

# The Renegade Rip

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## Measure J passes, secures BC renovations

By Morgan Park  
Reporter

Last week's election saw the passing of several new bond measures in Kern County, the largest of which was Measure J, a nearly \$503 million bond that will enable new construction and renovations throughout the Kern Community College District.

The schools of the KCCD in-

clude Bakersfield College, BC's Delano campus, Porterville College and Cerro Coso College, all of which have prepared their list of proposed projects that Measure J will ideally satisfy over the next several decades. Two of the proposed projects through BC would construct satellite campuses in both Shafter and Arvin, which would expand the KCCD. BC president Sonya Christian

is happy and relieved with the measure's passing.

"There is so much work to be done, and now we can get started to repair and renovate this aging campus. In some buildings, in addition to renovating existing spaces, we will expand classroom and laboratory spaces."

Student government president Matt Frazer shared in Christian's sentiments. "I am extremely re-

lieved and excited that it happened. It's a huge win not only for present Renegades but future Renegades," he said.

Frazer believes the measure will bring BC into the 21st century.

"You go to class, you see [the buildings], it's not up to where it needs to be for the education we need."

Frazer points to agriculture as

a field of study at BC that will be greatly improved through Measure J, especially with regards to hiring power.

"Employers will know that we are educated with the right technology for [agriculture]. There's so much changing in the agriculture industry for technology that we are behind on. And now with this bond and getting what we need, it's going to supersede

the technology requirements we need," he said.

Between the BC administration, the KCCD and SGA, nobody knows for sure which Measure J projects will begin construction first. Though, given the choice, Christian and Frazer would want the new Veteran's Center to get under way.

"Actually the next construction Please see **Measure J**, Page 6

## Vet Fest honors military at BC

By Zach Sullivan  
Reporter

Bakersfield College hosted Vet Fest on Nov. 2 to celebrate the veterans on campus while also providing them an opportunity to access resources they may not have known about. The event ran from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., and featured live music, free food, and raffles.

According to Lisa Kent, equity program manager, the event was financed by the office of student success and equity.

Armando Trujillo, veteran's educational adviser at Bakersfield College, said the point of the event was to celebrate the veterans here on campus, as well as highlight the services we have in our community that are available to veteran students.

Trujillo said his goal is to help as many veterans as he can gain access to necessary resources vital to their success. "My goal is to help these vets learn about what's out there, help them and their families become successful. Whether it be counseling, financial assistance or job opportunities. There's a lot out there in the community that the vets don't know about, so I hope they were able to take away some info that's valuable to them, and helps them in their re-adjustment."



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Four United States Marines stand in front of an information table while listening to a guest speaker at Bakersfield College's Vet Fest on Nov. 2.

Trujillo believes that the event was beneficial to both regular students and veteran students. "I definitely do, I know it's an open event so we put it out to everybody, the student organizations here that, you know, no one knows who's who. So if we can help identify, we have a veteran that comes around, he/she might know about the veteran's services that are available, but the point is an outdoor club, man that's what I'm interested in, and vice versa.

"I think this event is very informative to everyone on campus," Trujillo said.

Paul Beckworth, a history professor at BC who is also the staff veteran's director, estimated about 650 veterans were present at the event, on top of the numerous students who were also in attendance.

Kent said that making sure veterans get the help they need is a major priority, and the event was beneficial to all the veterans who attended. "Veterans are one

of our target populations, so our goal is to see that they get specialized support," Kent said.

Michaela Acton, 32, a student at Bakersfield College, said the event went well in her view and was put on for a good cause. "It's great, I love anything to do with veterans. My husband is a veteran so anything, any way I can support veterans is great for me," Acton said.

Acton said she felt the event was beneficial to not just veterans, but all students. "I believe

it's beneficial because people that don't know about the veteran's benefits available, it's a good way to get people out and see what you all can get involved in."

Tony Nool, an outreach and admissions representative at Fresno Pacific University, is both a veteran and former BC student. Nool said that coming back to BC and seeing the outpour of support for the veterans was great to see. "Oh, yeah, definitely it means a lot just to have

everybody out here at one place at one time, all the different resources. BC was my home for a long time, and being a vet as well just to have them all out here is great, it's awesome.

"Look out here at how many of us are here. There's a lot of us that do need a lot of help, there's a lot of us that need a lot of resources. So to have it all centralized, and everyone knows where Bakersfield College is at, it's great," Nool said.

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## Veterans Day parade takes over downtown Bakersfield



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Left: Anthony Gomez of the Bakersfield 501st Legion carries the American flag as the Veterans Day parade kicks off. Right: A shiner drives his jalopy along the parade route.

Column

## Live and let live in politics

**Life Hacks:** Tips to dealing with the typical busy life at BC

This election season was definitely one of the craziest seasons we've ever had. There is always some controversy and debate among Facebook friends who support opposing candidates.



Veronica Morley

However, usually after the election passes everyone makes up and moves on. It seems, though, that may not be the case this year.

I've heard time and time again. This year people became incredibly angry over a friend supporting Trump or Clinton. The arguments were all the same, "How can you support a sexist, racist, bigot like Trump?" or, "Why would you want a criminal and liar like Hillary running our country?" The rants on Facebook that I came across were probably the angriest and most defensive debates I've seen over any issue. People even started unfriending anyone who disagreed with their political views (and we all know how serious an offense that is). Even my own mom asked me to show her how to deactivate her Facebook account until the end of the election because she didn't want to receive any more notifications about Trump.

I didn't vote in this election, nor have I voted in any previous election. Now I'll give you a second to comment about my lack of respect for my civic duty and how I shouldn't comment on the election if I didn't vote, etc. Yes, I do have an opinion on who should run our country. No, I will not reveal who. I will say that both candidates definitely were not suited to be president of this country, but I do believe there was one who was the lesser of two evils. I chose not to vote because, frankly, I don't believe our electoral system is an effective system. Once again, even though I didn't vote, I did keep up with the election, knew very well what each candidate stood for, and had a very clear opinion on Clinton and Trump. Yet not once did I feel the need to post or comment on another person's opinion on this election.

Why did we feel the need to verbally assault every person we found who differed in political views? I understand feeling passionate about the presidency but some of the most fervent debaters I came across knew the least about what they were saying.

It's like that quote by Osho, "The less people know, the more stubbornly they know it." This is why I never participate in these arguments. Someone who feels the need to post a remark or video on a topic does not want to hear your opposing view. And nine times out of 10 your opinion is not going to change their mind whatsoever. And in the end, you both are just going to end up finding some report or video that supports your view to send to the other person.

And let's face it, with the election this year, there was more than ample evidence to use to support and tear down either candidate. My point though, if Obama can make amends with Trump and push to work with him, you can find a way to get past the emotional trauma of this election.

If you have questions on balancing your busy schedule, send your questions to Veronica at [ripmail@bakfieldcollege.edu](mailto:ripmail@bakfieldcollege.edu)



Left: Daryl Dixon cosplayed by Isai Serna

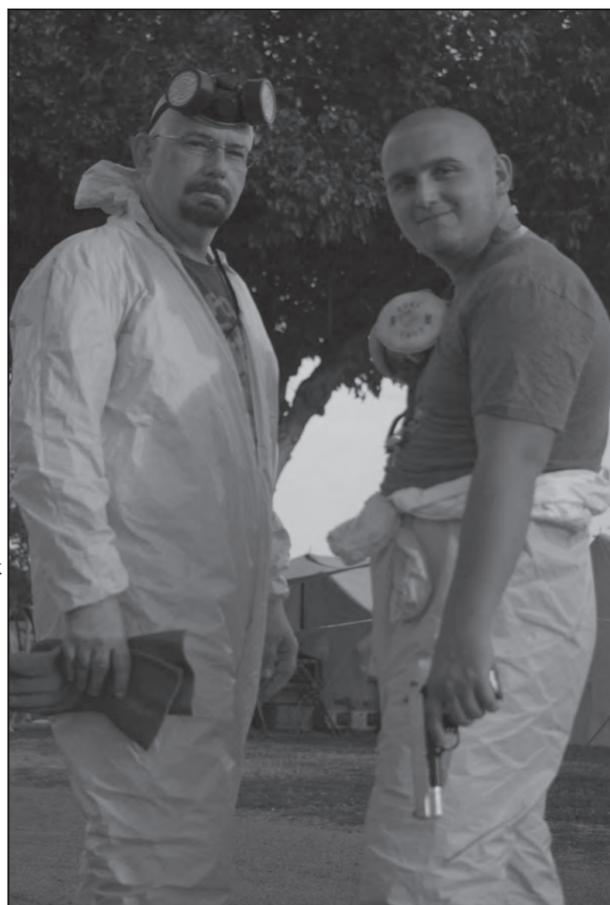
Right: Walter White cosplayed by Peter Wollesen and Jesse Pinkman cosplayed by Alan Houck

Below left: Bloody Stormtrooper cosplayed by Anthony Gomez

Below right: Master Chief cosplayed by Nick Yelsa

Bottom: "Sista J" cosplayed by Hannah Kopp and Harley Quinn cosplayed by Samantha Kopp

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# Bakersfield Comic-Con

By Stephen Underwood  
Reporter

Bakersfield Comic-Con made its presence at the Kern County Fairgrounds over two days this past weekend of Nov. 12 to hundreds of local and national attendees who were greeted with limited edition prints for sale, various vendors, game tournament hosts, contests, artists, writers and celebrities inside buildings 3 and 4 and in multiple tents between.

At 10 a.m., people waiting in line were handed free goods, bought their passes and Bakersfield Comic-Con carried on until 7 p.m. on Saturday, and 5 p.m. on Sunday. Several celebrities in the comic book

and graphic novel industry, such as Steve Niles and Tim Bradstreet, sold copies of their works and signed items for collectors and fans.

This included new material being promoted, but older material was sold with autographs as well.

"Some of my work like '28 Days Later' and '28 Weeks Later' is becoming harder to find, and I thought about having '30 Days

of Night' made into a video game, which didn't happen," Steve Niles said.

Some celebrities charged fees separately for autographs, and there were others that didn't charge fees at all if the items they were signing purchased merchandise.

"This is not my first convention I've done. I've done conventions before, my first convention was in San Diego back in 1986, and this convention right here in Bakersfield this year is old-fashioned," said Niles.

Aside from the comic industry veterans in attendance, up-and-coming names in the industry appeared too. Local comic artist and writer, Katrina Kunstmann, promoted her comic series known as "Warhead" to attendees that approached her table.

"This is my second Bakersfield Comic-Con, I'm originally from Santa Maria, this Comic-Con allows me to avoid travel issues, and it's a friendlier environment that I haven't experienced with other Comic-Cons in different locations," said Katrina Kunstmann. Some comic artists and writers sold copies of their works as sets, Kunstmann offered a special, and attendees had the opportunity to purchase her series' current five issues with a discount.

Comic industry people, however, were not the only entertainment guests at Bakersfield Comic-Con. Some entertainers such as professional wrestler

MVP appeared for autographs and socialization.

MVP said, "Winter Con was my previous convention, I did it with

my buddy, Mike, who has a comic about wrestling. "Head-Locked" is what it's called." MVP additionally pointed out, "I will be in the next issue."

A fan of comics himself, MVP said "When I was a kid, I read Sgt. Rock and Power Man."

Attendees, when they weren't buying comics and merchandise, attending the day's cosplay contest, playing games, or approaching celebrities, were allowed to

purchase food at the gates outside. Papa John's served pizza, soda, and water bottles to attendees.

This year's Bakersfield

Comic-Con ended with ticket raffles and giveaways. Bakersfield Comic-Con host, Steven Wyatt, said, "I already have next year's Comic-Con planned out in advance."



