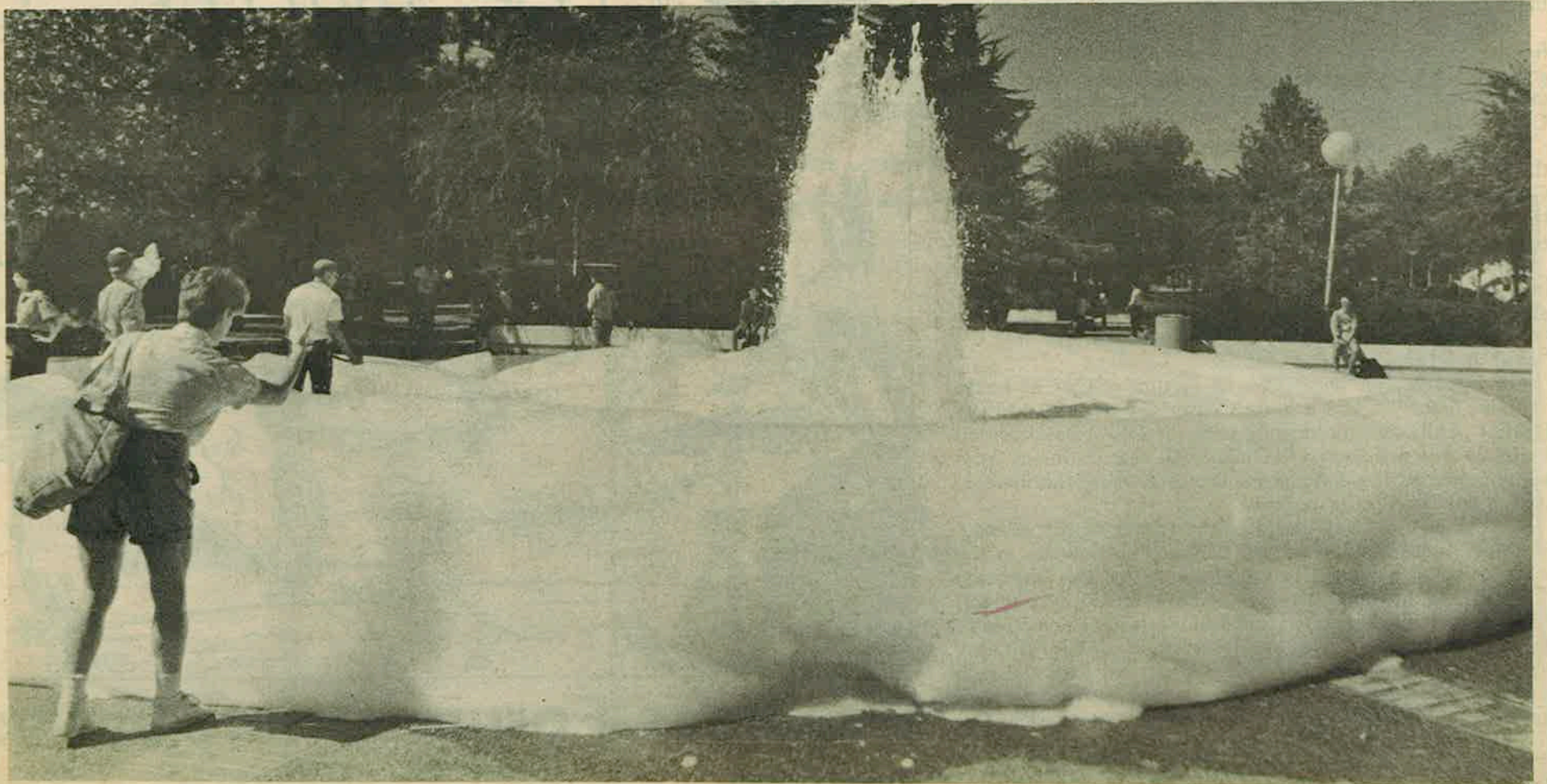


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Fresno City College FOUNTAIN FOAMS in what has become a traditional opening for the school year.

