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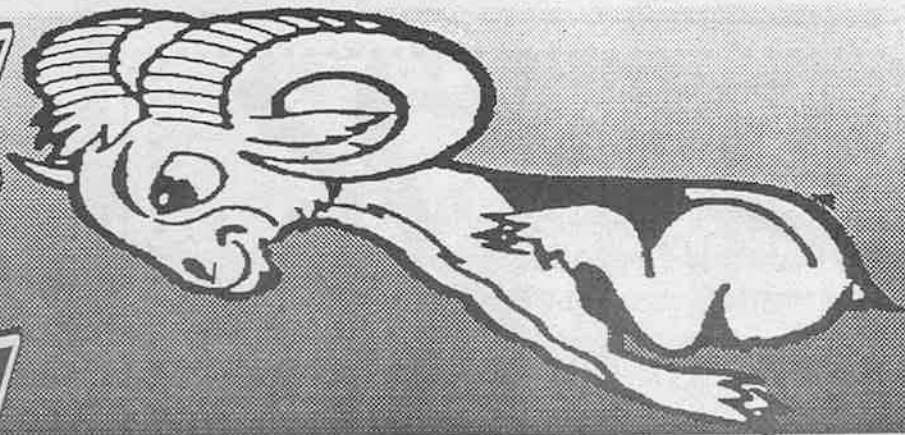
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Men thump Gavilan: Hartnell visits tonight

Playoff double header
tonight: women at 5p.m., men at
7p.m.

By Chad Rhyman

The Gavilan College Rams came to play Saturday night. Well, at least they came for the first half of the game. FCC took charge in the second half and thumped the Rams of Gavilan 90 - 49. Gavilan came into the game seeded 31st finishing 6th in the Coast South Conference with a record 9 wins and 27 losses. Don't let the numbers fool you folks. Gavilan was a thorn in the side of the Rams for the entire first half of the ballgame.

The Rams seemed a bit sluggish in the first half of play. FCC took a good lead early 38-22 but got cold and allowed Gavilan to make a 7-0 scoring run. The Rams couldn't get a break from the basket. They put shots up but the ball must of had a pair of eyes and couldn't find its way into the hoop for FCC. Gavilan came with in 5 early in the second half 38-33 and Gavilan saw a light at the end

of the tunnel but it would be quickly extinguished. The Rams transformed about 3 minutes into the second half, to the Rams we all know and love. It was ignited by two three pointers by #24 Rafer Alston and then the Rams let loose. The shots hit the bucket and Gavilan was left pulling up thier shorts. Gavilan tried everything to stop the Rams offense man to man, zone 2-3 stack but no defense Gavilan put up could stop the pounding Rams offense. The Rams were simply too much for Gavilan, to fast, to big, too dominating.

When it came to defense the Rams stunned Gavilan stripping the ball 33 times. Almost every time Gavilan touched the ball they where slapped in the face with a turnover. Gavilan tried everything to slow the pace of the Rams calling timeouts and walking the ball down court. With the likes of #22 Cory Powell's slam dunk with 10:33 left in the game it was hard to slow the Rams down. After Powell's dunk the Rams

were running hard, players coming off the bench for FCC were producing points and pulling down rebounds. You could see the frustration on the Gavilan players face. They were run hard and ready to be put to the pasture. "Its like we played two different teams outthere tonight," Gavilan's leading scorer Phil Miller said after the game. Well Phil ol'boy welcome to Fresno City College Basketball and remember to tell the boys from Hartnell what you saw. Let them know that Rafer Alston led the Rams with 17 points making 5 of 7 of his three pointers. Let them know about Corey Powell's dunk and his 15 points or Mike Garrett's no look passing and 6 assists. The Rams take on Hartnell Wednesday night at 7pm. Hartnell is the 15th seed in the playoff tournament. Look out Hartnell you can't stop the Rams. You can only hope to contain them. Remember it's a long drive back to Salinas.



Photo by Don Davis

Larry Abney tips off the Northern Regional playoff game hosted by Fresno City College.

Rites of Passage ceremony emphasizes unity



Photo courtesy of Black
Images by Penelope Naylor

In honor of African-American history month, Rites Of Passage took place in the student lounge Wednesday, Feb. 26. Keynote speakers clearly emphasized unity and respect among all peoples. The end of initiation is a time of joy and celebration. After a year away in the Nkanda bush school, the young Yaka men of Zaire return in triumph to their homes. They dance through the village wearing wooden masks framed in masses of raffia fiber.

La Raza hosts career conference at FCC

Conference focuses on
careers of 21st Century

By Linda Orosco

On Saturday, March 1, 1997 La Raza hosted the Third Annual "Career Choices for the Future." The conference was aimed at Chicano/Latino males, grades 9-12.

Careers of the twenty-first century were the focus of this years conference. The conference included a full day of informational workshops, such as, "Careers in Computer Science," "Careers in Medicine," and "Careers in Business." The workshops covered a wide spectrum of career choices and opportunities that will be available to the students in the future. "We need to give these students nuts and bolts information on careers for the twenty-first century," explained Carlotta DeLeon Curti, conference coordinator, "We don't want to give them information about jobs that will not be around in ten years."

Along with disseminating information about careers, the conference also focused on practical issues that most students could use. "There

are only three things you need to know to succeed, look, listen and learn," said Silver Fox, presenter of "How to succeed in High School."

Serious topics that Chicano/Latino youth are facing were also touched upon at the conference. "Gangs and Violence" and "What you should know about A.I.D.S." were very informative to the students. Motivational speakers also provided empowering messages to the students through their positive speeches. "You learn things you didn't know before," said Luis Cerda, student at Sanger High. "The moti-

national speakers help a lot if you really listen."

Throughout the day, the conference stressed cultural awareness and cultural pride. "El Sol Folklorico Dancers" brought a more traditional side of the culture to the conference while "Tonantzin Group Azteca Del Valle" presented the indigenous ways of the ancestors. Each dance performed by Tonantzin had significant meanings. Some were performed to bring prayers to the students while other were to give thanks to Tonantzin (mother earth), in Nahuatl. The students also had a chance to take part in

the "friendship" dance led by Tonantzin. Robert Sandoval, leader of the Aztec dance troupe, explained, "When we blow the conch shell, it is to the six directions. North is for our grandparents, South is for the children, West is for the women, East is for the men, Up to the heavens, and below to the earth."