## Random Renegade

Every issue, *The Rip* will be interviewing a random faculty member at Bakersfield College about hopes and goals.



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Professor Scott Peat is also a triathlete in his spare time.

By Joshua Fisher  
Reporter

Scott Peat, a Bakersfield College professor of biological sciences, has an adventurous spirit and also participates in triathlons. But when Peat was an undergraduate student in college he did not plan on being a college professor, despite his love for biology and teaching students.

"I thought that maybe I would end up fishing game or work in a lab, or something. When I was in college my goal was just to get a degree, and figure it out from there. Once I got my bachelor's degree, I still didn't know what I wanted to do, so one of my professors encouraged me to try to do graduate school. So I applied, I got in, and at that point I got my first experience with teaching as a teaching assistant. I got to teach labs at Fresno State. I taught zoology labs and I fell in love with teaching," said Peat.

When Peat was in college, he took a recreation class with his wife and her sister. In the class, they went mountain biking and whitewater rafting.

For part of that class the teacher asked Peat and the other students to write down three of their life goals on a paper and put them on their refrigerator, so they could see them every day, and see if they could accomplish those goals. Peat's goals were to get his Ph.D., complete a marathon, and complete an Ironman triathlon. Peat has accomplished the first two, and has completed a half-Ironman triathlon last September and is still training to complete his first Ironman triathlon.

Peat has been in love with biology as long as he can remember.

"My earliest experience with biology was spending the day at my grandparents' house just collecting insects all day long," he said. "That's like one of my first memories. And in high school in my zoology class, I had to do an insect collection and that's when I totally fell in love with biology. Now it's part of my everyday life."

Peat has two children, 9 and 7 years old, and they do biology stuff all the time. Peat buys mealworms from the store as larvae and brings them home for his children so that they can watch them mature into adult beetles. They also each have insect nets and their own insect collection. Peat also has an insect collection that he studies intensively.

Peat loves animals and has pets. Just last summer he found a baby tortoise while riding on his bike. He took it home, and it has quadrupled in size.

Every time Peat travels with his family, they don't just stay with the locals. Peat makes it a point to explore and find the organisms of the ecosystem with his family. Peat says that this winter break he is going to Florida to swim with manatees.

While Peat took a trip to Belize with his wife, he went scuba diving and saw a black-tip reef shark that swam up to him literally inches away.

"It was so close to me I had to turn the camera away because I got freaked out, and I missed the good shot," said Peat. He has also swam with sea lions and many other creatures of the sea.

"One time during a night dive, we went down under and we turned off all our lights. And then we waved our hands around and disturbed the water. There were these bioluminescent organisms ... that light up when they were disturbed, so you would see these little flickers of light all over in the ocean water," said Peat. Peat plans to go swimming with whale sharks next year.

Peat is very passionate when it comes to teaching students, and he has his own particular way of starting the day for his classes. Peat remembers professors that would start the day in his classes as an undergraduate with music. Peat put a new twist on this idea, and he would only play songs in his classes that applied to what was being taught for that day.

"The professors I had would just play songs that the students liked, but the textbook author for the class I teach noted that he would play songs that applied to the class. And I took that and ran with it. It just gets the students thinking," said Peat. Peat said that he has had students who have emailed him up to three semesters later suggesting new songs that would fit with topics that he teaches throughout the semester.

Peat said that students always seem to be afraid to come see him throughout the semester. But he says "we are just normal people, we like to listen to music, watch Netflix and all the same normal stuff that students like to do." So he offers free candy for students who come to see him to create an encouraging environment.

Peat loves teaching in California and encourages students to take advantage of living so close to all the different climates, such as mountains, the ocean and the desert, which are all just a couple of hours away.

Despite all of these exploits, Peat doesn't like to take risks. "I am the absolute opposite; I do not like to take risks," he said. "I am a very safe person. I live my life very safely ... whale shark isn't a predator. It's not like he's going to eat me."

## CSUB hosts event to give hospitals a 1-UP



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Extra Life Gaming Day attendees battle it out streaming "Super Smash Bros. Wii U" live over Twitch to viewers. Tournaments continued throughout the day for various games.

By Morgan Park  
Reporter

Bakersfield was well-represented at CSUB during the annual Extra Life Gaming Day, a gaming marathon taking part in the Extra Life charity drive with the goal of raising funds for children's hospitals around the world.

Extra Life is a charity that usually consists of independent live streamers raising funds from their audience, but CSUB's Gaming Day is a bit different.

"Because we have a gaming club at CSUB and everybody in the club wanted to participate, we said 'let's just bring all of our gaming stuff together and anybody who raises at least \$20 can join us to have a big gaming party.' That started in 2012, and it's turned into the monster it is today," said Edward Webb, student organizations coordinator at CSUB, gesturing toward the crowds.

Tables filled with raffle prizes donated by gaming companies lined the hallways of the Student Union building.

In the past four years, Extra Life Gaming Day has raised over \$65,000 with a growing number over each year.

"We give a ticket to people for every \$10 they raise. So the more they raise, the more tickets they get. Inevitably, somebody will get here, they'll see the prizes and say 'man, I have to win this prize,' and they'll make an addi-

tional donation," said Webb.

All of the raised funds go to the Lauren Small Children's Center at Memorial Hospital, but donors have the option to donate to any children's hospital they prefer.

The Campus Gamers club at CSUB spends half of the year raising money for the club itself, and the other half raising for the next Extra Life event.

The event takes up the entirety of the Student Union building with video game consoles and a large room with tables for board games, as well as 15 classrooms of the Dorothy Donohue hall: ranging from rooms themed around first-person shooters, dancing, racing, fighting, motion gaming and many others.

"It's been growing faster than we can manage it, so we spend a lot of the day putting fires out," said Webb with a laugh. Webb's path to his position at the college was not a traditional one.

"I went to Fresno State back in the '80s and never finished my degree. I was working for companies that did music and video distribution, I worked for a record label, that sort of thing. And in about 2001, I found myself working with game companies," he said.

Webb became a merchandiser for Microsoft and ran a game store for several years. He was eventually recognized by Microsoft with the Most Valuable Professional award for his efforts in working with online communi-

ties and students for the company. He has since won the award 10 times.

"I told them when I won the award and run. I'm going to do something with this. And so in 2010 I came to CSUB to finish my degree."

Upon starting at the college, Webb noticed that they didn't currently have a gaming club, and decided to fix that. "I told them, 'I want to start a gaming club, but I don't want one where we just get together for an hour on Fridays and shoot each other. If that's all we stand for, I'm not interested. But if you want to do educational events, community service, charity events, I'm down.'"

After graduating last year, CSUB brought Webb on full-time as their student organizations coordinator.

The Campus Gamers did educational and community events for the first three years, but Extra Life eventually took off enough to be a focus.

"What I see happening ultimately is merging the two," Webb said.

"This is already not like the other Extra Life Events, and so I want it to be a cross between Extra Life and something like Bakersfield Comic-Con, where we can have people who make their own games here, we can have people from the industry do panels and not have it just be a 10-hour gaming marathon."



Above: Attendees take the stage with "Rock Band 4" at Rowdy's Place in the Student Union building at CSUB.

Left: Board games filled the entirety of the multipurpose room at Extra Life Gaming Day.

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Column

## Shades of gray in sexuality

The Gay Agenda: Life and times of a modern gay man.

I am going to let you in on another secret, there are certain places around town where men who love men can get together for momentary trysts.

Oh, you already heard about that one? Well, did you know that the majority of the gentleman that frequent such places, if not all, are married to women? Yes! Shocking, huh?

They're the closet homosexuals who were pressured by church, family or society into a life that was "normal." Because in reality, it's all how you appear to the public that matters, what's inside doesn't mean jack squat.

There is a statistic that says one in 10 men are gay. While that is likely, I think the number is actually more like two, quite possibly three.

The reason I think that is the case, despite thinking all people are gay, sexuality, whether anyone wants to agree or not, is not a simple gay/straight scenario. There is a wide range in between.

Dr. Alfred Kinsey developed a scale from zero to six, where zero represents exclusively heterosexual and six being the latter. The numbers in between correspond to the attraction a person feels for the sexes.

It is the in-between that I think the majority of society lies. The reason I say that is because life is in no way just black and white and anyone who pretends to believe that is kidding themselves. There are so many shades of gray.

People try to fool themselves because that is what their faith dictates. Someone, somewhere, decided that there is only one way to live and wrote it down in their corresponding book, dictating that their ideas are the "right way."

There are so many faiths and so many books they can't all be wrong and they can't all be right.

I grew up in a deeply religious home and from preschool to eighth grade I was enrolled in a Christian school. I was taught that there is only one way to live, and that way definitely went against how I felt inside.

For most of my adolescent years, I grappled with my sexuality and during that time I developed this hatred for homosexuals that was so vitriolic I'm surprised that I never participated in a gay bashing.

I guess that's because I, thankfully, try to avoid any and all kinds of confrontation. I prefer to use my words.

What I realized after I had just accepted that I am who I am, and there was nothing wrong with me, was that I thought that if I hated gay people enough I could kill that part of myself.

Basically, I was just attempting to trick myself into believing a lie, and only recently did I discover that my hatred for gay people, at that time, stemmed from my jealousy that they could live their life uninhibited by some un-said rule or a single passage.

That's why whenever I see someone so impassioned by taking away gay rights or making laws against the LGBT community, my red flag goes up.

I remember my own self-hatred and can only equate it to that, because to hate someone or something that doesn't affect you is really strange. Unless, of course, they have something they want to hide.



J.R. Hensley



## Kalivas comments on \$13,000 settlement

By Zach Sullivan  
Reporter

Bill Kalivas, a former wrestling and golf coach at Bakersfield College, said he is happy to be exonerated following the verdict two weeks ago of a civil lawsuit he filed in 2014 after being told he would not be retained as a coach.

Kalivas, who was also a professor at BC for 27 years, said that he contacted administration to voice his concerns over the safety of the wrestling equipment.

"I had concerns and complained about health and safety issues with the wrestling program, and the college immediately began formulating emails between three individuals where it was decided to terminate my employment.

"I not only lost my job as a wrestling coach, but also as a golf coach and instructor," Kalivas said.

Kalivas claims that while administration tried to portray him as a disruptive employee, it was

simply not true.

"If I was this hostile and disruptive and disrespectful, it took them 27 years to figure it out? How do all of a sudden I become this disgruntled employee in less than a year?"

Kalivas sued for \$400,000 in damages, but he was awarded only \$13,000 by the court.

Kalivas said the case was not about the money to him though.

"I think there's a lot of people trying to make it sound like this was about money, but it really wasn't.

"It was about that I was concerned, not only for my own health and safety, but other people's.

"That's my responsibility, that's the district's responsibility, that is in our code of ethics as coaches.

"So for the most part, the bigger issue was that I felt that I was vindicated. The disappointment behind the verdict, which all went in my favor, was that no one was held accountable for their manufacturing of misinformation, of not telling the truth,

of perjuring themselves, changing their testimony and trying to deviate from health and safety to trying to portray me as this disruptive employee who had my own agenda, which was not true," he said.

According to Kalivas, he had no idea his emails to administration regarding his concerns over health and safety would lead to him being terminated in June 2014.

"Well, I think it came up in the trial, there was one meeting with Dr. Dabahoy that was early in November, there were probably only two other meetings with athletic director [Sandi] Taylor that had to do with internal things. But once I sent my email off after they had put everything on hold, the wheels started to turn to terminate me within a matter of less than a month.

There was no communication, nothing other than a letter of termination from athletic director Taylor and some emails from the vice president calling me a temper tantrum, politically mongering, openly hostile employee and

it kind of caught me off guard. I didn't know I was that bad," Kalivas said.

