



RAMPAGE

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Rape suspect at large

Steve Carr
Managing editor

The Fresno police are asking for help in locating Sadiq I. Abdullah, 24, suspected of raping two Fresno women. One of the sexual assaults took place on the Fresno City college campus, Sunday, September 9th.

Abdullah is described as African-American, 6 feet tall, 175 pounds, with black hair and brown eyes.

Both of the women attacked were Fresno State students. Abdullah had befriended them and gained their trust before he allegedly attacked them.

According to FCC Campus Police Chief Ken Shrum, a woman, 19 years old, and Abdullah got off the city bus near the FCC campus. They

made their way onto the campus, where the attack occurred in some shrubs near the Science Building on the southeast side of the campus.

There is no scheduled increase in FCC campus security. "It appears they made their way onto the FCC campus by chance," stated Shrum.

The first rape was reported September 6th by a 23-year-old woman who said she was attacked at an apartment complex south of FSU.

The victim told investigators she was alone when the man arrived at her apartment. She said she let him inside after he convinced her that he was a friend of her roommate's.

Fresno Police Detective, S. R. Wells said, "the suspect (Abdullah) is a parolee. We are expediting the issuance of a warrant for his arrest."

Fresno State campus police chased a man off campus Thursday,



but stated the man did not fit the description of Abdullah. This statement was made in response to earlier reports that campus police had chased Abdullah.

If you have any information on the whereabouts of Sadiq I. Abdullah, please contact the Fresno Police, FCC, and FSU campus police.

No more guns in the classroom for this exchange student

Steve Carr
Managing editor

The peaceful surroundings of the Fresno City College campus contrast with the unpredictably violent countries many of our foreign students originate from.

For Aman, a 19-year-old from the sea port city of Karachi in Pakistan's Sind province, it was this erratic day-to-day life that brought him to Fresno City College.

"In Karachi, the political situation is very bad," states Aman. "There is terrorism and kidnaping all over Karachi."

Karachi is synonymous with drugs, weapons, and ethnic strife since the three million or so Afghanistan refugees began overflowing into Pakistan beginning in 1980.

"In Karachi, arms and ammunitions at the college are like buying a book."

-Aman

Some 1.5 million of these refugees found their way to the city of Karachi.

"Pakistan is a country divided religiously, ethnically, and politically," states The New York Times Magazine in January of 1989. No where else is this more evident than in Karachi.

One semester ago Aman entered the university at Karachi to pursue his degree.

"The first day, when I went to check my name on the enrollment sheet at the university, there was

gunfire on the campus," explained Aman. "I was near the principal's office when a young man started firing an automatic weapon right next to me. I ran for the nearest classroom, and found one with 20 or so students attending class."

"The assailants then made their way into this room and ordered everyone out or they would be killed. Then they fired many shots over our heads to show they were serious."

His father wanted Aman to get his degree in the field of food nutrition, but not in this volatile climate. He decided to have Aman study in America, and then return to Karachi where the job market is quite good.

"The day I left for America a terrorist group put pamphlets on every door announcing 500 people were coming on motorcycles to attack the area. And this is the safest place to live in Karachi," stated Aman.

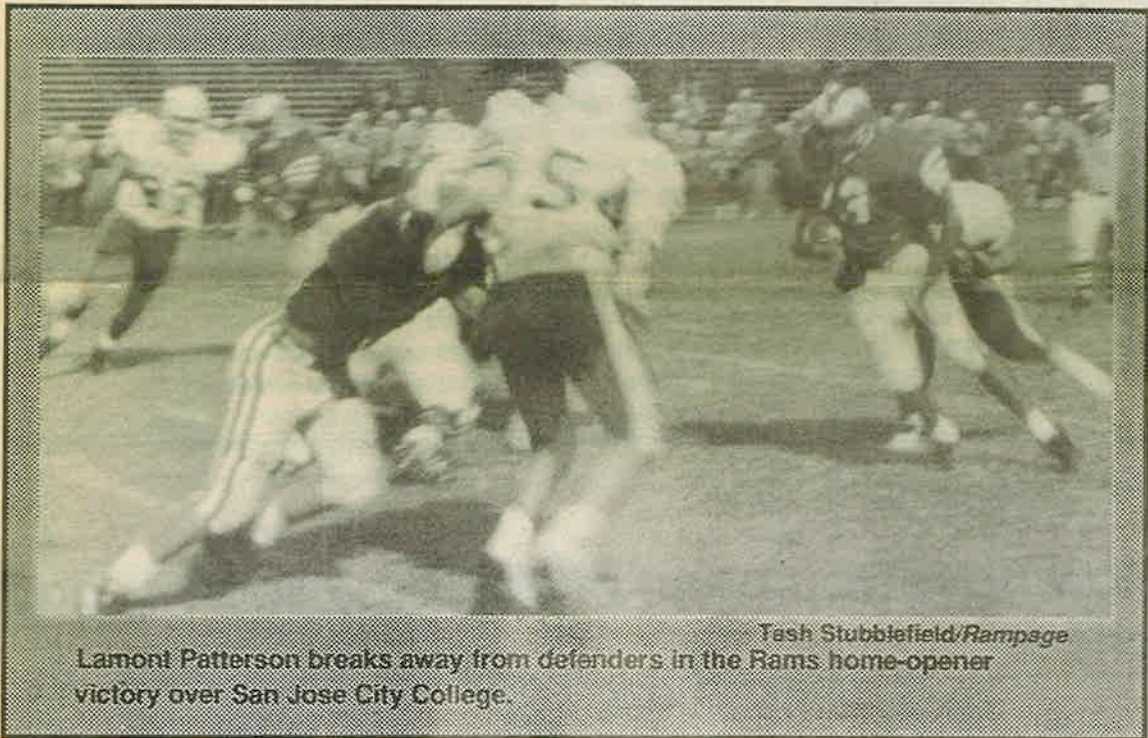
"In the colleges too many political parties are introduced, and I think that is very bad," stated Aman. "At FCC you don't have political parties, just clubs and organizations which fit into the school."