The conference, in it's conception, came out of the idea that not enough valuable information about career choices was being distributed among Chicano youth. Presenting the infor-

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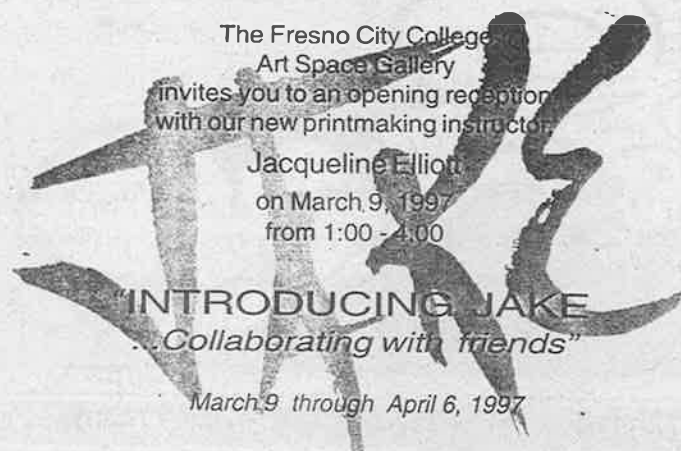
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Debt Watch

As of Friday February 28 at 8:53 a.m., the national debt was: \$5,346,188,162,158.4. Each citizens share was \$2,038.61. The debt is growing by \$706 million per day.



INTRODUCING JAKECOLLABORATING WITH FRIENDS

Is a special collaboration featuring the works of Fresno City College printmaking Instructor Jacqueline Elliott and local artists Margaret Hudson, Gwynn S. Phillips, Frankie Powell, & Daniel Giles Ball. The interactive exhibit encourages audience participation.

"Collaborating is always a challenge of balancing personalities, and artists often feel threatened at the prospect," Jake says. "I am extremely grateful that my new friends had the courage to work with an unknown ego quantity."

This week in Rampage history...

"Roots" basis for cultural studies

A look back at Rampage news of the past

Compiled by Ryan LaMar

20 YEARS AGO as reported on March 10, 1977: "Roots," Alex Haley's best-selling novel and the title of a recent television series which established new viewing records, is the basis for a special studies course being offered at FCC entitled "African Roots in America." The course, by digging into the roots of Black Americans, will attempt to explain the basis for many of today's situations in the United States. The class will be taught by cultural studies instructor Bill Riddlesprigger and political science and history instructor Joseph Moore.

Country-rock group Eagles with new member Joe Walsh release the LP "Hotel California" and receive rave reviews from all over.

25 YEARS AGO as reported on March 9, 1972: A preliminary hearing has been set on March 20 for three persons charged with the murder of FCC student Alva Hugh Kroupa. Murder charges have been filed in Fresno Municipal Court against James Eric Shipe, 29; his stepbrother John Mark Setencich, 19, both of Sanger; and Gary Lee Crawley, 22, of 5375 E. Kings Canyon Rd. Kroupa, 24, was found stabbed to death last Thursday in the living room of his home at the rear of 838 S St. Police said he had been stabbed 32 times in the chest, abdomen, back and other parts of the body. Investigators said the apparent motive for the killing was robbery. They reported \$500 missing from Kroupa's wallet and stereo equipment was taken from the house.

30 YEARS AGO as reported

on March 9, 1967: The present draft law comes up for revision in June. Great criticism has come from Congress and the Cabinet and perhaps most of all from those of draft age. President Johnson told Congress Monday that he will order younger men drafted first under a lottery-type system as a part of an overhaul of the present Selective Service system. "Deferments for fathers, men with essential occupations and most graduate students will be stopped," Johnson said.

45 YEARS AGO as reported on March 6, 1952: The Collegian (Stockton College's newspaper) gave details on a simulated atomic bomb attack drill which Stockton JC students and College of the Pacific students were planning. Fresno Junior College had one last fall.

Scholarship Applications being Accepted

College students who are U.S. citizens and have a GPA of B+ or better, are eligible for \$1000 scholarship. To receive an application send a request by April 11 to the Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation at 721 N. McKinley Road, P.O. Box 5012, Lake Forest, IL 60045-5012; fax a request to (847) 295-3972; or e-mail to "scholar@eclif.com"

All requests for applications must include the student's name, permanent home address, city, state, zip code, name of college, approximate GPA and year in school during the 1996-97 academic year.

Applications will be fulfilled by mail only, on or about April 22, 1997. Thirty-five winners will be selected on the basis of academic performance, involvement in extra-curricular activities, and some consideration for financial need.

Drop Deadline Approaching

Are you doing poorly in a class? Do you like to see "Fs" on your transcripts? Many of you will receive just such a grade unless you drop a class on or before March 14. If you drop the class on time you will be given a "W" on your report card and transcript. Don't assume your in-

structor will drop you - DO IT YOURSELF! If he or she forgets, you will receive an "F."

Fill out a drop form in the Admissions and Records office, down stairs in the Student Services Building. You might want to discuss your performance with a counselor.

Ram Doggie Round-up

It's time for the Associated Students Biannual Barbecue. This semester hot dogs will be served, so the name has been changed to Ram Doggie Round-up. It will be held Wednesday March 19 from 10 a.m.

to 6 p.m. in the Free Speech area. Served will be two hot dogs, plate, drinks, chips and dessert. The function is held as a "Thank You" to all the students who have an Associated Student body card.

CCCS offering free class

The Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Central Valley, Inc. is offering a free class called "Making Sense of Your Dollars and Making Dollars of Your Cents." The class is designed to help consumers have a better understanding of their spending patterns, develop power and integrity in their spending, and help families get out of debt and live prosperously.

It will be held Thursday, March 20, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the CCCS Educational Room 4969 E. McKinley, Suite 203 (at the corner of Fine, near the Airport). To reserve a spot in the class call Consumer Credit Counseling Service at 454-1700.

Police Log

Feb. 23 Fresno Police Department notified dispatch of a call hang-up at the payphones in the front of the Business Education building. An officer checked the area and observed that there were many juveniles in the area. The officer was unable to locate the suspect who dialed 911.

