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A HOME WITHOUT THE HOLIDAYS

By Sean Cabibi

For Curt Austin, challenge is nothing new. As an infant, Curt was afflicted with Muscular Dystrophy. Bounded most of his life to a wheelchair, Curt has persevered to not only achieve independence, but goals.

Even though he is physically handicapped, Curt didn't let that slow him down. While attending both Fresno City College and Fresno State, Curt received a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. He attended school from

"Curt faces a new battle, one that if he loses, will put him on the streets"

1978 to 1980, completing the four-year program in two years.

Curt would eventually emerge as a leader for disabled rights. In 1991, he founded the Americans with Disabilities National Act. In 1995, he was appointed by mayor Jim Patterson to represent Fresno at the National Organization on Disability. He also was a founder of the Fresno wheelchair games. As an advocate and representative for the disabled, Curt has helped lead a continuous fight for the rights of the physically handicapped.

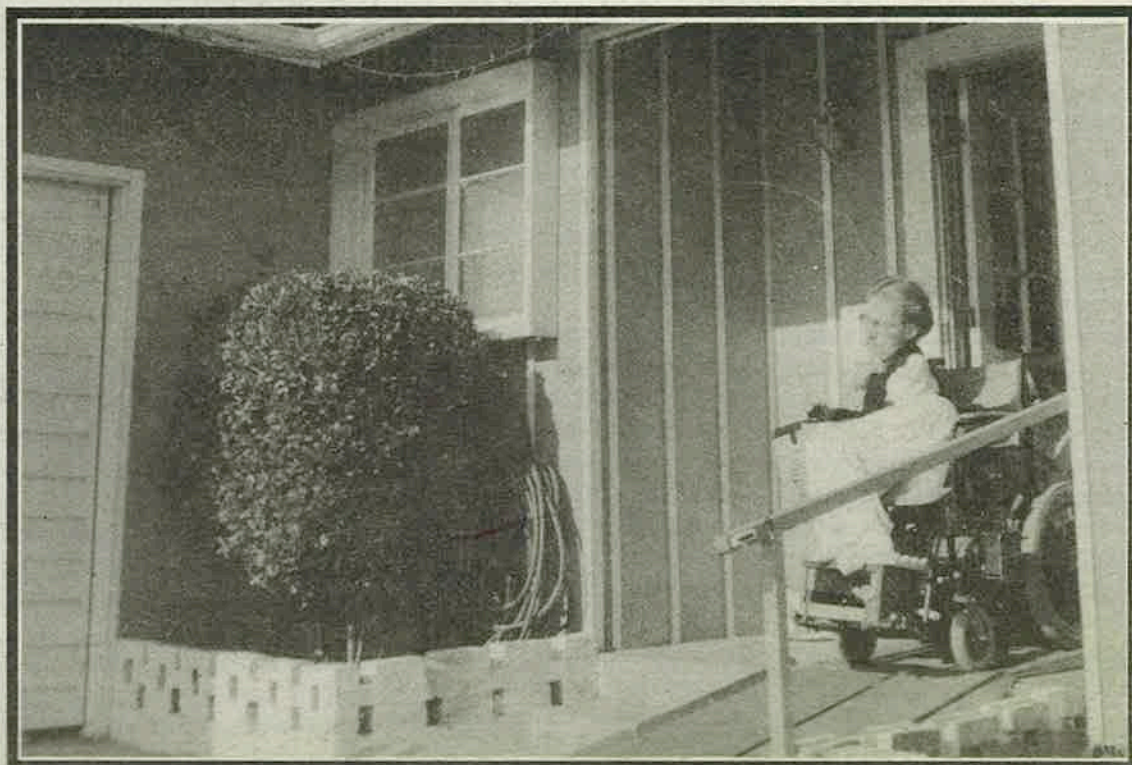
Along with his national work, Curt has been working with Fresno City College and the ADA Accessibility Commission, trying to improve accessibility for the dis-

abled on campus and around the city. "It's surprising. Very few places wanted to do anything even though it's federal law," Curt explained. "FCC is actually one of the few schools doing this." Accessibility improvements include doors, parking, and building improvements that would better accommodate the disabled. Some of the improvements came with the new wing of the library.

