

## Ski Club heads for the slopes

#### by Nigel Wojtak **Rampage Reporter**

Fresno City College has a new ski/snowboarding club starting up this winter season with plenty of space for students who love the snow but want an alternative to high prices and stressful driving.

Freshman Mike Barreno is heading the start of the new club with high hopes of success for snow lovers. The club is open to riders and skiers and you don't need a Season pass to join.

The ski snowboarding club will be making trips up to Sierra Summit Ski Resort during the weekends once the park opens up with pleasy of fluffy snow to enjoy.

The park is only 65 miles away from downtown Fresno and with 6 lifts, and one on the way, Sierra Summit is the perfect pick for FCC's club. Sierra Summit is located in Sierra National Forest at Huntington Lake just Northeast of Fresno. It has 40 plus trails with a top elevation of 8709 ft. The park is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The lift ticket price for adults (18+) is \$45 for a day and \$50 for a PEAK ticket.

PEAK tickets include Saturdays and Sundays January 1 through February 19 and holiday periods. You can also buy lift tickets in half days and two or three day bulks.

"The club will be a cheaper and more fun way to go riding for a day. If we get enough people to go up on a

#### by Matthew T. Mendez **Rampage Reporter**

The indelible contribution to the Civil Rights Movement made by an African American seamstress during the winter of 1955 has not gone unappreciated by subsequent generations, and Fresno City College is no exception.

Jamien Armstrong and

Enosha Walker, two employees at the Fresno City College library, have created a collage in tribute to Rosa Parks and her ongoing legacy that is currently being displayed inside the front lobby of the library.

The commendatory collage is enclosed within a display case that is guarded by a glass window located directly to the right of the library's en-

trance.

At the top left of the display is a written summarization of the event that made Parks a historical figure nearly 50 years prior to her death, as well as the following occurrences that shaped the way in which her actions would be remembered.

The writing has four subheadings: "The Struggle"

outlines the actual event on the bus; "The Boycott" gives a detailed description of the 13 month long boycott of the Montgomery bus system by African Americans; "The Tribute" focuses on what Parks has meant to the Civil Rights Movement; and "The Museum" is meant to inform onlookers about the Rosa Parks see Parks, Page 3

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#### by Eddie Oriz Rampage Reporter

Student Veterans were recognized for their services towards the global war on terrorism at a special ceremony by FCC'S Veterans Peace Memorial Nov. 4.

The program started with a performance of "The Death and Glory March", performed by the FCC concert band. After the band finished, FCC president Ned Doffoney welcomed those present. Doffney invited the crowd to recognize a special Flyover of a UH-1, helmed by LTC. Laura Yeager, and CW5. John Harris. Headquarters Company, 40th aviation Brigade, California Army National Guard.

He summed up the mood and the meaning behind the awards presentation.

"This is a day of honoring all of our veterans," said Dr. Doffney proudly. Once he finished his welcome speech, LTC (Ret.) Bob Small, of the military liaison to George Radanovich, took to the stage. where he led the invocation. Each soldier stood up in the

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name of his or her operation and as Small finished his blessing of our men and women still in combat and their families left behind, the MWSS 473 Det.A, 4th MAW, USMC, Fresno, led the Rising of the colors, while the Fresno City Singers performed the Star Spangled Banner.

The Fresno High School JROTC cadets conducted the Pledge of Allegiance. After that, many inspirational speeches took place. The Armed forces Salute took place, performed by the FCC Concert Band and retired FCC Associate Dean of Instruction, Learning Resources, Bill Seaberg narrated. Soon afterward, Mary Alfieris, FCC Veterans Services Coordinator took time to introduce veterans and representatives who graced us with their special appearances. Dr. Doffney once again graced the stage to introduce Air Force Jr. ROTC ca-

Duncan dets from Polytechnical High School, led by (Ret.) Lt. Lest Zailotsky who led the Armed Drill Exhibition.

"The kids I see today in high schools, are very patriotic," said Lt. Zailotsky. Once the Armed Drill took place, Robert Fox, FCC's Dean Of Students, took to the stage, where he spoke about the soldiers of today. "We must remember these young men and women with their own free will, decided to put themselves in harm's way, for their love of their country," said Fox. Next it was time to honor FCC's own brave men and women. With Fox presenting and Doffoney passing out, one by one Mr. Fox called 29 student veterans to the podium, where they recieved the Citizen Soldier Award, for being part of **Operations Enduring Freedom** (Afghanistan) and Iraqi Freedom (Iraq). The FCC Associated Student Government donated the commemorative plaque that was given to these soldiers.

It will be added to the Freedom Wall in the foyer of the FCC library. Once the awards were given out, Gordon Pickett of the Veterans Peace Memorial Committee came to the podium and gave his appreciation speech to Mary Alferis, he soon gave special recognition to Mr. Adrian Acosta, chair of the Veterans Peace Memorial Committee, who was unable to attend due to illness.

Before the curtain closed, Doffoney for the last time of the ceremony gave his thank-yous and gratitudes to everyone who made the ceremony possible and to the men and woman who fought for their country

"This is not a perfect country, but it's a great country," Doffoney said, closing his speech. To end the ceremony, the American Legion Post 147 led the Rifle Salute, and Dale Engstrom and Anthony Alvarado led the Echo Taps, followed by a silence for remembrance of the men and women who are no longer here.

## Phi Theta Kappa to induct members by Victoria McLoughlin have Kristen Kelley as our gues

#### have Kristen Kelley as our guest **Rampage Reporter**

Phi Theta Kappa, FCC's honors society, will induct new members this Friday in a ceremony featuring DJ Kristen Kelley.

Kelley hosts the midday show on KSOF Soft Rock 98.9, a Fresno-based station owned by Clear Channel.

speaker," Phi Theta Kappa President Heather Lara said recently. "She's down to earth and very funny, but also very accomplished. She's a total inspiration." Kelley has worked for the station for

Almost seven years, since moving from Lincoln, Nebraska. She has a BA in Communications

"We're really excited to see Members, Page 4

### Corrections

In the Oct. 19 issue of the Rampage, NAISA, the Native American Indian Student Association, was mistakenly referred to as NASA.

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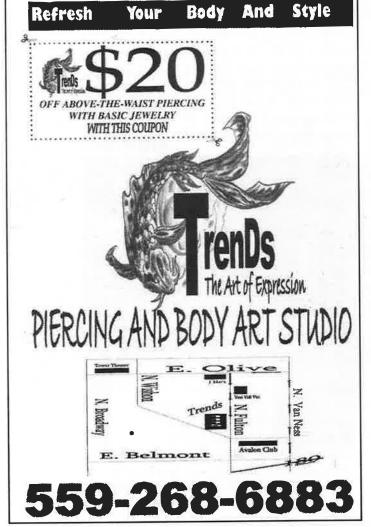
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Vivienne Henry

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## News

## **Parks:** ignited the civil rights movement

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Museum in Montgomery, AL. Suspended by string at the top of the display are two separate pictures of the bus that Parks had refused to give up her seat for a white man in.