Feb. 24 While on the day shift an officer was dispatched to the Math/Science Division Office to meet with an instructor. Upon arrival the officer was informed that an unknown person was entering the instructor's office without permission and leaving the office unlocked.

Feb. 25 During a routine traffic stop at Maroa and Cambridge,

a vehicle pulled over was discovered to be reported lost by the Fresno Police Department. The registered owner of the vehicle was contacted and met the officer at the scene and recovered her vehicle. During the warrant check on the driver, a patch discovered a no-bail warrant. The suspect was arrested, cited and transported to the Fresno County Jail.

Feb. 26 A student's car was struck by a vehicle on University Extension. The student was turned over to the nurse.

IT'S NOT JUST A GROUP...



IT'S AN OVERSIGHT
Setting it straight

The Men's Tennis photo in the Feb. 26 issue of the Rampage labeled as Cody Stephens was incorrectly identified. The Caption should have read Scott Kendrick.

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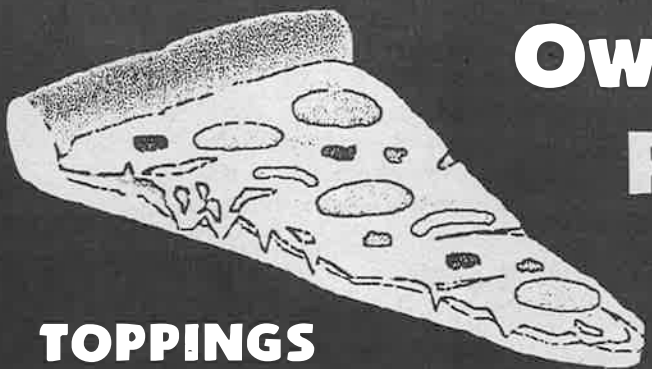
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Green Onions
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Herb Seasoning
Jalapeno Peppers
Linguica
Mushrooms
Olives
Onions
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Pineapple
Red Onions
Salami
Sausage
Shrimp
Spinach
Tomatoes
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King Arthur's Supreme
Cheese, Pepperoni, Sausage, Salami, Beef,
Linguica, Mushrooms, Green Peppers,
Onions & Black Olives

Gourmet Veggie

Creamy Garlic Sauce, Three Cheeses,
Artichoke Hearts, Zucchini, Spinach,
Mushrooms, Tomatoes, Red & Green
Onions, Italian Herb Dressing & Lots of
Chopped Garlic

Chicken & Garlic Gourmet

Creamy garlic Sauce, Three Cheeses,
Chunks of Chicken, Mushrooms, Tomatoes,
Red & Green Onions, Italian Herb dressing
& Lots of Chopped Garlic

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Absolute Power an absolute bore, may cause drowsiness

Eastwood's latest a true disappointment.

By David Blatz

Just like in a boring lecture, time slows down to a miserable crawl in the latest Clint Eastwood picture *Absolute Power*. This was his nineteenth picture as director, and except for maybe Albert Einstein, the reason would be quite clear to anyone as to why time slows down—because it was boring. Excruciatingly, inexplicably, unbelievably boring. This is the most uneventful suspense-thriller movie I've ever seen (a contradiction in terms, isn't it?). I've felt more suspense in waiting for a stoplight to change.

Clint Eastwood plays Luther Whitney, an experienced master thief set to retire after one more high profile job. Unfortunately he finds himself the sole witness to a murder and subsequent cover-up by the Secret Service while hidden in a vault with a one-way mirror. Gene Hackman plays the Washington bigwig and antagonist who along

with his staff, which includes actress Judy Davis and veteran actor Scott Glenn, conspires to conceal the truth to protect their careers. Luther ends up recruiting the help of his reluctant and distant daughter, played by Laura Linney, as he plays a serious game of cat and mouse with Hackman and Ed Harris, who plays the local cop assigned to investigate the murder.

While the opening scenes are captivating and tense enough to capture and hold your attention, the story quickly loses that momentum by slowing down to a snail's pace and ends up having about as much fizz as a stale soda. Talented Gene Hackman is wasted because he is in so little of the picture and his effect on the story is minimal. Laura Linney's character also brings the viewer to ask what significance is her character to the story. There is good chemistry between the actors, especially Harris and Eastwood and the performances by Harris, Glenn and Davis are worthy of notice and the only thing that kept my attention, or I would have fallen asleep. The



Director/star Clint Eastwood on the set of *Absolute Power*

Photo Courtesy of Castle Rock Entertainment

ending supposed to thrill and surprise but it only left me scratching my head and wondering why I didn't stay home and clean the grout off of

my shower tiles.

It's too bad the movie industry doesn't promote labels because I have a perfect one for *Absolute*

Power. WARNING: This movie may cause boredom and irritability. Please consult your movie guide for a more exciting choice.

Free publicity for college bands

The Rampage is seeking college bands for an upcoming pull-out section packed with band bios and snapshots. The only requirement is that one band member be a student at FCC. The Rampage will also review the shows and demos of college bands. To have your band featured in the Rampage, contact the Entertainment Editor at 442-8263 or drop by the Rampage office above the bookstore.

Station seeks demos

Tower Free Radio 104.5, in an effort to promote college bands and the local music scene, is accepting local demos to be played on the air. To have demos considered, drop them off at Rainbow Sound and Drum or Charlie Daniel's Music.

Volunteer opportunities

Theatre Three Repertory Company has volunteer opportunities available. Positions exist in marketing/public relations, art/graphic design, administrative areas, ushering, bookkeeping, general administration, fundraising, front-of-house management, production, artistic work, planning and working special events, and on the Board of Directors as vacancies occur. Most positions are part time and some require little or no experience.

Those interested should contact Bob Reich at 483-3333.

Musician's exchange

This is a free service provided to allow musicians on campus to search for new band members and announce upcoming shows. This is not a service to list items for sale or trade. Those may be listed in the regular Rampage classified ads.

Bassist and Singer searching for other musicians. Influ.: Slapstick, Less Than Jake, Op Ivy, Madness, Minor Threat, No Doubt, etc. Contact Donald at 683-2303 or Diva at 225-0341.

Vocalist looking for a band. Thrash metal, death metal, or doom metal preferred. Call Ryan at 263-3520.

Drummer needed for church worship band. Contact Brian at 243-0226.

