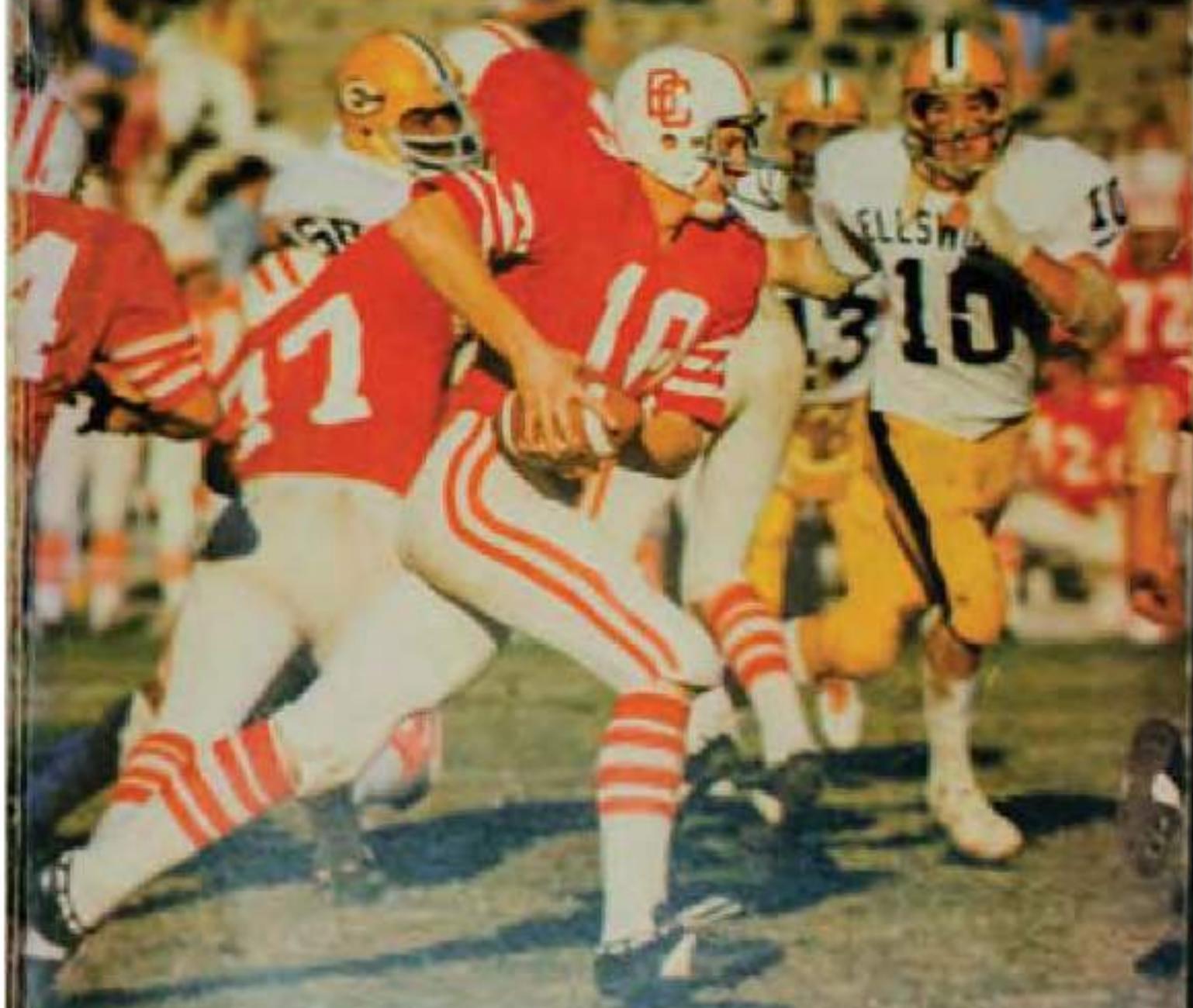


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The word 'raconteur' is defined as a storyteller. This is also the word that we use to describe the BC yearbook. There are a few things that I wish to tell the reader of this 'story teller' before you turn the page. First of all, the RACONTEUR is not a traditional yearbook in that you will not see mug shots of teachers and students. What you will find however, is a magazine-style book with in depth articles and coverage of campus life in 1977.

We began the year with a definite theme in mind. That theme was: "How well does the community college serve the students and how have the students done after education here in the outside world?" Pursuing this theme we interviewed ex-students of BC in the areas of journalism, agriculture, teaching, oil, and government. The first part of the book is devoted to these features.

As you get near the end of the book you will find more pictures. The reason for this is simple, the staff feels that the best way to communicate the everyday college life is through pictures. We have fallen short of some coverage and done well in other areas. I apologize for our short comings. This year's book will be the largest magazine yearbook (120 pages) and done by the smallest staff in many years.

I want to thank all the people who were involved with the book and contributed to it. Special thanks to photo editor Felix Adamo for his outstanding work, and to his assistants, Brad McNaughton and Jeff Ward. I want to thank Katherine Fowler, Marie Edwards, and Debbie Speer for their help in the fall semester. Thanks to Mark Luttrell and Steve Bradshaw. I want to especially thank Feature Editor Debbie Hunsinger for her outstanding and diligent efforts. I can safely say, without Debbie, at least a fourth of the book would be missing. And last but not least, RACONTEUR advisor William Walker. Enough of the insane ramblings of a student editor... what you are about to read is our best effort and I hope you are pleased, because the only way to judge a storyteller is by what his audience thinks of him. Special thanks to Al Noriega for his color covers.

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# We are...BC...We are ...Number One !

BY JAMES E. MEADOWS  
Racooner Sports Editor

On December 11, 1976 a crowd of only 21,200 gathered in the sun-warmed Rose Bowl in Pasadena for the Los Angeles Times sponsored Junior Rose Bowl—the 22nd of its kind but the first such meeting in 10 years due to financial troubles. Two top-ranked teams gathered their talents for the final matchup of the season and when it was all over, the BC Renegades owned an impressive 29-14 Junior Rose Bowl victory and the 1976 National Community College Championship over the second-rated national team, Ellsworth Community College from Iowa Falls, Iowa.

Sophomore quarterback Steve Denman, from Tehachapi High School, passed his way into the record books as he completed 12 of 17 passes for a total of 238 yards and three touchdowns. Denman's performance earned him honors as the game's Most Outstanding Offensive Player award while teammate Ron Hill garnered the trophy for Most Outstanding Defensive player of the JRB after his effort of a dozen tackles, a partially blocked field goal and three (out of a team total of five) sacks of Ellsworth Quarterback Walter Grant.

The win against the Panthers of Iowa was BC's ninth straight victory; at one time they led 20-0. The win closed a brilliant season with a 11-1 record, the only loss coming at the hands of the Rams from Fresno City College in a non-conference matchup in the mud and rain, 31-27. With the win this past year, BC now holds a 3-1 Junior Rose Bowl record, and ties Compton College for the most appearances and the most wins in the annual post-season finale.

The Junior Rose Bowl game was more than just a contest for the many thousands of devoted Gade fans who made their way over the mountains to root their gridiron gladiators on to the National Championship...it was an experience.

From the opening presentation of "America The Beautiful" with the combined bands of several California colleges to the closing comments by Miss Junior Rose Bowl 1976, Shannon Wabnig, the game represented a once-in-a-lifetime chance for many to see their hometown boys strike it rich after a long, hard season of good football.

To top things off, a pair of Gades were named a week before the JRB to the Junior College Grid Wire—Los Angeles Times All-American team. Sophomores Ennis Bowers and Scott Dye (who also hails from Tehachapi with Denman) received first team honors while Chris DeFrance took a spot in the Honorable Mention category.

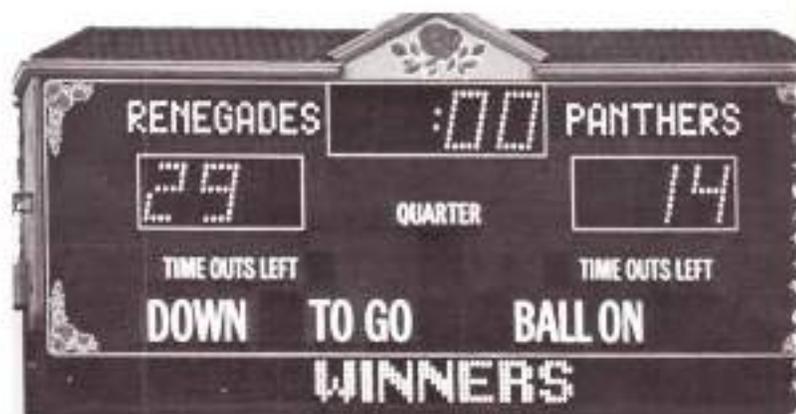
With a team that had no real celebrity like last season's David Turner, the Renegades found the winning combination of poise, talent, guts and spirit to put it all together in a package for football fans of Bakersfield just in time for Christmas. That package was labeled, appropriately, "Bakersfield College—1976 National Champions!"



PHOTOS BY FELIX ADAMO, RICK CHURCH, DAVE PAYTON, JIM MEADOWS, AND TONY RUSSAW.



The AVS Cannon Crew got plenty of practice in at the Junior Rose Bowl.





We're Number One! No doubt what Yvonne Lomas and Karen Williams are saying.



Brant Tunget (95) hauls in pass for a first down, for more football see page 12



Chris DeFrance hauls in a long pass for BC's second touchdown.



The score agrees with Gerry Collis.



Brant Tunget receives a Steve Denman pass.

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# BC students and faculty

How did this campus react to Campaign '76?

There was involvement, certainly, both by students and faculty. Whether either presidential candidate — ex-governor Jimmy Carter or incumbent Gerald Ford — aroused the degree of interest that previous candidates stirred up is a debatable item. Neither candidate involved or excited students so intensely as Senators Robert Kennedy or Eugene McCarthy did in 1968, nor was there a conservative groundswell in Ford's direction equal to Richard Nixon's support in two previous campaigns.

But they (faculty-students) did campaign for local candidates even at the congressional and senatorial level. And the faculty was actively involved in volunteer campaigns, get-out-the-vote telephone drives and fund raising parties. The bitterly contested U.S. senatorial race found a young Democratic incumbent, favored to win, losing to an ex-university president. S.J. Hayakawa, 70, trounced John Tunney.

Two veteran BC faculty members carried on a tradition of active political participation in congressional and assembly races. Political science professor Bill Thomas, Republican incumbent, easily defeated his Democratic opponent, Steve Schilling. In 1974 Thomas had defeated the Democratic incumbent, former BC faculty member Ray Gonzales. Dean Close, BC business law instructor, made the run for congress as a Democrat, losing to two-term Republican incumbent William Ketchum.

And while there were only scattered appearances of local candidates on campus, there was plenty of local activity with such luminaries as ex-governor Ronald Reagan, Governor Jerry Brown, GOP vice presidential candidate Senator Robert Dole, and the new first lady, Rosalyn Carter, making local campaign visits.



A loser applauds a winner...incumbent Democratic senator John Tunney lost his race for a second term. But Jimmy Carter won his presidential race by a narrow majority. PHOTO BY THAD RICE.



Vice presidential candidate Sen. Robert Dole (R) was the top candidate to visit Bakersfield. Here, surrounded by secret service agents, he shakes hands with onlookers. STAFF PHOTO.

The Renegade RIP offered continual campaign coverage with political columnist Forest Phinney keeping readers informed in his weekly column. Night school photojournalism students covered both the Bakersfield Californian's pre-election debate and election night activities at headquarters and the ballot counting at the county courthouse in two pages of photos, with feature stories by Rick Church and Phinney.



# active in political campaigns



Several candidates visited the BC campus, soliciting student votes. Here GOP Congressman William Ketchum, who defeated BC faculty member Dean Close, talks to RIP political reporter Forest Phinney. STAFF PHOTO.



Governor Jerry Brown campaigned for local candidates, including Democrat Steve Schilling who lost to incumbent assemblyman Bill Thomas. PHOTO BY FOREST PHINNEY.



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The winning smile didn't rub off—here BC faculty member Dean Close, who lost congressional race to incumbent William Ketchum, meets with Jimmy Carter at Rancho Viejo rally. PHOTO BY THAD RICE.

# Campaign highlighted



This was the busy scene at County Registrar Vern Gibson's office in civic center as the first election night results arrived for tabulating. PHOTO BY MONA WARD.



The winner waits - Assemblyman Bill Thomas, UC faculty member, waits election night results with his wife, Sharon, at the county courthouse. Thomas won a second term. PHOTO BY LEWIS WAKELAND.



Ex-gov. Ronald Reagan, who narrowly lost the GOP nomination to President Ford, was key figure at GOP fund raising dinner in Bakersfield. PHOTO BY FOREST PHINNEY.



Dr. Sam Hayakawa, who upset incumbent Democratic Senator John Tunney, flashes his famous smile for local supporters at Bakersfield Inn press conference. PHOTO BY FOREST PHINNEY.

# by tv debate class



That's the winner on screen...of both the second televised debate and the Nov. 2 election...the Georgia peanut farmer, Jimmy Carter. PHOTO BY FELIX ADAMO.



A premonition of victory? That's Mrs. Rosalynn Carter, first lady-elect, at her Bakersfield press conference at Hill House. At left is Dr. George Ahlin, chairman of Carter for President, Keen County. PHOTO BY FOREST PHINNEY.



Faculty panelists who led discussion of televised presidential campaign debates included, from left: Dr. Greg Goodwin, moderator, Dr. Masy Copelin, Mrs. Ellen Johnston, Tehachapi, League of Women Voters (debate sponsors), and UC prof. Owen Kirkland. PHOTO BY JEFF WARD.

# Netters break even, finish

BY PENNY ROBERTS  
Raconteur Staff Writer

The 1976 Renegade volleyball season was one of ups and downs, happiness and tears, and victory and defeat. Coach Georgene Bihlman's varsity squad had a 5-5 mark in CCCCIAC play, a second place finish in the Bakersfield Invitational tournament, and traveled to Reno, Nevada to compete in an invitational tourney.

In league play, inconsistency was the major flaw in the Renegade's performances. In a five-one multiple offense centered around single "setter," Cindy Elizalde, who was selected for the all-league team, the potentially powerful Renegades ran hot and cold, failing at times to play up to their potential. But this turned around in the Bakersfield Invitational, where BC was up against many of the CCCCIAC leaders, and came out winning. Coach Bihlman is especially proud of her team's three game victory over CCCCIAC champions, Merced College, a win that was representative of the excellent play the Renegades were capable of. To be commended for excellent varsity performances this year are returning players: Linda Belcher, Hope Gaeta, Anita Gaeta, and Evelyn Stuebbe, and first year players: Penny Collis, Cindy Elizalde, Kelly Maxwell, Linda Warren, and Kathy Brunstedt.

Coach Sandy Bowers' Junior varsity squad ended league play with a 3-7 mark, that is not representative of the skill her team exhibited in many of the matches. A junior varsity team's function is to develop skills and fundamentals in new players, and to give players experience and knowledge of the game. Coach Bowers had eleven very capable players to call on all season, hitters were: Penny Roberts, Leah Dunwoody, Elizabeth Sztorc, Kathy Hoepfer, Lisa Johnson, Shaena Parrish, Norma Espinoza, and the setters were: Elaine Sztorc, Lisa Reiger, Donna Ramirez, and Teresa Griffith. The JV Renegades played up to their full potential in the last match of the season against Merced, a very powerful team in the league; going into the match at 2-7, the 'Gades had plenty of reason to give up and die, but they didn't, they went out and played the best three games of the season, ending league play on a triumphant note.



Triumphant after taking second in the BC Invitational Tournament are varsity players, top row left to right: Cindy Elizalde, Kelly Maxwell, second row: Linda Warren, third row: Anita Gaeta, Linda Belcher, Evelyn Stuebbe, Penny Collis, Hope Gaeta, Kathy Brunstedt, kneeling: Coach Georgene Bihlman.

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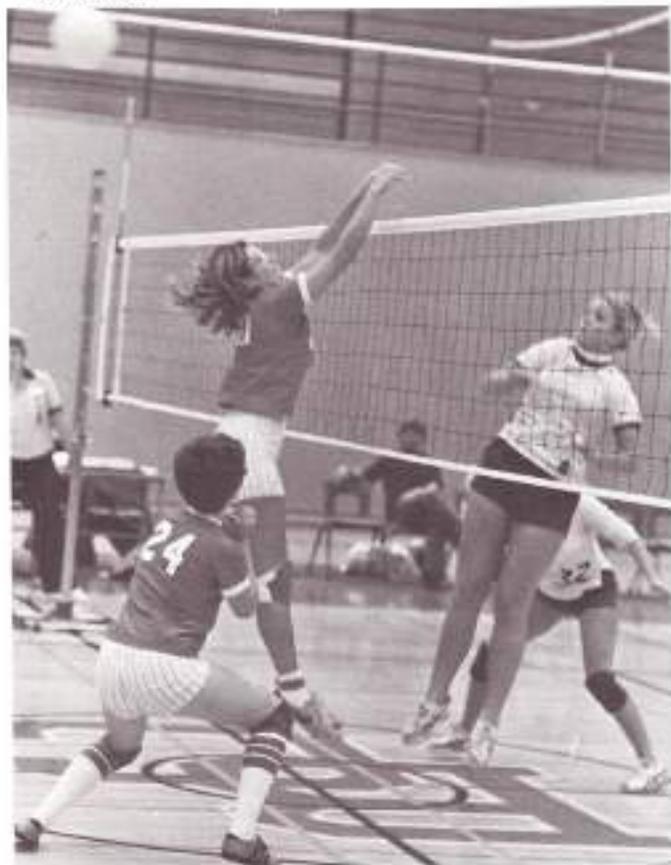
# season with 5-5 record



Defending Penny Collis' effort at the net are Evelyn Stubbbe, Cindy Elizalde, and Kelly Maxwell.



Backing up hitter Kelly Maxwell (No. 30) are Linda Warren (24) and Penny Collis (21).



Failing in a block attempt against Cuesta College is Kelly Maxwell, while Linda Warren covers.



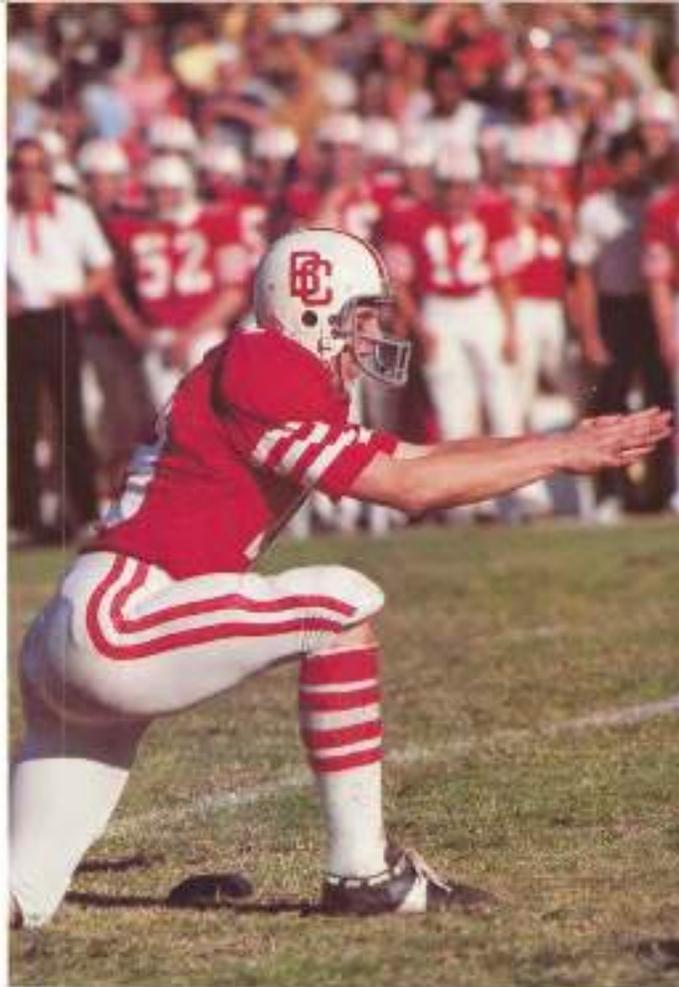
Making an offensive pass is Anita Gacta (14) as team mate Evelyn Stubbbe looks on.



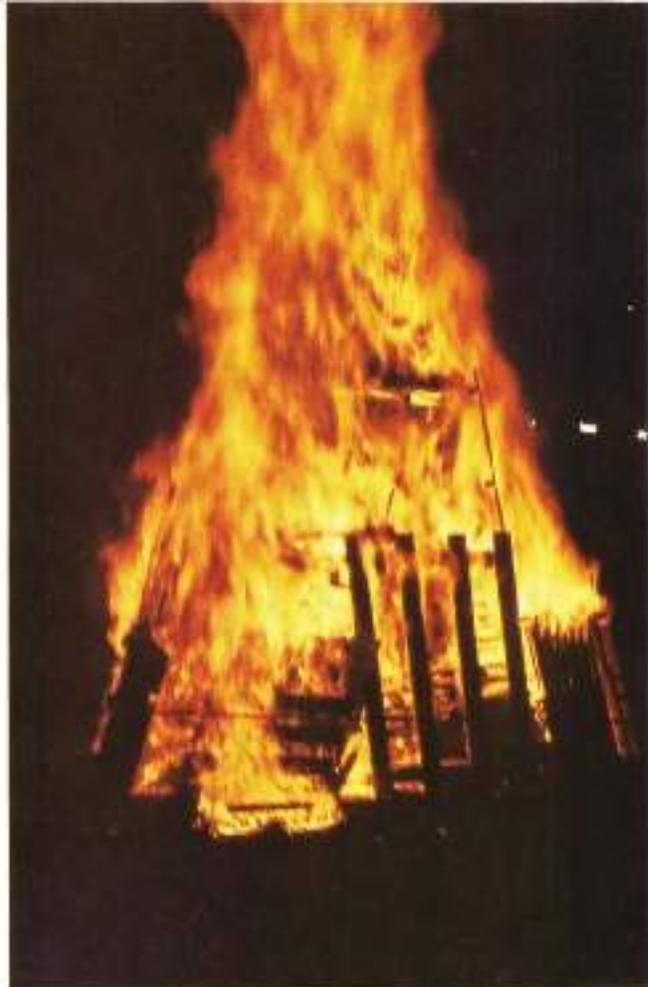
This was the colorful Shriner's Float for the Putabo Bowl game as colorfully costumed nobles and potentates paraded downtown in a prelude to the sellout game in which BC beat College of the Sequoias 27-8. Gina Jones rode the float as Queen. PHOTO BY WILLIAM WALKER.



The Great Balloon Race was a festive start for the great BC Bicentennial Day and Health Fair held last May 1 as a feature of BC's Bicentennial Celebration. Balloonist Randy Dickow's blue and orange striped balloon is seen, center, ready to ascend.



OB Steve Denman waiting for snap as Scott Dye tries a field goal against Ellsworth, PHOTO BY AL NORIEGA.



This was the scene behind the residence halls prior to the Potato Bowl game as the Rally Squad sponsored a bonfire to warm up sentiment for the game against College of Sequoias, PHOTO BY FOREST PHINNEY.



BC OB Terry Stokes calls signals against Ellsworth in the Junior Row Bowl game. PHOTO BY AL NORIEGA.

# BC Renegades...

BY BOB YOUNG  
RIP Sports Editor

For the first time since 1970, the Bakersfield College Renegades, sporting a 9-1 overall record, claimed the Metropolitan Conference crown. Under the auspices of Coach Gerry Collis and staff, the team recorded six straight wins in conference action, earning the right to represent the circuit in post season play.

Ranked number one in the state for the majority of the season, the locals were not picked by many early in the season to dethrone the defending champion Los Angeles Valley Monarchs. Valley, however, was only able to muster a 2-4 loop record, and a fifth place finish.

The Big Red Machine, effectively utilizing the running talents of Gary Blackford, Mike Kelley, and Mark McDowell, as well as the passing prowess of Tehachapi product Steve Denman, tallied 492 total yards enroute to a 49-13 slashing of the Cerritos Falcons in the season opener. 15,595 fans attended the contest at Memorial Stadium.

A staunch Gada defense yielded the San Joaquin Delta Mustangs a measly 76 total yards, as the locals shut out the 'Stangs, 12-0. Mike Georgino's reception of a Denman aerial for a touchdown, plus two Scott Dye field goals, was all the Renegades needed to run their season tab to 2-0.

Blackford raced for over 100 yards, raising his per game average to 102.5 in the still young season.



Steve Denman ripping off yardage against San Joaquin Delta. PHOTO BY BRAD McNAUGHTON.



Gary Blackford (24) goes in for a score against Golden West behind the block of Brad Short (77). PHOTO BY JAMES E. MEADOWS.

## SEASON LOG:

BC	49	.....	CERRITOS	13
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BC	27	.....	FRESNO	31
BC	17	.....	PASADENA	14
BC	37	.....	GOLDEN WEST	21
BC	68	.....	LONG BEACH	13
BC	15	.....	EAST L.A.	0
BC	28	.....	L.A. VALLEY	23
BC	38	.....	EL CAMINO	36
BC	17	.....	L.A. PIERCE	8
BC	27	.....	C.O.S.	8
BC	29	.....	ELLSWORTH	14
	<u>364</u>			<u>182</u>

# Metro Champs...



It's a TD against Pasadena. Mike Kelley (39) gives the signal; Don Clark (51) helps along with Brad Short. PHOTO BY JAMES E. MEADOWS.

The only blemish on the Gades' slate came when the ballclub traveled to rainy Radcliffe Stadium, where the Fresno City College Rams downed BC when they faked a field goal, and ran for the score, leaving the Bakersfield partisans stunned and open mouthed.

Forced to fight an uphill battle throughout the evening, the Gades took a 27-24 lead with just over a minute left when Terry Stokes connected with Chris DeFrance for the touchdown. The trick play, with four seconds showing on the clock, regained the lead and the victory for the Rams, 31-27.

Collis's gridders opened circuit competition in Pasadena, staging a second half comeback to down the Lancers, 17-14. PCC jumped to a 14-0 lead. Then Terry Stokes ran for two TD's of 11 and 1 yards respectively to tie the game. Scott Dye, who hit on 13 of 16 attempts during the season to capture the league lead, booted a three pointer from 18 yards for the Gade win.

BC took a break from Metro action the following weekend, hosting the Golden West College Rustlers, and manhandling the GWC ballclub for a 37-21 win. The red clad Gades jumped to an early 20-0 lead and maintained it throughout the rest of the game.

The annual homecoming classic found the Gades entertaining Long Beach City College, and walloping the Vikes 68-13. The return to loco action saw the locals put more points on the board than any other Gade team since 1969. Freshman tailback Don Cossey ran 93 yards with the opening kickoff to spark the Gade

roul. The BC defense did their part allowing Mike quarterback Samoa Samoa just two of 14 aerial attempts. Mentor Collis emptied his bench in the second half, as the ball club led 31-7 at the midway mark.

The Red Machine traveled to the confines of East Los Angeles College, and shut out the Huskies, 15-0, eliminating them from the Metro race, Cossey again led the Gade rushers with 58 yards.

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Norm Williams off to a good gain against Pierce. PHOTO BY BOB CAMPBELL.

# Potato Bowl Champs...

The Los Angeles Valley Monarchs became the next BC foe to fall when they invaded Memorial Stadium. The Renegades survived a 16 point Monarch surge in the final stanza, as they held on to win, 28-23. Gary Blackford rambled to a season high of 164 yards.

The following week, BC traveled to El Camino to rival the aerial attack led by Kevin Starkey. Starkey, the Metro's second leading passer to Charlie Young of Pierce, tallied 328 yards in the air to stage a last minute rally attempt, but was stopped, the locals coming out on top, 38-36. Meanwhile, the Pasadena Lancers helped the Renegade cause by knocking off the Pierce Brahmas (tied with the Gades at 4-0, going into the Pasadena contest), 28-21, clinching at least a tie for the Red Machine.

The locals hosted Pierce College for the Metropolitan Conference championship, and rolled to a surprisingly easy win, 17-8. The BC defense stopped the highly touted Young, yielding only a fourth quarter score to the Brahmas.

Coming into the contest sporting 2,050 yards in the air as the nation's number one passer, Young could only muster 204 aerial yards, an admirable outing for most quarterbacks, but not for one whom a whole ballclub is centered around.

## 1976 Potato Bowl

Gerry Collis' Big Red Renegade football team left no doubt who was state champion when they overwhelmed a scrappy College of Sequoias team 27-8 in the annual Shrine Potato Bowl game December 4.

A record-breaking crowd of 21,035 rabid fans saw the Gades run their mark to 10-1 and earn the right to a Junior Rose Bowl playoff for the first time since the '60's. It was a festive night for Gade rooters as BC's Chris DeFrance hauled in his sixth TD pass of the year. The play was good for 69 yards and a score.

As it was all year, the BC defense was equal to the occasion, with Bob Fortune returning an interception for 42 yards. Three plays later, capped by a 28 yard TD toss from Terry Stokes, Mike Georgino was in the end zone for another touchdown. Scott Dye, who led the Metro Conference in field goals, booted two more of 17 and 32 yards to put the game on ice. Steve Denman lobbed a 23 yard TD pass to Steve Wright to bring the Gades another score.

Visalia's Giants weren't through, though. Tailback Charles Farmer electrified the capacity Memorial Stadium crowd when he galloped 87 yards down the sidelines to avert a shutout. Ron Westbrook then took an aerial in the end zone for two points.



Scoring Norman Williams (31) powering for a first down against Pierce, with help of Rick Dodson (54). PHOTO BY FELIX ADAMO.

# NATIONAL CHAMPS



Back Dennis Jones returns kickoff against Visalia.  
PHOTO BY FELIX ADAMO.



What would a Potato Bowl game be without the colorfully costumed Shriners? PHOTOS BY FELIX ADAMO.



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# '75-'76 Homecoming

Theme this year for the Homecoming floats was "American Advertising Revisited" and the BC Ski Club took the first place trophy for the second year in a row with their float entitled "The Seven Resorts." Second place went to the United Filipino Students for their rendition of "Hawaiian Punch." The Associated Men's and Women's Residence Hall, sponsors of the winning queen candidate, took third place prize with their float depicting the slogan "Let Your Fingers Do The Walking Thru The Yellow Pages."

All eleven clubs that entered Queen candidates built floats and the results were the products of hard work and extreme cleverness.

The evening ended with the annual dance in the BC Cafeteria with music provided by Bakersfield's 'Uncle Famous,' sponsored by Sociology 36L-Field Work for Chicano Study.

With the floats, the game, the dance and all the other activities added together, homecoming '76 was made well worth remembering for many years to come.



A happy moment—1976 Queen Kelly Marzillin, sponsored by the Associated Men's and Women's Residence Halls, receives a congratulatory kiss from ASB President Bob Lienhardt and the crown from her sister, Sandy, 1975 Queen as runner-up Susie Baker and her escort look on. PHOTO BY BRAD McNAUGHTON.