One picture shows a clean, newly painted exterior of the bus at the time it was given to the Henry Ford Museum. Alongside that picture hangs another photo, one of a more recent picture illustrating a deteriorated shadow of the buses former self.

Another print out text covers the top right region of

the collage. It is a copy of a CNN online article dated June 15, 1999 reporting the Congressional Gold Medal of Honor being awarded to Rosa Parks.

The back of the art piece is covered with photos of Rosa Parks, including a colorful mini-collage of the day Parks was arrested and brought to jail—a mug-shot and several fingerprinting photos dominate its designated space.

The collage's platform, covered with a thin layer of hypnotizing blue velvet, holds a number of prominent books related to Mrs. Parks. One of the books, "My Story," is an autobiography written with the help of Jim Haskins.

Rosa Parks is widely regarded as the woman who ignited the fires of the Civil Rights Movement; 381 days after Parks was arrested, the Supreme Court ruled the segregation of bus service to be unconstitutional.

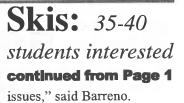
"The world wouldn't be what it is today if it wasn't for her," said Walker, a business administration major at FCC.

Walker approached Armstrong with the idea to publicly show appreciation to Parks on the day following her death. After four days of extracurricular labor, Walker's idea became a reality, although both parties warmheartedly agree that Armstrong did the most work.

A memorial service dedicated to Rosa Parks was held at the African American History Museum in downtown Fresno on Thursday, Nov. 3. The service garnered a diverse crowd, proving that Mrs. Parks' life touched more than just the African American portion of the population.

"It was nice to see somebody finally take a stand, and that it was a woman who came forward to do it," said Armstrong, a father to a twoyear-old boy also named Jamien.

Walker and Armstrong are currently planning on putting together another commemorative display in February to celebrate Black History Month.

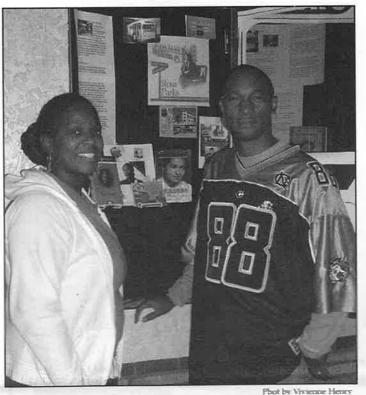


Depending on how many riders/skiers go up each day, carpools or even a bus may be used to transport everyone to help with gas money issues and students without vehicles. Barreno has the help of a counselor here at FCC, Fred "Skydog" Emerling, PhD, and Brian Turner, who will serve as an advisor on the

trips. "I started a ski club at Hoover High School and I really wanted to do that here. There hasn't been a ski club here since three or four years ago and I wanted to give a chance for people to go up and meet people at the same time," said Barreno.

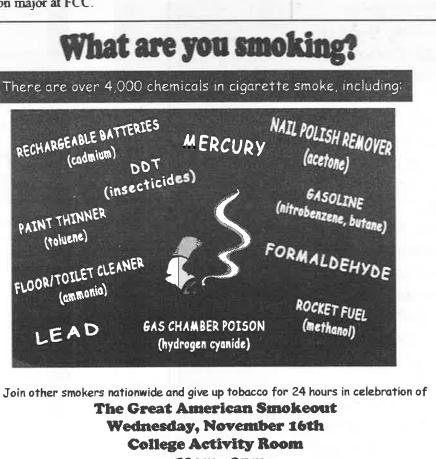
There are about 35-40 students already interested but there is plenty more room for riders and skiers alike.

If you have any more questions about the new ski/ snowboarding chub you can contact Mike Barreno through e-mail: snowboarderFCC@yahoo.com or phone: 559-243-6507.



Eresha Walker (left) and Jamien Armstrong stand by their creation, a Rosa Parts collage in the FCC library





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## FCC debate team rolling by Clare Godinho

Rampage Reporter The Fresno City College debate team won

highest honors, receiving 1st Place Debate Sweepstakes at a tournamentat CSU, Northridge on the weekend of Nov. 4.

"This was a team thing. Everyone contributed with every ballot won," said Eric Fletcher, who is the FCC debate head coach.

Daniel Morales and Nasser Nekumenesh are considered to be one of the top ten community college debate teams in the country, and Ralph Boyajian and Robert Yamamoto are the highest ranked community college debate team in the country.

"I hope there is an understanding now of what we do, what we accomplish," said Fletcher, "Our rivals are not Santa Rosa Community College, not San Franciscno Community College, but Cal and USC."

The students took part in both parliamentary and policy debates, at times putting in more than 30 hours of work over the weekend period.

FCC members had more preliminary-round victories, and advanced more teams to championship rounds than any other school at the tournament. It was an appriopriate ending to a well-deserved feat, and it's time to let the world know that the FCC debate is an illustrious force that is here to stay.

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## Members: Club demands a 3.5 GPA

continued from Page 2 and English from the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Phi Theta Kappa, which demands members have at least a 3.5 GPA, works alongside Alpha Gamma Sigma, which requires that members have at

## least a 3.0 GPA.

Kelley's speech will address Phi Theta Kappa "hallmark" principles: leadership, fellowship, scholarship and service, which members are encouraged to abide by both on campus and in the community. The ceremony will take place 7 p.m. November 18 in the staff dining room. All new members, alumni and their family are welcome. Uninvited guests may be accommodated with advance notice; contact Phi Theta Kappa president Heather Lara, through FCC's Honors office, for details.

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#### News Rampage 5 November 16, 2005 FCC students perform opera

#### by Clare Godinho **Rampage Reporter**

The world of opera is alive and kicking at Fresno City College.

The Fresno City College Opera Theatre Workshop put on a smashing performance of, "Patience, Or Bunthornes's Bride," this last weekend, and if you missed it, you missed out.

Directed by the illustrious Melissa Wolfmann, the opera was a crowd pleaser from start to finish.

played by Cassandra Stafford, portrays the lives of two rival poets, Bunthorne, played by Derek Payne, and Grosvenor, played by Jason Crow, and how they pursue the attentions of the simple village milkmaid, Patience.

Bunthorne also spends his time warding off the advances of 20 lovesick maidens who are all engaged to various officers in the British dragoon guards. His love is directed instead to Patience, who doesn't share his love

what we can't have, folks.)

Patience only has eyes for her childhood friend, Archibald Grosvenor. Grosvenor is abandoned by Patience, however, who believes that true love is "utter unselfishness" and that loving him would not be unselfish because it would prevent other women from appreciating his charm.

Patience commits herself to Bunthorne and the effects of this action shift the 20 maidens' attention to Grosvenor.

the 20 maidens vying for his attention, but his thrill at finally capturing the heart of Patience.

