

Deadly invader introduced to FCC campus

By Gurdeep Sihota
Staff writer

There is a deadly mushroom growing on campus said Robert Winter, Fresno City College biology instructor.

Winter, who has been teaching at FCC for 38 years, says he has found several places on campus where the poisonous mushroom, *Amanita Phalloides*, grows.

The mushroom, also known as the "Death Cap," was discovered by Winter four years ago.

"The mushrooms were introduced to the campus and Fresno County by landscapers who brought in Pin Oaks and Cork Oaks from the Coast," he said.

"Sometimes, 50 of these

mushrooms can be found under one tree."

The "Death Cap" can be distinguished from other mushrooms by its convex shape and a greenish metallic sheen.

Just one bite of the mushroom can kill a person if digested. According to a research book entitled, *Mushrooms*, by Albert Pilat and Otto Usak, the first symptoms of poisoning by this mushroom sets in at the earliest after six to nine hours, and sometimes from 24 to 40 hours. According to the book, this is unfortunately too late for the pumping of the stomach because the poison has already entered the bloodstream.

Winter says there is no way



The "Death Cap" or the "Amanita Phalloides."

of getting rid of the mushroom because it is a fungi.

There have been no cases of poisoning on campus, but Winter suspects that it is just a matter of time. He said that he has seen people picking the mushrooms on campus during the spring.

The most tragic case of poisoning from *Amanita Phalloides* occurred in September 1918, at Bierzgin in Germany. Within five days, 31 Westphalian school children died after eating a dish made of the mushroom.

Winter says two to three persons die yearly from the "Death Cap" on the coast. Two have died so far this year.

The first symptoms the patient feels are stomach

pains, cold sweat, and vomiting. The patient then develops an evil-smelling and chronic diarrhea. The belly, especially in the region of the stomach, becomes sensitive to pressure, the liver becomes hard and swollen, and there becomes little or no urine. The pain then subsides for several hours, but returns again, even stronger.

The *Amanita Phalloides* contains three poisons: phallin, a haemolytic poison, phalloidin, a fast-acting poison, and amanitin, the main and most deadly poison.

According to the book, mushroom poisoning should never be taken lightly. The patient should be taken to the hospital at once.

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In Short

CSUF Workshop

California State University, Fresno, is having an application workshop on Wednesday, November 16, in room 202C in the Counseling Office, second floor of the Student Services Building.

Art Gallery

A traveling exhibit of the Ceramics of the San Joaquin will be displayed in the Art Gallery from October 26 to November 23.

The Gallery is open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. On Friday, it's open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is free.

AVAZ concert

Arthur Shay's AVAZ, International Dance Theater, will perform dance, music, and song of Eastern Europe and Central Asia, at 8 p.m. on Friday, November 18, in the Fresno City College Theater.

For more information, call 442-8356.

Food Drive

A food drive, to collect non-perishable food item, will be conducted from November 1, to January 31, 1989, by the City of Fresno and the Fresno Convention Center. Those wishing to donate food items may drop them off at the Administration of the Fresno Convention Center, 700 M Street.

Elections Test Run

The County Clerk, Elections Division, will conduct a test run of the November 8, 1988 Consolidated General Election in Fresno.

It will take place on November 2, at 4 p.m. at the Computer Services Division at 1020 South 10th Street.



For more Halloween treats from the Rampage, see "Elm Street" page 8.

AIDS testing a major decision

By Yvonne Begley
Contributing writer

The number of women, children, and heterosexual men infected by AIDS is increasing. The disease is no longer confined to one section of the population.

According to the Surgeon General's report, "AIDS no longer is the concern of any one segment of society; it is the concern of us all."

The two sides disagree on whether 102 will help, by eliminating anonymous testing. The Central Valley Aids Team has anonymous testing available at no charge. The Health Department has free confidential testing.

Confidential testing means that a person must sign a form consenting to be tested. Anonymous testing does not require this.

According to Fresno's Metronews, Oregon allowed only confidential testing prior to December of 1986. After a law passed permitting anonymous testing, overall demand for testing increased by 50 per cent.

Colorado's law which is

similar to 102, does not require disclosure of the sex partners and IV partners of a person who tests positive. It allows only confidential testing. Since it was enacted, Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, Ronald Reagan, and the name of the Governor of Colorado appear most frequently on testing forms.

Involuntary testing of persons charged with prostitution, certain sex crimes, or assault by means likely to produce great bodily injury is required by 102. It also requires the State Department of Justice to provide test results to courts, legal personnel, and law enforcement agencies upon request.

According to the legislative analysis of 102 on page 137 of the California Ballot Pamphlet, this means that one doesn't have to be guilty of these crimes before they can be forced to have the AIDS test and the results passed on to the agencies mentioned.

Page 138 of the pamphlet tells us that if someone has AIDS, Prop 102 will make it possible for insurance companies and employers to take action to

exclude them.

In other words, they can lose their insurance and be fired. The legislative analysts for the California pamphlet don't know how much this would be likely to cost taxpayers.

Voting taxpayers don't have their decision made much easier by looking to see who supports which side-doctors support both. Proponents of 102 do say that it won't give an employer the right to test you for AIDS without your consent. This is in conflict with the legislative analysis.

Opponents state, "Proposition 102 is a punitive, political approach to AIDS that is totally at odds with modern medicine and science." Proponents of 102 also say, "If a doctor treats AIDS like any other disease, he would commit a crime."

Both sides agree that AIDS testing is necessary to prevent the unwitting spread of the disease. Read the pamphlet and see for yourself whether you think Proposition 102 will help.

Planning of a hospice

By Yvonne Begley
Contributing writer

Catherine Calkins, Central Valley AIDS Team executive director, said we need volunteers.

"The government is not going to protect you from this disease, it is a matter of personal responsibility," said Calkins. "And the government can't legislate personal responsibility."

Mack Roark, community out-reach coordinator, said, "We need every one of them [readers] who can spare five minutes a week to come and help."

The CVAT provides free anonymous testing for AIDS, free counseling, supportive services for AIDS victims, a client out-reach for safe sex and IV drug use, and a 24-hour hotline at 264-AIDS.

A hospice for AIDS victims is still in the works. Funds for the hospice have been raised by a walkathon and a dance featuring The Blasters and The House Rockers.

CVAT has been offered help from the existing hospices to start the AIDS victims' hospice.

Art galleries opened to public

By Yvonne Begley
Staff writer

Ten of Fresno's art galleries opened their doors to the public free of charge for a half day, on Sunday, October 23. The galleries ranged from the Fresno Arts Center to The Fresno Metropolitan Museum to The Muse. The array of different artists' work was sure to satisfy everyone.

Among Pat Hunter's watercolors at Gallery II was a striking view of a lighthouse. It gave a feeling of unusual depth for a watercolor.