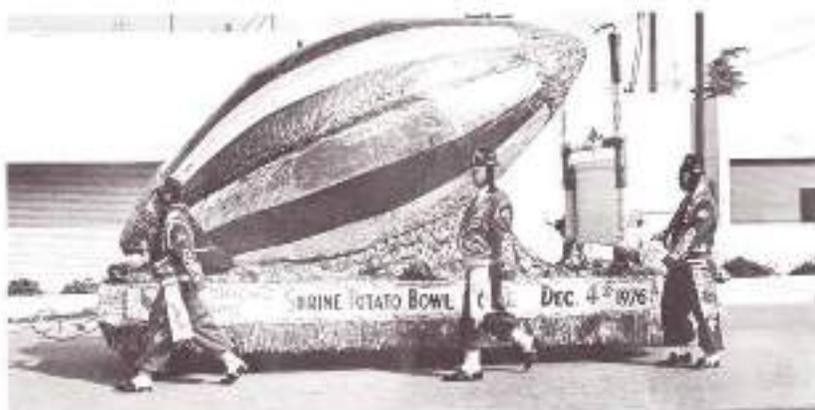
Keeping it in the family—this was the tearful moment when Kelly Marzillin, right, learned she would rule as Homecoming Queen. She was sponsored by the Residence Halls. Her sister, Sandy, at left, was surprised, too—she was Homecoming Queen in 1975. PHOTO BY WILLIAM WALKER.



# Queens - A family affair



Something to celebrate — after the smashing win over Long Beach in Memorial Stadium, BC students danced to the music of Uncle Fortune sponsored by Sociology 36L in Campus Center. PHOTO BY FELIX ADAMO AND ERNIE LUCERO.



Downtown parade watchers got a preview of the pomp and pageantry of the upcoming Shrine Potato Bowl game as this float advertised the state JC playoff in Memorial Stadium. PHOTO BY MIKE COLLINS.

Renegade heck Steve Wright is hauled down after gain in Long Beach game, won by the Big Red Machine 68-13. PHOTO BY FELIX ADAMO.



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# Football score and number of queen can

BY KATHY FOWLER AND  
JIM MEADOWS  
Raconteur Staff Writers

Homecoming 1976 began with the annual Downtown Parade Saturday morning and culminated with one of the highest scoring football games in BC history.

The evening of events began with the arrival of this year's cheerleaders, along with alumni cheerleaders, on a double deck bus.

The Renegade versus Long Beach City College football clash ended in an exciting 68-13 win for BC. The score was the highest since 1969 for the Gades and was the widest margin of victory against LBCC for head coach Gerry Collis in his 10 year career at BC.

The game was listed as one of the most exciting games in quite some time. Things started to roll when Don Cossey ran the opening kickoff back 93 yards for a touchdown that started a tidal wave of points. From that point on, the Gades monopolized on every available LBCC mistake to post a 55 point margin at the final gun.

Another record was set this year in the number of candidates for Homecoming Queen as eleven lovely young ladies tried to capture this year's crown. A total of 611 votes were cast at the polls for the eleven candidates.

The crowning of the 1976 Homecoming Queen was a joyous family occasion. Kelly Marcellin, sponsored by the Associated Men's and Women's Residence Hall, accepted her crown from 1975's Queen, her sister Sandy. Tears streamed down the faces of both and led one to believe Sandy was just as happy her sister won as she was last year.

Susie Baker, sponsored by the BC Ski Club, and Linda J. Williams, sponsored by the Black Students Union, were runner-ups in the contest.

Other Queen candidates were: Anita Barney-Circle K; Sharon Cobb-Silent Communications; Connie Cryts-AVS; Linda Dahlig-United Filipino Students; Irma Montemayor-MEChA; Becky Montez-BC Renegade Band; Stephanie Russell-Latter Day Saints Student Association and Sanchalee Santhong-International Students Association.



Where Homecoming started — here candidates for 1976 Homecoming Queen wait in Executive Board Room to be photographed. From left: Becky Montez, Sharon Cobb, Stephanie Russell, Irma Montemayor, Connie Cryts, Susie Baker, Kelly Marcellin, Linda Williams and Linda Dahlig. PHOTO BY ERNIE LUCERO.



Here is a scene repeated many times the night before the Homecoming parade—float construction at the Kern County Fair Grounds. PHOTO BY JEFF WESTON.

# didates highlight 1976 Homecoming



A highlight of the Downtown parade Saturday morning was the precise formation and music of the Marching Renegade Band, led down Chester Avenue by Dr. Chuck Wood. PHOTO BY MONA WARD.



For the second consecutive year the BC Ski Club won the first place trophy with the theme "The Seven Resorts."



A typical theme for the AVS float was this rendition of "The morning after an AVS party." PHOTO BY MARY SAWYER.

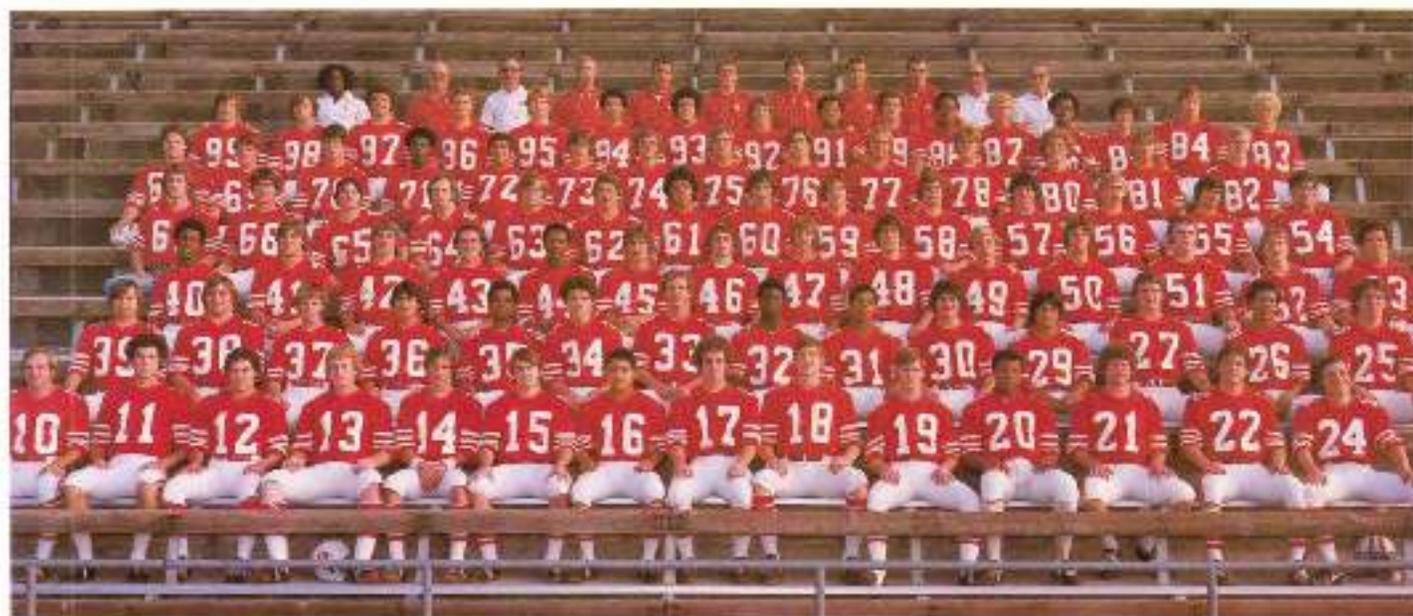
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This was the happy scene at Homecoming as Kelly Marcollin, center was crowned Queen by ASB President Bob Lienhard as her sister Sandy, 1975 Queen, and Mike Ayers and Linda Williams looked on. PHOTO BY FELIX ADAMO.



Here spirit leaders Terna Thompson, Vicki Reppert, Yvonne Lomas, Valeria Buckingham, Karen Williams and Tammy Ederra help yell leaders Robert Gray and Vernon Smokie Chappel whip up Homecoming fervor. PHOTO BY FELIX ADAMO.



(From left to right) (ROW ONE)—Jack Quick, Terry Stokes, Larry Sam, Scott Dye, Steve Beason, Jeff Dale, Alex Madrid, Mark Pullard, Steve Danman, Steven Schaeffer, Don Casey, Steve Gio, Gary Blackford. (ROW TWO)—Mike Kelley, Chuck Holloway, Tim Thompson, Paul Sanchez, James Collins, Tim Marberry, Phil Pritchard, Mark McDowell, Norman Williams, Rick Jones, Richard Martinez, Mike Harvey, Dennis Jones, Mike Georgino. (ROW THREE)—Ernie Dixon, Bob Fortine, Jamie Points, Steve Wright, Terence Hubbert, Jay Wedel, Mike McNeese, Randy Wilson, Steve Adams, Jan Adams, Rick Holloway, Don Clark, Tom Sakowski, Keith David. (ROW FOUR)—Cubris Taylor, Joe Welch, Kevin Pella, Hal Morgan, Bryan Clinton, Jack Leonard, Mike Ramirez, Tom Freeman, Sam Barnes, Roark Randolph, Clay Farr, Tom Nord, Lyle Damron, Rick Dodson. (ROW FIVE)—Steve Silvius, Dan Mulholland, Allen Hance, Curtis Ruffus, Jesse Chavez, Jeff Dewitt, Tom Cunningham, Dennis Brothers, Bill Roberts, Brad Short, Richard Flanagan, Rod Pearson, Larry Lemay, Joe Weaver. (ROW SIX)—Brad Dewitt, Rick Odom, Merie Lindsey, John Purcell, Brant Tunget, Abrams Morales, Mark Fissell, John Simmons, Ennis Bowers, Don Turney, Tommie Wofford, Bob Turley, Ron Hill, Scott Jelletich, Mike Wauflie, Dwight Sone. (ROW SEVEN)—Willie Smith, Darrell Kalar, Ray Miranda, Carl Bowser, Duane Damron, Bruce Algra, Harrel Pollard, Walt Johnson, Head Coach Gerry Collis, Warren Bowman, Jack Ketchley. Not Pictured—No. 28—Phil Jackson, Men's Athletic Director Herb Loken, Team Doctor Romain P. Darou.



A bit of football action at the midfield as Gary Blackford carries the ball against Carrizo.

# Forestry, produce, ranching, vet

BY MARIE EDWARDS  
Raconteur Staff Writer

A trip to Australia during the summer of 1971 proved to be the turning point in the life of Bakersfield College graduate Monica Franey. While traveling with a group of ranchers on an inspection tour of research stations and ranches in Australia, New Zealand, and other countries, Franey was offered a job working on a cattle ranch in Orland, California. This was the first step towards an agricultural career which would eventually lead to her present position as head of a high school ag. department.

Franey first became interested in agriculture while taking a class at BC taught by Lloyd Hokit. As a member of Hokit's livestock judging team, she became involved in collegiate competition against other junior colleges throughout California, winning the first event she participated in.

Franey gained practical experience by working on a large cattle ranch in northern California. In charge of record-keeping, she also took part in roping, calving and doctoring the German-bred Gelbvieh cattle.

Computerized records were used to determine the best methods of feeding and breeding the stock. This information was obtained through P.R.I., (Performance Registry International), a company with headquarters in Jopland, Missouri. Through her job on the Orland ranch, Franey was offered the position of West Coast representative for P.R.I.

With a B.S. degree in animal science from Cal Poly, Franey now teaches ag. production, introduction to agriculture, a veterinary assistants class through R.O.P., (Regional Occupational Program), a ranchhand class, and a project supervision class. She is also the program advisor for Future Farmers of America. Franey is in her third year of teaching at Tehachapi High.

With the ink barely dry on his college diplomas, BC graduate Mario Carmona has already landed a well-paying job with a local produce company. Formerly an ag. business management major at Cal Poly, he now works as a salesman-trainee for a company that specializes in the marketing of onions, potatoes, carrots and beans.

A typical work day for Carmona might include taking phone orders from U.S. or Canadian buyers, filling out export papers, and calling or traveling to different restaurants in the area seeking prospective customers.

One of the major risks involved in this business is the fluctuating market value of farm produce based on supply and demand. Agricultural production in Kern County has a very definite effect on the monetary value of the same type of crops grown in other areas, and vice versa. For instance, due to an outlet as far away as Idaho flooding the market with onions in an attempt to get them out of the fields and sold before the weather turned bad, the price dropped so low that farmers in Lancaster hadn't even bothered to bring their crops in by November of last year. Despite drawbacks such as this, Carmona's company is now in the process of expanding their business.

While studying at Cal Poly, Carmona conducted his senior project on consumer preferences in the packaging of almonds at Teneo West in Stockdale, after which he took a job as field technician for the Bear Mountain Winery in Lamont.



Monica Franey working with students at Tehachapi High. PHOTO COURTESY OF BETH BUSH, TEHACHAPI NEWS.



Mario Carmona, right, with Fred O'ague, cook at Freddie's Top of the Hill Restaurant.

# medicine majors active in agriculture

GRETCHEN MARTIN and JEAN ADAMS

Jean Adams and Gretchen Martin shared a unique experience last summer. Due to the efforts of their entomology instructor, John Oglesby, they were offered jobs inspecting crops for insect damage on ranches in the Lost Hills area.

Commuting daily from Bakersfield, they covered the 5,000 acres assigned to them on motorcycles until this proved to be a safety hazard, at which time they began driving trucks.

On occasion, they would run into a rattlesnake or have to avoid a field that had just been sprayed. Most of their time was spent taking insect counts from cotton or alfalfa plants by the use of a sweep net. Besides looking for harmful insects such as aphids, worms, lygus bugs and spider mites, they also noted the presence of beneficial insects such as ladybugs, lacewings and collops beetles, which feed on harmful insects.

After collecting this information they reported the results to the rancher and to Western Farm Service, their employer. If their report indicated excessive crop

damage, a farm advisor from Western took care of the problem.

When asked why she chose a career in agriculture, Jean replied that the abundance of job opportunities and her love for the outdoors were the determining factors. Jean is majoring in plant protection.



JOE STUTLER, Supervisory Forestry Technician

One of the more glamorous and exciting careers in the field of agriculture is that of forestry management. Joe Stutler, a Bakersfield College graduate, is enthusiastic about his position as Supervisory Forestry Technician for the Mount Pinos District of the Los Padres National Forest.

After his graduation from BC in 1970, Joe attended the University of Montana at Missoula, then went on to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, where he obtained a degree in Natural Resources Management.

Joe has been involved in forestry work for the past seven years. A former

smoke-jumper for the U.S. Forestry Service, he now has charge of a helicopter and five-man crew doing reconnaissance work, fire suppression activities, and resource management. His duties take him anywhere within the eleven western United States.

Like any other job, a career in forestry has its drawbacks. As Joe puts it, "Forestry management requires a great deal of personal commitment. Frequently the job demands long hours, and the work can be physically and mentally exhaustive." Another problem is the excessive number of applicants seeking forestry positions. Despite these drawbacks, Stutler feels that it is well worth the effort once a permanent appointment is obtained.

Stutler recommends that anyone interested in this type of work obtain a general agriculture degree, such as natural resources management, rather than specializing in forestry alone, since there is a greater job market for agriculture majors with more diversified training.

Stutler taught a course in advanced fire technology at BC this semester.



Gretchen Martin inspecting crops for insect damage.  
PHOTO BY JEAN ADAMS.



**AGRICULTURE  
BACKBONE  
OF AMERICA**



John McDole in BC greenhouse.

# Agricultural economics BC grads play important role



## AGRICULTURE BACKBONE OF AMERICA

Artwork by Mike Buchak.

STORY AND PHOTOGRAPHS  
BY MARIE EDWARDS  
Raconteur Photojournalist

Bill Sandrini works for the J.G. Boswell Company on their 50 square mile Buena Vista ranch. As an agronomist, Sandrini is involved in the technical aspects of monitoring the quality of crops, including the recommendation of herbicides, fertilizers and insecticides, and the supervision of their application. In order to determine the most effective combination of insecticides, Sandrini does research work using test plots from a variety of crops. Another important function of his job is to keep records of everything that is done to the crops.

Sandrini, a BC and Fresno State University graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in agronomy, finds his job challenging because there's "something new every day."



### Editor's Note:

The economic importance of agriculture to Kern County is common knowledge to most local residents. Ranking second nationwide in agricultural production with a total value of over \$700,000,000 from a variety of crops including potatoes, grapes, tomatoes, cotton, prunes, plums, and almonds, it follows that agriculture constitutes a large portion of the job market in this area, which should be of special interest to students seeking a promising career.

There is no end to the list of former BC Ag students now holding prominent positions in the business world, according to Lloyd Hokit, chairman of BC's Ag Department, and John Olesby, Professor of Agriculture and Forestry.

Involved in a variety of interesting branches of agriculture, ranging from Supervisory Forestry Technician to Agronomist, the following former and currently enrolled students are just a few of the many successful and prospective products of BC's Agri-Business Department.

With a future in landscape design firmly established as his goal, John McDole has been studying ornamental horticulture at Bakersfield College for the past several years. A recent recipient of the James Bivard Memorial scholarship donated by the Lions Club, McDole plans to attend Cal Poly Pomona this fall.

Raised on his family's 500-acre farm in eastern Oregon, McDole has been living in the Bakersfield area for over 5 years. He has a sister who teaches physical education at North High, now on sabbatical in Guam. Although he enjoys growing indoor plants as a hobby, McDole feels that there is more ecological value and creative expression involved in landscaping.

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Bill Sandrini, Agronomist, inspecting cotton.

# in \$700 million plus industry



BC and Cal Poly Ag graduate, Don Givet, sizes up the herd at Tejon Ranch.



Veterinarian David Zachery working with Fast Time, former champion jumper.

Technically speaking, Don Givet is the administrative assistant to the vice-president and general manager of the livestock division of the Tejon Ranch Company. If you are wondering why such a long title, it might help to know that Tejon Ranch is a corporation made up of stockholders who control an area stretching from Highway 58 on the north side to Highway 138 on the south, approximately 290,000 acres! The Tejon Ranch Company is involved in oil and mineral production, farming, restaurants, and cattle. The company's main office is located at Fort Tejon in Lebec, with corporate offices in Los Angeles.

The livestock division of Tejon Ranch consists entirely of commercial cattle. Givet's job involves the planning and analysis of water systems, herd improvements, and other programs and properties relating to the ranch. Besides the development, implementation and follow-through of these programs, he also is in charge of overseeing the cowboy and maintenance crews.

Before working for the Tejon Corporation, Givet was employed with Coddling Castle Research, a ranch in Foraker, Oklahoma, boasting the second largest registered Hereford herd in the U.S. As bull evaluation manager, he was

in charge of the feeding, care and development of bulls prior to their purchase by commercial cattlemen.

In 1971 Givet took a job in northern California with another registered breeder, John Beckman, doing the same type of work involving bull development.

Majoring in animal science at BC and Cal Poly, Givet has been with the Tejon Company for four and a half years.

Before attending Bakersfield College, David Zachery spent part of his early years on his family's ranch in the Caliente area. While a student at Bakersfield High, he was involved in the FFA program. At BC, Zachery was president of the Ag Club. With this extensive background in agriculture to his credit, Zachery was supported through five of the seven years of college required for California veterinarians by Ag scholarships from the Kern County Agricultural Community, of which he speaks very highly. Zachery commended the local Ag Community for its active support of our youth through scholarships and aid to the Junior Livestock Auction at the Kern County Fair.

After graduating from BC in 1966,

Zachery joined some of his fellow BC Ag students at Cal Poly, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in animal husbandry. He then continued his education at the University of California at Davis, doing graduate work in animal husbandry, nutrition and reproduction, and finally receiving his DVM degree from the Davis Veterinary School in 1974.

Since that time, Zachery has established his veterinary practice in the Bakersfield area. In the spring of this year he opened his own clinic.

Zachery limits his practice to the treatment of large animals. Although he primarily works with horses, occasionally he gets a call for cattle, sheep, goats or pigs. He uses a radio-telephone paging system for communication. He sometimes handles cases in the Tehachapi and Glennville areas.

There is a great deal of public relations work involved in the business aspect of veterinary practice, according to Zachery. Formerly the secretary-treasurer of the Kern County Veterinary Medical Association, he is now vice-president of that Association.

Zachery lives in Bakersfield with his wife, Sandra, and their two daughters.

# Former RIP editors



Jack Smith, LA Times columnist.



Judy Clausen, public information officer for Cal State Bakersfield.

## BY RICK CHURCH Raconteur Editor

Recent surveys, in research for this feature, show that many graduates of BC's journalism program are doing well in professional life. Former RIP editors, by their successful transition from campus to media jobs, demonstrate how well BC has prepared students for the challenge of competitive journalism.

LA Times columnist Jack Smith began his career on the Renegade RIP in 1935. After editing the RIP, Smith left college to work for Jim Day, then sports editor of the Bakersfield Californian, and never went back. "I solace myself for this decision, which I often have cause to regret, with the thought that Mr. Day was an education in himself," says Smith.

Smith modestly points out, "I became editor of the RIP by default. In my freshman term at college I entered the journalism class and found that Peg Levinson, (for whom Levinson Hall is named), had no editor. The fellow who had been elected editor the previous spring had perhaps thought better of it during the summer and left town, never to return. Miss Levinson asked if there were any experienced editors in the class and I raised my hand. After all, I had been the editor of the Belmont High Sentinel in Los Angeles, and that made me the only ex-editor at hand."

Reminiscing on his days at the helm of the RIP, Smith recalls, "Being editor of the RIP was more fun than anything else I can remember at BC, other than courtship; like courtship, however, it led me into a life-long commitment, and I would advise any young man

contemplating either of those diversions, to keep that hazard in mind."

In his long career Smith has worked for the Californian, the Honolulu Advertiser, the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, United Press, the San Diego Journal, the Los Angeles Daily News, the Los Angeles Herald-Express, and, since 1953, the Los Angeles Times.

"I have never held with the notion that working on a school newspaper is of no value to a young person who wants a career in journalism. I have had a lot of fun and made a precarious living in journalism, and that experience rests on my start as a staff writer on the Sentinel," proclaimed Smith.

A man who should know, Smith spoke of the values and hazards of an education in journalism: "I am told that journalism (including, of course, radio and television) is an overcrowded field, partly because of Watergate. I'm sure this is true, but this will not discourage anyone who has the call. I suppose there are more people trying to get into grand opera than there are jobs, but of course they are always looking for a Beverly Sills. Besides, I could no more imagine a college campus without a newspaper than a city without a newspaper, and somebody has to get the paper out... the college newsroom is probably more fun than any other place on campus, and the experience of inquiring, writing, and publishing against a deadline, is a never ending excitement."

Smith concluded, "...the student who is thinking about college journalism should keep in mind that printer's ink is infectious. Some people never get over it. And the worst part is, they don't

want to."

Smith's column runs several times a week in the View section of the Los Angeles Times. He is a prolific free-lance magazine writer, frequently published in Westways magazine, and is the author of three best-selling books.

Judy Clausen, reknown journalist and now public information officer for Cal State Bakersfield, edited the RIP in 1947. The editor of the "Bakersfield News Bulletin" from 1964-69, Clausen shifted to the "Bakersfield Californian" as a general assignment reporter, eventually becoming the editor of the "Scene" section.

When asked about her experiences on the RIP, Clausen replied, "I had a blast! It was a great time for being the editor of a college newspaper." Clausen came to BC, which was then called BJC, (Bakersfield Junior College), after spending one year at Berkeley and one year working. Returning to Bakersfield, she found herself part of the "new wave" following World War II. "I arrived with all the vets that wanted an education and to pick up their lives and make something of themselves." Clausen went on to say, "The classes were enormous - lots of things going on and there were lots of things to write about."

"The Renegade Rip office was in an old janitor's closet with a mail slot," recalls Clausen. BC was on the Bakersfield High School campus then and didn't move to its present location until 1956. The faculty of the college was used to dealing with students directly out of high school and they were overwhelmed by the vets, with ages ranging from 19 to 35, recalls Clausen.

# now professional journalists

Clausen wrote feature stories on the older students for the eight page tabloid RIP.

"The vets were extremely vocal, and saw no reason why they shouldn't say what they wanted to," pointed out Clausen. She recalled an editorial she published that was against a local school bond election, with the support of the vets on campus. Because of the editorial, her advisor Chester Schuler, was "raked over the coals and not re-hired for the next year. I was unaware of the censorship on campus, but the journalism instructor, (Schuler), stood up and took it from the faculty... he was always up there fighting for us... we owed him a lot and we didn't realize just how much we owed him until it was too late."

After leaving BJC, Clausen went back to Berkeley, married and transferred to Stanford where she majored in Business Administration and Journalism. After graduating from Stanford, Clausen became involved in campaign speech writing for local candidates, political brochure writing, public relations work for propositions, and precinct work for presidential candidate Dewey.

Always interested in show business, Clausen had her own radio show in Tulare and later worked for KERN and KBAK-TV. Arthur Godfrey was the master of the airways in that day and age and Clausen developed her radio shows after his style. Later, as editor of the "Bakersfield News Bulletin," she wrote a column on television news and occasionally ventured to Hollywood for interviews.

Speaking on journalism as a profession, Clausen says, "if any job requires a solid liberal arts education, it's journalism."

Jack Knight, the Bakersfield Californian's Chief Photographer, received his first taste of journalism at BC. Knight was the editor of the Renegade Rip in 1952.

According to Knight, "The times were a lot less hectic then, we didn't have the problems of today, it was a good time without serious problems." The main issue of the year was the building of the new campus and the anticipated move by the faculty and the students from the Bakersfield High campus. Beyond school spirit, and the move to the new campus, there weren't many big issues." Knight added, "It was a time of experimentation; a time for trying new approaches and testing. It was a relaxed time, BC had a good atmosphere; it was a small campus on the corner of a high school. Going to BC



Jim Church, AP capital bureau chief, Salem, Ore.

was like going to high school for six years, but we had a closeness between the students and our own school spirit."

Knight feels that Dr. Ed Simonsen, dean of men, Peg Levinson, dean of women, and Wiley Jones, economics instructor, were some of the faculty members who were instrumental in his education.

After leaving BC, Knight went to San Jose State and majored in journalism. While at San Jose, he became interested in photo journalism and dropped the pen in favor of the camera. Knight recalls a debate he had with the chairman of the journalism department, when first entering San Jose State. "He felt that journalism majors should start as freshman at San Jose, regardless of their previous education. He felt that a junior college education in journalism was worthless and he was going to put me into freshmen classes. Luckily, we had used the very same book at BC that he was using. After I answered all his questions from the book, he quickly changed his mind and awarded me junior standing."

After college, Knight went to work for the Kern Union High School District as a photographer and wrote news releases for the Bakersfield Adult School. Knight then became a staff photographer for the Californian.

"The best thing about BC is that it gives its students the opportunity to test what they are interested in, it's not exactly like job training, but it's close," Knight concluded. "It helped me put it all together, and decide what I wanted to do. Although I went into photography at San Jose, BC introduced me to journalism and helped me to decide the general direction I wanted to go in."

Jim Church, the editor of the RIP in 1959-60, is now the political correspondent for the Associated Press in Salem, Oregon.

Since his days at BC, Church has gone on to higher accomplishments. He was editor of the Fresno State College Bulldog and three time winner of William Randolph Hearst awards for journalism.

In high school, Church acquired an interest in journalism through sports writing. He worked on the Lamont Reporter with the late well known journalist Al Cantor, while attending high school and BC.

"BC was helpful to me as a transition period and that's its main contribution," Church said. Critical of some of his classes at BC, he said, "When you don't think much of the professor, or believe he or she is going through the formalities... you lose interest. Fresno State and BC had a lot of those." Church added, "I wouldn't change it if I had it to do over again. BC had a lot of fine people, especially in the activities area, such as John Collins and Richard Jones, RIP advisor. "I'd say generally, I learned and got more benefit out of so-called extra curricular activities, except for a select few classes. The reason is that you work harder at it, more freedom, more sense of immediate achievement," he explains. "Journalism, English, geology and debate (speech), probably helped me the most and I enjoyed them the most."

When asked how BC helped to prepare him for his career, Church said, "I'd say high school contributed the most. If you miss it there you're going to have a hard time (not just journalism, everything). BC refined me as did Fresno State."

# Editorships--hard work, but

Another political correspondent, Vic Pollard, was the RIP editor in 1961-62. Pollard is now working for the San Bernardino Sun-Telegram as the state capital bureau chief in Sacramento.

Pausing to reflect on his days as an editor, Pollard said, "In 1961-62 when I was editor, the silent generation of the fifties was giving way to the committed generation of the sixties. We were inspired—in all blissful innocence—by the glamour that John F. Kennedy brought to politics and government. The Vietnam War and the environmental movement had not yet come along to focus our energies, however, so we flailed away at each other in great arguments about the civil rights crusade and the dangers of domestic communism. In fact, one conservative students' group decided that the RIP staff had been hopelessly duped by Moscow and put out their own newspaper in protest.

"The only thing we could agree on was our loyalty to the Renegade football team. It was just before the conference cracked down on BC's recruiting program, which produced teams that could give the Los Angeles Rams a run for their money."

After leaving BC, Pollard went to UCLA and graduated in 1964. His first jobs in the profession were with the Valley Times Today in North Hollywood, and the Redlands Daily Facts. He then spent six years with the Riverside Press-Enterprise. While at the Press-Enterprise, Pollard was city hall reporter, then political reporter, and then city editor. For the past three and a half years Pollard has been the state capital bureau chief for the San Bernardino Sun-Telegram.

The Sun-Telegram is owned by Gannett Newspapers Inc. and it operates the Gannett News Service which Pollard also works for. As the state capital bureau chief, Pollard covers state government of interest to San Bernardino County, and feeds California stories to Gannett News Service.

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Alan Austin, Renegade RIP editor in 1965, and now counselor at Highland High School says, "I have nothing but the highest praise for BC, it is the absolute top in every capacity. I will always look back on my days at BC with fond memories."

Austin went to Fresno State after leaving BC and got his Bachelor of Art degree in journalism. He was the journalism instructor and advisor to the

yearbook and newspaper at Foothill High School for several years. When Highland High was constructed, he transferred there in the same capacity. Austin is now a counselor at Highland.

Austin says that BC in 1965 was "Peaceful, not a great deal of unrest. The biggest thing that happened, was that a number of students were complaining that the RIP was biased in its editorials. Student government felt that the RIP was too conservative in editorials."

According to Austin, student government was far more active then than now. "Student government was the thing to do, with emphasis on being active," said Austin.

Austin recalled writing an editorial against instructors who used profanity in classrooms. "Instructors didn't have the latitude that they have now, and some of the students were angered by their use of profanity." At the top of the front page on the RIP there was a box in each corner, called 'rabbit ears.' Austin previewed stories of special interest in the rabbit ears. "One of the rabbit ears read, 'Damn it! See Page Two,' and many students clipped out the box and wore it as a lapel button. The funny thing was, both students for and against the editorial wore the slogan."

Austin said that being editor of the RIP was "A lot of fun and good experience." When asked how BC prepared him for his later education, he said, "My classes at BC met the challenge of Fresno State. Some of the people that helped me were Jim Flannery, the RIP advisor, now teaching at Fresno State, Ron McMasters, director of student activities, Burns Finlinton, vice president, Dr. Edward Simonsen, president, and Dr. John Collins, dean of students." Austin said he also profited from Dr. Richard Jones, his advisor for

one year, Margaret Levinson, dean of instruction, and Bob Clark, director of special services.



Mike Bohl, editor-publisher of the Amador Progress News.

Mike Bohl, the publisher-editor of the Amador Progress-News in Lone, Calif., was the editor of the RIP in 1970. Bohl was the first editor to use four color spreads, and his Homecoming edition was widely praised for its use of color, in photos of the Renegade football team and the Homecoming Queen.

According to Bohl, his most memorable experience as editor "was when the Black Student Union came in and demanded space in the newspaper every week. The group said that they were a minority and they wanted special privileges to promote their cause and we refused to give them control over the paper because we felt that we were doing a good job covering all the groups on campus.