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## Development Center Trains For Future

by Veronica Hanson  
Rampage Staff Writer

The Fresno City College Child Development Center provides a dual purpose. It gives students majoring in child development hands on experience on campus in addition to providing child care.

According to Marilyn Mikow, director of the center, the program gives children a chance for a better education.

"We try to meet the needs of the whole child," she said.

One goal of the center is to teach children self-confidence and independence through special learning activities not only by students, but professional staff as well.

Programs for children are developed according to their specific needs and age levels to achieve coordination and perception, Mikow related.

The programs are divided into three different age levels, which varies from 18 months to 5 years old.

An example of this is the program for 2 1/2-year-olds in which toddlers are taught toilet training methods. Mikow said the staff is able to train children successfully.

At the pre-school age, the challenge is getting the child ready socially for school so they mingle with other children without problems. There are outdoor lessons as well as free play on the playgrounds.

Mikow has had requests for infant care, but the center

does not have the facilities or the staff to accommodate those children.

A rule of the center is if a child is ill they will not be admitted into the center. The center cannot supply care provided by a physician.

FCC staff and students are given priority enrollment only during early registration each semester. She said parents must enroll their children during that time, otherwise it is a first come, first served program.

With more than 500 students taking the course and about 12 professional staff members, the program shows great promise for the future,

she said.

"The biggest problems was the financing," said Gerry Stockle, Social Science Dean. In the beginning the board of trustees did not believe day care should be part of the college.

But the committee changed the board's thinking when it made a part of the instructional program on campus, he said.

The college then provided the building but funds for equipment and materials come out of the tuition paid by parents, according to Mikow.

The center is open Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Wednesday evenings.

## Funds needed for memorial

by Kris Martin  
Special to the Rampage

Donations are being requested to help fund the 1988 celebration for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., which will include an eight-foot memorial and a peace time capsule.

The Martin Luther King, Jr., Unity Committee of Fresno in conjunction with California State University, Fresno, and the Fresno Unified School District are developing the plans for the celebration.

The event is also supported by the Pan-African Student Union (P.A.S.U.) of Fresno City College and many other religious and community groups.

Cost for the celebration is at \$7,000 and the funds must be obtained by Oct. 1, 1987. The statue will be a bronzed version of Dr. King's head with an aggregate concrete base. The Peace Time Capsule will consist of messages written by students in classes in the Fresno Unified School District.

Contributions are tax deductible and will be received by the Fresno Free College Foundation, a non-profit organization. Checks can be made payable to FFCF-King Memorial and deposited in the FCC business office under P.A.S.U./Fresno Free College Foundation or mailed to FFCF-King Memorial, P.O. Box 4364, Fresno, CA 93744.

## Brown Bag Seminars Help Students

by Bauea M. Crosby  
Rampage Staff Writer

In order to help returning students make a smooth transition, Fresno City College is continuing its Re-entry Brown Bag seminar program.

The free seminars are held Wednesdays from 12 to 12:50 p.m. in the Counseling Center. This program is open to all interested students between the age of 24 and 80.

"This seminar is very informal and has a great deal of support and encouragement to offer to all those coming back to school after experiencing divorce, time off to have children, boredom,

death of spouse or to pursue a different career," explained Ginna Bearden, Re-entry coordinator.

"The program provides a variety of services designed specifically for you to help find a career to support you economically. We are also fortunate and thankful to have instructors, speakers or staff members who are willing to contribute their spare time to speak in our seminars," she said.

The Re-entry program is funded by the Vocational Education program. Main areas of interests in the program are displaced homemakers, gen-

der equity, which focuses on careers that are dominated by males, and non-traditional careers.

In the meetings held to date, Ginna Bearden talked on "Self Esteem," Walter Brooks spoke on "Note Taking Expertise," and Pauline Fuller covered "College Survival."

For more information on the Brown Bag Seminar, brochures can be found at the counseling center located at the Student Services building.