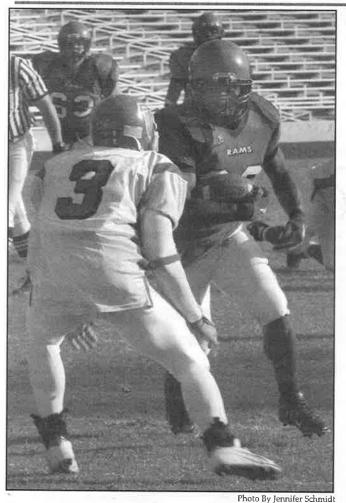
The actors throughout the play were good, and it seemed like they had fun with the whole process. I especially liked the focus and professionalism of Derek Payne. His words and actions were right on the money. Cassandra was good too, and really took on the role of Patience well, making it very convincing to the audience.

The set and lighting were not as involved as past performances, but the costumes, wigs, and blocking was fun and made for an enjoyable show.

The performance of "Patience or Bunthome's Bride," was memorable not only for the audience, but I think for the cast as well. The chemistry they shared was evident, and conveyed a cordial, happy experience for all.







Rams Wide Receiver DonShay Warren catches a pass against West Hills on Nov. 12. The Rams won the game 32-23.

# Sports

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## Caviglia guides Rams to another post season By David Witte

#### **Rampage Reporter**

FCC's football team finished its regular season with a 7-3 record, beating the West Hills Falcons 32-23 Nov. 12.

Receiver Zeb White broke a school record with 235 receiving yards on seven catches, scoring three touchdowns.

Running back Jose Rojas burned the Falcons defense for 125 yards on 23 carries, scoring one touchdown in the process.

This came a week after Reedley College pounded the Rams in a 51-9 Valley Conference game.

The Rams will play in the Producer's Dairy Bowl

at Ratcliffe Stadium Dec. 3, vs. Santa Rosa Junior College, who finished fourth in the NorCal Conference with a 7-3 record.

FCC finished third in the Valley Conference, also behind Reedley (10-0, 5-0 VC) and College of the Sequoias (8-2, 4-1).

After a 3-2 conference outing, the Rams fell to 11<sup>th</sup> in the Northern California regional coaches poll.

Reedley will face City College of San Francisco in the Hawaiian Punch Bowl for the Northern California championship, the game that FCC lost last year 42-21.

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West Hills	2	3
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Merced	0	5





## Sports

# Preparing for a show-down with the Dons

Sinai Pezzat looks to overcome the obstacle of Santa Ana's Mike O'Hara while William Griffin

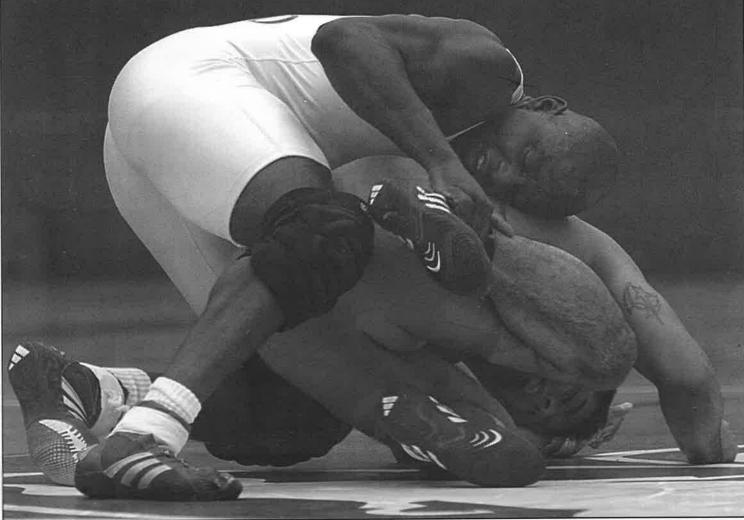


Photo By Daisy Rosas

William Griffin (top) has been one of the key players for the Fresno City College wrestling team this season. Griffin and the Rams travel to Fullerton this weekend to take on Santa Ana Junior College. A team that has proven to be City's best competition.

#### **By Joe Rios Rampage Reporter**

Head Coach Jared Smith has been racking his brain in preparation for this Friday's dual against Santa Ana. At night, he looks at his roster of wrestlers and then at their opponents. It's like trying to pick winning lottery numbers. The dual could end in any number of ways.

No matter how much time Smith has and will spend trying to predict the outcome of each match and weightclass, the truth still remains: it's still a roll of the dice.

In one scenario, the two clash head-on and tie, in another Fresno City pounds Santa Ana into dust, in yet another scenario, the Dons de-

molish the Rams.

FCC travels to Fullerton Friday morning. The match's prominence, though, is in the shadow of the Cal-State Fullerton-UC Davis dual that takes place on the same day.

The Rams will be in front of nearly two thousand screaming fans that won't be wearing red or shouting, "Go FCC!" This is nothing new for Fresno; they haven't wrestled at home all season.

"It'll be good experience," said Smith. "We're going down into a southern area where they don't like us too much. We're just going to have to go down there and win it."

Santa Ana is packing a full roster of State-Ranked wrestlers. Their big guns will be hitting head-on with FCC's best.

the last couple of matches to prepare for his match-up with Mike O'Hara. Pezzat is 0-4 against the No.1 ranked wrestler. Pezzat (No.2) has lost each match by a small margin and hopes that the time-off will mean an improved performance on the mat and a longawaited victory.

"[O'Hara] has the upper hand on us," said Smith. "The confidence is really building up for Sinai and that's going to be important."

Fresno's Sabi Singh and Santa Ana'a Jose Hernandez will go head-to-head again after Singh then ranked No. 2 defeated the top ranked Hernandez 7-3 at the All-Star Dual Oct 29. Singh and Hernandez are 2-2 against one another.

mentum in their corner," said Smith.

In the state rankings released Oct 27, FCC's Mike Righi sat below Don wrestler Rodolfo Justo in the No. 4 spot. The two will battle for the win in the 133-pound division this Friday. Steve Schantin holds tight on the No.2 spot in the state rankings for the 141pound weight class.

K.B. Wender remains on top of the 157 slot. He will face Sabas Cruz (No. 7). William Griffin (No.1) will undoubtedly run through the competition and take the win in the 197 spot.

" We've got a lot of work left to do," said Smith. "We've continued to gel, even though we've had less guys, we just continued to get stronger. That's what we have to this Friday, we just have to continue to gel."

I may have a few tricks up my sleeve that Santa Ana doesn't know about yet. I think we're ready to go."

On Nov 12, the Rams traveled to the Bay Area for the San Francisco State Invitational. Even with an incomplete squad, FCC finished second with 57 points behind Menlo College (61).

Although Singh planned to hold off on competition until this weekend, he chose to wrestle in this tournament to stay sharp. He won the tournament. Travis Patterson from Rio Hondo took second.