Alan Austin, counselor at Highland High.

# prepared students for the future

BY RICK CHURCH  
Raconteur Editor

"In addition, we felt that if we gave in to one group, then that would set a precedent and we would have to give in to all the groups wanting to do the same thing. As the controversy got more heated, we finally won because of the basic constitutional right of freedom of the press, and no one was going to tell us what to put in our newspaper."

Bohl said that the layout experience and the strictly structured writing classes he attended was most helpful in developing his journalistic skills. "Up until I attended BC I had never received any expert classroom education concerning these two topics and the BC journalism department gave me the strict supervision which I needed to develop my skills."

"I remember working until late at night every week to put the paper out and how I used to sweat every week to properly write out my stories and then put it all together in a good layout. And now that I own my own newspaper I find out that things, in that respect, are still the same and, therefore, the experience and education I received at BC is really paying off," Bohl said.

Ferd Lewis, RIP editor in 1971-72 and now a sports writer for the Honolulu Advertiser, converted the RIP to its present six column format and inaugurated the "down" system of headlines. Under his leadership, the RIP won five first and second place categories at USC's annual Newspaper Day and was voted the top community college newspaper in California.

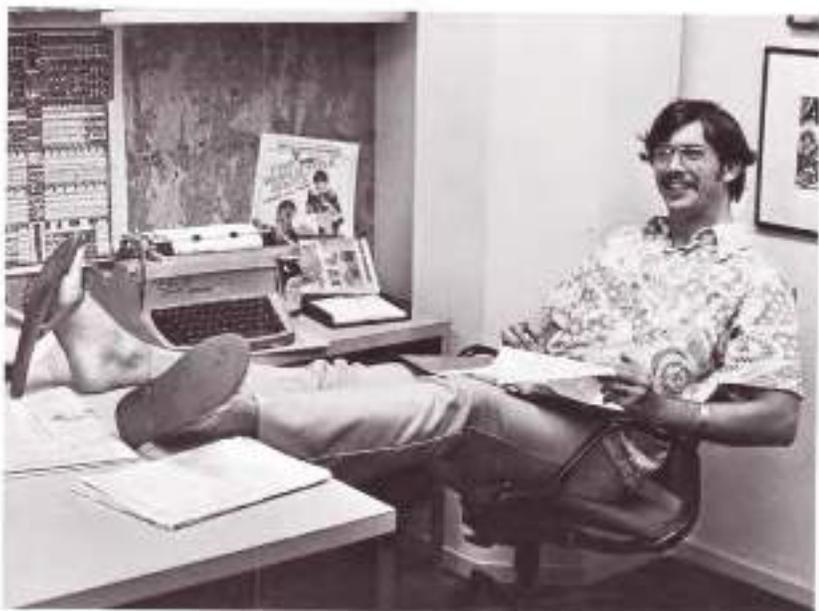
After BC, Lewis went to Fresno State and majored in journalism. "Looking back, I'm still glad I went to BC instead of trying to go to a four year school right off. BC offered quite a journalism program—much better in fact than I've seen in some four year schools including the University of Hawaii." While at BC, Lewis worked during the summers as a sports writer at the Californian and on the Fresno Bee while attending Fresno State.

"BC's classes on the whole were just as stimulating as anything I encountered at Fresno State or here in Hawaii. The RIP gave me a chance to work with people of diverse backgrounds. The liberal approach of William Walker and Charles Katzman made the program what it was in my two years at BC. Without the freedom and the backing neither the paper or the classes would have had much meaning," said Lewis.

## Renegade Rip

Friday, April 11, 1968

Renegade College



Ferd Lewis, sports writer for the Honolulu Advertiser.

"What I remember most about being editor of the RIP was coming down to the office at six in the morning while it was pitch black, trying to meet deadlines," says Cathy Annis, editor of the RIP in 1968, now display advertising clerk for the Bakersfield Californian.

"The RIP gave me freedom, with a little supervision and the ability to say what we wanted to say. There was a lot of political activity on campus, it was during the Vietnam War and the beginning of the hippy stage. Ideas were radically changing and the students were becoming more aware. There was a lot of reaction to the RIP, and we had a running battle with the student government, and they controlled the budget."

After her first semester at BC, Cathy Weaver Annis married and moved to Hawaii with her husband, who was in the navy. In 1970 Annis came back to BC to get her A.A. degree in communications. She worked for Brooks Department Store for a year and a half as an ad copy writer and became an advertising layout clerk for the Californian in 1973.

Her most controversial experience on the RIP came when she ran an editorial making fun of the attempt of some students at South High School to change the team's name, the 'Rebels,' because it had the connotations of racism. The tongue in the cheek editorial in the RIP suggested changing the 'Renegade' name and banning the cannon because they had connotations of violence. "Most of our readers took us seriously and we received letters accusing us of having poor spirit and being disloyal to our school. In the next editorial we explained what we were trying to say, which was, don't judge a school by its name," said Annis.

While a student at BC, Annis worked as public information officer for two semesters. She said that her journalism classes with Charles Katzman, head of the journalism department, English classes, and working under RIP advisor William Walker helped her the most toward her education. She regretted not taking shorthand and said the best advice that she could give aspiring journalists was to "stay in the field," because

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# Former editors take posts in

knowledge in one aspect of journalism complements other areas.

Under the direction of editor Cathy Weaver Annis and advisor William Walker, the RIP made major structural changes in the fall of 1968, converting from a five column hot type tabloid to a full size seven column offset paper, taking advantage of cold type technology.

Ralph Nielsen, public information officer for BC was the RIP editor in 1969. Recalling his days as student editor, Nielsen said "It was the height of the antiwar protesting but BC was very quiet. All the other colleges in the country rioted and burned but nothing much happened at BC, the year wasn't very eventful."

"We (the RIP) got on the case of student government once in a while, we never agreed. Tom Taylor was the ASB president and he and I always talked about getting together to iron out our differences, but never got around to it," said Nielsen.

While Nielsen was editor, there was another newspaper called the 'Probe' in circulation. "The Probe wasn't any competition for the RIP, it was written by two or three people, not journalism majors, trying to get things off their

chests. We never denied anybody the right of publication and there weren't very many letters to the editor," said Nielsen.

Nielsen said his experience on the RIP didn't help him at all for the first couple of years after graduating from BC. He went to work for Stauffer Chemical Company in Trona at various jobs. After marriage, Nielsen and his wife Maureen, moved back to Bakersfield where Nielsen worked as a salesman for a short time. Through his friendship with Charles Katzman, head of the journalism department, Nielsen learned of a job opening at KBAK TV. Nielsen was hired because of his experience as editor of the RIP and because of his recommendation by Katzman. While working as a general assignment reporter for KBAK TV, Nielsen said, "I saw a lot of things I wouldn't have seen and it was very exciting work." In 1971 Nielsen became the public information officer for BC. Nielsen said, "I've come to a point where I value job security, and although I enjoyed working in television news, I wouldn't do it again."

Nielsen said his best instruction in newswriting was not in any journalism classes, but actually doing the work on the RIP. "You can't learn to write from a textbook, you have to sit down behind

a typewriter and learn it the hard way," said Nielsen. Of all his instructors at BC, Nielsen said that William Walker and Charles Katzman were the most encouraging, along with economics professor Wiley Jones. Ralph and Maureen are the proud parents of five year old Melissa.

"In retrospect, I got to know a lot about dealing with people," says 1973 RIP editor Pete DeArmond who now writes for the Bakersfield Californian. DeArmond says that he didn't delegate authority properly when he was editor. "I remember staying late every Wednesday night trying to meet deadlines, doing everything."

He says that BC is a good school although it probably has some areas that need improvement. "You can't have the best department in everything." When asked how the journalism department helped prepare him for his career, DeArmond said, "In journalism it's different, the instructor can only do so much."

The instructor can rewrite your stories and show you proper layout but it really boils down to how much a student can learn on his own. You really



Ralph Nielsen, public information officer for BC.



Kathy Annis, at work at the Bakersfield Californian ad layout desk.

# various aspects of journalism



Pete DeArmond, reporter, at work at the Bakersfield Californian.

## Renegade Rip

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have to learn on your own. You have to be put in a do it or else situation with somebody sitting on you to get the job done. It's a lot different when the job is your bread and butter. Students can't go to work for a professional newspaper thinking that they know it all."

DeArmond said that he vaguely remembers attending classes in journalism and that was because he was always busy working on the paper. "Somebody had to be in that office," he adds with a chuckle.

DeArmond's editorship was "Stormy at times, we had a lot of confrontations with an activist student government, they cut off some of our funds once, but it was good experience." According to DeArmond, student government attempted to force the RIP to give more coverage to minorities when the editor, staff and advisor felt that the present coverage was sufficient. "Looking back over the old issues, I couldn't believe the good coverage they had!" said DeArmond. He recalled a time when an emergency meeting of the board of publications was held and a few members were absent. The student government filled the vacancies with

hand picked students and in effect, stacked the board against the RIP.

DeArmond feels that the editor of the RIP should've been paid, and praises the salary that RIP editors get now as a good thing. "The simple fact is, \$25 a month wouldn't even go to cover the time students lose working on the RIP when they have part time jobs."

DeArmond said that he felt the foreign language class with Mrs. Adelaide Schafer was his most rewarding class. He said that he also enjoyed the body mechanics class (weight lifting) because he could always go down to the weight room and work out his frustrations.

While this article featured former RIP editors now active in the media, there are scores of other RIP staffers in teaching, public relations and the broadcast industry. They include Mark Grossi, Patti Keller, Linda Wong, Tim Heinrichs and Kent Miller, *Californian* staff reporters; Liz Snyder and Alan Ferguson, staff photographers, *Californian*; Gary Girard, former managing editor, journalism teacher at Delano High and local staffer for the *Californian*; Bob Griffith, last managing editor of the defunct *News Bulletin*, now publicity director for the 15th District Agricultural Assoc.; Mary Anne Steele, teaching journalism in a local junior high; Ron Johnson, now with the Fresno County Farm Bureau; David Moore, Channel 29 TV operations director; Gene Lundquist and Jay Ericsson, both with *CalCat*; Al Soldano, assistant director, TV Channel 23, and Murray Arnold, former local city editor, now with the Bakersfield Chamber of Commerce.



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# BC faculty...changes

BY DEBBIE HUNSINGER  
Raconteur Staff Writer

PHOTOS BY LARRY JACKSON

"When I finally decided that I wanted to teach school, the place I wanted to teach was BC. It is the best community college in the state. I think I have the greatest job in the world, and there are three very important reasons. The students are certainly one, but my peers and the entire community are two more. The only thing wrong with Bakersfield is that we keep telling people what a good place it is, and we ought to keep it a secret because we could do without some of those people. We don't need them," explained Paul Pruett, a life science instructor.

"I would say the attitude of the students is pretty much the same now as it was when I was here. I think most students are interested and see the need and rewards of getting a good education. I don't think that was true a few years ago, but I think students have gone the whole route and made the full circle. The basic difference was that when I was here it was a JC, and it aimed mainly at the transferring students. But, now it is more of a community college with not as many transfers," added Pruett.

Pruett graduated from BC in 1951 after two years following graduation from BHS. He then transferred to Berkeley for two more years before going into the Marine Corps for three years. While he was at BC he was involved with student government and served as vice-president. He was also a member of the Renegade Knights Club on campus.

Pruett added with a smile, "I married a young lady who was a 1950 BC football princess. She was also president of Associated Women Students (AWS) organization. I met her in the seventh grade, and we both went on to Berkeley together."

"An awful lot of people who were on campus when I was a student are still here now. George Lawrence, my department chairman, is one of them. I was flattered to be hired back, and I think in retrospect I recognized that I got an even better education here than I thought I was getting. BC was tougher for me all around than Berkeley," Pruett said.

Currently Pruett officiates at almost all of the track meets, but he admits that the Marine Corps is still his biggest hobby. He is still in the Reserves, and he spent two weeks this past summer on active duty.

For a history major out of UC-Berkeley, BC's Dean of Educational Services, Mr. William Heffernan, is far afield from his native ground.

Heffernan attended BC on the old campus in 1937-39 and graduated from UCB in 1941. Following college graduation he spent about four years in the Army, two of which were in Iran.

"I was born here, and I lived here all my life. I was offered a job by Miss Bird, and it was for me a great honor because I considered her to be one of the top college people in the country. When I got out of the Army I discovered that I liked to work with people, and I had planned to be a teacher. So, the job she offered me was not that far out of line," explains Heffernan.

In 1947 Heffernan's first faculty position was in the Veterans Guidance Center as an advisor. From there he went into counseling and on to Director of Student Activities. Following several other changes and titles, the responsibility shuffle in 1973 landed him his present duties.

"Right now among my other responsibilities, I am one of the steps that must be overcome to add a new class. Some people consider me to be one of the road blocks, but that is what I do. I am also the athletic administrator," Heffernan added.

"I was, believe it or not, a catcher for the Renegades baseball team in 1938. I wasn't really particularly too active, but I was in the Letterman's Club, and I was a sports writer for the Renegade Rip for one semester. I was working, so I didn't really have too much time for the fun things in life."



WILLIAM HEFFERNAN

"I think there was a definite change in attitudes with the change in campuses. We were largely in what they called the old JC building, but there were a number of classes that were in the Bakersfield High campus. It gave the students a little stronger feeling of having their own identity, and I suspect some college students appreciated not being mistaken for high school students. The immediate result of the move was a substantial increase in enrollment. By the fall of 1956 we were already at capacity," commented Heffernan.

He then continued, "It has changed from an institution where a student or faculty member would know virtually everybody on campus to a point where you just don't feel as if you know very many people. You don't have any type of personal relationship with the students to get to know what they are about, and I really miss that."



PAUL PRUETT

# in student attitudes



"Now instead of doing things to the student, it is all done for the student. Before, things were dominated by the administration, but then students started to get more involved with student government and how things were run. I really think it is very good, and it is a step in the right direction," commented Don Stansbury, BC English and Campus Arts adviser and magazine production instructor.

Stansbury attended BC for two years in 1954-1956 before transferring to UCLA. In addition to his other duties, he is advisor to the Campus Arts and Literary Magazine, and he teaches a creative writing class.

Stansbury was present on the campus as a student during the "big move" in 1956, and he said, "When I was here there were just a few buildings and we all just survived. The cafeteria was in the gym, and they trucked in the hot food."

"The BC spirit is still here. Bakersfield has always been a strong football town, and they always produce strong football teams. But, I still think it has a very good academic reputation also. There are still a lot of students that transfer to universities and State colleges," added Stansbury.

Before attending BC, he worked for three years and joined the air force for four more. Stansbury returned as a staff member in the fall of 1966, and he remarks, "The feeling was professional, but it was still a closely-knit family. I think it has been changed, maybe not lost, but it has been changed due to the size of the school. There are so many more faculty members. Now I can have a student once and never see him again. But, before if you had a professor once,

"I am one of those returning women they keep hollering about. I was working in the library as a technician before I actually started taking any classes here," said Mrs. Irene Hench, librarian for the Downtown Center.

She moved to this area in 1956, and to her then BC was just "that big place on the hill." She was a 1943 University of Washington graduate with a Social Science major. Like too many other women, she says, she got married, had children, was divorced, and then had to go back to school.

Hench recalled, "I can remember driving up and looking at it and thinking how pretty it was, but I never once thought I would be working there. They always used to keep it neat and clean, but now I think they could do a lot to the attitudes of the students not to be such litter bugs. I am glad to see that they are making an effort to keep it clean again, though."

"Just in the past year or two there has been a change in the attitudes of the students. They are finding out they can't make it in the world without having some kind of skill, and they are going back to school. One thing though, is that I don't think we advertise our worth enough out and around the state. We have many things here already that are just getting started some place else. I think we could really use some stronger public relations," Hench added.

She concluded, "It is difficult for the faculty to accept that many of the



IRENE HENCH

students will not be going on after this. They have had nothing but book students for so long, and now they have to change. But, change is all we ever see, and it will never quit."

"I had gotten my masters in librarianship, and I only needed a few requirements to get the California certificate. I attended classes at night and during my lunch hours. I had four daughters, and I think my situation encouraged them all to get a good education. All four of my girls went to BC for at least one year or more. They all just loved it, and I really think it was the best thing for them to do," commented Hench.



DON STANSBURY

you had him again, and you really got to know them all."

"One change is that it had more of a high school atmosphere before. Now

every two years the faculty is evaluated. That was never done before, but it is happening on a national level, not just here," concluded Stansbury.

# Former BC students return

## Editor's note:

Out of a faculty of approximately 265 people, over fifty members either attended or graduated from Bakersfield College. This series is a representative cross-section of former students who have returned to this campus to teach.

BY DEBBIE HUNSINGER  
Raconteur Staff Writer

PHOTOS BY LARRY JACKSON



JAMES GARDEN

"After teaching for three years in a high school I came very close to deciding to move into another field of work in architecture. But, when I heard there was an opening here at BC, it changed my mind, because I had heard it was a very nice experience to be teaching in a community college. It has lived up to all my expectations, and it has really been a tremendous experience teaching here. Since we do have a transferable program in architecture, it brings in a good quality of motivated students," said Robert Funk, architecture instructor.

While Funk was a student at BC, 1957-59, he commuted from Shafter, where he graduated from high school, leaving no time for extra-curricular activities.

Funk transferred to UC-Santa Barbara and graduated in 1962. He spent two years in the Navy Reserve and several more teaching at high school level. He joined the staff in the fall of 1967 and is looking towards his tenth anniversary as a BC faculty member.

"It is a little hard to evaluate how things have changed. Now I see things as a teacher and before I saw everything as a student. In architecture we do see a lot of motivation, but there has been a deficiency in the math and English preparation. Another thing is that the campus needs a little more repairing. It seems to be a little broken down right now, and there is litter usually all over the ground. In today's society it is easier to throw things on the ground than in the trash can, but there is nothing an educational institution can do about that. It has to come from the family and home. But, it was also a brand new campus then, and things always look better when they are new. But, again, I am seeing all this through a faculty member's eyes," added Funk.

"Dr. Prator had just come here as president, and Dr. Collins was track coach at the time. I can still remember him out there blowing his whistle. Dr. Simonsen was the band master, and Heffernan was here as a counselor. Dr. Watron was Associate Dean of Instruction at that time," reminisced Counselor Jim Garden.

Garden served as freshman class president, sports reporter for the *Renegade Rip*, and sang in the college choir during his one year of attendance at BC in 1952. A product of Bakersfield High School, he then transferred to USC to complete his education.

"Your perspective as a faculty member and as a student is really different. You have a completely different insight as to how things are done. I stayed away for 17 years and came back to something I thought I knew pretty well, but I found out I didn't because of my difference in perspective. It is really kind of scary sometimes now when I am involved with people who taught my classes when I was still a student. I joined the staff in 1970, and this is my seventh year," added Garden.

After occupying several different positions, Garden returned to the BC campus and claims, "I really enjoy working at BC. I was raised around here, and I have been here most of my life. My first recollection of this campus was the stadium. It was built one year prior to occupying the school. I just couldn't believe it. I can remember walking around the rim before it was finished."

"It seems to me when we were on the old campus there was much more of the family kind of feeling, but I think that was due to our size. As a counselor, most of my time is spent with people who are undecided in their goals and careers. Hopefully, students are going to be taking a hard look at what college is going to do for them in terms of application. I think enrollment is going to decline. I just don't think college is for everyone," commented Garden.

"I think a counseling position on this campus is one of the most challenging there is. We are really sort of all things to some people. Because we are not teaching faculty, but are part of the administration, we are probably in a better situation to help everyone else," Garden said.



ROBERT FUNK

# to the 'Hill' as faculty

"I was not only a student, but I was also a secretary in the business office while I attended school here," explained Mrs. Arleen Hashim. The current Child Development instructor attended BC in 1957-58 after graduating from Bakersfield High School in June of 1957.

Mrs. Hashim graduated from high school as a music major and came to BC with intentions of a music career. "I changed my mind, and I decided I didn't want to be a professional musician. I decided what I really wanted was to teach young children, so after I finished here at BC I went to Fresno State," she said.

"After college I taught elementary school for a while, and I originally came back to BC as an interested mother when I enrolled my three year old daughter in the pre-school program. The department chairman came in to watch us with the children, and when she found out I had a degree, she called me over one day and offered me a job. I couldn't refuse a chance to work with young children," she stated.

"When I first began to work here I think I was very intimidated by the fact that I was working on the same level with some of the people who taught classes when I attended as a student. But, I was flattered that they offered me a job because they obviously had confidence in my abilities, and that gave me confidence in myself. It is really neat to be hired back on the campus where you went to school. It can give you a lot of different feelings," she admitted.

"I guess I am kind of unique. I had the opportunity to attend both campuses. I can remember when we were under 1,000 students, and you knew everybody and everybody knew you. To me, we are not very close as a staff or students like we used to be," commented Harvey Warren, currently a counselor at the Downtown Center and a BC alumnus.

Warren attended BC in 1952-53 for one and one-half years and then went into the Marine Corps for three years. He later returned to earn his A.A. at BC. He then worked as a social worker for Kern County for ten years.

Warren went back to school once again in 1972 to earn his masters from CSU-Fresno, and he has been a faculty member since fall of 1974.

"I played football while I was here as a student, and I was a member of the first Jr. Rose Bowl team in football. I also ran track, and I was able to go to

the state track meet for two years. I was a member of the Renegade Knights. That was the club in its day. I also belonged to the Letterman's Club," Warren said.

"In my day most of the students transferred to another school. That is not really the case now. They say that things have changed. The classes are more difficult now. When I went here we had very few classes that were not transferable. Right now students have to be even smarter. Athletes have to run faster and jump higher, and it is the same thing with students. They have more and better facilities, and they just can't help but be smarter," Warren stated.

"Well I guess like anything you want to go up a ladder, and to work here at BC I had to have my masters. Even though it is more fulfilling, I still get frustrated with all the rules and regulations. Here at BC it is slightly more versatile and not as much of a routine," he concluded.



ARLEEN HASHIM

the community to teach them. The DTC is a good example, and I think it is extremely healthy and it makes the college into more of a community college."

"I think there is much more communication between the faculty and the students than there was ever before. The faculty is not as much in an ivory tower as compared to before. But, of course, that was a student's point of view, and now it is a faculty member's point of view," added Hashim.

Mrs. Hashim teaches classes five days a week, evening class one night a week, and a late class until 5:00 one day a week. She claims she thoroughly enjoys her teaching job with not just the college kids, but also the children and the parents she comes in contact with.

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HARVEY WARREN

# Centers serve children, parents and community

BY KATHY FOWLER  
Raconteur Activities Editor

There is much more to the BC Home Economics Department than meets the eye of the average student. Beside providing the usual class instruction, the department also operates three day care centers for children of full-time students, a bilingual consumer education program, a consumer homemaking, and parent education lecture/workshop program.

"Not only do the centers serve the children but also the parents and the community," explained Carol Sharpe, department chairperson. "After exposure in the center many parents take child development classes to learn more about their children. As they learn new ideas they share them with their neighbors and friends, reaching much of the community."

The child care center located on the BC campus cares for 45 pre-schoolers and 10 infants and runs a nine-hour a day program, 10 months a year. Shirley Greer is the head teacher at this center. Another center, located at 2324 "C" Street, is headed by Elizabeth Lehman and has facilities for 49 children and 20 infants.

A state pre-school, different from a child-care center in as much as it handles only three to five year olds, is operated at Temple Beth El on Loma Linda. Miley McNeff heads this center.

Parents play a big role in the running of the centers. Each center has a parent advisory board to help choose the teaching methods and type of instruction their children will receive. Parents must work in the centers six hours a month and attend two parent meetings every month. They are also actively involved in fund raising events for special projects. These projects have produced money for small pieces of equipment for the centers and for the building of play structures for the yards, as well as for fencing of the infant yard on the BC campus.

The Department also reaches out to help the community with two other programs. The Bilingual Consumer Education program has established these goals: to help non-English speaking members of the community develop and understand the problems facing today's consumers while at the same time helping them become more proficient in the use of the English language. Nutrition, comparative shopping, doctor visits and other relevant subjects are covered in the program.

The Consumer Homemaking and Parent Education program is a series of



How do you get your twins to the Day Care Center? Marilyn Ballew, a BC student and mother of two-year-old twins Brent and Shawn, has found that a little red wagon fills the need quite well.



As well as providing direct contact with youngsters, the center also provides practical experience in the area of nutrition. Here students prepare food for the children.

# Child Development taught by day care centers



Two-year-olds need energy and Velma Andrews provides it by serving this group of two year olds a good, hot breakfast.



Robert Davis kissed daughter Leticia goodbye while daughter Angela looks on.

four or more workshops that are given to interested community organizations. This program deals with helping parents teach their children; acquainting parents with arts and crafts for themselves, their homes and their children; consumer education and personal relations and self-improvement.

The Home Ec department is involved in this huge effort to help the community by teaching the community to help itself. The effort is working and the results are showing.

PHOTOS BY MARY SAWYER



Boys like to play with dolls too! Two-year-old Jeremy Bergin shows that little boys like to play daddy just as much as little girls like to play mommy.



In the nursery, Mary Burgoni and Darlene Burdick practice equestrian talents as Johnny Moring looks on.

# Past ASB Presidents:

BY MARK LUTTRELL  
Raconteur Staff Writer

Typical of the BC graduates who have gone on to make a success of themselves is Vernon Valenzuela. Now a counselor here, Vernon was very active during his student years as well. He got his start in activities serving as president of the Vet's Club during the fall of 1971. From there he advanced to hold one of the top jobs in the student body, that of ASB Vice President in the spring of '72. The following semester Vernon made his bid for the presidency and was elected for the fall of 1972.

From Bakersfield College, Valenzuela transferred across town to Cal-State, Bakersfield. He graduated from Cal-State with a BA in psychology. He will receive his masters degree in counseling from the college in June.

Valenzuela and his wife, Pamela, have two stepsons, Brent, and Gary Heckman, ages 13 and 11. They also have a son, Robert Valenzuela, age one.

Vernon returned to BC to become a counselor for the CETA (Comprehensive Employment and Training Act) Program.

Aside from seeing his counselees, he is also involved in alcoholic and rehabilitation programs. Vernon commented that BC is basically the same now as then but there is more club apathy now than when he was a student.



Vernon Valenzuela, 1972 ASB President, now a BC Counselor.



Tom Taylor, 1968 ASB President, is now BC Business Manager.

When asked how Bakersfield College helped to prepare him for the future, he replied: "When I was at BC is when I first learned I had the power to accept the responsibility for myself and that I also had the power to change myself."

Having once been involved in student government, Tom Taylor now serves BC in another capacity, that of Business Manager.

As a student, Taylor began his government experiences during the spring of 1968, serving as Freshman President. The following year, he succeeded in his bid for the top job, that of ASB President, and remained in that position during the 1968-69 school year.

Upon finishing at BC Taylor transferred to Cal-Poly at Pomona. While there, he was employed as the on-campus housing manager. He graduated from Cal-Poly in 1972.

He returned to his alma mater in the fall of 1975 to take up new duties as Business Manager. He remains in that position today.

Tom's spare time is taken up as an elected officer of the East Bakersfield Lions Club. His wife, Linda, is the District Director for the Camp Fire Girls. In comparing his student years here at BC to today he commented that the college is less active and calmer.

In summing up his feelings about BC and how it helped to prepare him for the future, Taylor put it this way: "The two years I spent at BC were tough academic years and when I went to a four year university, I had no trouble with that school's academic program."

PHOTOS BY ERNIE LUCERO

# The sweet taste of success

Tim Ravell is an example of one BC student who left the college with a professional career in mind.

Ravell was very involved in student government while here, having served as vice president for both the freshman class and the Vets Club. He was also an associate justice on the student court. During the 1969-70 school year, Tim served as BC's ASB President.

Ravell left BC for Irvine where he graduated with honors in research in 1972. Currently he is attending the medical school there and plans to return to Bakersfield for his medical practice.

Ravell, and his wife Kathy, are the parents of four year old Cally. Tim has also done medical relief work with orphanages in Mexico.

One of the highlights of Tim's term as ASB President included the Presidential Commission on Junior Colleges during the first part of the 1969 school year.

Thinking back to his experiences as a BC student Tim said, "probably the thing that did the most for me was introduce me to activities other than academics."

Another of BC's former ASB Presidents to enter the teaching profession is Bill Jones.

As a BC student, Jones was active in many areas of campus life. He began his political career at the college as Freshman President during the 1964-65 school year. In the spring of 1966 Jones was elected to the position of Sophomore Representative. He was elevated to the job of ASB President for fall, 1965.

Various clubs also kept him busy during his years here. These included the



Tim Ravell, 1970 ASB President, is now a medical student at UC Irvine.



Bill Jones teaches Social Science at West High School.

Gayds Club and the Renegade Band. Jones was also a member of the Raconteur Staff.

Jones received many awards for his involvement. During his freshman year he was presented the Sheldon Krasnow Outstanding Freshman Award and the Alumni Association Award.

Jones graduated from BC in the spring of 1966, and then transferred to University of California at Santa Barbara. There he earned his degree in political science in 1968. He received his Masters Degree from Claremont Graduate School.

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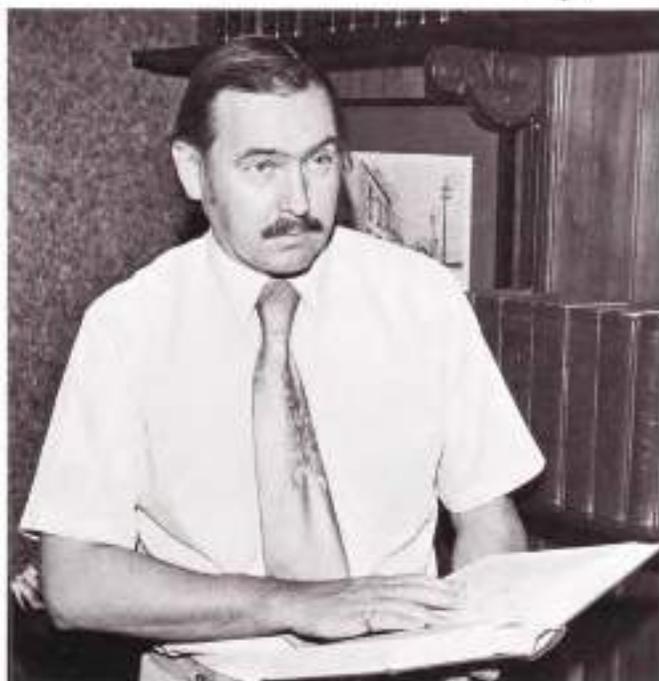
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# Teachers, counselor, lawyer



Rod Williams now practices law in Bakersfield.

In recalling his college days, Jones commented on his experiences at BC saying, "for all those who participated it led to a good evaluation of ourselves in dealing with some real problems."

As far as changes in the college, Jones noted, "I think it's become more community oriented as a school, and as a student body."

Currently, Jones is a teacher of Sociology, History, and Student Government at West High School here.

He and his wife Judy have two children, four year old Krista, and Jeff, three years.

Once an active member on the BC campus scene, Rod Williams is now a prominent Bakersfield attorney. During his stay at BC, Williams participated in the affairs of a number of campus clubs. These included the Renegade Knights, and the Pre-Law Club. He was also a member of the Honor Fraternity.

In student government, Rod served as Chief Justice of the Student Court during the fall of 1960. He followed this by running for ASB President, and was elected for the spring of 1961.

While in office, he was also a member of the Rotary Club. In the spring of 1960, Williams served as chairman for the student government workshop of the California Junior College Student Government Association.

