A different kind of art

Graffiti art, the specialty of the Bakersfield College theater department's production of Neil Simon's play "Brighton Beach Memoirs" on April 25 for the second annual Graffiti Art Festival.

BY KELLY ARCHY

Special elections determine budget

BY SEGAN MOORE

Eyes of the Rip

May 5, 2009

The Renegade Rip

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A play to remember

Nick Ono portrays the character Eugene in the Bakersfield College Drama Department's production of Neil Simon's play "Brighton Beach Memoirs" on April 25 for the second annual Graffiti Art Festival.

BY KATHLEEN J. WHITE

Student Government election results

Preparation 1

To change student health status and student information on the state election process.

Preparation 2

To place the names of the people on the state election ballot.

Preparation 3

To have a convention to research the process of elections to the state election process.

BY JESSICA HAYES

KCCD implements new college e-mail system

BY L. W. BRUNCK IV

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Hall of Fame inducts seven, Covey shines

The spotlight seemed to shine on a guy who had the ability to catch every single ball that was hit at him. His knowledge of track and field was immense, and he had a height of 9-7. His record was one of the most impressive in the sport of track and field.

The BC's Hall of Fame inducts seven, and Covey shines. BC's Holly Moseley-Raymond clears the bar in the pole vault event in the WSC Championships at Memorial Stadium on April 25.

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Twins make state finals for the first time

Though the Dickersons made no secret of their one-day tournaments will not attend.

Final exam schedule

Final exam schedule for the week of May 6 - May 8, 2009 at 1:50 pm.

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NEWS

Athletes score

Below: New York Giants’ quarterback Eli Manning, after leading his team to victory in the Super Bowl, was one of the athletes featured in the article. Manning is shown here at a post-game press conference.

By SEAN MCCOY

The Renegade Rip softball field construction continues to cause delays. Problems with the construction include rain, soil compaction, and other issues. According to the school, the field will be ready for the season. The team is hopeful that the new field will be ready by the end of the month.

Swine flu scare just a scare

Some researchers say the level two virus is no more dangerous than any other flu strain. However, it is still important to take precautions during flu season. The best way to prevent the flu is to wash your hands frequently, cover your mouth when you cough, and avoid close contact with people who are sick.

Knudson leaves BC for Moorpark

Knudson, president of Student Government, has announced his decision to leave BC for a new position at Moorpark College. Knudson has been an advocate for student rights and has worked to improve the campus environment. He will be taking on a new role as president of the Student Government at Moorpark College.

FEATURES

Lawrence headlines Women’s Business Conference

Lawrence, a successful businesswoman, headlined the Women’s Business Conference held at the Rabobank Convention Center on April 23. Lawrence spoke on topics such as leadership, inspiration, and the importance of pursuing your dreams. She shared insights from her own career and encouraged attendees to pursue their own goals.

Cesar Chavez tree receives a plaque

The Cesar Chavez tree, located on the campus of Bakersfield College, was recently given a plaque to recognize its significance. The tree is a symbol of the struggle for social justice and is a reminder of the contributions made by Cesar Chavez and others in the fight for civil rights.

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THE KEM COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH held the annual Obesity Summit at the Bakersfield Marriott on April 30. The summit focused on the devastating impact of obesity on the nation’s health and the need for collective action to address this issue.

Joann Huff, a registered nurse at Sagebrush Medical Center, hosted an event to share resources on maintaining health. Despite the challenges, he emphasized the importance of making healthy choices daily.

Tiffiny Foster, a registered nurse at SJVC’s RN Program, announced the importance of staying in shape and reducing sugars in one’s diet. She also encouraged participants to incorporate more fresh fruits and vegetables into their meals.

The event also included discussions on the latest medical advancements and the role of nurses in promoting health and wellness. Attendees were encouraged to take control of their health and make informed decisions about their lifestyle.

Next year’s summit will be held on May 6 at the Bakersfield Marriott. SJVC’s RN Program and the Kem County Public Health are organizing this event to bring together health professionals and community leaders to address the challenges posed by obesity. For more information, visit www.sjvc.edu or contact Tiffiny Foster at tfoster@sjvc.edu.

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By AMBER TROUPE
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BC show to ‘wow’ audience

By KATHERINE J. WHITE
Copy editor

This year’s Health and Wellness Fair on the Dining One at the Bakersfield Community College Student Health Center, and participants including freeze and water broke.

The event has been a remarkable success. It is a testament to the power of community action and the dedication of those who work tirelessly to improve public health.

On April 30, a new Summit will be held on the same day. This event will bring together experts in the field of obesity and health to discuss the latest research and strategies to combat this epidemic. The Summit will be held at the Bakersfield Marriott and will be open to the public.

For more information or to register for the Summit, visit www.sjvc.edu or contact Tiffiny Foster at tfoster@sjvc.edu.

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By AMBER TROUPE
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Cultures come together

By GABBY VEGA ROJANO
Copy editor

The arts came together on the scene on April 30. Rhetoric and drama were incorporated into the performance of the actors playing Jack and Blanche in “Brighton Beach Memoirs.”

The play is a collection of scenes from the play, written by Neil Simon, and is about a boy and a girl who are struggling to cope with the realities of life. The scene features two actors, a young man and a young woman, playing Jack and Blanche, respectively.

The actors had definite perceptions of how they wanted to portray the characters. Some of the actors were inspired by their personal experiences, while others drew from their imagination to create a believable performance.

The event also featured performances of various musical numbers, including “The Beatles’” “Yesterday,” “Elton John’s” “Rocket Man,” and “Queen’s” “Bohemian Rhapsody.”