Mike Waterston (12-4) placed second in 133's behind Torrean Tyus from Sierra. Paul Lujano took fourth.

"The one who won the Sinai Pezzat held off on last match really has the mo-

Brian Whetstone and Francisco Carmago took third and fourth in the 285 slot.



# Slamming the CVC champs on the road

Volleyball defeated CVC power only to come back and lose to dismal Porterville

#### By Matt T. Mendez **Rampage Reporter**

The Fresno City College women's volleyball team got their revenge against the defending CVC champions in the most satisfying way imaginable: by demoralizing them in a 3 game sweep on the champ's home court.

The Rams defeated Taft College, the preseason favorite to repeat as CVC regular season champions, on Friday, Nov. 4 at Taft 3 games to none. Beating the defending CVC title holders in an unblemished fashion erases a hard fought, five-game loss to Taft at Fresno City on Oct. 5.

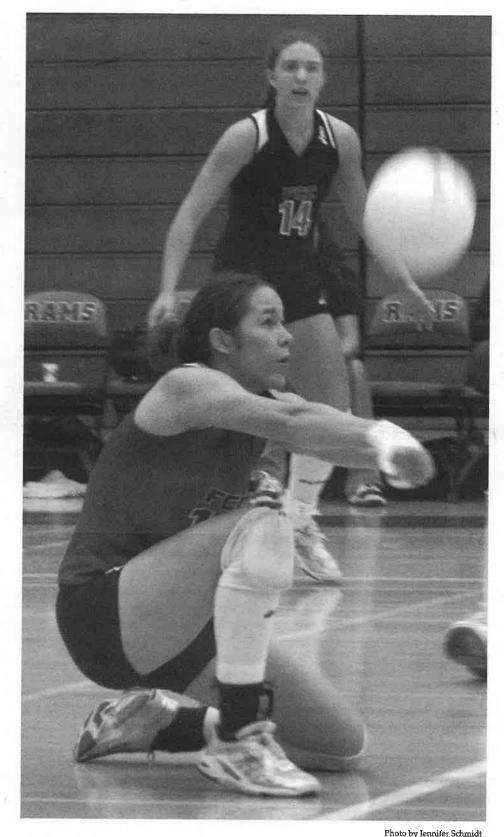
Prior to their match against Taft, FCC defeated Modesto Jr. College in another three-game sweep at Modesto.

The Ram's most recent home game was played against Reedley College on Nov. 9. In what has turned out to be FCC's signature method of victory, the Rams swept the Tigers three games to zero.

The victory against Reedley College put the Ram's record at 16-5 overall, with an impressive 12-1 record in Central Valley Conference play.

All but one of Reedley College's twelve players are freshmen, leaving them vulnerable for the meticulously strategic play of the far more experienced Fresno City team, which has six sophomores on its roster-all of whom play substantial roles in Fresno City College's game plan.

Of the six FCC players listed as sophomores, three of them (Op Katie Franz, DS Katie Bonesteel, and S Katie Kachadurian) played together in high school at Clovis West, further widening the difference in cohesiveness possessed by each team.



Rams outside hitter Jacqueline Hill returns a ball against Reedley on Nov. 9. FCC has two games remaining on their schedule before they head into post season play.

painfully noticeable as an adult male playing on a high school boy's basketball team.

After a very competi-As the match pro- tive beginning to the match, the maculate team play.

Following a timeout called by Reedley in the second game with the score 27-26 in favor of FCC, Kachadurian

for kills that would help catapult the Rams to a 30-27 victory.

gan the final game with a 1-0 Monday, Nov. 14.

lead. FCC quickly put up six consecutive points, mostly off of unforced mistakes made by their less experienced opponents.

Officially, the Rams didn't allow Reedley to get any closer than 8-4 in the third and final game; however, it may be more appropriate to say the Tigers didn't allow themselves to pull any closer due to the number of miscues.

The Rams didn't simply sit back and let Reedley defeat themselves by any means, at times displaying such pristine teamwork that even a bystander completely oblivious to the rules of volleyball could greatly appreciate.

FCC repeatedly placed the ball in areas that the Tigers either were not in position to return or not expecting to cover, and their intelligent play allowed them to pull ahead to a 25-10 lead, causing the Tigers to take another timeout. The break in play would not benefit Reedley much, as the match would soon end with Fresno City winning the third game 30-12.

The Rams finally lost on Friday, Nov. 11, in a fivegame match at Porterville. The loss put an end to the Ram's eight game winning streak, which lasted over a month and began, ironically, in Reedley on Oct. 7

Currently, Fresno City College's overall record stands at 16-6, and 12-2 in league play.

FCC has two regular season matches left, both of which are against Columbia College. One of the matches is a make up for a match in Sonora that was postponed due to undisclosed security concerns. That match, originally scheduled to be played on Oct. The Reedley Tigers be- 14, was made up in Sonora on

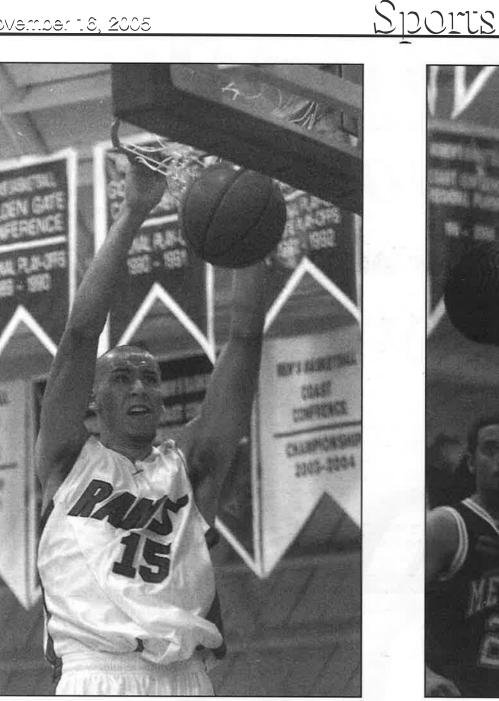
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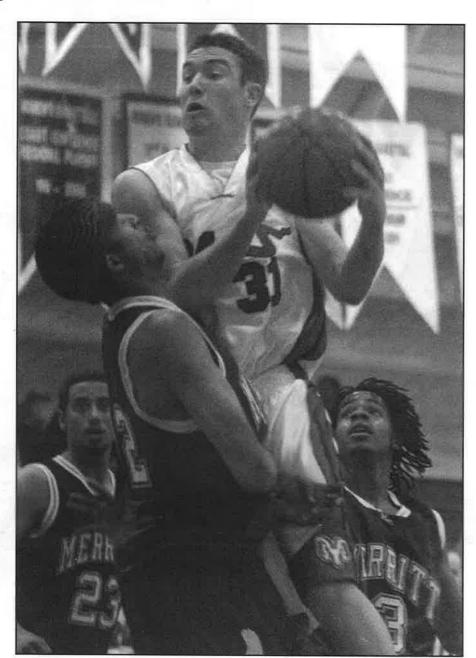
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beautifully set up both sophomore MB Megan Roehl and freshman OH Lauren Storey