After graduating from BC, Rod transferred to San Francisco State where he graduated from in 1963 with a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science.

With his schooling behind him,

Williams entered the legal profession and today is with the firm of Chain, Younger, Jameson, Lemucchi, Busacca and Williams.

He and his wife, Marlene, are the parents of nine year old Michael and five year old Julie.

Also active in community activities, Williams is a board member of the Kern County Bar Association and a member of the Elks Club. He is a former member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, and is a past president of the BC Alumni Association.

Rod, recalling his days as a BC student, remarked that support for the Renegades was as strong then as it is now. As far as changes on the campus go, he cited the addition of the bookstore and the planetarium. Williams further noted that daytime enrollment is much larger now than when he was here, the campus accommodating about 2500 students at that time.

As a final thought about BC, Williams stated that "Bakersfield College more than adequately prepared us to compete with people who had spent all their time at a four year college."

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# —once student leaders

After being involved in student government as a BC student, Greg Harding began a career in government service.

While attending the college, Greg began his interest in government in the spring of 1965 serving as freshman representative. In the fall of that year, he was Business Manager for the student body. His title was changed to ASB Vice President, during the spring semester of 1966 and he followed that by election of President in the fall.

When he concluded his studies at BC, Harding transferred to Fresno State. He was ASB vice president there.

Today, Greg works with the State Department of Criminal Justice as a deputy director.

He also keeps busy with several professional organizations and is a board member of the American Society of Public Administrators.

Harding has a daughter, nine year old Persephone.

Summing up how BC helped him to prepare for the future, Greg said, "the involvement in student government provided a basis for my career."



Lynn Bender in 1958

Lynn Bender is one individual who finished his education as a student and came back to make it a career. He also served as student body president for two semesters at BC during the 1957-58 school year.

Bender then transferred to George Washington University in Washington D.C. and graduated with a Doctorate in Political Science. He has also written and published "The Politics of Hostility," "Castro's Revolution," and "United States Policy."

At the present time he is serving as Dean of Academic Affairs and Professor of Political Science at the Inter-American University of Puerto Rico at San German.

Bender is married and has two sons, Laurence and Andrew, ages 12 and 9, and his comments on his years at BC included that the college "provided valuable experience for future positions of responsibility."

Bender was also active in the Foreign Service during the years 1963-69.

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# Pologades claim undisputed

BY JAMES E. MEADOWS  
Raconteur Sports Editor

Bakersfield College's water polo team completed the unexpected season this year with their 4-2 Metropolitan Conference record and an uncontested third place finish in the standings.

At the beginning of the year it looked like the Gades would go all the way, but they lost a pair of games that would have given them the conference title—the last one to perennial conference champion Long Beach. The Lancers of Pasadena placed themselves in the runner-up position for the year.

With their 12-8 record, Coach Bill Finch was pleased to see the job his crew had done for the school year. "This was the best team I've ever had as far as a total team," Finch said, "even though I have had some better individual players in past years."

Sophomore Dave Fernando hauled in the Most Valuable Player award for the season, making it a brother act in two years. Dave's older brother Mark won the MVP award for his efforts during the 1975 season. This was the first time that two brothers had won Most Valuable Trophy for the aquatics program and also for BC.

Talented Rick Zumbro received special honors for the season when he was awarded the Most Inspirational Trophy at the annual awards banquet attended by more than 50 people—a big crowd for a supposedly small sport in this football town of Bakersfield.

Teammate John Lifquist was also honored during the evening for his season of fine water polo with the Most Improved Player Trophy.

The Renegades were in the thick of things all the way until their final match at Long Beach.

After defeating the El Camino Warriors for the first time in BC water polo history by a score of 11-8, the Renegades were set to meet the conference leading Vikings at the LBCC pool, both carrying identical records of 4-1.

The Vikings showed the BC squad why they have been the Metropolitan Conference Champions in water polo for past few years when they downed the Renegades by a score of 16-4 and ruined any hope of tying for the conference title.

MVP Fernando was named to the 1st team All-Conference roster, while teammate Greg Gibbons found a place on the 2nd team. Goalie Dan Thorne and Mark Taylor were picked for the Honorable Mention squad and rounded out the list of Gades to make the post-season selections.

Coach Finch concluded his comments on the year at the annual awards banquet in which he commended not only his team's efforts but also the college community boosters and the Renegade Rally Squad.

"I wish that more people would become involved in the fine program we have here at BC," stated Finch, "it's just a shame that we couldn't get more and more people to see this squad because they were really a fine bunch of men to work with and I am glad to have been their coach."



Coach Bill Finch shouting instructions to his team.



Sean O'Brian (32), Greg Gibbons (26), John Bishop (40), Dave Fernando (25), Rick Zumbro (30), Mark Taylor (37) and Dan Thorne huddle near pool side before match.

# third -place in finest season

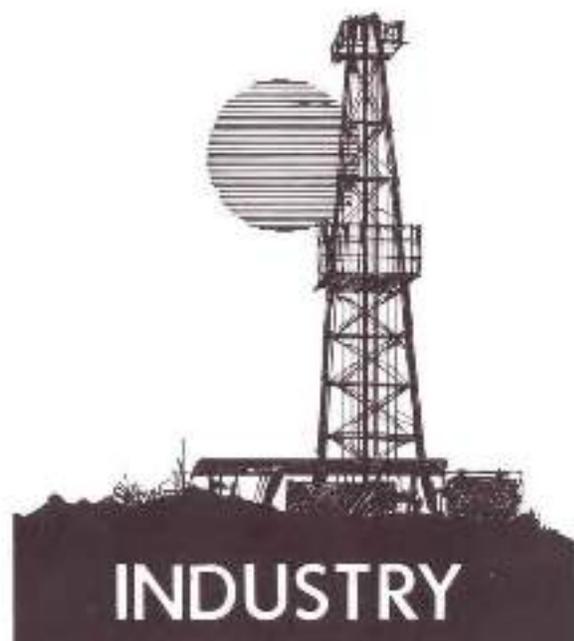


Top left: Greg Gibbons attacking the ball (white cap), middle left: Jeff Vensel defending the goal, middle right: the PoloGades waiting before a match, bottom: PoloGades (white caps) defending against CCS.



# In depth BC training provides

BY MARIE EDWARDS  
Raconteur Staff Writer



In view of the fact that Kern County provides over one third of the oil produced in the state at a monetary value of over \$800 million, S.E. Karp and John Zimmerman, BC geology professors, and H.K. Lautenschlager, chairman of the physical science department, have developed a unique two-year curriculum geared towards preparing students for a position in this lucrative business. Where in the past oil companies required at least a B.A. degree from their employees, it is now possible to enter the field with only the A.A. degree received upon completion of this in-depth training.

BC was the first community college in the nation to adopt the geotech program. Since it has been put into operation, inquiries have been received from university faculties throughout the world regarding the feasibility of setting up a similar course of study at their institutions. Even more importantly, employers have been seeking out applicants from among the ranks of these graduates to fill positions in their companies.

Because our nation, and, in fact, every nation, is facing a critical oil shortage at this time, more sophisticated techniques will be needed in locating all available sources of natural fuel, says Karp, and, hence, the demand for well-trained personnel will be even greater in the future.

DAVID E. WITTIG

Dave Wittig, a native of Vancouver, British Columbia, likes California and has decided to stay. BC's reputation for having a good engineering program, combined with the tuition-free policy for foreign students, enticed Wittig to take up residence in Bakersfield.

While fulfilling his general education requirements at BC, Wittig spent his summers working as a roustabout and engineering assistant for different oil companies in the area. He graduated from Berkeley in 1971, majoring in mechanical engineering with an option in petroleum.

Wittig has been employed with the Getty Oil Company for the past five years. Heading a team of six engineers in the exploration and production division, Wittig designs equipment for the relatively new dimension in oil production known as thermal recovery, involving the use of water or steam to obtain efficiency in utilizing the rapidly-dwindling resources of oil available.

Because it is the largest thermal recovery plant in the world and one of the first to pioneer in this new concept, the Kern River field draws visitors from Arabia, Russia, South America, Canada, Mexico and Japan to tour the facilities.

Wittig frequently attends training seminars and conventions sponsored by the American Petroleum Institute and the Society of Petroleum Engineers under the American Institute of Mining Metallurgical Petroleum Engineers. Last year his company sent him to Oklahoma for schooling in production operations.

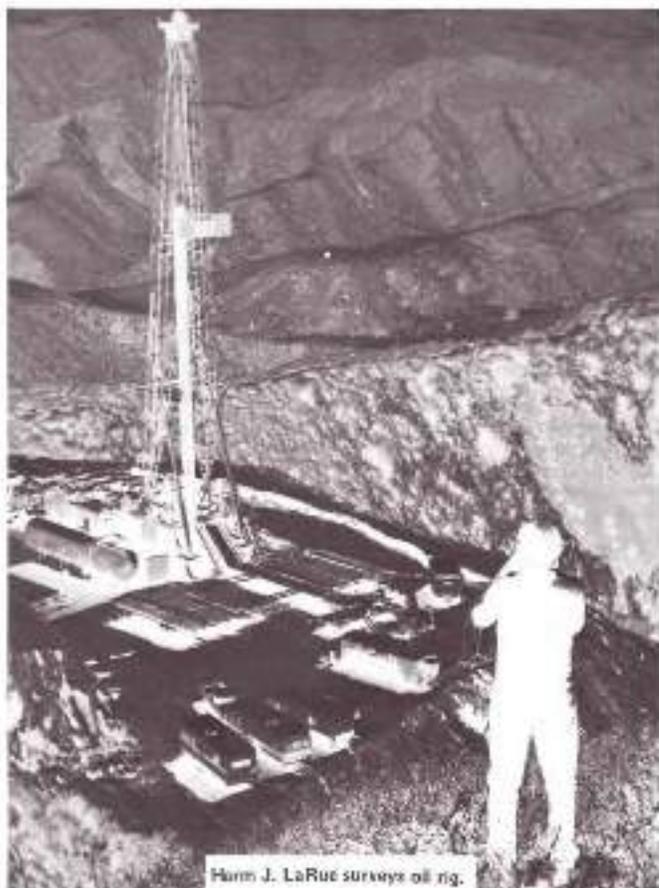


David Wittig at water plant. PHOTO BY MARIE EDWARDS.

On one occasion he delivered a presentation on thermal recovery and its improvements at the International Petroleum Exposition in Tulsa.

He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the American Institute of Mining Metallurgical Petroleum Engineers.

# oil industry with top workers



Harm J. LaRue surveys oil rig.

## HARM J. LARUE

If dedication is a key factor associated with success, there was certainly no evidence of a lack of prospects in Harm LaRue's future. With his collegiate experience beginning at Bakersfield College, LaRue embarked on a part-time association with Tenneco as a draftsman and geo-physics technician. During this time his wife, also a BC graduate, took on the responsibility of full-time employment to ease the financial burden.

In 1971 LaRue transferred to Cal State Bakersfield, where he earned a B.S. degree in earth science. After a brief interim of substitute teaching at the elementary level, he was hired by Gulf as an assistant geologist.

A year of graduate study at Fresno State while commuting from Bakersfield preceded his promotion to exploration geologist at Gulf. A number of complex procedures related to the search for hydrocarbons, including the evaluation of cuttings in determining the stratigraphy, paleontology, and structural design of wells in the southern San Joaquin Valley, along with the interpretation of surface maps, constitutes a substantial amount of the operations assigned to LaRue. He has been with Gulf for two years.

LaRue is a member of the American

Association of Petroleum Geologists and a candidate for a Masters' degree in geology from Fresno State. He and his wife have two small children.

## LEANN BROOKS

Leann Brooks was initially introduced to a future in geology by a course taken from BC professor John Zimmerman. After learning of an opening at a local exploration and development firm through instructor Stanley Karp, Brooks was hired by Bakersfield petroleum geologist and private consultant James R. Cox in January of 1975 and is still working for him.

Whereas employees in a large corporation are highly specialized, Brooks handles anything, from the drawing of contour maps, base maps, and cross sections and the reading of logs in determining possible oil deposits, to the distribution of royalties to investors. In at least one instance, she was instrumental in arriving at the decision to drill at a prospective site which proved to be extremely profitable.

At this time, Brooks is a part-time student at Cal State Bakersfield. This fall she tentatively plans to go to San Diego State as a full-time geology major in pursuit of a B.S. degree and possibly a masters'.



Drafting is one of the tasks designated to Leann Brooks at Overland Petroleum. PHOTO BY MARIE EDWARDS.

# 'Knowledge gained in BC classes :

KAREN MURRAY



Karen Murray at her drafting table at Tenneco.

BY DEBBIE HUNSINGER  
Raconteur Staff Writer

## DAN KRAFT

Dan Kraft is now a geophysicist technician with the local division of Gulf Oil Co. after attending BC for two years. Following graduation, he took more classes at BC and a few out of Cal State-Bakersfield before he landed his present job.

On his job now he is working with computers, but he admits, "The classes that I had at BC helped me a lot. When they started talking about the things they are doing, it really helps to understand. Compared to what I am doing, I wouldn't have gotten the job if I hadn't taken the classes I did take. Even though I am not really working with what they taught me at school, I can see where it really helped.

"I got interested in geology in my second year at BC. I wanted to get into the oil business, but I don't know if I am going to get my degree in oil or not," Kraft added. His future plans include transferring to San Diego State University. He is not sure what his major area of study there will be.

Kraft said, "The geology program at BC is set up so that if you want to work and learn, you can. But, if you want to slide through, you can do that too. If I had slid through, I wouldn't have this job. BC is a good place to start, and it really has great opportunities for a two year degree.

Hired by Tenneco in July of 1974, Karen Murray is a local girl all around. She was a BHS graduate in 1972 before moving directly to BC for two years and is now a draftsman for the engineering department of Tenneco.

"The geology classes I took at BC didn't really help me because I am not working in the oil division. I did take one semester of drafting at BC, but the main thing that got me this job was that I was unskilled and they could pay me a lesser salary. They didn't have the money to get anyone with experience. I am sure my background in geology didn't hinder me at all, and if I had been working with the oil division, I am sure it would have really helped me," she explained.

"There is really no way my geology classes could help me now, but they might come in handy later when I look for another job. I did originally apply for a position in the oil division here, but they didn't have any openings at the time," Murray added.

"It is a really good geology program they have at BC, and I really enjoyed it and both the teachers I had. It is just an interesting subject to take even if you aren't going to go through with it for a career."



Dan Kraft, geophysicist technician with Gulf Oil, plans to return to BC.

"I didn't really care too much for Cal State. They have a really weak geology program for a school in this area. I really recommend for anyone living in Bakersfield who is interested in oil or geography to attend BC for two years and then transfer to somewhere else that

has a strong program in that field," he said.

Kraft plans to take an electronics course next semester on the BC campus to help him understand the computers he is working with at Gulf.

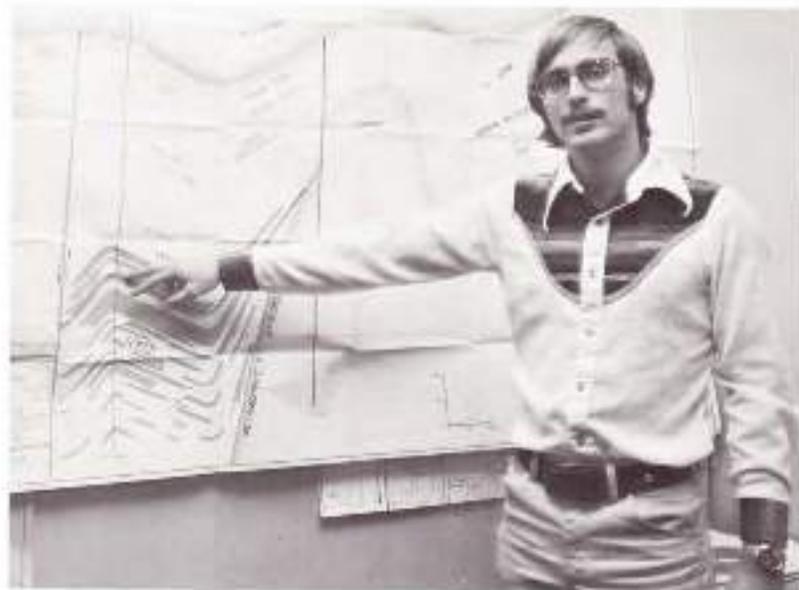
# a help out in the field

OWEN KITTRIDGE

"My official title is Data Clerk Geologist, but I do a lot more than just that. I use a tremendous amount of the information that I learned in my classes at BC, especially the one on petroleum geology," says Owen Kittridge, employee of the Cities Service Co. since January of 1975.

"I would rate the geology program at BC very high. I have talked to many people, and compared to Cal State, BC is the best around. BC is supposed to be a very good place, and working here I am able to communicate with the other people, thanks to the classes I have had," Kittridge explained.

Kittridge is currently a part-time student at BC and is going back to school to complete his general requirements. "I am going to get my AA and then transfer to the University of Colorado at Boulder to study geology and finish up to get my BA. I will still be working with the same company, and they are going to transfer me to their Boulder office," he added.



Owen Kittridge: Uses information learned at BC.

"The job that I have now should almost be a required class for anyone serious about geology. I am learning so many new things, so when I go back to school it won't be all completely foreign

to me. I will be able to understand it better than if I had gone straight through, and I will also have the experience behind me to get another job," Kittridge concluded.



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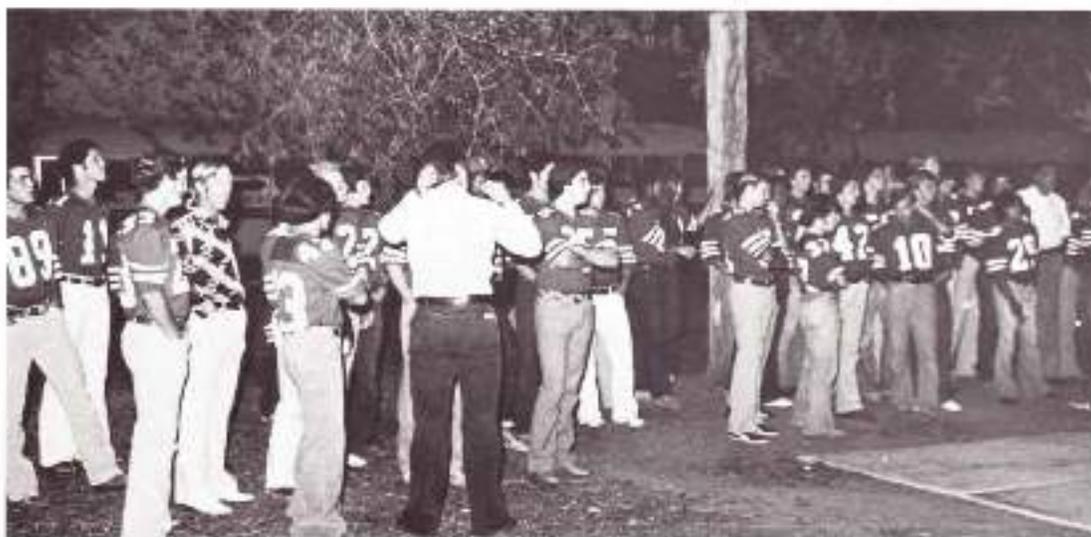
Pick your favorite BC gridder—the whole 1976 varsity team was first in line for steaks last fall at the annual steak feed.

Bakersfield College's Alumni Association is one of the oldest institutions in the community. Dating back to 1948, the association has, over the years, raised thousands of dollars for support of scholarships and the athletic programs for both men and women at this campus. The largest fund-raising activity is the annual Renegade Steak Feed, held in mid-September. Three years ago the event was moved from the police pistol range on Oak Street to its present site, the Kern County golf course picnic grounds. With the change in barbecue sites came a change in traditions: what was formerly a stag "bash" now became co-educational, with wives and women guests welcome.

The 1976 feed was highly successful, with over 1100 Renegade fans on hand to meet Garry Collis's varsity football team. According to Director of Student Activities Vic Ste, Maris, the event cleared \$7,000 for support of the BC athletic programs. Food Services Director Heger Johnson coordinated the preparation of steaks and salad, along with beans and rolls, which comprised the menu. Banker Raymond Duzendier was honorary chairman of the feed.



Larry Press, local sports editor and BC athletic trainer Jack Keithly, center, were served sizzling steaks by Ralph Nelson, Danny O'Neill and Mrs. O'Neill, right.



Varsity players were introduced by their respective coaches as a main feature of the program.

# 'Feiffer's People' fills theatre

The BC Theatre broke a dry spell of several years with its comedy production of "Feiffer's People" by Jules Feiffer in SAM-107 last winter.

The Student Theatre, once called "Experimental Theatre," presented the play before a full house at both performances.

Steve Bradshaw produced and acted in the play, along with Larry Allen, Amanda Beirne, and Georgie Whitefield.

"Feiffer's People," based on Jules Feiffer's comic strip, was presented as a series of humorous skits, which derived most of their humor from the use of irony.

For example, in one skit, a hood (Larry Allen) attempts to pick a fight with a guy (Steve Bradshaw) who is walking down the street with his girl friend (Georgie Whitefield). The guy and his girl friend eventually wind up in a fist fight over the stupidity of fighting.

A single piano provided the music between skits and a single spotlight was the only light in the theatre. The set and the room were completely painted black and performers were responsible for changing the props for their own parts.

The play was very short, (a little less than an hour), but the performers kept things moving smoothly throughout the play.

The actors and actresses displayed unusually polished acting skills and made the performance an enjoyable experience.

Bradshaw and Beirne are North High graduates and have performed in other productions in the area. Larry Allen, an Arvin graduate, won the Distinguished Performance by an Actor for his portrayal of Macbeth at the 1974 Foothill High Shakespearean Festival. Georgie Whitefield has performed for Starlight of Kern and recently performed in the "High Fever Follies."



Steve Bradshaw and Georgie Whitefield in the Student Theatre's production of 'Feiffer's People.' PHOTOS BY BRAD McNAUGHTON



Steve Bradshaw



Amanda Beirne and Georgie Whitefield. (left to right)

# Costumes, sets and actors

BY DEBBIE SPEER  
Raconteur Staff Writer

It's not how to get the job done, but rather how not to get caught doing it in Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap," presented by the BC Renegade Theater last fall.

The story revolves around the murder of a jurist (Gwen Savage) and the possible involvement of several others, all stranded in Monkswell Manor during a snowstorm.

In the classic Christie style, the players and director Hank Webb did well to protect the identity of the murderer until the very end. Nothing was allowed to be given away too soon, which built the suspense almost to a point of frustration, adding to the total affect of the production.

The suspects, some quite eccentric, are closely scrutinized by a Scotland Yard policeman (Sam Jenkins) who happens to appear on the scene just in time for the killing to take place.

The cast did a surprisingly adept job of portraying some fairly difficult characters. Liz Chavez and Rock Brock, in roles as suspects, turned in fine performances with some very effective acting. While some players tended to over play their voices and sometimes over-dramatize parts, Miss Chavez and Mr. Brock used their voices well and to their advantage throughout the play.

An "open proscenium," or single, set was used in the production. The stage crew, under the guidance of technical director Richard Evans had to construct the Monkswell Manor set to resemble as much as is possible, an older, yet still somewhat elegant, English mansion. Archedways, staircases and bay windows were used in the creation of the authentic-looking set.

The 1940's setting for "The Mousetrap" was further re-created by the costume designs of Mary Liou Garfield, and Debbie Williams, costume mistress.

The costuming staff spent months researching fashion trends of the era, making sure the costumes fit the different characters personalities, and then making their own patterns, fitting the performers and finally hand-sewing their creations.

Lighting can sometimes make or break a production such as "The Mousetrap." Lighting director David Hicks did an excellent job in creating a very effective lighting scheme for the play.

As with any play, the actors and actresses are the main point of interest. For the most part, they did a very good job on the stage.



Gwen Savage about to be "done in." PHOTO BY DAVID PAYTON.

A variety of characters are portrayed, including Giles and Mollie, a newlywed couple, played by Perry Ware and Liz Chavez; Mr. Paravicini (Joe Johnson), Miss Casewell (Lynn Putnam) and Major Metcalf (Brian Parks).

To the tune of "Three Blind Mice," the theme for the play, Sam Jenkins as the policeman investigates the other occupants of Monkswell Manor until the murderer is finally exposed. All suspects have the means or motives to commit the murder, but the end surprises all.

The surprise ending is part of the reason why "The Mousetrap" was England's longest running play in history after a run of 23 years.

Mystery writer Agatha Christie is well-known for her cliff-hanging and often complex stories, and BC's version was no exception. Agatha Christie fans and newcomers to the Christie style of mystery and suspense definitely were not disappointed.



Monkswell Manor residents Sam Jenkins, Perry Ware, Rock Brock, Liz Chavez, Lynn Putnam and Brian Parks protest their innocence. PHOTO BY AL NORIEGA.

# add suspense in 'Mousetrap'



Here technical director Richard Evans checks backstage set before curtain time. PHOTO BY STEVE PARKS.



Liz Chavez, as Mollie, wonders if her husband may be a murderer. PHOTO: DAVID PAYTON.

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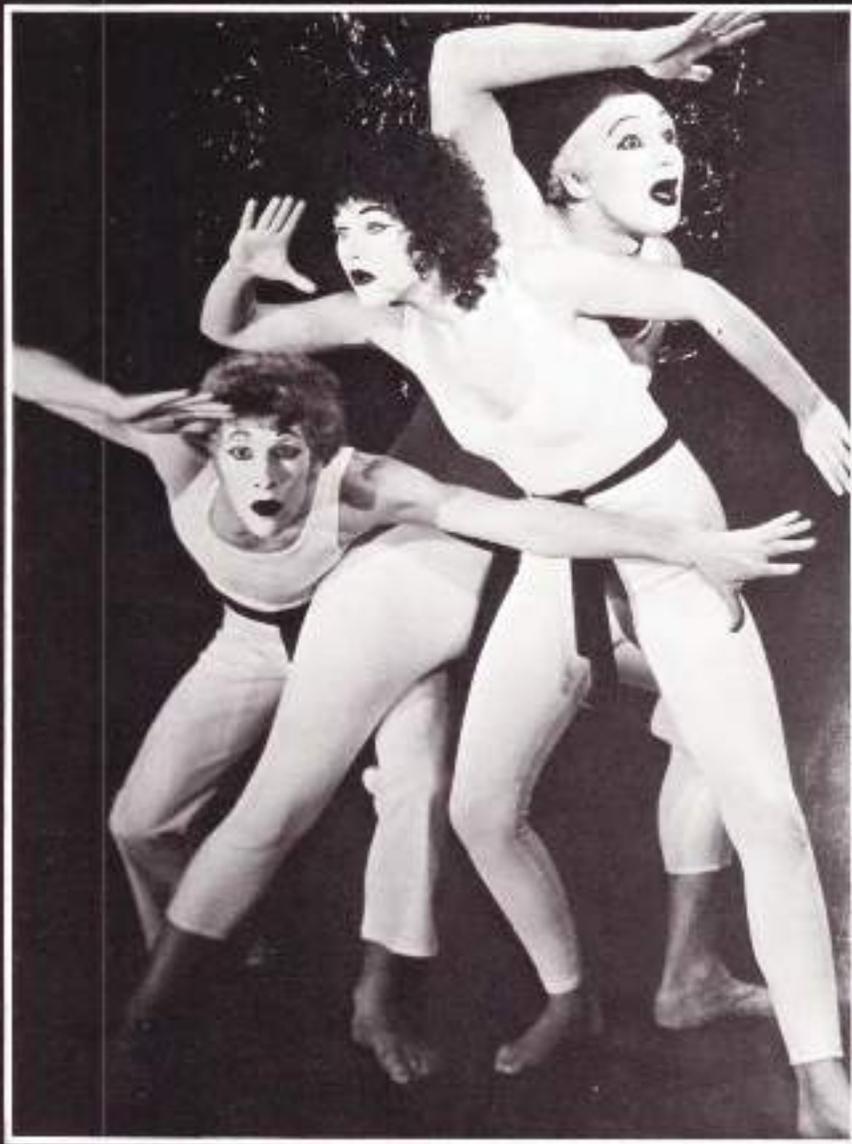
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# Oregon Mime Theatre



Here Burl Ross, Liz Page and director-member Francisco Reynders demonstrate the universal language of Mime before a delighted audience of sixth grade students.



The Oregon Mime Theatre danced itself into the heart of the community during its three day residency at BC late in November.

Francisco Reynders, 47, is director and third member to the group of Liz Page, 26, and Burl Ross, 24. Both Ross and Page were students of Reynders at Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Oregon, and they both have degrees in theatre arts.

Mime, the universal language of the gesture, knows no linguistic, social or educational barriers. It is a pure form of communication, performed on a high level of artistic excellence, and can be understood by all people, regardless of age or background.

The three performers dress in white body suits, with white faces accented in black. They present not one specific character, but rather the "neutral man." The performer on stage allows the audience to reflect themselves in his performance.

During the three days at the college, which were co-sponsored by the college and National Endowment for the Arts, the troupe entertained 300 sixth graders from Seibert School. The children howled with joy while watching Little Miss Muffet and Goldilocks and the Three Bears.

The group has toured and performed all the way from the Western U.S. to The Netherlands and the Arctic Circle. Their popularity is proven in the fact that they are booked through 1978.



It's makeup time backstage for Liz Page and Burl Ross.

# and USC Opera visit BC

BY DEBBIE HUNSINGER  
Raconteur Feature Editor

The USC Opera Workshop, under the direction of Natalie Limonick and Frans Boerlage, performed an evening of operatic excerpts from William Shakespeare's best works.

A single performance was presented on Dec. 18 in the BC Theatre by soloists and members of the USC opera department. All costumes and settings were constructed by students in the department at USC. This marked the second consecutive year the group appeared before a BC audience.

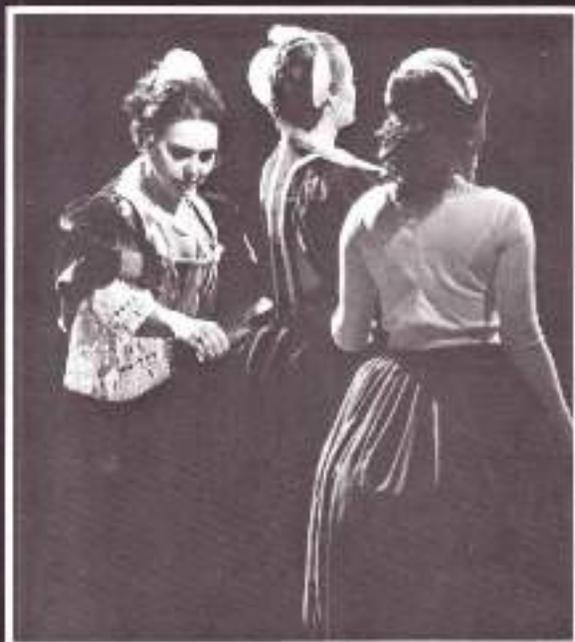
The performance included excerpts from well-known operas like Verdi's "Falstaff" and Berlioz's "Beatrice Et Benedict." Lesser known works such as Hamlet by the French composer Ambrois Thomas and the "Fairy Queen" by the English baroque composer Henry Purcell, were also featured.



Eileen Campbell, USC Opera student, in the roll of Tytania in Purcell's the "Fairy Queen."



PHOTOS BY FELIX ADAMO



Mrs. Ford, as played by Kristine Kent, from Nicolai's "Merry Wives of Windsor."

