

The RAMPAGE



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In Shorts

Cinco de Mayo

Fresno City College will celebrate Cinco de Mayo May 4 and 5. Cinco de Mayo commemorates the Battle of Puebla, in 1862, when Mexican General Zaragoza and his peasant army of 4,000 men defeated French General Laurencez and an army of 6,000.

On Thursday, May 4, there will be a variety of programs, dances, and concerts. The fun will be continued Friday, May 5, with Mariachi bands and speakers.

Sports

The coed inner tube waterpolo competition, a part of the Intramural Sports program, will begin today. The event will continue on to Saturday.

The coed mushball tournament will start May 12-13. Applications may be picked up in the Intramural box near room 107 and turned in to Laura Haney in G104.

Book Buyback

FCC's Book Buyback begins May 16-23. Used books are bought back for as much as 50 percent of their purchase value. However there are certain conditions: 1) old books that will no longer be used have no value; 2) instructor drops a book and it no longer is needed; 3) bookstore is now overstocked, has more books than will be needed for next semester; 4) instructor has not indicated that the book will be used next semester; (5) the book is in too poor condition for resale.

Graduation

Graduation exercises for the class of '89 will be held in Selland Arena on May 23 at 8 p.m.. More than 1,000 students will receive their diplomas.

AGS

The Alpha Gamma Sigma graduates will be honored at a reception in the FCC Theatre at 7:30 p.m., Sunday, May 21.

Dr. Bernice Bass-De Martinez, chairperson of the Department of Teachers Education at CSUF will be the guest speaker.

Summer School

Applications for summer school are now being accepted for all four summer sessions. Registration begins May 22.

Fashion Show

The Rape Counseling Service presents an evening of fun and fashions on Thursday, May 25, at Torino's (Blackstone and Shaw Avenue).

A no host bar will commence at 6:30, followed by dinner at 7. Showtime is 8 p.m. Master of ceremonies is John Wallace and fashions are provided by the Warehouse and Rodders.

State Legislators, members of the judiciary, law enforcement, attorneys, and probation officers will model the latest hot new fashions.

Reservations requested. Call 227-1800. Tickets are \$25 per person. \$30 at the door.



FCC student Lydia Winchester states, "I still haven't found what I'm looking for."

Photo by Eric Zamora

Students rate facilities negatively

By Paul Edwards
Staff reporter

Fresno City College's library may not be meeting the academic needs of FCC students, according to a recent random survey of students.

In an informal poll, 60 students were asked to rate the library's resources in three categories--number of periodicals, library hours, and adequacy of the Media Center.

The majority of responses in each category were negative, with the largest number of students criticizing the library hours.

Forty students, or 66 percent, thought the library should be open on weekends and later on weekdays.

One student remarked, "I go to classes full-time and I also work, so the only time I have to study is on the weekend when they're not even open."

Only 20 respondents rated the library hours adequate and none gave it an above average rating.

The library hours are 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fridays.

As for printed resources such as books and periodicals, 44 percent said the number of titles available was inadequate.

The library is "terrible compared to Fresno State," said one student. "I can't find the books I need, so I don't use it anymore."

Brett Meek, an engineering student, responded, "It needs more magazines that are listed in the periodical guides."

Another anonymous student described the resources overall as "atrocious."

Almost as many students rated the library resources as adequate or average, with about 40 percent saying they have had no problems finding materials they need for classes.

"I've never had any trouble finding books," said Yeng Xiong, a medical transcription major. "The library provides a good place for me to study."

Ron Johnson, a fire science major, said, "It's always had everything I need."

Only 11 students, about 16 percent said the book and periodical resources were above average.

Some 32 of the 60 students surveyed said they had used the Media Center, which includes film projectors, microfiche viewers, tape players, and other audiovisual aids.

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Library upgrade proposed

By Cindy Sue Peters
Staff reporter

What started as a library request for a low-cost security system has mushroomed into a \$2.5 million proposal to upgrade FCC's Learning Resource Center.

A new faculty library committee found that FCC's library is facing a "crisis situation."

Last fall, Bill Seaburg, associate dean of instruction in the LRC, and the librarians proposed a new security system to the Faculty Senate, according to Librarian Tonya Liscano, because "we had a big portion of books ruined and destroyed" during the summer semester.