"In Karachi, arms and ammunitions at the college are like buying a book," exclaims Aman.

Young adults are often easily moved by emotion and ideals they view to be correct. When you add weaponry and a means to use it, it can be a very dangerous environment to survive in.

The Pakistani clothing is loose, hanging from the body. It is common for Karachi students to pack high powered machine guns, called Kalashnikovs, inside their dress.

"You can see the guns when they bend over and their shirts open up," See PAKISTANI on Back Side



Lamont Patterson breaks away from defenders in the Rams home-opener victory over San Jose City College.

New patrol car on order

Celeste Cox
Staff writer

The absence of the standard black and white police car is obvious on our campus. Patrolling in its place is an old white station wagon with a red light posted on the dashboard.

The problem is not in the budget, which is "about the same as last year," according to District Police Chief Kenneth Shrum. But rather, with the priority that the FCC police department seems to be lacking.

There is a marked car on order from the Ford company, as it has been for the last three months. However, Shrum related that the agency claims it manufactures only ten cars a day, so FCC's order for only one car remains unfilled, while the company makes the larger orders their top concern.

Meanwhile, the Fresno City

campus is left to deal with the effects of not having a marked car. The main problem with the lack of a marked police car is the traffic violations that occur when a standard car is not available. Seeing a marked car discourages such things as speeding and illegal parking, reports Shrum.

Also, having a marked car on campus instills the student body with a sense of safety. Lastly, a standard police car can also serve as a deterrent to criminals. Not having a marked police car "... has a direct effect on safety. With a marked car, it's a warning to criminals," Shrum concluded.



Dena Thomas/Rampage

Watch out! This baby does 0-60 in 3.9 seconds

NEWS NOTES

Registration for the 1991 Spring Semester in England is currently underway. You will stay in the outskirts of London in an old-world setting of the Royal Borough of Kingston-upon-Thames. There will be trips to Stonehenge, Westminster Abbey, Parliament, as well as guided tours through Shakespeare country. Brochures can be acquired through Dr. Richard Gibbs of Fresno City College. Contact Dr. Gibbs at 442-4600 ext. 8365. Applications need to be in by November 7, 1990.

A.S. Body card photo session held October 2nd from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and on October 4th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon in the Cafeteria Conference rooms A & B to accommodate Enabler Students.

Fresno Mayor's Committee for the Employment of Disabled Persons is having its 11th Annual Employer Awards Luncheon and Workshop, Thursday, October 18th. It will take place at the University Piccadilly Inn at 4691 N. Cedar Avenue, and it requires making a reservation. For more information call 225-6100 ext. 5646; or contact Robin Ray at 255-6277 and leave a message.

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OPINION

Community College goes Bankrupt

Ivan Echo

Contributing writer

This is a headline you will probably never read. Yet, if many businesses in the private sector of society were run like some community colleges, they would go out of business. Like so many other government businesses, community colleges do not worry about competing and sometimes waste funds. Because of proposition 13, California schools probably waste the least amount of money of any government organization, because they can't. This isn't to say they didn't before proposition 13 went into effect.

Because FCC is part of the California community college system of 107 colleges, it is part of a large organization. FCC like the other community colleges is also a major business, with an employer (the tax payer), employees, a union and customer base (the students). The unique thing that makes a community college different from most businesses, is that the employer (tax payer or child of tax payer) and the customer is the same person, the student, and the most important person. But, like many old style American businesses and almost all government organizations, the institution could be run more effectively and at a higher level of efficiency than presently done.

Those that run the school, teach,

or have any connection with the school at all, should BECOME OBSESSED WITH LISTENING. If there are eighteen thousand students at FCC, then there are probably eighteen thousand good propositions on procedures of creating a much more effective system. Even if there was only one, then that would be one more step in a more constructive direction than we already have. Toyota auto manufacture makes fifty changes a day and they are the top Japanese auto manufacture.

ACTIVELY FIND OUT WHAT COMPLAINTS THE STUDENTS HAVE. How else could we find out what problems we have more effectively? Many students have complaints, but feel helpless to change the situation and so they don't voice their problems and complaints, along with solutions. How can a system change for the better if it has only a few eyes open and yet there are so many available? There needs to be someone in charge who does nothing else except surveys students, takes complaints and tries to help orchestrate solutions through such things as brain-storming meetings that have open membership to both student and faculty, and meet on a weekly basis. Isn't a learning institution a place where people become smarter and learn to solve problems effectively? This brings me to my next suggestion.

PURSUE A TEAM PRODUCT AND SOLUTION. A team of ad-

ministrators, teachers, and students could work together and produce winning results that would benefit all, like a good sports team such as the San Francisco 49'ers. People working synergistically on the same level to produce constructive results. Teachers trading ideas with teachers and students. It seems that in our society we are not allowed to

admit that our idea is not the best or that we are "stupid".

How else are we going to improve in a dramatic way if we don't first admit our lack of some knowledge? As Americans, our ability to be creative and inventive is astounding, yet our inability to assemble as a cohesive working structure cripples us at times.

This is the first part of a series of articles on options in creating more beneficial, successful and complete educational system. I would like to give credit to Tom Peters and his book "Thriving in Chaos" for some of the ideas and information presented here. You can catch him on public television channel 18.