The Violet Burning grooves darkly melancholy

Orange County band offers goth for the '90's.

By Amy Klassen-Cox

As the vocalist and one of the guitarists of The Violet Burning, Michael Pritzl is a man who knows how to infuse emotional intensity into his songs, dragging his listeners through whatever high or low his song dredges through. Together with Jeff Schroeder on guitar, Joel Patterson on drums, and Sebastian Monney on bass, Pritzl introduces listeners to a dark and haunting underworld of moods created through music and heightened by his vocals.

The self-titled debut album from Orange County's The Violet Burning is a wonderful example of what can happen when musicians decide to let the "vibe" carry the song rather than the need to shred. Melancholy, dark, moody, but do not forget passionate and sensual at the same time. While their music cannot be labeled true goth, the influences and undertones are still present. Their sound is kind of like a new and improved goth for the nineties, or goth reborn. Whatever label is attached to it, it is



The Violet Burning provides mood music for the heart and soul.

Photo Courtesy of Domo Records

addictively intoxicating, flooding the listener with just about every emotion.

One of the reasons that The Violet Burning is so addictive is that while the recurrent mood may be dark, the overall theme is not depressing. Although some bands have nothing more to offer than angst and alienation, this band cov-

ers a much broader range. Listeners can identify with the lyrics and the music because this band succeeds in presenting elements that come from the core of the human existence. Pritzl's success as a songwriter lies in the fact that he presents the human experience as a whole rather than focusing purely

on the negative and morose. Every song is personal to the band, and it is that element that carries through in the final product.

Currently the band is in the early stages of recording their second album. Their self-titled debut album can be found at all Best Buy locations.

Fresno's Review magazine grows in leaps and bounds

■ Review magazine to be distributed on FCC campus
By Rima Patterson

On February 14, 1996, a 24 page newsprint magazine with Jay Leno on the cover and listings of events, restaurant reviews, and stories about what was happening in Fresno appeared in local clubs throughout the central valley. The publication was put together by three people including Publisher Kelly Maggard. Today a staff of 20 people work to give Fresno its longest lasting entertainment magazine of 64 pages, hitting the streets the first week of each month.

Maggard felt that when he moved to Fresno from the Bay Area, "There wasn't anything in the community focusing on Fresno as an entertainment resource." He wanted something that

would emphasize the lifestyle, entertainment events, and diverse talent of the Central Valley. "Every big community that you go into has a local lifestyle publication, there's no reason that Fresno can't have the Review." With 25 years of commercial graphic design and an interest and place in the entertainment industry, Maggard was the prime person to give the Review to Fresno.

He worked on San Jose's weekly publication, South Bay Weekly, for less than a year before he decided to go out on his own. In 1980 he started his own bi-monthly publication, South Bay Today, out of his garage. He used connections at clubs that he had played in with his various bands to get advertising dollars, and continued for three

years. "That's what created the publishing blood," Maggard said, "I don't want to do anything but."

Editor in Chief J. Randahl Bailey attained his position by simply being a concerned citizen. While reading the August issue featuring The Sons of the San Joaquin, Bailey came across many typographical and grammatical errors. He wrote a letter detailing his experience in high school and college journalism to the Review and included a rewrite of one of the stories. He received a phone call within a week from Maggard asking when he could start.

Bailey has been writing for the Review since then and took over editorial duties in October. As a writer, he didn't like seeing his stories go to press with typos that hadn't been there when

he turned them in. He requested the opportunity to edit his own stories and was then offered the position of editor. "My job is to make [theReview] flow so that it is readable and enjoyable. Ideally someone will pick up next month's issue and read it," says Bailey, "I believe that the Review can be the Rolling Stone of the San Joaquin Valley."

The Review started on a volunteer basis. Now more than 30,000 copies are distributed all over town in clubs, coffee houses, and entertainment businesses including Tower Records, The Warehouse, Barnes & Noble, and many night clubs and coffee houses. Tower Records alone goes through between 1500 and 2000 copies within five days of distribution.

Maggard feels very fortunate that he has crossed into his second year of publication. He feels that the biggest hurdle in keeping it going is the advertisers. Fresno advertisers generally do not take print media seriously. The Review has cleared this hurdle by offering comfortable rates and consistency. Maggard hopes that the larger ads they have been receiving from companies such as Budweiser and KSEE 24 will lead to more credibility and more advertising dollars. He is now in the process of talking his advertisers into supporting him in expanding the Review to a glossy magazine of 80 pages.

This week FCC students will find the Review displayed near the main fountain and the bookstore entrance.

Human Nature a diamond in the rough

■ Local band's demo shows promise.
By Ryan LaMar

For a band to have been together only three months and already releasing a studio-quality demo is truly amazing. This is the case with Human Nature, consisting of FCC student Brian Hatter on vocals, Paul Vox on bass, Jim Jones and Jeremy Miles on guitars, and Josh Bailey on drums.

Human Nature's untitled demo begins with "Born Again," a song that sounds like Slayer and Body Count remade "Seasons in the Abyss." It opens up with a crisp bass intro that lets the listener know once the guitars join in, this song is going to rock. Unfortunately this is the only song on the demo that really rocks the listener.

The next song, "Bloodshed," is slower paced and contains no complexities. The beat is basic and sounds dull and the solo is extremely weak, but the vocals dur-

ing the verses sound good and are beneficial to an otherwise mediocre song.

A slight improvement comes in the form of the last song, "Life's Misdirection." This song has a soft intro progressing into a heavy beat, transposing back and forth several times. The bass line, drum work, and soft guitar in the beginning have a similar style to Metallica's "Until it Sleeps"; and the vocal rhythm and tone along with the buildup to the heavy guitars are reminiscent of Metallica's "Welcome Home (Sanitarium)." With a Carcass-esque solo-behind-the-vocals-at-the-end-of-the-song giving it an experienced sound, the song ends up being fairly decent.

Though the last solo on the demo was good, overall the rest of the solos range from weak to average, and for the most part do not fit the rhythm of the songs well like the vocals do. The vocals are excellent when clear, but they need

more scruff when they change to a harsh tone.