But with all that Curt has done, and the obstacles he has overcome, Curt faces a new battle, one that if he loses, will put him on the streets and homeless.

Curt lives in a special house with custom designs that were provided by his parents. His parents, Winslow and Jean Austin, customized the house with many features that allow Curt to be independent. His father built ramps, lowered light switches, and even made a makeshift electrical set-up that allows Curt to open and close the front door. But now, the house is being foreclosed on.

After the passing of his parents (his father on January 1 and mother this past August), Curt found out that the insurance policy only covered his parents if the deaths were accidental. Now Curt owes roughly \$5000 in mortgage payments he thought he didn't owe. If the payment isn't made by December 9, Curt will be forced



Austin leaves home on a normal "outing."

Photos by Darren B. Angelos

out of his house.

Curt's father, Winslow, died of an aneurysm complicated by what Curt considered poor treatment at the Veterans Administration Medical Center. Currently an investigation is being conducted. If negligence is found, it would make Winslow Austin's death fall under "accidental" and qualify Curt for the insurance payment on the mortgage. Unfortunately, the investigations findings won't be in until January 6, long past the foreclosure date of December 9.

Glenfed Insurance Services has told Curt several times that payment arrangements can be made because of his special circumstance, but yet to have change anything. December 9 is still the date of foreclosure.

The Peoples Church and Bank of the West have started fund raising to collect the \$5000 needed. Currently \$2800 has been raised, but more help is needed. If you would like to make a donation, you can contact the Peoples Church or go to any branch of Bank of the West (account #162058960).



Outcome unknown...

only wish more people of sound health could be as positive as this man. Our prayers to you. (Editor)

-EDITORIAL NOTE-

At time of print, all but \$1200 was needed to reach his goal. I had recently talked to Curt about his hope of keeping his home and continuing on with his life, and he replied to me "I think I'll make it." I can

CITY DANCES STEP INTO SEASON

By Leah Eddens



Rogelio Lopez(back) and Taisha Paggett will appear in the 1996 "City Dances"

Fresno City College presents "City Dances—in the Studio," a program of original choreography by faculty and students, from December 5 through 8.

The program features 23 new and returning students dancing various styles from modern to hip-hop. FCC faculty member Janice Jansen directs and choreographs for the program.

Performances include Jansen's "Winter into Spring," in which 11 dancers transform the mood from a somber paean to a joyful community dance

with music by the Polish composer, Gorecki. Sheryl Kershaw uses the creative resources of her students in compiling an avant garde work called "We Love You Jodie Foster." Returning students Taisha Paggett and Rogelio Lopez perform in Paggett's choreographic debut of "19:Under-Over Water."

Other student choreographers include veterans Jason Belo, Hannah DeGroot, and Aimee Morales. Choreographers who are new to FCC include Mia Octavia, Maria Arellano and Esperanza

Carrejo. Additional faculty advisors are Debra DeRosa-Parola and Jody Chaffin.

Presentations will be held in the dance studio of the FCC gym, room G-101, Thursday through Sunday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Advance tickets are on sale at the FCC theater box office Tuesday through Friday from 10-2 for \$4. At the door, tickets are \$4 for students and seniors, and \$7 general admission.

Thursday's opening performance will benefit Friends of the Arts.

Editors Note

Celebrate the holidays, for they are upon us. And we have again completed another year of Journalism. I hope you have enjoyed reading all of our issues this year and we can only hope to provide you with the same in the next.

We have a special "Holiday Issue" next week and will be our year end wrap-up. Enjoy. And remember, there are always ways to help out in the holiday season to make it bright for everyone.

Visit or give time to the less fortunate, and you will find the true spirit of Christmas.