2 Rap or not 2 Rap

Celeste Cox

Staff writer

All over the world, changes are taking place. Changes in political reform, thought and actions. The Berlin Wall is down, apartheid may be coming to an end, and countries everywhere are looking to the United States for guidance in their struggle for democracy. However, at a time when other nations are becoming unrepressed, our freedoms are becoming restricted.

While it is true that U.S. citizens are free to speak out against the government, to travel and to attend the church of our choice, it is also true that 2 Live Crew can not give a concert without being arrested for public obscenity. This is very unfortunate.

Personally, I've heard some of the songs that were dubbed as obscene by the Supreme Court, and I found them bizarre, but not ob-

scene. However, that is not the issue at hand. The issue is whether or not the members of 2 Live Crew are being denied their Constitutional rights to freedom of speech. Does the Bill of Rights pertain to all those whose works are not found offensive, or to all citizens? In cases such as these, it is hard to tell the difference.

In comparison, the Supreme Court has recently upheld that it is legal to burn the American flag as a form of protest, as long as it does not incite a riot. It was decided that to not have the right to burn the flag would be an infringement on the First Amendment. Is this act not found to be offensive to veterans who shed their blood and to the families of veterans who lost their loved ones in the name of our country? I find it ironic that both, 2 Live Crew's music and burning the flag, are considered to be offensive to some members of the population,

yet one is upheld and the other denied by interpretation of the same document.

Also, in January of 1988, the Supreme Court ruled that high school principals have the right to censor all forms of student publication. With decisions like these being made, I wonder what will be next.

As our individual rights are slowly diminishing, I can picture our future resembling the life depicted in Ray Bradbury's Fahrenheit 451, in which all books were banned because they promoted free thought. This is a frightening view of the future, but with every decision, it becomes more probable.

I feel the Supreme Court's decision on the banning of 2 Live Crew should be appealed; if not as a gesture of freedom to young democracies, then as an assurance to the American public that our freedom of expression is more important than their personal taste.

Roving Reporter:

By Dena Thomas

How have you been affected by soaring gas prices?



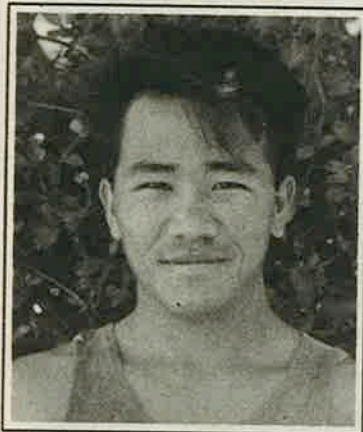
We've been adjusting our weekly gas budget to allow for the amount of car travel we find necessary. The bus system has not been adequate for our needs. So we ride our bikes if possible, but mostly we have not cut down on driving, we're just paying more.

Amy Stone
Home Economics



The price of gas has gone up. And because of it, I have to save more money for gas instead of other things that I really need.

Marla Cisneros
Law Enforcement



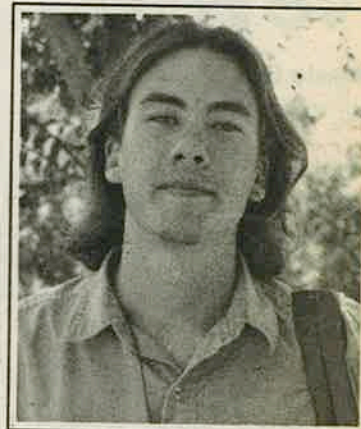
As for my opinion about the gas price, I think it is going sky high. I don't think many people, myself included, can understand what will happen in the future. For the moment, I don't think I will be able to get myself a very big car.

Phila Vang
Law Enforcement



It really is a problem with me because I need to drive a lot and it has really put a damper on my income.

Angela Mastrilli
Radiation Technology



I don't drive as much any more, especially out of town. I had to move from the foothills to Fresno because of the cost of commuting.

Phil Harvey
General Ed

PEOPLE

Sexual harassment cases on the rise

Burt Deanda
Staff writer

Harassment on the basis of sex is included among legal prohibitions against discrimination stated in the 1964 civil rights act. Title IX of the Educational Code Amendments also establish sexual harassment as unlawful.

Debbie Ikeda, Associate Dean of Counseling, has been the Title IX coordinator for FCC since 1983.

Since the onset of the program, she has witnessed the frequency of cases rise from one a year in 1983 to up to three or four in recent years. Still, Ikeda stresses, these are only the reported cases.

Several studies have documented the widespread nature of sexual harassment. In one study, 88% of respondents said they had experienced one or more form of unwanted sexual advances, few were ever related.

An obvious reason for the relatively few reported complaints filed would be that victims are often unsure of what constitutes sexual harassment. The definition can range from the overt to the subtle, including: verbal abuse or remarks about a woman's clothing, body or sexual activities, unnecessary touching, patting or pinching, leering or ogling of a woman's body or physical assault.

How to gauge whether some degree of harassment is evident? "Sexual harassment has the effect of interfering with a student's academic performanceby creating hostile, intimidating, or an adverse learning environment." Title IX Students who believe that they have been subjected to sexual intimidation are asked to review carefully both the district's policy on the subject and file, within nine days, the formal complaint form available from any staff complaint advisors.

The student is assured that he or she will be protected at all times with anonymity.

Students are reminded by faculty that sexual harassment requires unusually prompt attention by authority as failure to act may result in additional academic and personal

damages.

"A faculty member may be just physical and unaware of the discomfort he or she is sponsoring," Ikeda instructs" but it is the duty of the harassed to protect future students and faculty from these actions."