The lack of health and safety measures in the athletic department was another issue Kalivas said was a major concern of his.

"I don't necessarily think it had to be the new mats, the problem was there were no health and safety measures, no protocols in place for cleaning. It was a revolving door with maintenance and operations. The complex itself is a huge complex, the athletic department, and to have only one person responsible for the custodial effects of it, it can't be done, it's not humanly possible.

"So you'd think that would be an area where you'd want to have things that show there's care for the facility," he said.

Kalivas believes the lack of communication from administration affected how he dealt with student-athletes before his termination, leaving the door open for BC to say they wanted to go in a new direction.

"It comes down to commu-

nication. After all, it's affecting how I deal with incoming student-athletes. You talk about wanting to develop a more prolific program, well, when you don't have dedicated things in place it's difficult to bring athletes in and go 'well this is our facility, it's not the greatest in the world, there's a lot of safety measures that haven't been put in place and we don't really have a true locker room but we want you to come to school here anyway,' I think it's difficult when athletes come here and look around and see a football field house and stadium, how the basketball and baseball team look, and you come in and go 'wow, this is not really well done.' So I think that's an issue right there."

Though Kalivas said he harbors no animosity toward BC or administration, he believes the whole situation could have been avoided if administration would have been more open. "Simply coming to me and addressing my concerns instead of going and creating these emails and discussing my termination [would

have helped].

"I mean it went from health and safety, to I was this disgruntled employee, this hostile employee who, you know, we need to get rid of this person."

When asked if he thinks he will ever coach wrestling again, Kalivas said he was unsure. He claims he still loves the sport, but there are only two college wrestling coach positions in the area and both are filled.

He said he could one day return to BC, or any other school that offers him a wrestling job.

As for his plans right now, Kalivas said he is going to take some time off, spend it with his family, and enjoy the holidays.

The Rip contacted Sandi Taylor, athletic director at BC, who referred us to Chris Hine, KCCD General Counsel.

The Rip attempted to contact Hine, and Arnold Anchordoquy, a lawyer from the local law firm Clifford and Brown, who represented the KCCD in court. The Rip has not received a comment from either as of this publication.



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The cast of "The Children's Hour" enjoy a good laugh while preparing for their first live performance in the Black Box Theatre.

## Theatre club plans for holiday show

By Joshua Fisher  
Reporter

The Theatre Club has been through a rough patch the past few semesters. Its meetings stopped during the last play in order to work on the previous show that was performed during the Bakersfield College Shakespeare Festival.

The club is back in action, though, and has re-opened for meetings, which fall on Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. and has since then been involved with student activities including the BC Haunted House/Masquerade Ball and the BC One-Act Festival.

Now club president Cody Ferguson is looking for all types and roles: from dancers, to singers, and comedians to dramatists to join, strengthening the group for the holidays. The Theatre Club will be holding another event with a theme for the holidays, a three-day show, December 1-3.

The actual name for the theme is still being decided by the current members of the Theatre Club, but the aim is to be as diverse as possible. Ferguson is a believer that the holiday season is a season of diversity. The club will be holding auditions this week, including Nov. 16, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center indoor theater.

Cody Ferguson says, "My goal is to give a comedy show just before the finals, because right before the finals will give you something to get your mind off [of them] for a few minutes," Ferguson said. "If we make this a tradition, right before the final students can forget about the final, meet with friends, and go see some comedy, boom, boom, boom."

Spring semester also has high hopes for the Theatre Club.

"All next semester we're expecting to put on five to six different shows, produced, directed, and created by the students and we're hoping that all the students will come in and audition," Ferguson said. "We want to get the students back involved with us."

Student Bethani Gaze said, "Theatre Club has got me into theatre. I actually joined theater to learn more about costume design.

"We've had semesters where we didn't do anything but I've been with them now for three semesters. I look up to Ryan and Cody as leaders because they can roll with anything, they can just bounce off each other out of the smallest thing."

Another student, Martin Arroyo, said, "The improv games that we play in Theatre Club just keep you on your toes, makes you think faster and in the moment.

"If in a play something goes wrong, improv helps you know what to do; you can respond without ruining the linearity of the play. I think that improv is one of the best things you can do as an artist not only as an actor."

## 'The Children's Hour' takes over the Black Box Theatre

By J. R. Hensley  
Reporter

The controversial play "The Children's Hour" by Lillian Hellman opens Nov. 16 in the Black Box Theatre for a four-night and one-matinee performance.

"It's one of the landmark American plays of the 20th century," director Bob Kempf said. "Historically it was the first play on Broadway that dealt with a gay theme. Before that, all of those had been banned."

The play is set at an all-girls boarding school in the 1930s. When one of the students, Mary Tilford, runs away from campus, she tells her grandmother, one of the financiers of the institution, that the two women that run the school are lesbian lovers in an attempt to avoid being sent back.

"Someone said to me, 'this is a play about lesbians,' and it's really not, it's more about how lies ruin lives," Kempf said.

Brittany Beaver, who plays the troublemaker, Mary Tilford, said she loves the show.

"I am super excited about it," Beaver said.

This is the second role for Beaver's in a large production.

She was previously cast in Bakersfield College's performance of "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

"I wasn't going to try [acting] because I always had a lot of stage fright, but then I took an intro to acting class and I just really liked it," Beaver said.

The Black Box Theatre, where the performance takes place, is a very intimate setting, placing the audience members on the same level with the actors.

"I try not to focus too much on people watching me and more on just really getting into my character and being in the moment," she said.

The performances are Nov. 16-19 at 7:30 p.m. and a 2 p.m. matinee on Nov. 19 in the Performance Arts Center 107.

The doors open 30 minutes prior to show time. As the venue is small, there is limited seating and no late entry after the start of the performance.

General admission is \$10 and \$8 for students, staff, and seniors. Tickets can be purchased at the door and online at Vallitix.com.



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Blanca Trujillo makes a promise to Mary Tilford (Brittany Beaver) during "The Children's Hour."

## Kernside DIY skatepark is a great way to try new things

By Zach Sullivan  
Reporter

Last Saturday, I was able to go out and skate one of Bakersfield's most secluded skate spots, Kernside. Kernside is a DIY (do it yourself) skate spot on the east side of town that was built by skaters. It featured aspects of transition skating, vert, and some street skating obstacles as well.

Since it was my first time at the spot, I wasn't too sure how to feel in the beginning. There were tons of rocks and cracks that can easily lead to you being served up like a hot breakfast from IHOP. There were some other people skating the half pipe, and it seemed like every couple of minutes someone took a hard slam. One thing I took away from the experience is that if you're going to skate at Kernside, you better be ready to fall.

One thing I disliked about Kernside is how much it favored transition and vert skating. People that don't skate transition are going to have a boring time unless they're willing to get out of their comfort zone and try something new. There were small aspects of street, one box and two curbs put together to form one singular long curb, but not that much. There's nothing wrong with a spot favoring one style of skating, but I believe adding more street-style obstacles will attract more people to come.

Other than that, I really enjoyed skating at Kernside. I am



KYLE CHIDGEY / THE RIP

Marc Perez carves a pocket at the Kernside DIY skatepark on Valley Lane in Bakersfield.

someone who mainly skates street spots I find around town, or goes to Beach and Planz to skate. Going to Kernside with my small wheels definitely made it a challenge for me. I was forced to skate a style that I'm not very good at, and that's OK. I was stoked to be able to go out there and skate something I don't do on a regular basis; I feel like it made me a more well-rounded skater.

To say Kernside is fun is an understatement in my opinion, Kernside is a blast. I had a ton

of fun going out there with my friends and skating. I felt like I was challenged in a new way by having to adjust from being someone who normally likes to hit stairs and ledges to skating some real transition. I believe that stepping out of your comfort zone and trying new things is essential to your progression as a skater, and Kernside did just that for me. I recommend anybody that is interested in skating transition to check it out.

Some tips I can pass on is to make sure someone in your

group brings a push broom to sweep away the dust and rocks. You will have zero fun if you continuously hit a rock and get broke off. Also, it's critical to bring lots of water. The nearest gas station is at least five miles away so you want to make sure you stay hydrated while shredding. I had a great time skating Kernside, and I know you will, too. So call your friends, grab your boards, and go shred!



## Kanye concert impresses fans

By Mario Saldaña  
Reporter

This year was a big one for Kanye West, releasing his most recent album "The Life of Pablo" on Feb. 14, which had a huge amount of success. He is now touring around the U.S. on his Saint Pablo Tour.

With 39 dates all around the country, Kanye had six shows in Los Angeles at the Forum, and I went to the last show on Nov. 2. It was my first time seeing him live, and he did not disappoint. I was on the floor section, the ticket was \$120 including the service fee, tickets were pricey, but they had nosebleed seats that went up to \$35, so it was pretty affordable for anyone who wanted to see Kanye.

The Saint Pablo concert was nothing like a concert I've ever seen before; instead of the old routine of having the artist perform on the stage and being squashed between fans and metal bars just to see him up close, Kanye was on a small platform floating over fans that were in the floor section of the arena. The platform would float around the stadium bringing the concert close to many fans as he passed

over them while they moshed or just hopped and danced around with the music. Under the platform were lights beaming down on fans, giving off an amazing view when passing over the stadium.

Kanye's set just didn't feel like a concert. After finishing a song, the whole platform that was hanging on top of the stadium filled with lights pierced through stadium smoke with orange, blue, and dark red colors with a space-sounding synth playing in the background synchronizing with the lights. I felt like I was in a spacecraft, seeing the future right in front of me, like how the first people who watched Stanley Kubrick's "2001: A Space Odyssey" must have felt.

The concert started with "Father Stretch My Hands Part 1" teasing the crowd using the full chorus of the song he sampled multiple times until a synth kicked off the song. Everyone was ready to hear that beat drop, and when it did, it got crazy in the floor section. As Kanye went over fans, he knew how to make a crowd move with no dancers, no band behind him, just him singing and rapping away, while he danced himself.

The set list was what made the whole concert an amazing experience. Naming it the Saint Pablo Tour, you'd think he'd only play his recent album in its entirety, but he went all over the place, with hits like "Stronger," "Runaway," and "Heartless" to featured tracks like "THat Part" and "Pop Style." With each song, the lights would sync up with the music, setting up all types of tones, like when "Runaway" played, it was a dark red color all throughout the stadium.

Though the night for me was cut short due to Kanye having difficulties with his voice during his performance of "Only One," it was still a good and touching performance, showing old home videos of him and Kim Kardashian when they were children with the instrumental playing in the background.

Kanye left after trying to sing that song but for most of the song it was just the crowd singing, while he just knelt down. After the song ended, Kanye just says "my voice is so hoarse. I can't finish the show, Turn the lights on. I'll get y'all a refund. I have no f---ing voice, I can't do the f-king show. Move the stage."

Many fans including myself were puzzled on what was going on, if this was part of the show or if he was being serious. Many fans were upset and angry that he left, for me personally he was already on stage for at least an hour and a half and played almost all the biggest hits, so I was still pleased with the show. I ended up getting a refund for the show.

Kanye is a man who does everything differently and in an artistic way, and with this tour he set up a whole new bar on the idea of a concert with a stellar performance, the visuals, and the thought of not just people with money should be up close and personal with an artist having fun, everyone should be part of the show and have the best seats in the house no matter where you are at.

If it wasn't for him, leaving early this would have been the perfect concert for me. I still had a lot of fun seeing Kanye West live and seeing him up close while he performed so much of his biggest hits.