Allard's Gallery was packed with an eclectic array of artwork centered by an exhibit of singer Tony Bennett's paintings. Visitors were treated to strains of his voice in the background, as they viewed his visual artwork.

A selection of carefully-crafted Native American Indian crafts shared space with Bennett and a large fantasy portrait of a fat horse.

The deceptively simple horse embodied a strange magical quality. A favorite exhibit at Allard's was a work entitled, "Arachnae." It consisted of an odd-shaped wooden frame containing a spider web of metal with crystals attached to it. It was intriguing with a mysterious waiting feeling.

The Muse displayed a slightly less eclectic mix of art. An earthy-looking egg-

shaped box surprised art-lovers with the precise fit of the lid. It was adorned with a horned toad glaring defiantly from its top. His flaring neck, fierce stance, and the texture of his hide almost made one feel that one could see his tiny throat moving rapidly, as his head jerked around to look at the viewer.

The Fresno Arts Center boasted two wildly contrasting exhibits. One of the exhibits was a traditionally-styled set of small still-lives.

The other was appropriately entitled, "Striking Distance." The name of the exhibit was submitted as a work of art.

Along with framed artwork, a masterpiece of technology was appropriately labeled as a particular brand of

See "Art Gallery" page 6

Homecoming rally attracts large crowd

By Marie Andrade
Staff writer

A pep rally was held last Friday at noon around the Fresno City College fountain area in celebration of FCC Homecoming Week, which was attended by a crowd of almost 200 people, many of whom wore the school colors

of red and white.

The pep band, directed by Gary Deeter, played the FCC fight song and other songs.

Dr. Ernest Leach, Fresno City College president, opened the rally by commending FCC sports activities, including the volleyball and soccer teams, then introduced the

Rams football team and Coach John Volek.

Expectations of victory over Allan Hancock College Saturday in Ratcliffe Stadium ran high. Rocky the Ram was on hand to lend encouragement. Balloons and confetti added a festive air to the occasion.

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HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!

—The RAMPAGE STAFF

Put your ear to the ground

By Keith Hiler
Editor-in-chief

We, as registered voters, must now take a stand for our future, by voting on November 8. It is imperative to be well informed on the issues, for this is the only way we can do a good job of voting. *The Rampage* will assist you, by giving the position taken on key issues by the presidential candidates. The rest is of course up to you.

Democratic

Michael Stanley Dukakis, 54, was born November 3, 1933, in Boston, Massachusetts.

Republican

George Herbert Walker Bush, 64, was born in Milton, Massachusetts, on the southern edge of Boston, on June 12, 1924.

Defense and Foreign Policy

Position on CTB (Complete Test Ban); Dukakis is for a full ban on nuclear tests, Bush opposes such a ban.

SDI (Strategic Defense Initiative); Dukakis opposes a space antimissile systems, Bush is for deploying SDI.

ASAT (antisatellite weapons); Dukakis opposes testing and deployment, Bush is for ASAT systems.

ABM Treaty interpretation; Dukakis is for traditional, limits SDI, Bush opposes traditional, wants SDI.

ICBM testing moratorium; Dukakis is for mutual ban, Bush opposes ban, wants more testing.

Salt-Two treaty limits; Dukakis is for mutual compliance, Bush opposes treaty, wants to exceed limits.

Midgetman and MX missiles; Dukakis opposes testing and deployment, Bush is for testing and deployment.

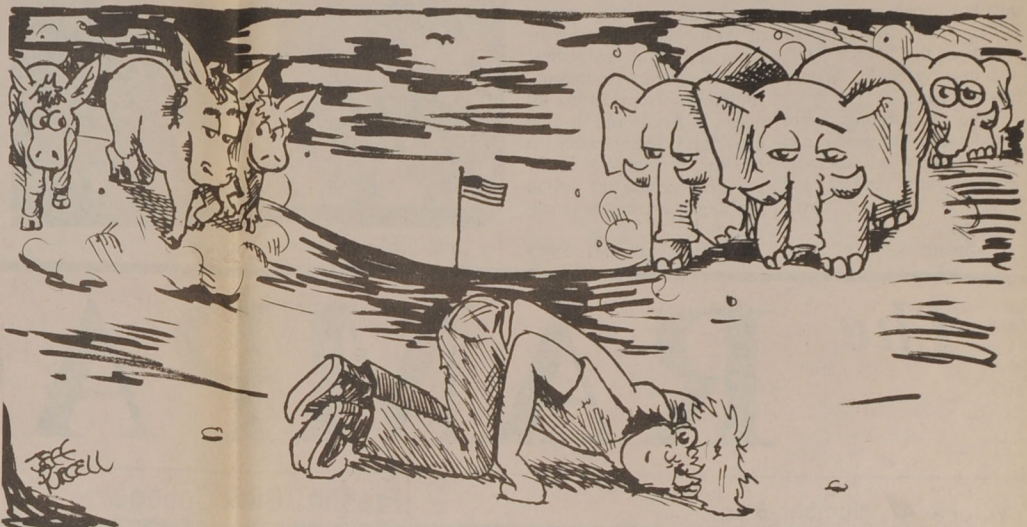
INF treaty and START Talks; Dukakis and Bush are both for treaties.

Tougher economic sanctions against South Africa; Dukakis supports sanctions, Bush does not.

Military aid to the Nicaraguan contras; Dukakis is against, Bush supports.

The Environment

Acid Rains; Dukakis wants to reduce annual sulfur dioxide emissions by 12 million tons, Bush wants to reduce annual sulfur dioxide emissions by millions of tons.



Clean Water; Dukakis is for banning ocean dumping by 1991, and supported renewal of the Clean Water Act. Bush is for banning ocean dumping by 1991, however supported Reagan's veto of the Clean Water Act.

New Nuclear Reactors; Dukakis opposes until new safety measures are devised. Bush supports new reactors with high safety standards.

Offshore Oil Drilling; Dukakis is against, except where environmental quality will not be compromised. Bush is for, except in sensitive areas.

The Economy

Deficit Reduction Plan (first priority); Dukakis is for improved tax enforcement, Bush is for flexible freeze on spending.

Increased income taxes; Dukakis only as a last resort, Bush no.

Minimum wage increased to \$4.55/hr.; Dukakis supports, Bush no.

Civil Rights

Equal Rights Amendment; Dukakis supports, Bush does not.

Constitutional amendment to prohibit abortion; Dukakis against, Bush supports.

Universal Voter Registration Act; Dukakis supports, Bush does not.

The Family

Child care; Dukakis is for federal assistance and standards, Bush is for tax credit for working parents.

Parental Leave; Dukakis wants leave guaranteed, Bush wants leave left up to the employer.