If you have been the victim of sexual harassment, or have further questions on what constitutes sexual harassment, contact Debbie Ikeda - Associate Dean of Counseling or complaint advisors: Don Larson, Linda Albright or John Newcomb.

Fitness Center Action-

photo essay by Tash Stubblefield



Okay, who put the pin on 200 pounds?



Are my thighs supposed to hurt this bad?



Bring on the Half Dome hike!

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The Rampage would like to correct the following misprints in its last issue: 1). In the Roving Reporter section Khalid Burns name was placed under the picture of Eric Stroh, and Stroh's name was placed under Burn's picture. 2). Deann Jackson's name was spelled Dean. 3). The eighth ranked FCC Forensic's Team compiled that ranking in the Spring of 1990, not 1989.

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PEOPLE

The heat is on this student

Fred Martin
Contributing writer

Fresno City College student Kirk Gramberg spent the summer chasing smoke and collecting tales to tell his grandchildren. He was a firefighter for California Department of Forestry.

Two months ago, he and his fellow firefighters drove through a crown of fire 200 feet high on a desolate mountain road on a call to rescue 32 persons trapped in a fire.

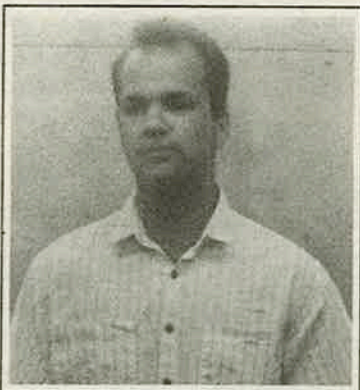
The heat was so intense it melted the lenses of the pumper's headlights and burned paint off the fire truck. The episode occurred in Tyler Meadows and the trapped people were saved when Gramberg's crew spent six hours drenching the outer edges of the fire.

"There is always that mystery of what's going to happen today," he related. "Tomorrow I might have a multi-story fire... there could even be a plane crash in someone's back

yard. You never now."

He became a firefighter after obtaining a license in aeronautics last spring. He decided to be a "smoke eater" when he saw a firefighter enter a burning building and later leave soaked with water after the fire was out.

After he helped lead the troop of 32 to safety, he and several others spent several days under medical observation as a result of smoke



Steve Diddy/Rampage
Kirk Gramberg fights blazes in his spare-time

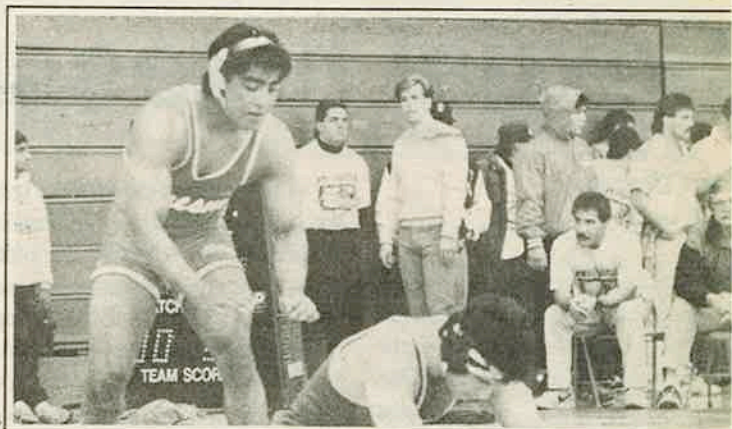
inhalation. Then he climbed back on the pumper to put out small fires in the forest.

The most important thing to Kirk is saving lives and property—homes and momentos such as photos of a family. "You don't want to have them lose those memorable pictures," he said.

Danger is a factor. At risk to the firefighter is the explosion of gasoline and chemicals in a garage. The heat could set off a loaded gun or a box of shotgun shells in a closet.

Kirk's girlfriend thinks that his job is exciting. His mother, although fearful of his high-risk career, is totally supportive. His father is very proud also.

Firefighters are special persons. It is a job that makes you want to be called to work when it is your day off," said Kirk. Most of them love their job—it is fire science and physical intensive. They care more about other people than they do about themselves.



Source: Sports Info. office

Robert Zapata in action at the state wrestling championships

Memorial fund for Robert Zapata

David Clark
Staff writer

"Zapata was the key to the success of FCC's wrestling program."

Zapata had an overall record of 74 wins and 2 losses while at FCC. Including winning a state record tournament. He captured the California State title at 177 pounds twice and was headed to Fresno State on a scholarship before his untimely death.

Donations are still being accepted for Robert's Memorial fund and are being taken in the FCC business office.

Fresno City College students and residents of Fresno raised an estimated \$1,500 towards paying the funeral expenses of former FCC wrestler Robert Zapata, who was killed in an automobile accident over the summer. The fund was established by wrestling coach Bill Musick. While at FCC Zapata once said that his goal was to "wrestle in the Olympics". Musick said that

Higginbotham receives role model award

When Charles Higginbotham began teaching at Fresno City College 13 years ago, he meant business.

He is a firm believer in hard work and dedication and it has gotten him what he deserves: The California Society of Certified Public Accountants "Business Faculty Role Model Award," presented by his peers.

Not only did Higginbotham win the local chapter's award, but he was recently notified that he won the award for the entire state of California.

"I was surprised. It was truly a humbling experience," Higginbotham said.

Teachers should be role models for their students, according to Higginbotham. "You've got to set goals for yourself and be self-motivated in order to succeed in life," Higginbotham said.

Higginbotham retired from the

Internal Revenue Service before coming to FCC.

"I wanted to keep active when I retired, and have an opportunity to use the knowledge and experiences I have learned," the Massachusetts native said. "Teaching is a lot more rewarding than working in the business community because you can actually see the results of your work."