## Renegade Events

### News

**Roughneck Review:** the online journal is currently taking submissions for the upcoming issue. If interested in submitting, essays, poems, artwork, musical performances, photographs or great science projects, feel free to submit them to at [www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/roughneck](http://www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/roughneck).

**BC Track and Field/Cross Country:** holding the annual See's Candy sale. All proceeds go toward the program. If interested in receiving the candy by the Thanksgiving holiday, orders must be submitted by Nov. 17 and to receive them by Christmas, orders must be placed by Nov. 29.

**Renegade Pantry: Daily Bread:** The event repeats every Monday-Thursday 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. until May 12, 2017. Bakersfield College has partnered with Panera Bread to offer free bread to BC students and is first come, first serve. Students must sign in to receive services. Location: In front of the Renegade Pantry or Office of Student Life.

### BC Events

**Nov. 16-19:** 2nd Fall Play Production, Wednesday-Saturday, 7:00 p.m. General Admission is \$10 and \$8 for students, faculty, seniors, and military. Location: Indoor theatre.

**Nov. 18:** Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society presents "Warren Miller's: Here, There & Everywhere" Friday, 6-9:30 p.m. Get tickets at <http://warrenmillherethereeverywhere.eventbrite.com> Location: Film Room, FA Building.

**Nov. 19:** Applied Music Instrumental Recital, Saturday, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Applied music students will perform recitals in the Indoor Theater. Location: Indoor Theater.

**Nov. 22:** CSU Application Workshop, Tuesday, 2-3 p.m. Learn how to apply to the CSU system from BC. Location: SS 151.

**Nov. 23:** Community Movie Night: Suicide Squad, Wednesday, 6 p.m. Location: Forum East.

**Nov. 28:** UC Application Workshop, Monday, 1-2 p.m. Learn how to apply to a University of California. Location: SS 151.

**Nov. 30:** Open Web Registration for 2017 Spring Semester.

**Nov. 30:** CSU Application Workshop, Wednesday, 9-10 a.m. Learn how to apply to the CSU system from BC. Location: SS 151.

**Dec. 1:** Gingerbread Man Activity, Thursday, 12-1 p.m. Location: Campus Center Main Stage.

**Dec. 1:** Yard Sale and Bake Sale, Thursday, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Location: Campus Center Main Stage.

**Dec. 2:** BC Winter Choral Concert, Friday, 7 p.m. Location: SPARC Indoor Theatre.

**Dec. 3-9:** Final Exams Week.

**Dec. 3:** Culinary Caroling Dinner, Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Culinary Arts & BC Chamber Singers put on a fundraiser dinner with caroling. Location: Fireside Room.

**Dec. 5-8:** Free PBJ Sandwiches to Survive Finals Week, Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Location: Renegade Pantry.

**Dec. 10:** End of the Fall Semester.

**Jan. 16:** Martin Luther King Jr. Day (campus closed.)

**Jan. 19:** Community Movie Night: The Magnificent Seven, Thursday, 6 p.m. Location: Forum East.

### Around Town

**Nov. 19:** Real Escape, Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. The event will host ½ hr sessions throughout the day. Reservations are not necessary. Location: Southwest Public Library, 8301 Ming Ave.

## RENEGADE MINDS

"How do you feel about Donald Trump being elected president?"

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Photo Editor



Rogelio Estrada, 23, "I feel horrible."



Dominique Baquedru, 18, "I don't care. I believe technology is our future, not Trump."



David Guillen, 18, "I don't really care anymore."



Kai Knight, 19, "As long as he does a good job, it shouldn't matter."



Shaynah Thompson, 19, "I honestly don't care as long as he doesn't screw us over."



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## I was happy to help in passing Measure J

By Daulton James Jones  
Reporter

Election night for me was amazing, and not because of the presidential election, but because of bond Measure J's passing. It felt amazing to get the news that the thing I had been working on for so long had succeeded. Many volunteers, KCCD faculty members and interns like myself spent hours trying to get this bond measure passed.

I found my way to Measure J because of Communication professor Andrea Thorson, who approached myself and a few other students with the opportunity to intern for her to gain experience on our resumes. She also would be giving three of us recommendations to intern at the Bakersfield Californian. I'm so glad I accepted the offer because it was definitely an experience I won't forget. Myself and the other interns worked directly under her. Thorson was the co-lead in the event planning and speech writing.

She was also one of the primary organizers for Measure J. Everyone was extremely passionate throughout.

I remember every time I arrived at headquarters there were always four-to-six people on the phones marking down the yes's and the no's.

Nicole Parra put this whole campaign on her back, and we all followed her lead. She and about two or three others not only led us all, but more importantly worked beside us. Myself and the other interns all had a great time working on

this campaign.

Myself and the other student interns came in before, between and after our classes to help out with the campaign, which was pretty hard especially since all of us had full-time schedules and jobs on top of that.

For all of us to be as dedicated and hard working as we were to this is crazy looking back, but we were.

Out of all the people helping out, and trying to get this passed it actually affected us directly. We were the students who had to go to BC. This is our college, and to be able to make changes happen, even if it's just to renovate the school, is cool. BC is way overdue for the kind of renovations that Measure J promises, such as air conditioning in all the classrooms, school wide Wi-Fi, and bringing in occupational training programs, just to name a few. It also offers mental health services to veterans to help them better their education and get back to normal life.

My experience with Measure J was amazing. I met many great people who I wouldn't have otherwise.

I was able to help better not only my educational experience at BC, but others as well. I also got to enjoy a wonderful rendition of the Golden Girls theme song by one of the many volunteers.

It took a lot of time and effort working on this, but I wouldn't trade it for the world. Hopefully I get to work on more campaigns in my life. I am definitely excited to see how much BC changes for the better.

Column

## Immigration is not a dirty word

By James Macias  
Feature Editor

So Donald Trump is now President-elect of the United States of America, and I cannot understand how this is possible. Trump used every dirty trick in the book during his campaign, from painting his opponent as a criminal, to outright lying and answering questions with questions. He spent a ridiculous amount of time talking about immigration as if it were a dirty word. It seems to me that was the absolute lowest move he could have made. Practicing alienation of immigration by a member of the only alien nation on earth seems particularly deplorable to me. Where do white privileged Americans get off acting like it's not ok for people to immigrate here? That's how their own forebears arrived here in the first place. Anyone standing up to decry any form of immigration should be asked to leave this country. I know that supporters of this line of thinking would stop me right here and point out that they only have a problem with illegal immigration, as if the distinction holds any relevance at all to the discussion. I tell you now that the Cherokee nation never agreed to any form of immigration and neither did anyone else who legitimately lived here. This being the case, it stands to obvious and unquestionable reason that immigrants should be respected, and even honored in this country, because if Jesus so-and-so is committing a crime when he swims across the Rio Grande, then we are all criminals. That being said, there is a lot more to be said about recent events.

There have been protests in most major cities of the United States regarding the Trump presidency. Actual sign-waving, slogan-shouting, sit-in-containing, even semi-riotous protests (complete, in some cases, with arrests and burning

cars). Not since 2001, when George W. Bush was elected, has anyone seen fit to wave signs and shout slogans regarding the results of the presidential election. I'm sure we can all understand what people were protesting back then, but even they didn't set cars on fire or get themselves arrested. What wasn't worth that kind of effort. In the week since the election, the protests are still going on in many cities; places like Los Angeles, New York City and Washington D.C. are still hearing, "Hell no! Trumps gotta go!"

I have heard some people try to downplay the subject along the lines of, "Well when you get right down to it, the president doesn't really have as much power as people think. What can he really do?" I will tell you right now that the President of the United States of America has, according to the constitution, the right to wage war at his whim for thirty days without the approval of Congress or anyone. It takes about 15 minutes to operate the nuclear football (which is the technical term used to identify our system for launching nuclear ICBMs) and about 30 minutes for a missile to clear its silo and complete the flight to its target. I bet you think it's crazy to suggest that Donald J. Trump would ever do such a thing. Do you think it's crazy for the wife of a candidate to deliver a speech which was already delivered by the actual First Lady of the United States secure in the knowledge that no one will care? Do you think it's crazy for two candidates to show up for a debate in which one of the candidates will literally never make a single logical argument according to the rules of the debate? Do you think it's crazy for a candidate to openly bully a handicapped journalist about his or her disability? Because that stuff happened.

So I ask, what is next?

## Watching for results



The scene on election night Nov. 8 at JC's place, in downtown Bakersfield, where the local Republican Party enjoyed an open bar and a winning election.

JAMES MACIAS  
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## MEASURE J: BC president proud to see that Measure J passed

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tion we are going to see will be the Campus Center. After that, I would like to see our Veterans Resource Center be the first project completed with Measure J. This is a critical need for the college," said Christian.

Frazer emphasized that veterans have "done so much for our country and for our city alone, that they deserve to have that first. The veterans need it, they deserve it. It'll help hundreds of thousands of veterans, not just ones here at BC, but all over."

KCCD chief financial officer Tom Burke is excited about Measure J's passing but said meetings need to happen with the administration before construction begins.

"We have to get with the college presidents and review their long-term facilities plans and do some initial planning with them to determine which top priorities should be pursued first. The passage of Proposition 51 will also influence this planning. In addition, we also have to fin-

ish the Measure G construction program, which still has several projects to be completed," Burke said.

Proposition 51, which passed with 53 percent of the vote statewide, will dedicate \$9 billion to new construction and renovations throughout the K-12 and community colleges of California.

The district plans to apply and try to secure additional funding for its colleges through state funds from Proposition 51.

"We have to compete for those [Proposition 51] dollars within the community college system," said Burke back in September.

Measure G, the \$180 million precursors to Measure J, passed in 2002 and is still in progress after 14 years.

Back in September, Burke said that there is still approximately \$53 million still wrapped up in Measure G.

One of these projects is the new Maintenance and Operations Building at BC that is currently under construction.

Measure J was voted in at 62.42 percent of the vote, a margin in line with most of the bonds that passed.

Burke wasn't surprised by the final tally.

"All of our polling indicated that the majority of voters in our various communities supported Measure J. But until the voters actually vote, you never know," he said.

Frazer expected the measure to pass but was surprised by the amount of people that voted yes.

"I thought it was going to be more like a 57 or 58 percent area and I was shocked that it was 62 percent. I'm happy that people got behind it, even though we were late campaigning on it and late on getting it out for students to notice. I'm really surprised and happy that it was 62 percent because that means the people of Bakersfield really do care about BC, and this showed that," he said.

Speaking on all of the bond measures that passed, Burke thinks the community recog-

nized the need for renovations and reconstructions.

"I think the people in Kern, Tulare and San Bernardino counties understood our needs as well as the needs of other schools and believe that an investment in our colleges, high schools and grammar schools is a solid investment to make for the future of their communities. Plus, many of the facilities associated with those bonds were extremely old and well past their normal life. That was very clear from the information all of the schools had provided to the public, justifying the need for these bonds."

Christian sees Measure J's passing as a commitment to education from Kern County.

"At the end of the day, this community values education. They see education as key to social and economic prosperity for individuals in our community and for our community as a whole. It is heartening to see this steadfast commitment. We are BC. And we are Bakersfield," she said.

## VET FEST: Many attendees of Vet Fest enjoyed the event at BC

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Cody Ferguson, 21, president of the drama club at BC, felt that the festival itself was well-put together compared to previous events. "It looks well done in comparison to what I've seen out here. So far so great, the opening speech was really nice, really moving. To see the commitment for the veterans,

and how much we want to support us and give out, it's nice to see the community grow.

"We always have all the club events right over here in front of the cafeteria and to me it's always cluttered. That's where all the students are and where every smoker on campus wants to stand. But having booths over here, it's nice, it's secluded, and it doesn't affect

any classes around here it seems like."

