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Homecoming Memories



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Above, cheerleaders ride the float during halftime. Right, Homecoming King Chiharu Suzuki and Queen Kathryn Grinkley smile for the camera. Below, the South High School marching band performs during halftime.



TODD E. SWENSON / THE RIP

Fans, clubs celebrate event

BY LEANNE CAVE
Sports Editor

"Moving through the Decades" was a fitting theme as Bakersfield College, which is rich in sports history and football tradition, celebrated its Homecoming at halftime with a procession of floats that displayed history dating back to the 1950s, pick-up trucks and sports cars.

Out of 16 candidates who participated in contests each day during the week, Phi Theta Kappa's Chiharu Suzuki and Kathryn

Grinkley earned the most points and were crowned Homecoming king and queen.

The couple then paraded around the Memorial Stadium track and were followed by the runner-up candidates. Candidates represented various campus clubs.

In attendance for the event was the South High Rebel marching band, which kept a spirited home crowd pumped as it witnessed the game between the East Los Angeles Huskies and Renegades.

Missing from this year's Homecoming was the BC horse Rocky and the Renegade Knight.



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Students prepare for Election Day

BY MICHAEL D. ROSS
Online Editor

Retirement for his generation could be challenged by the state of the Social Security system, Ramon Audelo said.

"We definitely need to keep an eye on Social Security, so that way, when I turn old and gray, we can have it, because the way things are going right now, I don't think it will be there," said the 19-year-old mathematics major.

Social Security was just one of the election issues discussed by Audelo. With the presidential election set for Tuesday, several Bakersfield College students said that candidates' stands on the issues, rather than character debates, will determine how they cast their votes.

The Republican and Democratic presidential hopefuls recently met in three televised debates focusing on a variety of issues including education, Medicare, domestic oil, gun control, abortion and foreign policy, in addition to Social Security.

In the debates, Republican candidate George W. Bush advocated the option of investing a portion of Social Security, a proposal that 24-year-old radiologic technology major Ben Bernard supports.

"I am for Bush's opinion on investing a portion of your Social Security so it can grow a little bit more. I

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JENNIFER REVIS
Republican

"Gore was rude. In the first debate he was always interrupting and attacking Bush and his policies more instead of answering the questions."



RAMON AUDELO
Green Party

"They should have allowed Nader and the other candidates on TV so that way we could have heard their views as well."



CHEYENNE HERNANDEZ
Undecided

"I wouldn't want to be either of them. It's got to be a hard thing to do. No matter what side you're on, someone's going to think you're an idiot."

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New GADES card will offer library, lab services

BY YUKA UTSUNOMIYA
Rip staff writer

The Bakersfield College GADES student identification card will be replaced by a new cybermark card starting today.

The new card will offer services all on one card, including a library card to check out books, a student identification card and a print card for the computer labs in the computer commons, Career Center, Learning Center and Allied Health building.

"One of the things this card has

is a microprocessor built into the card itself," said Tim Bohan, director of supportive services. It also has a barcode on it, which is the same as the current card.

"The benefit is you only have to carry one card," he said.

Bohan explained that in the future, the card may be used at the bookstore to purchase books, or at the cafeteria to purchase food, working like a debit card.

Moreover, there is a possibility that financial aid could be paid out right on the card. But for now, the card will be required for students to

check out books or print.

BC officials are planning a "carding event" today at 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Student Services 151, near the Financial Aid Office on the floor of the Student Services Building.

Like the old GADES Card, the new card is free.

Other carding events planned will be held at the same building on Saturday at 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Monday at 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday at 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Wednesday at 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Thursday at 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Bohan encourages all students to

attend these events and bring old print cards. Students also need to bring identification, such as their old GADES card or driver's license.

Until the new card is in place, printing will be free, according to Brent Rush, a public information specialist.

When students have any money on their printing cards, they will be given that amount on the new card plus \$3 for the print card.

"We'll collect that (old printing card) and add \$3 on the new GADES card," said Bohan.

Nore Rivera, a BC student, said

she thought the change would be an improvement.

"I think it's better, so you don't have to carry two cards," she said.

Bohan said that college officials also are working on a money-making deal with Citibank involving the new GADES card.

"That is something we are working out with Citibank, with the financial corporation, where whenever students sign up for an

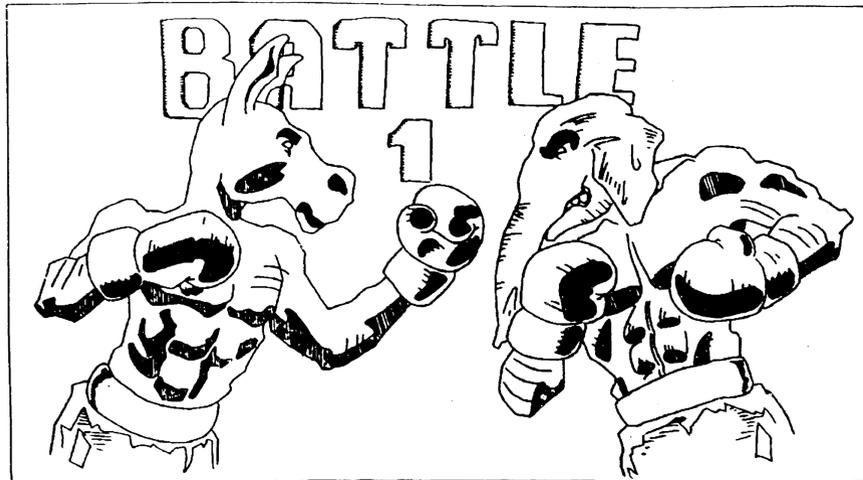


The card goes into effect this month.

account, the college may get money back for every student that signs up for that," said Bohan.

"Those are all kind of down the road things, and that's the only money-making deal that there is"

Issues define differences between the candidates



JON RIEL / THE RIP

Bush advocates tax reform, educational accountability

REP
Romeo Agbalog
Chairman of
Bakersfield College
Republicans

With the presidential election around the corner, young voters are rallying behind Texas Gov. George W. Bush. Issues such as education, taxes, Social Security and trust are at a high priority with young adults. Bush is becoming the clear candidate for president. In Texas, Bush has raised test scores in local schools and has raised standards for students. By instilling accountability and local control, Bush has empowered parents, teachers and school boards. "No Child Left

Behind" is the message Bush will bring into the White House in his pursuit to raise the quality of education.

Along with educational reform, Bush brings with him policies that would lower taxes for every working citizen. His plan includes a tax credit for families with children, and to return the tax dollars back to the taxpayers to give them the option to invest for a sound future.

Bush also has plans for preserving Social Security for our future generations by investing a portion of the surplus into Social Security and returning the rest to taxpayers so they may invest in sound investments which will yield a much higher percentage than what Social Security currently dispenses.

Equipped with reform, a vision of prosperity and sound education for all, as well as trust in our elected officials, Bush has obtained the support of young voters. He looks to victory on Tuesday.

Gore plans to protect human rights, national forests, Affirmative Action

DEM
Michael Shea
ASBC Vice President
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Why vote Democrat? Why vote Republican? Why vote at all? What will a middle-aged man 3,000 miles away from my home do for me? How will his decisions affect my everyday life?

These are some of the questions that most young people are faced

with every four years when the presidential election comes around.

For me, the difference is clear why I would vote Democrat. I know that I can't afford to take my civil rights for granted.

Al Gore and Joe Lieberman will fight against hate crimes and support the Hate Crimes Prevention Act.

Al and Joe will work to outlaw workplace discrimination against gays and lesbians and continue the executive order banning such discrimination in federal employment.

The Gore-Lieberman ticket will fight racial profiling, protect Affirmative Action and work aggressively toward strengthening pay equity laws for women.

George Bush and the Republicans have never supported affirmative action programs, rather G.W. Bush supports Affirmative Access. Do you know what that is? I don't, either.

Did you know that the next president of the United States will appoint as many as four Supreme Court justices?

That means the *Roe vs. Wade* case could be overturned. Do you want the federal government to mandate what choices you can make for your body?

It's interesting that Republicans abhor gun control but will be the first to say you have little choice for your own body.

Democrats have always supported a woman's right to

choose! What if the great outdoors weren't so great anymore? Al Gore and Joe Lieberman will work for clean rivers, lakes and streams. Not only that, have you seen southern valley air lately?

Gore-Lieberman will fight for strong new safeguards for clean air. By the way, the city of Houston, Texas, has worse air quality than the city of Los Angeles.

There's something the governor of Texas can be proud of. The Gore-Lieberman ticket will protect and expand national parks, monuments and wildlife refuges.

Most importantly Al and Joe will refuse to exploit them. Did we not learn enough from the Exxon-Valdez

spill? The Bush-Cheney ticket wants to open the Arctic to oil exploitation, our "last frontier."

Another important issue is Al Gore and Joe Lieberman's budget proposal. Al Gore wants to pay down the debt.

Al Gore wants to put Social Security in a "lock-box" to keep politicians' hands out of the Social Security fund. Why is this important to you and me?

We are the generation that will experience no Social Security program if it does not stay solvent. Al Gore has it budgeted for another 55 years.

I think in that time the federal government can find a different way to help people support themselves

after they retire from the work force.

Finally can you afford not to make college a priority? Both presidential candidates have made education a key issue.

This is especially important to people like you and me, and for some your parents who are fronting the money for school.

Al Gore has pledged to help parents and students save money, tax-free, to make college and lifelong learning more affordable.

Al Gore wants to make up to \$10,000 of college tuition tax deductible. As I see it, Democrats are more in tune with our generation's needs and concerns

vote Democrat on Nov. 7.

ASBC defends reasons behind teacher stance

The Executive Board of the ASBC would like the opportunity to respond to the Oct. 6, 2000 editorial entitled "Students should have sided with faculty." ASBC officers were more than relieved when we were made aware of the tentative agreement between the negotiation teams of the faculty union and the KCCD. We agree with the writer of this article that the dispute had created a situation in which the students had the most to lose. We, like the writer, "are not sure why the district would not meet the teachers' demands, or come to a reasonable compromise before this."