The Faculty Senate responded to the request by saying in effect, "We don't want to ask for nickels and dimes. A security system is just part of the LRC's needs," Liscano reported.

The senate appointed an ad hoc Library Committee to do an in-depth study of those needs. Liscano was a member of the committee, as were instructors Don Larson, who

served as the committee chair, Allan Beck, and four others.

"We as an institution have systematically neglected our library," said Beck, "and now we see a crisis situation."

"The library has been hurt since Prop 13 in 1978," Larson said.

Proposition 13 was approved by Californians who voted to decrease their property taxes. The proposition decreased state money for California schools.

"When I came in 1974," Liscano said, "we didn't have a lot of things, but what we had was good. But all the way down the line, we've had to cut back since 1978."

"The administration has been careful not to cut my periodical budget," continued Liscano, "but it's the same budget I've had for 10 years. If I wanted to buy a basic need like the New York Times and the Times Index, it would take ten percent of my budget. I just have to shop around and stick with a core that doesn't include some things."

The library committee's report found that almost 65 percent of the print collection is 11 years or older, and almost 27 percent is 20 years or older.

The committee also found that, while the Learning Resources Association of California Community Colleges recommends that a school with FCC's student body should have 109,000 books in the library, FCC has half that number, with 50,385 volumes.

"The main concern is catching up," said FCC President Dr. Ernest Leach. "For years there has not been sufficient funds to maintain current materials."

Students have noticed the insufficient resources.

"The books are so outdated," said student body President Pro Tempore Patti Anderson. "Students just cannot get the updated materials to use as sources in research papers. Especially the honor students--they just go over to Fresno State."

Faculty members find the same problem.

"If a student asks me a question," said Beck, "that I can't answer out of my head, or out of my own meager li-

brary, I pretty much know that I better just get in my car and head across town (to Fresno State) because our library just doesn't have the resources available."

"The library has too few books and journals to allow students to do their research papers for my class," said Beck. "There aren't enough (resources), they aren't diverse enough, and they aren't current enough."

"The LRC has a small but excellent and very committed staff, but what can they do if they don't have the money for resources?"

"We're not keeping up-to-date," Seaburg said. "If there is an important document for a course and a faculty member makes an assignment assuming this basic resource is here (in the LRC) it should be here. We shouldn't have to send students off to Fresno State or the public library or to Timbuktu for sources."

The proposal has six parts: 1) automating the card catalog, 2) spending \$474,000 each year for five years to collect more books and other resources, 3) hir-

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FCC student body elections to be held

By Lynn Wilkins
Features editor

Elections for student body officers will take place Tuesday and Wednesday May 9 and 10 in the Free Speech Area. The times students will be able to vote are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. to help accommodate evening students.

Polling booths will be set up and all students are encouraged to vote.

According to Patti Anderson, current ASB President Pro Tempore, any student may vote as long as he has a valid form of I.D. ASB cards are not required. After showing identification, the student's name will be checked on a list of

registered FCC students and if it appears on the list, he may proceed into one of the voting booths.

Anderson said the voting ballots are self-explanatory. The voter simply checks off the persons he wants in office or, in a space provided at the bottom, writes in the name(s) of the "write-in" candidate(s) not appearing on the ballot he wants in office.

An initiative will also appear on the ballot which will make the scholastic standards for an ASB office holder stricter if passed, Anderson added.

Students running for office are Christopher Millis Mark Peterson and Oscar Segura for President; LeeAnn Burger, Lesley

Lungreen and Bill Walker for Executive Vice-President and Patti Anderson and Sean Sanchez for Legislative Vice-President.

Candidates for Student Trustee are Eddie Ash, Linda Gilmore and Kathy Rhynes. Michael Martinez and Gurdeep Sihota are running for senate positions.

Unofficial "write-in" candidates running for President, Executive Vice-President and Legislative Vice President are respectively, "Hangfire" Purcell, "Anarchy" Martin and "Fifi" Wilkins. The three candidates are members of the controversial "Dark Horse Party." Also running for President as a "write-in" is

Dallas Blanchard.

Anderson urges students to vote and said that of 16,500 students attending FCC last year, only 275 voted.

Though a turnout like that is pretty typical for a community college, it is still very important to cast your vote because "what we (the ASB) do does affect the students," she continued.