The goal of the event was to bring people together and celebrate the diversity of cultures. The event was a success, and the audience was thrilled by the performances.

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Evening of art held at BC

As always, the students of Bakersfield College have been very creative and are always looking for new opportunities to express their art. The BC theater department has put together a program that will feature a variety of art forms, including painting, sculpture, and multimedia art.

The performance will be held on Tuesday, May 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the Campus Center with a reception afterward.

The event is open to the public, and admission is free.

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By LISA MARCH

Drum line

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"We just want to get information across and that our conservation affects us in thetrying
to protect the planet," said BC instructor Brian Farrar. "We're doing this to keep our
growing population in mind and the impact on natural resources." The BC drumline
was one of the clubs involved in the project, which started last year with a presentation to
students and faculty of Bakersfield College about the water crisis and what we can do
to help. They have also been involved in educational activities throughout the year,
including workshops, seminars, and information sessions on campus. The goal is to
raise awareness about the importance of water conservation and encourage people to
take action to reduce their water usage. The project is supported by BC's Student
Government Association and the BC Foundation, and is led by BC instructor Brian
Farrar.

Former CSUB professor speaks about religious terrorism

By KATHLEEN WHITE

Religious discrimination can be a serious issue in today's world. Recently, former
CSU Bakersfield professor Dr. Robert O. Kessler has been discussing the topic of
religious terrorism, particularly in the context of Islamic terrorism. Kessler has
been a vocal advocate for religious tolerance and has written extensively on the
issue. In a recent interview, he spoke about the need for greater understanding and
compassion in regards to religious beliefs and practices.

Drumline ready for competition

By DARIA GOLSTON

The Bakersfield College drumline is ready for competition. The team has been practicing
for weeks, under the guidance of instructor Brian Farrar. "We're ready to go," said
drummer Dave Durrin. "This is our year." The competition takes place on April 23, at
the CSU Bakersfield campus. The drumline will be competing in the annual contest,
along with other college and high school drumlines from around the region. The
event is open to the public and free admission. For more information, contact BC
instructor Brian Farrar at 327-3605.
Less kids, better values

By LISA MINECH

They're the perfect family. perfect parents. perfect children.

Just look at how wonderful they are. The Duggars. They have 18 children and are the most wonderful family in the world, you know. The way they raise their children, the way they educate their children, the way they respect each other. I have a lot of respect for the Duggars. They're the most amazing family I've ever seen.

But then I read an article in The Renegade Rip for many articles this semester where they were being portrayed as the worst family for the article. The article talked about how they never had enough money to x, y, z. They never had enough money to buy enough food, pay enough rent, or buy enough clothes.

And then I thought, why? Why would anyone want to be like the Duggars? Why would anyone want to have 18 children? It's just not possible. It's not realistic. It's not fair to the children. They should have just one or two children, not 18. It's just too much for them to handle.

But then I thought, what about the children? What about their future? What about their education? What about their happiness? They need to be cared for, not just left to fend for themselves.

I think we need to look at this differently. We need to realize that the Duggars are not the perfect family. They have their own problems and issues. They make mistakes just like anyone else. They need help and support just like anyone else.

But then I thought, what about the community? What about the other families and children who are struggling? We need to focus on them too.

As a member of the community, I feel a responsibility to help those who are struggling. I can't just sit back and watch the Duggars have all these children and not do anything about it.

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I have been a fan of comic books since I was in grade school, and one of the many "superheroes" that I have always been fascinated with is Wolverine of the X-Men. I have always been interested in the X-Men, which was created by Stan Lee and Jack Kirby in 1963. Wolverine has been a part of many movies and comic book series, and I have always enjoyed seeing him on the big screen.

The movie is about a group of superheroes known as the X-Men, who are made up of mutants with superhuman abilities. The team consists of comic book favorites, such as the Professor Charles Xavier, the original X-Men members, and many other characters.

The story of Wolverine is told through flashbacks and scenes from the present day. In the past, we see Wolverine as a young man who is struggling with his identity and his past. Through his experiences, he learns to accept who he is and to embrace his superhuman abilities.

In the present day, we see Wolverine as a member of the X-Men, fighting to protect the world from threats that threaten the safety of mutants and humans alike. The movie is filled with action, adventure, and suspense, as the X-Men face off against their enemies.

Overall, "X-Men" is a great movie that is well worth watching. The movie is filled with great performances, exciting action scenes, and a compelling story. If you are a fan of the X-Men or comic books in general, you will definitely enjoy this movie. If you are not a fan of the X-Men, you may still enjoy the movie for its action and adventure elements.
Women prepare themselves for camping challenge

By KELLY ABELL

We were. This was the challenge to end all challenges, and we won it. One challenge was to see how many of the camping season’s competing challenges we could take on and still survive. The others were: the food challenge, the cooking challenge, the boating challenge, and the lake level challenge. The others are only for weaker men. We went to the camping challenge and won. We have learned that the only way to survive the camping challenge is to prepare for it. We went to the camping challenge, and we won.

As we prepare for the next camping challenge, we will know that we can survive it. We will get all of our gear ready, and we will be ready for the next camping challenge. We will go to the camping challenge, and we will win.

Andrea Taramasso and Kelly Vega (left) keep their hands warm by the fire. Photo courtesy of Rip staff writers.

Sports

First-year player Martin ties BC home run record

By VINCENT PEREZ

Designated hitter Jarret Martin (left) celebrates teammate and catcher A.J. Day after hitting his sixth home run of the season on BC’s magic mound at L.A. Paone Camp on April 6.

Jarret Martin of the BC Renegades tied the BC home run record with his sixth home run on April 6, 2003, in L.A. Paone Camp on BC’s magic mound.

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