But we disagree, however, that this is "almost enough information" to support one side or the other. Details regarding the exact issues in the contract negotiations were not made available to the ASBC. Any information we did receive was subject to the bias and assumptions of those not involved with the negotiations. Last year, the ASBC voted to support a resolution of Students for Faculty. Upon the first week of school this semester, the ASBC was approached with concerns regarding the cancellation of classes and teachers

refusing to add students. Some students were told that if they didn't like the situation, then they should contact the district administration. The ASBC viewed this as an attempt to use students to further the cause of the faculty. We understood that this demonstrated the frustration of the faculty. These frustrations further manifested into work-to-rule policies that threatened the existence of campus clubs, some of the same clubs who recently participated on behalf of the faculty.

The ASBC voted that rather than choose sides and be in support of the faculty against the KCCD or vice-versa, we would change last year's resolution to Students for Students. We, unlike the writer, decided that siding with the teachers would not be the best way to address the concerns of the students of Bakersfield College, whom the writer correctly states we represent. "Like children in a divorce," it could never have been in the best interest of the students for either "parent" to play us against the other. The writer suggests that the students did not have to be in a neutral position. The ASBC agreed, realizing that there are at least two sides to every issue, and in this instance at least three (KCCD, faculty, students).

Our goal has been to stress both the faculty and the district that their primary concern should not be contracts, money, or organization. These issues are but to facilitate the true primary concern, students.

Rick Harrold
ASBC Executive Board

Reader criticizes column's attitude about fair

I take exception with Nichole Perry's opinion piece, "It's all there, at the Kern County Fair."

Said article: smacks of supercilious condescension, bred from some young whippersnapper who's never put in an honest day's work in their lives.

The article seethes with rage directed at the less fortunate. To whit: "inbred, low-class, monster truck loving dolts," "mullet haircuts, five teeth and

amphetamine problems." The article is a sterling example of a growing American double standard: ridiculing, berating and insulting any minority group is strictly forbidden, with the exception of poor whites. The viewpoint betrays the author's sheltered, suburban upbringing. Go to a five star, bustling hotel in a major metropolitan center and you'll see countless suits consulting on their cell phones on stock prices.

Go to a thrift store in Oildale (I've spent considerable time in one, trust me) and you'll see those very same five-toothed denizens in Krokus T-

"The viewpoint betrays the author's sheltered, suburban upbringing."

—Greg Goodsell

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

shirts talking on their cell phones on stock prices. Furthermore, the article is rife with prejudice and bigotry. Don't these clove-smoking, dressed in black poetry readers realize it is these relatively clueless cousins of theirs that supply their "rosy mills"?

I look forward to the fair every year, its diversity of people, chintzy diversions and amazing array of excellent to hilariously bad amateur art and photography exhibits. If the author feels the Kern County Fair is beneath them, well—they can stay home and listen to Rage Against the Machine and Tori Amos for all I care.

Greg Goodsell
Bakersfield Resident

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GADE FEEDBACK

If you could be reincarnated, what would you come back as and why?

Agnes Hadrak, Computer Studies: "A red rose, because it's so beautiful."

Brian Domingo, Engineering: "I would come back as a condor, because they are big and bad."

Marie Gonzalez, Teaching: "I would be a dragonfly so I could just hang out at the lake all day."

Roque Munoz, Fire Fighting: "Money, because everyone likes money."

Yajaira Gonzalez, Nursing: "A rescue dog, because they save lives."

Getting that jump start with caffeine

It's cheap and legal, but too much can create health complications for students

BY PATRICIA PINEDA
Rip staff writer

Think about the last time you had a Coke or drank a cup of coffee. Was it yesterday, several hours ago or are you drinking it as you read this paper?

The real question is, could you go without your caffeine fix?

Among some Bakersfield College students, the use of caffeine is extremely high.

Student Hector Galvan says he drinks on average six to eight colas a day.

"I run cross country and after practice I drink a Coke. When I'm going to eat I drink like two Cokes and at night I drink another Coke," he said.

Although he does consider himself addicted to caffeine, he doesn't believe it's a problem.

"It's not a bad thing because I like it, but it's not good for me," said Galvan.

On the other hand, Sam Sneed, another BC student, said he never drinks coffee and rarely drinks colas, unless he's studying for a test.

"Yeah, when I need to study for a test or something, yeah, I'll be hooking (colas) up like that, I'll be taking them to the head."

"I don't drink coffee because I've heard it's bad for your teeth," Sneed said.

Students often use caffeine to keep them up to study. Besides coffee and chocolate, caffeine can be found in products like Red Bull, Mountain Dew or XTC.

For many, drinking caffeine isn't enough. They use products like NoDoz or Mini Thins, pills that keep you alert.

The active ingredient in NoDoz is caffeine. Each caplet of maximum strength NoDoz contains 200 milligrams of caffeine.

"Caffeine is a stimulant, an average cup of coffee can range from 60 to 180 milligrams of caffeine," said Norm Hoffman, BC health professor. "It's a central nervous system stimulant, that's why kids obviously might drink coffee or take NoDoz pills to study."

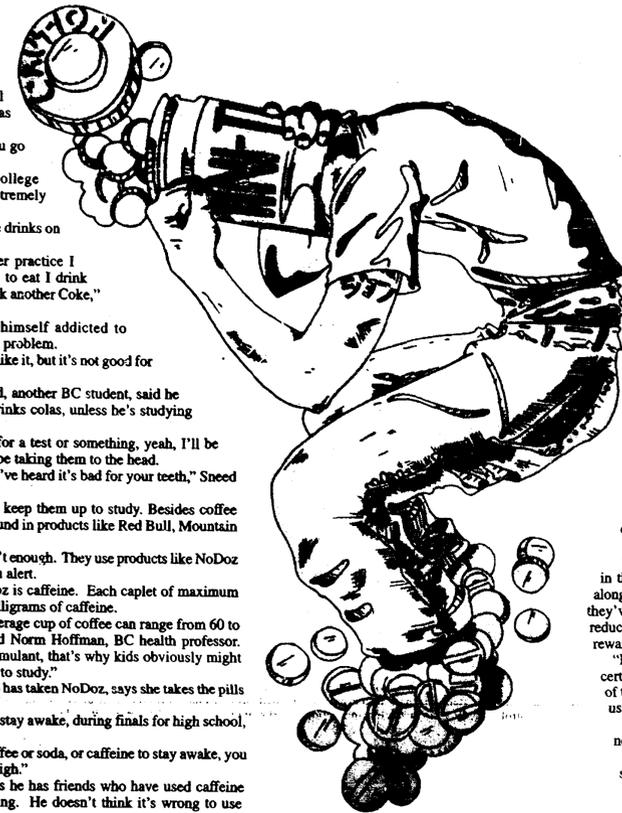
Sabrina Marron, a student who has taken NoDoz, says she takes the pills to help her study.

"I've taken them in the past to stay awake, during finals for high school, to study," she said.

"A lot of people, they drink coffee or soda, or caffeine to stay awake, you know to wake up, it's kind of a high."

BC student Chris Wallace says he has friends who have used caffeine pills to help them stay up studying. He doesn't think it's wrong to use caffeine if it's taken responsibly.

"The night before a test studying I've had some friends that would take



JON RIEL / THE RIP

it (NoDoz) to keep up the study. "It depends on how you do it ... if you take it to abuse your body then it would be a problem, but I guess once in awhile it wouldn't hurt," Wallace said.

Some of the symptoms that can occur from caffeine addiction might be excitability, dizziness, headaches and light headedness.

"Some people may actually call themselves Pepsiholics, or Dr Pepperholics, or Cokeaholics, meaning that they have to have their Cokes and a lot of the time they find that when they try to cut down or eliminate their habit that they get headaches. The only way they can deal with it is to follow it up with another Coke or another Pepsi," said Hoffman.

Also, for some people, caffeine can cause a side effect like heartburn.

"It can cause heartburn for some people. If they have gastric disturbances and they need to take Tums or Zantacs, something like that will treat the symptoms, but if they want to treat the root of the problem it may actually be the caffeine," Hoffman explained.

BC psychology professor Dr. Rick Wright says that caffeine also can create a psychological dependence.

"Anything you put in your body in terms of a drug, and caffeine is certainly a drug, also has side effects. "I think one of the things you have to be careful about is, can you use something like caffeine and at some point, are you arranging your life around it, and that's when it becomes clinically abnormal," said Wright.

Caffeine and cigarettes often are used together. "Caffeine and nicotine, which are legally OK drugs to ingest in this society, yes, you get a physical dependence on them but along with physical dependence comes a psychological aspect. What they've done is they've learned a behavior that says if I want to reduce my stress and if I want to take a break, give myself a little reward, I'll have a cup of coffee and I'll have a cigarette."

"I think caffeine is maybe the least harmful, although there are certain things that caffeine really agitates in your body, and so one of the things you have to do is you have to make sure you are not using it as a crutch," said Wright.

Hoffman agrees that caffeine used in moderation is not necessarily harmful.

"You have to be aware of your own susceptibility to different substances, whether it's caffeine or chocolate. So after a few cups of coffee or a few soft drinks, if you get jittery and you don't like the feeling, then caffeine is not for you. If you can in fact have a little caffeine and it makes you study a little better, you can manage it, that's the key."

FIRST PERSON

True confessions of a Mini Thins addict

BY BRYAN SWAIM
Editor in Chief

Oh, how I loved the feeling. I took two Mini Thins (ignoring the bottle's warning) before I set off on a four-hour trip to Fullerton for a journalism competition. I had worked until 1 a.m. the night before, and had to get up and work again at 6 a.m. I knew it would have been impossible with only four hours sleep to drive through L.A. traffic, so I decided to up my dosage. It was wonderful.

My heart was beating erratically for a good two hours. I was very hyper and just full of energy. I drove to Fullerton in no time, but was irritated by the few little traffic jams that we did have. Being so hyper, it was hard for me to keep still in traffic. I became agitated and then groggy. These were the first signs that something was wrong.

When we got to the hotel, I began to feel tired. I crashed out for about 15 minutes before dinner. I was half-asleep the rest of the day. I didn't sleep well that night and was tired the entire next day during the competitions. I don't know what the drugs did to me, but it wasn't good.

Mini Thins always worked well for me on days where I needed to study and I was tired. They are a quick booster and

allow you to focus. But the more you take them, the less they work. The next thing you know, you're taking two and almost taking the equivalent to a line of speed.

Working late nights and early mornings had a lot to do with my habits. I just never had time to sleep. It seemed that for those couple of months of split shifts, my whole body was staying awake thanks to those over-the-counter pharmaceuticals.