Higginbotham describes his most gratifying moments as the times when his students get back to him to let him know how they are using the knowledge and information gained in the class in their professional jobs.

A formal presentation of the statewide award will take place October 16, at the Fresno Smuggler's Inn at 5:30 p.m.

Higginbotham is a fulltime instructor at FCC. He teaches accounting and a course in business human relations.

New instructor adds sparks to theater arts

Fred Martin
Contributing writer

A new instructor at Fresno City College has brought a charged atmosphere to the Theatre Arts Department! Frederick L. Agnew holds a Master of Arts in Theatrical Design. He arrived from Mount Hood Community College in Portland, Oregon, after serving two years on their teaching staff. A full-time instructor, he is teaching Elementary Techniques of Acting, Theatre Craft and Introduction to Lighting and Sound.

Besides teaching, he was put in charge, which he considers an honor, of revamping the class curriculum. Character development, design skills, drafting of scenery, drafting of lighting plots and stage crafting will be given special attention in his class.

"I stress fabrication from materials of plastic, fiberglass, plaster, use of foam, paints and painting, mold making and metal. His class is constructing the prima facia to a Victorian house, indoor scenery and some of the furnishings for the forthcoming play "Arsenic and Old Lace" beginning October 11. It is a

macabre play, for the Halloween season, where the audience will see much scenery detail.

Mr. Agnew believes that an actor should have a technical theatre background. The actor would have more to offer. "In a repertoire situation," he said, "the actor may also be assigned to a work group repairing props. The actor will be available for more work in the job market."

To ensure that the FCC theatre will compete in the American College Theatre Festival and help to organize a theatre group staging a

puppet show at all the primary and secondary schools in Fresno are goals for him this year. He would like to see the theatre department stage a premier musical from the rewritten "Girl Crazy", "Treasure Girl" and "Shall We Dance?" of George and Ira Gershwin. "Let's do staging for that show" said Mr. Agnew.

Mr. Agnew is looking forward to being part of all the productions at FCC and summarizes with the theme: there are no problems, there are only solutions.

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Ralph Gant	"Self Esteem"	Oct. 24
Dr. Peter Mehas	"Motivation and Education"	Nov. 7
John Wallace	"Contemporary Media"	Nov. 14
Chief Kenneth Shrum	"Sexism and the Law"	Nov. 28

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Offensive-line coach Jack Mattox prepares his troops to do battle in the trenches.

2-0 Rams take on Laney of Oakland

Steve Carr
Managing editor

The Fresno City College Ram football team takes its impressive 2-0 start into tonight's non-conference game at Laney College (0-2) in Oakland.

"Laney's excellent wide receivers and big defensive ends are of concern to us," Rams head football coach John Volek said. "Their run and shoot offense can create some problems for us. However our defense has played very well so far."

The Ram defense dominated San Jose CC in an impressive 30-16 non-conference win in FCC's 1990 home opener last Saturday night.

"Our defense took it away from San Jose in the fourth quarter," Volek said. The Ram defense allowed San Jose a mere 2 yards of total offense in the fourth quarter. "Then our offense took control of the line."

"Our running offense came on in the second half, and controlled the ball," Volek stated. "That took a lot of pressure off our quarterback Raymond (Marrow)." Marrow

finished the night 7 for 19 for 165 yards.

Fullback James Graham scored two touchdowns in the final 7 minutes and 44 seconds of the fourth quarter to put the game away. On the night, Graham rushed 18 times for 83 yards behind solid blocking upfront.

The defensive standouts for the Rams were defensive backs Keshon Johnson, Andre Mason, and Tyron Graves; linebackers Art Francis, and Chris Williams, and defensive lineman Ken Fontes, who has a sore back.

Get set for the fall intramural season

Fred Martin
Contributing writer

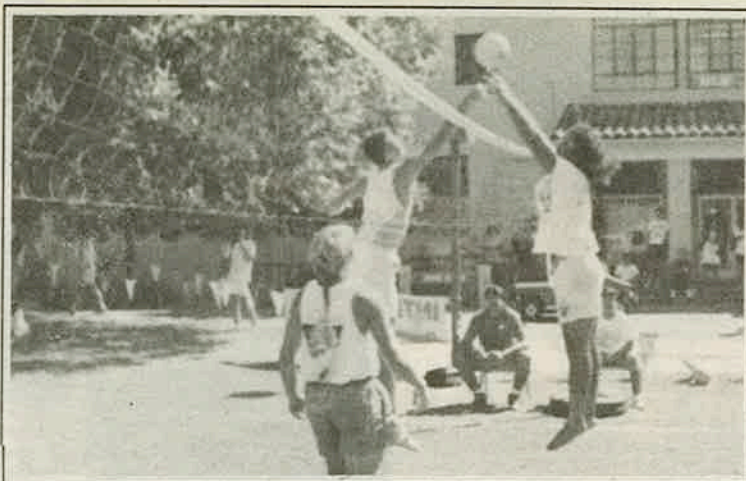
The beach volleyball tournament on September 13 and 14 initiated the intramural events and competition for Fall '90.

The single elimination tournament men's first place winners were: Mike Dailey and Bob Beard; second place: Rangsit Iamsaard and Khamphet Insyorazi. First place women's: Debbie Mendoza and Claudia Ramond; second place: Lasonia Cole and Michele Walton.

Second and first place winners received trophies and t-shirts. The players were outstanding, competition was close, and the spikers attracted a sizable audience.

"All are invited to participate in the events" Jesse Cota, Director of Intramural Sports. Intramurals are for students, instructors and staff at Fresno City College. However, varsity athletes are ineligible to compete in their sport.