# KBCC makes improvements

BY MARK LUTTRELL  
Raconteur Staff Writer

Six years after it began operations, KBCC-FM is still going strong. Originally a club, the station was started by a group of BC students in 1971. Studios for the station were located in campus center.

In 1974, KBCC moved to new studios in the Language Arts Building when the station became part of the college curriculum. Now the station, and a variety of courses which accompany it, serve as a training ground for BC students interested in broadcasting. The station tries to maintain realistic conditions a student would find in professional stations. KBCC has continued to improve its facilities for this purpose.

This year saw the addition of a new control board in the air studio. It is one of the more modern pieces of equipment found in stations today.

Also new to the station this year is the introduction of the UPI teletype unit. Through its use more informative newscasts have been made possible. The number of newscasts was expanded to three per day, in the morning, afternoon and in the evening. Also entertainment news was also featured as part of the programming.

Another new feature begun during the spring semester was a program called "Things French." BC instructor Richard Duax coordinated the program, which consisted of selections from French folk and contemporary music, and taped exercises in pronunciation and grammar. Also included were French poetry and recipes. The program was set up so that it could be heard in the Listening Lab and the Library Learning Center as well as in the campus center and on cable FM.

KBCC also broadcasts a wide variety of music including classical, jazz, country and western, soul, and a majority of rock.

The station's big project for the spring semester has been to promote a new image to its listeners. Although still known as KBCC from a legal standpoint, K-106 FM, has been adopted as a new designation for the BC station. "K-106 is being used as a code identification," according to Mike Bell, the station's Music and Program Director. With the new image, KBCC is also striving to be an album oriented rock music station.

A new method of preparing the station log was introduced in February. Instead of doing the entire operation by hand, the job is now being done through the use of a computer. That development is rather unique in that it is probably the only station in this area to produce its log in this manner. Use of the computer has enabled production to be more efficient and less time consuming.

In describing the purpose of KBCC, station advisor and BC broadcasting instructor Ron Dethlefsen commented, "it is to be a vocational training laboratory for people who want to make a career in radio. We also serve as a public relations outlet for news about BC." Another function the station serves is doing some educational programming related to courses at BC.

Asked what was in the plans for the future, Dethlefsen said, "I think we'll do more educational programming such as foreign language and perhaps music appreciation."

KBCC can be heard at 106 FM on both Bakersfield and Warner Cables.



Terry Dorsey gets set to play another hit song from the KBCC studios. PHOTO BY LEWIS WAKELAND.



The news-team gets into action as Mark Luttrell and Lewis Wakeland check stories on KBCC's new UPI teletype unit. STAFF PHOTO.

# and goes to K-106



From the newsroom, KBCC newsmen Rocky Nolasco informs listeners of the day's events, as Gary Stein looks on. Engineering the newscast is Marty (Rainbow) Boyer in the air studio. STAFF PHOTO.



KBCC secretary Sue Scrote prepares the log for another day's broadcasting. PHOTO BY LEWIS WAKELAND.



KBCC disc-jockey Richard Harrison keeps listeners in tune with those great rock sounds.



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# 'Not equal people, but equal laws'

BY DEBBIE SPEER  
Raconteur Staff Writer

"Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

—The Equal Rights Amendment

Sounds simple doesn't it? Yet it has caused a lot of controversy from the time it was first introduced in 1974 up to the present, lacking the ratifications of only four more states to become law.

Anita Miller, director of the National ERA Project, spent some time at Bakersfield College last fall explaining the ramifications and also the opposition to the ERA.

**An idea that began 200 years ago**

According to Mrs. Miller, the ERA is one of the most far-reaching things that might happen in this country in this century. "What we're really talking about is completing the idea we began 200 years ago... all people are equal under the law, regardless of race, color or creed."

Opponents of the ERA, Mrs. Miller explained, are "far right-wing groups" who are "most vocal and up-front, but small in numbers."

Mrs. Miller also noted that the main arguments against the ERA deal with family relations, social security, the draft, and privacy.

Mrs. Miller feels most of these arguments are "irrelevant" to the real issues, or that the ERA does not apply to them.

"The ERA does not have anything to do with the cultural relationships between people" when dealing with family relations. The draft issue is one that is very emotional, conceded Mrs. Miller, and the use of very emotional issues has been used to slow the ERA down by many opposition groups.

"The matter of privacy has developed from a fear that men and women might have to use the same restrooms. The matter of privacy has been protected by other provisions. It's a ridiculous issue, extraneous to the real issue. And there are locks," she laughed. "If we want to we can lock the doors!"

**No reverse discrimination**

Another concern about the ERA is that of "reverse discrimination," in which those being discriminated against begin to get preferential treatment.

Mrs. Miller explained that this cannot happen under the ERA since the ERA does not set up a quota system, or any



"What we're really talking about is completing the idea we began 200 years ago... all people are equal under the law." PHOTO BY MARY SAWYER.

means of enforcement at all for that matter. That way it cannot produce a new type of double standard for men and women.

"The point is: not equal people, but equal laws," she emphasized.

"The ERA makes possible for the interpretation of laws to go in the direction of equality. It will allow for a legal remedy (for inequality) which is now missing," continued Mrs. Miller.

She feels a great need to inform the public about the ERA. The project does much research on the legal and social aspects of legal equality.

The ERA project has published much material for its cause. "We're successful from an educational standpoint. We will have published five books. We've had abstracts printed in many professional journals and we publish a monthly magazine," she stated.

Another of Mrs. Miller's projects is the California Commission on the Status of Women, of which she is the chairperson.

"The commission is assigned to study and recommend on a specific issue — to study laws and practices which create hardships and inequities for women and makes recommendation on its findings."

Mrs. Miller and her husband, Dr. John N. Miller, live in Sacramento with their two daughters. She received her bachelor's degree in education from Cal State San Francisco and her master's degree from Stanford.

Mrs. Miller is also a national vice president of the American Association of University Women and 1970-72 president of its California division. She was a delegate to a conference of International University Women in Tokyo in 1974.

## Dr. Joyce Brothers

# 'Don't worry about your image...'

BY DEBBIE SPEER  
Raconteur Staff Writer

Dr. Joyce Brothers doesn't worry about her image when she speaks out on love, marriage and sex, nor does she worry about it at any other time.

"If you start to worry about image, you become incapable of functioning," explained Dr. Brothers in a pre-lecture press conference at BC's Downtown Center.

Dr. Brothers appeared in the first of a series of lectures in the Community Lecture Series at BC last fall. The world renowned psychologist spoke on "Love in 1977" before a packed house in the BC Theater.

"Love is a miracle drug. It's the best miracle we know," Dr. Brothers emphatically stated. But she went on to say that as much as one may love another, the two may never feel they know each other well. "When you live with somebody for a long time and you love them very dearly, they are very complex people and you never feel that you really know them well."

In the "Brothers System" for a successful marriage, Dr. Brothers stresses a marriage of equals. "A liberated marriage in terms of an equal marriage seems to be our best bet for happiness."

Total happiness for the duration of a marriage does not always happen. Dr. Brothers once felt that an extra-marital affair spelled the end of a marriage, but recent studies show it can have a healthy effect on a marriage, especially for a woman. What's significant, she said, is that the woman is saying, "Talk to me... talk to me." That's the key thing.

Dr. Brothers who once maintained a private practice and taught at Hunter College and Columbia University, now limits her college appearances to lectures.

### A prescription for good marriage

"But that's not the prescription for a good marriage," she pointed out. "There are much better and less dangerous ways to improve a marriage."

One of these ways to improve a marriage is to find something a couple has never done before and learn it together. She gave a personal example of what she and her husband, Milton, a medical doctor, did.

"We bought a farm in upstate New York, and we're learning how to farm, and there's an enormous amount to learn together because we've never done it before. Everything is so exciting and so fascinating. We grew corn and found the



"Love is a miracle drug," stated noted psychologist Dr. Brothers, left, last fall in an interview with staff writer Debbie Speer. PHOTOS BY ERNIE LUCERO.

raccoons were eating it, and so we had to find out from all kinds of people what to do about it. One person told us to put a transistor radio in the cornfield. So the raccoons ate to music and stole the radio!"

### A future senator?

In her own future, Dr. Brothers envisions a seat in the U.S. Senate. She feels most of the people in politics today have been trained to find faults and pitfalls instead of how to "make things work."

And that's why she feels more psychologists and psychiatrists should run for public office. "They have been trained in the humanities and in how people work," she explained.

She also feels that women are more suited for politics because "women are more accomplishment-oriented, whereas men are often in politics for the power."

The possibility of a woman being elected to one of the nation's higher offices is very real, she said.

"Numerically, women can vote a woman into every office in the land because women outnumber men voters, and yet we don't have a woman in the Senate today."



"... More psychologists and psychiatrists should run for office."



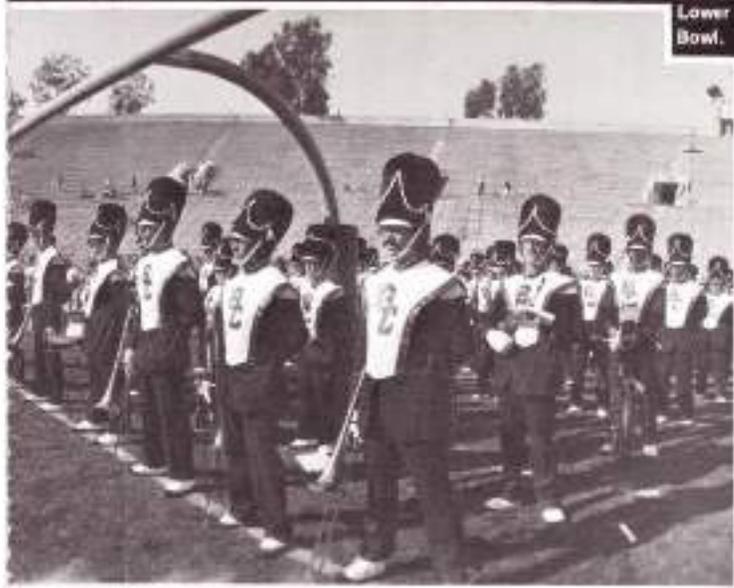
# MUSIC



# The beat goes on . . . .



Upper left: Dr. Wood, director of the band, is demonstrating during a percussion rehearsal. Above: Ernest Cervantes, Joe Mastmaker, Dr. Wood, and Jeff Weston, members of the percussion ensemble that performs throughout the community. Lower left: The Renegade Marching Band prepares to take the field at the Jr. Rose Bowl.



One of the most effective forms of public relations BC has going for it is the music department. The many performances of the choir, chamber singers, band, and jazz ensemble, reflect upon the school and its students.

The chamber singers were very active last fall. They performed a concert at the First Christian Church in Bakersfield. Later, they toured Southern California, performing at Orange Coast College, Riverside College, and at Leisure World, a retirement village. The chamber singers spread good cheer throughout the Christmas Holidays with their annual "Festival of Carols" at St. Joseph's Church in Bakersfield and a community concert at Kern City.

The Renegade Marching Band is a familiar sight at all BC home football games and sends a pep band to all basketball games. The band program is always expanding and has created smaller performing groups, such as the Jazz Ensemble, (see page 65) and the percussion group pictured.

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# The sound of music



Top row, left to right: Kevin Trueblood, Vicki Moore, Larry Fish, Ann Saecker, Susanna Iritani, Janet Tamow, Nick Gomez, Lynn McDowell, Peter Mayer, Lisa Lippo, Robert Ortega, Delinda Helmstadter. Second row: Margaret Wood, Russell Unruh, Kathy Gossman, John Norris, Visian Ball, Terry Terrance, Jan Healey, Truett Wright, Carol Harris, Mark Cross, Kenna Jones, Roy Valles, Peggy Lewis.

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Choir: Barbara Wild, new choir director, leads a group of enthusiastic girls during practices. PHOTO BY JO STANFIELD.



Robert Oliveira gives last minute instructions and encouragement to singers before a performance. STAFF PHOTO.

# New semester: new faces



A familiar sight at registration time: students shuffling schedules in Library 4.



After the routine pain of registration is over, classes begin.



The battle of the bulge: business booms in book store as students fight lines.

# KCCD Board of Trustees:

Who are the trustees charged with determining and implementing policies that affect thousands of students, faculty members and classified employees on widely scattered Kern Community College District campuses from Bakersfield to Ridgecrest? What do they do?

The seven members who make up this governing body (KCCD) are charged with approving and adopting policies for the operation of the district, providing adequate funds to enable the staff to execute these policies, and acting as a board of appeals. Details of administration are delegated to officers and employees, while the Chancellor, who serves as Secretary to the Board, is held responsible for the efficient administration and supervision of the entire system.

The Board of Trustees exists by virtue of and derives its powers from the Constitution and Acts of the California Legislature, and the rules and regulations of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.

Seven members represent the district on the basis of trustee areas. At an annual organization meeting, in early April, a president and a clerk are elected for a one-year term. Regular meetings of the Board are held twice each month, with dates, time, and place determined at the annual reorganization meeting. Special meetings may be called. By tradition, the Board meets annually at Bakersfield College, Porterville and Cerro Coso campuses.

**DR. GILBERT J. PLAIN** — Dr. Plain holds B.S., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in Physics from the University of North Dakota and Wisconsin and has worked as a special observer, U.S. Weather Station, North Dakota and held faculty positions at the Universities of North Dakota, Wisconsin and Iowa. He taught graduate courses in Physics and Engineering at UCLA and University of Utah. In recent years he has worked at the Naval Weapons Center and is currently Education Director and consultant. Active in school board in the Indian Wells Valley area, Dr. Plain joined the KCCD in July, 1973.

He is a member of numerous professional and scientific societies and is listed in American Men and Women of Science and Who's Who in the West. He and his wife, Felice, have four children: Karen, Margaret, John and Janet.



This was the December 2, 1976 meeting of KCCD Trustees. From left: Angus Marchbanks, Loren Voth, Dr. Gilbert J. Plain, Chancellor Edward Simonsen, M. Glenn Bultman, Board President, Mark G. Raney and Edward B. Cornell. Mrs. Lorraine Anderson, Administrative Assistant, at right foreground. STAFF PHOTO.



Dr. Gilbert J. Plain, Glenn Bultman and Chancellor Edward Simonsen confer before meeting starts. STAFF PHOTO.

# Who are they?



**MARK G. RANEY** — Raney earned his B.S. degree in Agricultural Economics at University of California, Berkeley and has long been active in local agribusiness, currently serving as Manager of Community Relations for Tenneco. His civic background includes the presidency of Bakersfield Rotary Club, chairmanship of the Kern County Grand Jury in 1960, a term as director of the Bakersfield Chamber of Commerce, director, Better Business Bureau and director of Kernview Community Mental Hospital. He's been active as director of Kern Lake Cooperation Cotton Gin, and is currently Vice-President, Kern Philharmonic Society. He joined the Board of Trustees in 1960 and served as president from 1970-72. Three of his four children have attended Bakersfield College.

**ANGUS MARCHBANKS** — A graduate of Bakersfield College and UCLA with a major in Business Administration, Marchbanks served as an accountant for six years with Bakersfield City Schools before serving Kern Union High School District as an accountant. He is chief executive officer of Bakersfield Community Hospital and Pioneer Community Hospital. He has

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**EDWARD B. CORNELL** — Edward Cornell graduated from Porterville schools and earned B.A. and M.A. degrees at Stanford University. He is a past president of Tulare County Taxpayers Association, the Porterville Chamber of Commerce and presently serves as President of Porterville Union High School District Board. He was elected to the Porterville Union High School and College District Board of Trustees in 1959 and served as Board chairman.

He is a land developer and has been a member of KCCD Board of Trustees since 1968. He exerted strong personal leadership in the decision of the Porterville High School and Junior College District to separate and in the subsequent drive for voter approval for Porterville JCD to annex to Kern Community College District.



Mark G. Raney and Edward B. Cornell discuss agenda.

# Trustees have varied backgrounds

served as President of the Bakersfield College Alumni Association and been active in North Bakersfield Rotary Club and American Legion. Marchbanks has served as a KCCD Trustee since 1969. One daughter is enrolled in the L.V.N. class at Bakersfield College while another daughter is an R.N. at Bakersfield Community Hospital.

**M. GLENN BULTMAN** — A former student body president of Bakersfield High School and BC, Bultman earned his AB degree from University of California, Berkeley and his law degree from Hastings College of Law. He practices law in Bakersfield as a partner in the firm of Bultman, Bianchi and Kelly. Long active in civic life, he has served as President of Kern County Bar Association, Greater Bakersfield Chamber of Commerce and Bakersfield Kiwanis Club. He's been a member of the Board of Trustees since 1959, serving as clerk from 1959-70. He was elected President of the Board in July, 1974.

**LOREN VOTH** — His educational background includes elementary and high school in Wasco, Bakersfield College and Stanford University. A KCCD Trustee since 1968, Voth served on the Board of Trustees of both Wasco Union High School and Elementary School Districts. He has been a diversified farmer in the Wasco area since 1942 and active in agricultural affairs. In 1962 he was awarded the Kern Division, CTA Award for outstanding contribution to education. His three children include Ann, a teacher in Daly City, Darrell, a junior at Fresno State, and Patricia, a senior at Wasco Union High. Voth served as KCCD President from 1972-73.



Cecil J. Bailey

**CECIL J. BAILEY** — A partner in the accounting firm of Bailey, Brennan and Davis, Bailey attended Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario and holds degrees as chartered accountant (Canada) and CPA (California). Married to the former Doris Withers of Toronto, Bailey has five children, two of them BC graduates. He worked in Colombia, South America for International

Petroleum of Canada and later for Kennecott Copper Corporation.

Bailey is a past president of the Salt Lake Chapter Institute of Internal Auditors, Bakersfield Toastmasters Club No. 270 and the Bakersfield Chapter California CPA's. He is a past Senior Warden, St. Paul's Episcopal Parish and has served as KCCD Trustee since 1971 and Clerk of the Board since 1972.



# Jazz concert — kept the toes tappin '

BY JAMES E. MEADOWS  
Raconteur Staff Writer

In December, the Bakersfield College Jazz Ensemble combined their musical talents with Bakersfield's own professional jazz band—The Electric Oil Sump—and with special guest Alan Broadbent to provide one of the most enjoyable music performances of the school calendar.

A near capacity crowd attended the concert held in the BC Theatre and soon found that they could not get away from the sounds that filled concert halls to the rim with music several years ago.

Under the direction of Dr. Charles Wood, the BC Jazz Ensemble performed numbers from a variety of composers ranging from Richard Rodgers to Anthony Aguilar. Among the other composers included were Richard Aronson, Sammy Nestico, Curt Berg, Chuck Mangione and Pat Williams.

The Ensemble played a consistent show of toe tapping tunes and combined the talents of its 27 members from the college to provide a memorable evening of jazz.

Shortly before the intermission, Alan Broadbent, formally with Woody Herman, played a short but pleasing set at the keyboards. The composer-arranger played his own work much to the satisfaction of the audience in attendance.

After the crowd returned to their seats, it was time for the Electric Oil Sump to go to work and to try to use its members effectively to please the already attentive crowd. The performance was a success, especially to Dr. Wood, who commented on the night's concert. "I am really glad that so many people were able to attend," he said. "And we played pretty well too."

During the performance, Wood commented on the style of music Broadbent plays and concluded in saying that he wished "we could all listen to him for a couple of hours because he is truly a musician of his own kind."

The Electric Oil Sump proved to be of professional caliber throughout the evening, with their songs being very tight but yet very comfortably balanced by the group's at ease on stage. From "Basically, The Blews" all the way down to Broadbent's "Blues at Sea," the group remained strong and pleased the crowd with their sound. It makes one think of what it must have been like to play back when jazz was on top of it all.



The sax section pours out a hot solo.



An intense "Doc" leads the show.



A Dave Taylor solo: "Legend."



Dave Ramirez, BC's Drum Major, shows his jazz talents. PHOTOS BY JAMES E. MEADOWS.

# Ex-Nixon aide speaks on decision making

BY RICK CHURCH  
Raconteur Editor

"I sort of resent people saying, 'that's the guy who blew the whistle on Nixon' or 'let the cat out of the bag,' or 'squealed,' because I don't feel that's what I did at all," said Alexander Butterfield, ex-aide to Richard Nixon, during a lecture at BC last November.

Butterfield received national attention when he revealed the taping system in the White House.

At BC, Butterfield lectured on "Decision Making" and "Ethics in Government: A Personal Perspective on Watergate."

The afternoon lecture was entirely devoted to decision making and Butterfield only mentioned Watergate when questioned about it. He offered an abundance of credentials that qualified him to speak on decision making at the Pentagon, at a federal agency, and in the Oval Office.

agencies, and the President from the initial stages to the official decisions made in each of these departments. Butterfield felt that the military had by far the most formal and thorough procedure to follow. Before the Joint Chiefs of Staff formally take a position, the topic has been researched, discussed, and reviewed by the staff of each of the branches of the military, army, navy, and air force—then reviewed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Butterfield made the claim that the decision making process in a federal agency is the most informal, depending entirely upon the head of the agency, a presidential appointee. Butterfield quoted Barry Goldwater and said, "The President can recommend, Congress can legislate, but if the bureaucracy doesn't want it to get done, by God, it won't get done."

Butterfield drew from his experience in the Nixon administration when

"When we went into the East Room on the 21st of January, 1969 and we all stood there shiny faced and got sworn in, Haldeman held a meeting of those of us who were going to be key staff members. And he let it be known at that meeting that the most important single thing henceforth and forever, that we staff members must bear in mind at all times, is that the President must get re-elected in 1972."

Butterfield said that he didn't intend to reveal the existence of the tapes. "I knew about the tapes. Hell yes, I knew about the tapes. But when I was subpoenaed to go before the Watergate Committee, I had it in my mind that I wouldn't say anything about the tapes unless I was asked a direct question about it."

After Butterfield left the White House and took his post at the FAA, he was forced to face a grand jury regarding illegal phone taps. Butterfield said that

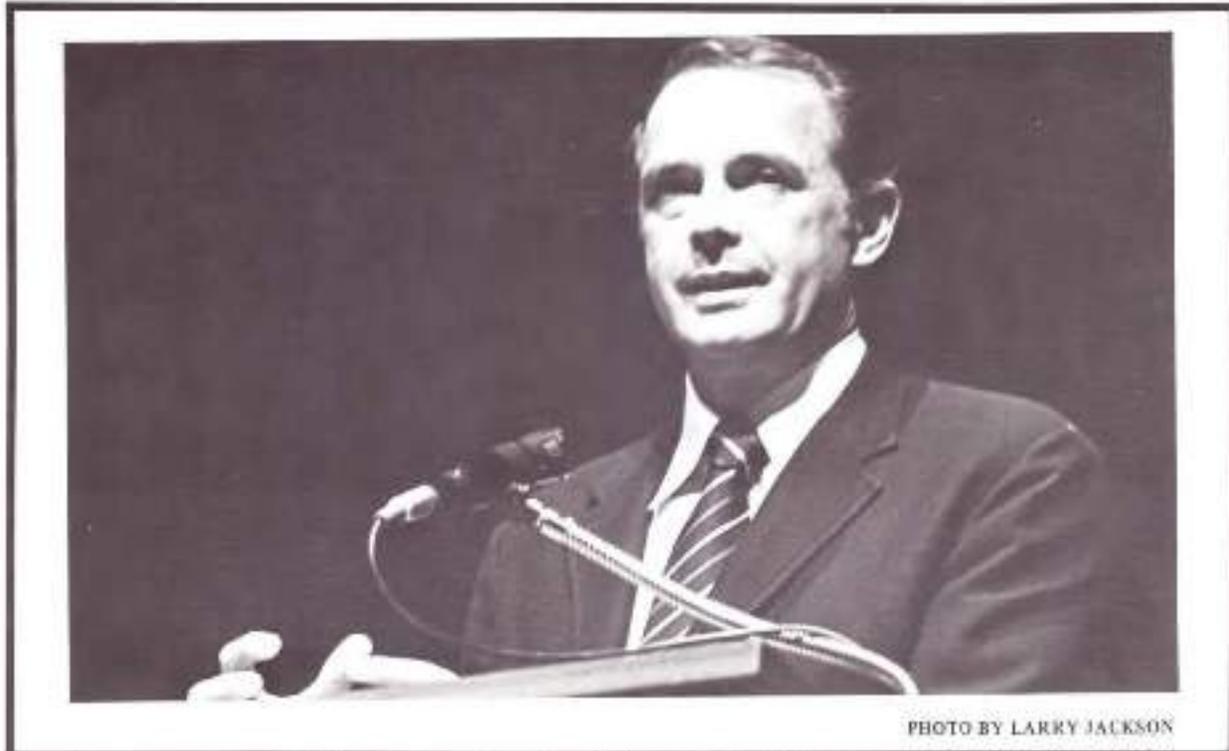


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In his long career, Butterfield has been involved in the decision making process in each of these areas. He had been a policy planner for the Air Force; special assistant to Robert McNamara, Secretary of Defense during the Johnson administration; liaison between the Air Force and the secretary of defense; presidential aide to Richard Nixon; and head of the Federal Aviation Administration.

Butterfield explained the procedure followed by the military, federal

discussing, the third area, decision making in the Oval Office. "What ever the decision was, it would always enhance the President's reputation and image. Political? You bet it was political. The decisions were always decided on the basis of their vote getting ability and if they were politically beneficial, not forgetting if they would be beneficial to the American people."

Butterfield said that there was a loyalty between all of the people involved with the Nixon administration.

one of his old memos had been stolen and doctored in eleven different ways, to involve him in a crime. After producing his own carbon of the original, he was able to convince the grand jury and the special prosecutor that he was innocent. "Rose Woods would have been the only one who could have typed the thing. I just have to believe that the President knew or had something to do with it. I mean, he was the boss. He ran things very tightly," said Butterfield.

# DTC: starts third year

BY LISE M. WEBB  
Raconteur Staff Writer

What makes a community college downtown center unique? In Bakerfield College's case, it's flexibility, atmosphere, and "new" students. These were the initial goals when the Downtown Center opened in January 1978, and they continue to describe the DTC's emphasis in future plans.

According to DTC Dean Dr. Charles R. Carlson, the Downtown Center has more than met its goals; its growth and performance "Have been really exceptional. We've been able to adjust programs to meet the needs of individuals and the community... in training people in other than a formal college setting."

A second objective was to "create an atmosphere to participate" in activities at the DTC "rather than going to the main campus." Attracting "new" students, which was a slow process initially, involves "encouraging enrollment by people who would not usually go (or had never gone) to college."

Today, with some 2000 students fall semester (and a projected 2300 to 2400 spring semester) ranging in age from 18 to 82, the Downtown Center is an integral part of Bakerfield College that performs unique functions for its students.

Open entry-open exit courses and self-paced individual study are the most visible evidence of DTC's flexibility. Among the most popular of these are mathematics and reading courses, which use self-instruction, a contract made by the student to spend so many hours a week on the course, and audio visual programs in the Learning Center.

Students gain confidence, Dr. Carlson says, "through mastery learning. They can't proceed until they master the material. So all work is at the A or B level." Modified open-entry courses are also available in fashion merchandising and English.

Another important part of the DTC curriculum is pre-professional and continuing training for public service employees: police and fire science. In DTC's open areas on second floor, firemen and police officers hear lectures and get demonstrations on equipment and skills, in cooperation with the Kern County Fire Department and the Bakerfield Police Department. BC graduate Archie Sherman supervises police class training.

At the request of Downtown businessmen and city and county officials, the office skills programs were developed. DTC now does all clerical testing for city and county government offices. This cooperation, says Dr. Carlson, allows students to enroll in courses immediately if they fail the tests and inevitably gives government and business better-prepared applicants.

Flexibility was also built into the structure when the building, formerly Fedway Department Store, was remodeled. Areas were left open with movable partitions and storage cabinets for changing programs.



This is the DTC at night, with both classrooms and parking lot working to capacity. PHOTO BY CHUCK DAVIS.



Ron Marshall of Kern County Fire Department, demonstrates fire fighting equipment to Jim Kessler, Mel McLaughlin, Ken Bonner and Jack Bonner. PHOTO BY LISE WEBB.

Atmosphere is also enhanced by the remodeling, with irregular, informal spaces and hallways, windows to look into classrooms, and a generally non-traditional, comfortable, and colorful setting. Dr. Carlson says student surveys reveal that students feel more comfortable at the Downtown Center than in traditional campuses. New programs will be limited in the future due to space restrictions as no state funding provisions are available to remodel the second floor.

"New" student enrollment is one of the DTC's most impressive accomplishments. Counselor Harvey Warren estimates that about 75% of DTC students have never attended college before with an even higher percentage for older students. Dr. Carlson added that the DTC has done a good job but that it takes a while to get these people thinking about attending college. Many new students work downtown and find the DTC classes convenient before or after work.

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# Students attend DTC to

The profile of Downtown Center students is, according to Carlson, "tremendously varied." DTC students are slightly older than main campus students, with an average age of about 32. Warren notes more older students attending courses this year. He also finds a difference between day and night DTC students. Daytime students, he feels, are predominantly females who do not have jobs and take courses to learn basic skills. Night students usually have jobs and take a wide variety of courses to upgrade

## Night courses biggest draw

and acquire new skills. He also noted that night courses are the DTC's biggest draw—many courses such as Psychology have too many students, and all areas in the building are usually filled with classes at night.

Spa in the Downtown Center has also been given other educational programs such as the Senior Aging Program, the Community Video Access Center, and the National Alliance of Businessmen.

The Senior Aging Program serves aging persons in Kern County with special classes and an information and referral service. New classes this year included income tax preparation and crime prevention, in addition to dressmaking, boutique items, and china painting.

The information and referral service has tried to pinpoint the needs of senior adults, according to information coordinator Victor Garcia. Problem areas such as transportation, home-helpers, housing, and money have been worked on by volunteers and staff. Garcia says they have been active in contacting apartment building owners, providing senior discount cards and identifying merchants who give senior discounts, and in helping seniors hire home-helpers.

## 'Attitudes about aging changed'

The program, run 75-90% by volunteers, many of whom are seniors themselves, "has helped change people's attitudes about aging and seniors," says Garcia. "The concept of aging is changing, both in the community and in the seniors themselves, like realizing they can go back to school."

The Downtown Center also serves as a center for community groups and activities when not in use for classes. A Senior Citizen's Fair and Chamber of Commerce Community Needs Conference involved many citizens outside the college in events held at the DTC facility this year. Horizon High School, just across the street, also uses DTC facilities.

Journalism was also a popular subject, with courses in newsroom operation, mass media, photojournalism and TV newswriting taught in evening classes.



Here DTC Dean Charles Carlson confers with Walter McClellan, assistant dean of admissions and records. PHOTO BY CHUCK DAVIS.



Fashion merchandising student Gail Sanford does tracing in a design class. PHOTO BY LISE WEBB.

# acquire and upgrade skills



This is a typical scene in the morning secretarial skills and office procedure training class. STAFF PHOTO.



Ken Harris and Gilbert Bustamante experiment in tuning a color TV set as part of the electronics program. PHOTO BY LISE WEBB.



Melanie McDonald at study carrel in IBEC practices taking dictation by independent study. PHOTO BY LISE WEBB.



Police Science classes train rookies in art of self defense.

**The campus center:**

**a place to study,**

**meet friends,**

**or just think...**



**photos by Jeff Ward**





# Students visit with nature

BY RICK CHURCH  
Raconteur Editor



Backpacking: Crystal clear King's River is just an example of the beautiful scenery the group encountered during their fun-filled weekend.