Here is the fall schedule:

September 30  
Test Anxiety  
Peg Kelly  
October 7

Stress Reduction  
Gayle Stevens

October 14

Assertiveness Training

Kris Eyssell

October 21

The Power Spin

Shirley Bruegman

October 28

How to Stay Married

Dr. Carla Brandon

November 4

Jealousy

Mikki Schleivert

November 18

Adult Children of Alcoholics

Kathy Hennigan

November 25

Parenting Teens

Chuck Butler



## Newsmagazine or Propaganda?

By Randy Risner  
Rampage Editor

Students at Fresno City College are being cheated and probably don't even realize it.

The cheating is taking place every week when students are fed a good dosage of public relations propaganda under the guise of what used to be a photocopied news letter but now is taking the shape of a "newsmagazine". This magazine is called City at Large.

This professional looking publication's banner touts itself as the "staff and student newsmagazine" at Fresno City College. Certainly the publishers of this "newsmagazine" want you to think it is the best source of news at FCC and with good reason.

City College, like any other large organization, has an image to protect or perhaps in this case to build. And, just as any large organization, City College feels an obligation to filter the news insuring that students and staff get only the "good" news about their institution.

For example, the September 21 edition of City at Large contains a story about a State Center Community College District public meeting dealing with the Old Administration Building. The story said, "the board will hear testimony from all interested parties and plans to decide at its regular meeting the future of the historic building."

Well now isn't that special, "the future of the historic building" indeed. What future? There is no mention in the story of what very likely will happen to that "historic building." If the board decides that funds aren't available to restore it, the Old Administration Building will be demolished. You will find no mention of this anywhere in the City at Large story. However, it should be pointed out that City at Large staff members aren't to blame for this un-information. They are in fact trained and paid to do their jobs quite well. And they do. They use the public relations tactic of playing up the positive and avoiding the negative at all costs thus hoping to exercise a degree of control over how people view City College.

That's why you'll not see stories about the Sosa discrimination suit, City College's blatant overbooking of student parking, or any other negative story blaring across the cover of City at Large. They simply don't want the community to believe there's anything bad happening at City College even if there is.

So where do you go to find out what the real news is? In relation to City College there are two good local sources of un-filtered news: The Fresno Bee and The Rampage. The Bee, of course will provide in depth factual stories about City College of interest city wide. The Rampage, on the other hand, seeks to provide news that relates directly to students at City College. Granted, The Rampage doesn't get every last bit of worthwhile information on its pages but it does attempt to provide a realistic view, of both the negative and positive.

We are, however, sometimes victims of the filtering process described above because many of our basic news stories start with the public information office. Many times we aren't able to get past the filter and get at the real story. We do realize, however, that the filter is there and always functioning so we can at least put realistic perspectives on our stories.

What does all this mean to you the reader? Well, it means that everything you read isn't always completely forthcoming with the real truth. Therefore, it pays to be a little skeptical of anything you read, especially when it comes from a government agency like the SCCCD or City College even if it does claim to be a "staff and student newsmagazine."

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## Business Forum Offers Series

By Marie Andrade  
Rampage Staff Writer

What do you do with a frozen burrito?

If you are Frank or Louis Ruiz, you parlay it into \$40 million.

"Entrepreneurship at its Best" will be the topic of the next "Special Wednesdays" Business Forum Series Oct. 21. Louis Ruiz will share his secrets of success in turning a home operation into a multi-million dollar business.

The Ruiz Food Products, Inc., based in Tulare, prepares and distributes 750,000 frozen burritos a day. In 1983 the Ruizs received the Small Business Persons award.

The Business Division brings to the 1987-1988 series leaders from business, government and industry who have distinguished themselves in their careers.

On Nov. 4, Kathy S. Butler will be guest speaker. She was tops in sales two years consecutively for the Richard D. Irwin, Inc., publisher, netting more than \$2.5 million annually.

The meetings are held in the College Theater at 9 a.m. A one-hour reception follows in the Theater foyer. There will be opportunity to meet and ask questions of the speaker.