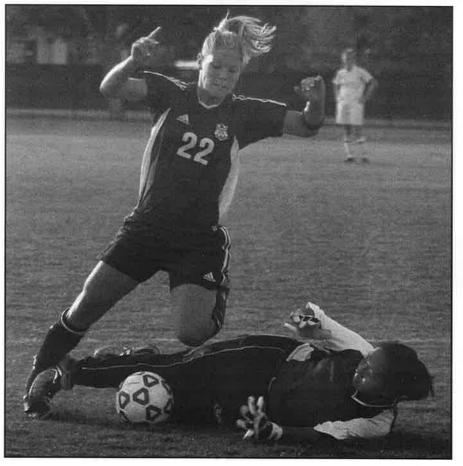
lead, but that would eventually prove to be the final instance regular season is Wednesday, in which they could enjoy a Nov. 16 against Columbia.

The final match of the





Photos by Daisy Rosas



## **Cream of the Crop**

Above left: T.J. Aguilar dunks the ball in the first round of the Tip-Off Basketball Tournament at San Jose City College on Nov. 11. Above: Tyson Parker (31) draws contact and the foul as he attempts to lay up against Merritt College's Ray Lovett (22) as Moshn Said (23) and Chris Venable (3) look on. FCC won the first-round game against Merritt College but fell in the second round to state runner-up San Bernardino College in overtime 106-100. That loss was the first in 36 games for the Rams. Coach Walberg and his crew rebounded nicely the next day and took third place in the the tournament as they beat Pasadena College. The men's basketball team competes in a joint tournament hosted by Fresno City College and Reedley on Nov. 17-20.

Below Left: Forward Amy Kampf (22) takes a nasty spill as Modesto's goalkeeper Adriana Ambriz slides to knock the ball away on Nov. 1. Oliver Germond's squad has since set a new school record for most wins in a season and clinched the Central Valley Conference title which Modesto has claimed the previous two years. Both men's and women's soccer await

their playoff seeding which is scheduled to come out on Nov. 17. e

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This phrase, circumstantial reasoning, floating around in my head..

It is with this that I think we, as humans, stand alone in many aspects. One being our ability to rationalize anything we choose. It is this ability, that in the context of abortion, we reason away what is right into the arms of a circumstance.

As trying as each circumstance can be, the experiences I lived, the people I have talked to, the statistics I have read, all passionately say abortion is not the answer. For each there are strong, beautiful, hopeful answers to.

But ultimately I guess this falls down upon perspective. The science is there. It is no longer a question about life but about to what degree we cherish life.

Once we understand when life begins, no amount of circumstantial reasoning should thwart its rightful place as priority above the comfort of one's self.

I differ from some in this: I know the world we live in is far from what it was intended to be. I know there is a God in heaven that cares for those that put faith in him.

Jesus is that God. And He promises to work all things, even bad things, *for* the good of those that love Hirn, and that He never gives those He loves more than they can bear. He also says no matter what circurnstance you find yourself in, He will meet you right there if you choose to seek Him. spiikemiike@hotmail.com



Women have abortions to get rid of an obstacle in their lives. No other individual has the right to decide on the actions a woman takes when it comes to her body.

A strong pro-abortion argument is that a woman should always have the right to choose what is done to her body, goes on in her life.

No law should prevent a woman from such an action if she feels it is right. Abortion should be dealt with on an individual basis.

Is abortion really murder? A fetus is not a born citizen. However, the mother is. She has lived a life and knows what is best for her life and herself.

Imagine being a fifteen-year-old girl. You are going to school and planning to go to college. Imagine getting pregnant without wanting it. What would you do? Would you want to have an abortion? Or would you want to bring a child into your life when you are practically a child yourself?

Not only teenage pregnancies, but any pregnancy should be terminated if a woman became pregnant because of rape, and does not wish to have the child. It may be cruel to some but in this

case the child may be an obstacle in a woman's life.

Women have the right to have goals and do anything to accomplish them. A baby at an early age may prevent a young woman to go to college and receive a higher education.

Another problem with women who become pregnant after being raped is that they may in some way hate the child.

Women infected with sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) must have the right to determine whether they want to continue their pregnancy since their child could have the same condition. It is better not to give birth to a child who might have to live with HIV than to have the child suffer all her life.

Some individuals may say that a woman who chooses to have an abortion is not allowing the child to have a choice to live. How can an unborn child know about choices?

Legalizing abortion would prevent the deaths of many women who choose the wrong clinics to get the procedure done. It might also prevent the death of many children killed by their mothers who are overwhelmed by the responsibilities of motherhood.

Abortion many not be the most correct and moral thing to do but no one has the right to choose over anybody else's life. No woman should be deprived of having a happy life.

## Campus Voices What do you think about abortion?

Nicole Reinheart



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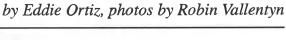
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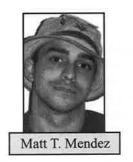
**Megan McBrady** 



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"I'm for it. It should be used if the mother's life is in danger or is she got raped. I'm not for it if it's a 16-year-old who wants it because she messed up."	"I'm against it."	"I'm for it under circumstan- ces, if the girl was raped or if the child was going to come out sick or die or the mother was gonna die while giving birth."	"I'm against it, because it's killing an unborn life.	"Depends, if it's a 13-year-old, yeah, but if it's a 36-year-old, no; if you're responsible enough to have sex, you're responsible enough to have a kid."



Fueling the Anti-Bush campaig No longer a bold figure for freedom and democracy, a more humbled president wilts before us



One man cannot be blamed for all the wrongs of the Bush administration throughout these past five years.

It is an administration with a vice president whose previous job was chairman and CEO of a \$20 billion oil company based in Houston, Texas. That company, most prominently known as Halliburton, currently has over 30,000 men and women employed in Iraq.

But that is nothing more than yesterday's news; everybody knows there are oil contractors working in Iraq making substantially more money than the predominantly altruistic soldiers protecting them.

Just as everybody knows that the vice president's chief of staff recently resigned from his position after being indicted on charges of leaking the name of a covert CIA agent (a spy) to an outsider.

It just so happens that the agent whose identity has been illicitly revealed is married to a well-respected critic of the Bush administration's unscrupulous methods for gathering intelligence on Iraq's nuclear weapons program. The opinions of the agent's spouse and the agent's recent exposure may be purely coincidental, and you really can't blame the president for any of that debacle, so let's not dwell too much on that.

I've got a better one.

The government's dilatory response to Hurricane Katrina can be attributed to a restructured national defense system. Under Bill Clinton, the Federal Emergency Management Agency was given cabinet level status. It had one director, James Lee Witt, who was a former Arkansas emergency management director.

became one of the Department's subdivision agencies. There are more than 20 subdivision agencies under the DHS, all of which are respectively classified under one of the appropriate ten components.