Paul Ortiz, 34, spoke exuberantly when asked about the event. "I think it's awesome, the food seems really good. I went to college in Fresno and they never had anything like this. The food, the atmosphere is very peaceful, the band is good, all I can say is BC rocks!"

## Kern Republicans have Grand Old Watch Party



By James Macias  
Features Editor

The Republican watch party took place on Nov. 8 at JC's Place in downtown Bakersfield. The atmosphere was jubilant as update after update came in with positive results for now President-elect Donald Trump.

Many party staffers cheered and hooted every few minutes. Every prominent local Republican made an appearance including a very somber Karen Goh, who was running for Bakersfield mayor against Kyle Carter.

A week ago, Goh had a more-than 2,000 vote lead over Carter after all the precincts were in, but 76,000 votes still remain to be recorded.

Currently, there has still been no official confirmation regarding who has won the mayoral race.

On election night, Goh took a few minutes to comment on the mayor's race.

"I would like to expand our economic development, make safer neighborhoods and create greater opportunities in education and jobs for our young people," she said.

There was a lot of talk about divisions and disunity following the savage presidential campaign, but Goh was resolute in her position.



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Above: A child sleeps in his mother's arms as she awaits the results of the election. Left: Excited voters celebrate the news that Donald J. Trump will be the next President of the United States.

"I hope to be the mayor for all people in every part of our community," she said. "I care about local infrastructure, the living arts and fostering an atmosphere which promotes thriving businesses. I want to make our city government efficient and responsive to the needs of our population," she said.

When asked how she felt about

her performance in the mayoral race, Goh said she felt "very well." As this interview was taking place, lead Kern County Republican party staffers Brookie Bell and Alexandra Kody were leading a chant of: "Go Karen, Go Karen... etc.," which they did on-and-off all night long and were very successful in getting the rest of the crowd to join in.

As the evening progressed it became more and more evident that Donald Trump would indeed become president of the United States to the unmitigated delight of everyone present. When Hillary Clinton finally conceded around 1 a.m. Pacific time, there were only a few people left, but they still managed an uproariously overpowering cheer.

### Column

## This election all but screams at Dems to change tactics next time

**Practical Idealism:** Seeking a balance between what can be done and what should be done in the political landscape today

A phrase heard a lot this election cycle was the familiar trope, "The Silent Majority;" a term used to describe a group of people whom are not outspoken or adversarial, not rambunctious or particularly motivated, but whom on election day can be counted on to vote together, united in opinion. It was coined by Richard Nixon, who when running as a Republican in 1969 asked for the vote of Middle America, the white working class who felt they had been overshadowed by the civil and racial turmoil, progress and revolution of that era.

When first used to describe Trump's electorate in the months leading up to the election, many pundits dismissed the possibility that a group of people out there, usually not drawn in by politics, were drawn in to Trump's campaign. This was because the only difference pundits and journalists could see between the Trump campaign and the campaigns of other Republicans is that Trump openly pandered to the alt-right, racist, sexist and discriminatory factions of his electorate. And while this threw red meat to the dogs and inspired turnout amongst the vilest parts of our society, pundits became lost in this part of his message, and failed to see what Trump supporters did: he is not a politician.

In 2008 and 2012, the "Obama Coalition" was entirely dependent on white working-class voters in the 'Rust Belt.' It's a huge part of why Joe Biden was brought on to the ticket, and Tim Kaine had made the short list. Without these voters in states like Pennsylvania, Ohio, Wisconsin, Michigan, and North Carolina that coalition would have fallen apart, and Obama could not have made it to the White House. These voters supported Obama in 2008 because of the tone and rhetoric of his campaign. It sounded like a revolution, a victory for the working man and woman. But Obama failed to live up to these promises in the White House, instead focusing on health care reform, which became a legislative nightmare. In 2012 he lost many of these voters, despite viciously attacking

Mitt Romney as an "elitist" who shipped jobs overseas.

This is the crux of an important issue; many of the voters in these rust belt states supported Obama in 2008, drawn in by his populist tone. In 2012, after learning he was a politician, he lost much of their support, but could rely on the fact that he was running against someone who was also equally a politician. And by 2016, Republicans had figured this out, and Democrats had not. They ran an outsider, a strongman who appeared not to compromise on his values, and just for icing on the cake, gave his supporters someone to blame for their disappointment: Muslims, immigrants and feminists.

The Democrats, on the other hand, ran the most notable political figure of the last three decades, a person who gives speeches to Wall Street for huge sums of money, who appeared to subvert the FBI by deleting thousands of emails, who takes large sums of money from Saudi Arabia, and who has been surrounded by more controversy than you can imagine. And, in order to get her on the ticket, her campaign relied on the votes of super delegates, Democratic establishment politicians and lobbyists. Not only this, but they colluded with the Democratic National Committee and the media in order to intentionally suppress the campaign of her opponent.

Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders is the most experienced outsider in Washington, the longest serving independent senator in the history of our nation, and a self-avowed democratic socialist. He beat Hillary Clinton by nearly 20 points in almost every state she lost to Trump. Bernie Sanders would have beat Donald Trump last week. He would have won the support of the labor unions and people that Hillary Clinton and the democratic establishment have discounted for decades. And I'm not writing this as a big "I told you so!" I'm writing this because I have never in my life been more afraid for the future of this planet, and if we can survive this next four years, and we can, than it is absolutely imperative that we do not make the same mistakes we made in this primary election.

Any post-mortem that places the blame on anyone but the DNC and Hillary Clinton is essentially useless. Yes, the electoral college sucks. Yes, the FBI had an impact. Yes, Russia and Wikileaks were helping Donald Trump, but these all serve as distractions to the main issue.

Americans had a clear opportunity to reject racism, sexism and bigotry on the ballot this year. That is clear as day. And they didn't, thus, we have a lot of work to do in reaching out to those who voted for Trump and explaining to them how that affects vulnerable communities. But hurling labels and insults at people who already feel like they don't matter to Democrats or their supporters absolutely will not help. It will guarantee our failure. And by reducing the question of racism to whether or not you voted against Trump, you risk giving tons of racists who voted for Hillary Clinton a free pass. Reducing the question of racism to partisan politics reduces the importance and overwhelming dominance of that issue.

What will help is explaining to everyone that policies that support the working class, support all of us. Donald Trump just went around selling a populist message for months and now has the full deck stacked in his favor: near complete control of all three branches of government. If he fails to live up to his promises, which he will, because he's a con man, it will give the left an opportunity to show America what a real populist looks like. He is already failing to deliver on several commitments made to voters in the campaign. Since election day, he has changed his positions on repealing Obamacare, deporting 11 million illegal immigrants, building the wall, and "draining the swamp."

It is important to be gracious to those who have just suffered a terrifying defeat, but in our analysis of why Democrats lost this election, we must be correct or we risk losing to Republicans forever.

No more Wall Street lobbyists, no more unnecessary foreign wars, no more super PACs, no more name-calling. We have to get this right; the direction our party must head in is clear.



Dylan Bryant

## CA Election Results

**United States Senator**  
Kamal Harris(D)  
5,324,081 (62.7%)

**U.S. Representative 21st District**  
Emilio Huerta(D)  
16,021 (53.75%)

**U.S. Representative 23rd District**  
Kevin McCarthy(R)  
100,402 (72.58%)

**Member of the Assembly 26th District**  
Devon Mathis(R)  
3,486 (73.75%)

**Member of the Assembly 32nd District**  
Rudy Salas(D)  
21,341 (72.61%)

**Member of the Assembly 34th District**  
Tom Lackey(R)  
6,251 (66.93%)

**Mayor of Bakersfield**  
Karen Goh  
40,002 (51.24%)  
Kyle Carter  
37,756 (48.36%)  
*Results pending tally of mail-in ballots*

**Bakersfield City Council Ward 2**  
Andrae Gonzales  
4165 (53.58%)

**Bakersfield City Council Ward 5**  
Jeff Tkac  
7046 (51.42%)

**Bakersfield City Council Ward 6**  
Jacquie Sullivan  
6786 (68.49%)

**Kern County Superior Court, Office 34**  
Tiffany Organ-Bowles  
92,056 (59.96%)

**Measure J**  
Yes 96,589 (62.42%)

**Proposition 51 K-12 and Community College Facilities**  
Yes 5,090,388 (54%)

**Proposition 52 Medi-Cal Hospital Fee Program**  
Yes 6,511,362 (60.50%)

**Proposition 53 Voter Approval of Revenue Bonds**  
No 4,709,538 (51.5%)

**Proposition 54 Legislative Procedure Requirements**  
Yes 5,894,589 (64.5%)

**Proposition 55 Tax Extension for Education and Healthcare**  
Yes 5,861,413 (62.3%)

**Proposition 56 Cigarette Tax**  
Yes 6,100,337 (63.3%)

**Prop 57 Criminal Sentences & Juvenile Crime Proceedings**  
Yes 6,024,240 (63.8%)

**Prop 58 English Proficiency, Multilingual Education.**  
Yes 6,835,442 (72.6%)

**Prop 59 Corporate Political Spending Advisory Question**  
Yes 4,712,546 (52.6%)

**Prop 60 Adult Film Condom Requirements**  
No 4,983,718 (54.1%)

**Prop 61 State Prescription Drug Purchase Standards**  
No 4,995,998 (53.8%)

**Prop 62 Repeal of Death Penalty**  
No 5,057,006 (53.7%)

**Prop 63 Firearms and Ammunition Sales**  
Yes 5,974,242 (62.8%)

**Prop 64 Marijuana Legalization**  
Yes 5,428,018 (56.2%)

**Prop 65 Carryout Bag Charges**  
No 5,163,418 (55.2%)

**Prop 66 Death Penalty Procedure Time Limits**  
Yes 4,591,572 (50.9%)

**Prop 67 Ban on Single-use Plastic Bags**  
Yes 4,925,812 (52.4%)



TOMMY CASTELLON / THE RIP

BC's Zack Mitchell takes East L.A.'s Efrian Velez to the mat in their conference tournament match on Nov. 12.

## Ventura 49, BC 21

**Football**  
Ventura College 21 14 14 0 -49  
Bakersfield College 0 7 7 7 -21

**First Quarter**  
VC - Javernick 12 yd pass from Luton (Root PAT), 9:24.  
VC - Alexander 29 yd pass from Luton (Root PAT), 6:56.  
VC - Brown 2 yd run (Root PAT), 1:50.  
**Second Quarter**  
BC - Vickers 2 yd run (Young PAT), 12:58.  
VC - Luton 2 yd run (Root PAT), 5:49.  
VC - Javernick 20 yd pass from Luton (Root PAT), 0:49.  
**Third Quarter**  
VC - Pacheco 65 yd interception return (Root PAT), 12:42.  
BC - Vickers 5 yd pass from Gallis (Young PAT), 9:03.  
VC - Luton 8 yd run (Root PAT), 4:42.  
**Fourth Quarter**  
BC - Tomlin 4 yd pass from De Leon (Young PAT), 5:25.

	VC	BC
First downs	26	23
3rd Down efficiency	8-11	5-14
4th Down efficiency	0-0	2-4
Total Offense	590	388
Comp-Att-Int	14-25-0	21-36-1
Rushes-yards	49-315	41-158
Passing Yards	275	230
Total Return Yards	115	95
Penalties-Yards	14-118	4-29
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-2
Sacks-Yards Lost	2-15	0-0
Interceptions-Yards	1-65	0-0
Time of Possession	30:58	29:02

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**  
Rushing - BC - Hill 16-81, Vickers 12-69, Gallis 10-12, Willis 1-2; VC - Brown 16-103, Luton 11-72, Burt 10-65, Peralta 7-63, Siegrist 3-14.  
Passing - BC - Gallis 15-23 173 yds 1 TD 1 INT, De Leon 6-13 57 yds 1 TD 0 INT; VC - Luton 13-24 271 yds 3 TDs 0 INT, Regan 1-1 4 yds 0 TD 0 INT.  
Receiving - BC - Thind 7-100, Vickers 9-68, Tomlin 4-51, Bowman 1-11; VC - Broski 2-53, Taylor 1-52, Mallory 3-40, Javernick 2-32, Alexander 1-29, Houston 2-26, Gee 1-24, Burt 1-15, Noye 1-4.