I quit taking the things because of ridicule from my friends and teachers. It got to where the pills were doing nothing, and I would be tired anyway.

My cure was quitting the morning hours at my job. I get a nice eight hours of sleep now. I don't need coffee or anything and I feel great. In fact, I've made a resolution to myself not to drink any more coffee or energy drinks, just to prove to myself that I have the will.

So far, it's working. My advice to tired students out there is to get at least seven hours of sleep each night. There are no excuses.

Make sure you do not get more than eight, though; then you will feel even more tired (trust me, from experience).

Good sleep can change your life. Your grades will go up and you'll just feel a whole lot better. Besides, you will save money. Mini Thins are five bucks a bottle.



JON RIEL / THE RIP

'Legal drug' can create serious problems for kidneys, stomach, heart

that affect panic disorder, hypoglycemia, heart disease, diabetes and even tobacco smoking. Panic disorder and anxiety can be heightened by caffeine and add to the stress a person feels. Hypoglycemia sufferers and those who are diabetics should take little and even no caffeine because it can raise or lower the blood sugar drastically. Heart disease can be heightened due to the rapid heart palpitations caffeine causes. Smoking has been shown to clear caffeine from the system, which is why smokers probably have higher rates of caffeine consumption. Caffeine in small doses cannot significantly hurt a person, but too much caffeine can cause a plethora of problems indirectly related to it. The health problems a person has now could be heightened due to consumption of caffeine, said the pharmacologist. "Caffeine is society's legal drug," said Ricardo Estrada.

A sidewalk tradition of art

Marketplace festival celebrates Italian heritage of street art.

BY VANESSA BOUTWELL
Rip staff writer

Artist Lysa Ashley used colorful chalk to carefully create a reproduction of the painting, "L'Innocence."

"I've participated in festivals in San Diego and Santa Barbara," said the 36-year-old Corona artist. "This is my third festival this year. These festivals are a lot of fun."

Ashley was one of the many artists of all ages who gathered together recently at the Marketplace to show their talents in the Italian Street Painting Festival. The festival's proceeds benefit the Bakersfield Museum of Art, which will add 13,400

square feet to its building. The building will include three galleries, two large studio classrooms, an outdoor learning area, storage for the museum's permanent collection, a research library, gift shop, conference facilities, reception area, administrative offices and a hands-on children's creativity center.

Street painting began in Western Europe and in a few large cities in the United States. The long tradition of pavement art began in Italy in the 16th century. This was the second successful year of street paintings in Bakersfield. The pavement paintings are divided into many different sizes of squares. Using chalk, each artist fills each square with color. Many famous paintings were reproduced.

Not only was Ashley a hit, but so was the clown blowing up balloons for young children. The "Via Bambino" had two feet by two feet squares at \$10 each, where children under 12 showed their talents. Young artist Haley Iverson, 7, shared

her thoughts on "Via Bambino" by saying simply, "I like it a lot!"

Religion was a theme throughout many of the paintings.

"I think it's important to incorporate spirituality into your art, at least it is for me, because I think that's where I came from," said Marti Kemper, 48. "I can't explain it, it's something that's already within me."

Kemper's painting of the Virgin Mary brightened up the pavement. She has been taking a few classes to develop her talent, but she is mostly a self-taught artist. Kemper works as a real estate agent in Bakersfield and considers art as a hobby.

"This is my passion," she said. "This is what I have to do to maintain my sanity." The paintings were removed on Oct. 25. "I think the festival is a wonderful opportunity for the artist and people to come out here to try something new, and it seems to be fun for the community as well," Kemper said.



Noel Cruz puts finishing touches on drawing of Marilyn Monroe. RONNIE WILSON / THE RIP

Movie producer shares Hollywood wisdom with students

BY RACHEL CRIBBS
Opinion Editor

Producing films is the easiest job in Hollywood, according to producer Fred Caruso, who recently spoke to a film class at Bakersfield College.

"To produce, all you really need is a script and someone else's money," said Caruso. A high school music teacher from New Jersey, Caruso has worked on such films as "The Godfather," "The Rat Pack," and most recently "The Skulls," with Joshua Jackson.

"I taught music for seven years and I wanted to do something else. But I didn't know what I wanted to do," he said. Caruso got his degree in music at New York University and figured entertainment would be the best route for him. Having made up his mind to work in films, Caruso then sent out more than 100 letters to various filmmakers and waited for a response.

One day he got a call from Otto Preminger, a big director of the time, who invited him to be an unpaid observer on the set of his film "Hurry Sundown," in Louisiana.

He spent three days on the set of "Hurry Sundown" with nothing to do and nowhere to go, until on the third day Caruso attended the music rehearsal, where he met Hugo Montenegro, the film's composer.

Hugo and I became friends and I helped him with the score. One day Preminger came to Hugo and asked for a song for the schoolchildren in his movie to sing. Hugo couldn't think of any song and his lyricist was in L.A., so I suggested to

Hugo, "Why don't I try and come up with something?" He agreed and that night I composed a song in my hotel room.

"If you enjoy a movie, you need to know who was involved and by staying and reading the credits you are thanking them for a job well done."

— Fred Caruso, film producer

The next day Preminger came and heard my song and said, "That's the song. Where did you get it?" Hugo told him it was my song and so they paid me for it and now my song is in that film. So that's how I got into the movie business.

He has worked with countless notable actors and actresses such as Frank Sinatra, Dustin Hoffman, Michael J. Fox, Sean Penn, John Travolta, Elizabeth Taylor and Jane Fonda. One of the best actors he has ever worked with, though, is Sean Connery, on the film "The Presidio."

"Sean Connery is a great gentleman in film. I met him the day before filming in his dressing room where I was looking for him to sign some papers. I turn the corner to his dressing room and I see him, 007, Mr. Connery himself, stark naked. I was a little amazed but I introduced myself and wondered how many girls would want to be in my place right then," he said.

Caruso enjoys the film business very much due to the ability to travel and meet people, but admits it is rather difficult to enter.

"You really have to know someone on the inside, which is why my story is really amazing," admitted Caruso.

Producing films had turned out to be a dream come true for Caruso; it is exactly what he was looking for all those years ago in his music appreciation classroom. He hopes he will be able to stay with film and help movies grow and get better.

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'Gades beat East L.A. with defense and special team play

BY LEANNE CAVE
Sports Editor

The Bakersfield College football team, ranked second in the state and fifth in the nation, will travel to Santa Monica Saturday to take on the Corsairs. Every game is important as it could have state playoff implications for the Renegades. BC has a perfect 7-0 record going into the Western State Conference match-up.

"They are traditionally the biggest team we face," said coach Dallas Grider. "They're 5-2, they beat East L.A. also 5-2. They have good athletes at the skill positions."

The "Gades go into the game unbeaten.

On Oct. 28, before a Homecoming crowd of 4,862 fans the "Gades pulled out their strategic weapons of team speed and defense and whipped East L.A., the No. 1 offensive team in the WSC, 33-13.

In a game that was not decided until the fourth quarter, it became quite clear that when the "Gades need the big play, the defensive secondary will get it done. This time it was Randy Jordan as he stepped in front of a Husky receiver and made the interception that turned the game around for BC.

With the score tied at 13 and less than 10 minutes to go in the contest, Jordan picked off a Fernando

Delgadillo pass and returned it to the Husky 2-yard line. That set up the go ahead touchdown as Sam Campanella dove into the end zone from 2-yards out to make the score 20-13. BC never looked back.

During the game, East L.A. then showed the Homecoming crowd why it has the No. 1 offense in the conference.

The Huskies drove down the field and took a 7-3 lead on a 19-yard connection from back-up quarterback Hugo Avendano to Paul Thomas.

Avendano started in place of starting quarterback Delgadillo because of disciplinary action for missing a practice.

Enter BC special teams. Sammy Moore ran back the kick-off 46-yards to set up a "Gade score. He also ran back a punt 38-yards.

"The blockers are the ones who set it up," said Moore. "I just followed my blockers."

"We depend on our special teams," said Grider.

"They are one-third of the game. We spend a lot of time with special teams during practice."

A 1-yard run by Sam Campanella that made it 10-7 at the half. Moore was also responsible for a 38-yard punt return to set up another score for BC.

The second half started out much like the second quarter as Trevor

Lancaster again split the uprights with a 22-yard field goal to give the "Gades a 13-7 edge over the visiting Huskies.

After the BC score, East L.A. made things interesting for the Homecoming faithful and they once again moved down the field and scored, this time on a 29-yard touchdown pass from starting quarterback Delgadillo to Arlin Slayton to tie the score. But the Huskies missed the 1-point conversion that would have given them the lead.

The Huskies managed to hold the "Gades on their next possession, giving the ball back to East L.A. But the tough "Gade defense wasn't about to give up the yardage as they forced the Huskies to punt.

James McGill, a force for the "Gades, this season blocked the punt, Michael Hall picked the ball up and dashed into the end zone for seven more points that put the nail in the coffin for the Huskies.

"We work hard every week and have a good defensive scheme. We want to make the big plays," said Hall.

"We don't want to give up the big plays."

The last score belonged to Campanella, who ran into the end zone from 1-yard out (one of three for Campanella that night) to make the final score 33-13.



Todd Cunningham is in the grasp of Husky defenders during the Homecoming game. TODD E. SWENSON / THE RIP

Renegade 'secondary' uses defensive moves against opponents

BY LEANNE CAVE
Sports Editor

They sack quarterbacks, make big hits on receivers and intercept passes.

They are members of the Bakersfield College defensive secondary—and they are proud of it. The secondary includes Michael Hall, James McGill, Randy Jordan, Billy Gilbert, Alex Qualls and Shannon Ezell.

"They are doing a fantastic job," said head coach Dallas Grider.

"They are excellent athletes, some of the best in the country. They make the adjustments when they have to, to get the job done."

Leading the assault for the "Gades is sophomore Hall, a 5'10", 175-pound defensive back from Tehachapi High, who was Most Valuable Player in the 1999 Potato Bowl. He has been consistent in making the picks, in which he has

scored or set up a score. He knocks down passes and creates havoc for opposing receivers as well as making tackles in the secondary. His pick in the Hancock game was breathtaking as well, as it saved the game for BC.