Upcoming intramural events:



Tash Stubblefield/Rampage

A block by Manu Satele as Mike Dailey looks on.

Golf, Sept. 19, 20; Tennis, Sept. 28, 29; Obstacle course, Oct. 3, 4, 5; Archery, Oct. 10, 11; B-ball slam dunk, Oct. 19; Art, paint, pen, pencil, Oct. 24; Racquetball, Nov. 2, 9; Basketball sharpshooter, Nov. 16; Foot race, Nov. 21.

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Wrestlers weigh in

David Clark
Staff writer

Fresno City College wrestling team opens their season September 29 at the Bakersfield Duals. The Ram grapplers are led by head coach Bill Musick and assistants Robert Arballo and Charles Freeman.

F.C.C.'s wrestling team will be hard pressed to match last year's great team. "Last year's team" exclaims Musick "has to be rated as one if not the best in JC history". The 1989 wrestling team won an unprecedented 8 tournaments including the California state tournament by a 40 point margin. Also 8

of the wrestlers were JC all-Americans.

"This years team should be very, very young, starting seven or eight freshmen," stated Musick. "We have the talent but its just a matter of how hard they are willing to work".

The 1990 Rams have two returning state placewinners back from last years team. They are Mike Morin 4th at 191 pounds, and Brian Ramirez 2nd at 118 pounds. The Rams have a total of 30 freshmen on the team and thier sophmore returnees include: Michael Ortega, Richard Estrada, Jorge Lopez, and Davy Miller.

1990 Men's Wrestling Schedule

Sept 29	@Bakersfield Duals	10 am
Oct 6	@Cuesta College Tourney	9 am
Oct 10	@Cuesta College	7 pm
Oct 12	Lassen College	7 pm
Oct 16	@Modesto/Diablo Vly College	6 pm
Oct 20	West Valley Tourney	9 am
Oct 23	Gavilan College	7 pm
Oct 26	@Palomar College Duals	4 pm
Oct 27	@Palomar College Duals	9 am
Oct 31	Sacramento City College	7 pm
Nov 2	@Lassen College Tourney	6 pm
Nov 3	@Lassen College Tourney	9 am
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Karena Kelley

Associated Students Writer

The fall semester at Fresno City College always brings many exciting and fun events. The Associated Students President, Simone White; Legislative Vice-President, Michael Gaskin; Executive Vice-President, Teresa Turner; President Pro-Tempore, Kathleen Reyna, and Senators have been working extremely hard on the activities here on campus and the issues that directly affect you.

If you are interested in getting involved, there are currently three Senate positions available for FCC students. Applications can be picked up in the A.S. office. Duties of a Senator include attending all Thursday meetings from 1-4 pm, maintaining office hours, and involvement in committees and various activities around campus.

Several committees were recently formed within the Senate. They include: programs and activities, A.S. cards, student lounge, information station, and publicity. Any student wishing to serve on a committee is encouraged and welcomed. Remember, you need not be a Senate member to participate. An environmental committee is presently being formed by the A.S. Its main purpose is to address concerns about the environment and to come up with ideas for FCC to implement. Interest in this valuable committee or suggestions for a program such as recycling can be made by contacting Kathleen Reyna in the A.S. office.

On September 17 in the student lounge, the A.S. will be hosting a Breakfast Club for all students. Kim Hopelian has been coordinating this event that will take place from 7:30

- 10:30 am and will include refreshments such as coffee, donuts, and fresh fruit. This is an excellent opportunity to socialize with friends before class while eating a good meal. The cost for A.S. cardholders is only 50 cents.

Smile! Photos will be taken for fall semester A.S. cards through the remainder of this month. The times are 8 am to 1 pm and 5 pm to 8 pm Monday through Thursday. A.S. cards can still be purchased in the business office for 5 dollars. A reminder that with the purchase of an A.S. card comes great benefits and discounts that continue through-out the semester.

Stop-It's Homecoming time! Homecoming is fast approaching and Ram pride is back on track! This awesome event is scheduled for the week of October 15th-19th. The Rams will lock horns with the Blue Devils of Merced college in one of the fiercest football games of the season.

Homecoming King and Queen applications are available now in the student affairs office (rm. 201 above the bookstore). Other exciting events include an Air Guitar contest, Fashion Show, FCC Feud, Evening Jazz Concert, Pep rally, tailgate party and much more! Students wishing to help out with this event can either obtain information in the student affairs office or sit in at the Homecoming committee meetings every Wednesday at 2:00 pm in the Senate chambers.

We hope to become familiar with you soon and to receive feedback on our performance. You are always welcome to attend our Thursday meetings from 1-4 pm in the senate chambers or drop by our offices above the bookstore.

Grandson of Mohandas Gandhi to speak at Fresno State

Dr. Arun Gandhi, grandson of the martyred Indian leader Mohandas Gandhi, will lecture at the CSUF Satellite Student Union on October 2, 1990. His topic will be global racism and is based on a book he has recently written comparing racism and discrimination in the United States to that in South Africa and India.

A victim of Apartheid while growing up in South Africa, Gandhi later witnessed hatred and violence based on caste status in India. Now lecturing across the country, Gandhi hopes to educate people about the dangers of racism and the poverty and hatred it breeds.

Dr. Gandhi is a longtime journal-

ist and social activist who embraces his grandfather's philosophies of non-violence. He and his wife have been in the United States since August of 1987, under sponsorship of the University of Mississippi at Oxford. There, he has researched his book and collaborated with the University's Center for the Study of Southern Culture.

Dr. Gandhi's speech in Fresno comes two days before his keynote address at the World Peace Conference in Athens, Greece.