## Canyons 14, BC 10

**Football**  
Canyons 7 0 0 7 -14  
Bakersfield College 7 3 0 0 -10

**First Quarter**  
BC - Vickers 9 yd run (Young PAT), 6:05.  
CC - Brown 73 yd punt return (Neitzke PAT), 1:45.  
**Second Quarter**  
BC - Young 28 yd field goal, 12:21.  
**Fourth Quarter**  
CC - Moore 1 yd run (Neitzke PAT), 4:05.

	CC	BC
First downs	21	14
3rd Down efficiency	4-17	0-15
4th Down efficiency	0-1	0-2
Total Offense	330	266
Comp-Att-Int	22-45-4	15-30-0
Rushes-yards	30-77	38-139
Passing Yards	253	127
Total Return Yards	125	149
Penalties-Yards	17-175	17-157
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	3-2
Sacks-Yards Lost	3-9	3-12
Interceptions-Yards	0-0	4-79
Time of Possession	30:25	29:35

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**  
Rushing - BC - Vickers 20-95, Ayers 7-22, De Leon 4-13, Gallis 5-12; CC - McBride 19-54, Eusebi 1-12, Moore 9-12.  
Passing - BC - Gallis 12-24 82 yds 0 TD 0 INT, De Leon 3-6 45 yds 0 TD 0 INT; CC - Moore 20-42 251 yds 0 TD 4 INTs, Eusebi 2-3 2 yds 0 TD 0 INT.  
Receiving - BC - Vickers 7-50, Tomlin 2-30, Ayers 3-21, Thind 1-13, Bowman 1-7, Willis 1-6; CC - Brown 7-69, Lazarek 3-46, Fitzpatrick 2-45, Cornell 5-39, Schuessler 1-25, Marlow 2-20, Allen 2-9.

## Wrestling

**Nov. 12, 2016**  
**SCWA Southeast Conference Tournament**  
125: 1-Pedro Sarabia (BC), 2-Jace Heryford (Cuesta), 3-Efrain Baez (Victor Valley), 4-Joshua Garcia (East LA); 133: 1-Adrian Marrufo (West Hills), 2-Pedro Corona (BC), 3-Ross Arve (Cuesta), 4-Alex Contreras (East LA); 141: 1-Aaron Watts (West Hills), 2-Arik Onsuere (BC), 3-Esteban Corona (BC), 4-Modan Goldman (Cuesta); 149: 1-Brock Dias (West Hills), 2-Alvaro Tamayo (BC), 3-Marvin Apreza (Cuesta), 4-Andrew Alvarez (West Hills); 157: 1-Nathan Pimental (West Hills), 2-Doroteo Lopez (East LA), 3-Michael Estrada (East LA), 4-Miguel Dominguez (BC); 165: 1-Ryan Soto (Victor Valley), 2-Rueben Arreola (West Hills), 3-Max Velez (East LA), 4-Cristia Leyva (BC); 174: 1-Alex Garcia (Cuesta), 2-Gabriel Rodriguez (East LA), 3-Ivan Sevilla (West Hills), 4-Jacob Mattson (BC); 184: 1-Julio Fuentes (BC), 2-Brandon Aviles (East LA), 3-Michael Guevara (West Hills); 197: 1-Zackary Mitchell (BC), 2-Zavion Roberson (BC), 3-Efen Velez (East LA), 4-Michael Perez-Chavira (West Hills); 285: 1-Brandon Sotomayor (East LA), 2-Jonathan Peterson (Victor Valley); 3-Santiago Vasquez (West Hills), 4-Ramiro Macias (BC).  
**Team Scores**  
1-Bakersfield, 156.00; 2-West Hills, 152.00; 3-East Los Angeles, 121.00; 4-Cuesta, 88.50; 5-Victor Valley, 50.00

## Volleyball

WSC East  
Nov. 4  
BC v. West LA 25-15, 25-21, 25-21  
**Kills:** Mackenzie Hernandez 9, Alex Paris 8, Karlee Cornford 5; **Assists:** Reece Stevenson 19, Mackenzie Hernandez 16, Hannah Pope 4; **Digs:** Hannah Pope 9, Haley Sanchez 5, Alex Paris 4.

Nov. 4  
Antelope Valley 25-13, 25-15, 25-16  
**Kills:** Sophie Ralphs 11, Alex Paris 10, Mackenzie Hernandez 7; **Assists:** Reece Stevenson 21, Mackenzie Hernandez 18, Hannah Pope 4; **Digs:** Hannah Pope 10, Mackenzie Hernandez 4, Jourdan Muro 3.

Nov. 9  
BC v. LA Mission 31-29, 25-15, 25-10  
**Kills:** Alex Paris 12, Mackenzie Hernandez 9, Karlee Cornford 3; **Assists:** Reece Stevenson 20, Mackenzie Hernandez 17, Hannah Pope 2; **Digs:** Hannah Pope 18, Jourdan Muro 16, Haley Sanchez 11.

## Men's Basketball

**Santa Monica Tournament**

**Nov. 4**  
**BC 83, LA Southwest 64**  
Bakersfield College 45 38 83  
LA Southwest 34 30 64  
BC - Jamar Hammonds 16, Jaylunn English 15, Shane Christie 11, James Pendelton 10  
**Rebounds:** Sean Lefore 6, Shane Christie 6, Johnathon Murray 5; **Assists:** Johnathon Murray 10, James Pendelton 3, Sean Lefore 3; **Team Shooting:** 34-67; **3-pt Shooting:** 5-18; **FT:** 10-16 **Team Fouls:** 0  
LA Southwest - Jawan Butler-Stevenson 16, D'lano Beckles 15, Garland Allen 8  
**Rebounds:** D'lano Beckles 5, Kiza Sekiyoba 4, Aaron Gibson 4; **Assists:** Kiza Sekiyoba 3, D'lano Beckles 2, Aaron Gibson 2; **Team Shooting:** 21-49; **3-pt Shooting:** 6-12; **FT:** 16-27; **Team Fouls:** 19

**Nov. 5**  
**BC 72, Santa Barbara 60**  
Bakersfield College 37 35 72  
Santa Barbara 26 34 60  
BC - Jaylunn English 16, Jamar Hammonds 13, Sean Lefore 9  
**Rebounds:** Henry Galinato 5, Tucker Eenigenburg 4, Jaylunn English 4; **Assists:** Jaylunn English 6, Johnathon Murray 5, James Pendelton 4; **Team Shooting:** 27-48; **3-pt Shooting:** 4-11; **FT:** 14-19 **Team Fouls:** 0  
Santa Barbara - Robert Hutchins 18, Dondre Butler 16, Ben Clay 10  
**Rebounds:** Ben Clay 7, Robert Hutchins 5, Dondre Butler 4; **Assists:** Dondre Butler 5, Ben Clay 3; **Team Shooting:** 24-60; **3-pt Shooting:** 7-18; **FT:** 5-10; **Team Fouls:** 18

**Fullerton College Classic**  
**Nov. 9**  
**Citrus 81, BC 79**  
Bakersfield College 35 37 7 79  
Citrus 29 43 9 81  
BC - James Pendelton 21, Jamar Hammonds 13, Treyvon Armstrong 12  
**Rebounds:** Jaylunn English 5, James Pendelton 5, Jamar Hammonds 4; **Assists:** Johnathon Murray 6, Jaylunn English 3; **Team Shooting:** 29-56; **3-pt Shooting:** 7-2; **FT:** 14-20; **Team Fouls:** 22  
Citrus - Tyler LaCour 29, Andrew Ammann 12, Kenneth Cyprian 9  
**Rebounds:** Tyler LaCour 9, Khalil Williams 7, Calvin Martin 5; **Assists:** Jeremy Smith 4, Khalil Williams 3, Kenneth Cyprian 2; **Team Shooting:** 27-59; **3-pt Shooting:** 9-20; **FT:** 18-25; **Team Fouls:** 18

**Nov. 11**  
**BC 67, San Diego Mesa 54**  
Bakersfield College 31 36 67  
San Diego Mesa 24 30 54  
BC - Jaylunn English 14, Jamar Hammonds 8, Sean Lefore 8, Henry Galinato 8, **Rebounds:** Henry Galinato 5, Jamar Hammonds 5, Kyle Sturm 5; **Assists:** Johnathon Murray 7, Jaylunn English 3, James Pendelton 2; **Assists:** Johnathon Murray 7, Jaylunn English 3, Shane Christie 3; **Team Shooting:** 23-57; **3-pt Shooting:** 7-23; **FT:** 14-17; **Team Fouls:** 20  
San Diego Mesa - Armstrong Ojunkwu 27, Huthifah Abdel Jawad 6, Austin Henderson 5  
**Rebounds:** Armstrong Ojunkwu 12, Marc Cabrera 4, Alex Acosta 3; **Assists:** Cody Crumsey 2, Armstrong Ojunkwu 2; **Team Shooting:** 19-46; **3-pt Shooting:** 4-12; **FT:** 12-20; **Team Fouls:** 13

**Nov. 12**  
**Chaffey 78, BC 64**  
Bakersfield College 35 29 64  
Chaffey 41 37 78  
Stats not available for Bakersfield College  
**Chaffey:** Christian Carson 14, Tyler Ginyard 7, Chadney Dennis 5  
**Rebounds:** Robert White 3, Chadney Dennis 3, Cedreus Wright 2; **Assists:** Mark Borgeson Jr. 1, Christian Carson 1, Chadney Dennis 1; **Team Shooting:** 14-28; **3-pt Shooting:** 6-14; **FT:** 12-20; **Team Fouls:** 9

**Nov. 3**  
**Riverside 86, Bakersfield 73**  
Riverside 41 45 - 86  
Bakersfield 32 41 - 73  
**Riverside top scorers -** Uzowuru 23, Gonzalez 16, Hewitt 13, Hanchett 12  
**Rebounds:** Uzowuru 16, Hanchett 15; **Assists:** Gonzalez 3, Wright 3; **Team shooting:** 32-72; **3-point shooting:** 2-7; **FT:** 20-34; **Team Fouls:** 25  
**BC top scorers -** Croney 19, Figueroa 16, Nielson 14  
**Rebounds:** Tevelde 6, Figueroa 5; **Assists:** Figueroa 4, Scott 4; **Team shooting:** 26-83; **3-point shooting:** 5-24; **FT:** 16-36; **Team fouls:** 30

## Cross Country

**Southern California Cross Country Championships**  
**Men's 4-mile Run**  
Team Scores: 1, San Bernardino Valley, 62; 2, Glendale, 85; 3, Mt. SAC, 101; 4, Riverside, 115; 4, Cuyamaca, 115; 6, Santa Ana, 169; 7, Orange Coast, 201; 8, Cuesta, 294; 9, Saddleback, 321; 10, El Camino, 323; 11, Ventura, 344; 12, Moorpark, 358; 14, Cerritos, 370; 15, West Los Angeles, 374; 16, Pasadena, 401; 17, Santa Monica, 453; 19, Oxnard, 476; 20, Citrus, 516; 20, Santiago Canyon, 516; 22, Pasadena, 541; 23, El Camino, 578; 24, San Diego Mesa, 585; 25, Southwestern, 630; 26, Desert, 648; 27, Palomar, 684.  
Individual Top 10: 1, Daschian (CUE), 18:12.3; 2, Masedo (G), 18:32.9; 3, Setian (G), 18:47.3; 4, Allen (OC), 18:53.3; 4, Cassidy (CUE), 18:53.3; 6, Lopez (SA), 18:54.0; 7, Ruiz (CAN), 18:56.1; 7, De La Rosa (SC), 18:56.1; 9, Naranjo (GL), 19:05.0; 10, Theology (AV), 19:05.6.  
BC Finishers: 36, Alyssa Morales, 19:59.2; 55, Sydney Roman, 20:39.5; 82, Julissa Mendoza, 21:31.5; 118, Sarah Voss, 22:52.8; 126, Liliana Portillo, 23:34.2; 142, Lidia Contreras, 24:42.7; 157, Laura Hernandez, 25:33.1.