Current senator, Gurdeep Sihota commented, "The apathy has to stop and it's up to the students to do their part."

A student forum is scheduled for Monday, May 8 to give students a chance to hear campaign speeches from the different candidates.

It will be held at 11 a.m. in the Fountain Area.

Intramural update

Some 456 students participated in FCC's renewed Intramural program.

According to Jesse Cota, who was in charge of the program, the events drew a large student crowd.

"We had a large number of individuals watching the volleyball games," explained Cota.

The winning coed volleyball team traveled to Hermosa Beach last week to participate in the Footlocker Beach Volleyball Classic.

The team played against the University of California Los Angeles and the University of Santa Barbara.

"Faire thee well"

To our readers,

First and foremost the staff of *The Rampage* would like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to keep you informed about your campus.

It is true that many of the senior staff will not be returning next semester, but we still hope you will continue to show support for your school's student-run newspaper.

These last four semesters, for many on staff, have proved both an enlightening and enriching experience for those who involved themselves beyond the normal classroom environment.

Friendships, that will last a lifetime, have been formed. It's said that you don't know someone until you've lived with them, however, the same can be said about working with someone on a college newspaper.

A big thanks goes out to those who took the time out of their schedule to write letters to the editors. With these letters the staff was made aware of the importance of students' input and rapport between a paper and its readers.

Our final endeavor as a staff/team will be "A Day in the Life of Fresno City College" which will appear in the news boxes May 10. It is our sincere wish that you enjoy this special edition.

The Rampagian Staff



Rampagian Staff
Spring '89

Student Forum

Dear Editors,

My sincerest apologies are extended to any student who may have viewed some recently posted campaign posters bearing the figure of a hand along with my name on them.

These posters were offensive and were created totally without my consent. It has never been, nor will it ever be, my, or any individual working on my campaign intention to subject students to this type of material.

Whether the posters were a product of my opponent's cruel sense of humor, a result of someone working for him attempting to disqualify me to sway the election results, or a disgruntled student at large, I am not sure. Again, I am sorry if anyone was offended by the obscene material that has been posted.

Patti Anderson, LVP candidate

Dear Editors,

Why is it that it is always the same people who come in late for almost every class period? Why do the instructors let them get away with it on a continual basis? It is rude, discourteous, and very distracting, especially when taking a major exam. It is not fair to those who are present when class starts. I realize

that emergencies arise, however, I am talking about those same people who are late almost every class hour. I feel they should be held responsible for their continual tardiness, as well as the instructors for permitting such behavior.]

Linda Folk

Dear Editors,

On one of my daily forays across campus in my position as chief student busybody, I chanced upon a situation that the students and administration need to be aware of. A serious violation of student rights is occurring which should not be allowed to continue.

I am referring to the complete lack of privacy in the counselling cubicles at the counselling center. The cubicles are used by Enabler staff and CSUF representatives to conduct private counselling sessions, yet they are only five feet high and have no doors. Not only can anyone walking by hear and see everything going on in the cubicles, but the counsellors can also hear what is occurring in the cubicles surrounding them. This is simply not acceptable. Students and counsellors have a right to complete privacy during counselling sessions.

I am aware that space is on a premium on this campus and that new buildings are several years away. I am not proposing that the administration find regular offices for these counsellors. What I am proposing is that they look into

purchasing or leasing cubicles that are better designed to protect the privacy of the occupants. There are cubicles on the market that have doors and higher walls. Considering that these temporary offices may be in use for an indefinite length of time, I think that the administration owes it to the students and counsellors to take positive steps to alleviate this problem.

Katherine Shackleton

Dear Editor

Now that the semester is almost over it may be a little late to bring this up, but I felt compelled to write and comment on the job the Rampage has done in covering campus and community college activity. After recently reading another community college newspaper (from a slightly larger school) I wondered if the really big and maybe controversial stories were being hushed up around here, or if things were really as mundane as they appear? I am not criticizing the quality of the Rampage's writing or photography, but the apparent scarcity of newsworthy material. I don't know where, if anywhere, the blame lies. Maybe there just isn't much going on around campus, in which case I think the coverage of our community could be a little more extensive. Every article does not need to relate directly to FCC, because FCC students do have a life outside of school. Also, I think it's time the paper grew up and allowed alcohol and tobacco advertisers to spend their money here.