Darren B. Angelos

READING PROGRAM

By Amy Klassen-Cox

The Fresno City College Bookstore celebrated National Children's Book Week (Nov. 18-22) by inviting several local celebrity newscasters to read books to children from Heaton Elementary. Children from the College's Child Development Center also participated in the event. Donna Rivera of the bookstore stated "The students were quite excited to have someone they see on T.V. read to them."

Bud Elliot, Debra Byer, Jack Nolden, Faith Sidlow and Sylvia Salcido from Channel 24 joined John Wallace and Lucy Ruiz of channel 47 in presenting the children with a broad range of books. Some of the newscasters brought their own books to share with the children. John Wallace also

brought and showed a film on six-year-old school-children in Africa. According to Rivera, Faith Sidlow is interested in taping her morning show at next year's event. Rivera stated "The newscasters couldn't stress enough how important reading is."

After the readings were concluded, the children were provided balloons and given a tour of the bookstore to stress the importance of extending their education through college. Rivera hopes to make the event an annual occurrence, and adds, "We would welcome any class to come and listen." For more information regarding next year's event, contact Donna Rivera at 265-5723.



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FCC Faculty Profiles

Dr. Arthur Ellish Interim President

By Leah Eddens

Dr. Art Ellish, a chubby boy from Massachusetts with a God-given brain and an ability to play basketball, got a scholarship to Brandeis University and went on to play for the Boston Celtics. Actually, Dr. Ellish said he sat on the bench. Nevertheless, he was still a part of the team.

Who is Dr. Ellish? He is the current Dean of Instruction and Interim president at Fresno City College. Dr. Ellish took over the position of former President Brice Harris on Oct. 21.

How he went from professional basketball player to Dean and Acting President of FCC is an interesting story. After a short professional basketball career, he joined the Army where he also played basketball. Military travels took him to Europe where his team won the American Army French Championships, and then went on to win the European Championships.

After two years in the Army, Dr. Ellish decided to continue schooling. He said he came to the decision after talking with his older brother who was in the field of education. "I finally decided I wanted to become a teacher. It was certainly the smartest professional decision I ever made," said Ellish. "Sometimes I wonder if it was the smartest decision to go into

administration," he chuckled.

He received his bachelor's degree in anthropology and sociology, his master's degree in business administration with a major in personnel industrial relations, and his doctorate degree in education from the University of Southern California, all from which he just happened to have graduated with a minor in English. He has taught English, history, sociology, psychology, business and education at both high school and college levels.

Dr. Ellish ended up in Fresno in 1973. "I had no idea I was going to stay," he said. "I wanted out of the Los Angeles area badly, and so I was coming to Fresno on my way to somewhere else. I never found the somewhere else. I fell in love with it (Fresno), I fell in love with the college. I had plenty of chances to go elsewhere, but it always made more sense to stay right here."

So here he is as Dean of Instruction and Interim President. As Dean of Instruction, Dr. Ellish's primary responsibilities are to provide supervision over the instructors and their duties. This includes working with the schedules of classes, overseeing the hiring of all the full-time staff, and discussing their evaluations. As Interim President,



Photo By Daniel Hernandez

he spends a lot of time dealing with the public image of the college, being much involved in the community at large, and incorporating the two. For instance, Brice Harris was the chair of the local philharmonic; this along with many other duties were handed to Dr. Ellish upon Harris' resignation. "There are a lot of ceremonial duties as college president," said Dr. Ellish. "Kind of the sad part is that every one of them (ceremonies) is valuable, is interesting, is even pleasurable, but after about the third or fourth one in a week.... It's a bit of a struggle, but were going to make it."

He is no stranger to adversity and struggle. During one point in his career on campus he had knee surgery, two hips replaced and he was still doing his job, moving slowly with the aid of his walker.