On a technical level, Human Nature rates as average with common riffs and the few tempo and riff changes in each song formed in a monotonous pattern. Its style is unoriginal, which would not be a downside if it was perfecting a recently established and popular sound, but it isn't. It has riffs and beats similar to other long established heavy metal bands, and its overall sound is analogous to a combination of local bands Urizen and Amelus.

Nonetheless, Human Nature's overall sound (along with its youth) is its redeeming factor in the fact that it is mature enough to have the potential as a large-scale heavy metal crowd-pleaser in the local area. Though its demo fell short of par, it possesses the ability to grow into something more defined and better sounding.

Fresno Poet's Association offers readings from Hedin and Schmitz

Note: The following events are to be held at the Fresno Art Museum.

Thursday, Mar. 6, 7:30 p.m. (doors open at 7 p.m.), reading by Robert Hedin. Hedin has published four collections of poetry and has edited four anthologies. He is also the translator of a book of poems by the Norwegian poet, Rolf Jacobsen.

Thursday, Apr. 3, 7:30 p.m. (doors open at 7 p.m.), reading by Dennis Schmitz who is the author of six collections of poetry, most recently "About Night: Selected and New Poems" (1993). He has taught at California State University, Sacramento, since 1966.

March 1997 Event Calender

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 N D A M X at the King's Place at 8 pm	4	5	6	7	8 Renaissance Fair 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. FCC west lawn
9 Ren. Fair 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Opening Reception 1-4 pm Art Space Gallery - Exhibition 4: Introducing Jake (Through April 6)	10 N D A M X at the King's Place at 8 pm	11	12	13 Musical Comedy Murders of 1940	14 Musical Comedy Murders of 1940	15 Musical Comedy Murders of 1940 Spring Museum Bus Tour
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23 Easter	24 N D A M X at The King's Place 8pm	25 Spring Break Mar. 24 through Mar. 28 Art Space Gallery Exhibition 4: Introducing Jake (Through April 6)	26	27	28	29
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Renaissance Fair - Sat. and Sun., Mar. 8 & 9, 10 am to 6 pm. Located at the West lawn on campus. Cost is \$3.00 per adult, \$1.50 for children, and half off admission with the donation of a non-perishable food item.

Art Space Gallery Exhibition 4: Introducing Jake - Work by new printmaking instructor, Jacqueline Elliott. Mar. 9 through Apr. 6. Gallery Hours: Tues., Wed., Thur. 11 am to 4 pm. Fri. 9 am to 12 noon. Sun. 1pm to 4 pm. Evenings: Wed. and Thurs. 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Closed on Mon., Sat., and school holidays.

N D A M X - One of FCC's many college bands will be performing at The King's Place at 1842 E. McKinley Ave. on Monday nights. The show starts at 8 pm Musicians are welcomed to bring their instruments and join in.

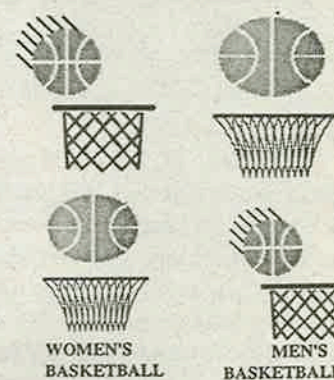
Musical Comedy Murders of 1940 by John Bishop - Mar. 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22; 7:30 pm. Mar 16, 20; 2 pm. All performances held at the theatre main stage. The March 16 performance is a benefit performance.

Spring Museum Bus Tour - Sat., Mar. 15 7am to 9 pm. Bus leaves from FCC Lot S (Weldon & Calaveras) and goes to the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art and the M.H. de Young Memorial Museum in Golden Gate Park. Both sites offer diverse alternatives to tour participants.

Rams do a rare double take

After a year which saw dual conference championships between the men and women's basketball team, a double header playoff game is scheduled for tonight. The women will be playing to tie a school record for wins at 26. The women will host Foothill at 5p.m. The men will host Hartnell at 7p.m. CVC men's coach of the year, Steve Cleveland, will lead the 28-3 team. The women are 25-4.

CREDIT IS DUE: The Public Information Office of Fresno City College contributes to The Rampage on a weekly basis. The playoff brackets as well as the player snapshots of the baseball and basketball teams appearing in the last two issues were taken by their office. Thank you P.I.O. !!!



Below: Guard Rafer Alston looking inside against "the other Rams." Bottom left: Darnell McCoy is surrounded by Gavilan in Saturday's playoff game. It wouldn't be enough for FCC as they cruised to a 90-49 victory. Both photos by Rampage photographer Don Davis.

1997 Northern California Men's Basketball State Playoff Bracket

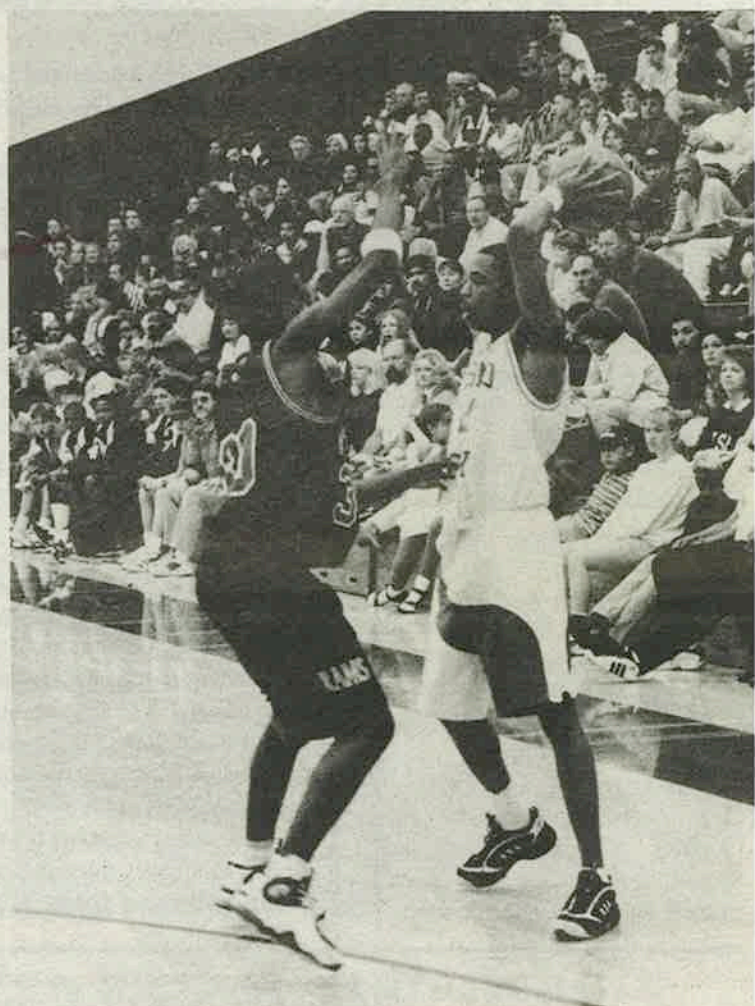
Team with highest seeding will be home team