Tickets for the lecture will be \$2 for students and faculty, and \$3 general admission, and will be available at the door in the Satellite Student Union at 7:30 p.m.

NEWS

Honor society assists Mason center

Brandy Fernandes
Staff writer

This year, the Marjaree Mason Center for battered and abused women, will be receiving help from Alpha Gamma Sigma.

Phonzie Kobos, AGS Secretary, decided to start this new project after she received help from the center.

"At one time, I was a victim. It's a very neglected area that needs to be addressed by our community. It's a social issue that virtually is ignored," Kobos said.

The committee is planning to, "Promote more public awareness for battered women," Kobos said.

The center is a part of the YWCA, and is open to help either the batterer or the person who has been battered.

The honor society held a "Volunteer Organization," at the YMCA, on September 17, at 6p.m., for all volunteers.

"The services we will be providing will include babysitting and escort services. It will be an 'Education Awareness' program."

The honor society is planning a toy drive in November, for the children staying at the center.

"I think the toy drive will be a success. The toy drive will help increase public awareness," Kobos said.

"A woman and her children are only allowed to stay for 30 days. However, if there is a special circumstance, they are permitted to stay longer. When their time is up, some women go back to their husbands, some go home to family, some get their own place. If they want help, we will assist them in getting their own apartment. We will take them to get AFDC (Aid For Dependent Children), if that is their only means of support. We will assist them in getting jobs if they want to. We don't tell the women what to do. We are only here for support." Said Rubi Hackett, Volunteer Coordinator and Outreach for the YMCA.

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THE ARTS

MOVIE REVIEW

POSTCARDS FROM THE EDGE

Ann Ridolfi
Contributing writer

"Postcards from the Edge" sketches the ascent of a film actress from drug addiction and the clutches of a famous show-biz mother. Carrie Fisher, author of the novel, admits there are similarities, at least in the book, to her own life as the daughter in the shadows of her lustrous mother, Debbie Reynolds. But she says the rebellious daughter and domineering mother were fic-

tional composites, and that she never set out to write "Mommie Dearest" when she wrote "Postcards."

The action begins with the wrap-up of a movie in which the daughter (Meryl Streep) stars, and her drug overdose in the bed of a new man (Dennis Quaid.) Her recovery in a hospital rehabilitation program and her return "home" to regroup under the watchful eye of her mother (Shirley MacLaine) follows. Later, there's a facile reconciliation between mother and daughter at a hospital bedside, where there's a role reversal: the daughter comforts the mother who's been hurt in a car she drunkenly ran into a tree.

But, that is another story; one which isn't told. Is the daughter just repeating the mother's addictive behavior?

There are other problems with this movie that leave the viewer feeling empty from visual fast food. The characters are given to one-liners, which is fine in comedy, but this story wants to care, too. Another thing wrong with "Postcards" is that the tone is never clearly defined by director Mike Nichols. Fisher's witty script is fun and biting, but her characters seem superficial and, in the case of MacLaine, too caricatured, to be real.

Another problem is the lack of development of any of the three

themes presented: recovery from drugs, exploitation by a womanizer, and the conflict between a mother and daughter in competition with one another.

Knowing the semi-autobiographical aspect of the movie may be a drawback when it comes to accepting Streep as a Fisher stand-in. She doesn't look like her mother's daughter here and she has the built in reserve we associate with Streep in all her roles. Even though she has a comic flair, she tries to shed that reserve here, even belting out a couple of country-western ballads. Holly Hunter could have filled the bill nicely. MacLaine is funny as the aging actress who

conjures her musical star image with a lively song at a party.

In a cameo role, Richard Dreyfuss plays the emergency room doctor who treats Streep and later sends her flowers, hinting at future romance as the movie ends. Gene Hackman also has a small role as the tough but sympathetic film director.

Like postcards from a friend, issues here are briefly stated. It's as if the movie doesn't know what it's about, leaving the viewer feeling nothing in particular, and not sure of what they have just seen, like having binged without remembering what they have eaten or how it tasted.



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Back Side

Pakistani

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explains Aman.

"At the junior schools, like FCC would be to Fresno State University, the students place their weapons right on their desk, and defy the teachers to stop them from cheating," says Aman. "If they don't let them cheat, they will be badly beaten or killed."

Aman has a friend whose parents are both well respected teachers at the university. Their children warn them not to go outside of their house or they could be killed.

Bribes are also standard procedure in Karachi. Everyone is getting a cut from the bribes all the way up the ladder.

"If you have a problem with a lower level person in the government or the police, you can not go to his superior. The superior supports the lower grade officer, and the superior's boss supports him," explains Aman.

"With local police and inspectors you can get nothing accom-

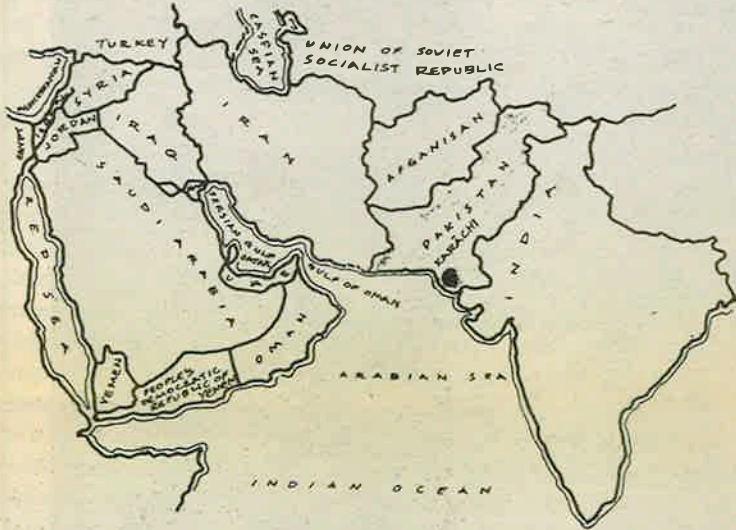
plished without a bribe. If you need a permit or licence, you must pay a bribe. If you speed, it is as normal to pay a bribe on the spot as it would be to give an officer you're license and registration in America," states Aman.