Dr. Ellish describes his divorce from his first wife and the tragic death of his 21 year-old son in an automobile acci-

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Mr. Tim C. Quinn Theatrical Director

By Alina Vannavong

Imagine being at Fresno City College for 26 years. Don't you think 26 years at FCC is way too long? Well, 26 years for you and me may be way too long, but not for C. Tim Quinn. He has been a part of FCC's Theater Department since 1970. Quinn originally came to FCC as a costume designer, and then he did both costume design and scenery. He started directing 35 years ago and is still directing presently— an important role for him at FCC. Along with duties as a director, he also teaches theater appreciation, actor workshop, makeup, and acting.

Asked what is his favorite piece he has directed, he quickly replied, "The one I like the best is always the one I'm working on." Quinn glanced along his office walls,

which are covered with photographs of shows he directed in the past, and he named some of his favorites from "All My Sons" by Arthur Miller to "What the Butler Saw" by Joe Orton.

One can comprehend how much Quinn loves the theater just talking to him. One can see sparkles in his green eyes when he talks about being involved in this exciting field; and just by entering his office filled with many colorful pictures paints a scene that you are about to see a fantastic show directed by him. "I love the theater. It's creative and exciting," Quinn said. He also loves the wonderful opportunities theater has given him. Quinn got to work in Ireland where he teaches a drama workshop for

the London Theater Company. He is currently involved in the International Education Program for exchange students to study in London. "London is fun and enjoyable. I do what I need to do for the theater," Quinn concluded.

Presently, Quinn is directing "Color of Bruise," a play by Nicole Thomas. "Color of Bruise" will run on Dec.

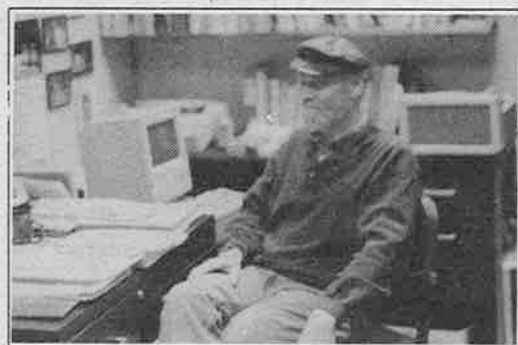


Photo By Daniel Hernandez

4,5,6,7,12,13, 14 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 8 at 2:00 p.m. in the Fresno City College Lab Theater, room TA-105.

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FCC Bookstore Chips In

By Amy Klassen-Cox

The time for sharing has come to our campus once again, along with several opportunities to help those less fortunate to exist here on campus.

The bookstore is busy conducting a holiday project for the Marjorie Mason Center. Bookstore personnel are collecting donations of cash, toys and canned foods. For each donation, the donor will receive an entry form for the "Great Stocking Raffle." All goods should be donated by Dec. 19.

The Fresno City College Holiday Basket Drive is back once again. The donation period continues through Dec. 6. To underwrite an entire basket, the cost is \$25 and checks can be made out to the Holiday Baskets Fund. Anyone donating \$25 before Dec. 6 will be included in an opportunity drawing. All donations should be turned in to the Business Office cashier's window.

Students In Free Enterprise (S.I.F.E.) is currently collecting any clothing, toys, furniture, or miscellaneous items for distribution to five needy families they have adopted. S.I.F.E. is offering to pick up all donations. To schedule a pick-up, please contact Michelle at 233-7260 or Georgeanne at 447-0120.

The Associated Student Government office is holding a canned food drive. All goods collected will benefit the families of children attending Jane Addams Elementary School. Collection bins are located in the Associated Student Body office, College Activities, Student Services, the Business Office and the Library. The drive continues until finals week.

FCC Rotaract is currently conducting their annual Coats for Heaton drive. Children's coats are being collected in bins located in the Student Lounge and near the Associated Student Body office, above the bookstore. All coats will be donated to the children of Heaton Elementary.

With the combined efforts of so many organizations, Fresno City College students have the chance to make the holiday season a bit brighter for very deserving people.