In the game against East Los Angeles, he scooped up a blocked kick and scored to put the game away for the "Gades.

"It feels good to help the team," said Hall. "We just have to come out and execute what we have learned in practice."

Safety James McGill a 6'2", 210-pound freshman from Bakersfield High, has been a force in the secondary this season. He has blocked two kicks and a punt. His resume also includes one interception, 23 tackles and 37 assisted tackles for the "Gades.

"We're real close as a unit," said McGill. "Everyone wants to play together and get the win."

Against Hancock, he intercepted

a pass and hit a receiver so hard that it prevented the first down and spun the player completely around. Against East L.A., he blocked a punt in which Michael Hall scored.

Coming to the game from out-of-state (Elizabeth High out of New Jersey) is Billy Gilbert. The 5'11", 160-pound cornerback is a threat to opposing offenses whenever he is on the field. He is fast and tough and makes the hard hits when they count. He has made interceptions, but none bigger than the one against a big Hancock receiving core.

"We practice hard to get the job done," said Gilbert.

Randy Jordan, a 6'2", 174-pound cornerback from Tulare High, is also a defensive weapon for BC as he is fast, tough and makes his presence known in every game.

He makes the plays and tackles when needed. The one against Hancock prevented a score for the Bulldogs. He made the play of the

game against East L.A. as he intercepted a Husky pass, setting up the score to lead the "Gades to victory.

"We're confident as a group," said Jordan. "We feel we have one of the best secondaries in the nation."

Freshman Alex Qualls, a 5'10", 177-pound Bakersfield High product, has stepped in nicely for the "Gades in the nickel and dime defenses where five or six backs are needed. He is tied with Hall for the lead in interceptions. In the Citrus game, Qualls made two interceptions. One was for a 26-yard score and one eventually led to a score.

Shannon Ezell, a 5'11", 175 Centennial High cornerback, has also stepped in and made the plays in the secondary when needed.

"Qualls and Ezell step in nickel and dime defenses or when we need five or six backs," said Grider.



Michael Hall tackles as Kevin McKinney closes in. TODD E. SWENSON / THE RIP

Wrestling team experiences setbacks, injuries

BY LEANNE CAVE
Sports Editor

For the Bakersfield College wrestling team the season seems like a roller coaster ride. The team has had its problems as members have suffered injuries, no-shows and had to deal with personal situations.

Considering all of this the "Gades were ranked 15th in the state as of Oct. 26.

"The season on the whole has been up and down for us," said head coach Bill Kalivas. "We have non-committed athletes that have hurt us, as well as individuals who have to work out problems. There is work

and school and other factors that have a lot to do with the team as a whole. There's no one to blame."

This is an inexperienced group according to Kalivas. "But there is good team chemistry and good work ethic among the team," he said.

The team's record is 5-5, 1-1 in WSC. Sophomore wrestlers who were freshmen All-Americans, Alman Kerste and Shamar Pigg, have kept the "Gades in close contention in dual meets and tournaments where the competition was overwhelming.

Going into the conference opener against the Moorpark Raiders, the "Gades were 4-4, but lack of

experience as well as a shortage of wrestlers hurt the team as it was overpowered 34-15.

BC began its dual meet season on Sept. 9, when it went 2-2. In the Modesto meet, they also went 2-2. In tournament competition, the best outing for the team was a seventh place finish at the Sacramento City Tournament on Sept. 23. The best performance was a dual meet against Cypress, where the "Gades prevailed 27-16. Both Kerste and Pigg had pins for the "Gades.

"Wrestling is an individual sport in the end," said Kalivas.

Wrestlers who have done well for the "Gades in their respective weight

classes are Kerste, Pigg, Mark Austin, Parris Whitley, Brett Homelsey, Alman and Pigg hope to gain All-American status once again.

"As a team we start out slow and become aggressive, we pull together as a team," said Kerste.

"We put a lot of emphasis on "It's not where you start it's where you end up or finish. The competition will be tough in future competition and at the state level, but I plan on taking first," he said.

Pigg also has high hopes for state contention and All-American status. "I'm going to work hard," he said. "I'm going to work hard this year, but hopefully I will get it."



Vince Morris and Shamar Pigg practice wrestling moves during weekly workout session in the BC gym. JOSE PIMENTEL / THE RIP

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'GADE NEWSLINE

BC announces closure of parking lot

The parking lot west of the gym and east of the tennis courts will be closed for construction of the college's new 50-meter pool starting approximately Nov. 15.

Signs will be installed at the site to inform students of this closure. Construction of a new road and parking lot should be completed by mid-February, campus officials said.

Golightly's paintings to be displayed

"A Forty Year Retrospective of the Natural Object: Portrait, Figure, Still Life," will be on display at the Wylie and May Louise Jones Gallery at Bakersfield College Nov. 9 through Dec. 14.

The exhibit features 50 paintings that reflect work created by Douglas Golightly a Porterville artist from 1960 through today. Golightly has devoted his artistic practice to the pursuit of representing divinity in the natural object.

Viewers of his work will note the surreal in his still life, portrait and figure paintings in oil.

An opening reception for the artist will be held Thursday, Nov. 9 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Golightly will speak about his work at 7 p.m. For more information, call 395-4616.

— Compiled by Yuka Utsunomiya
Rip staff writer

CRIME BEAT

Police catch campus burglars

At about 11:35 p.m. Tuesday, Bakersfield College campus police and the Bakersfield Police Department K-9 unit apprehended two suspects who had broken into the baseball fieldhouse.

The south side door to the press box had been forced open. Ronald Cormier, 20, was apprehended near the south entrance of Levinson Hall. Cormier, who was wearing red face paint, was found hiding in the bushes by campus police officer Chris Counts.

The K-9 unit helped to locate the second suspect, 23-year-old Michael Joseph Dunford, who complained of pain in his legs. Dunford was transported to Kern Medical Center. It was later determined that Dunford sustained a broken back when he fell from a fence as he attempted to climb over. He is listed in serious condition, said a KMC official.

The pair was charged with burglary, according to campus police Chief Sgt. Jess Soto. Some of the items that were recovered included a Zenith VCR, an amplifier, a 20-inch color TV and a remote transmitter to the television. Items that were missing included a boom box, VCR and microphone.

BC staffer reports stolen wallet

On Oct. 3, a college employee reported that her wallet was stolen from her office in FACE 25. She stated her wallet was taken between 3:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. Checks, credit cards and \$20 was taken.

Stereo thieves strike again

On Oct. 4, a student reported that his stereo deck and amplifier were missing. He said he parked his truck in the southwest lot at around 10 a.m. and when he returned at 1 p.m., he noticed the driver-side lock was broken and the stereo was missing. Approximately \$600 dollars worth of merchandise was stolen.

Police arrest students for marijuana

At approximately 10:20 a.m. on Oct. 6, an officer responded to a report in the southwest parking that two students were sitting in a car smoking marijuana. The officer found the students with more than an ounce of marijuana and some drug paraphernalia. The two students were arrested and cited.

Drunken student found behind gym

On Oct. 7 at 8:50 p.m., a campus police officer made contact with a BC student at the southwest corner of the gym. The student was sitting on the back of a maintenance cart being held upright by members of the Bakersfield Fire Department. He attended a party before a football game and while drunk, passed out at the game.

— Compiled by Editor in Chief Bryan Swaim and Rip staff writer
Patricia Pineda

MOVIE MINUTE

The Halloween season is here, so studios have decided to start shelling out their horror movies hoping that audiences will get caught up in the scary movie fever. We've seen the re-release of a classic, "The Exorcist" and now we have its feeble wannabe, "Lost Souls."

"Lost Souls" is yet another addition to the recent collection of crap actress Winona Ryder has been dishing out to us. The girl should quit worrying about the color of her hair and focus on choosing better roles. In "Lost Souls," she plays Maya Larkin, a girl who was once possessed by a demon and is now serving as a part-time assistant on other exorcisms. During an exorcism, strange signs are seen and through some clever code-breaking, Ryder realizes that the end is near and Satan will rise through the body of a famous writer (Ben Chaplin), who ends up struggling with his own faith.

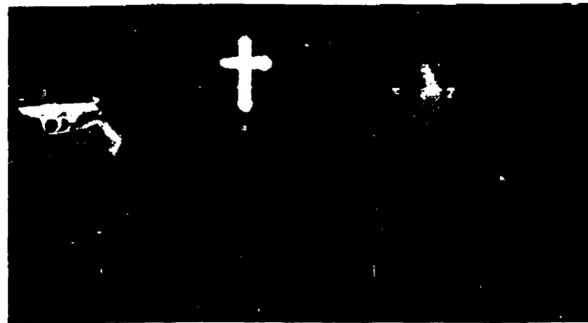


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Ben Chaplin and Winona Ryder star in "Lost Souls," New Line Cinema's new thriller about the supernatural.

There you have it, a formula for a good old-fashioned horror movie. But with dry acting from Ryder and scary scenes and a strange ending that doesn't have the excitement or kick of even your average teen scream flick, the serious side of the

movie gets the best of it and leaves the viewer seriously regretting spending \$7 on it. Do yourself a favor. Go see "The Exorcist."

— By Bryan Swaim
Editor in Chief

Q&A with Karen Eso

By Henry Franco
Rip staff writer

Karen Eso has been a part-time professor at Bakersfield College since 1998. But this fall she is starting her semester instructing full-time. She is teaching psychology, human sexuality and marriage and family. She also bowls in her spare time.

Q: "What class do you enjoy teaching the most?"
A: "I think I enjoy teaching the 1A (psychology) the most. The other ones are fun, but I enjoy teaching that one. Those are the brand new students to BC. Teaching makes the biggest impact on them. They're 17 and 18 and it's their first experience with college and with psychology. So I may be able to convert someone to psychology as their major." (Laughs)

Q: "Is it true your husband is also a teacher here?"
A: "Yes, he is."

Q: "What's it like working with him?"
A: "It's fine because we don't teach together and it's OK because he has his own office. We don't have lunch together. Our schedules are quite different. It's almost like not working with him because I see him more at home than I do here."

Q: "Is it true you make your students sing when they're late to your class?"
A: "Yeah. I make them sing when they're late to class. They sing if their pager goes off or if their cell phone goes off. And usually I let the rest of the class decide what they're going to sing and lately the song of choice has been 'I'm a Little Teapot' with action. Usually they're only late once and they're never late again."