The schedule for the remaining 1987-1988 season:

Dec. 2

Scott R. Sherman, Attorney  
Changing Law On Employees Termination

Feb. 3

Karen Alexander  
Becoming A Self Starter

March 23

James Aldredge  
Public Service, Is It For You?

April 6

Dennis Nebeker  
High Tech — year 2000

May 4

John C. Covington  
Agriculture is "Paydirt" in the Valley

### Rampage Slates Bi-Weekly Issues

Because of the various pressures of employment, studies, and the general lack, not only in numbers but also in training, of Rampage staff members, the Rampage regrets to inform its readers and advertisers that we will now publish every other week rather than our normal weekly publication.

However, with any luck and the staff's "stick with it" attitude, we will be back to our regular publication schedule for the spring semester.

## Drop fees discontinued for year Statistics show fees unproductive

by Veronica Hanson  
Rampage Staff Writer

Drop fees that once cast a shadow upon Fresno City College students has faded into the "sunset" of legislative exercise.

The drop fee was created by state legislatures to keep students from dropping courses.

As a precaution a clause was inserted to insure that if the fee did not serve its purpose, it would not last.

The clause served as a device to see if fees actually stopped students from dropping

classes.

Statistics gathered by Dr. Ward Lasher, associate dean of admissions and records, verified how unsuccessful the drop fee had been.

The business office get an overload of paperwork from students who dropped courses, he said.

Those who did not pay had a permanent "hold" on all records until the account was paid. This could mean — no graduation, he said.

"The general principle of the drop fee was good," he said. The fee was meant to discourage students from

"shopping" around and to take a responsible approach in selecting a class.

Lasher believes there are times in a student's life when dropping a class is the only option. A change in work schedule or home life could result in a need to drop a class, for example.

State legislatures were not sure how well the law would be received and made the clause to expire on the July 1, 1987 deadline if it was unsuccessful, he said.

Lasher believes the drop fee will not be reinstated in the near future.



## "No Way Out" promises intrigue and romance

### No Way Out

Starring Kevin Costner, Sean Young, and Gene Hackman  
Directed by Roger Donaldson  
Rated R 110 minutes

by Eric Hansen  
Rampage film reviewer

Call it Watergate, Teapot Dome, or Iranscam, political corruption leaves a bad taste in your mouth. Now the big screen brings us more Republican evil doings.

Based on the best-selling novel "The Big Clock" by Kenneth Fearing, "No Way Out" is set in Washington, D.C. after the landslide reelection of Ronald Reagan in 1984.

Secretary of Defense David Brice (Gene Hackman) is at odds with Senator Duvall (veteran character actor Howard Duff) over the funding of a top secret project called "Phantom Sub." Brice asks naval hero Tom Farell (Kevin Costner from "The Untouchables") to act as a special undercover agent with the Central Intelligence Agency.

Unbeknownst to both of them, they share a common lover, Susan Atwell (very pretty Sean Young).

In a rage, Brice kills Susan but Tom becomes the main suspect. The second half of the film is set in the Pentagon, the world's largest building, where super-computers are used to track down poor Tom. Revealing more would give away an ending that should not be missed.

This is Donaldson's third major film directing. The others were "Marie" in 1985 and "Smash Palace" from New Zealand in 1981.

Actor Kevin Costner is on his way to superstardom. His first film role was in "The Big Chill" where he played a corpse for all of five seconds. After several years of Actor's Playhouse, Costner should command big roles and big bucks from now on.

As good as other political thrillers of the past, such as "Advise and Consent" (1962) and "Seven Days in May" (1964), "No Way Out" is a must see film.

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### FOOTBALL

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The Rams opened the season two weeks ago with a rousing 27-7 win over Modesto Junior College. Quarterback Maurice Egan tossed three touchdown passes in a 251-yard aerial attack on the Pirates. It was the first opening game win for the Rams in eight years.

Last week FCC sputtered against San Jose City College's passing game and lost 37-7.

After Laney, the Rams play away games against Chabot and Sacramento City before starting conference lay October 17 against Kings River CC.

### BUILDING

The old Administration Building was given a three-year lease on life by the State Legislature two weeks ago, allowing time for the State Center Community College Dis-

trict Board to bring the building up to earthquake standards.