First Round Fri., Feb 28; Sat., Mar. 1	Second Round Wed., Mar. 5	Third Round Sat., Mar. 8	State Championship	Third Round Sat., Mar. 8	Second Round Wed., Mar. 5	First Round Fri., Feb 28; Sat., Mar. 1
1. San José C (27-4) Sat.	1. San José 28-4			7. Delta 23-7		7. Delta (22-7) Sat.
32. Siskiyous (10-16)				10. Foothill 21-10		26. DeAnza (11-17) Sat.
16. Sierra (15-14) Fri.	16. Sierra 16-14			15. Hartnell 14-16		10. Foothill (20-10) Fri.
17. Monterey Pen (22-10)				2. Fresno City 28-3		23. Modesto (13-18) Fri.
9. Porterville (25-5) Fri.	9. Porterville 26-5			3. Diablo Valley 29-5		15. Hartnell (13-16) Fri.
24. Sacramento (13-16)				19. American River 19-12		18. Santa Rosa (19-8) Fri.
8. Calinda (24-6) Sat.	8. Calinda 25-6			11. Columbia 23-9		2. Fresno City (27-3) Sat.
25. Butte (13-14)				6. West Valley 22-8		31. Gavilan (9-21) Sat.
5. Skyline (23-7) Sat.	5. Skyline 24-7			14. CC San Fran (16-11) Fri.		3. Diablo V (28-5) Sat.
28. Sequoias (12-19)				19. Amer Riv (18-12)		30. Shasta (15-14) Sat.
12. Solano (23-8) Fri.	12. Solano 24-8			11. Columbia (22-9) Fri.		14. CC San Fran (16-11) Fri.
21. Merced (14-15)				22. Napa V (17-13) Fri.		19. Amer Riv (18-12) Fri.
13. Lassen (20-12) Fri.	13. Lassen 21-12			6. West V (21-8) Sat.		11. Columbia (22-9) Fri.
20. Merritt (17-15)				27. West Hills (21-8) Sat.		22. Napa V (17-13) Fri.
4. Chabot (23-6) Sat.	4. Chabot 24-6					6. West V (21-8) Sat.
29. Alameda (10-20)						27. West Hills (21-8) Sat.

1997 Northern California Women's Basketball State Playoff Bracket

Team with highest seeding will be home team

First Round Fri., Feb 28; Sat., Mar. 1	Second Round Tue., Mar. 4, Wed., Mar. 5	Third Round Fri., Mar. 7, Sat., Mar. 8	State Championship	Third Round Fri., Mar. 7, Sat., Mar. 8	Second Round Tue., Mar. 4, Wed., Mar. 5	First Round Fri., Feb 28; Sat., Mar. 1
1. Merced (28-5) Fri.				7. Delta (24-7) Wed.		7. Delta (24-7) Wed.
16. C. Costa (16-14) Fri.	16. Contra Costa 17-14			10. Merritt 19-12		10. Merritt (18-12) Sat.
17. Santa Rosa (9-17)				15. Porterville 14-14		23. Cabrillo (13-17) Sat.
9. Sierra (23-10) Fri.	9. Sierra 24-10			2. Solano (29-5) Wed.		15. Porterville (13-14) Sat.
24. Gavilan (11-18)				14. Hartnell 20-12		18. Feather R (15-16) Sat.
8. Sacramento (16-14) Fri.				11. Shasta 21-9		
5. Fresno (25-4) Wed.				6. San José C (25-5) Tue.		
12. Foothill (17-13) Sat.	12. Foothill 18-13					
21. Cosumnes R (11-17)						
13. Amer Riv (12-13) Sat.	13. American River 13-13					
20. Siskiyous (11-14) Wed.						
4. DeAnza (28-6) Wed.						



Ram Scoreboard and Calendar of Events

BASEBALL

2/27 FCC 20, KINGS RIVER 11
3/1 FCC 9, WEST HILLS 2
this week- 3/4 vs. C.O.S. 230p.m
3/6 at Taft 230p.m
3/8 at Modesto 1p.m.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

3/1 FCC 90, GAVILAN 49
this week-3/5 regional playoffs
vs. Hartnell 7p.m.
3/8 pending Hartnell game
time and opponent T.B.A.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

this week-vs. Foothill 5p.m.
following game T.B.A.

MEN'S GOLF

2/27 FCC 379, C.O.S. 387, KINGS RIVER
392, MODESTO 399, COLUMBIA 419
this week- 3/4 at Columbia (mini tourney)
1230p.m.

MEN'S TENNIS

2/25 FCC 9, DELTA 0
2/27 FCC 6, KINGS RIVER 0
this week-3/4 at C.O.S. 2p.m.
3/6- at Porterville 2p.m

WOMEN'S TENNIS

this week-3/4 at C.O.S.
2p.m.