Aman half smiles as he speaks of these injustices in a casual, matter-of-fact manner. The New Republic magazine, of March 16, 1987, recounts many of these same injustices as well as the brutality of the region.

Pakistan has four provinces: Punjab, Baluchistan, the Northwest, and Sind. However, none suffers from internal strife quite like the Sind province.

America will remain Aman's sanctuary from violence until he obtains his bachelor's degree. Then he will return home to his family, a high paying job, and dangerous surroundings.

His gentle smile hides a toughness far beyond the friendly confines of the FCC campus. A toughness that evolved through survival.



Lists to live by?

Top 5 ways a woman can get out of a speeding ticket:

1. Cry.
2. Show cleavage.
3. Start speaking Danish.
4. Lick your lips suggestively.
5. Explain that your water just broke.

Top 6 reasons for being late to class:

1. There was a long train.
2. I had to fight off three rabid pit bulls to get to my car.
3. The dog swallowed my keys, so I had to wait for the laxative to take effect.
4. I was being held hostage by E.T.
5. The professor started early.
6. I was busy laughing at Charles Keating.

Top 3 favorite drinks of the captain of the Exxon Valdez:

1. Tequila shooters, two hours before he leaves port.
2. Double Seven and Seven before the anchor is lifted, please!
3. Oh hell, we hit a reef. Where's my everclear.

Top 5 reasons Atlanta was awarded the 1996 summer olympics:

1. Gerry Glanville will be there to intimidate foreign athletes by calling them total jerks.
2. Braves fans are starved for some form of entertainment.
3. Southern hospitality
4. If the games are boring, Disney-world is only 100 miles away.
5. Everybody loves a hub.

Top 6 things camp counselors do when the campers are asleep:

1. Watch bad movies in the staff lounge.
2. Stargaze by the lake, or so they say.
3. Gig frogs.
4. Listen intently for the bears to come.
5. Get killed by a disturbed camper wearing a hockey mask.
6. Hold back the laughter when you hear the walls banging.

Top 5 candidates for an NFL expansion team:

1. Reno Crappers
2. Boston Kennedys
3. Fresno Armpits
4. Portland Skinheads
5. Salt Lake City Mormons

When you party remember to...



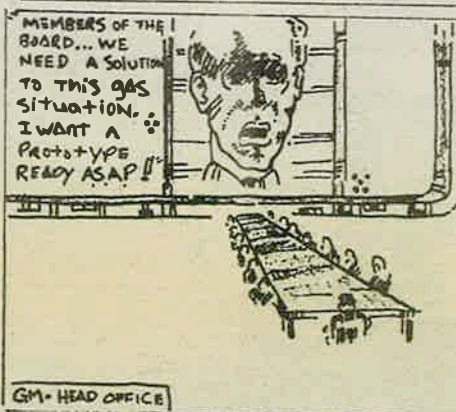
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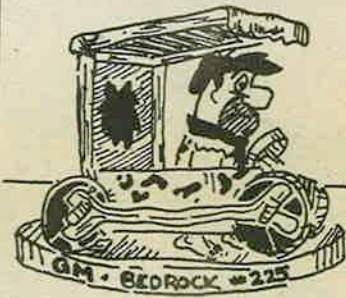


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6 MONTHS
LATER.



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The NAISA is presenting its American Indian Cultural Day on Wednesday, September 26, 1990 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The event will take place on the grass and under the trees on the west side of the Old Administration building.

Health Careers Opportunity Program will have a representative on campus Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the FCC counseling office on the 2nd floor of the Student Services building.

UC Davis will have representatives on campus Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the FCC counseling office on the 2nd floor of the Student Services building.

SUPPORT GROUPS: The Central Valley AIDS Team located at 606 E. Belmont will offer the following: — HIV Disease Support Group every Thursday from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. — Family and Friends Support Group every other Tuesday 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. — Infectious Disease Clinic Support Group, contact: Ann Steidle at 225-6100 ext. 5467.

The President's Faculty Hour 1990 kicks off October 3rd from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the President's Conference room. Take advantage of this opportunity to meet informally with Dr. Ellish. The time has been set aside for faculty concerns, questions, discussion and conversation.

ENTERTAINMENT NOTES

The Miss Alans' progressive pop sound will be featured tonight, Friday September 21st, at the Wild Blue Yonder. Cover charge varies.

Reggae by Pato Banton will bring down the house tonight, Friday September 21st at the Fresno State Satellite Student Union. \$8 general admission. The show starts at 8:00 p.m.

Rod Piazza and The Mighty Flyers' will play three full sets of uptempo blues, Saturday September 22nd, at the Wild Blue Yonder. Cover charge varies.

Monday Night Football can be viewed at the Student Lounge for the remainder of the season.

Jazz Concert "After-Touch" from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Bookstore patio for no charge on Wednesday, September 26.

Reggae by Rankin' Scroo & Ginger w/ Crucial Youth Massive, plus Sister I-Live, Friday September 28th, at the Wild Blue Yonder. Cover charge varies.

Buddy Ace lays down the blues at the Wild Blue Yonder, Saturday September 29th. Cover charge varies.

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