Increased federal student loans; Dukakis and Bush are both for student loans

Guaranteed basic health insurance; Dukakis is for, Bush is not.

As voting students, these are some of the important issues facing you. The voting booth's power will give you the opportunity to shape our nation's course on these issues. See you at the polling place!

Student Forum

Dear Editor,

I writing in order to express my comments about your forum response 10-10-88.

Although the person interviewed may have expressed this campus's atmosphere, it has little relevance(sic) to the outcome of the presidential election.. This is due to the fact that only 8 - 26 percent of those from 18 - 29 vote. It's obvious that the majority of FCC students fall into this age bracket, and this, basically, makes their predictions for the outcome of the presidential election irrelevant(sic).

However, I believe that even those FCC students voting for Michael Dukakis are doing so, knowing that George Bush is the most qualified person, and will be elected in November.

If those of you, whom you referred to as we, feel that the man who will soon run this country is worthless, then I might be quick to suggest a geographical move. If Dummie(sic) of the Redwoods and Gumby are your preferences for a President / Vice-president team, I'm sure a country can be found for you. But you won't find it in AMERICA!

Sincerely(sic),
Todd J. Hinson

Dear Editors,

I am writing this letter in regards to the editorial in the October 10th edition of *The Rampage*.

Obviously Ms. Miller gave very little thought to the subject which she attacked, that of animals used in scientific research.

First of all, she claimed "there is still no cure for cancer, or any other major diseases." This statement is very misleading.

True, there is still no "cure" for cancer, but without research, we wouldn't be nearly as close as we are now. As for "other major diseases," that statement is very naive. Thanks to research, there are less children contracting polio. Additionally, the fight against alcoholism has been pushed much farther ahead, thanks to the research provided by animal testing.

Furthermore, Miller's idea that "the results of tests in one species cannot be accurately applied to another species" is false. Mice have been produced which have a human metabolism, now medical research can move even faster.

These are the only examples I can think of off the top of my head.

Sure, cruel things have been done to animals. I can also think of many inhumane acts done to humans by humans.

Things such as the treatment of patients in mental institutions during the turn of the century, and the infamous Nazi experiments on humans during World War II. Even now humans are treating humans as something less than equal. I'm talking about South Africa, and apartheid.

So why should anyone be shocked by Mankind's treatment of animals. Let's face it, it's not the fact that we use animals in research but to what extent and for what purpose they are used.

Senseless cruelty is unreasonable and should not be tolerated, however, it should be the scientific community who should be responsible enough to make these decisions, not the naive.

Now Ms. Miller, if you were truly adamant about your views, why would you even consider buying meat in a grocery store? Consider that the meat you would be buying there was grown only for slaughter.

In fact, this is one of the reasons why people hunt. The stores offer high-priced, low-quality meat of animals who never knew any freedom. This doesn't mean all hunters believe this, there are some who hunt for trophies. This latter type, to me, seems immature.

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ROVING REPORTER

What are you going to dress up as for Halloween ? Why ?

Text by Jeff Purcell
Photos by Russell Easley



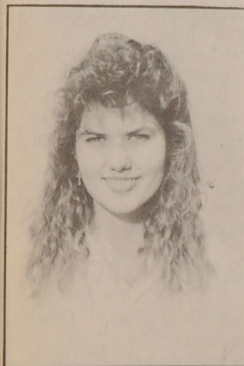
Sharon Hagobian
Registered Nurse
"An angel. I have always wanted to be an angel."



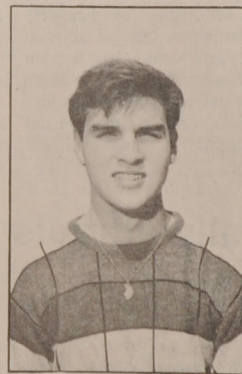
Dallas Blanchard
Business
"A streaker, because I'm a pervert!"



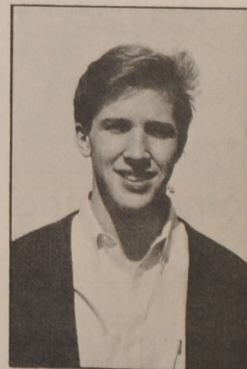
Kim Kasten
Psychology
"I'm going to be an ugly old hag-witch, because society thinks that is what a witch looks like."



Patti Anderson
Pre-medical
"A snowball, because I sympathize with my friends in the midwest, and I can't wait until Christmas."



Sean Sanchez
Business
"A devil, because I like to melt snowballs."



Joe Salcedo
Life Science
"Morton Downey Jr. He's my hero."

Tattling on "Tales of Young Robert"

By Earl Scialabba
Contributing writer

Those who believe Fresno is culturally dead have a surprise in store for them. It is the "Tales Of Young Robert." That is a yarn in itself, and the band is what it's all about.

The "story" started in the mid-eighties as a trio consisting of Nate Butler, Darren Embry, and Stan Schaffer. The additions of John Koontz and Mark Ribera brought the idea of the band to fruition, and now "Young Robert" is incredibly developed for a six-month old band.

What is even more impressive is that all the members have full-time activities outside the band.

School and jobs both vie for the band members' attention, so the band is given three nights a week to practice. That's 12 hours a week. That's it. And yet the rapid growth of the band conceals this. It has 30 original songs to its repertoire.

Older songs were mostly conceived by Butler and Schaffer, but now all of the members contribute.

Fate seems to be responsible for bringing together the different musical backgrounds of the members, such as show-tune, classical, and pop. It's as if it were meant to happen, according to Koontz.

The members' families are very supportive, and go to many of the band's shows. For example, Matt Embry, Darren's brother, ran the lights at the show they did at the "Wild Blue Yonder."

The band itself is a family structure. Respect, as well as passions, run deep among the members. Goals which the band has readily agreed upon are, to present, serious matter, in a funny way. That is to relate, not alienate,

address issues, and give possible suggestions to help others.

"Collectively," said Ribera, "the message is Do!"

The band is serious about its messages because not everyone has the opportunity to promote them. They do want to reach more than just those who frequent the "Wild Blue Yonder."

The audience response to the band's gig at "The Wild Blue Yonder" was really positive.

"I admire their non-commerciality and inventive lyrics," said one fan. "They're very special."

Koontz summed up what the band gets from this response by saying, "You exchange some sort of energy. It's a natural rush. The more you do, the more you want."

Indeed, the stress is high, but what the band gets from performing is intense.

Acceptance and liking each other is required, and "Tales of Young Robert" has no shortage of that.

The talents of the band members are widely diverse.