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to breathe really clean air, or see all the stars at night? Thanks to a class, backpacking, offered by the BC physical education department, 21 BC students experienced these sensations and many more.

Phyllis Hullet taught the class, which prepared the students for the fast growing and esthetically pleasing sport. Students learned a working knowledge of equipment—how to buy and use it—body conditioning, and the ethics of backpacking.

In mid-October the class left for an exciting, fun back pack trip to Paradise Valley in the Kings Canyon National Park. The group left "Road's End" late in the afternoon and followed a pleasant two mile trail to "Bubb's Creek" to camp for the night. Some campers had brought along three inch thick steaks they had frozen for use the first night. I managed to hold down my freeze dried chili (a backpack standby) while friends feasted.

The next day we were all astounded by the Kings River thundering down the rocks at Mist Falls. Paradise Valley lay somewhere above four miles of steep, rocky, barren country. The valley proved to be worth the journey. We had climbed beyond the roaring rapids and could relax by the lazy, trout filled river.

That night was very aventful. We had all heard stories from homeward bound backpackers about bears raiding campsites for food and carrying off their breakfast, lunch and dinner. Most of us had no problem, but some campers were allegedly run out of camp by bears. I have to admit, I heard something that night . . . I'm not sure what . . . but you can bet it wasn't friendly Smokey the Bear.

This class, and another taught by Bruce Pfitzenreuter, has spawned many backpacking enthusiasts and is a immensely rewarding course.



Included in group are: Kenny Blanton, Paul Borkovich, Chuck Burgin, Rick Church, Joe Clark, Mike Graham, Richard Milas, Rayleen Roganit, Lynette Rhoades, Stephen Rotando, Douglas Scott, Weldon Sharr, Sindi Steinbeck, Donald Stidman, Jeff Tierce, Nick Weitzel, John Westbrook, Debra Wilson, Greg Horns, Nick Beau, Bill Bradshaw.

# Rock climbing: A new hobby

BY DEBBIE SPEER  
Raconteur Staff Writer

As varied as the different people on the BC campus are their hobbies and ways of spending their spare time.

One such example is a group that took much time off this year to practice and learn the techniques of rock climbing.

Ric Williams, an Arvin High graduate, and Kris Reichert from BHS have been scaling walls of rock all over the world for several years, and are primarily responsible for the sudden interest taken by several members of the BC community.

Ric and Kris, both members of the Circle K Club, began by taking a couple of fellow club members on a climbing expedition into the Kern Canyon last fall.

Within two weeks, practically every member of the club had done some simple climbing in the canyon, with a few receiving detailed instruction from Williams and Reichert. One of their "pupils," Andy Ratermann, made probably the most progress of any.

"We can't keep him off the mountain for more than a week at a time!" exclaimed Ric. "The first time we went climbing, Andy beat both Kris and myself to the top of what should have been a fairly difficult climb for a beginner not using any equipment."

Rock climbing demands not only physical strength, coordination and a good sense of balance, but a lot of nerve and confidence, especially nerve.

"When you really think about it, a person has to be either crazy or stupid to depend on a one-inch ledge or a crack in a rock for support when you're a thousand feet up the side of a mountain," Ric joked.

Do girls make good climbers?

"Girls are naturals. The only problem is getting them on the rocks! They generally have the coordination, strength and sense that it takes to learn to climb well, but not the nerve that the men have," Ric and Kris agreed.

In fact, several girls have joined in the trips to the canyon at one time or another. Among the BC students and their friends who have taken up climbing as somewhat of a hobby are Carl Diffenbaugh, Dawn Hill, Debbie Speer, Tracey Nelson, Phred Hall, Don Clark, Cynthia Lopez, Anita Barney, and George Ratermann, along with Andy Ratermann, Williams and Reichert.

Rocks in their heads? No, they prefer to think of it as rocks under their feet.



This is where we start . . .

PHOTOS BY ANDY RATERMANN



Go climb a rock: Rock climber and BC student Kris Reichert comes to the end of his rope as he repels his way down the side of a rock in the Kern Canyon.

# The 'Great Pumpkin Carving



Despite a delicate, diplomatic touch, Ralph Nielsen, left, lost his bid for Great Pumpkin Carver to an experienced in-fighter, Assemblyman Bill Thomas, as Phred Hall, right (standing) looks on. STAFF PHOTO.



At first, the Great Pumpkin contest had more pumpkins than there were interested onlookers or carvers.



Jack-o'-lantern fans gathered to watch the carvers as college staffers swept the contest with first, second, and third place wins. Judges (also college staff members) insisted there was no bias. STAFF PHOTO.

# Contest ' was an 'artistic' success

BY RALPH NIELSEN  
A strictly unbiased report



State Assemblyman Bill Thomas, a BC political science teacher on leave, was named First Place Great Pumpkin Carver for 1976. The following month he went on to take first place in the 33rd Assembly District race. Ralph Nielsen only took third place in the Great Pumpkin Contest, and decided to stay out of politics. STAFF PHOTO.

Assemblyman Bill Thomas, a BC political science teacher now serving his second term in the California Legislature, was making an unofficial campaign stop in the Campus Center when he stopped to watch the Great Pumpkin Carving Contest in October. He was handed a knife by former Food Service Director Roger Johnson and was invited to try his hand as a jack-o'-lantern carver.

Over protests from some contestants that a political "deal" had been made in a smoke-filled room, and claims by observers that the judges were all Republicans, Thomas walked away with the First Place trophy.

Smiling his best "trust me" smile as he posed for publicity photos with third place carver Ralph Nielsen, a Public Information Office employee, Thomas said the judges' unanimous decision gave him a mandate for initiating sweeping reforms of Halloween. "I will do my best to live up to the trust you have placed in me," Thomas was reported to have said.

Chemistry Professor Patricia Lee, second place, was heard to say a "pressing class schedule" prevented her from making a last minute effort that would have defeated Thomas. She was unavailable when the winners were photographed.

Third place winner Nielsen said he was "satisfied with a very respectable finish, considering I entered the competition as an unknown with no established power base."

Pumpkins were donated to children's wards of local hospitals.

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# Home Ec. is changing to meet



Waitress Audrey Neal takes order from faculty members Tom Davis and Claire Larsen in the newly opened Renegade Room. This is a typical example of training the students receive while in service during the lunch times.

**BY DEBBIE HUNSINGER**  
Raconteur Feature Editor.

New plans and a new future—that's the keynote of the BC Home Ec department this semester. As Carol Sharpe, Home Ec chairperson explained, "The biggest thing is that we are changing the name of our department. Beginning in the fall (1977) we will be known as the Family and Consumer Education Department. This is a trend in several of the colleges up and down the state, and we are hoping to draw more students into our department with the new name."

#### **MEN ARE WELCOME**

Home Economics is no longer the exclusive domain of women, Sharpe said. "We find we are having more males become involved because they realize there are so many fields." With the change in the department name, Sharpe hopes to enroll even more males because it will no longer be considered just Home Ec.

Fashion Merchandising and Interior Design are two programs which are offered at the DTC. A new interior design certificate program is being offered for the first time during the current semester.

In the area under Institutional Management a new program for dietetic technicians and assistants has been created. "We are one of the few colleges in California that has been approved for this program by the American Dietician Association," said Sharpe.

In the Hotel and Restaurant Management program the department has also included the school food service and executive housekeeping. The Renegade Room kitchen serves as a lab for the restaurant management students, and they operate the Renegade Lunch Room, open to the public from 11 a.m.—1:30 p.m. daily.

One of the department's biggest functions is their Child Care Centers (see

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story on page 36) and Child Development program. They are training people to work with pre-school children and the staff is also working with parents and students. All of the food is prepared in the Renegade Room kitchen for the children and transported to them.

#### **NEW COSMETOLOGY PROGRAM**

Under the guidance of Barbara Thomas, who is also serving as counselor for the department, a new Cosmetology program has been established. After completion of orientation, students practice and work at sites and businesses around Bakersfield. After they complete 1600 hours in this lab situation, they will be qualified to take the state board of education test for cosmetology.

With a staff of approximately 75 members, BC's Home Ec department, to be known as the Family and Consumer Education Department, has done an excellent job in expanding to meet the broad needs of students in the community.

# needs of the community



Peggy Oliver (left) translates discussion to creative stitchery student Crissie Davis, who is a deaf mute attending classes at BC.



Eva Aparicio and Brent Hicks help to prepare the noon meal to be served in the Renegade Room for lunch daily from 11 a.m.—1:30 p.m.



Ray Medina receives assistance in his sewing class by Teacher's Aide Barbara Long.

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# Campus faces and



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# The game within the game



The first lesson a sports photographer learns is to keep his camera on the game, but as the picture on the left shows, photo editor Felix Adamo's lens tends to wander when the action stops. From the majorettes and the lively basketball fans, (right) to yowl leader Robert Gray's insane antics, (bottom) BC sports events find a way to entertain.



## Faces in the crowd



photos by Felix Adamo

Raconteur photo editor



# CHRISTIAN CLUB



Christian Club: Discussing plans for future activities are, left to right, Kathy Beck, Katherine Stewart, Billy Wells, Christine Price, Sara Jacobson, and Forest Phinney.



LDS: Decorating the Christmas tree in the Club House are, left to right: Art Proasley, Nancy Glidwell, Pat Jorgenson, Jeff Redford (on ladder), Bob Graham, Paul Higuera, Steve Hanson, Molly Glidwell, and Gerri Whitman.

# CLUBS

One of the many problems with starting a new club on the BC campus is getting people to participate. The Christian Club had a good turn out on their sign up, but when it came right down to the actual meetings, very few people attended. The students that did show, however, were more than determined to keep their club active.

Their plans for the year included sponsoring activities, selling T-shirts, and many other money making projects. The club goal was to start a Youth Redemption Center in Downtown Bakersfield.

The club members hoped to have a building donated for the Center, and to use the money leftover; however, they hoped to take trips to Disneyland, Yosemite, and other fun places.

The club met on Friday afternoons in either the Fireside Room or the Huddle. The meetings were combined lunch, business, and Bible Study, a satisfying combination to the members.

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The Later Day Saints have been active on the BC campus since 1967. They meet in a building, dedicated in 1966, on Mt. Vernon Avenue across from BC.

They hold Friday Forums with a different guest speaker each week on a variety of subjects ranging from politics and religion to Kern County activities. The Friday morning meetings provided club members a chance to evaluate the past week and to prepare for the coming week.

According to Paul Higuera, president of LDS, their main purpose was to get to know more people and to discuss topics of interest at their meetings. The club has also held many car washes and has sponsored dances and luncheons for all interested people, members, and guests.

# PRATOR HALL



A typical scene at Prator Hall as two "dormies" play table tennis, foreground, while other residents discuss problems with Housing Coordinator Phil Feldman, right, standing on hearth. STAFF PHOTO.

Prator Hall was almost filled to capacity this year, and spare time was even rarer than space.

Among their many activities throughout the year, the combined Residence Halls sponsored Homecoming Queen Candidate, Kelly Marcellin, who won top honors with first place.

"The guys and the girls do most of their activities together. We really try to do as much together as we can," explained Kathy Rosellini, housing coordinator.

They have a food committee to plan for special meals on certain occasions such as Halloween, and they are also formed to handle complaints that come through about any of the food.

Together the "dormies" have gone roller and ice skating, they have held dances, and have even sponsored a road rally. In addition to their planned outside activities, the physical education facilities are also available on the weekend, plus the pool table, shuffle board, and assorted games in the dorms.

"We try to make students aware of what is going on in the community. They also go out in the community and do activities for other people," added Rosellini.

In addition to their first place Homecoming Queen candidate, they also came through with a third place float during the Homecoming festivities. They have held several car washes throughout the year, gone Christmas carolling during the holiday, invited the BC Chamber singers to sing for them, and have enjoyed skiing and backpacking trips also.

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## Levinson Hall: Where the girls are



Most of the Levinson Hall activities are co-ed and in cooperation with Prator Hall. The main difference between the halls is the candlelight ceremony that is held for any girl in Levinson Hall who becomes engaged.

Shown in the above picture is a sampling of the over 50 Levinson Hall members as they listen to Kathy Rosellini, Head Resident. Left to right, top row: Anns Tarranzas, Debbie Spier, Maria Sanchez, Patti Siodkowski, Tonya Spells, Theresa Hart, Denise Villard, Sarah Jacobson, and Cathy Sacks. Seated: Terrie Hernandez, Debbie La throp, Sheila Black, Zindi Homer, Elvira Salazar, Dora Miller, Sandy Marcellin, Cheryl West, Theresa Reid, and Marlena Corwin.

## AVS volunteers to refinish Child Care Center

Refinishing the playhouses for the BC day care center and others around town was one of AVS's main projects for the year.

"We also fixed some of the parts of the play area and some of the toys they play on," commented Doug Lemmons, spring semester President for the Associated Veteran Students.

In addition to the BC child care center, the organization also made repairs on the Jewish Synagogue child center behind Garces High School and the DTC day care facilities.

"We volunteered our time and muscle power, and we got donations from different businesses around town to furnish the equipment," Lemmons said.

AVS also sponsored dances for BARC (Bakersfield Adult Regional Center), and they put in over 200 volunteer hours for first aid treatment at the Chamber of Chills during Hallowe'en.

As a group, the members traveled to all of the away football games throughout the season, and attended all the home games to fire off the traditional cannon.



Refinishing the BC day care center playhouse AVS members are left to right, bottom: Jay Sparbaugh, Vice President; Jon Swaim; Anne Stein; John Wood; Floyd Bell, Sergeant at Arms, and top: John Modrivy, Activities Board Representative; Mike Lee, Cannon Crew Captain; Diane Blevins; Doug Lemmons, President; and Rich Richardson, advisor.

## Ski Club active even without snow



All the members weren't there. But this was a typical Wednesday night meeting of the Ski Club in the Fireside Room with nearly 80 persons ready to listen to advisor Norm Hoffman and assistant advisor Alan Jung, far right. STAFF PHOTO.

For the second year in a row the BC Ski Club won first place in the Homecoming float contest. Susie Baker, their Queen candidate, was tied for first runner-up.

After sponsoring a car wash to bring in money, the club made a week long trip to Tahoe for skiing during the Christmas vacation. They also traveled to several of the football games as a group activity.

The girls football team sponsored by the Ski Club also won first place in the intramural competition.

"Since we didn't have very much snow this year, we had to make other trips and do other things as a group. We went to Magic Mountain for one of our activities," said Vice President Christy Middaugh.

The only other officer of the club is President Bill Northrup. Norm Hoffman is Advisor for the group, and Alan Jung is Assistant Advisor.

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# Mecha well organized club



Saint Nick had a bountiful bag of presents for the youngsters at Mecha's annual Christmas party in the Fireside Room.

With activities ranging from visiting prisoners in Tehachapi Prison to having bake sales and car washes, Mecha has proven to be a well organized service club. According to the president, Alberto Castro, the club is divided into several committees for the jobs, so that they are able to cover more activities.

Mecha, which boasts of 15-20 active members, was also active in the political campaign of Proposition 14. They have sponsored a Senior Citizens bake sale on campus to help the seniors raise money to buy a bus.

Club officers are: President, Alberto Castro; Vice President, Rosa Mendina; Student Activities Representative, Lupe Ortega; and Financial Coordinator, Cynthia Lopez.

Other highlights of the year included the annual Christmas party for minority children, complete with Santa Claus, refreshments, presents for the tots and a Pinata contest, and the annual Cinco De Mayo celebration of Mexican Independence early in May.



This was the lineup outside on the lawn as excited tots waited to take their turn at playing pinata. STAFF PHOTOS.



There were plenty of holiday refreshments for youngsters and adults alike in the Fireside Room as Mecha staged its annual party for minority children.



An ancient custom—bobbing for the pinata—is what this tyke is doing. He was one of the dozens of children whose Christmas was made brighter by the party.

# Speakers, films highlight Black History Week

BY DEBBIE HUNSINGER  
Racecourse Feature Editor

Black History Week, sponsored by the Black Students Union and the Black Studies department, was filled with activities and guest speakers throughout the entire week.

Actor Ossie Davis highlighted the week of events with his lecture and discussion on the roles Blacks play in society. Davis, a professional entertainer for over 30 years, has acted on Broadway, in TV and in motion pictures, as well as writing and directing many aspects of the business.

"I'm not here to speak to you from the mouth of wisdom. I'm here to find out why you're here, what you're doing to work on our problems. Getting together and talking and sharing will be the only way we'll ever be able to work out anything," stated Davis during his talk.

Davis had many comments on the television mini-series "Roots," and he claims it was "a momentous event." Davis pointed out that now the networks know there is interest in black history, and there should be many more programs to follow.

PHOTOS BY JOHN KING



Actor Ossie Davis: "All colors must be accepted as equals."

While discussing the civil rights movement, Davis stated, "All colors must be accepted as equals, so it is wrong when one group acts superior to others. When blacks are accepted as equals we must drop it. There is such a thing as being too black for too long. We pride ourselves on our ethnic heritage, but that is not the end. We must be a society where we all care for each other." He added that he felt it was necessary for a "blending of all colors—a rainbow effect. It would be pretty boring if everyone was the same."

Activist leader Dr. Harry Edwards, now an instructor at UC-Berkeley, was scheduled to speak during the week, but he only showed up once for an informal question and answer session in the Fireside Room. Edwards is best known for organizing the boycott of the 1968 Mexico City Olympic Games.

In addition to two films, "Nothing But A Man" and "The Learning Tree," a student variety show was held in the Indoor Theatre. Thursday of that week was set aside for a music day with local groups performing gospel, jazz, and soul in the Fireside Room. A Saturday night dance in the cafeteria concluded the week's events for another year.



"I'm here to find out why you're here, what you're doing to work on our problems," Ossie Davis told his Fireside Room audience.



Activist leader Dr. Harry Edwards in an informal question and answer session as Black History Week starts.

# The Way Campus Outreach



BY DEBBIE HUNSINGER  
Raconteur Feature Editor

"We want to see more people come into a more accurate knowledge of God's word. We accomplish this goal by forming a class called "Power for Abundant Living," said Barbara Hartz, Campus Coordinator for The Way Campus Outreach.

This non-demonstrational group was just organized at the spring semester and is affiliated with The Way Biblical Research and Teaching Ministry. They also hold small fellowships in the home on some evenings for "sharing our hearts" and to see that people's needs are met. The organization also does many of their activities together as a close group.

"Our major purpose is just to see the family of God living together today like they were in the book of Acts. In the book they played together, ate together, and they met on a daily basis," Hart said.

Bill Carver and Wayne Sammons are College Ambassadors for the group.

In preparation for a lecture, members and guests of The Way Campus Outreach are left to right: Craig Moyers, Barbara Hartz, Bill Carver, Patti Groom, Christin Groom, David Tucker, Mike Chandler, Carol Kent, and Wayne Sammons (insert).

## International Students Association tries to achieve understanding

BY DEBBIE HUNSINGER

Both American and foreign students were involved with the International Students Association. According to Vice President Frieda Saoimanulua, "We were all striving for universal understanding of each other. We also tried to assist the foreign students to get well acquainted with the American customs and way of life."

Bake Sales, car washes, and a Thanksgiving drawing were just a few of their activities throughout the year. The club also boasts of a fourth place Homecoming float.

During the Christmas holiday season the organization was involved in a unique community service project. They traveled to five different convalescent hospitals in addition to Mercy Hospital and presented gifts and visited with many of the lonely people.

All proceeds from International Day, which they sponsored, held on March 18 went directly to the United Nations Refugee Education Fund.

The Association, which listed 40-45 members, is led by President Eric Rodrigues. Other club officers are: Frieda Saoimanulua, Vice President; James Brantley, Activities Board Representative; Frank Garay, Social Director; Eleanor Espinoza, Secretary and Forest Phinney, Public Director for International Day. The club was advised by Psychology instructor Stu Loudon.



Riding the colorful Homecoming float were International Club members Seuchiro Misaki, Reyna Torres, James Branhey, Eleanor Espinoza, Luis Torres, Frieda Saoimanulua, Tat Pon and Paula Poacock.

# Circle K road rally just one of many activities



Circle K is an International Club, affiliated with Kiwanis, that aims to form enduring friendships, render altruistic service and promote and assist community service activities. The club is concerned with people and with this comes involvement in a wide variety of campus affairs, including Homecoming, meetings with clubs across the state, and giving deaf children a chance to experience a BC football game.

One of the successful spring semester activities was a Road Rally with all proceeds given to the Sherman Oaks Burn Foundation. Circle K participates in two state conventions each year with hundreds of delegates attending from other campuses. Debbie Spear served as fall semester president; Fernando Chavez is the spring, 1977 president.

Don Clark checks out a Rally entrant while Diana Granger gets ready to explain rules to Edsel driver Dave Pzyton. STAFF PHOTO.

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# Godspell production impressive;



Godspell cast members Diana Granger, Glen Pitts, Nancy Sloan, Robert Lewis, Mark Toone, Debbie Wood, Patty Hoeft, David Nuckles and Terri Tarrence act out the "Last Supper," one of the dramatic moments in the show.

photos by Felix Adamo

## BY STEVE BRADSHAW Raconteur Staff Writer

"Godspell: A standing ovation... reaction seemed a genuine tribute for a first-rate performance."—Camille Gavin, *Bakersfield Californian* staff writer. "Sensational... a grand evening!"—Nancy Arslan, *huswife*. "Very professionally done... best production I've seen at the college."—Richard Heber, *North High Social Studies* teacher.

Listed above are but a few of the many compliments made about the BC production of "Godspell" last February. By the last night of the production so many people had heard about it that approximately forty people were turned away at the box office. It was the theatre's biggest success since "Romeo and Juliet" in 1972; nearly 2,000 people saw the show during its four night run.

"Godspell," premiered in New York in 1971, is based on the gospel according to St. Matthew. The show consists of ten actors and actresses who perform songs, stories, and dances to tell the story of Jesus Christ and His life.

Mark Toone was Steven, who portrayed Jesus Christ throughout the show. Roy Valles as David portrayed

John the Baptist and Judas. Diana Granger, Glenn Pitts, Terri Sue Tarrence, Debbie Wood, Patty Hoeft, Nancy Sloan, David Nuckles and Robert (Moose) Lewis completed the cast.

Each individual displayed energy and enthusiasm throughout the entire show. They sang, danced, performed comedy as well as drama and there was even a little magic thrown in. They well deserved the standing ovations they received each night.

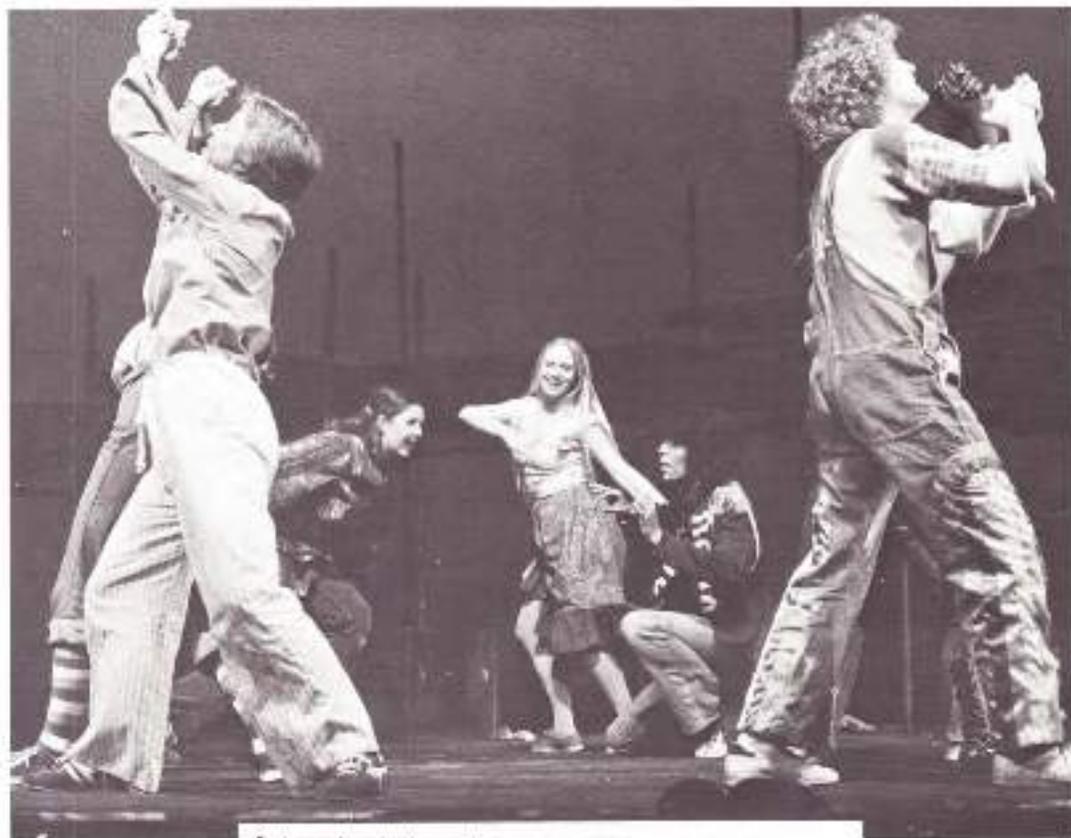
Hank Wabb directed the show which rehearsed for three and a half months, sometimes for seven hours a day. Dances were choreographed by Diane Davis and Dr. James Mason was musical director. Songs included "Day by Day" and "Light of the World." Mary Liou Garfield and David Hicks designed the sets, with costumes and makeup created by Deborah Williams.

The lights, one of the outstanding features of the show, were designed by Roxanne Campbell. Pat Tarrence was the stage manager, with Larry Fish as prop master. Musicians included Russell Crabtree, Fred Perez, Jeff Weston and Phil Hernandez, who provided the special effects.



Debbie Wood sings "Day by Day," one of the better known musical numbers in the production.

# biggest BC Theatre success since 1972



Cast members in the musical number, "We Beseech Thee," one of the many dances featured.



Jesus is crucified in the final scene.



David Nuckles, Petty Hoett and Ray Valles in one of the comical scenes.



Mark Toone (Jesus) applies his makeup prior to the performance.

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# Arthur Schlesinger speaks on the presidency

BY WES WILLIAMS  
Raconteur Staff Writer

Jimmy Carter, elected by a coalition of liberals, blacks and labor, may well be the most conservative Democratic president since Grover Cleveland, according to Professor Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr., who gave BC community lecture series audiences an insight into problems of the presidency last February.

Schlesinger, who advised Presidents Kennedy and Johnson, won the coveted Pulitzer Prize twice: once for his history, *The Age of Jackson*, and again for his biography, *A Thousand Days: John F. Kennedy in the White House*. His other books include *The Age of Roosevelt*, *The Imperial Presidency*, and *The Crisis of Confidence*.

"I see Carter as more of a manager than an innovator," he said. "I view Carter in the position of taking command of a huge government and trying to make it responsive within the framework of a swollen, sprawling bureaucracy."

The problem of presidential power versus the need for the president to be accountable to the public is a key issue, Schlesinger said. "To break up this power as was suggested after Watergate, would weaken its flexibility in dealing with problems in the future."

The historian-biographer believes the president should revive the status of the Cabinet because this is a good source of public opinion. One glaring fault of the Nixon administration was that Nixon dealt too much with his staff and too little with his cabinet.

## *neither JFK or LBJ understood the cabinet*

"Too often the staff is isolated and works only for the president and is likely to tell him what he wants to hear rather than what is really going on. This was one of the faults with the JFK and LBJ administrations... neither president really understood the cabinet system. Had they talked to more in the Cabinet than simply the secretaries of defense and state we might have adopted a different policy in Vietnam," he emphasized.

What leads to the "Imperial Presidency?"

"It is the people's psychological worship of a president which leads to the 'Imperial Presidency.' The average person... views the president as larger than life, a sacred figure."

Schlesinger had some pungent thoughts about Gerald Ford: "The awesomeness of the office is enough to make even a weak man very powerful, as witness the incumbency of Gerald Ford. Despite the fact that he was neither an elected vice president nor president, the very nature of the office enabled him to do a number of things. He inherited a badly damaged presidency and yet he vetoed more bills in two and a half years than Nixon did in nearly six years and Lyndon B. Johnson did in five years. If Ford,



in his weakened state, could still commit American forces to combat without Congressional authorization, preserve the CIA as an instrument of clandestine intervention, and indulge in foreign capers, then we must wonder what a stronger and abler man, in control of both houses of Congress, can do with the presidential office."

One of the root causes for the emergence of the "Imperial Presidents" is the fact that Congress is so willing to surrender its power. Parliamentary systems like England do have advantages over our system in that the cabinet ministers — and even the prime minister — can be called to account on the floor of Parliament. But, given the nature of the American system, the Parliamentary scheme is unreal and unworkable.

There is no escape from executive primacy in the American political system and Americans should take scant comfort in what happened to Nixon, Schlesinger warned.

"Had there not been a fortuitous conjunction of circumstances, had Nixon burned the tapes as John Connally advised, had Senator Sam J. Ervin and Judge John Sirica and special prosecutor Leon Jaworski not been on the scene, then Nixon and Agnew and their cronies would have been riding high until a few weeks ago and heaven help those of us who were on the enemies list."

Accountability means more than an election every four years, Schlesinger stated. Lincoln in 1861 and FDR in 1941 bypassed accountability, but those were the two great crises of our time.

One Way to increase accountability, Schlesinger concluded, is for the president to hold regular and frequent press conferences. Meetings with the media are not just a means for a president to tell things to the country, but also means for the country to tell things to a president. How President Carter handles them will help determine his accountability to the people.



Dr. Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr., left, was introduced by BC History Professor Giffun Garrett. STAFF PHOTO.

# and Richard Armour on satirical writing

BY RICK CHURCH  
Raconteur Editor

Richard Armour, humorist, columnist, and author, delivered one of the most entertaining and informative lectures of this year's community lecture series. Armour was able to take the unique combination of what appeared to be a stand up comedy routine and apply it to literature, education, and writing, and make it work.

Armour has an impressive list of books, some educational, some written for children, and some written for the sake of humor. Armour says that he writes seven days a week, even on holidays; either pages to a book, a poem, or an article. Some of Armour's more notable books are "It All Started With Columbus" which is according to Armour, "A hangnail sketch of some of the world's famous ladies." Armour has finished a new book which will be out next year, "It All Started with Nudes," a history of art.

Armour's daytime lecture on February 15 dealt mainly with the difference between humor and satire. He began by explaining that humor was intended to relax and entertain, while satire was intended to debunk, deflate, and point out incongruities. Armour recited a line of poetry that shows his humorous tact: "It's hard to deduce from a girl who wears her sweaters loose." The Dean of Swarthmore College wrote Armour and added another line: "You can't even be sure you're always right when they wear them tight." Armour added, "Needless to say, this man isn't Dean of Swarthmore College... he's now the college president, with a mind like that there's no end to what he might accomplish."

*'Humor is intended to relax,  
satire is intended to point  
out something wrong...'*

Armour then gave his audience examples of satirical writing. He said that he was always surprised to see so many teachers in his audience because of the satirical work that he has done on teachers such as calling teaching "the second oldest profession," and saying that Socrates "was the first educator to drink himself to death." On government jargon: "One was hired to write it, and two more are hired to understand it."

