual REEL Pride Film Festival, Sept. 26-29, was a huge success. The sixth oldest gay and lesbian film festival in the United States not only had its first official sell-out but also introduced International films to its collection for the first time.



**Kat Strauss**  
Rampage reporter  
Event review

Also for the first time, organizers introduced the REEL Pride scholarship, which was awarded to a former Rampagian, Joe Moffitt. The festival drew people of all races and sexual orientations together.

The festival started in 1990 in a small classroom at Fresno State showing one film. It has expanded to include 41 short films, documentaries and features and

more than 50 actors and directors attending the festival to introduce their work.

The list of sponsors boasts more than 80 international, national and local businesses. It's great to see so many giving to a festival of this caliber.

Opening night, people lined up around the block to see Margaret Cho in her new stand-up comedy, "Notorious C.H.O." Her raunchy humor is the funniest thing you'll ever see, I laughed so hard my jaw hurt and tears streamed down my face.

I was exposed to a lot of culture over the four-day-weekend. From documentaries about Harry Hay, who was a huge contributor to gay rights, to fanciful films like "Final Exams," a French film that takes an odd animation approach like Power Puff Girls.

One of the bigger supporters of REEL Pride was Central California Alliance, ([www.ccafresno.org](http://www.ccafresno.org)) a nonprofit organization dedicated to

promoting positive change, equal rights, social and networking opportunities for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people.

REEL Pride also helps fund Books for the High School Libraries. The money goes to the local Gay Straight Alliances, which selects and promotes books containing positive gay and lesbian themes for school libraries.

Fresno REEL Pride is also involved with the Community OUTreach program promoting support for "selected social and educational programs that benefit members of the gay and lesbian community."

All in all, REEL Pride is an amazing event. Next year, you should try to attend the 14th annual Fresno REEL Pride Film Festival, even if it's only for one film. It's an enriching experience that everyone can appreciate.

## Youth make their voices heard

**By Niall Keogh**  
Rampage reporter

Valley teenagers captured life with black and white photography and audio recording. Eleven students ages 13 to 17 presented their study on what is important in their community. "The Voices of Youth" is on display at Fresno City Hall through October.

The students involved in this year's Voices of Youth are: Ruby Bernardino, 16; Paris King, 17; Marlana McClain, 16; Josh Pepper, 15; Jorge Santacruz, 13; Jessica Valasquez, 14; Cindy Garcia, 15; Natali Ovel-Mclano, 15; Nichole Mendez, 16; Crystal Ramos, 15; and Daniel Trevino, 17.

To capture life within communities means something to them. Ruby Bernardino took pictures of the Remate, a smaller version of a farmers market. "These

people sell produce. ... They sell garbanzo beans, peanuts and other Mexican produce for just a couple of bucks," said Bernardo, who is from Selma.

"Every year many kids tell themselves they want to be heard and never get the chance," Mendez said. Her display was on bikers. Mendez writes that a major part of her childhood was riding with her dad on his motorcycle. To Mendez, motorcycles are not only part of her childhood but will be important throughout her life.

Jorge Santacruz has lived in the Tower District for four years. "The bright colorful lights and the beautiful atmosphere make the Tower unique." Santacruz presents the Tower District in a way that lets you picture a man in a tux with a date in an evening gown walking next to a kid with a skateboard and a cigarette.

## Music scene

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### Friday, Oct. 18:

■ **Old Time Rock and Roll Band:** Butterfield Brewing Company, 777 E. Olive Ave., 264-5521, 8:30 p.m., no cover, ages 21 and over.

■ **Kat Jones:** Kuppajoe, 3673 N. First St., 229-3320, 8 p.m., \$5 cover, ages 21 and over.

■ **Blackbird:** Club Fred, 1426 N. Van Ness Ave., 233-3733, 10 p.m., \$5 cover, ages 21 and over.

■ **Tequila Rose:** Chuy's, 2760 W. Shaw Ave., 276-0776, 9 p.m., no cover, all ages.