Q: "How much do you like to bowl?"



A: "I love bowling but I'm terrible at it. I bowl with another professor from Cal State. And she's also Canadian."

"When I first came to BC, I was asked if I wanted to join the BC Bowling League. I don't bowl. But I thought I better to meet people. So I go and I'm bowling and this woman walks up to me and asks, 'What part of Canada are you from?' And I said, 'How did you know I was Canadian?' And she said, 'That's not bowling, that's curling.' The way I bowl I look like I'm curling. I go like this. Curling is long and you drag one leg."

"And she said, 'You look like you're curling, not bowling.'" And so now the two of us bowl together and we've changed our curling into bowling and it hasn't worked very effectively."

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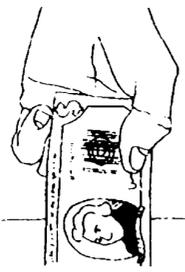
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BC student complains of registration fraud

BY JARROD GRAHAM
Features Editor

"Have you registered, to vote?" That was the question asked of Bakersfield College student David Seibt by a voter registration solicitor on campus during the first weeks of the semester that prompted him to sign a registration form.

But when he checked with the Kern County Elections Department a week and a half later, he found that he was not registered with any party

because he had apparently marked two political parties on his form, the Green Party and the Republican Party. Seibt had been a victim of voter registration fraud.

"There was an 'X' marked in the Green Party, but Republican was scribbled in," Seibt said.

Seibt, who moved to the Bakersfield area in March, filled out the form with the intent to re-register with the Green Party.

When he handed the form back to the solicitor, he said he was asked

why he would register with "a bunch of radicals." He was urged by the man to register as a Republican because the solicitor would receive \$5 for every Republican form he collected.

"He had no right to look at my registration form," Seibt said. "It's none of his business."

Seibt filed a formal complaint with the county Elections Department, which was passed on to the Kern County District Attorney's Office for investigation. The case has

since been passed on to the state Elections Department, which will return the case to Kern County if it is found to be an on-going problem, according to Larry Bentley, chief investigator of the Kern County District Attorney's Office.

Seibt's form was traced back to a registration solicitor employed by Carl Schmitt of Fresno, a campaigner for conservative ideals in the San Joaquin Valley. Schmitt was investigated by the Kings County District Attorney's Office for

similar incidents in 1998, but was not brought up on charges due to lack of evidence, according to a *Californian* story.

Schmitt has said previously that the registration process has built-in protection against fraud, and said that the best way for the hired solicitors to avoid these kinds of problems is to have people fill out their own cards, marking their own party and initialing the card.

Sandy Brockman, county chief deputy registrar, offered a few

suggestions to avoid becoming a victim of registration fraud.

"I think the main thing is to read what you're signing," she said.

She also suggests that when registering with a solicitor, people should keep the form and mail it in themselves.

Seibt said that students at BC need to know that solicitors will try to manipulate them for their own personal gain.

"It's morally and ethically wrong," he said.

EOP&S assists students in need

BY HENRY FRANCO
Rip staff writer

Bakersfield College student Christine Paulsen is one of many students who have taken advantage of a college opportunity. That opportunity is EOP&S (Extended Opportunity Programs and Services), a program that is dedicated to helping students in need.



ABOUT EOP&S
Christine Paulsen is one of many students who have taken advantage of a college opportunity.

Paulsen is no longer a student in the program, but now works as a peer mentor. She says EOP&S helped her tremendously when she first arrived at BC, especially the peer mentors.

"I enjoyed the peer advising when I was on the program knowing that there was people like me, just regular people to talk to," she says. "I also really liked the atmosphere of the office because everyone was really friendly."

problems at home. They also ask about teachers and classes.

She also says EOP&S has helped her plan out her educational goals. She hopes to transfer to California State University, Bakersfield when she's finished at BC.

EOP&S director Manuel Gonzalez says the program is unique at BC.

"Nobody else on the campus has peer mentors, and they have become friends with other students and can also help them out with educational planning," he says. "We also have a person that is assigned to do outreach and recruitment in the high schools and community agencies."

The state funded program focuses on helping students with a low-income level or who are educationally disadvantaged.

EOP&S is celebrating 30 years at community colleges and shows no signs of slowing down. The program has received half a million dollars this year from the college, making it possible to help these students.

The program provides a wide range of services to these students, including peer mentoring, tutoring, educational advising and counseling.

"The goal for this year is to serve 1,000 students," Gonzalez said.

Working as a peer mentor has improved Paulsen's life a great deal.

With two full-time counselors available, students can look to them for advice or just someone to talk to. Counselor Vera Diaz says they provide many different aspects of counseling to the students.

"It's the type of experience I want because my major is human services," she says.

"We are here to provide guidance and support to our students. We provide career counseling and personal counseling, as well as academic advising," she said. "A lot of our students are first-year college students. It's tough when you don't have anyone else to rely on to ask questions. Our students are walking into a family."

Helping students in need is important to her.

Jennifer Tessandori, EOP&S outreach assistant, recruits students from high schools, but was once a student in the program. She says Diaz took her under her wing when she decided to

"The thing I find the most satisfying is when you get some students who are completely lost. And when I'm done with an appointment I feel like I've really reached that student and really helped them. You can see a kind of relief come over them. It's very satisfying to know that you've helped somebody."

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Students see the peer mentors as a mini-counselor, according to former peer mentor Jodi Bowen.

"They come to us with

Right, Officer Joe Johnson waits in a police car while patrolling for car stereo thefts. Bottom, Officer Richard Cox writes a ticket for a parking violation.

Photos by Aron Vietti / The Rip



BC decides against armed officers

Proposal to hire outside law enforcement agency shelved by campus officials.

BY HENRY FRANCO
Rip Staff Writer

Campus police services will not be contracted out to an outside law enforcement agency, as had previously been recommended by BC president Dr. Sandra Serrano.

at this time. It may not be the way to go to have guns on campus," he said.

Under her proposal to the district Board of Trustees, which she discussed last spring, campus security would have been partially contracted out to an outside law enforcement agency. But the real issue for the board was whether or not to allow firearms on campus. BC's current security force is not allowed to carry firearms. An outside police agency would carry guns.

Noland said that the college will try to use other methods to handle crime.

Serrano's proposal meant that all campus police officers who were not trained to POST (Police Officers Standards Training) must receive this training before July 2002.

"We will be trying other alternatives first. Other uses of technology, like video equipment and surveillance cameras, maybe in the parking lot to help detour crime. It seems to help as long as people know they are there."

This also meant that outside law enforcement would handle crime on campus. Both Bakersfield Police Department and Kern County Sheriff's Department made proposals to take over security on campus.

Sgt. Jess Soto, head of BC police, said he was never in favor of contracting out and is pleased with the outcome.

Serrano's recommendation is no longer under consideration, according to Michael Noland, president of the classified union.

"I feel it's a good decision because our department is doing exactly what an outside agency would do. Our department knows the college community; they can communicate with the faculty, the students and the visitors because we have a unique working relationship with everyone. So I feel it's a good move," said Soto.

"I am in total agreement and I feel in the long run the college would save money. I don't think my guys have done anything less than any officer out on the street except that we are concentrating on a small community. Why fix something that isn't broken?"

"We have had several meetings and have decided that we are not going to contract out. We think arming officers may not be the thing to do

Sgt. Bill Maxwell, spokesman for the BPD, said he was unaware of the decision to not contract out.

"I did not know about it," he said. "Although they may have had discussions with the chief."

Sheriff Carl Sparks, spokesman for the Sheriff's Department said, "The college made the decision to go the other way and I hope it works out for them. God bless them, and I'm glad we had the chance to compete."

Soto said he will concentrate now on getting his officers more training.

"I don't think my guys have done anything less than any officer out on the street except that we are concentrating on a small community."

—Sgt. Jess Soto, campus police

"My job is to now make sure my people get the correct training in accordance to POST," he said.

He would also like to see some surveillance cameras installed.

"We are talking about putting some cameras in the areas where we have most of our crime. The northeast lot is one of them. We have also talked about

leaving some lights on from 11 at night until early the next morning," he said.

Serrano said it is up to the board if any of these changes will be made.

"It would still be up to the board to make a decision to maintain our force as it exists or to change in any way," she said. She also explained that the campus security committee has decided the criminal statistics for the campus do not warrant arming officers, but that she is in full support of finding other ways to implement a

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New professor explains passion for teaching African-American history

BY BRYAN SWAIM
Editor in chief

It has to be tough to fill the shoes of Jesse Bradford, the former Bakersfield College black history professor who recently retired. But Ishmael Kimbrough III takes it all with stride.

"My father is a real, real man with real convictions. He's my role model. If I can be half the man my father is... he's a man of principle and puts his principles into action," he said.

"I took his (Bradford) class while I was here at BC. He helped me along in deciding I wanted to pursue history just by taking his class."

His father is best known for starting the People's Missionary Baptist Church in 1970 with only 66 members. Today, the church has hundreds of members and you will find Kimbrough proudly there with his father four days a week.

Kimbrough began BC this year as the college's new black history professor, teaching African-American history as well as American History 17A. Kimbrough is the son of respected local pastor, the Rev. Ishmael Kimbrough, to whom he attributes much of his success.

"I go to church Tuesday night, Wednesday night, Thursday night and Sundays. I never thought it would be like that growing up," he said.

The 31-year-old South High School graduate attended BC, where he played football for the 1989 national championship team. Kimbrough earned a scholarship to

McPherson College, a small private school in Kansas, which he described as "some of the best years of my life until now."

Kimbrough is known for getting passionate during classroom lectures, something he attributes to his father.

After coming back to Bakersfield and working various jobs, Kimbrough decided to get his master's degree in American History with an emphasis on southern black history at Emporia College in Kansas. Kimbrough is the first to admit he is a history nut.

"I'm passionate because I love what I do and I believe

"It's terrific. I was born a teacher," he said. "If I wasn't in a classroom, I'd be on a street corner or in a Starbucks boring someone to death with historical facts."

in what I am doing," he said. "Growing up under a pastor, he's not only my father but he's my pastor and not only my pastor but my father."

When asked what advice he would give students in college, Kimbrough says that learning about other cultures' history is important in finding out what they truly believe.