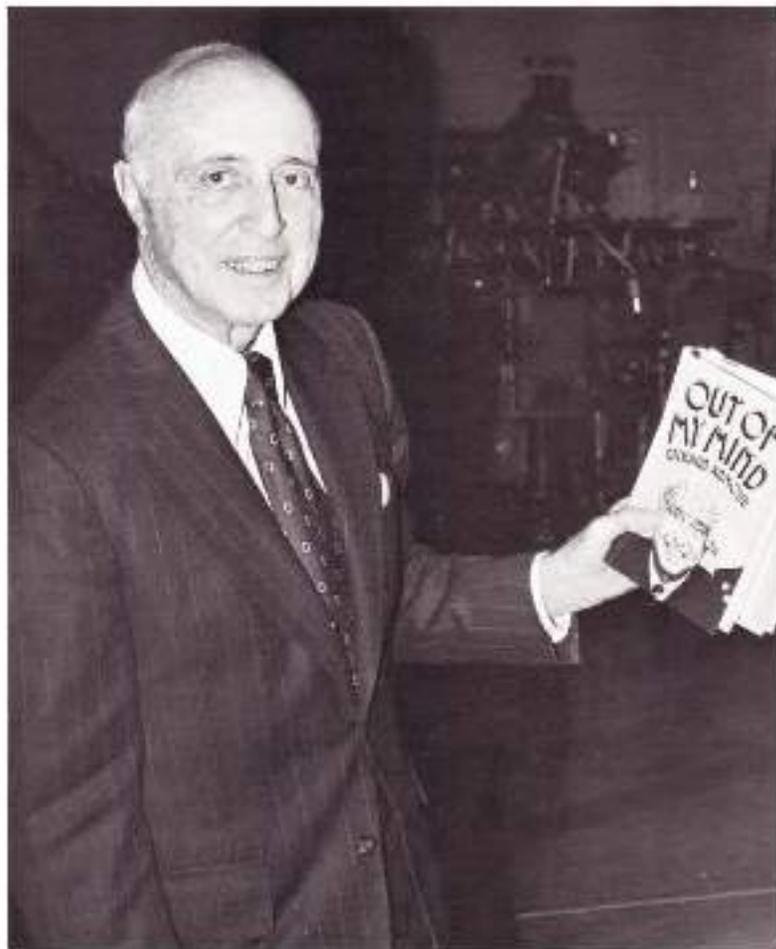
Armour said that his favorite satirist was 18th century writer Jonathan Swift, whose style he copied when he wrote, "How to Burn a Book." Armour launched into a lengthy, serious sounding discussion on the merits of burning books, libraries or publishing houses, in an effort to find the best possible way to censor. He said that burning books, although it offered sport and audience participation, was too slow. Burning libraries wasn't effective and burning publishing houses, since

they are all in New York, would force most people to be content to watch the burning on TV. The answer is "delightfully simple," said Armour and he was amazed at why it hadn't been thought of sooner. "Burn the authors themselves, and I'm sure that authors themselves would participate," said Armour.

*'The satirist doesn't right the wrongs...  
he just points them out.'*

Armour said that the satirist is a needed commodity. He said that an editor of a Japanese paper had once told him that there were no satirists in Japan before World War II, and if there had been, he was sure World War II wouldn't have happened. Armour said that there are too many satirists in America. He said that we should export them to Japan, where they are needed and trade them for Sony radios and television sets.

If any satirists are exported to Japan, please don't send Richard Armour, because he's more fun than any radio could ever be.



Author-satirist-humorist-professor Richard Armour displays one of his 55 books.

# Night school is growing

BY DEBBIE HUNSINGER  
Raconteur Feature Editor

"There are a lot of people who are confused as to what continuing education is. They don't realize it is just a continuation of the day program. Students can accomplish the same thing during the nights that they can during the day. They can get their A.A., take transfer courses, courses leading to certificates or take specialized courses," explained Paul Howard, associate dean, continuing education and summer session.

According to Dick Harkins, dean of continuing education, more people are enrolled in night school than there are enrolled during the day. One major difference, however, is that the night school students for the most part are taking fewer units.

Business Education and Administration is one of the strongest areas for night school students. Technical Industries, Management, and Real Estate courses are also very popular during the evening. General education courses, such as math, English, and history, however, are not neglected.

"We do have a great deal of flexibility. If a request is made for a course, we can generally, if they give us about three weeks, get a course going from scratch," said Howard.

Students in outlying areas of Kern County are also serviced by the BC night school program through the outreach program. Kern Valley, Arvin, Tehachapi, and many other areas also receive educational opportunities, according to Harkins.

The program, which mainly consists of night courses, also serves Tehachapi inmates and personnel. They are taught on a contract basis, and it gives them the opportunity to learn and earn college credits. The prison pays the teachers, who are usually members of the prison staff, but BC instructors are also supplemented into the program.

Howard pointed out that firemen, in particular, and some businessmen need certain classes in order to qualify for promotions in their field. Such classes are scheduled in the evening because they are primarily designed for the employed person who wants to update their skills or advance in their job.

Photos by Jeff Ward



Associate Dean, continuing education and summer session, Paul Howard, researches and reviews class offerings for another busy evening at night school.



Students gather round as Walter Giordano, instructor, demonstrates a method in Introduction to Oil Painting.



Pat Wert, guest speaker, talks about escrow procedures in Wayne Harris' Real Estate 50 class.

# to fit all types of students



Instructor Dave Rozales interacts with a few students during a friendly break of The History of Mexico, one of the many academic courses offered during the evening. Left to right in foreground: Dell Louise March, Neva Rodriguez, Maria Gomez, and Dave Rozales.



Students in Creative Needlepoint (Home Ec. 74) learn a variety of methods and stitches in the one-unit short term course.



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# At last... Metro champs

1977 was a year of superlatives for Coach Ralph Krafve's Renegade Basketball team: their first Metro championship in 15 years, a perfect home record, a 13 game winning streak, and an all-time best 27-3 overall record, surpassing Krafve's first year log of 24-4.

Only four points separated the Gade quintet from a perfect record: a two point loss to Alameda in the Merced Invitational finals and a pair of one point conference losses to Long Beach and Los Angeles Mission on the road. As the Raconteur went to press on March 14, Krafve was prepping his team for the state community college tournament in Fresno, Bakersfield, under Jim Nau, took teams to the playoffs in 1960-61-62, but managed only two wins in six games.

## FOUR FROSH IN LINEUP

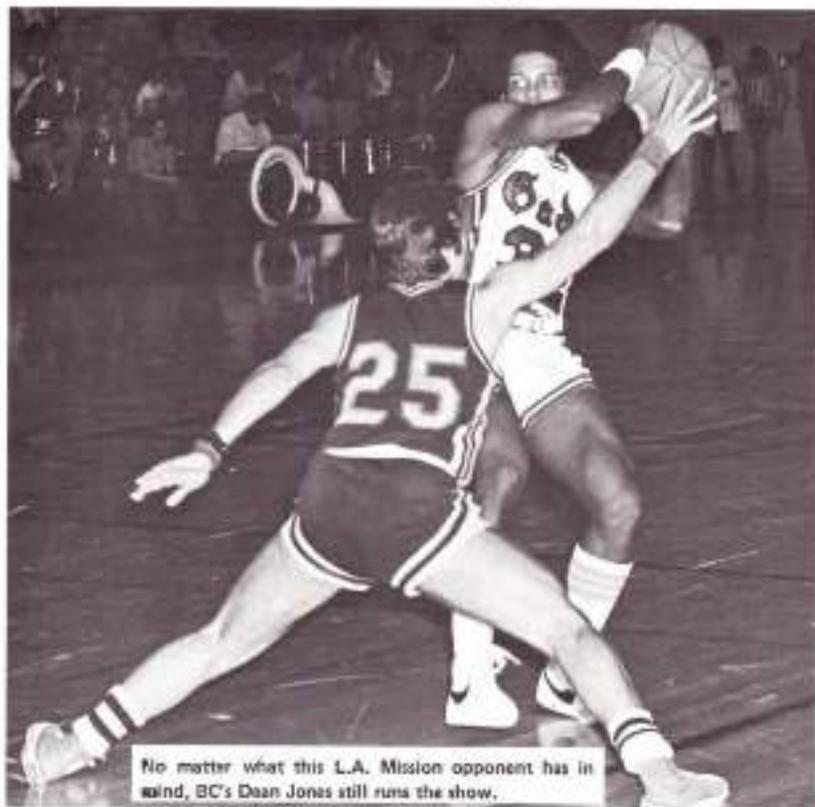
Krafve moulded a starting lineup of four freshmen and one sophomore into a scrappy, aggressive team that won the Bakersfield Christmas Invitational Tournament and the San Diego Mesa Tournament. BC had a winning streak of seven straight halted in the final game of the Merced Invitational after winning the first two.

BC's conference record was 12-2, two games better than runner-up Los Angeles Pierce with a 10-4 total. Renegades Todd Ward, Dean Jones and Don Youman won births on the first string all-Metro Conference team, with Manuel Calvin and Paul Poettgen making the second team. Ralph Krafve was named Metro Coach of the Year.

Bakersfield started the season with a 71 to 62 victory over Fresno, followed by an 89-77 win over Reedley. The Gades smashed West Hills 116 to 68, trounced Western 84-66 and edged out San Jose 53-49, followed by an 81-72 win over Merced, an 87-59 beating of Merritt and then a 62-64 loss to Alameda, followed by victories over COS, West Hills, Canyons, Cuesta, Porterville, Imperial Valley, San Diego Mesa and Merced.

## GADES BEAT PIERCE 82-75

In the conference opener against Pierce, the Gades trailed by seven points during the first half and then employed a full-court press to fashion an 82-75 victory. Todd Ward plopped in 21 points, and Paul Poettgen tallied 18 to lead in scoring. Next conference victory was a 90-72 thrashing of Pasadena. BC had a 17 point lead at one stage of the first half, but Pasadena narrowed it to 44-33 at halftime. A scoring blitz by Don Youman (4) and two apiece by Todd Ward and Dean Jones built the



No matter what this L.A. Mission opponent has in mind, BC's Dean Jones still runs the show.

home-team lead up to 15 points in the first five minutes. Jones and Ward took scoring honors with 19 points each; Youman accounted for 18 and Calvin had 14, including four critical free throws in the final stretch.

In their third Metro tilt, the Gades played lethargically in the first half, barely leading El Camino 38-36. Whatever Krafve told his troops at intermission, it had the desired effect: ten straight points in the first five minutes and a more alert defense, coupled with a backboard domination. They scored 38 points to the Warriors' 19 for a final score of 76-55. As Krafve said: "... We DO come back and we DON'T quit." Manuel Calvin clicked on 10 of 15 shots for 23 points while Todd Ward tallied 17.

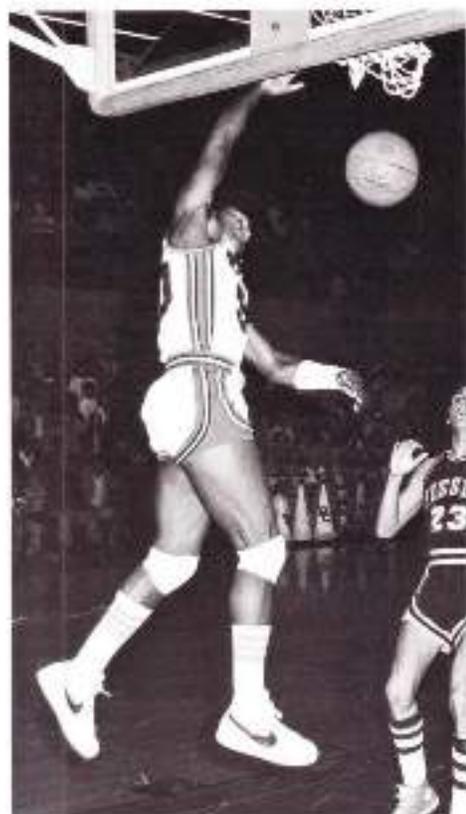
## RENEGADES WIN BY ONE

The fourth conference win was a 69-68 thriller over a tough East Los Angeles five, a game not decided until the final three seconds when guard Dean Jones intercepted an in-bounds pass to smother a final Huskie threat. A tight-man-to-man defense in the first half, with good scoring from Youman, Ward and Poettgen gave the Gades a 49-33 edge at intermission.

AS BC won its fifth Metro game, the fans started showing up, over 600 at the 71-56 victory over Los Angeles Valley. Trailing 35-31 at half time, BC scored



Coach Ralph Krafve is obviously satisfied after his Metro champions beat Mission.



Manuel Calvin slam dunking.

six straight points before Krafve sent his club into spread offense. All five starters scored in double figures, with Ward scoring 17, Youman 16, Poettgen 13, and Jones and Calvin with 12 and 11 each.

The Renegades haven't won on the Long Beach court for 13 years—and that's where they dropped their first Metro tilt, 63-62. The jinx still held and the defending Metro champs, with a 20 foot jumper by Viking Don Christlock, with five seconds remaining, ended the Big Red's perfect conference record at 5-0. It was a tight game, with BC leading by 4 points with less than a minute to go. That margin melted when Long Beach's Gary Mulder tossed in four free throws.

Krafve's quintet dropped their second consecutive conference tilt when they invaded Los Angeles Mission, 69-68. BC outscored Mission, but personal fouls and free throws were decisive. BC was held for total of 25 fouls; Mission had 17. David Duran of Mission bagged 26 points while Todd Ward tallied 22 points before fouling out with five minutes left.

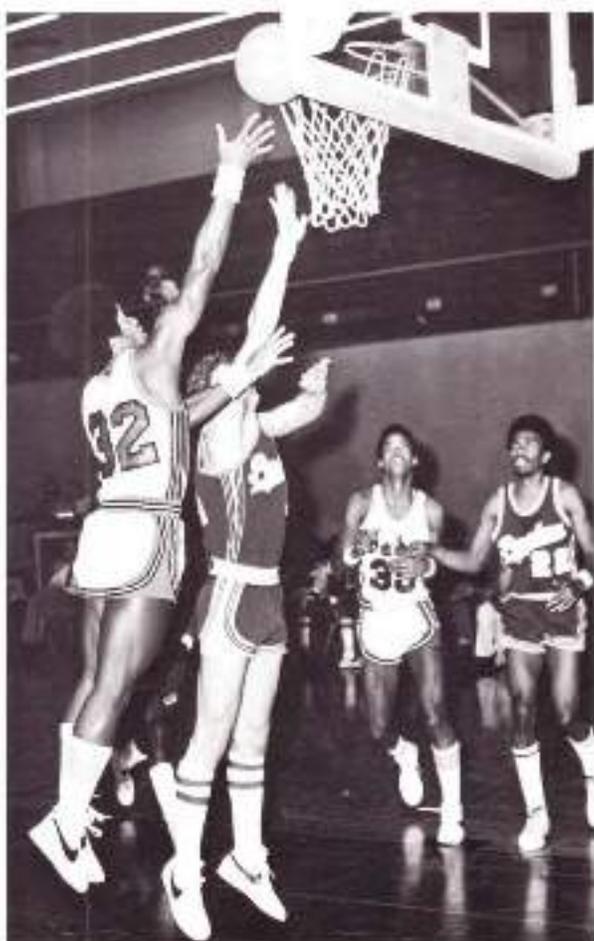
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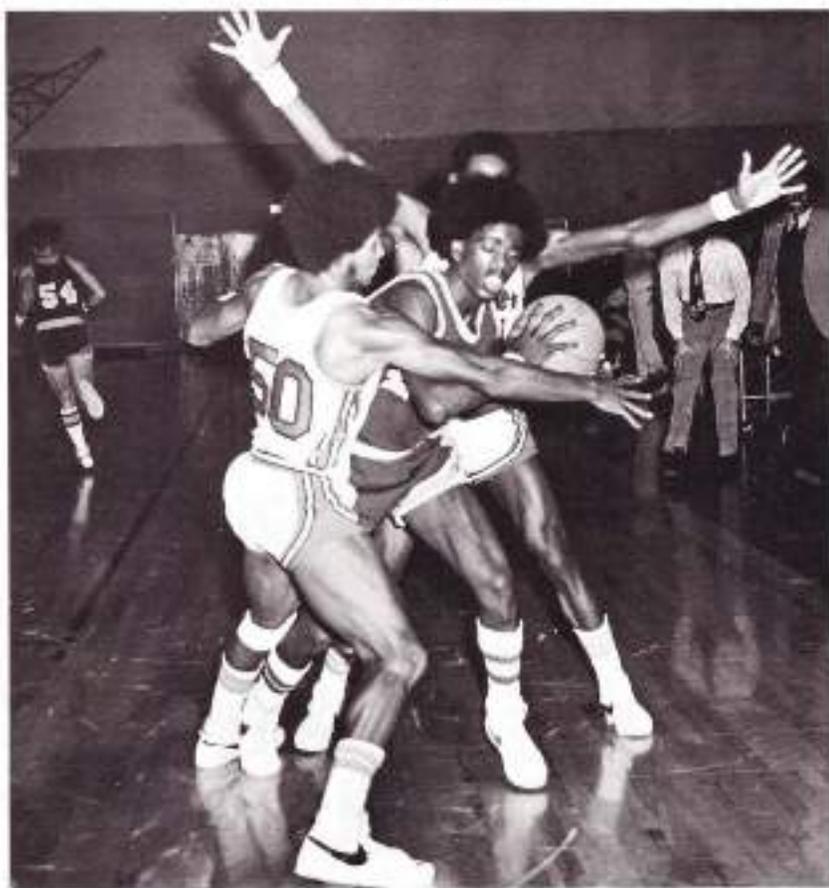
The Renegades regained the top spot in Metro rankings with slim 83-81 victory at Pasadena. Ahead by 14 points at one time in the first half, they fought to stave off a furious Lancer rally which closed the gap to a single point in the last minute. With Manuel Calvin and Paul Poettgen both out on fouls, Don Youman bagged 21 points. Play at the free throw line clinched BC's sixth Metro win.

Repeat victories over El Camino, 58-51, and East L.A., 85-67, kept the Gades in first place, setting the stage for a return match with Long Beach on the home court. It was another squeaker, with BC winning 73-72, before the largest crowd of the season, over 1,200 fans. It was also their 25th win, a new all-time school record. The home team nailed it down with only six seconds to go on Paul Poettgen's free throw. James Hughes of Long Beach plopped in 28 points and Youman of BC tallied 24.

A 79 to 71 win over Los Angeles Valley and brawling 74-63 victory over Mission gave BC its first crown in 15 years and set the stage for play in the State Tournament at Fresno. What the 1978 season will bring is anyone's guess, but Krafve isn't exactly unhappy over having four of his five starters back for another campaign.



Getting the tip is Dawn Jones, with Don Youman (30) coming to help.



BC's Manuel Calvin and Todd Ward trap a Pasadena player in the backcourt with the Renegade fearsome full court press.

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# Renegades ice title with their best record

## METRO LOG:

BC	82	Pierce	75
BC	90	Pasadena	72
BC	76	El Camino	55
BC	69	East LA	63
BC	71	LA Valley	56
BC	62	Long Beach	63
BC	68	Mission	69
BC	82	Pierce	77
BC	83	Pasadena	81
BC	58	El Camino	51
BC	85	East LA	67
BC	73	Long Beach	72
BC	79	Valley	71
BC	74	Mission	63



photo by Al Noriega

## METRO CHAMPS

Kneeling, left to right: Asst. Coach Mark Hurson, Tom Ryan, Turin Jones, Glen Hemmett, Dean Jones, Jackie Woolfolk, Student Manager Tracy Ralls. Standing, left to right: Ray Maranda, Trainer, Doug Wilson, Jon White, Todd Ward, Don Youman, Robert Lungmire, Phil Postgen, Dan Kizzier, Manuel Galin, Head Coach Ralph Kravie.



Todd Ward reaches into the Innosphere to control an offensive rebound.

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# Harriers tab 4-2 season

BY DAN O'NEILL

BC enjoyed a fine cross-country season in '76, though a bit below par in comparison to recent campaigns. The Renegades of Coach Bob Covey placed fifth in the Metro Conference meet and tied with El Camino for second in conference duals with a 4-2 record. Wins were garnered over East LA, Pierce, Pasadena and Long Beach. In the state meet the Gades failed to finish in the top 10.

Robby Bray won Most Valuable Performer honors. The North High product made great improvement from 1975 and led the team in six races. His finest race was in the Southern Cal finals where he finished 8th in 20:32. Only three Renegades in the last 14 years have done as well; this helped to compensate for his disappointing 10th place finish in the Metro meet. Robby finished 33rd at the state meet, running 25 seconds slower than at the SouCal on the same hilly College of the Canyons course. His season was marred with mid-season injuries and sickness but his great early efforts and SouCal race made him one of the top All-Time Gade harriers.

Most Inspirational honors went to the veteran 29-year old Mike Vasquez. At Mike's age and with family responsibilities, it would seem that running in competition would be a tough chore. Mix in a wife, two children, and a full time job and you have the makings of an almost impossible recipe for success. Yet Mike led the team in four races and his best was the Metro finals where he finished 5th. He was selected to the All-Metro harrier team for the second year and along with Bray enters the BC Cross-Country Hall of Fame for a second year.

Joe Mens, a freshman out of Foothill, gained Most Improved laurels and his best race was a 42nd-place finish in the SouCal. He received the Ken Brewer Memorial Most Improved trophy. Joe was consistently in the top five for the Renegades in dual competition and 4th in the SouCal.

Randy Jones from North High was another outstanding sophomore for coach Covey. Randy, who was third in the state community college track meet in the 800 meters, was stymied by an achilles injury that slowed him down during the '76 track season and '76 cross-country campaign. A health Randy Jones would have made a major difference to the Gades this past Fall.

Outstanding freshmen counted up to bolster BC during the upcoming '77 cross-country season are John Laird, Al Meyer, Dan Ruiz, Richard Vega and Jon Weinmann.



Metro cross country champ, Kevin Burkin, of L.A. Valley, leads easily in dual meet with BC and Long Beach at Hart Park. Gades captain Robby Bray runs fifth at this point. Bray was BC's Most Valuable Runner.



Joe Mens finished race at Hart Park with Coach Bob Covey and Hoffman giving the time and recording his finish. Mens was Gades Most Improved runner.



Al Meyer shows strain of a rough race. He was Gade No. 1 Freshman runner.



Gades Mike Vasquez leads two Long Beach Vikings and mate Denny Rutz in four mile race at Hart Park.

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AND DAVID PAYTON

# President Collins' and Dr. Jack



President John Collins in his fifth year as BC's top man.



President Collins (left) conferring with ASB President Molly Bleeker. Dr. Chadbourne is in the background. PHOTO BY AL NORIEGA.

**BY RICK CHURCH**  
Raconteur Editor

*Editor's note: In an interview with BC President John Collins, I was able to get the president's views and perspective on the college and some of its problems. The interview should enlighten the students of this campus on some of the issues that the administration and students are interested in.*

**On the Budget:** "We receive money from the state based on the numbers of students we serve. Although we knew that there was going to be a decline in the numbers of students in the veteran's program, we didn't know that it was going to be so sudden and so severe. We budgeted for almost a thousand more students than were here last fall. For every full time student we get \$500 from the State of California," said Collins.

Because of the decline in enrollment, BC found itself \$500,000 dollars short for the '76-'77 year. The college has taken a number of steps to reduce budget expenditures, such as not remodeling buildings, reducing supplies, not hiring people they were going to hire and cutting down on student help.

Collins said that most of the budget was being made up by decreasing the money spent for salaries. The administration is following the policy of not replacing retiring personnel unless absolutely necessary. "Insofar as we can, when somebody retires, we plan not to replace them at all or we will find somebody else that is already on the staff that we can shift into that job. We'd save salaries, and it's only in doing this in times when we have a drop in enrollment that we can make it," said Collins. He commented on the drop in enrollment by saying, "Being idealistic educators, we believed that the veterans we had here would see the value of education and they would stay, but we were wrong. What many of them were here for was the money; it's cynical to conclude that, but there isn't any other conclusion I can draw."

**On the College:** "The college is on the move, trying to stay in tune with what the people need out there, through the Downtown Center and fifty different other locations in the county, to the very comprehensive day program here on campus. We are going to try to do better. In the next five years, for example, we

will try to interest more high school students to come here. We'd like a greater proportion of our student body to be of the younger age group. We think the best place for high school graduates is right here. It costs less, the instructors are more directed to teaching instead of research and publication. All in all, in my book, it's a very fine experience for the young student coming out of high school."

Collins said that the late start calendar that BC will go back to starting next year is "A sign, a signal that we want to do a lot more with the high school." Large numbers of high school seniors and some juniors could take classes at BC while they are going to high school, Collins added. He expressed hope that the interest we see on the part of the younger students in traditional college activities would continue.

"I am a firm believer that the college years are very short, and it is the absolute last opportunity to be free and to have fun. We still have quite a Homecoming celebration... I'd like to see our clubs more active. I think that it is happening and I hope it continues to happen," he concluded.

# Hernandez' thoughts on the college

BY STEVE BRADSHAW  
Raconteur Staff Writer

In 1973 Dr. Jack Hernandez, Dean of Students and Assistant to the President, compiled a study titled "A Decade of BC Students: 1962-1972," which showed the changes in students from the early '60's to the early '70's.

How have the attitudes, customs and outlooks of students changed in 15 years?

As they did in 1962, students come to Bakersfield College because it is close to home and inexpensive. And that's about the only similarity between students now and then. The campus has grown from a population of 3,000 to an enrollment of 14,000; most students today are part-time today as opposed to full-time students in the '60's. Hernandez emphasized there are more evening students than day (8,000 evening versus 6,000 day) compared to the division 15 years ago.

In the '60's there were the

"traditional" students, full-time, right out of high school and transfer oriented. In 1977 you still find these students, but they are far out-numbered by the non-traditional, older students walking the campus.

"I like both types of students, but I guess I prefer the campus as it is today. You have a greater contrast, broader experiences to relate to in the classroom," said Dr. Hernandez.

"On campus today you have all ages, all types in the classroom. You have housewives, veterans, young married adults, middle-age men and younger students all striving for an education, a goal in life, finding out something new. And they are all together on our campus."

Another major change is the official name of the college. It is now Bakersfield Community College; it used to be Bakersfield Junior College. "That's simply because we now service so many people in our community, not just the 18 and 19 year old students. When I got here in 1961 we (the football team) were in the Junior Rose Bowl. The whole

campus of 3,000 students seemed to be caught up in the spirit and enthusiasm. This year we were in the Junior Rose Bowl and there were probably 3,000 students cheering the team on. But that is 3,000 versus the 14,000 on campus.

"People are interested in our traditional happenings, but so many of the students are busy with a family, job, etc., they don't have time to be involved with student activities such as the Junior Rose Bowl and our football team. Many of our students today are mainly interested in their careers and not so much interested in student activities.

"The main difference I can give you is that in the '60's BC had a campus full of fresh-out-of-high school students, all spirited and enthusiastic about the school and its activities. Today the school has all ages, but mainly the school has older students, from the early 20's on up. Their major concern is their academic success and achievement as opposed to being 'involved' with the school and its activities."



(left to right) President John Collins, Dr. Jack Hernandez, and Dr. James Chadbourne, dean of instruction.



Dr. Jack Hernandez, (standing) and ASB Vice President Bill O'Donnell.

# Student government sees



Fall semester Board of Representatives, from left to right: Sarah Henry, Director of Public Relations; Bob Gray, Head Yell Leader; Bill O'Donnell, Activities Board Representative; Debbie Speer, Soph Representative; Bob Kimball, ASB Vice President; Renee Thomas, Fresh Representative; Bob Lienhard, ASB President; Eleanor Espinoza, ASB Secretary; Mike Vickanoff, ASB Business Manager; Mark Luttrell, Soph President; Forest Phinney, Soph Vice President; Randy Barry, Fresh Representative; Frank Garey, Fresh Vice President.

BY MARK LUTTRELL  
Raconteur Staff Writer

A mixture of new and returning faces was the picture in student government during the fall 1976 semester. Among those returning was ASB President Bob Lienhard.

Under Lienhard, the Board of Representatives set off on another busy semester. The first big challenge the board faced was the Poco Concert, held in August soon after the opening of school.

Another project the Reps looked into was helping the Activities Board with the production of the ASB Coupon Booklet. Although there were delays, the project was brought to a successful conclusion and the booklet was ready for the students by October.

A new type of student body card was also worked out during the fall semester. Through the cooperation of the Polaroid Corporation, a picture of each student who bought an activity pass was included with his identification card. Several other colleges had already been using such cards, and the Board looked at several samples in setting up BC's

program.

The subject of crime on the campus came to the Board's attention during the semester. A committee of some of the Board members and other students tried to come up with a solution. One idea that was proposed was making the student body more aware of where they could go on campus to report a crime. The members also met with various college officials who worked with the committee in trying to resolve the situation.

Various Board members were once again involved in the ASB Film Series. Many interesting and enjoyable films were presented during the semester.

ASB elections were held in December and a new slate of officers was chosen to lead the Board during the spring. "Female" seemed to be the key word in describing the Board in the spring as the majority of the new members were girls. In keeping with that trend Molly Blecker was elected ASB President. Included in Board plans for the spring was a concert. They also set up a budget committee to look into the causes of the high deficit in the budget this year.



The Fall, 1976 Student Activities Board, left to right: Paul Higuera (LDSSA); Paul Green (LDSSA); Bill O'Donnell (ISK Club); John Medvigy (AVS); advisor Vic Ste. Marie; ASB Vice President Bob Kimball; Diana Granger, acting board secretary; Freidz Saolmanulua, (ISA); Forest Phinney (Border Patrol); Frank Garey, Circle K; Guadalupe Ortega, (MEChA); Dora Miller (Women's Residence) and Toni Sanchez (Renegade Band). STAFF PHOTO.

# minor changes in fall semester



Standing, left: ASB President Mally Blacker. Seated: Forest Phinney, Soph V.P.; Bill O'Donnell, ASB V.P.; Diana Granger, Business Manager and Renee Thomas, Fresh Rep. Standing: Debbie Speer, student appointee for Soph. secretary; Tony Sanchez, Activities Board Rep.; Rick Church, Communications Rep.; Sertaj Gill, Activities Director and Vic St. Marie, Advisor. STAFF PHOTO.

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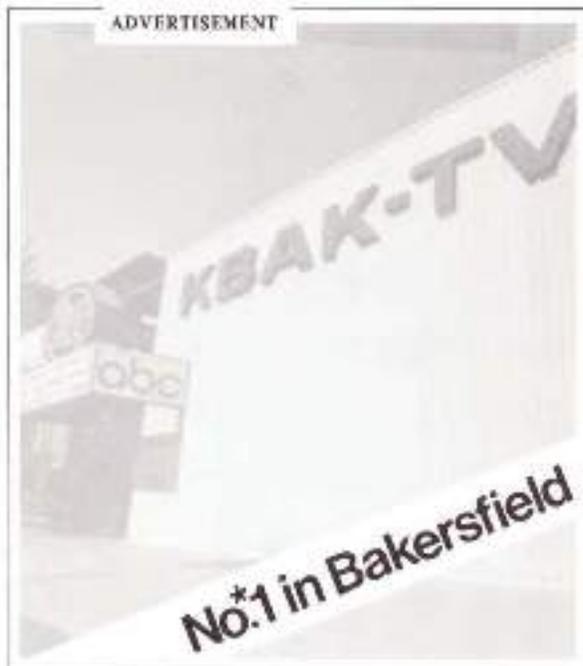
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Barbara Hoyt, formerly head of Bakersfield College's Home Economics Department and director of the Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) program, retired from her duties at the college after 21 years of service.

Mrs. Hoyt started with the college in 1956 when it moved to its present location on the hill. Her first duty, she said, was to set up a child development program on the new campus. At that time, she noted, BC was one of the only junior colleges in the state to have a nursery school incorporated in the Home Economics Department.