**Women's 5k**  
Team Scores: 1, Glendale, 45; 2, Riverside, 128; 3, Mt. SAC, 194; 4, Saddleback, 208; 5, LA Harbor, 233; 6, Cuesta, 238; 7, Canyons, 254; 8, Ventura, 269; 9, Chaffey, 302; 10, Orange Coast, 336; 11, Moorpark, 337; 12, Long Beach, 348; 13, Cuyamaca, 352; 14, San Bernardino Valley, 354; 15, Cerritos, 371; 16, Antelope Valley, 396; 17, Bakersfield, 417; 18, Santa Barbara, 453; 19, Oxnard, 476; 20, Citrus, 516; 20, Santiago Canyon, 516; 22, Pasadena, 541; 23, El Camino, 578; 24, San Diego Mesa, 585; 25, Southwestern, 630; 26, Desert, 648; 27, Palomar, 684.  
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# BC wrestling finishes first at conference tournament

By Sam L. Jaime  
Reporter

The Bakersfield College wrestling program secured a crucial victory in its quest for state ranking at season's end.

The Renegades secured first place in the South East Conference Tournament, adding an additional five points to a total already gained through placement in the duals portion of the schedule. The team will look to add more points toward their total in The Brawl Tournament, taking place on Nov. 19 at East LA College.

While the tournament might

not be as important to the Renegades as the South Regionals taking place on Dec. 3 at Cuesta College, the message from Bakersfield College co-head coach Brett Clark was remained centered on the development and growth of his wrestlers and of the program.

"You can't dwell on a practice, you're going to have bad practices, you're going to have good practices, you just have to keep working, and get better every day. 'If I'm better than I was the day before, then I'm gaining ground. If I'm not, then what did I do? Did I eat wrong? Did I have a bad day?'" Understanding

all of that is part of the growth," Clark said. "Communication is the other thing, a lot of these kids coming out of high school don't communicate very well, they communicate with their phones, and that's been our message with our kids this year has been to communicate with us."

The team seems to have responded to this message, apparent in freshman Julio Fuentes who has only lost one match this season. "Julio has a goal in mind right now, he wants to be a state champion so he's focused on that," said Clark.

"He's not too much of a guy that likes the limelight, he's

never been like that, since high school, he'd rather just sit in the back and do his job and go about his business, and that says a lot about his character," said Clark.

Looking ahead to the remaining portion of the schedule, Clark is optimistic that the focus and hard work of his wrestlers can translate into achieving the program goal of ranking in the top five in the state.

"We have a shot at it, if we do what we need to do," said Clark. "If we get into the top five, we'll go from there. If you can get into the top five, you're doing pretty good, especially when the teams around us are all tough teams."

## Women's Soccer

**Oct. 28**  
**Canyons 2, Bakersfield 0**  
**Canyons goals:** Kailey Marquez (unassisted), first half; Amanda Balzer (Kailey Marquez assist)  
**Shots:** Canyons 9, Bakersfield 2  
**Saves:** Alondra Villa (BC) 7; Kianna Hemphill (Canyons) 2

**Nov. 1**  
**Bakersfield 2, Citrus 1**  
**Bakersfield goals:** Arielle Joven (unassisted), first half; Sabrina Sanchez (Madison Jordan)  
**Citrus goal:** Jasmine Collier (Jacqueline Mejia)  
**Shots:** Bakersfield 12, Citrus 3  
**Saves:** Amber Henry (Citrus) 10; Alondra Villa (BC) 2

**Nov. 8**  
**Bakersfield 3, Victor Valley 2**  
**Bakersfield goals:** Arielle Joven (Sabrina Sanchez), first half; Odalys Espinoza (Jeanette Gutierrez), Odalys Espinoza (Sabrina Sanchez)  
**Victor Valley goals:** Adriana Contreras (Ashley Herrera), first half; Adriana Contreras (Gessaiah Chavez)  
**Shots:** Bakersfield 11, Victor Valley 5  
**Saves:** Mikhaela Tingesdahl (Victor Valley) 4, Emmy Rodriguez (Victor Valley) 4; Alondra Villa (BC) 3

**Nov. 11**  
**Bakersfield 1, Antelope Valley 0**  
**Bakersfield goal:** Amelia Lopez (Arielle Joven)  
**Shots:** Bakersfield 9, Antelope Valley 5  
**Saves:** Gabriela Espinoza (Antelope Valley) 8; Jeanette Gutierrez (BC) 5

## Men's Soccer

**Nov. 1**  
**Citrus 2, Bakersfield 0**  
Citrus goals: Georg Yachoa (Joel Rosales), Emilio Del Villar (Brian Ellis)  
**Shots:** Citrus 9, BC 15  
**Saves:** Jorge Quinones Guerrero 3 (Citrus), Frank Arreola 2 (BC)

**Nov. 4**  
**Canyons 2, Bakersfield 0**  
Canyon goals: Arnan Tagavi (Luis Arriaga), Aaron Winsick (Tagavi)  
**Shots:** Canyons 10, BC 21  
**Saves:** Cristian Arriaga 6 (Canyons) Frank Arreola 3 (BC)

**Nov. 8**  
**Glendale 4, Bakersfield 0**  
Glendale goals: Fabricio Bonilla, Jesus Rosas (Davis Lepkin), Yassine Larachi, Taiki Nakahiro

**Nov. 11**  
**Bakersfield 3, Antelope Valley 2**  
Antelope Valley goals: Jose Mojica, Allan Monreal  
BC goals: Cain Perez (Russell Tetzschner and Jorge Reyes), Jorge Reyes (Tetzschner), Edwin Bernal PK (Braulio Gutierrez)

## Women's Basketball

**Nov. 3**  
**Riverside 86, Bakersfield 73**  
Riverside 41 45 - 86  
Bakersfield 32 41 - 73  
**Riverside top scorers -** Uzowuru 23, Gonzalez 16, Hewitt 13, Hanchett 12  
**Rebounds:** Uzowuru 16, Hanchett 15; **Assists:** Gonzalez 3, Wright 3; **Team shooting:** 32-72; **3-point shooting:** 2-7; **FT:** 20-34; **Team Fouls:** 25  
**BC top scorers -** Croney 19, Figueroa 16, Nielson 14  
**Rebounds:** Tevelde 6, Figueroa 5; **Assists:** Figueroa 4, Scott 4; **Team shooting:** 26-83; **3-point shooting:** 5-24; **FT:** 16-36; **Team fouls:** 30

**Nov. 4**  
**Pasadena City 70, Bakersfield 51**  
Pasadena City 40 30 - 70  
Bakersfield 33 18 - 51  
**Pasadena City top scorers -** Blanc 21, Puckett 13, Robinson 12  
**Rebounds:** Gideon 15, Blanc 13; **Assists:** Puckett 5, Robinson 4; **Team shooting:** 31-66; **3-point shooting:** 0-2; **FT:** 8-19; **Team fouls:** 21  
**Bakersfield top scorers -** Figueroa 11, Obrero 9, Nielson 8  
**Rebounds:** Croney 6, Tevelde 6; **Assists:** Scott 3, Obrero 2; **Team shooting:** 18-65; **3-point shooting:** 5-21; **FT:** 10-21; **Team fouls:** 18

**Nov. 11**  
**Rio Hondo 63, Bakersfield 49**  
Rio Hondo 27 36 - 63  
Bakersfield 20 29 - 49  
**Rio Hondo top scorers -** DeLeon 19, Montiel 19, Pineda 10  
**Rebounds:** Montiel 4, Garr 12; **Assists:** Montiel 4, Mercedes 3; **Team shooting:** 22-54; **3-point shooting:** 2-17; **FT:** 17-24; **Team fouls:** 12  
**Bakersfield top scorers -** Figueroa 12, Tevelde 8, Kroeger 7  
**Rebounds:** Tevelde 6, Scott 5; **Assists:** Salazar 5, Kroeger 2; **Team shooting:** 21-72; **3-point shooting:** 5-26; **FT:** 7-7; **Team fouls:** 21

**Nov. 12**  
**Cerritos 87, Bakersfield 71**  
Cerritos 41 46 - 87  
Bakersfield 22 49 - 71  
**Cerritos top scorers -** Franks 25, James 23, Rodriguez 13  
**Rebounds:** Clark 12, Franks 9; **Assists:** Ferreira 6, Ochoa 3; **Team shooting:** 29-58; **3-point shooting:** 10-17; **FT:** 19-32; **Team fouls:** 29  
**Bakersfield top scorers -** Tevelde 17, Nielson 16, Obrero 13  
**Rebounds:** Tevelde 13, Scott 7; **Assists:** Scott 5, Figueroa 4; **Team shooting:** 22-64; **3-point shooting:** 8-23; **FT:** 19-38; **Team fouls:** 23



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BC's Karlee Cornford (23) and Hannah Pope (2) work to dig the ball in the match against L.A. Mission College. BC will finish the regular season on Nov. 16 against Canyons.

# Volleyball awaits fate

## Renegades hope to take 13-game win streak into the postseason

By Sam L. Jaime  
Reporter

One game remains in the Bakersfield College women's volleyball regular season schedule. The Renegades will face Canyons at the Gil Bishop Sports Center at 6 p.m. Nov. 16. The match is significant in helping to determine postseason seeding, and a chance for the Renegades to finish the regular season on a 13-game win streak.

This finale comes after a re-sounding victory against LA Mission College on Nov. 9. The Renegades battled in the first set of the contest, rallying from an early 5-1 deficit to outlast LA Mission 31-29. The Renegades took control early in the second set, on the way to a 25-15 victory after opening the set on a 15-8 run. The Renegades never looked back from a 3-0 start to the third set, converting a 22-8 blowout to a 25-10 victory, securing a 3-0 sweep.

The fans in attendance against LA Mission were pleased with the result, and had some fans excited for the finale, such as former Bakersfield College student Amanda Linares. "These ladies have had a fun year. They've been fun to watch, fun to follow, and I just can't wait to see how it all ends this year," said Linares. "I really hope I can make it out here for the last game. They



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BC's Carl Ferreira makes adjustments with Jourdan Muro (16) during the match against L.A. Mission College. Below: Members of the Renegade volleyball team take a break during their match against L.A. Mission College. BC swept L.A. Mission 3-0.



haven't played at home too much this season, and it's important to me to support them."

With a record of 19-8, the team appears to be a lock for postseason play, and an opportunity to contend for the state title. This might be amazing to some, considering the team went 2-5 to start the season. Yet coach Carl Ferreira's message never changed, always focusing on the approach to the game, rather than its result, and the team has responded by going 17-3 since.