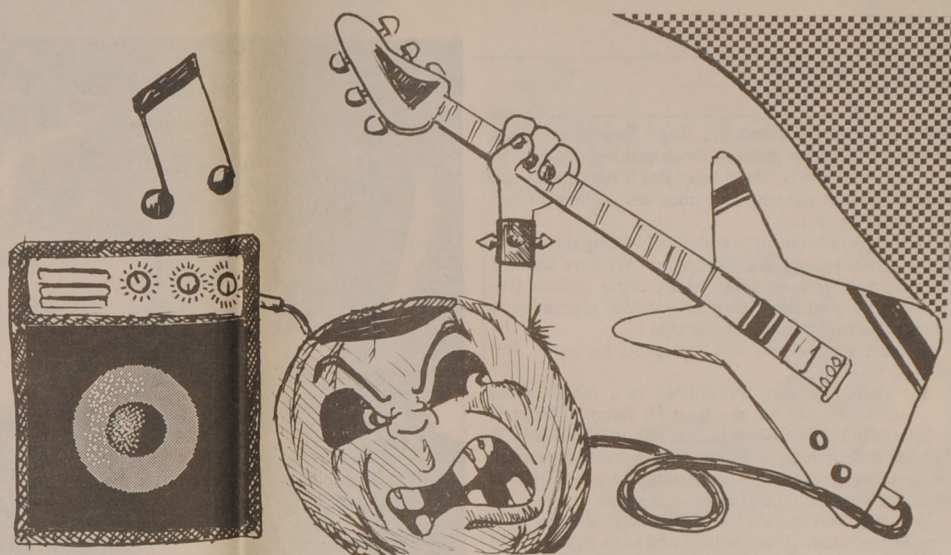
Embry has a background with guitars, keyboards, and bass guitar. Presently doing bass, by choice, he believes that the rhythm section, bass and drums, is the core of the song, as they are played even when other instruments are silent.

Ribera has a command not only of song, but of at least four types of woodwinds, keyboard, and guitar.

Butler, a veteran of bands such as "Avatar," seems to be able to do anything.

They all sing and play more than one instrument. Versatility is one of their main draws. And they like to see that in others. Bands they admire display that kind quality.

See "Young Robert" page 6



Horrorscopes

By Venus Firehorse and Blue Monkey

Scorpio

October 23 - November 21
Happy Halloween / Birthday!
Don't blow too hard on them candles. The icing might fly off into your stereo (no music tonight) and short it out. But that's okay. The party stunk anyways.

Sagittarius

November 22 - December 21
Don't hang around with anybody who is dressed up as an animal this week. One of those wierd photo majors might snap your picture and hang it on the bathroom wall, so all the English majors can write neat little four-letter words on it.

Capricorn

December 22 - January 20
While reading City at Large in the restroom, you will see a picture hanging on the wall (see Sagittarius) with a bunch of four-letter words on it. Take the picture across the street and show it to all the little kids at the elementary school. They'll get a kick out of it.

Aquarius

January 21 - February 19
Today you will be shocked to see a group of little kids dressed in animal costumes blurting out four-letter words, and saying things about your mother. Don't blame us-blame those damn photographers.

Pisces

February 20 - March 20
Fish heads, Fish heads. Roly-poly fish heads. Fish heads, Fish heads. Eat 'em up! Yum.

Aries

March 21 - April 19
Hey Aries! Looks like you're the lucky winner of this week's boring Horrorscope. Blah! Blah! Blah!

Taurus

April 20 - May 20
That beautiful brunette in the bookstore is a vision, yes indeed. Too bad she doesn't even know you exist. But don't worry-neither do we.

Gemini

May 21 - June 21
Hey Gemini! You are now the laughing stock of the FCC rah-rah squad. Don't blame us. Blame it on a Leo.

Cancer

June 22 - July 21
You will vaporize into nothing-ness this week. No, just kidding. I bet we made you choke on your toast, though.

Leo

June 22 - August 21
Hey Leo! Don't go swimming near any bushes this week. Someone might see you.

Virgo

August 22 - September 22
While watching a flag football game this week at Woodward Park, your girlfriend (who also happens to be team manager) will ask you to stand by the bag of balls she has been so carefully guarding so that no one will steal them. At that time the beautiful brunette from the bookstore will jog by, and leave you in the dust. You could follow, but your girlfriend has got you by the..... Ah! what the heck! Go for it.

Libra

September 23 - October 22
Trick or Treat! Smell my feet. Give me something good to eat.

This weekend, take on a job that's over most people's heads.



Be an officer in the Air National Guard. You'll serve just two days a month and fifteen days a year. But you'll learn to lead a squadron of airmen. Organize combat missions. And take responsibility for some of the most advanced military equipment in the world.

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"Punchline" is a "Big" joke

By Beth Anne Corbo
Rampage film reviewer

Straight from the smash hit, "Big," Tom Hanks dives head first into what is probably the most disappointing film this year. The film is "Punchline," and it stars Hanks and Sally Fields as two stand-up comedians waiting for that illustrious 'big break.'

The subject of comedy is particularly fitting these days, as the '80's have been good to comics. We have seen the emergence of comedy clubs which rotate at least five comedians a week, providing an attractive alternative to more traditional forms of entertainment.

So there you have it. Hot stars and a hot topic. Hot movie? No dice.

The reason is that "Punchline" is a movie about comedians who are not the least bit funny. Hanks is delightful in his past films, but his role in "Punchline" is dull and unflattering. Fields's material is barely humorous, and extremely forced. What results is a movie rich in talent, but potentially fatal in its lack of humor.

We are invited into the life of Lilah Krytsick (Fields), a New Jersey housewife and mother who has a pipe dream of becoming a comedienne. She cooks and cleans like a good little wife during the day, but at night she strips her sweetness and tells dirty jokes to a bunch of half-drunk strangers. Her husband (John Goodman) is less than pleased with his wife's adventures, forcing Lilah to have to fight even harder to make her dream come true.

Her future as a comedienne is looking pretty grim until hardened funnyman Steven Gold (Hanks) enters her life. Lilah is desperate for a remedy to improve on her failing material, so she convinces a reluctant Steven to give her a few tips.

He works great when it comes to helping Lilah with her jokes, but his life is no laughing matter. He flunked out of medical school, disappointing both his father and himself. Doing stand-up is where he really shines, and that is apparently his best, and last, hope.

So Steven and Lilah help each other out when they meet and perform regularly at "The Gas Station," a comedy club that Steven calls home. Lilah tries to counsel a mixed-up Steven about his unstable private life, while he helps her deal with her family and career as a comedienne.

Sure enough, the two become attracted to each other as both of their comedy acts begin to flourish. If nothing else, they will always be friends who once helped one another



Sally Fields as (Lilah Krytsick) and Tom Hanks (as Steven Gold) get cozy in "Punchline."

through some rough spots.