■ **Red Room:** J Street Bar and Grill, 27 N. Tower Square, Tulare, 688-7535, 9:30 p.m., \$3, ages 21 and over

■ **2am Orchestra:** Starline, 833 E. Fern Ave., 485-7517, 9 p.m., \$6, all ages

### Saturday, Oct. 19:

■ **Old Time Rock and Roll Band:** Butterfield Brewing Company, 777 E. Olive Ave., 264-5521, 8:30 p.m., no cover, ages 21 and over.

■ **Tequila Rose:** Bobby Salazars, 725 E. Olive Ave., 497-9920, 9 p.m., no cover, all ages.

### Sunday, Oct. 20:

■ **2am Orchestra:** Borders Books & Music, 7722 N. Blackstone Ave., 435-5501, 8 p.m., no cover, all ages

■ **The Open End:** Pizza Land, 4029 N. Marks Ave., 224-1800, 6 p.m., \$5, all ages

■ **Gimme Shelter:** Chuy's, 2760 W. Shaw Ave., 276-0776, 9 p.m., no cover, all ages

■ **The Gary Tracy Band:** Fib-



ber McGee's, 6650 N. Cedar Ave., 297-4100, no cover, 9 p.m., ages 21 and over

■ **Bored\_ave.:** J Street Bar and Grill, 27 N. Tower Square, Tulare, 688-7535, 9 p.m., \$3, ages 21 and over

### Saturday, Oct. 26:

■ **Zig Zag:** Hog Wild Saloon, 1033 Simpson Ave., Kingsburg, 897-2111, 9 p.m., no cover, ages 21 and over

■ **The Gary Tracy Band:** Fiber McGee's, 6650 N. Cedar Ave., 297-4100, no cover, 9 p.m., ages 21 and over

■ **Tequila Rose:** Sheri's Roadhouse, 20023 Auberry Road, 298-5613, 9 p.m., no cover, ages 21 and over

### Sunday, Oct. 27:

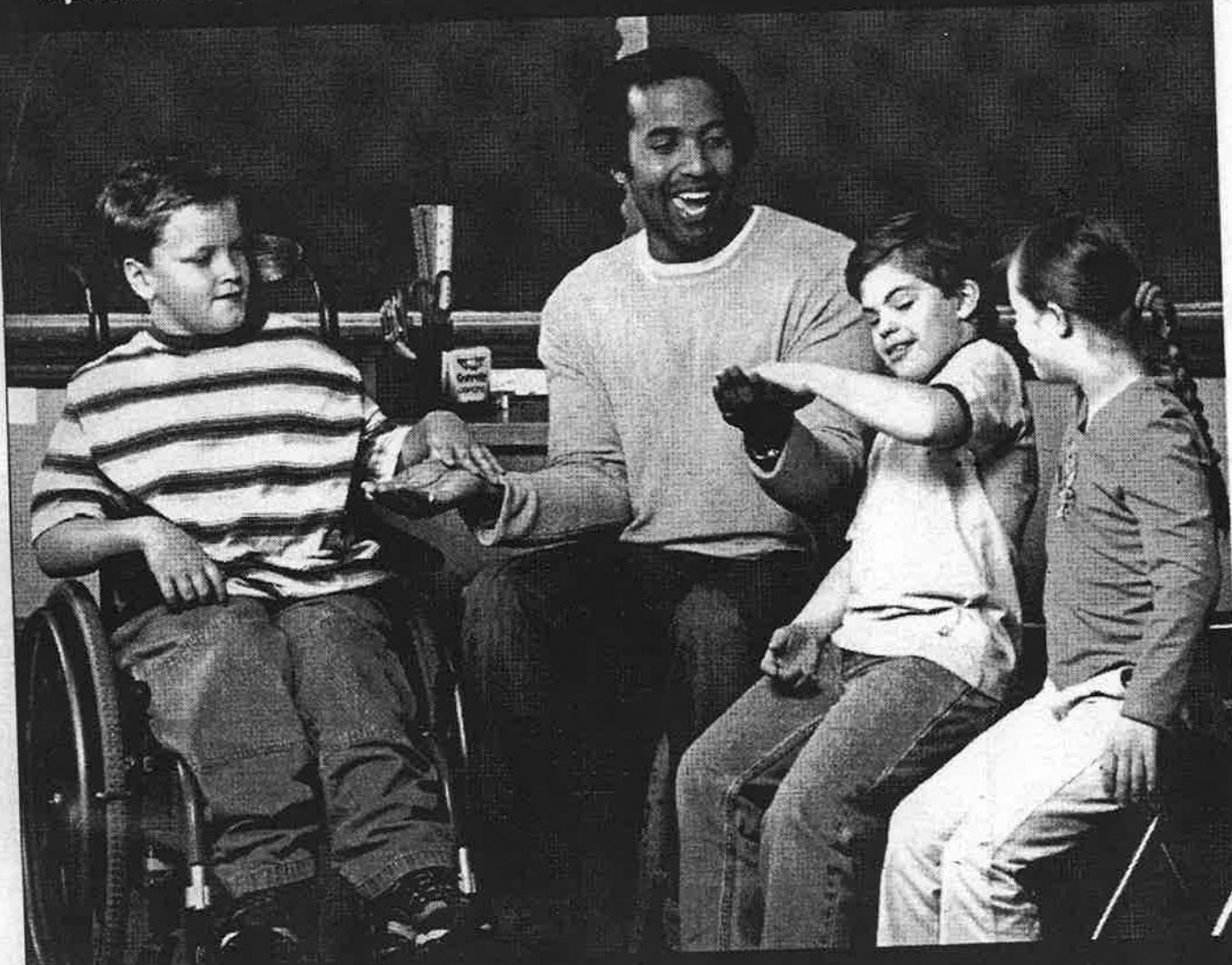
■ **The Gary Tracy Band:** Manchester Mall, 3742 N. Blackstone Ave., 222-9181, 1 p.m., no cover, ages 21 and over