"I think they (students) should take my class and take Chicano history. You should remember your surroundings and other people. Take that opportunity. You don't know what you believe until it's tested."



Saving Public Education

California votes no on school voucher proposition

BY HENRY FRANCO
Rip staff writer

So California still has faith in our public school system. It would seem so, judging by the outcome of the Nov. 7 elections in which 70.7 percent of voters statewide voted against the Proposition 38 voucher initiative.

This proposition would have amended the state's constitution and made major changes in public funding for K-12 education.

It would have required the state to offer an annual scholarship, also known as a voucher, to every school-age child in California.

These are grants of aid to parents on behalf of their children. The scholarship checks would be made out to parents, but sent to private schools selected by the parents.

The checks could only be cashed to pay tuition and other fees at schools which have been chosen to become "scholarship redeeming" schools.

What's wrong with this picture? Maybe California isn't ready for a voucher program.

Only 29.3 percent of voters voted in favor of Proposition 38. So the majority of the state is still in favor of trying to improve our public schools, not give up on them.

Supporters of Prop. 38 have not hidden their animosity toward public schools.

They have said that private

schools offer a better education. They have said that test scores are low in public schools and that the classrooms are crowded.

But vouchers may not be the answer to these problems. We should fix our public schools, not abandon them.

A quality education can be offered in public schools if the schools are given a chance.

Supporters of 38 seem to believe

vouchers are the answer to all academic problems.

But there are drawbacks to the proposed voucher system.

Vouchers would have reduced funding for colleges and universities.

If you're currently a California college student you would have most likely come out behind with this initiative, because of potential tuition hikes.

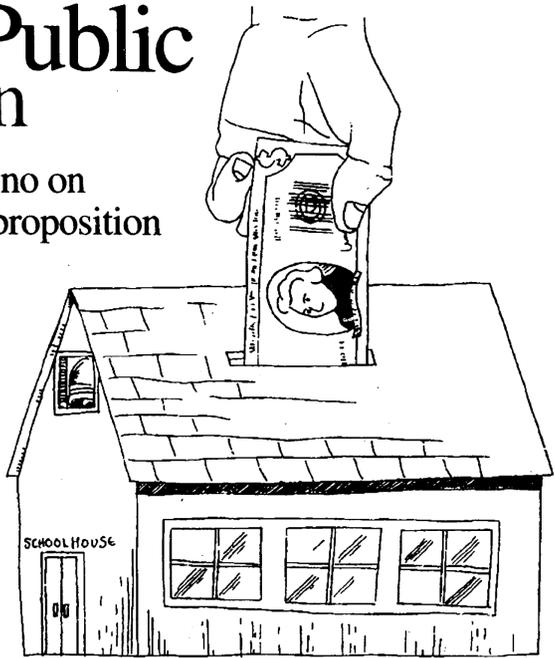
Vouchers also would have

stacked the deck against disabled and special education students.

Californians have demonstrated that they support fixing the problems within our public schools.

That's a good thing, because there is so much potential for public education.

Experimentation is sometimes necessary, but first let's see what our public schools can do once they are funded properly.



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Chads may decide presidential election

BY LEANNE CAVE
Sports Editor

Sad but true, the next president of the United States may be elected by one of four chads.

Since the ballots may not have been punched correctly, the counting machines may have skipped over thousands of votes or chads on Nov. 7.

Chads are tiny pieces of paper that remain in keypunched ballots. A chad can occur when a voter fails to punch a ballot cleanly through. And evidently, in South Florida, there are all kinds.

First there is the "hanging chad," one corner is still attached. The "swinging chad" has two corners attached. The "tri-chad" has three corners attached. Lastly, the "dimpled or pregnant chad," which had only an indentation. The "pregnant chad" may have been completely overlooked by the counting machines.

As we speak, chads are being recounted in South Florida at the request of the Democratic Party. This is because Gov. Bush has a slim lead and a more accurate count done by hand could give the vice president a fair count and the 25 electoral votes needed to win the White House.

The hand counts that have been done in the South Florida precincts have reduced the Bush lead of 1,700 to a mere 300 votes. This is not enough to declare Bush the winner without the absentee ballots.

In Dade County, Fla. over 10,000 pregnant chads were not counted. It stands to reason that thousands more of these may have not been counted nationally.

It is only fair that the votes in South Florida be recounted for an accurate tabulation of the votes.

The Bush campaign has petitioned time and again to be courts to deny the hand counts. It's as if they want to slam the door shut on making sure that the count is accurate. Why? The Florida law clearly states that it is completely fair and legal to do so if the state officials approve.

The Florida State Supreme Court will ultimately decide the fate of the chads, and in the process, who will become the next president of the United States.



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Student Senate needs to fill vacancies with aspiring politicians

ASBC

By Sumeet Bath
Vice President of Communications

It amazes me when I hear that many students do not know what the ASBC is or what its function is. Well, let me clarify.

The ASBC, which stands for the Associated Students of Bakersfield College, is the student government of this college.

Yes, the students do have power to change things on this campus. Probably the most important group in the ASBC is the senate.

The senate is the decision-making group, which votes on anything from the Homecoming budget to establishing a College Hour for BC. That's not all the Senate does.

The Senate is here to represent the students of Bakersfield

College. If certain students have concerns about classes, tuition fees, academic resources, activities, or other complaints, the senate not only addresses them but also helps resolve them.

So, if the senate is so powerful, then why are nearly half the positions still vacant? I do not get it!

Not only does being a senator look extremely good on any resume but it helps students of all ages prepare for the "real world."

The senate, which meets every Wednesday at 2 p.m., is not only for highly ambitious political science majors but it's for all majors.

The parliamentary procedure and techniques that are used in every meeting are very similar to the ones used in the corporate world, the medical profession and other governmental organizations such as a city council.

OK, by now a microbiology major is thinking, I don't need this I am going to be a doctor.

Not only does being a senator look extremely good on any resume but it helps students of all ages prepare for the "real world." The senate is not only for highly ambitious political science majors, but for all majors.

Well, the microbiology student might become a doctor, even the chief-of-staff, who in turn must meet with a hospital advisory board.

Would the doctor know how to conduct a meeting and what to do? On the other hand, there might be a liberal studies major, who just wants to be a teacher.

Well, the same scenario is applied to this situation.

Would the teacher know what to do at a school site council meeting? The point is that being in senate not only helps contribute to the



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school but the students as well.

Being in senate teaches students how to work together and most importantly, communicate in a professional manner.

The classroom will only teach

the students concepts and theories.

But being involved in student government will allow the students to apply them.

So, don't wait, pick up an application at the Student Activities

Office.

The minimum requirements for senate are an overall GPA of 2.0.

For senate, students must also be enrolled in at least six units and be able to attend weekly meetings.

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'GADE FEEDBACK **Michael D. Ross / THE RIP**

What pet names do you call your partner and why?

Julia Merfil, Undecided: "If I had a boyfriend, I would call him Cutie because it expresses how you feel without saying too much and scaring him."	Daniel Vasquez, Industrial Technology: "It's still fresh, so I just call her the typical names, mainly Princess and Angel because she likes those clothes."	Lashawn Harris, Nursing: "Sweetheart, because he's sweet."	Thomas Barter, History: "We just broke up, but I didn't really have any pet names for her. I would just call her Babe because it's simple."	Evelyn Torres, Child Development: "Babe, just because he's my baby."



Above: Krispy Kreme employee Tim Hayden carries a rack of doughnuts at the grand opening of the Bakersfield Krispy Kreme Doughnuts, located on California Avenue.



Right: From left, Sean Walter, Amy Camenish, Kabuchi and Marie Alaniz prepare doughnuts for customers.

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Krispy Kreme rises to the top

BY BEVERLY SAUNDERS
Campus Editor

Dump into a bowl the same ingredients you would use to make a cake, mix well and plop the batter by spoonfuls into boiling oil and voila! You're in the doughnut business, right? Well, not anymore.

Today, with the help of Silicon Valley-style machinery, super competitive, big businesses are making a lot of doughnuts we now consume.

Bakersfield's own Krispy Kreme Doughnuts is the perfect example of high-tech doughnut making.

Krispy Kreme's newest store is located at 5757 California Ave., where they held their Bakersfield VIP Preview Party Oct. 28. The event was attended by hundreds of eager doughnut consumers who stood in lines for well over an hour to get a taste of the highly acclaimed treat and receive two dozen free doughnuts.

"I used to drive to L.A. to get Krispy Kreme doughnuts," said part-time schoolteacher Jane Hildebrand while waiting patiently for a fresh batch of jelly-filled doughnuts. "Day old doughnuts are just as good if you put them in the microwave for seven seconds apiece," she added.

"This is the first time I've had one of these doughnuts," said West High School senior Aaron Schuessler. "They are delicious. I'll be coming back."

Such praise did not surprise Krispy Kreme's General Manager Daniel

Stewart, who said, "We have the best doughnuts in the entire world."

Stewart said it's not only the company's secret recipe that makes their doughnuts so outstanding. It's their custom designed, patented doughnut making machines as well.

Bakersfield was chosen as the location for Krispy Kreme's ninth store in Southern California because it has the right number of residents, said Jim Mettee, vice president of real estate and construction.

For Bakersfield, the new doughnut store means more than getting an opportunity to taste a fresh pastry. It also means more job opportunities for job seekers.

"We work very closely with the Welfare to Work program," said Mettee. "Most of our stores, roughly speaking, have most of their new employees coming off of the welfare program. It's great."

Puddin Kindricks enjoys her new job.

"I just started working here about four weeks ago," she said. "It's a good company to work for and when it comes to doughnuts there's nothing better."

Kindricks is a part of Krispy Kreme's large staff.

"We have hired approximately 160 employees for this grand opening," said Roger Glickman, president of Krispy Kreme.

Krispy Kreme sells chocolate iced with sprinkles, maple iced, cream, custard and much more.

Sandler continues tradition of off-the-wall toilet humor

BY BRYAN SWAIM
Editor in Chief

Adam Sandler is a genius. The guy can simply not stop making money.

"Little Nicky" is another one of his harebrained comedies where the plot is just a preposterous excuse for him to put on another ridiculous facade, make dog-humping jokes, and earn a personal \$20 million in the process.

return them to hell. Nicky is a week to do so, or his father will fall apart limb by limb and ear by ear.