Hanks and Fields were not experienced at doing stand-up comedy when they began their roles in "Punchline." To aid them in understanding their characters, six stand-ups were hired to advise them on delivery, and to act as comedy consultants. Presumably, this means they had a good deal to do with reviewing the material, none of which is worth mentioning.

There are also 20 comedians who perform in the film, but this doesn't help either. One would think with all of

this creative talent that humor would abound. But this obviously isn't the case because the film got only a few good laughs from our audience. What is most irritating to the viewer is watching the audience in the film laughing hysterically at the comedians' jokes, while the audience in the theater stares comatose at the screen in disbelief.

Why are all those people laughing so hard? Most likely it's because they are trying to convince the theater audience that the jokes are indeed funny. They sure deserve a punch.

from page 2 Letter to Editor

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Animals (excluding mankind) have not been found to possess human emotions and thought processes, but many people give them these attributes anyway. This doesn't mean they don't have them, it means there is no scientific evidence to back up these beliefs. Ms. Miller's presentation of her own ideas is misleading and should not be confused with fact.

Her unprofessional approach to the editorial, shown by her statements such as "cranially-devoid conclusions" and "the colossal gaul," grated heavily on my nerves. She should have devoted more time in researching her editorial. After all, accuracy is her job.

Truthfully,
Mark Aminian

Dear editor,

Please read this. As an FCC student, you may find yourself in the same predicament that I am in. I've attended FCC full-time since the fall of 1985, and have a GPA of 3.7.

During my 8 a.m. class, a student knocked over my coffee, causing a large mess, and I informed my instructor I would clean it up.

First I looked for a custodian in the Language Arts building, for a mop, with no luck. Next I stopped by Mr. Kehinda Solwazi's office, where he suggested I ask the media center's custodian. On the way, I met a custodian on an electric cart. I explained my situation and asked if he could help. He told me he only worked outside and he couldn't help. At the media center, there was no custodian, so I asked the librarian for suggestions. She sent me to the office next door. The receptionist there suggested the Humanities Office, because the LA building is under their department. Again I met the outside custodian, who still offered no help.

My absence from class worried me, because the group was editing, and the grade depended on all of us.

I went into the Humanities Office where two men and a woman were talking. I explained about the mess and the difficulty I was having. They said that I shouldn't have had coffee in the classroom, and they wouldn't help. After a short pause I left, still worrying about my absence and the mess.

Once again I saw the outside custodian. I pleaded with him to let me borrow the towel on the back of his cart, and he did.

Returning to the classroom 35 minutes later, everyone watched me clean up the mess. I told my teacher I needed to

return the towel. "Okay," she said.

The custodian vanished, so I went back to the Humanities Office. The same staff I met before were laughing and talking with one another. I stepped into the office and tossed the towel on the corner of the secretary's desk and told them that I was returning their property. Then I turned and left the office. One of the gentlemen started yelling at me and calling me names. I did not argue, I just wanted to get back to my class, which I did. I returned to class at 8:45 a.m.. I missed all but five minutes of my class.

Then a gentleman I hadn't met before came into our room and asked who spilled the coffee. I told him I did. He asked me to come out into the hall with him. He started threatening me with a Student Disturbance Report. Then he told me I was ill-mannered. I told him that the people in the Humanities Office needed to learn manners. He continued harassing me and threatening me in the hall. By this time classes were being let out. I told him that I would not stand there and be humiliated and dominated by him. He asked me my name and told me he was going to file a Student Disturbance Report. I told him my name. When I went back into the hall he was still there. I asked him his name and he said, "Carl Waddle."

I told Dr. Leach and Dr. Ellish about the incident and they both said that this wasn't out of the ordinary, and that nothing should come of it. Dr. Ellish told me I should talk to Dr. Waddle the next day.

On September 22, 1988, I talked to Dr. Waddle in his office. Dr. Waddle informed me that he was going to file the report. He then said I was violent and he was going to suggest that I needed psychological attention in his report. I told him that would be slanderous, and that I would respond to this, and then I left.

I saw the ASB president, but that is another story. I talked to Dr. Ellish again. I talked to Dr. Farley, the Assistant Dean of Student Services. I consulted Dr. Fox, the Dean of Student Services.

On October 10, Dr. Farley allowed me to read Dr. Waddle's report on me. There were four other people's certified letters on my conduct in the Humanities Office. I only saw three people in the office on September 21, and Dr. Waddle wasn't one of them. One report said I ran away when I returned the towel. Another said I just left. One of the reports said I threw the towel on the floor, while another report suggested I tried to assault the secretary. Dr. Waddle said the same thing to me at our September 22 meeting. One of the reports said I returned in 5 minutes. Another report said I returned 15 minutes later. One report even said they thought the accident and everyone's refusal to help me was funny.

Through all the contradictions, there are things upon which all the reports agree. All agreed came to the office about a mess I wished to clean up. All agreed that I was told they would not help me. Everyone agreed I left without incident, though one says I left in a huff. All of them agree I returned a wet towel to the office. All say I left and that a couple of them called after me. They all agree I did not respond or argue with them. One of them yelled to me that, "This is no God-damned way to start a morning!" In retrospect, I completely agree with his statement.

These people were more than willing to yell after me outside

the office and say offensive things to me, but none were willing to help me. This is not right. Because these people would not help me and I disliked it, is certainly no reason to place a file on me. The fact that Dr. Waddle had certified, yet inconsistent reports, and yet still insisted on filing a report is a gross injustice to me.

This whole humiliating experience has shown me that we [students] do not have protection from these individuals that bask in their power and thrive on hurting those people who are too poor or too preoccupied to defend themselves. The only way that I have found the time to respond is by using this paper to fulfill an English assignment. What are they trying to do-break my spirit? Let's be realistic. What is the intention of those reports? What damage did I do? Who did I hit or call names? All of this is over spilled coffee. I have been scared, humiliated, and thoroughly ticked-off because I tried to clean up that mess. In a word, I have been victimized. I do hope this cause-and-effect article has some impact on those of you who have endured its length.

I wish to impress upon you the numerous possible repercussions that such heinous reports could do to any one of us. Careers or opportunities in the future could be altered or cancelled by what we see as seemingly meaningless administration reports and evaluations. I will be grateful to leave this school at the end of this semester. I only hope I don't run across this attitude or conduct at Fresno State.

Be careful my friends.
Sincerely,
Douglas K. Williams

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Score Board

From the Sidelines

By D.K. Fultz

Cross Country runners in top 10

At the recent Mt. San Antonio college Invitational cross country meet, the men's cross country team placed all of its runners in the top 10 of the four mile run.

Bobby Rodriguez placed first with a time of 20 minutes 57 seconds. Also placing for FCC were Greg Donson, 3rd, 21:07; Gus Prado, 5th, 21:23 and Mike Scott, 8th, 21:43.