She took over the department chair in 1959 and served in that capacity until December, 1975, when she assumed the direction of the new CETA program.

Looking back over 20 years as a community college teacher, Mrs. Hoyt said the students of the 1950's and those attending today have more in common with each other than they do with the students of the 1960's.

"Today's students, like the ones from the 50's, seem more conventional than the students of the 60's," she said. "They show more dedication to learning, more concentration on their purpose at college than did those in the last decade."

Mrs. Hoyt and her husband, John (who retired as county director of the University of California Agriculture Extension Service), moved to Cambria and took up retirement residence there in January.

They plan to take a 90 to 100-day freighter trip around South America. "We went on a freighter trip through the Panama Canal to New York a couple of years ago," she said. "We enjoyed it so much we decided to try it again and take a lengthier cruise this time."

In addition to husband John, Mrs. Hoyt's family includes daughter Sue Hoyt Campbell, 26, son Michael, 25, and three grandchildren.

Ralph Nielsen



BARBARA HOYT



PAUL FREED

After nearly forty years as a teacher (anatomy and physiology) and counselor at Bakersfield College, Paul Freed is looking forward to retirement. A native of Pennsylvania, Freed took his BA and MA degrees at the University of Pittsburgh and taught high school for three years in that state.

He joined the science staff at Bakersfield High School in 1938 when BC was combined with BHS. His teaching career at BC started in 1939 as a biology instructor. After three years in the Air Corps Branch, U.S. Army (1942-45), Freed returned to BC as coordinator of veteran affairs, counseling WW II vets for three years. Since 1949 he's taught and counseled in health sciences and is presently the college coordinator for Project A.H.E.A.D. (U.S. Army sponsored) which gives vocational counsel to military personnel on active duty to help them plan their future education.

Freed doesn't plan to slow down completely once he ends his long teaching stint—he's looking forward to more time for his favorite hobbies, back-packing and taxidermy. He plans to travel with his wife, Ruth, a teacher at Highland High School. He will stay active in community service organizations including the Kern County Heart Association. He may continue as a part-time counselor at BC and even take some courses here.

In reflecting on his long tenure as a science teacher and counselor, Freed said "the student who is successful in making it in a four year institution or medical school is the highly motivated student who is truly dedicated to his career and really wants that career." Both of his sons are practicing dentists and his daughter is now studying dentistry at University of the Pacific.

Steve Bradshaw

Fishing, skiing, traveling, back-packing—those are the things Walter McClanahan is anticipating when he retires next month after 15 years on the BC campus as counselor, psychology instructor and assistant dean of records and admissions. He joined the BC staff in 1962.

McClanahan earned his BS in science education at the University of Nebraska and taught physics and chemistry at the high school level. After 5½ years of infantry service in WW II in the North Pacific Theater, he enrolled at Colorado

State University where he earned a Masters degree in education. He taught psychology there for 12 years and served in the Army Command Staff School at nearby Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. In 1958 he moved to Washington and the Pentagon, attached to the U.S. Army Staff.

He and his wife, Betty, plan to put some mileage on their travel trailer, with a leisurely trip to Montana this summer. They will make their winter headquarters in Fort Collins, with side trips to sunny Arizona.



WALTER McCLANAHAN

## members retire



FRANK WATTRON

When Associate Dean of Instruction Dr. Frank Wattron retired at the end of this school year, he ended 31 years of service to BC as a teacher and administrator.

The 1937 Bakersfield College graduate began his teaching career at BC in 1946 after earning his BA and MA degrees in drama and speech at Whittier College. He taught drama and speech, was director of the college theatre, and chaired the Humanities Division until 1967 when he was appointed associate dean of instruction. He earned his Ph.D in communications from USC.

Long active in local theatre productions, Dr. Wattron has written over 40 plays, eight of which have been published and 12-15 have been produced. He plans to continue writing plays after his retirement.

BC theatre buffs remember his memorable performances with Yvonne Milliken in "Lion in Winter" produced in 1974.

Dr. Wattron also has been acclaimed for another of his hobbies—metal sculpture. He worked for Lockheed Aircraft as a welder before entering the Army during WWII. It was at Lockheed, he notes, that he acquired an interest in metal sculpture, an interest that he maintains today. He is frequently commissioned to create original works.

Dr. Wattron and his wife, Bette, have a son, John, and a daughter, Francis Hernandez, and three grandchildren.—Ralph Nielsen.



LORRAINE ANDERSON

Dale Acree, chief engineer for the Kern Community College District, retired last December after a career that started in 1951 with the Kern High School District. He came to the BC campus in 1970 as Director of Operations and Maintenance.

A native of Austin, Nevada, he worked as a surveyor for the Nevada State Highway Department. He helped design airfields in Utah and Nevada for the U.S. Army Air Corps. Assigned to the Bakersfield area in 1942, he checked construction of Gardner Field, Taft, and Minter Field, now the Shafter airport.

During his time with the high school district he helped oversee construction of North, South, West and Foothill high schools as enrollment doubled and tripled.



DALE ACREE

Lorraine Bayes Anderson, administrative assistant to Kern Community College District Chancellor Edward Simonsen, will retire June 30, 1977.

Mrs. Anderson began her career in 1938 as secretary to Grace Van Dyke Bird, dean of Bakersfield College. She is a 1936 graduate of Bakersfield College. In 1945, she resigned following her marriage to William A. Anderson and returned to Bakersfield College in 1955 as secretary to Dr. Ralph Prator.

Her employment has been continuous since that time. She served as secretary to Dr. Simonsen when he became president in 1958, superintendent in 1968, and subsequently chancellor in 1974. Mrs. Anderson was named administrative assistant by the board of trustees in August of 1974.



RUTH MAGUIRE

BC Counselor Ruth Maguire has something to look forward to next month:

"Throwing away the alarm clock! I despise getting up early every morning."

She's anticipating retirement after 29 years at Bakersfield College as a counselor. But her professional career spans a longer time... she joined the local staff in 1948 after a business and professional career that included stints as everything "from filing clerk to executive secretary."

Ms. Maguire was born in Riverside and after graduation from high school attended a business college and junior college, working at secretarial jobs for about ten years. She received her BA in English at UCLA and then worked as a research assistant for Time-Life. She earned her MA in counseling and psychology at Syracuse University, and later at Ed.D at UCLA in the history of education and philosophy. Other academic work included additional studies at UC Berkeley and Stanford.

Grace Bird, first president of Bakersfield College, hired Maguire in 1948 as a counselor to business majors. She was also one of the founders of the nursing program, a major area of study at BC.

She has very warm feelings about junior colleges and feels that they are one of America's great contributions to higher education. She is equally enthusiastic about BC and says it is one of the finest two-year colleges in the state, if not the nation.

She isn't going to slow down completely when she retires. On her travel agenda is a trip to England, where she plans to do research for a possible book. She owns a home in Santa Monica and may take courses at UCLA... and perhaps at BC.

# Molly Bleecker and Katherine Fowler

BY RICK CHURCH  
Raconteur Editor



President Collins conferring with ASB President Molly Bleecker.



(left to right) ASB Chief Justice Katherine Fowler, President Collins, ASB President Molly Bleecker, Dr. Jack Hernandez, Dr. James Chadbourne, and ASB Vice President Bill O'Donnell.

She speaks in a pausing, thoughtful voice, sitting calmly with her stylish wrap-around skirt hanging just below her knee. She is Molly Bleecker, Bakersfield College's second woman student body president in its twenty year history on this campus. But more than being Molly Bleecker the co-ed, or Molly Bleecker the student body president, she is Molly Bleecker the concerned, active, student and just happens to be a woman. Bleecker and women like her are the product of society's changing attitudes toward women, changes that have been brought about by the women themselves.

Bleecker says that she believes that "Capable women should set an example for the rest of womankind." When asked whether she felt that she was setting an example, she smiled sheepishly and said, "I'm trying to."

Last year she found herself in the uncomfortable position of being the victim of thieves who were stealing things out of her car. Bleecker went to the Board of Representatives to try and get something done about the problem. After sitting in on a few meetings, she found herself intrigued with student government so she continued to go to the meetings. Eventually Bleecker became a member of numerous committees, as the "student at large," and her activity finally led her to seek the office of the presidency for the spring semester of 1977.

## FIRST POLITICAL FORUM

Bakersfield College is the first political forum that Bleecker has been involved in, as she was active only with clubs in high school. She said that she was motivated toward the presidency because she wanted to be involved in government and wanted to make important decisions for the students.

Bleecker's main goal for 1977 was to "Make enough money so that next semester the student body can put on some really big activities." She said that all the implications she has received from students for next year is that they will not give up the idea of having a concert in Memorial Stadium and that they will have a Spring Fair. Bleecker said that the budget was very small this year and it put some restraint on the things that the Board of Reps could do. Some of her goals were the Leadership Conference for the high school students and the possibility of sponsoring a Political Week. Bleecker said that the Board of Representatives has been very inactive this semester but she added that things are looking up and she has noticed much more involvement in recent weeks.

# headline student government in '77

BY MARK LUTTRELL  
Raconteur Staff Writer

BC's Student Court carried the female image of student government even farther during the spring of 1977 with Katherine Fowler serving as Chief Justice.

One of the biggest challenges to come up during the semester was the question of some student's eligibility to hold office in student government. Fowler said the hardest decision the Court had made so far was "whether to give these people waivers."

Commenting on her first impressions of the office she remarked, "I went in not knowing the procedures of the office and it took two or three weeks to get into that." She also added, "I hope the person that takes over next fall will have lots of time for the office, it's very demanding."

Fowler remarked that her predecessor (Andy Ratermann) did a "good job and left the files in pretty good shape." Of the other justices, she said "They're sharp and they've been able to pick up some really good points in some of the cases."



(left to right) Via Sto. Marie, Chief Justice Katherine Fowler, and Dr. Jack Hernandez.



The top three student leaders, Chief Justice Katherine Fowler, ASB President Molly Blaschke, and ASB Vice President Bill O'Donnell, look over the student paper, the "Renegade Rip." PHOTO BY AL NORIEGA.

Besides her Court duties, she has found time to serve as Editorial Editor on the RENEGADE RIP and as Activities Editor for the fall semester on the RACONTEUR. She is involved in the Young Republicans and is the assistant secretary for the Kern County Chapter. Fowler is planning to transfer to Fresno State and major in Journalism.

Fowler commented on the female dominated student government by saying, "I'm not a 'women's libber,' but one thing I'm really tired of hearing is that 'women are taking over ASB government.' It doesn't matter if we are male or female, it's how well we do the job."

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# Grapplers 5-1 for second place finish

BC's Renegade wrestling team finished the '77 season with a record of 15 wins and 5 losses, and a conference log of 5-1, good for a second place finish behind perennial nemesis El Camino. The Gades opened strong, with a 48-0 shutout of Pasadena. Primo Torres, Joe Lopez, Glenn Mosley and Rich Ackerman led the assault as they all garnered falls.

A strong Long Beach Viking team was next to fall, 24-16. Joe Lopez led the team with a fall, while William Gonzales, Pete Gonzales, Primo Torres, Chet Dickson and Norman Williams won decisions.

The Long Beach meet was a warmup for a dual meet the next day as the Gades defeated L.A. Valley 44-10 and L.A. Pierce by a surprising 25-9 score. Pete Gonzales, William Gonzales, Torres, Lopez, Dickson, and Dave McKeehan gave impressive performances.

## ELA BLANKED 54-0

The grapplers scored their second shutout, blanking ELA by 54-0. Pete Gonzales, Torres, Don Dow and Fred Berger contributed falls. Both BC and the El Camino Warriors came into the final meet for the Metro Conference dual meet championship undefeated, with El Camino defending Conference and State champions. Coach Pfitzenreuter juggled the line-up trying to pull off an upset, but the adjustments didn't work out and the Warriors prevailed by a decisive margin, 26-7. Pete Gonzales, Torres and McKeehan were the only BC victors.

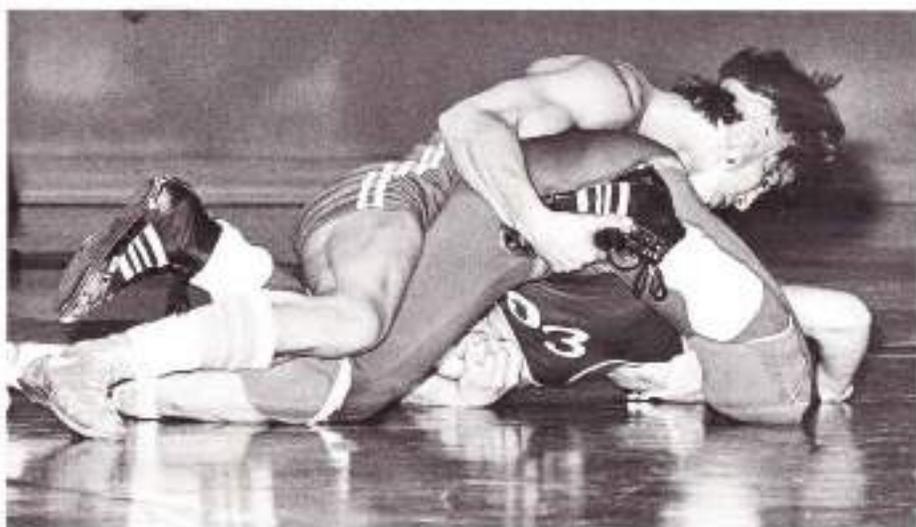
A week later the Gades were again runner-up to El Camino in the Metro Conference Tournament. Lopez and McKeehan won championships while Torres and Pete Gonzales picked up seconds; Dow and Norman Williams earned third place finishes.

In the North Central Regional Tournament BC was edged by Fresno by half a point and Modesto by a point and a quarter, to finish third. Lopez won his third tournament of the year and McKeehan was second. William Gonzales and Williams garnered third places and Pete Gonzales a fourth. All five wrestlers qualified for the State Tournament.

Joe Lopez was the whole show for BC in the tourney. Joe, who finished second last year, wasn't to be denied this time as he won the coveted state championship title. He breezed through his competition with 10-1, 13-4, 9-2 and 10-7 decisions. Lopez won the championship against Brad Okoorian, who was 38-0 and winner up to then of every tournament he'd entered. Lopez became BC's 13th state champion and its 32nd All American.



That's Don Dow applying a reverse half Nelson.



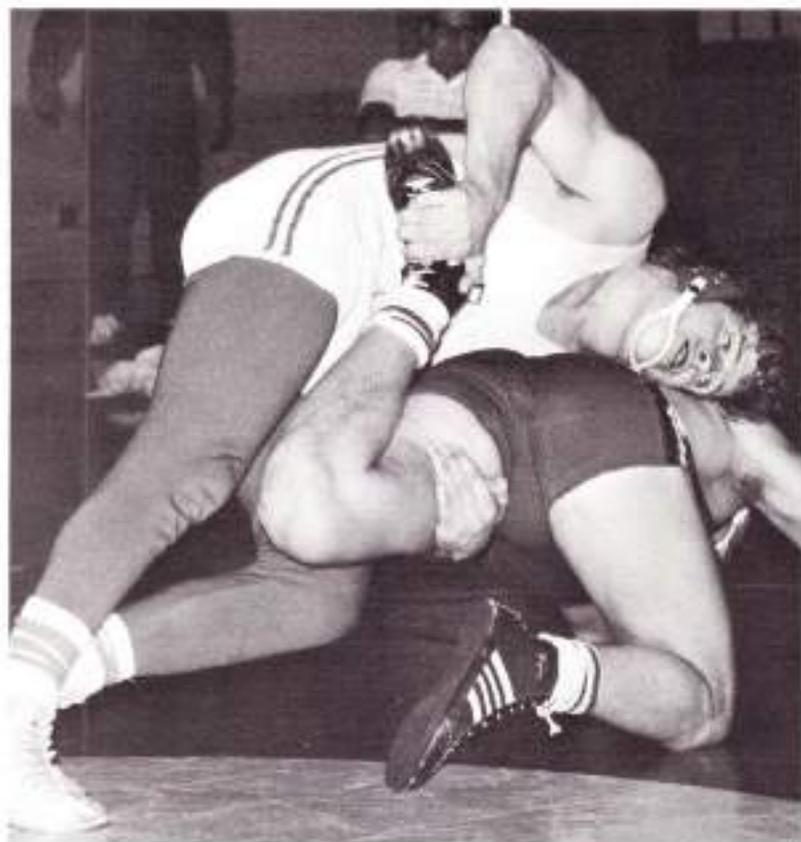
Primo Torres rides ankle of El Camino opponent on way to win.



Norman Williams struggles to free himself.



Joe Lopez, 142 lb. division state champion.



Glenn Mosley breaks opponent down.



Oh, no!

Photos by Felix Adamo



Heavyweight Dave McKeehan executing a throw.



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# Track and field highlighted by individuals



Bryan McBride, BC's No. 1 hurdler, wins discus throw at 148'2" against Pasadena.



Carla Gonzalez wins 800 meters against Pasadena City College.



Jesse Pena, one of the top 400 meter men in California.



David Henderson cleared 6'9 1/2" in high jump early in season, and was one of state leaders.



Linda Belcher led girl's team in high jump, long jump, 800 and 1600.



Tom Jadwin throw javelin over 200 feet to date as one of best throwers in state.



Pasadena City College's Kevin Jackson edges BC's Clive Innerarity in 100 meters.



State triple jump champ, Chris DeFrance, led team as Team Captain and Most Valuable through most meets.



Walter Pratt clears final hurdle in 400 meter race and equals BC record of .52.3. He was third in 1976 State Meet 400 meter hurdles.

# Swimmers off to fast start with 5-1 record

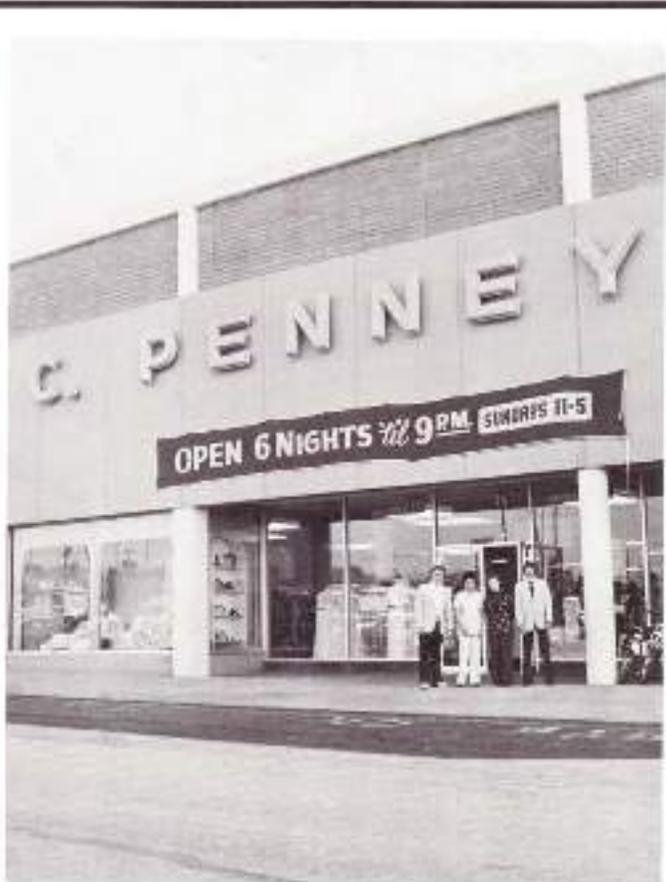


As the RACONTEUR went to press on March 14, Jim Turner's powerful Renegade swimming team was off to one of its fastest starts in memory. They were 3-0 in conference play and 5-1 for the season.

The swimmers demolished El Camino 71-29, trounced LA Valley 76-26 and downed perennial Metro contender Long Beach by a 68-35 count. The only loss up to press time was a 57-47 match at Santa Monica.



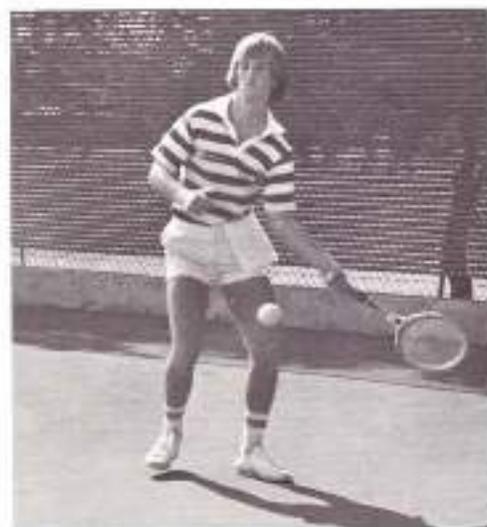
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BRAD MCNAUGHTON



A black and white photograph of the exterior of a C. Penney store. The store has large windows and a sign that reads "C. PENNEY". Below the main sign, there is a banner that says "OPEN 6 NIGHTS til 9 PM SUNDAYS 11-5". Several people are standing in front of the store entrance.

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# Spring sports... baseball, tennis

A black and white advertisement for "Leal's Keepsake Diamond Center". A man with a mustache, wearing a suit and tie, stands behind a counter displaying various diamond jewelry. Behind him are shelves filled with more jewelry. A sign above the shelves reads "REGISTERED Keepsake DIAMOND CENTER".

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## Student publications... The RIP,



Cartoonist Alex Banales and Suzanna Iritani, student services editor, share a smile as they watch over Editorial Editor Kathy Fowler's shoulder.



Greg Lipford, sports editor, prepares for another week's work.



A man of many faces, John Ramos, RIP Editor-in-Chief, takes time out of his busy schedule to review a paper.



Business Manager Lynn McDowell organizes the advertising schedule.

Expanded coverage and increased community awareness marked the rapidly improving Renegade Rip. Reaction to Rip editorials and news feature stories was widespread around the county as Editor-in-Chief John Ramos moved the paper into a more complete, more appealing format.

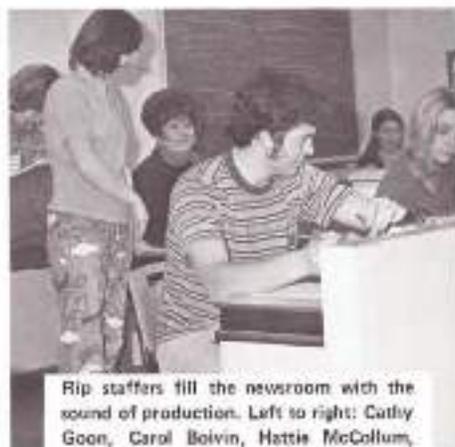
Thirty-one editions were published by an almost painfully small staff, with some special tabloid and eight-page issues released for special events, including Homecoming and Graduation.

Assisting Ramos was Business Manager Lynn McDowell as the Rip distributed 5000 weekly copies to the campus and strategic cultural centers in and around the community.

Led by Editorial Editor Kathy Fowler, Feature Editor Debbie Hunsinger, Photo Editor Felix Adamo, Sports Editor Greg Lipford, Student Services Editor Suzanna Iritani and a strong staff of writers, The Rip accomplished most of its objectives in providing a viable information and entertainment source for those associated with BC, with emphasis on previewing important events.

In the Spring of 76, the Rip won awards for editorial cartooning, and front layout at the annual JACC convention. The cartooning chores were professionally assumed by Alex Banales as the new year unfolded.

Bona Dillon was staff advisor, keeping the staff awake during long Thursday night paste-up vigils preceding Friday afternoon printing runs.



Rip staffers fill the newsroom with the sound of production. Left to right: Cathy Goon, Carol Bolvin, Hattie McCollum, Rick Church, Debbie Hunsinger, and Sandy Larson.



Staffers Mike Clinis and Debbie Speer discuss a story with Feature Editor Debbie Hunsinger.



Advisor Bona Dillon puts her talents to work as copyreader.



Forest Phinney adds final touches to his weekly column.

PHOTOS BY JOHN KING  
AND FELIX ADAMO

# CAMPUS ARTS, and the RACONTEUR



Don Stansbury, advisor, helps staffers Sandra Larson, Claudia Ordway, Lori Flora and Caroline Kearns with layout of Campus Arts. PHOTO BY JO STANFIELD.



Exhausted Rac Editor Rick Church leans over copy to meet a deadline.



Photographer Brad McNaughton, Dark Room Assistant John King, and Photo Editor Felix Adamo do what they do best.

Capturing the creative effort of a college community is a challenging and elusive endeavor. **CAMPUS ARTS** is directed toward this end. The staff at times enjoyed, at times hated the millions of ideas, questionings, and frustrations that come with the complexities of magazine production. Calling for submission of material, handling initial planning, and kicking around creative ideas was an exciting and stimulating time filled with the aura of possibilities.

This year for the first time, an effort has been made to market and distribute **CAMPUS ARTS** throughout the community at large. Also the staff initiated a contest within the various categories to stimulate further interest from contributors and awarded first and second place prizes in each category.

The magazine attempted to showcase a representative cross-section of student talent in the arts, both visual and literary and in so doing has incorporated prose, poetry, art, photography, and various creative crafts. Frequently one art form has enhanced or complemented the other. But overall, the variety of subject matter, the multiplicity of talent and interests among Bakersfield College students, everything from photographs of freeways, ocean panoramas, macramé, Frank Zappa, butterflies and moons, has gone into the whole that reflects creative activities at BC.



Fall Activities Editor Kathy Fowler, Photographer Jeff Ward, Feature Editor Debbie Hunsinger, and Mark Luttrell keep busy for the Rac.

# Speech team very active



left to right front row: Judy Holtz, Mary Morton, Kelly Hayes, Laurie Horn, Davis Meija, and Rick Church. Back row: Ray Timmermans, Glenn Pitts, Jon Swaim, Wayne Abney, and Director of Forensics, Norm Fricker. On the table are the awards the team has won this year. In the center is the team plant, nicknamed, "Trophy."

BY RICK CHURCH  
Raconteur Editor

There it is, a big, once white, dodge van rattling down the freeway loaded with students, luggage and one dog. What is it? Simple. It's the BC Speech team on their way to another tournament.

Director of Forensics Norm Fricker's gallant wordsters, fondly called the "JAWS SQUAD," have had a fine season, "spanning the globe of intercollegiate forensic competition." The season can best be described as the "thrill of victory and the agony of defeat."

The BC team has had their share of victories; they had compiled eight trophies with four tournaments left at press time, but not quite as many as they had hoped for. The team has been relatively small and consists mainly of people who have had no experience in forensics whatsoever. Even with a small, inexperienced team, BC has fared well.

Speech competition consists of many different events, impromptu speaking, extemporaneous speaking, Expository speaking, Persuasive speaking, debate, Oral Interpretation, duet acting, communication analysis, and Reader's Theatre. The BC team has traveled all over the state competing in tournaments from Berkeley, Stockton (University of the Pacific), Modesto, Sacramento, Cal State Northridge, El Camino College, Cerritos College, and many more.

Some of the winners on the team were Judy Holtz, winning a trophy in Expository speaking and a second place trophy in Duet Acting. Glen Pitts won a second in Duet Acting. Mary Morton won a third place trophy in Communications Analysis. Rick Church won a first in Communication Analysis, a third in Communication Analysis, and a finalist trophy for impromptu. David Meija, in his first speech tournament ever, captured a first place trophy in Oral Interpretation. Other competing team members were: Tom Killabrew, Wayne Abney, Laurie Horn, Angelica Velasquez, Kelly, Ray Timmermans, Asta Granger, Mary Kimble, and Elite, Laurie Horn's dog who was a visual aid for a dog grooming speech. The team was planning to compete in the national speech tournament at Washington D.C. in April.



Judy Holtz, senior member of the Speech Team and President of Speech Club, Phi Ro Pi, giving a speech on artificial limbs.





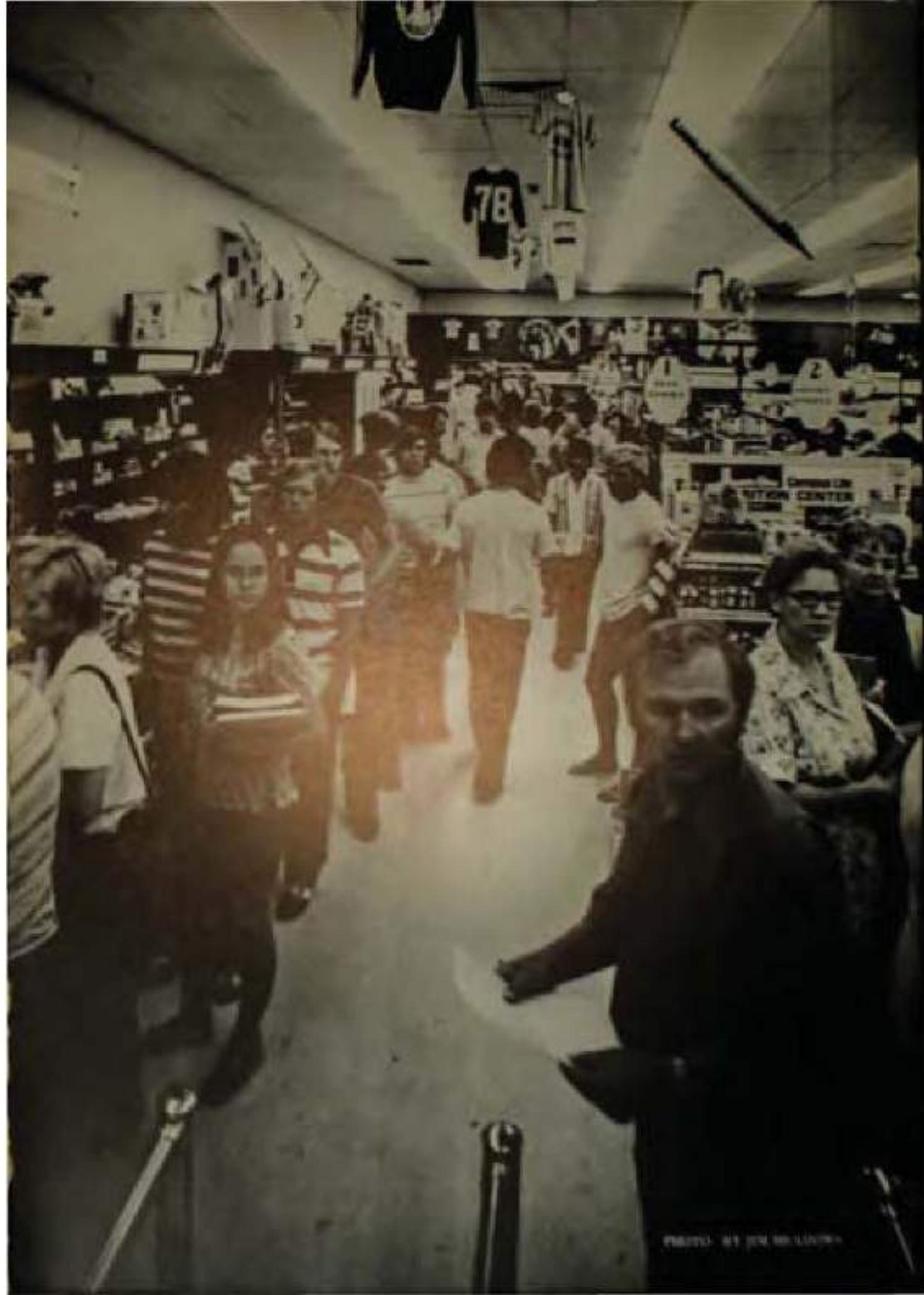


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