Following the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, funding for emergency disaster relief was cut dramatically in order to pay for an expensive war on terrorism. In FEMA's final year as an independent agency, 2001, its budget was \$4.4 billion; in 2004, as a division of Homeland Security, the budget dropped to \$2.8 billion. In an internal survey taken during the summer of 2004, 80% of FEMA employees said joining the DHS had weakened the agency.

Michael Brown, the head of FEMA at the time Hurricane Katrina struck New Orleans, became the scapegoat for virtually all of the agency's

woes. Brown's official government bio was put under a public microscope, and several misleading job titles were found (one stated Brown was formally an assistant city manager in Edmonton, OK, when in fact he was an assistant to the city manager).

Brown was handpicked to become FEMA director by his predecessor

and college buddy, Joe Allbaugh. Before heading FEMA, Allbaugh was George W. Bush's chief of staff during Bush's tenure as Texas governor, as well as campaign manager for the Bush-Cheney campaign in 2000.

Although Department of Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff acknowledges the fact that a presidential directive places him in charge of preparing for and managing catastrophic disasters, he still claims the responsibility for handling Katrina fell squarely on Brown's shoulders. During the chaotic days that followed Katrina's destruction, Chertoff says he performed his job to the best of his abilities, periodically speaking with a reassuring Brown by telephone from Washington. Neither Chertoff nor Brown had been aware of the 20,000 plus survivors who were stranded inside the Convention Center at the time both men

were questioned during a nationally televised interview, even though the situation at the Convention Center had been reported on national TV since the previous day. Brown, who was in New Orleans eclectically distributing aid, claimed to have no knowledge of the situation; as did Chertoff, who was at his office in Washington, D.C., supposedly doing his job.

All this occurred under George W. Bush's watch. He appointed these irresponsible gentlemen as top-ranking officials to some of the country's most important agencies. But can the president be held accountable for the negligence of these men?

Hell yes, he can.

Decadent ignorance is nothing new to this administration. Even the highpoint of Bush's presidency, the attacks on Sept. 11, is a byproduct of his

Can the president be held accountable for the negligence of the men he appointed? Hell yes, he can.

administration's gross incompetence.

A bipartisan congressional report on 9/11, which the administration tried to suppress, contains details of several PDBs (President's Daily Brief) given to Bush, warning of a possible terrorist attack by Al Qaeda.

On Aug. 6, 2001, Bush received a PDB while at the presidential ranch in Crawford, Texas, explaining the possibility that Al Qaeda might hijack commercial jetliners.

In January of 2001, the contemporary antiterrorism adviser, Richard Clarke, sent a memo to then National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice saying, "al Qaeda is not some narrow little terrorist issue...We would make a major error if we underestimated the 9/11. Trust me, there are more, including warnings from the FBI that "mysterious aliens" were attending flight school without wanting to learn how to land.

Until now, I have taken in all this information with an understanding that a change can be made in 2008. After observing Bush's handling of the Supreme Court vacancies, I think a change is needed much sooner.

I don't have much of a problem with John Roberts becoming the new Chief Justice; he is an extraordinarily qualified individual with enough experience appearing before the High Court to satisfy even the most steadfast of dissenters.

I do, however, have a huge problem with how the president went about filling the second vacancy. My initial predictions, which at first I thought were completely unrealistic, ended up being absolutely correct - at least from my point of view.

Once Bush nominated Roberts, I knew the pressure was on him to nominate a woman next. However, I couldn't see such a progressive decision being made by such an officious president, so I put myself in Bush's shoes and this is what I came up with:

Nominate a woman that almost nobody on either side would consider qualified to hold a seat on the Supreme Court, just so I could say that I made an attempt to have a woman appointed. Then, once Congress, the media and the public are through criticizing my nugatory nominee, I can go ahead and nominate the neoconservative male whom me and my constituents have wanted all along

I have no proof to support my theory other than what actually happened. Bush nominated Harriet Miers, who was vilified by every person with the ability to communicate, and she dutifully pulled herself out almost on cue.

Without wasting much time, Bush nominated Samuel A. Alito, Jr., a staunchly conservative Princeton and Yale alum who seems to have been dipped in the very same can of sewage the rest of the president's appointees were.

Two years ago, FEMA was merged with the 180,000 member Department of Homeland Security, and it challenge.

I do not have enough room to outline each and every single warning the administration was given prior to

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## Views

The perfect American holiday Watch out, Labor Day, Christmas is on the march



This is disgusting. Christmas commercials in October. Christmas decorations at Walmart in October. Christmas ads in the newspaper in – you guessed it – October.

I can see myself as an old man,

sitting in a hovering La-Z-Boy, telling my grandkids, "when I was your age, candy bars were a dollar, and they didn't start talking about Christmas until November! But that was before President Gates outlawed poor people."

But I digress.

Does anybody here remember Thanksgiving? It was this day where people ate a crapload of really good food, finished off with a slice of their favorite pie, then sat around watching football until someone's second cousin announced he was gay, and all hell broke loose. It was great.

Oh yeah, and people were thankful for stuff. But we don't have Thanksgiving anymore, we have Christmas: Part I. Retailers are all too happy to get the purchase frenzy going, and it comes earlier every year.

This is because Christmas is the quintessential American holiday. It takes over other holidays the way America takes over countries. First, Christmas took Manifest Destiny to the shores of late November. After that, Thanksgiving was harboring terrorists, and I think Halloween has weapons of mass destruction.

Now Christmas is heading straight for a showdown with Labor Day. It is only a matter of time before Christmas takes over the Christmas from the year before. Pretty soon, we will all be running around shouting, "Happy New Year! Only 360 more shopping days until Christmas!"

No, thank you.

I am going to hold off on the Christmas celebrations until December, and not just because I am broke. I am going to remember Thanksgiving not as the prelude to Christmas, but for what it really is: a memory of that one day when white people did not slaughter everything in their path, because they were starving.

## **Technicolor Living** On the need to drop the mediocracy of black and white and embrace a lifestyle of brilliant color



"Check your pulse it's proof that you're not listenin' to, the call your life's been issuing you." These lyrics by John Mayor raise forth a challenge to us all to live our lives in Technicolor.

What is "living our lives in Technicolor," first of all? Technicolor living means that we consciously make the decision to break through the chains of the uninspired black and white way of the every day humdrum of stagnation.

What have you done today? Went to school? Went to work? Studied? Talked to friends on your cell phone as you frantically tried to find a parking spot on campus because you were already five minutes late for class? Got in a fight with a friend, or significant other? Blah blah blah. Is this exactly where you want to be? When you were little, did you say to yourself, "When I grow up, I'm going to get stuck in a rut that I can't escape, and allow life to just happen to me?" Uh... no.