Soccer ups & downs

The ladies Camino Norte Conference record is currently 9-0 and their overall record is 12-0-2 after disposing of Foothill College 2-1, Ohlone College 3-0 and Modesto JC 5-0 and Consumnes River College 4-0.

The men's team has a conference record of 3-1-1 after crush-ing Modesto Junior College 6-0, beating Merced College 3-1, losing to American River College 2-0 and then annihilated Delta College 12-0.

Football team wins big

The FCC football team won big over Porterville 38-13 in the opening Coast Valley Conference game for both teams.

Hero of the game was freshman wide-receiver Tracy Slocum who caught four passes for 157 yards and two touchdowns.

Slocum was also named Fresno Bee Athlete of the Week.

Wrestlers do it again

The Ram wrestling team traveled south to San Marcos for the Palomar Tournament and came away with the title.

In doing so they also avenged their only loss of the season to Cerritos College by beating Cerritos in the finals 23-16.

Named to the All-tournament team were Adrian Castro (126 pounds), Ray Rangel (134) and Robert Zapata (177).

In the West Valley Tournament, the Rams finished fourth out of 21 schools.

Zapata finished first in the 177 pound classification.

Last Thursday evening Modesto Junior College, with a 8-0 record, was beaten handily by the Rams 40-6.

Winning by pinning their opponent was Mike Ortega in the 134 pound class, Ray Rangel (142) and Adrian Garcia (158). Zapata 17-0 won by forfeit. Zapata is now ranked first in the state.



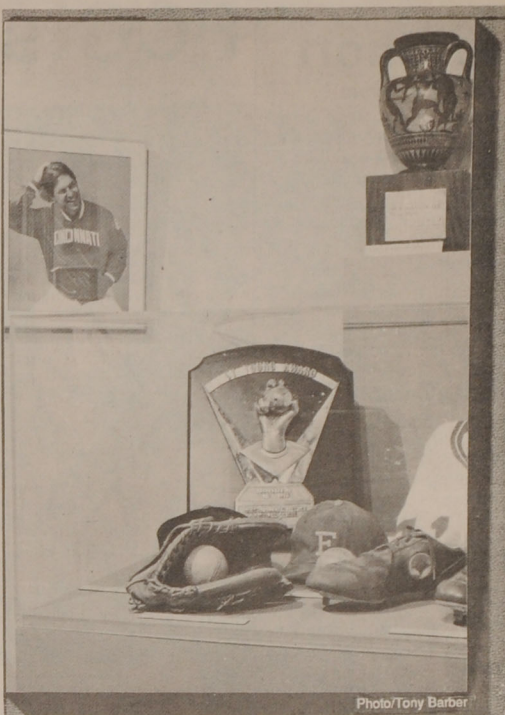
Tyrone Hecker makes a break for daylight against Alan Hancock College.

Central Valley Conference football action took place October 22 at Ratcliffe Stadium. The Fresno City Rams overpowered Alan Hancock College 27-3.

The Rams, 5-2 in season play and 2-0 in league, scored in the first quarter on a run by Tyrone Hecker. Tim Hill added a field goal to give the Rams a 10-3 half-time lead.

In the third quarter, Jim Hackett recovered a fumble leading to Hill's second field goal of the game.

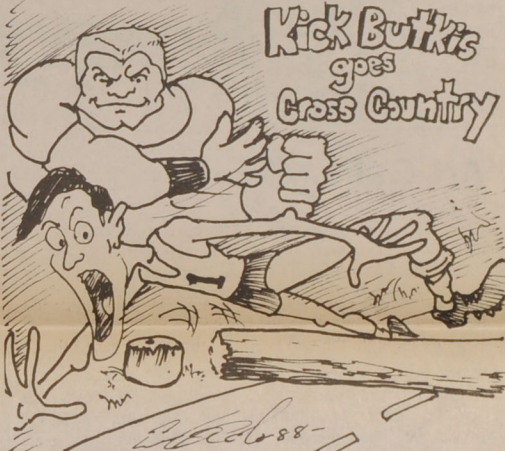
The Ram's final touchdown came in the fourth quarter with Michael Williams' one yard run.



Tom Seaver's Cy Young and Sportsman of the Year awards are displayed in the Valley Hall of Fame Exhibit at the Fresno Metropolitan Museum.

Sports Calendar

Tuesday	Nov. 1	Men's Soccer vs Modesto	3pm	Ratcliffe
Wednesday	Nov. 2	Wrestling vs Sacramento City	7pm	Gym
Thursday	Nov. 3	Women's Soccer vs American River	3pm	Gym
Friday	Nov. 4	Men's Soccer vs Merced	3pm	Ratcliffe
Saturday	Nov. 5	Cross Country-CVC Championship	11am	Woodward
Wednesday	Nov. 9	Women's Soccer vs Foothill	3pm	Ratcliffe
		Women's Volleyball vs Kings River	7pm	Gym
Saturday	Nov. 12	Football vs Kings River	7pm	Ratcliffe
Monday	Nov. 14	Men's Basketball vs Bakersfield	7pm	Gym
Wednesday	Nov. 16	Women's Volleyball vs West Hills	7pm	Gym
Saturday	Nov. 19	Cross Country-State Championship	10:30am	Woodward
		Men's Basketball vs San Jose	7pm	Gym
Tuesday	Nov. 29	Women's Basketball vs Modesto	6pm	Gym
Saturday	Dec. 3	Men's Basketball vs Lemoore	7pm	Gym
Tuesday	Dec. 6	Men's Basketball vs Castle AFB	7pm	Gym
Saturday	Dec. 17	Men's Basketball vs Fresno Pacific	5:30pm	Gym
Tuesday	Dec. 27	Women's Basketball vs Bakersfield	3pm	Gym



FCC teams are winning big

By D.K. Fultz

Two FCC teams are winning big in their respective conferences.

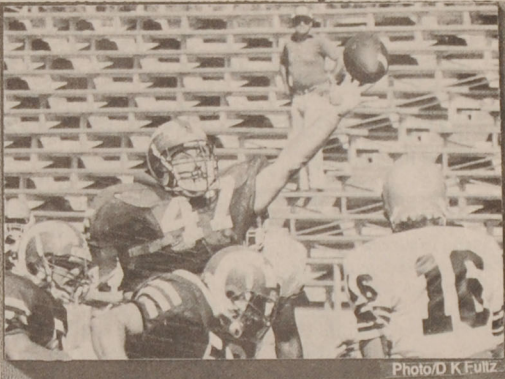
The women's soccer team, led by the goal scoring of Leslie Corsaro(19) and Shannon Fultz(14), are currently leading the Camino Norte Conference with a record of 9-0 and 13-0-2 overall.