Karen Robbins

Roving Reporter

What are your plans for the summer?

Photos and text by Dallas Blanchard



Dave Ewald
Photography
"Create the blueprint for the ultimate change of everything. But only at night so I don't sweat!"



Scott Thomas
Criminology
"Get a job so I can support my alcoholic brother."



Jennifer Purcell
Business
"Party naked with the cheerleaders."



Chris Cordor
Film
"Cruise through Longs and Payless drug stores and pop holes in the condoms."

"A Day in the Life of Fresno City College" is just around the corner.

On your newstands.
May 10

Who's responsibility is it to drop a class after three absences?

Photos by Pat Colucci
Text by Marilyn Briar



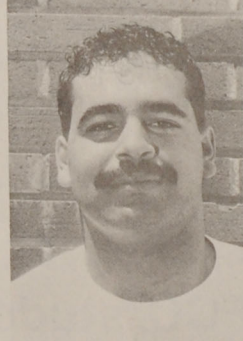
Brandi Jackson
Nursing
"I feel that it is the student's responsibility to drop."



Cynthia Young
Criminology
"I feel it is the student's responsibility to drop the class."



Henry Mondia
Business
"It's up to the student to drop the class."



David Barnett
Criminology
"If the student messes up, the instructor has the right to drop him."

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The Shade of Paisley
by Jeff Purcell

Disclaimer
Some of the opinions, ideas and gestures that are expressed in "The Shade of Paisley" are not exactly those of the artist. But if you have any complaints regarding this cartoon strip, please write. I would get a rise out of reading a nasty letter right about now.

Now that church is over do you think we can play mattress polo? I was kind of looking forward to using my new trapeze.

Haze, before we go any further I think you should know the truth about me.

It's your first time huh?

No not exactly.....

I'm a man!

Jimenez returns with kickboxing victory

By Marie Andrade
Staff reporter

Randy Jimenez, Fresno City College student, holds the title in the Professional Kick Boxing Association (PKA) championship held in Long Beach on April 15.

"It felt great to take the Grand Championship," he said. "I'm amazed, because I didn't expect to get past the first round. There were over 500 competitors in different divisions. I took first place in the heavyweight division. I had to beat nine men to win the title."

His interest in karate began when he was eight years old.

"I used to get beat up a lot," he said. "I lived in west Fresno and there was a lot of restlessness between Blacks and Hispanics. It was hard to get to school sometimes."

Fortunately for the young Jimenez, he had a close friend who invited him to the local karate school. The rest, as they say, is history. The boy became a pupil and spent the next 18 years pursuing perfection of his skills.



Randy Jimenez (left) being congratulated by Al Smith Photo by Pat Colucci

He holds four black belts in different styles: first degree in Tang San Do, first degree in Kung Fu, first degree in Chi Kwan Do, and second degree in Tae Kwan Do. Now he's studying a fifth style--the Shoakan. Randy is also a weapons expert in the three-sectional pieces, three-quarter staff, kun chuck, the Samurai sword and the Shiki.

Jimenez gives special thanks to Al Smith, physical education instructor, for allowing him to use the gym

facilities for practice.

"I unofficially represented FCC at Long Beach because they ask you what dojo (school or place of practice) you represent, so I told them Fresno City College," he explained. "I had been off the circuit for eight years but when I entered FCC last semester, Smith and the students encouraged me to get back in. If it hadn't been for their support I don't think I'd have had the courage to do it."

During that eight-year

hiatus, Jimenez had started a family and was working low-paying jobs. "I got tired of doing 'grunt work' and found that school was the only way out to improve my life," he said.

Jimenez won the featherweight division in 1973 and took the welterweight division in 1974. He is now following the PKA circuit that will take him to San Francisco on May 13. In June he will be in Corpus Christi, Texas, then on to Las Vegas.

"If I make it there," he said, "I'll be in Atlanta, Georgia representing the United States in the international competitions. I'm ranked twentieth in the International PKA."

Jimenez shares his expertise by giving karate lessons at FCC. He has nine students under his wing. He also gives private lessons at home, and works in the cafeteria in a supervisory capacity.

When he receives his degree in business he plans to transfer to California State University, Fresno.

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ing 3.5 more full-time library staff, 4) installing a new security system, 5) purchasing new audio-visual equipment, and 6) providing more space for the LRC.