What the heck are you doing then? It is time you grab life by the horns, shake it up, and decide to start "living for a living." Shed your rotting skin of black and white, and embrace the beautiful life that living in Technicolor has to offer.

"Oh my God, dude... How'm I gonna do that?"

First, slow down, pilgrim. When was the last time you appreciated the very small? As we wiz through life in our hustle and bustle of deadlines, lines, and fines, we often overlook the profound environment we have been placed in.

Have you noticed the intricacies of the library on campus lately? What about the beautiful trees, bushes, and flowers? Oh, that's right, it is that cell phone again, or the blinders you have over your eyes because you are running late for your next class.

Just stop.

Interady five minutes late for class?When we take time to appreci-<br/>at fight with a friend, or signifi-<br/>ther? Blah blah.When we take time to appreci-<br/>ate the very small, we suddenly become<br/>aware of all that life truly has to offer,<br/>and slowly but surely, the colors of<br/>Technicolor will begin to emerge, andhe realized his Technicolor-living abil-<br/>ity of grabbing life by the horns, and<br/>started living for a living.

the beautiful effects will transcend all things.

You do not live in a box: There are a million wonderful things going on around you at any given moment of time. When we stop and love ourselves enough to grant ourselves the gifts of this world, then we are truly living in Technicolor.

Have you ever seen the movie "Forrest Gump?" That movie is an excellent example of living your life in Technicolor. Who was Forrest? A guy who had some challenges, right? Did he use those challenges as an excuse not to go to school, serve our country, start a business? No.

He not only was able to overcome his obstacles by living his life at the above activities, but he did it *in Technicolor*. He won games for the school football team, saved the lives of fellow soldiers, met the President, and had a shrimp farm.

When was the moment he began this life in Technicolor? The moment he broke through the confines of his leg braces, as a group of bullies was chasing him. This was exactly the moment he realized his Technicolor-living ability of grabbing life by the horns, and started living for a living. We all have confines, and I urge everyone to give yourself the luxury of identifying your own personal Forrest Gump challenges, seriously busting free, and rising above. Break the barriers. Live outside the box. Live in Technicolor.

I don't care where you came from. Don't use that as an excuse. Since we are human, chances are you have been dealt a series of bad blows, like pretty much everyone in this world.

I could give examples of people who have come from other countries, where life is experienced by day to day atrocities, and still managed to rise above, and embrace Technicolor living.

I could also give examples of people who have been born into a life of high society, and have experienced the atrocities of cold, brutal reality of going after the glory of making a dollar. Why did they make the movie "Stepford Wives?" or why is "Desperate Housewives" so popular?

Crap is crap. Empty is empty.

Raise above the toxicity, "the man," the everyday, the stagnant, the oppression. You can do it... You are human, so I know you can. Love yourself enough, for God's sake, to say farewell, hasta la vista, and ciao to all that keeps you from what you are truly called to be in this life. Live for a living.

## 14 HOROSCOPES David Witte

(official astrologer license lost in the mail)

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Due to an obscure clause in your company's charter, you will be forced to marry Phil from Accounting. **TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Taurus is now a pay horoscope, which means your future now costs \$151 per year for the basic package. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) The squirrels of Fresno will offer you up as a sacrifice to the Great Acorn God in the Big Tree in the sky.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) The Ghost of Christmas Past will come for you when he finds out you slept with his girlfriend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You will invent a time machine for the sole purpose of finding out if Rick James really slapped Charlie Murphy.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your life story will be told in a feature film entitled "Where's My Pants? Memo-

ries of a Sleazebag." LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

You will be reminded of the Roadrunner cartoons when you fall off a cliff, get blown up by dynamite, get hit by a falling anvil, and crash into a rock with a tunnel painted on it all in one day.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) A glandular problem will earn you first, third, and fourth place in a wet T-shirt contest. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) As a direct result of schizophrenia, you will find yourself taking 92 units next semester.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) The good news is that reincarnation is real. The bad news is that you're scheduled to be Pauly Shore in your next life.

AQUARIUS (Jan 20-Feb. 18) An argument among your friends about Angelina Jolie vs. Anna Koumikova will leave eight dead, and 17 injured.

# Views November 16, 2005 Singin' in the rai



Which song did you last sing in the bath? You don't have baths- you prefer showers? Well, that's an argument for another article.

If you like baths but don't currently sing during them, why not start today? And if you simply haven't found the perfect tune for the tub, why not use this article to weigh your options?

Arguably, daily immersion can help solve many personal dilemmas, as well as offer a silky sheen to ho-hum skin. But baths are much more than a pre-slumber afterthought: with the right bubbles, bathtime can be a relaxing (lavender), invigorating (lime), even whimsical (bubble gum) way to start the day. In fact, possibly the only way to turn the ideal bath into an invaluable daily meditation is through music.

But which tune is right for you? Of all eras, genres and tempos- which boasts your signature bathtime track?

It may depend on the way you scrub. If you're vigorous and thorough, an epic like Guns N Roses' "Paradise City" may be right for you; the perfect mix of passionate lyrics and screechy vocals for truly cathartic body buffing.

If you're a soaker, a lazy, low tempo track like Macy Gray's "I Try" may be best for you. No complicated harmonies, no awkward climax, just a catchy tune to sing

You Know you're semi-good lookin' And on the streets again... You think you're really cookin', baby, You better find yourself a friend.

to "wash and go"? Is there even time for a song at all? Oh yes. This is where a song's origin becomes very significant. Without a doubt, songs of yesteryear are the perfect selection for express visits to the tub. Tracks from the fifties and sixties were typically limited to two to three minutes, so even the speediest bather could deliver a track from start to finish.

Retro tracks also offer tremendous variety. If you're feeling wistful, The Kinks' "Waterloo Sunset" is a perfect choice. If you're happy, Marilyn Monroe's "I Wanna be Loved by You" is great, as is Dusty Springfield's "I Only Want to be With You". But even if you're having a bad day, the quickie hits of the fifties and sixties, surprisingly, can offer the perfect soundtrack to your gloom. Take the awesome "It's Only a Paper Moon", made famous from the movie "Paper Moon".

Another song that not

Wash That Man Right out of My Hair" a 1958 hit now synonymous with the musical "South Pacific". It's an uptempo, easy peasy song to sing, and has the power not simply to brighten the spirits of even the loneliest breakup-ee, but also prompt a little....public skipping. Once the bath's over and said breakup-ee is fully clothed, of course.....

In closing, baths are a glorious way to start the day, but having the right soundtrack is essential. While I believe the hits of the fifties and sixties offer the most diverse ways to exercise your vocal chords in the morning, this is merely my humble opinion. Directions to each of the tracks mentioned are listed in the box below: once you've sampled each of them you may believe that the 21<sup>st</sup> century has more to offer in terms of bathroom-friendly melodies and delightful rhymes that resonate. Or maybe you'll be converted for life.....

the artist who interests you in the search box, select the corresponding album from the search results and scroll down to "Listen to samples" when the page loads. Clips can be downloaded using Windows Media Player or Real Player.