101 Dalmations Strikes Big With Entire Family

By Leah Eddens

I love cartoons. There's just something about them. Maybe it's the magic of animation. Maybe it's the pure unrealness of it all. Maybe it's the kid in me, but there's just something about cartoons.

But something more wonderful happens when cartoon characters come to real life, when real people (or animals) can meet, fall in love and be engaged in a day, when the unreal takes on reality and human form, and in this case, *101 Dalmations*.

A superb cast led by Pongo and Perdy re-enact the dramatic/romantic/adventure as their 15 children along with 84 other London Dalmatian pups are kidnapped for their fur by the moronic henchmen of Cruella DeVil (Glenn Close). And so the animal community comes together in an inspiring effort to help Pongo and Perdy find their children and thwart the evil inclinations of the DeVil clan.

Not unlike *Home Alone*, *101 Dalmations* is full of hair-raising torture scenes that will make you cringe and laugh out-loud. It's pure fun for the entire family, be you a lover of romance, an addict of adventure, or simply a kid at heart. *101 Dalmations* is perfect fantasy, perfectly fantastic!

Phu Gip: Counselor Supreme

By Alina Varnavong

Need a great role model to look up to, and at the same time have him guide you through your educational goals? His name is Phu Gip and he is right here on our campus, just upstairs of the Student Services Building in the counseling center! He can advise you in your academic needs.

Phu Gip, 28, has been an adjunct (meaning part-time) counselor at Fresno City College since early June, providing academic advising to students of all race 20 hours a week. His effort shows in the kind of work he does. "I want to help students," Gip said. As a Chinese counselor, Gip is also an important asset to our campus because more Asian students are not afraid to seek advice from him. "Lately I have been getting a lot of Asian students," said Gip.

His hard work does not stop here. Concurrently, he is a full-time student at California State University, Fresno, taking 18 units to obtain his teaching credential. He would like to focus more on counseling, but is working for his teaching credential just in case he needs something to fall back on.

Gip has already obtained his B.A. in psychology, counseling credential (from K-12), and M.A. in educational counseling, but in the near future he would like to earn a Ph.D. in educational psychology so he can better understand and help students with their academic goals. In addition to his educational background, he has been an advisor for Southeast-Asian students for three years and a counselor for the American English Institute at Fresno State for one year. Gip is also a board member for the "Stone Soup" project. This project is a community service to provide needs in the community and enrich our neighborhoods. It is also a risk in prevention project to prevent gangs and run-down neighborhoods.

At 28, Gip is well on his way to a successful career. He is inspired to help people and is doing a terrific job at it. Look for him in the counseling center if you need some great advice from a friendly, honest person. He is here to help you, so take advantage of a his wonderful service.



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'Tis the Season' to Be Wise
To the Ways of Criminals

News USA

(NU) - Homes and malls filled with glittering gifts, and shoppers with wallets filled with holiday savings can make and crook giddy with joy.

There's no time for crime like the holidays, say the experts at the National Crime Prevention Council. To keep you and yours safe this holiday season, the council offers the following tips:

Don't Shop 'Til
You Drop

- Stay alert and be aware of what is going on around you.

- Park in a well-lit area and close the windows, hide shopping bags in the trunk and lock the car.

- Don't carry large amounts of cash. Pay with checks or credit cards whenever possible.

- Don't get overburdened with packages. Keep your purse close to your body, not dangling loosely, or put your wallet in your front pants pocket.

- Teach children to go to a store clerk or security guard if they get separated while shopping.

Home, Safe Home

- Criminals sometimes use couriers delivering gifts. A identification and call their name to verify their employment.
- It's not uncommon for to try to take advantage of generosity during holiday's by door to door charitable donations when no charity is involved. As identification how the fund be used. For charitable organization you and respect.
- The holidays are a good time to update or sort inventory of home. Take or make vid



items and list descriptions and al numbers. Having a detailed inventory can help identify items and make insurance easier to file.

This information is provided part of the National Citizens' Prevention Campaign, which is substantially funded by the U.S.