I met Adam Sandler (well, not personally, but I was in the same room as him and I asked him a question) during a promotional premiere of his movie. He is a very bright and funny guy. He said most of his movie ideas and characters come to him when he is just goofing off with his friends. "Little Nicky" had to have been one of them.

The film is about Nicky (Sandler), one of three sons of Satan (Harvey Keitel), whose reign as ruler of hell is about to be up. When it comes time to find a successor, Satan decides to go ahead and just rule for another 10,000 years. Two of the sons get mad, flee to Earth, and decide to start their own hell. It is up to Nicky to go to hell, get his brothers to drink from a magic flask, and

But don't worry, the plot is the dumbest part of "Little Nicky." As with most Sandler movies, the screenplay doesn't rely on wit or any kind of satire for laughs, but instead bombards the viewer with toilet humor only a kid can love.

The funniest character in the movie is a talking dog named Beefy who guides Sandler through his journey. In the course of the movie, the dog gets drunk, high, makes a poodle call him daddy and has children with a sewer rat.

"Little Nicky," like most Sandler movies, is also filled with numerous guest appearances ranging from Jon Lovitz to Fonzie himself, Henry Winkler. My favorite was Ozzy Osborne, who at the end does a take on his old stage



Left: Nicky (Adam Sandler) listens as Mr. Beefy explains to him the proper way to eat Popeye's chicken. It is Nicky's first experience with food.

Below: A dying Satan (Harvey Keitel, left) is comforted by his father (Rodney Dangerfield). Dangerfield's "Grandpa Satan" character is one of his best roles in awhile.

Photos courtesy of Myles Aronowitz / New Line Cinema

show by biting a bat head off. Rodney Dangerfield also has a funny role as Nicky's grandpa, the original ruler of hell, who said it was inspired by his first wife. The movie is smart in the way it always gives Dangerfield some time to play out his famous "no respect" gimmick.

As with every Sandler movie, you can find all kinds of unfunny things about "Little Nicky," but it's the hilarious gross out moments that count. This isn't one of his best, but it's a fun movie to check out on a Saturday afternoon.

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Right: Max Crist, 12, performs an "ollie" over a trash can at the Bakersfield Skate Park at Beach Park.

Far right: Barton Sloan, 22, grabs the tip of his board during an "indy."

Bottom left: Sheldon Hanson, 19, performs an inward heel flip off the lip of the board.



Flips and Tricks

Kick flips, hard flips and indy grabs. What sounds like something out of a martial arts movie really are popular skateboard moves at the city skatepark near Beach Park. The park offers quarter pipes, manual boxes, rails, pyramids and ledges — all the skateboard obstacles that call for fast thinking and quick action. Those who admire the technical tricks of the pros or their own skateboard heroes can try them out at the park, which is located just west of Beach Park. Skaters of all ages use the facility, which is open daily.

Photos by Ronnie Wilson / The Rip

Sexy angels trio displays more skin than acting ability

BY RACHEL CRIBBS
Opinion Editor

Get three know-nothing women ready to get naked, one washed up Ghostbuster and every male fantasy imaginable and you've got you've got "Charlie's Angels." Oh yes, the campy '70s television show has become a campy, cliché, estrogen-driven, testosterone-pleasing mess of a movie. For an excruciating long hour and a half you can count how many times Drew Barrymore gets naked, Cameron Diaz tries to dance while strategically unzipping her shirt, and Lucy Liu tries not to laugh at the tedium and absurdity of her role. Barrymore, gives her normal one-dimensional performance as the slut. Oh sure, she gets some cool "Matrix"-like jumps and kicks in, but she really has nothing to say to add to the plot. As Dylan, the adolescent criminal scared straight, she pretty much lives up to her reputation as

the bad girl of the movies. Natalie, (Diaz), plays "Nat" who has gleaned all sorts of useless knowledge during her appearances on "Jeopardy!" The only point to Diaz's character is so the guys can get some cleavage they wouldn't get with Liu, and got way more than they wanted with Barrymore. Diaz successfully never wears a bra the entire film, and got the oh so useful lines such as, "I signed the release form so you can just stick anything you want in my slot!" Not only that, Diaz can kick butt too with some extremely recognizable moves from again, "The Matrix." With her big, obnoxious smile, Diaz also engages in a superfluous romance that has absolutely nothing to do with the plot. As though she didn't have enough to do with the spy work for that dude Charlie. One role that is moderately believable is Alex, (Liu) the brainy, mysterious Angel who seems to take the brunt of the work while Dylan is losing her clothes, and Natalie is dancing like a moron on "Soul Train." This role is really beneath



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Dylan (Drew Barrymore), Bosley (Bill Murray) Alex (Lucy Liu) and Natalie (Cameron Diaz) star in "Charlie's Angels." Liu. She is extremely talented and seeing her patiently listen to the idiotic sputtering of lines by her co-Angels is almost painful. Liu is the only Angel who remotely sounds like she knows what she is talking about when she says she needs to cut the blue wire to diffuse the bomb. Diaz and Barrymore don't even know what a bomb is, much less how she has to work with; she has an amazing fight scene and only minimal moronic lines. Bosley (Bill Murray) is just too

sad to think about. Murray has certainly sunk to a new low. He is a bumbling, disorganized buffoon who follows the girls around like a lost puppy. The plot, however, is actually well done. If only the director focused on it rather than finding creative ways to expose the Angels' bodies. The plot is a tightly woven web of lies that has the girls scrambling for the truth. It may have worked despite the weak cast with little acting ability. Oh well, why waste time on a plot when you've got three beautiful, women to look at? The dialogue between the Angels is just so pitiful, you almost feel sorry for them. But the writer would've been fired if he wrote anything more than three syllable words. Come on, the Angels aren't paid for their brains. One thing the women did the entire movie that got old really fast was they finished each other's sentences. Well, Charlie really chose some winners because these geniuses are so connected with each

other that they can tap into the others' thoughts. "Charlie's Angels" not only shrieks of bad acting and poor script, it fulfills every male fantasy. From blond Japanese women belly-dancing to butt-snacking Dutch girls, anything a male can think up these Angels have squeezed into the film. "Take 'Mission: Impossible,' cross it with 'The Matrix,' and add a lot of 'Showgirls' and you've achieved the caliber of 'Charlie's Angels.' Very sad. There is, however, one positive facet in the film: the soundtrack. The music is the only thing that kept the movie moving through tedious dance scenes. With songs such as "Turning Japanese" and Prodigy's "Smack My Bitch Up," the music pumps the whole time. It's fun to hear the message of girl power through enormous amps. Basically "Charlie's Angels" is the ultimate gay flick. Guys, if you want to get back at your girlfriend for dragging you to "Coyote Ugly," well, then this is the movie for you.

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Volleyball team sweeps Corsairs, gears up for College of the Canyons

BY RICHARD D. WHIPPLE
Rip staff writer

The Bakersfield College volleyball team solidified its chances at postseason play, beating Santa Monica at the Gil Bishop Sports Center Friday, sweeping the Corsairs 16-14, 15-7 and 15-7.

According to BC Middle Blocker Adrienne Colbert, winning the first match after Santa Monica rallied to tie was the key to victory.

"It looked like they were going to win that match, because they come back from behind," said Colbert. "We capitalized on that and we got points over them and finished it. That brought a lot of momentum because we knew that we could beat this team."

Jennifer Hansen had a game high 14 kills for the 'Gades, with Colbert registering eight and Lizet Perez six. Deana Castillo scored three aces for BC.

"We played really good, played together and had a lot of intensity," said Colbert.

"We really did good on defense and shut them down." BC coach John Rexroth described the game as one of the team's best. "That's our top game for the year as far as the way we played," said Rexroth.

"It was definitely really nice to play like that."

The 'Gades are 7-2 in the Western State Conference and 12-7 overall after winning at Glendale 15-1, 15-9, 15-14 Tuesday.

BC travels to this year's division champions College of the Canyons today, concluding the regular season. The 'Gades feel confident about their chances on the road.

"We can beat Canyons," said Rexroth.

"Preparing for them, we want to serve harder and play great defense. We've got a shot at them. It's just a matter of executing. As long as we fight and do the best we can."

Hansen states that the 'Gades need to play together and focus to be successful against the Cougars, who handed BC one of their conference losses this year.

"We played very flat (in that game)," she said.

"We can't do that against Canyons. We have to give 100 percent."

With the postseason on the horizon, Rexroth is pleased with BC's performance so far.

"I feel like this team has really improved," he said.

"To the credit of the girls, and to Stephanie, our assistant coach, the one thing I really appreciated is they've always played hard."

Colbert agrees.

"We came out at the beginning of the year wanting to win."

"We were all eager to work out, doing whatever it takes to get to our goals. I think we accomplished a lot of them."



Anya Grant, left, and Sarah Nobles, center, attempt to block a spike from Lizet Perez during recent volleyball practice in BC gym.



Jennifer Jones makes swift kick during recent soccer game.

Soccer loses first round in playoffs

BY RICHARD D. WHIPPLE
Rip staff writer

The Bakersfield College soccer team concluded its season losing at College of the Canyons 2-1 in a first-round playoff game. Prior to the match, BC stopper Adrienne Keresak said the 'Gades needed all players to step it up in order to be successful.

"In the playoffs, you're playing good teams all around," she said. "That's why you're in the playoffs. Everybody just needs to give it 100 percent. That's all you can really do, capitalize on everyone else's mistakes."

BC reached the playoffs after ending its regular season by playing its last two conference games on successive days, beating Citrus 6-0 at home and doing its imitation of the Gore/Burh election by playing to a 1-1 tie at Glendale.

In the win over Citrus last week, the 'Gades impressed the BC fans with a balanced attack, scoring three goals in each half. Keri Bess got it all started, scoring off a deflection in the third minute. Jennifer Jones and Emily Zumbro each scored two goals for the 'Gades with Michelle Shoemaker providing the other goal.

"I thought we played really well together," said Jones. "We moved the ball around well as a team. We simply stepped up our game."

Keresak echoed those sentiments.

"(We) gave it everything we could, because it was our last home game (of the season)," said Keresak. "We tried to give our audience a good show and everything."

BC's defense was equally impressive, not allowing a shot on goal to the Owls.

"Our defenders do a lot to prevent a lot of shots from being taken," said BC coach Scott Dameron. "They do a lot of preventative things. It's not so much reacting to shots, (it's) just stopping stuff before it ever gets that far."