Statistically, the Renegades have been dominant through the final stretch of the season, win-

ning 30 of 34 sets dating back to Sept. 24 when their winning streak began. Through 27 total matches, the Renegades are averaging 11.99 kills per set, 11.73 assists per set, and 13.80 digs per set.

Conference play has only seemed to invigorate the Renegades as their points per set have increased a full 2.3 points throughout

# Football misses out on playoffs but invited to bowl game

By Kyle Cortez  
Managing Editor

The Bakersfield College football team (6-4 overall, 2-3 National Northern Conference) will play the Long Beach City College Vikings (8-2 overall, 4-1 National Central Conference) in the Western State Bowl at 6 p.m. on Nov. 19 at Long Beach City College.

BC tied for fourth in the National Northern Conference with a record of 2-3. Long Beach finished as a tri-champion with Riverside and Mount San Antonio in the National Central league, each finishing with a 4-1 conference record. Long Beach is the only team that managed to beat Riverside this year.

Long Beach won 38-31 in overtime on Nov. 5 against Riv-

erside, which is the number two seed in the Southern California playoffs. Riverside beat BC 45-7 earlier this year.

The Renegades finished the season on a two-game losing streak and will be going up against a Vikings team that has won four straight.

BC lost to Ventura College 49-21 on Nov. 5.

The game was well out of hand by the end of the first quarter with BC down 21-0. BC was down 35-7 at halftime.

Dalton Gallis started the game at quarterback for the Renegades, but Cesar De Leon came in toward the end of the third quarter for Gallis. Gallis went 15-for-23 passing for 173 yards with one touchdown and one interception.

De Leon went 6-for-13 passing with one touchdown. The

Renegades had a tough time stopping Ventura's offense, allowing a total of 590 yards on 315 rushing and 275 passing.

"You got to give them all the credit in the world. It's hard to score when the other guys are on the field, but you got to give those guys credit, that's the bottom line. I was just totally impressed with their quarterback; he's as good as we've seen in a while. He's a good player, he kept extending plays, and he threw the ball really well, and ran the ball when guys were covered. He did a really nice job; my hat is off to him," said head coach Jeff Chudy.

"We got to circle the wagons and lick our wounds right now. It's going to be a gut check. We're going to find out how we want to finish this thing. We ex-

pect that our guys are going to come out and try to finish the season on a high note. We have the ability to go 8-3 and that's a good year. Obviously we didn't get to where we wanted to go, but we got to get to game seven first."

The Renegades then lost to College of the Canyons in their regular season finale 14-10 on Nov. 12.

Canyons went up 14-10 with 4:05 left in the fourth quarter. The Renegades then drove all the way down to the Canyons 3-yard line with 20 seconds left in the game before De Leon threw an incomplete pass in the end zone on fourth down to essentially end the game.

BC struggled with penalties the entire game and ended up with 17 penalties for 157 yards.

BC had four interceptions on defense, but they also lost two fumbles and struggled to maintain any consistency on offense.

Gallis started the game at quarterback, but De Leon came in for him at the start of the fourth quarter.

"The penalties that we had took points off the board, kept us on the field, took us off the field. They're like turnovers. That in a nutshell, you can't do that. There's no excuse for it. We jeopardized the game because of our inability to play smart," said Chudy.

"We didn't move the ball till the last drive there. Penalties put us in a situation that we shouldn't have been in, and that's just really what it comes down to. We can't play that way. We've got to be better than that."

Column

## Lakers looking up again

E9: What you wouldn't believe about sports.

It feels like an eternity when thinking back on the last time the Lakers won it all. Since that epic game seven against Boston, the Lakers have gone through six head coaches and failed to make the playoffs in two straight seasons. That has made being a Laker fan an abysmal nightmare. Since the 2014-2015 season, the Lakers have amassed a record of 42-



Sam L. Jaime

126. That means heading into this season, the Lakers had totaled enough wins over three seasons to have barely even made the playoffs this past year.

The hiring of Luke Walton as head coach seemed to produce a groan from many Laker fans, considering his long, mostly unimpressive tenure as a Laker. Yet, when Luke was hired, it felt like a fresh start and a new direction. The early return on his tenure has been wonderful. The team is galvanized under Walton's guidance; players have said they would "run through a wall" for him.

That dedication to the program, to the organization, and the message Walton is transmitting can only translate to great basketball. The once lackluster play that cost the Lakers so many late-game leads and blowout losses, has been polished into a purple and golden treasure. Sure, the team remains a far cry from the "Showtime Lakers" of old, but that comparison has always fallen short. Instead, the Lakers show signs of something truly magical.

I remember sitting in a bar at fisherman's wharf in San Francisco about four years ago, watching the Golden State Warriors play the San Antonio Spurs.

At that time, the Warriors were not the powerhouse of late, but a struggling team, taking up a spot in the Western Conference. But what I saw told me, the Warriors were on the verge of something great.

I could sense it in the way they moved the ball, their heart and hustle, and a focus on getting the most out of their rotation.

I see a lot of similarities between that upstart Warrior team and this young Laker squad. The energy and confidence they exude is telling, even this early in the season. It's a joy to watch Laker games again, whether they win or lose. To see them play with this level of focus, creates a different type of fandom. It feels like an underdog type of love.

There is obviously still a very long journey ahead on their road back to the promise land of NBA title number 17 and beyond, but this glimpse of progress has become a foundation for the regrowth of a sense of relevance for the Lakers. This young, mostly untested core will continue to grow and mature with the help of veteran players like Metta World Peace, Luol Deng, and José Calderón.

I remember when the last Lakers dynasty arose from the doldrums of the late 1990s. It took players who had been there before, players that some considered past their prime, to mature the Lakers into the team that won consecutive NBA titles to begin the millennium.

I'm not saying Metta World Peace is A.C. Green, or Luol Deng is Glen Rice, but it's hard for me to look away as something big is being built in Los Angeles.

# Women's soccer awaits playoff announcement

By Kyle Cortez  
Managing Editor

The Bakersfield College women's soccer team finished the season on a three-game winning streak and finished with an 11-7-2 overall record and a 5-3 record in Western State-East Conference play.

The Renegades beat Citrus College 2-1 on Nov. 1. Arielle Joven scored four minutes into the game for BC.

That 1-0 lead would hold until the 83rd minute when Citrus College tied it up on a goal by Jasmine Collier.

The Renegades took the lead in the 88th minute on a goal from Sabrina Sanchez, which proved to be the game winner.

The Renegades were on the offensive most of the game, managing 12 shots on goal, but they were only able to score twice.

Alondra Villa made two saves on three shots for BC.

BC then beat Victor Valley College 3-2 on Nov. 8. BC scored one minute into the game on a goal from Arielle Joven assisted by Sabrina Sanchez.

Victor Valley tied it up in the 18th minute on an Adriana Contreras goal assisted by Ashley Herrera.

Odalys Espinoza scored in the 60th minute to give BC a 2-1 lead.

Espinoza would score another goal 15 minutes later to give the Renegades a 3-1 lead.

Contreras also scored one more goal for Victor Valley to make it 3-2. BC had 11 shots on goal.

Alondra Villa was the goalkeeper for BC and she made three saves on five shots.

"You got one more game left to see

what's possible after this. We'll know more after Friday where everything stands. Tonight it was a very close game and we didn't have a very good first half," said head coach Scott Dameron.

I thought they did a good job making the adjustments that we asked them to make in the second half. They're just looking to finish with a win. They've been playing well and we want to finish out on the best possible note," said Dameron.

BC beat Antelope Valley College in their regular season finale 1-0 on Nov. 11.

Amelia Lopez scored the only goal in the 73rd minute on an assist from Arielle Joven. The Renegades had nine shots on goal.

Jeanette Gutierrez was the goalkeeper for BC and she saved all five shots that she faced.

When asked about the season as a whole, Dameron said, "We like the way they play. I think they're always trying to play. There were some better moments and some rougher moments."

I think they've grown over the course of the season and it goes by fast. As a coach there's always something to work on, but I like the way they fight, and I like the way they battle," said Dameron.

"They pass the ball well and I think we move the ball very quickly and that's just kind of the style that we're trying to play. I think when we move the ball quickly and play simple we're hard to deal with. It's always a process. You're never done improving something, so we look at everything and try to improve on everything every day," said Dameron.

The meeting to determine if the women's soccer team would make the playoffs was on Nov. 15.



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Above: BC's Odalys Espinoza (20) and Citrus' Jaline Miranda (3) go up for the header. Below: BC's Amelia Lopez (11) and Citrus' Anyansi Balmaceda (17) fight for the ball.



# Men's soccer closes out difficult season with a solid victory

By Mario Saldaña  
Reporter

The Bakersfield College soccer team finished its first regular season after three decades without a team, but it was still not enough to move up the ranks in their conference, ending up in last place and not making a playoff run.

The Renegades faced Antelope Valley at home and earned a win, after losing 4-2 on an away game to Glendale, and two at home against Citrus and Canyons.

The game against Citrus on Nov. 1 was a close one. Down by a goal in the first half of the game, the Renegades had a total of 15 shots to pull off either a tie or a win, but were unable to find the back of the net. As for Citrus, they ended up shutting out BC 2-0 after scoring a late goal in the 90th minute.

It was the same story when

BC faced Canyons at home Nov. 4, as the Renegades ended the game with 21 shots, but still had no luck scoring.

Canyons found a goal in the first half and also in the early minutes of the second half for a 2-0 victory.

BC visited Glendale on Nov. 8 and broke through with two goals but lost 4-2. Marshall Compton and Alberto Munoz lit up the scoreboard for the Renegades, but was clearly not enough to pull off a win against Glendale.

On Nov. 11, the Renegades snapped their losing streak after a win at home against Antelope Valley that ended 3-2. BC got the game started with an early goal in the first half by Cain Perez, but Antelope Valley responded with two goals, giving them a short-lived lead that was ended by a goal from BC's Jorge Reyes after Antelope Valley received a red card. The goal left the game tied as the first half ended.

The Renegades went on to win the match in the second half, following a penalty kick awarded to BC. Edwin Bernal, who had nine goals this season, took the shot, giving them a 3-2 lead.

Though some kind of drama happened on the pitch when AVC was awarded a penalty kick that could have tied the game, but the call was reversed by the referees, so no penalty kick was awarded, saving BC to hold on to the lead until the end of the game.

The soccer team ended their season on a good note, but it was not enough to secure a spot for a run at the playoffs. In the Western Valley that ended 3-2. BC got the game started with an early goal in the first half by Cain Perez, but Antelope Valley responded with two goals, giving them a short-lived lead that was ended by a goal from BC's Jorge Reyes after Antelope Valley received a red card. The goal left the game tied as the first half ended.

Though it was a hard season for the returning soccer team, many of the athletes might now feel comfortable playing at a college level for next season.



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BC's Marshall Compton (18) goes up and fights Antelope Valley College's Trevor Allen (16) for the ball in the season finale for the Renegades. BC defeated AVC 3-2.

# Renegades Rock First Friday

Photos by Veronica Morley



The BC Commercial Music Ensemble plays in front of a crowd Nov. 4 at First Friday in downtown Bakersfield. Above from left to right: Tyler Vernon, Mason Edwards, Jawan English and Miles Edwards.



Jerren Medford plays bass in multiple songs for the BC Commercial Music Ensemble at First Friday.



Left: A member of the audience, dressed in an extravagant uniform, carries a sign as he watches the performance. Below: Mason Edwards performs a cover of "Ain't it Fun" by Paramore. Right: Matthew Bray and Miguel Mejia playing bass and guitar. Bottom Right: Miguel Mejia plays keyboard, Justin Rogers plays the drums and Lee Collins plays the acoustic guitar and sings at First Friday.



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