TRACK

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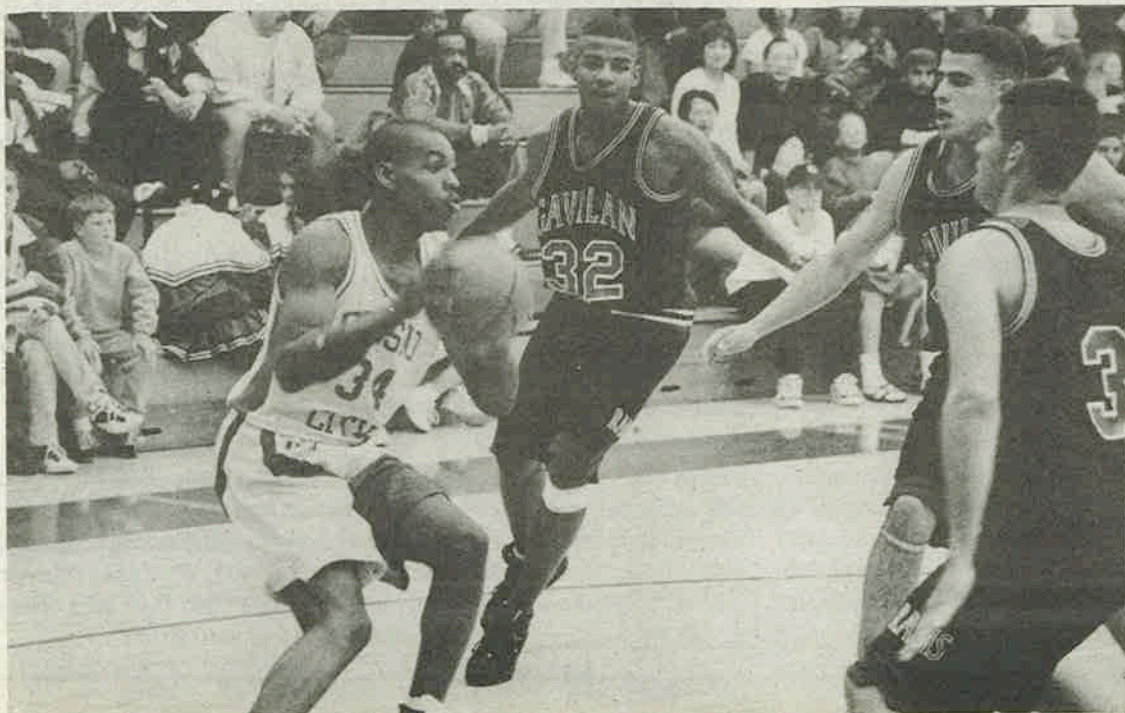
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CONTRA COSTA 43,
SAN JOAQUIN DELTA
42, MERCED 31,
MERRITT 15

WOMEN

FCC 67, SAN JOAQUIN
66, SIERRA 46,
MERRITT 28, CONTRA
COSTA 23, MERCED 12
this week-3/7 dual meet
at FCC 2p.m.

SOFTBALL

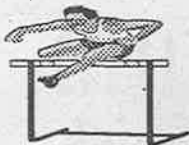
BAKERSFIELD CLASSIC
FCC 2, CONSUMNES
RIVER 1
FCC 3, CHABOT 1
SACRAMENTO 5, FCC 4
this week-3/8-3/9 FCC Bash at
Buchanan



Track Wins Again

■ Men dominate; women squeak one out.

By Mark Avila



TRACK AND FIELD

Fresno City men and women's track team continue to dominate the Central Valley Conference with wins this past Saturday in Stockton.

Samuel Feliciano Morales won the 5000 meters with a CVC best time of 16:13.6, shattering the previous mark by :38 seconds.

Larry Leach broke his CVC best time by about two seconds with a time of 1:58.2 in the 800 meters.

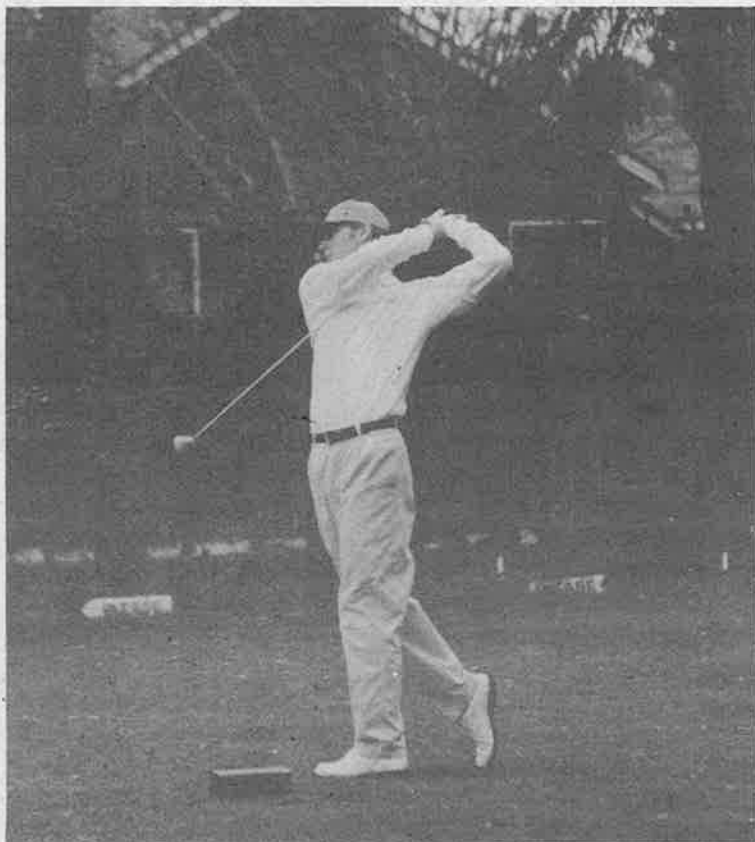
Other men winners included Jason Koslan in the high jump, Traco Rachal who now leads the CVC in the high jump with a mark of 23-5.25, and three event winner Bobby Majors (hammer, shot put, discus) who continues to stay atop the lead in the hammer and closes in on the other two.

In the women's events, Melissa Flynn shedded off :37 seconds off her previous CVC leading time winning the 3000 meters in 11 minutes 3.01 seconds. Flynn also won the 800 meters, running the event for the first time this year, clocking in at 2:19.3 and taking the Central valley Conference lead. Flynn now has the best times in four CVC events including the 1500 and 400 meters.

Other women winners included Melinda Tejeda in the 400, Tori Beebe in the 1500, and long jumper Brooke Wagner.

The men's team (7-0 overall, 2-0 CVC), and women's team (5-2, 2-0) will continue their quest for back to back championship's this Friday at Ratcliffe beginning at 2:00pm.