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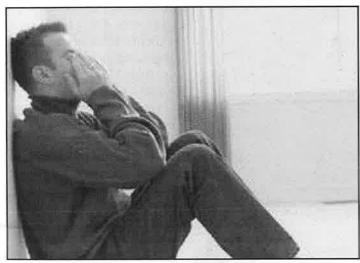
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## Tips on getting past a breakup





Jacob Wiens

Breaking up is hard to

Wallowing in your own self pity after losing your beloved "snooky pooky bear" might seem like the only way to deal. But I can assure you, wallowing is not attractive. As a recent survivor of a very dramatic and drawn-out relationship, I stuck to some very basic tactics to help ease my way back into a normal sense of reality. So, get off the couch, turn off the "Real World" marathon, and move on to the next phase of your life with your dignity possible scenario in your life. It requires a little bit of knowledge and a lot of self control. Step One: Don't be a loner.

Surrounding yourself with lots of people should cut your loneliness a bit. If you aren't up for public appearances, invite your best friends over for a DVD night. Having your allies with you will allow you to vent all you want. Now the venting is over. Move on.

Step Two: Don't act like a crazy person.

Getting drunk and dialing your ex is NEVER a good idea. Let me spell that one out. N-E-V-E-R a good idea. It might seem like declaring your love over a slur at 3 in the morning is a grand romantic gesture, but it isn't. And don't pass by their apartment on Saturday night because you think they are shacking up with their hot co-worker. Is it really going to make you feel better? Step Three: Buy yourself something nice Splurging a little on yourself is a nice way to numb the pain. Go buy something you've been wanting. I'm not saying to go and dry out your bank account with that \$400 iPod you've been wanting, but a nice Abercrombie shirt might make you feel good.

Step Four: Date. A lot. Since your last relationship ended, it obviously had some problems. Now is the time to figure out what went wrong. Go out and date. Fig-

ure out what your ideal mate might be like. By casually dating, you might find someone even better! And a little experience never hurt anyone.

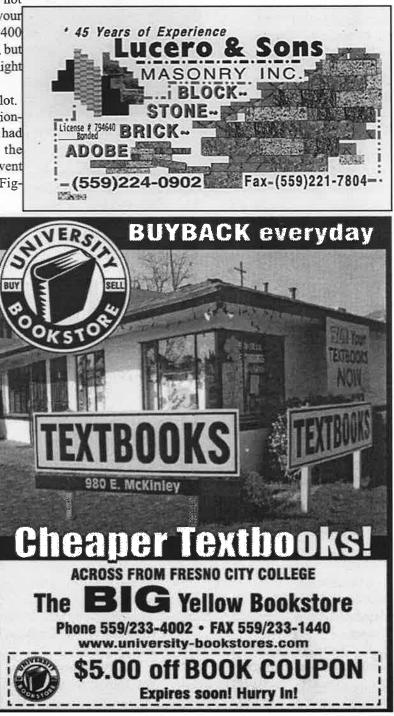
Step Five: Look good when you go out in public.

Look hot. Look hot at every moment you step out of your house. You never know when you will bump into your ex at the grocery store or at the mall. Do you want to look nasty when that moment comes? Be prepared.

Step Six: Lose their number.

Actually, lose all of their stuff. Why do you want their old toothbrush lying around or their cell number in your phone as a constant reminder of your old "date nights." Get rid of 'em.

Don't be your own worst enemy after a failed relationship. Get back up and dust yourself off. Have some respect for the great person you are! Hopefully these steps will help you along your journey.



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Breaking up isn't the ing to make you feel same for everyone, but it doesn't have to be the worst self something nice.

## Reviews

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## 'Zathura' has great effects, simple lessons



Jacob Wiens

Was I experiencing a sense of deja vu last night? It's possible, because the story of "Zathura" is so closely related to "Jumanji", another story centered around a mysterious board game. Ten years ago, "Jumanji" hit the big screen with Robin Williams as its star. Both books were written by the same author, hence the similar plot lines. But you might want to take note that "Zathura" is not a sequel to "Jumanji", just a newer, glossier version of the story.

"Zathura" follows the story of two young brothers, Danny (Jonah Bobo) and Walter (Josh Hutcherson). Being typical young boys, they share a simple innocence with each other, but that's about all they share. The young boys are in competetion with one another. They compete for the affection of their father, being



The house of brothers Danny and Walter becomes a makeshift spaceship in Sony Pictures "Zathura."

the "smart" one, and being the "athletic" one. The young boys find a board game in their father's old house. The game leads them into outerspace, unable to come home until the

game is finished. The old house becomes a makeshift spacecraft bringing some unlikely visitors, including ugly lizard aliens and a lost astronaut (played by MTV's Dax Shepard).

The movie is stunning to watch! The special effects were surprisingly better than I expected. With "Jumanji" ten years ago, the effects were the major draw to the movie theatre. This story has an equal balance between amazing visuals and a plot that will draw you in. The lessons learned are simple, which make it a great family film. It isn't too complex for an 8 year old to understand. The story aims to please young boys, who will be impressed with the space adventure. But, I was pleased as well. It drew me back to my childhood, playing space aliens in the living room while my sister ran around dancing to the "New Kids on the Block "album. The two young actors carried the movie with heart and some strong acting chops. The movie has unknown actors bringing it to life, but that shouldn't keep you away from it this weekend. It's a great movie for families to watch together.

Zathura

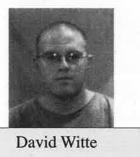
Starring: Dax Shepard, Jonah Bobo, Josh Hutcherson

Rating: PG

Director: John Favreau

Genre: Adventure/Fantasy





That's right. They're back.

The poorly animated comic duo from MTV's heady days of hair bands and Headbanger's Ball are back, nestled among the likes of the Daily Show and Mind of Mencia on Comedy Central's lineup. (complete with the cheesy mid-'90s music videos) at 7 p.m. on weekdays.

Those of us with a penchant for stupid, pointless humor couldn't be happier.

We once again will experience the long-dormant memories of Highland High, Cornholio, and Anderson.

The show that was canceled because of its suggestions of pyromania, and general crudeness.

The show that now seems mild compared to South Park, Drawn Together, Chappele's Show, and an army of stand-up comedians, all of which have constantly pushed the boundaries since Beavis and Butthead's cancella-



Same old episodes. None of that<br/>new King-of-the-Hill crap.tion.Comedy Central has taken to air-<br/>ing Beavis and Butthead episodesIt's the perfect show for me. So<br/>don't bother me at 7 p.m. on weekdays.I'll be tuned in to Comedy Central.

Beavis and Butthead are back on cable, returning in rerun form for Comedy Central, airing at 7 p.m. on weekdays. Parents will not be happy.