### Wednesday, Oct. 30:

■ **The Gary Tracy Band:** Butterfield Brewing Co., 777 E. Olive Ave., 264-5521, 6:30 p.m., no cover, ages 21 and over

— Compiled by Megan Edwards

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# UPCOMING EVENTS



## Volleyball team remains undefeated Rams No. 6 in state

By Anthony Galaviz  
Sports Editor

Sheri Ostrand-Hess is all smiles this season.

The fourth-year Fresno City College volleyball coach has guided the Rams to a No. 6 state ranking by California Community College.

That formula of success is from one thing.

"Team chemistry," Ostrand-Hess said. "Last year, we didn't have that. We have a lot of chemistry and we're well-balanced. We have better ball control and great defense. So it makes a large difference."

"We're deeper than we've ever been before."

The Rams are currently first in the Central Valley Conference standings with a record of 6-0.

In a showdown of unbeaten teams in the Central Valley Conference on Oct. 9, FCC swept past host

Merced 30-25, 30-18, 30-17.

Stacy Goodman had 13 kills, and Brianne Stockwell had 31 assists for the Rams.

"The team chemistry is different this year," Goodman said. "We've got more utility players. Right now, we're looking at state."

Kelly McLemore leads the team in ace serves with 61. Goodman and Betsey Keller have 52 aces apiece.

Brianne Stockwell has been a big contributor for the Rams with a team-leading 168 assists.

"We're more diverse," Keller said. "We have a deep bench, and that helps. We're just out to do business."

The Rams will host Porterville College at 7 p.m. today at FCC gym. Later this month, the Rams will host the FCC Classic Tournament on Oct. 27.

The Rams will play No. 3 San Joaquin Delta and No. 7 Golden West, with the matches starting at noon.