RAM QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"This particular game they were better than we were. We had our chances but didn't put the ball in the net. They had chances and they did."
--Coach Bill Neal on his women's soccer team's 2nd round playoff loss to American River College

Wood, Lady Rams Netting Early Results as Basketball Tips Off

By Ernest 'Big E' Shelton

This year, Fresno City College has a lot to be thankful for. One of them happens to be FCC new women's basketball coach Karen Woods. At the end of the November, after 5 games, coach Woods has her team at 4 - 1. With just three more wins, the women's basketball team will have as many wins as they did all last year! In their first home game of the year, FCC scored 38 points while holding Ohlone JC to just 13 points in the first half. By the second half, FCC gave up 33 points, but was able to balance out the half by scoring 1 point more than their opposing team. Shawnta Debro could have camped out on the free-throw line as she went 11 for 15 from the line, shot 4 for 10 from the field and still managed to lead the team with 11 rebounds and 8 steals. Jeannette Powell fared a little better from the field as she went 7 for 12 for 17 points, had six rebounds three steals and three block shots. FCC won it's season home opener by 26 points beating Ohlone JC 72 - 46.

FCC ALL- CONFERENCE ATHLETES

FOOTBALL

CHAD EDE
ERIC JOHNSON
JEROME ANDERSON
JEFF NELSON
BRENT GUTIERREZ
TRACO RACHAL

VOLLEYBALL

CINDY DANIHEL
EMY LOPEZ
BRANDY WOOD

MEN'S SOCCER

ADAM FINLEY
BRANDON PACE
CORKEY SELLS
RYAN RABON

WOMEN'S SOCCER

LISA MORGAN
ADRIENNE DUARTE
SHANDA SCHMITZ
SHERISSE OCHOA

Women's Soccer Loses in Second Round of Regional Playoffs

by Scott A. Mayes

After an overtime victory at Ratcliffe Stadium last Tuesday, the Rams took to the road in what turned out to be the final game of the season.

After a 2-1 overtime victory at the expense of Diablo College in the first round of the Northern California playoffs, the Rams came up on the short end of the stick in a loss to American River 3-0.

Veteran Coach Bill Neal saw the "road factor" as a non issue. "I don't think it had an affect on the game myself. This particular game they were better than we were. We had our chances but didn't put the ball in the net. They had their chances and they did. That day they were the better team.

Neal was confident as he projected to next year's team even as this season is just barely in the books. Seven of 15 players will return providing a strong nucleus.

Men's Soccer Gets Defensive, Completes Successful Campaign

By Melissa McClintock

This year, The FCC men's soccer team finished strong; tying with Modesto Junior College for the Central Valley Conference lead. Unfortunately, the Ram's were eliminated due to the Conference tie-breaker criteria. Scoring 2 more goals in the course of the season, Modesto was granted the Conference title.

However, Charles "Corky" Sells, Brandon Pace, Adam Finley, and Ryan Rabbon made the 1st All Conference Team, and Shannon Harif, Mike Wallace, Nick Correra, and Rod Ragsdale made the 2nd All Conference Team. Head Coach Bill Neal, coaching soccer for 28 years; reflected that the team's defense was strong, but the offense less effective. "Our power came from midfield", Coach Neal explained.

Brandon Pace was one of the key players defensively, helping to lead the Rams advantage. In retrospect, Coach Neil said of his that in the beginning, "I wouldn't have given them a chance, we did better than I thought".

Volleyball Swept by DeAnza

By Sean Cabibi

The DeAnza Dons opened the first round of the Northern California Regionals with a three game sweep of The Fresno City College Rams.

Fifth seeded DeAnza ended FCC's season by beating the Rams 15-9, 15-9, 15-5, easily taking the best of five games.

JoAnne Levy and Brandy Wood each had 10 kills for the 12th seeded Rams, who ended the season with a record of 14-4.

Dairy Bowl This Saturday

By Scott A. Mayes

Amidst a 6-4 season and a rather lopsided loss to C.O.S., things took a turn for the better.