This is Coach Bill Neil's second year as women's coach and with only three games left in their schedule, a conference title is within reach.

Coach Bill Musick's wrestling team currently has a overall record of 8-1. The team has four members who are highly ranked in the state.

Ray Rangel (9-2) is ranked second in the 142 pound class, Ociel Zarate (11-3) is ranked fourth in the 150 pound class, David Davila (8-3) is ranked sixth in the 167 pound class and Robert Zapata (17-0) is the top ranked 177 pounder.

Wednesday, November 2, FCC will host Sacramento City College and it is the last match that will be at the FCC gym this season. After Wednesday, the Rams will hit the road for five tournaments leading to the State Tournament in Torrance, December 9 & 10.



James Hackett, #47, goes high to knock down a Laney College pass.

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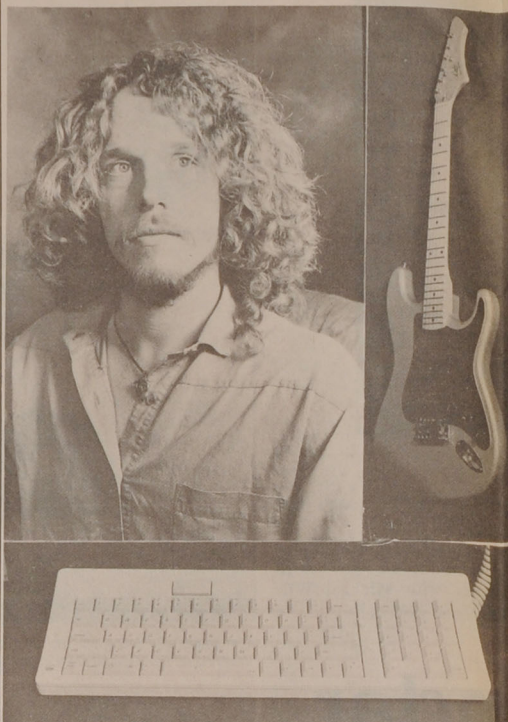
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FCC student computes music

By Michelle Martin
Contributing writer



Photo/Reiko Critz

Chris Kehoe marries guitar and computer for new music.

Chris Kehoe has finally found a use for his interest in computers-music.

"Computers are like any other set of tools," Kehoe said.

"You can learn how to use them, but then you need something to do with them."

He has several things he plans to do with them now. His computer/music goals include advancing the ways computers are used as tools for creating and processing sound, and developing instruments to integrate the human and computer elements of music.

Kehoe is a second semester student at Fresno City College. Before coming here he spent three years at California State University, Chico, as a computer engineering major. He then took some time off and worked at the Renaissance Faire in Marin County, where he won plane tickets to Europe. After a month in England and France, he came to Fresno and started focusing on music.

His major is undeclared right now, but Kehoe says he will be a declared music major next semester because music majors receive individual instruction time.

Of the FCC music program, Kehoe said, "It's a great opportunity to work with some talented musicians, and it's a lot less expensive than private lessons." He also believes that a large portion of Fresno's music scene is focused at FCC.

Kehoe has three electric guitars, but his main interest is classical guitar. He's been playing seriously for three years. His earliest musical influence was the Beatles. Then later he became interested in the Animals, Cat Stevens, and various live classical guitar performances. He says he listens to just about everything except country, and he's especially interested in jazz and blues.

His interest in computers started when he was a freshman in high school. Kehoe was going to Hamilton High School in Fresno, and taking basic computer classes at

California State University, Fresno. He doesn't own a computer now because he says, "every couple of months they come up with a better and cheaper one." However, he does have access to them. He works at Edison Computech as a computer lab assistant. Kehoe says he averages about an hour a day on both his guitar and computer.

Future plans? Of course. Kehoe is going to continue here at FCC for a year or so and pursue music, computer science, and photography. After that, he plans to go back to Chico to study computer engineering with a recording arts minor. Then he might pursue a masters of fine arts program in computer music at Mills College in Oakland.

In addition to advancing computer synthesis (computer generated sound) and designing integrated instruments, Kehoe is studying music theory (the use and form of our system of music). These interests stem from a curiosity about how music developed, why it works, its relation to the physical world, and the people who experience it.

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tape recorder. The attached speakers and wiring were also labeled. These were rigged to continuously play two tapes in random combinations.

The exhibit included a vertiginous movie which swooped and wheeled over storm-ridden mountains on one wall. A roaring sound amplified the dizzying effect. Centered in the same room was a miniature room which emitted whispered prayers in a foreign tongue. A look through the small window

exposed a view of a rough-hewn table outfitted with an odd selection of objects, including a mini-video cassette recorder showing the mountain scene outside.

A trip to the Fresno Arts Center will give you the explanation to this mystery as well as others, such as how a 27-foot long chunk of steel mesh and concrete could look like a small human intestine. Maybe it could even answer why someone would want it to.

"Young Robert"

For now, Fresno is their main base, and will remain so for at least another year.

Their goal is to make a full-length tape and an album. The demo tape is imminent of their own original material.

According to Embry, the band is still searching for innate confidence.

The bands' earlier songs were more introverted, aimed at an audience mostly of fellow musicians. Now they are shifting away from being a band's band, and going for, as they say, "the brass ring."

"We want it to go somewhere," said Ribera.

It does not take someone as individualistic as myself to appreciate the originality of a band like "Tales of Young Robert." The message is there, and they do respect us for noticing it.

The show Saturday night was incredible. I suppose they impressed the hell out of me. The best part is that they are not diffident and full of themselves. They are open-minded, and yet fear, much like myself, a possible Bush/Quayle administration. They are honest. I like that, and I like them.

Sigma Delta Mu wants you

By Mary Dail
Contributing writer

Sigma Delta Mu is an honor society for students who are interested in promoting greater understanding between English- and Spanish-speaking people, according to Isaías Paz, the club's faculty advisor.

Officials of Sigma Delta Mu, a national organization, invited Fresno City College to form a chapter in 1984.

"It's not just for Hispanics," says Josefina Silva, the club's secretary.

"We have a few non-Hispanic members, too."

The club, which consists of 25 FCC students members and some alumni and staff members, is mainly concerned with raising money for scholarships.

"We give at least two \$50 scholarships every semester," said Paz.

Students who want to become active members of Sigma Delta Mu must be in good academic standing, and at least in their second semester

at FCC. They must have a grade point average of at least 2.75 and a 3.0 or better in Spanish.

Those students whose GPA's don't meet the standard may join as inactive members, according to Silva.

Sigma Delta Mu holds meetings for the entire club on Thursdays at 8 a.m. and executive meetings on Fridays at 9 a.m. All meetings are held in the cafeteria rooms A and B.