RAIN POURS DOWN: Rams roll to victory in Tennis and Golf



Golfer Chris Souza watches intently as his ball sails on Photo By Joe Senneway

■ Brad Deaver, Erik Trippel shoot 75 to lead to golf victory

By Scott A. Mayes

MEN'S GOLF



Golfers or Boy Scouts. Perhaps there is no difference. According to long-time FCC golf coach, Emery Luck, rain offers little impact to the game of golf.

Last Thurs. Feb. 27, the FCC men's golf team took the course at The Fig Garden Golf Club in good weather conditions. Before the day was complete, the rain came. Luck says that all the men are given rain suits so he hoped that they brought them along. Wet clothes or not, the FCC golf team won the mini-tourney with a score of 379, outdistancing C.O.S. by eight strokes.

Luck could be heard reciting this token phrase to his team: "it rains on golf, not in golf."

The Rams were lead by Brad Deaver and Erik Trippel at 75. One stroke behind the pair at 76, was the duo Mike Unguez and Chris Souza. The final calculated score for the Rams was a 77 by Brennan Dale. Anthony Seidel shot 81 to complete the scoring.

Other top scores include Shaun Trimble of C.O.S. (75), Todd Hansen of Kings River (76), and Derek Miller of Modesto (76).

In sharing some coaching strategy Luck shared his game day sermon. "Before the tournament, I told them to play the course," said Luck. "When you start focusing on the people around you, you get into trouble. Golf is about 80% mental-20% physical."

The golf team will be on the road this week at C.O.S. and at Columbia. Each tourney will include all five league teams. The Rams will play in Fresno on March 18.

Wayte for Rain Not Enough

■ Men shutout Kings River; women match cancelled.

By Scott A. Mayes



TENNIS

Not having lost a set in over 17 tries, it was unlikely that the men's tennis team would find a way to lose to Kings River. The 15-time consecutive CVC Champions shutout Kings River 6-0 to extend that to at least 23 sets without a loss.

As the last singles match was coming to a close, the rain was getting harder and harder. The

match was called before doubles play took place. "We pulled them off with the idea of sitting until the rain cleared up. It just started raining harder and harder. As the rain started coming down, we were hoping to win 5 of 6. As it ended up we won all 6." (Men's Tennis coach Bill Wayte)

The danger with the men's team right now is that they are being very dominant. That usually means that your schedule is soft. FCC has taken this opportunity to mix up some of the doubles teams to provide some different equations for the Rams. Cody Stephens has been in and out of the #2 singles spot nursing a sore ankle. Scott Kendrick has filled in nicely.

The men's team is lead by Matt Kavangh, Cody Stephens and Scott Kendrick. The women's team is lead

Duo Netting Swinging Results in young tennis season: Matt Kavangh (right)-photo By Kong Meng Vang; Sarah Massie (bottom right)- photo by Joe Senneway

by Sarah Massie, Kelly Gonzales and Marilyn Watts.

Watts and Gonzales won in the finals of the Napa Valley Tourney while the doubles team of Massie and Gonzales. Both the men's and women's teams will be at C.O.S. and Porterville this week for early league contests.

Wayte felt confident this far but said the Rams will see what they're made up at C.O.S.

The ladies have had a shortened schedule as Merced, Kings River and West Hills have dropped women's tennis.

Both teams will be home to take on Modesto on March 11 at 2p.m.



Rams pleading no contest

■ FCC Routs Kings River 20-11

By Allen Coleman

A Ram 24 base hit "attack", and a 20-11 victory in the CVC regular season opener on Thursday night silenced Kings River CC.

The Rams roughed up Kings River pitchers early in the game with a 4th inning 8 run rally and Ram coaches sent 20 different hitters to the plate which really confused Kings River Pitchers.

Right fielder Steve Woodward was unstoppable. Woodward went 4-4 with 3 RBIs, and scored 3 runs. A collective team effort provided the other 20 hits and 17 runs.

Winning pitcher Daniel Viveros surrendered 12 hits, and gave up 9 runs

Danny Scott, Brian James, Trevor Gray, and Mike Alvarez combined a 2 hitter and blanked the West Hills College Falcons for 8 consecutive innings.

The Falcons wasted no time when they registered 4 quick hits and scored 2 runs off Paul Avery who came in to pitch the 9th inning. "Paul Avery went in emotionally flat today. He is usually up for the



BASEBALL

game, and we just wanted to use him for 1 inning of relief," said Ram Pitching Coach Eric Solberg. "Paul has been unfortunate this year, just hard luck, he should be at least 3 or 4-0 by now, and his statistics can match any pitcher in Northern California," Solberg said.

Ram hitters unloaded 13 base hits on Falcon hurlers. Kyle Moore and Kevin Patrick both went 2-3 and Danny Scott who is now 2-0 was the winning pitcher. "My arm feels good, I am a middle reliever, although I got the start today," said the freshman righthander. Falcon starter Scott Waldrop was the losing pitcher. Waldrop's record dropped to 0-4.

TENNIS ANYONE?

The Men's Tennis Photo in the Feb. 26 issue of The Rampage labeled as Cody Stephens was incorrectly identified. The caption should have read Scott Kendrick.



G.J. Raymundo beats the throw back to 1st base against West Hills

Photo By Don Davis



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Present at the conference were twenty High schools covering four county areas. Two-hundred people in all attended Saturday's Conference.



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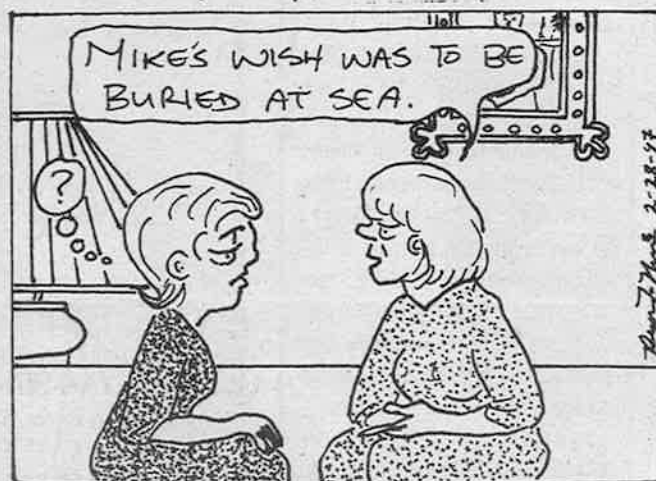
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