Vance Stanley's football Rams have been invited to The Annual Producer's Dairy Bowl. This bowl game, by invitation only will take place on Dec. 7 at Ratcliffe Stadium.

The Rams of Gavilan College will be in town to take on our Fresno City College Rams.

Fresno will put their stock in first team all-conference selections Chad Ede, Eric Johnson and Jerome Anderson on offense. On defense, all-conference selections are Jeff Nelson, Brent Gutierrez and Traco Rachal.



UPCOMING EVENTS

MEN'S BASKETBALL

DEC. 6

VS ALLAN HANCOCK AT FCC 7P.M.

DEC. 10-14

MODESTO TOURNAMENT

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

DEC. 6

VS FOOTHILL AT LOS ALTOS HILLS 7P.M.

DEC. 7

VS. GAVILAN AT GILROY 6P.M.

DEC. 10

VS. MONTEREY PENINSULA AT FCC 7P.M.

WRESTLING

DEC. 5-7

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

AT VICTOR VALLEY

FOOTBALL

DEC. 7

PRODUCER'S DAIRY BOWL

VS GAVILAN AT FCC 130P.M.

BULLDOG QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Just keep the giant sleeping, stay in the fight and steal it at the end"

--Liberty Coach Jeff Meyer on his halftime pep talk which ended in a 84-44 loss to Fresno State

Nationally Ranked FSU Off to 4-0 Start

The Fresno State Men's Basketball team has dropped one position thus far in the national ranking. What did they do to achieve this you might ask? They got off to a 4-0 start.

After they played their opener with only 7 players, it has been a bumpy road. Using several different lineups, the bulldogs have made it work.

Projected starting forward Daymond Forney is still out with a Steve Young-like groin injury. In the meanwhile, point guard Chris Herren left the opening game of The Coors Light Classic with a concussion.

So what comes next: with a small lineup consisting of

Gerrit Terdenge, Terrance Roberson, Rahsaan Smith, Dominick Young and Chris Herren, the Bulldogs bombed Liberty to win The Coors Light Classic.

The Bulldogs are preparing for their next big challenge: a three-game road trip to Oregon, The University of Massachusetts and Texas.

After The Point.....



From the Desk of..

BIG E

Ernest Shelton

A lot can happen in three weeks, lets first talk about the boxing match. You know the one, if you don't I'm sure Mike Tyson and Don King do. If you spent good money, around 50.00 dollars on pay-per-view, for once you got something that was worth paying for. I wish I had just 30 dollars that night to bet against the odds. The fight went from a brawl to a battle by the eighth round in which Evander Holyfield said that Tyson punches wasn't as powerful as they had first seem. Now if Holyfield would have lost the fight, then it could be said that he was "brain dead" at the time he made that statement. But after the fight, while waiting almost an half an hour for Don King to thank the many "wonderful people who made this fight possible", Tyson was the one who looked like he had just fought while Evander looked like someone who had just finished doing an hour long sprint. From boxing to basketball it seems that you might as well pencil in the Houston Rockets and the Chicago Bulls for the NBA Finals. In the past six years one of these two teams have won it all. It would be a great match up, Barkley vs. Rodman, Parish vs. Olajuwon and Jordan vs. Drexler. To football and the never ending drama of the Cowboys, 49ers, Eagles, Packers, Redskins. Even though Denver has the best record in the NFL at 12 - 1, the AFC hasn't won a superbowl since the Raiders. Kansas City had the best record last year and what happened to them? Cowboys sign Johnny Mitchell and the Packers signed Andre Rison after neither team could score a touchdown on each other on a Monday Night game. As for the Eagles, well I mentioned them because they've beaten the Cowboys in Texas even with Michael Irvin. From the NFL to JC football, FCC Rams won 1 more game than they did last year, and I guess that good enough to play in a bowl game. With a 6 - 4 record, that includes losses to Grossmont as well losing their Homecoming game by 27 points, it just goes to show that if your town is hosting a bowl game, you'll have better odds than Holyfield did in playing in the game. Fresno is no exception to the rule.