"We get involved and we get to meet other students," said Silva, describing the benefits of belonging to Sigma Delta Mu.

"Last year for our initiation (of new members), we published some poems written by the members," said Paz.

"We're planning to invite students to join the organization to get to know them so that we can work together during the two years they attend FCC," Paz said.

Students who wish to join Sigma Delta Mu may contact Isaías Paz in LA-205, or Josefina Esparza in LA-128.

Million dollar workshops for FCC students

By Gurdeep Sihota
Staff writer

Fresno City College will be offering several entrepreneurial workshops this year for students interested in starting their own business.

Some of the workshops include: 1) Introduction to entrepreneurship 2) how to

plan a loan application and 3) how to understand taxes.

FCC student Sean Sanchez traveled to Washington to tell about the workshops. He attended Minority Enterprise Development Week from October 1-5.

"The purpose of the trip," said Sanchez, "was to tell the minority business people

about some of the projects we're working on."

Sanchez, who is also an Associated Student Body senator, won an award from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce for his speech on the projects.

The event was sponsored by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the American

Association of Community Colleges.

Students interested in the workshops can contact Lee Farley, dean of students and director of the Minority Business Entrepreneur Project, in the Student Services building or call 442-8646.

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Rocky the Ram rams it up with the children attending Disabled Day.



Piano player Dominique Calhoun jams for the crowd at the Disabled Day festivities.

Various activities and music took place in the free speech area last Wednesday in honor of Disabled Awareness Day.

Guide dogs for the blind were on display and a number of children got a chance to meet Rocky the Ram.

Other activities included a bike give-away and several technical displays for the disabled.

The event also celebrated the High Tech Center's first birthday.



(Left to Right) Trainers in a seeing-eye dog program. Eric Quintana, Candie Wasson and Eve Hoopes with trainees Dante, Krystal and Diana, respectively.

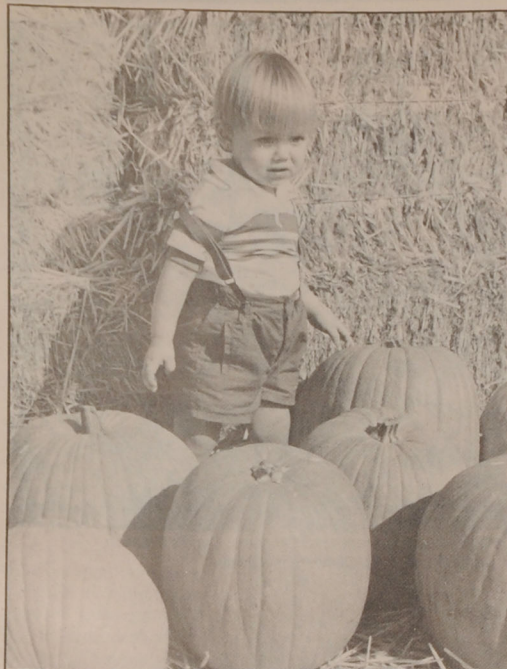
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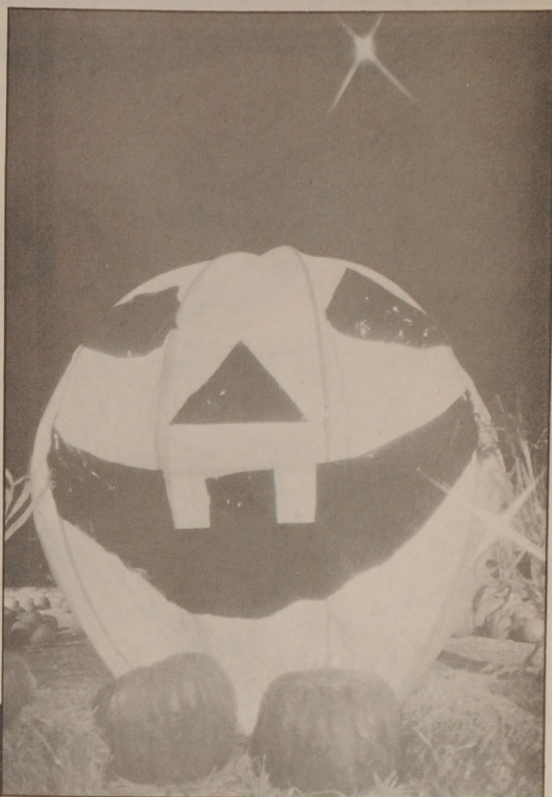
Saxophonist John Corella blows his horn for the Disabled Day festivities.



Louis Bostamonte looks on as Pam Johnson, a California State University, Fresno, student social work intern enlightens Greg Matthai about the blind.



Adam Mena has a problem choosing which pumpkin he wants.



Charlie Brown's Great pumpkin makes an appearance on Blackstone and Shaw.



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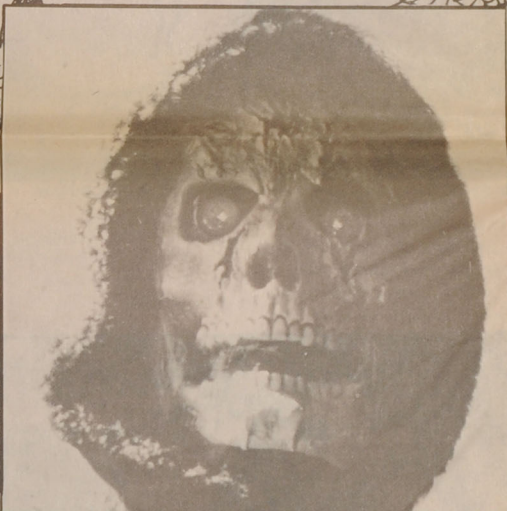
Halloween is the night when children fill the streets, dressed up in their favorite costumes, and roam from house to house in search of special treats.

However, it wasn't always this way. The Druids of Ireland, Scotland, and Wales (700 B.C.) offered banquets on Druid's New Year's Eve, October 31, to evil spirits and ghosts which haunted their homes and farms. This was considered the treat. The trick came after the banquets, when the Druids then dressed up as the souls of the dead to scare the evil spirits out of town.

In the year 900 A.D., the Catholic church declared November 1, All-Saints Day, a time to honor saints and martyrs. Because the church recognized All-Saints Day, Halloween evolved into a lasting tradition. Hallow's (Holy) Eve, has become "Halloween", the night preceding All-Saints Day.

According to Irish legend, the idea of the Jack-O-Lantern was conceived when an Irish alcoholic named Jack O'Grady was turned away from heaven for his excessive drinking. When he was then turned away from hell for deceiving the devil, the legend suggests O'Grady's ghost was doomed to roam the earth on Halloween night with only his pumpkin lantern visible.

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