"There is no specific priority," said Liscano. "Everything mentioned in the report works together as a unit, not as isolated sections."

Seaburg said the administration is trying to work on the parts of the report that it presently can address.

These include hiring part-time staff for the library,

phasing in the new security system next fall which will "pay for itself in two years by the money we'll save not having to replace the books" and putting together a request for a one-time fund package from the lottery money to buy new books.

"The real challenge is to look for new funding resources," said Dr. Leach. "It doesn't help to steal from one program to help another, to cannibalize the existing budget. I see the potential to address all the needs mentioned in the proposal. Some people are impatient and want to see it all tomorrow."

"Facilities" from page 1

Of those 32, half said the Media Center was either understocked, inadequate, or not open enough.

When you have to use film or audiovisual (materials) for a class, they're all checked out," responded Don Lee, a criminology student. If it's for a class where 40 or 50 students have the same assignment, there aren't enough to go around."

Some 37 percent said the Media Center was average or good, and about 12 percent rated it above average.

Overall, the percentages of negative responses outweighed the positive in all three categories.

Many students said the library is a good place to study and that the architecture and atmosphere contribute to an academic setting.

Still others though the library was not quiet enough and that there needs to be more staff to enforce library rules.

Another student complained about the "aggravating typewriters" in the typing room.

An anonymous student summed up the critical views of many students by saying, "You hear people talk about how nice and classic the architecture looks, but when you go inside, there's nothing in it as far as real information."

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FCC's Marchese sets goal for '92 Olympics

As frustrating as it may get, Lisa Marchese's love for waterpolo has kept her going.

Marchese, who's in her second semester at FCC, has been playing as a waterpolo goalie since the summer of '87.

As a goalie, Marchese believes she needs to get over becoming frustrated.

"I constantly have to be thinking of where the ball is going, she said. "After a

game, I'm more mentally tired than physically."

She has competitively worked her way up to the 19 and under Junior National Team. Marchese's next step is to play on the senior "A" team and then the 1992 Olympics.

"I'll be going to (UC) Davis next fall where I'll be playing for the women's waterpolo team," she explained.

Presently the goalie is trying to gather \$2,000 for a waterpolo tournament.

Marchese is working two jobs, carrying 19 units and at the same time practicing for the tournament.

Anyone interested in donating money to Marchese can call 275-5460 or 229-8260 (ask for Judy).



Waterpolo goalie Lisa Marchese

Photo by Keith Hilier

Sihota's Semester Sports Review

Photos by Pat Colucci



The Ram's most valuable tennis player, Ruben Castrejon practices at the net.



FCC's Johnny Mancha takes a smack at the ball, while teammate James Wheaton looks on.

By Gurdeep Sihota
Sports editor

FCC's spring sports have almost come to an end with two teams capturing the Coast Valley Conference title.

For the first time since 1981, the men's golf team took first place in league. The Ram's Mike Schafer was chosen as the most valuable player in CVC. Teammates Keith Huber and Joe Garcia will be joining Schafer on the All Conference team.

The men's tennis team racked up its eighth title in a row. The Rams will be playing in the CVC tournament at home today.

It was a neck to neck battle for first place in CVC with the baseball team. FCC came close to capturing the title but were unable to put away Allan Hancock on Tuesday, losing 11-3.

The Lady Rams softball team finished in third place while the women's tennis team placed fourth.



It's high-five time for FCC's Renee Mungia (18) and Laura Sosa (10).

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Not me. My job takes just one weekend a month and two weeks a year. Yet, I'm earning \$18,000 for college.

Because I joined my local Army National Guard.

They're the people who help our state during emergencies like hurricanes and floods. They're also an important part of our country's military defense.

So, since I'm helping them do such an important job, they're helping me make it through school.

As soon as I finished Advanced Training, the Guard gave me a cash bonus of \$2,000. I'm also getting another \$5,000 for tuition and books, thanks to the New GI Bill.

Not to mention my monthly Army Guard paychecks. They'll add up to more than \$11,000 over the six years I'm in the Guard.

And if I take out a college loan, the Guard will help me pay it back — up to \$1,500 a year, plus interest.

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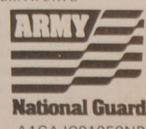
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