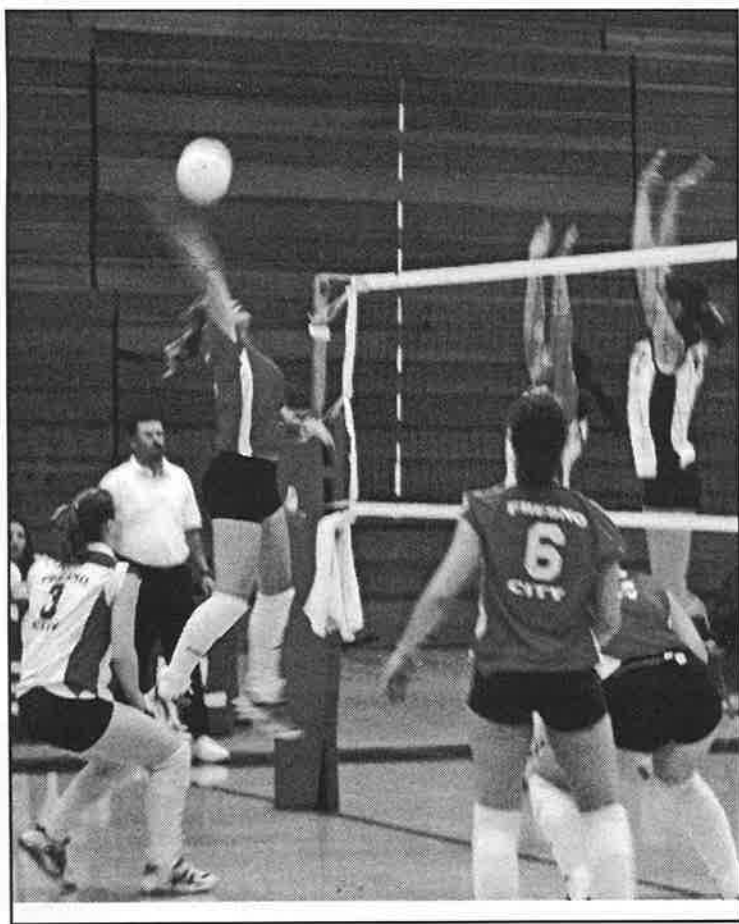


Photo by Lenetta Huxley

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## Valley Conference football schedule

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Nov. 9: at West Hills, 1 p.m.  
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Nov. 23: Merced, 7 p.m.

### FRESNO CITY

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### MERCED

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Nov. 23: West Hills, 7 p.m.  
Dec. 7: Graffiti Bowl

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## screening guidelines

- **Do BSE (Breast Self Exam)** each month starting by the age of 20.
  - Get to know your breasts. Report any changes to your doctor or nurse.
- **Have a clinical breast exam** by your doctor or nurse at least every 3 years starting at the age of 20, and every year after the age of 40.
- **Have a mammogram** (breast x-ray) every year starting at the age of 40.
  - If you are under 40 and have breast cancer in your family or are worried about your breasts, talk to your doctor.



## topics that affect you

### common breast changes

Breast lumpiness with tenderness or pain at certain times of the month is called *fibrocystic breast changes*. These breast changes are common and do not increase your chance of getting breast cancer. Do BSE (Breast Self Exam) each month. Get to know the way your breasts look and feel. Learn what is normal for you.

### diet and exercise

All women are at risk for breast cancer. But, you can do things to lower your risk. Exercise and eat a diet rich in fruits and vegetables.

### alcohol

Studies have shown that drinking a lot of alcohol could increase your risk for breast cancer. If you drink alcohol, drink less than one drink per day.

### birth control pills

If you are currently taking birth control pills, your breast cancer risk is slightly increased. After you stop taking birth control pills, your risk decreases and disappears after about 10 years.

### family history

Most women who get breast cancer have no family history of the disease. If someone in your family has had breast cancer or you are concerned about your risk, talk to your doctor. Learn about your choices and ask when to start getting mammograms.

## warning signs

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## CURRY VILLAGE



## YOSEMITE



# Junior College football notebook: Rams No. 1 in nation

By Josh Butters

Rampage reporter

FCC is No. 1 in the JC Grid-Wire rankings for the second straight week. Despite the national recognition the Rams are No. 2 in the NorCal rankings behind CC of San Francisco.

CC of San Francisco earned 11 first place votes while FCC has two.