JC WRAP-UP

BOWL SCHEDULE

CAPITOL SHRINE BOWL
Saddleback (10-0) at Sacramento City (10-0)
EAST COUNTY BOWL
San Jose (6-4) at Los Medanos (6-4)
STRAWBERRY BOWL
Moorpark (8-2) at Cerritos (8-2)
HOLIDAY INN BOWL
Santa Barbara (7-3) at Butte (8-2)
MERCED ELKS BOWL
San Joaquin Delta (8-2) at Merced (7-3)
GRAFFITI BOWL
Sequoias (7-3) at San Bernardino Valley (9-1)
NO FEAR BOWL
Hancock (9-1) at Los Angeles (9-1)
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Gavilan (6-4) at Fresno (6-4)
SAN FRANCISCO COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOWL
Redwoods (8-2) at San Francisco (9-1)
SANTA CRUZ LIONS BOWL
Marin (8-2) at Cabrillo (8-2)
SHRINE POTATO BOWL
Long Beach (8-2) at Bakersfield (9-1)
ORANGE COUNTY BOWL
Grossmont (9-1) at El Caminito (7-3)

CALIFORNIA CIRCLE



The Oakland Raiders are hanging around in the playoff race by the skin of their teeth. With an impressive win last week against Miami, they'll need to win the rest of their games to have a shot at the post season.

Their schedule is not the softest but the Raiders don't have a problem being in games, just finishing them. Their last three losses come by a total of 7 points, two of them in overtime.



The San Diego Chargers have taken quite a few poundings this season such as games against Green Bay and New England.

Somehow, some way they hang around. At 7-6, they have a good shot at the last playoff spot, but their schedule may be tougher than the Raiders. We know they won't both make it.



Here is the division for the 49ers. This week they play the Carolina Panthers. If they lose they will be tied but Carolina will have swept them solidifying the tiebreaker advantage. Should they win, they would create a 2 game separation which should wrap up the division with only two games left. In other notes, the 49ers are currently tied with the Packers for the NFC's best record. Because the Packers beat San Francisco, the niners need to finish one game up on the Packers to secure home field advantage throughout the playoffs.

A CLOSER LOOK...

AT THE NFL PLAYOFF RACE

AFC

DENVER 11-1
NEW ENGLAND 9-4
PITTSBURGH 9-4
KANSAS CITY 9-4
BUFFALO 9-4
SAN DIEGO 7-6
HOUSTON 7-6
INDIANAPOLIS 7-6
OAKLAND 6-7
MIAMI 6-7
JACKSONVILLE 6-7

NFC

GREEN BAY 10-3
SAN FRANCISCO 10-3
DALLAS 8-5
CAROLINA 9-4
PHILADELPHIA 8-5
WASHINGTON 8-5
MINNESOTA 7-6
ARIZONA 6-7

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FCC 109, OXNARD 79

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

FCC 79, HANCOCK 70

VOLLEYBALL PLAYOFFS

VS. DEANZA 9-15, 9-15, 5-15

WOMEN'S SOCCER PLAYOFFS

FCC 2, DIABLO 1, OT

AMERICAN RIVER 3, FCC 0

UPCOMING EVENTS

FRESNO STATE

DEC. 7

AT OREGON 705 P.M.

DEC. 10

AT UMASS 430 P.M.

DEC. 14

AT TEXAS 1 P.M.

NFL WEEK 15

PHILADELPHIA AT INDIANAPOLIS

ATLANTA AT NEW ORLEANS

BALTIMORE AT CINCINNATI

DENVER AT GREEN BAY

JACKSONVILLE AT HOUSTON

NY GIANTS AT MIAMI

ST. LOUIS AT CHICAGO

SAN DIEGO AT PITTSBURGH

WASHINGTON AT TAMPA BAY

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