The 'Gades had similar results at Glendale, holding the Vaqueros to just three shots on goal, compared to BC's 28. However, the 'Gades could only muster a draw, as Jones provided the lone goal for BC.

"We did a lot of things really well (against Glendale)," said Dameron. "I never really worry as long as we're creating chances. It was just one of those days."

The 'Gades finished at 14-4-3 overall, placing second in the WSC Southern Division behind Canyons. Dameron is satisfied with BC's results this year.

"I've been really pleased with everything they've done. At the start of the season, if you said, 'How would you guys like to go 14-4-3?', I'd been excited about that."

'Gades need two wins to secure state playoffs

BY LEANNE CAVE
Sports Editor

One loss may be all that separates the 8-1, 5-1 Bakersfield College football team from a state championship berth.

Who plays in the state championship will be determined after the Dec. 2 Potato Bowl game. BC currently is a contender for a state championship berth, depending upon the 'Gades performance Saturday when they face West Los Angeles at Memorial Stadium.

Meanwhile, according to Kern County Sunrize representative Ned Driggers, BC could receive an invitation to the 2000 Potato Bowl with a win over West L.A.

As of Tuesday, the 'Gades were ranked first with a 30.0 power rating in the Southern California polls. They are ranked seventh in the nation.

"Depending on their final record, power rating and ranking in the Southern polls (1 or 2), they could conceivably play in the Potato Bowl for the Southern Championship," said Driggers. "The teams will be determined at the selection meeting."

The Potato Bowl selection meeting is scheduled for Sunday after the season has been completed. Jan Stuebe, athletic director for BC, will represent the 'Gades at the meeting.

The 'Gades had hoped to keep its unbeaten streak alive when they traveled to Santa Monica on Nov. 4. But the streak was broken on a fluke play when Corsair receiver Brandon Clay caught a pass on his back with less than 25 seconds left in the game. This proved to be the final score as 'Gade quarterback Jason Ghilarducci threw up

a prayer and it was intercepted by Corsair defensive back Skyler McKnight. The 'Gades were defeated 18-16.

"They are the biggest team we face every season," said head coach Dallas Grider.

Even though the 'Gades managed to grab an early 7-6 lead and hold it until halftime, the size of the Corsairs gradually wore BC down in the second half. The rushing attack, which is usually productive for the 'Gades, was limited to just 41 yards for the game. The BC defense, which has pulled out victory in several games this season, could not save the offense this time.

The 'Gades rebounded from the loss as they traveled to Southwest Los Angeles and shut out the Cougars 22-0 on Nov. 11.

Speed and 22 seemed to be the magical number as Sammy Moore caught a 22-yard touchdown pass that put the 'Gades up 15-0. Josh Lopes established the running game as he rushed for 113 yards. Moore ran back a 31-yard punt that set up the final score for BC, a 1-yard run by Sam Campanella to make the final score 22-0. Quarterback Jason Ghilarducci led the way as he passed for 122 yards and one touchdown.

Defensively, the 'Gades dominated the Cougars as they forced an interception and allowed only 18 first half yards. Randy Jordan redeemed himself when he intercepted the win for the 'Gades by picking off the opening pass of the game. It was his fourth of the season.

BC will play its last game of the regular season Saturday at 4 p.m. West L.A. is not a sure win.

"They have won their last two games. It will be a tough game," said Grider.

Kenny Ramirez carries for yardage as opposing players make the play. Josh Howden is in pursuit.

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'GADE NEWSLINE

Theater presents 'The Homecoming'

The Bakersfield College Theater Department presents its second production of the season, "The Homecoming," beginning Nov. 30 in the BC Indoor Theater.

The play is about an American university professor, Teddy, who brings his new wife, Ruth, to North London to meet his dysfunctional family. Unfortunately for Teddy, his wife appears to fit right in. "The Homecoming" has been described as an intoxicating comedy, both ominous and wicked.

Shows begin at 8 p.m. in the Bakersfield College Indoor Theater. They run Nov. 30 through Dec. 2 and again Dec. 7 to 9.

Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$5 for students and senior citizens. For more information, call the BC Ticket Office at 395-4326.

Center offers forum on polling tonight

The Center for Kern Political Education will host a community forum on Friday. Keynote speaker Kent Price, CSUB political science instructor, will lead a discussion about the process of public polling and polling during campaigns. He also will include some analysis of public opinion in local campaigns.

The forum will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Beale Room at the Holiday Inn Select, 801 Truxtun Ave., next to the Bakersfield Convention Center.

It's part of the Center for Kern Political Education's Fall 2000 Intern Project. There is no cost to attend and the event is open to the public.

'Christmas in Kern' set for Dec. 11

The spirit of the holidays will come to life Dec. 11 at the Fox Theater when the Bakersfield College Chamber Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, Brass Choir and Holiday Festival Orchestra join for "A Christmas in Kern," under the direction of Bakersfield College music professor Robert Martinez.

"A Christmas in Kern" begins at 7 p.m. at the Fox Theater, 2001 H St. Doors open at 6 p.m.

Tickets are \$5 general admission, \$3 students and seniors. Children 12 and under are admitted free.

Tickets are available at the Bakersfield College Ticket Office, Fox Theater and World Records.

For more information, call 395-4326

Flu shots no longer available at BC

Flu shots, which had been scheduled for this week and next, have been canceled due to a shortage of flu vaccine, according to Debra B. Strong, nurse at the BC student Health Center.

— Compiled by Vanessa Boutwell
Rip staff writer

CRIME BEAT

Student's car rolls down bluffs

On Nov. 4 at approximately 10:30 a.m., campus police were flagged down by a man on Panorama Drive. He advised that a vehicle had rolled down the bluffs. The man said there was no one in the vehicle. The vehicle was a Toyota Celica registered to a BC student who was contacted.

The Bakersfield Police Department is investigating.

Police investigate athletes' fight

On Oct. 9, campus police responded to the gym regarding a fight between two football players. At approximately 11:02 a.m., campus police made contact with Athletics Director Jan Stuebbe and a student. Stuebbe said he had sent the other student who was involved to his office. The student told campus police that while he was sitting on the bus at West L.A. College, he was struck in the face three times by a fellow football player. The student said that the player wanted his seat on the bus. He then told the assistant coach about it and the other player was placed in a separate van. The assistant coach said that he would take care of the problem.

On Oct. 9, the student was going to his locker, when he made contact with the player again who called him a "bitch." The student became angry and threw a water bottle at the player and the two began to fight. The fight was broken up by college officials. Threats allegedly were made by one player to another. Stuebbe and Dallas Grider, head football coach, told police they would handle the problem.

— Compiled by Vanessa Boutwell
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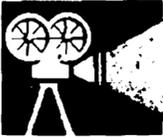
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MOVIE MINUTE

If films like "The Legend of Bagger Vance" are any indication of what the year 2000 has left to offer, then Oscar season is looking to be exciting one for Hollywood.

"The Legend of Bagger Vance" stars Matt Damon as Rannulph Junuh, a World War I veteran who was once Savannah Georgia's best golfer.

But now he spends his days getting drunk with the town washouts.

While practicing one day, the mysterious Bagger Vance (Will Smith) appears out of nowhere and is soon caddying Junuh during an upcoming tournament hosted by Junuh's ex-wife, Idele (Charlize Theron), in which Junuh will play against the two best golfers in the world.

Although it's one hell of a golf movie, the focus of "The Legend of Bagger Vance" isn't about the tournament but about Junuh's learning to deal with his past and love again.

Smith's character is seen as Junuh's guardian angel in the picture and the scenes between the two are often powerful and heartbreaking. The role is a different tone for Smith and shows he's really one of Hollywood's great young actors.

"The Legend of Bagger Vance" is a classic Robert Redford film and one of the year's best.

— By Bryan Swaim
Editor in Chief



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The mysterious caddie named Bagger Vance (Will Smith) dispenses advice to golfer Rannulph Junuh (Matt Damon).

O&A with James McDonnell

Rachel Cribbs
Quinton Editor

James McDonnell is the Theater Department's new costume designer. He not only designs the costumes for all the shows, he also teaches a costume class. McDonnell designed all of the costumes for the Shakespeare Festival, and even made some himself. He has worked on many large theater productions such as "Beauty and the Beast."

Q: "What classes do you teach?"
A: "Currently, right now I'm just teaching introduction to stage costumes, I think is the exact title."

Q: "What got you into costumes?"
A: "As an undergrad, I was acting/directing. That's what one of my undergrad degrees is in. I can direct a lot of different plays, however, it's a very competitive field. And, the same thing with acting; while I loved acting, I'm very limited in the roles I can play."

Q: "Why is that?"
A: "Look, sometimes talent, mostly physical things. I also can't dance or sing extremely well. So, I had a lot of limitations, but as a designer I found out that I didn't. I could explore characters that I could never be, I could design plays that I would never want to be in, or could be in because I couldn't dance or sing or other things like that."

Q: "What's the best part about your job here?"
A: "I'm going to say, helping to participate in training some of the students to working in more professional environments. I mean, it's wonderful to see some of them. They walk in like big goobers not understanding proper etiquette and decorum and responsibilities in chains of command and things like



that and really helping them to understand how things function and why they function."

Q: "You're not from Bakersfield."
A: "I'm not from this side of the world. I'm from Jersey."

Q: "Can you describe to me what you did in Jersey?"
A: "A lot of local things in small regional theaters. I went to graduate school in Kansas City. Kansas City is a great theater town."

Q: "What is your favorite period, costume-wise?"
A: "My favorite time period is going to have to be Empire. In America that time period was called Federalist, and in England it was called Regency...It's a beautiful silhouette for men and women...To me, it's classic beauty."

COPS: No guns here

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better security system. In her April report to the board, she said, "Our current security force is appropriate to maintain a safe and secure department, but in light of the security task force recommendation we should look at changing our current security structure to include a presence by an outside agency." The recommendation was based on the findings of the security task force, the Academic Senate and the administrative council.

EOP&S: Aids BC students

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return to school. "She guided me, she consoled me until I graduated," she said. "Because it's a big step for a re-entry student." Paulsen says single parents should look into the program. "EOPS is a really great program for single parents because it's so hard for those on welfare and you can get discouraged really easily. There are so many programs out there if you ask questions and be aware of what's going on."

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