## CC of San Francisco breaks national record

After defeating San Jose City College 63-3 on Oct. 5, City College of San Francisco set the national record for their 39 consecutive wins. The Rams also extended the record to 40 consecutive wins with their 28-6 victory on Oct. 12 against American River.

City College of San Francisco's winning streak dates back to the beginning of the 1999 season when they won the first of three consecutive state championships.

## FCC offense continues to shine

Through the first half of the regular season, the FCC offense continues to flourish. On Oct. 12, the Rams had their highest offensive showing of the season by scoring 61 points against Diablo Valley at Ratcliffe Stadium.

For the season, FCC is averaging 52.4 points per game and has outscored its opponents 265-127.

## Several California teams remain unbeaten

Halfway through the regular season, California still has a handful of undefeateds.

NorCal teams with no defeats in the loss column include CC of San Francisco(5-0), Fresno City College(5-0) and Reedley College(5-0).

SoCal undefeated teams are Chaffey(4-0), Grossmont(4-0), Cerritos(5-0), Pasa-

dena(5-0) and Compton(4-0).

## San Joaquin Delta bounces back

After losing 49-37 to Fresno City College on Oct. 5, the Mustangs bounced back against College of the Sequoias. The Mustangs easily defeated the Giants 62-30.

The loss was College of the Sequoia's first of the season. Delta improved their record to 4-1.

## Palomar drops to 4-1

After losing to City College of San Francisco 62-12 in last year's state championship game, Palomar has lost its first game of the 2002 season. Palomar is No. 3 in the SoCal but is expected to drop in the rankings after their 31-23 loss against Mt. San Antonio.

Mt. San Antonio is No. 15 in SoCal and improved to 3-2 on the season.



Photo by Lenetta Huxley

FCC's Joe Tomasello breaks through for a 47 yard touchdown run to seal a 49-37 Ram victory against San Joaquin Delta on Oct. 5.

## Reedley moves to 5-0

After defeating Modesto 56-5, Reedley College improved its record to 5-0. The Tigers are ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in NorCal and 17<sup>th</sup> in the nation.

FCC will host Reedley at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 23 at Ratcliffe Stadium.

## Charles still running strong

With a fiery start, Earl Charles is on pace to break the 1,000 yard rushing plateau in FCC's next game against West Hills on Oct. 26. Charles currently has 896 yards rushing on 132 carries for the season and is averaging 176.6 per game with 11 rushing touchdowns.

Last year, Charles rushed for 1035 yards for the entire season on 129 carries.

## Idiart finds endzone

Daniel Idiart scored his first touchdown as a Ram when he caught a 44-yard pass from Mark Hetherington against Delta. Idiart scored another touchdown, this time against Diablo Valley, a 33-yard pass from Hetherington.

## Injury report

The Rams suffered some key injuries in their victory over Delta. FCC safety Rodney Woods injured a shoulder, freshman cornerback Steve Simonton dislocated a shoulder, and sophomore right guard Justin Rich sustained a knee injury. Rams coach Tony Caviglia said seven starters sat out against Diablo Valley to rest them up for their Valley Conference opener at West Hills on Oct. 26.

## Also

Marquis Roberts leads the Rams in interceptions with two.

Receiver Willie Johnson has 28 catches for 557 yards and eight touchdowns so far for the year.

## Rams No.1 in nation but defense is No. 61 in the state

You're 5-0 and have earned the label the best junior college football team in the country. What do you do now? You realize the regular season is only half over and the defense needs to improve if you want to finish 12-0.

That's what the Fresno City College Rams need to do if they plan on winning the state championship in football.

Through five games the Rams have given up 127 points to the opposition. That's 25.4 points a game. If defense is supposed to win championships, Fresno City will have to wait until another year unless they improve.

With wins against three previous No. 3 teams in the NorCal rankings, the Rams have proven that they are the second best in NorCal and the tough competition is why they are the J.C. Grid-Wire No. 1 when San Francisco (No. 1 in NorCal) has been playing lower level teams like San Jose City College (0-5) and American River (0-5).