### WRITERS

The Rampage is looking for writers to contribute news and feature stories on a regular weekly basis. Contact Dr. Harry Kennedy, advisor, Monday and Wednesday afternoons after 2 p.m. in the Language Arts Building, Room 122.

### SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship funds are available to qualified Fresno City College students who apply within the next few months.

Each scholarship has individual deadlines and students who apply must fulfill specific requirements. Some are national, some are for FCC students.

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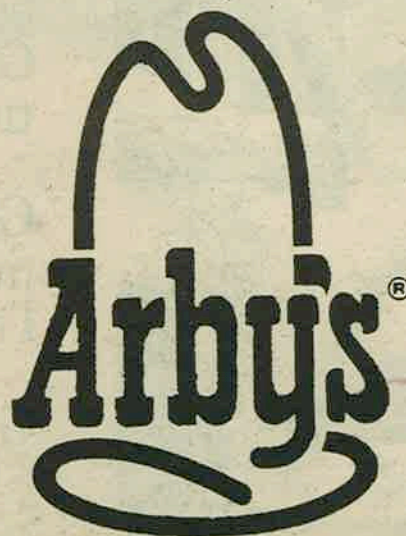
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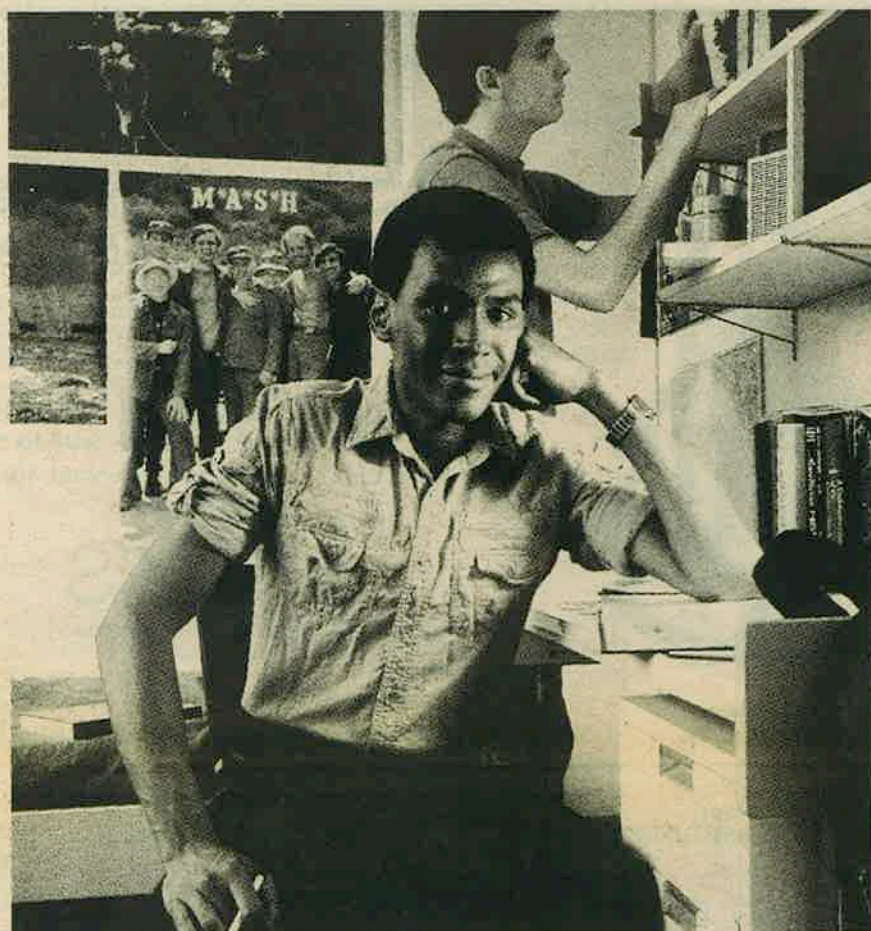
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