Then why is CCSF No. 1? To be the best you've got to beat the best. No one has beaten the Rams of San Francisco since the 1998 state championship game where they lost to Palomar.



Josh Butters  
Rampage reporter

San Francisco is ranked No. 1 in the state in team defense through Oct. 5, giving up only 131 yards a game where FCC has been giving up 450 per game. If you don't think improvement is needed then you will be dumbfounded when the Bay-area Rams clobber FCC.

At times the FCC defense shows up; they shutout Foothill 44-0 on Sept. 28 at Ratcliffe Stadium but in the next week when they traveled north to Stockton, they gave up more than 500 yards to San Joaquin Delta who came back from a 21-0 deficit to tie the game at 28-28.

How bad is FCC's defense? Good Question. The Rams are ranked No. 61 in the state in total team defense. How can they be 5-0? They have one of the best offenses in the state, that's how. When you average 52.4 points a game, you tend to have a few fall in your favor.

If it wasn't for such a high-octane offense you can figure FCC would of lost to Sacramento City, Butte and San Joaquin Delta when FCC gave up 34, 35 and 37 points to each respective team. Without their current offensive situation, the Rams would be looking at a 2-3 record.

Even with such a talented offense, the Rams MUST use their bye week wisely to improve the defense or the only Rams that will win a state championship are the Rams of San Francisco.

## Valley Conference capsules

### 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 (7th year, 27-37)

Record: 3-2 overall, 0-0 VC

Ranking: No. 13 Northern California

Series record: FCC leads series 21-6-1

Last played: 2001, FCC 50, West Hills 28

### 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 year, 72-66-2)

2002: 3-1 overall, 0-0 VC

Ranking: No. 11 Northern California

Series record: FCC leads 30-24-3

Last played: 2001, FCC 73, COS 16

### 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, 18-2-1)

2002: 3-2 overall, 0-0 VC

Ranking: No. 9 Northern California

Series record: FCC leads series 26-10-1

Last played: 2001, FCC 21, Modesto 1

### 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, 77-64-2)

2002: 2-2 overall, 0-0 VC

Ranking: No. 17 Northern California

Series record: FCC leads series 11-9

Last played: 2001, FCC 41, Merced 6

### 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, 51-7-1)

Ranking: No. 3 Northern California

2002: 5-0 overall, 0-0 VC

Series record: FCC leads series 36-7

Last played: 2001, FCC 34, Reedley 1



# FCC cruises in 61-14 debacle of Diablo Valley Vikings

## Blowout victory is Rams' highest offensive output of the season

By Anthony Galaviz

Sports Editor

All week long leading up to their game against Diablo Valley, Fresno City College football coach Tony Caviglia wanted to go 5-0 entering the bye week. His Rams didn't disappoint.

For the third time in three seasons, the Rams head into this weekend's bye week with a 5-0 record with a 61-14 victory over the Vikings.

"Our goal going into this week was to be 5-0 at the break," Caviglia said. "We accomplished that goal."

The Rams pummeled past the Vikings in a night when FCC quarterback Mark Hetherington set FCC's career passing touchdown record when he threw a 33-yard pass to Daniel Idiart. It was Hetherington's 14th touchdown pass of the year, giving him 44 in two years at Fresno City and breaking Mike Rasmussen's record (43) set in 1968-69.

Hetherington added to his

touchdown total when he threw a 7-yard pass to Joe Tomasello in the third quarter. Hetherington came out later in the third quarter, finishing the game with 199 yards passing on 11 completions.

"It didn't matter to me," Hetherington said. "Don't get me wrong, records are nice to have, but that's not what it's about."

The Rams earned the 5-0 record and a No. 1 J.C. Grid-Wire national ranking with wins over Sacramento City, Butte, Foothill and San Joaquin Delta.

FCC toughest game by far this season has come against Delta. The Mustangs trailed 21-0 before storming back with 21 unanswered points to tie the game.

The Rams put the game away with a pair of touchdown runs of 47 and 18 yards by Tomasello in FCC's 49-37 victory over Delta.

"Unbelievable," Caviglia said of Tomasello. "He's making big plays for us."

Tomasello sealed Fresno City's victory when he broke a couple tackles to race to the endzone for a

47-yard touchdown.

"They're a really good team," Tomasello said. "They never gave up. I was able to break a couple of tackles and I hit a seam, and was able to outrun everybody."

Tomasello also had an 18-yard run early in the fourth quarter to put the Rams up 42-31. Tomasello had 114 yards on 12 carries.

Hetherington isn't surprised with Tomasello's success.

"We expected big things out of him," he said. "We're not surprised. We know Joe's a great player. He made big plays."

"Fresno is an extremely talented

opponent," Delta coach Gary Barlow said. "I think we showed that we can get local players from this area, coach them up, and compete against the best teams. We gave them a run for their monies. I'm real proud the way the kids battled."

Butte, Foothill and Delta were No. 3 in the Northern California Commission on Athletics rankings before facing the Rams.

The Rams open Valley Conference play when they visit West Hills on Oct. 26 in Coalinga.



Photo by Wendy Alexander

Rams' quarterback Mark Hetherington set FCC's career passing touchdown record on

## Rams wrestling finishes 3rd in Santa Ana tournament

By Anthony Galaviz

Sports Editor

The Fresno City College wrestling team finished third in the 12-team Santa Ana Tournament on Oct. 12. FCC finished behind Palomar and Bakersfield College.

The Comets, who beat FCC 28-13 in dual match action on Sept. 14, got four first-place finishers.

Bakersfield College's Jason Moreno won the 125-pound title, defeating FCC's Jacob Palomino 4-2 in the title match.

The Rams, meanwhile, continued its dual match dominance with a convincing 37-3 victory over Moorpark on Oct. 11.

FCC took forfeit victories in three of the first five matches.

Moorpark trailed 18-0 as three wrestlers failed to make weight.

After losing their first dual match early in the season to Palomar, the Rams have won five in a row. FCC's dual meet record is 5-1.

The Rams travel to Saratoga on Saturday and will compete in the West Valley Tournament.

### Women's soccer

FCC improved to 2-0 in the Central Valley Conference with a 5-0 win over West Hills College.

The Rams will face Modesto Junior College at 3 p.m. Thursday in Modesto.

### Women's golf

The golf team won by forfeit on Oct. 10 and will travel to Oroville to face Butte College on Oct. 17.



Photo by Wendy Alexander

FCC's Marcial Torres scores off a header in their 3-0 victory over West Valley on Oct. 5

## Men's soccer 1st in division with record of 13-2-1

### FCC Rams to host Canada College on Oct. 22

By Anthony Galaviz

Sports editor

There was no doubt that Fresno City College men's soccer player Eric Solberg thought his team was going to be good before the season started. What he didn't know is where they would be at midway through the season.

The Rams got their fourth consecutive victory with a 1-0 victory over host Ohlone on Oct. 11.

With the victory, FCC remains in first place in the Coast Conference's South Division with a record of 9-1-1, and an overall record of 13-2-1.

"I knew when we were having

tryouts, we were going to be good," Solberg said. "Because of the travel in the conference, I wasn't sure where we were going to be at. I thought going into this year was going to be a struggle."

So far, his Rams have proved him wrong.

The Rams are sparked by sophomore forward Tim McKinney. McKinney, through 15 games, has scored nine goals for the Rams.

McKinney got FCC's lone goal against Ohlone at the 60th minute.

Three FCC starters sat out because of injuries.

"Our key to this point is our defense," Solberg said.

The Rams has given up only seven goals. Goalkeeper Anthony Cardiel has 35 saves.

"We been that way," Solberg said of the defense and Cardiel's play. "I wasn't sure exactly where we would be at with a couple of guys coming in. I thought we would struggle more."

"Tim gives us a boost offensively. When he doesn't do any scoring or any assists, he's the focus on other teams. The nice thing is we're relatively young."

FCC is ranked No. 7 in the country by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America through Oct. 7.



Photo by Kensey Stuft

Rudy Lopez of FCC takes on Le Choung of West Valley in their dual match on Oct. 2.