Mt. SAC turns down $20,000 from BC to host game

By Michael Morrow
Vallejo Times-Herald

The Bakken College Athletic Department, along with sponsoring companies, has offered Mt. San Anselmo in a $20,000 sport package in order to make a trip up from the South California Region/Level 1 game into a Mountain Valley Conference (MVC) matchup. If Mt. SAC declined the offer, the BC athletic program would look better chances of winning on their overall league schedule. BC said that would weaken the league and cause the program to lose its competitive edge.

Students at Bakken College participate in the first of a series of $20,000 grants offered by the school to help students quit smoking. The school has also added smoking cessation services for employees. Students were able to obtain a $10,000 smoking cessation aid in addition to a $2,000 health insurance package as part of a $20,000 grant program.

The program helps students quit smoking by offering a variety of resources and services. Students who are interested in quitting smoking can enroll in the program through the Health and Wellness Center. The program includes one-on-one counseling sessions, group support meetings, and access to nicotine replacement therapies. Additionally, students can participate in workshops and events focused on health and well-being.

BC wrestling overcomes adversities to succeed

By Erik Cowan
Bakerfield Californian

Brad Carls, who will wrestle in the Southern Regional on Dec. 4, has been through a lot during the time at Bakken College, including a near-fatal accident. His life, in fact, was saved during a practice Nov. 29.

"I was walking out of practice, and I got hit by a car," Carls said. "I was in surgery for 10 hours, and I had to get my leg amputated." He said he is still using a walker.

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Race track offers BMX competition

By Brannan Gray

The Metro BMX track, run by Sam Lynne Ballpark, provides friendly competition for riders of all ages. Kris Mulhausen has been racing for 20 years and runs the races on Mondays and Fridays as well as practice on Wednesdays alongside his parents. Mulhausen said that the individual aspect of the sport allows riders to practice and race around their schedules. The races are split up among age and gender groups and are fairly short, usually only lasting about 30-45 seconds. The first, second, and third place winners receive either a trophy, medal, or stamps, which they can use toward purchasing things from local bike shops.

A few of the riders are nationally ranked and have participated in the biggest races of the year in Oklahoma this past week. Mulhausen believes that with the upcoming Olympics, BMX may be get to a bigger stage. “It is our Olympic sport, and we are going to have a national event year out here in May,” he said. “There will be 12 or 13 hundred riders and four or five thousand people watching the races. We will have everything from here all the way down Chester full with cars.”

Winter Playground a festive tradition

By Michael Wafford

For the sixty-third year in the row the Winter Playground provides a place for families in Bakersfield to have a snow-filled holiday season. An annual event since the Ice Sports Center opened, it gives the Bakersfield community a place to come see snow. This year’s Winter Playground is partially sponsored by the Bakersfield Ronald McDonald House and all in proceeds during opening weekend will go toward the Ronald McDonald House. A dollar from paying customers will go to them every weekend thereafter according to public relations manager Ronald McDonald House manager Megan Adams and all proceeds on Christmas Eve will go toward the House.

Wall has been involved with the event since its creation nine years ago and enjoys it just as much now as he did ten years ago. “I personally like it because I get opportunities out of watching the kids having fun on the ice and playing in the snow,” he said. “It’s snowing in every thing here. Kids don’t get to see the snow as much as we did when we were young.”

Decorated for the holiday season, the interior of the Ice Sports Center is filled with inflatable snowmen, snowflakes, hundreds of lights and Christmas trees— with a 14-foot, fully decorated tree behind the counter. A tree Santa Clause and main ride are interactive parts of the experience. While Christmas carols blare from the sound systems those too young or unable to skate or play in snow can press buttons with their arts and crafts room sponsored by the Ronald McDonald House. Volunteer Rebeke Edwards is working in the craft room this year and has enjoyed her experience. “I think it’s fun. It gives the kids something to do especially for the kids families. It’s something to do.”

Many families attended the event. Firefighter Michael Clark was there to show his wife and sleeping son. “They’re from the Dominican Republic and they don’t get a lot of snow out there. It’s their first time here and they wanted to come see the snow.”

Alongside families, many Bakersfield College students were in attendance. BC student and ice-skiing coach Dylan Webb has worked at the Ice Sports Center for one year said the event has gotten a good response from the community while he has been working. “It’s fun for the kids to play in the snow and all the ladies.”

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**BC health center partners with Clinica Sierra Vista**

By Mattos M. Meleria  
Magazine Editor

As members of Bakersfield College’s Community Health Club, we have been working with the press on Nov. 23 to disseminate information about a new health center that has opened and renamed Student Health Center on campus. The center will make changes to its structure and operations. Clinica Sierra Vista, a renown health system, is offering emergency medical care. The staff of the clinic is comprised of a new and expanded team of medical professionals.

The clinic is located in the Wellness Center in room 108, and offers a variety of services to students. The clinic is open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. There is no charge for most services, and some services are available for a fee. The clinic can be reached by calling 661-217-6463.

**Toys for Tots look to continue their efforts to bring Christmas cheer**

By Cristol Rodriguez  
Reporter

With Christmas coming up, Toys for Tots is accepting donations to give to children who may not have toys this holiday season. In the surrounding cities, this is a local organization that is directed by the United States Marine Corps Reserve. The local chapter has been running through the United States Marine Corps Reserve for years. The Toys for Tots Reserve puts together this collection of toys. They also work to deliver a message of hope with each new toy sent. They give toys to the children and families in the hope that they will grow up knowing that they are loved and appreciated by their communities.

"We are truly grateful that all these families get to experience the joy of Christmas," said Cindy Brown, vice chairwoman of the board of directors. "We are grateful that everyone can afford gifts to give to children who may not have a volunteer who was a winner." As mentioned on the website, Toys for Tots, Toys for Tots began in 1947 during World War II. The program was started in L.A. and collected and distributed 10,000 toys to needy children, and since 1947, the United States Marine Corps Reserve, along with sponsors, and volunteers, has conducted successful nationwide campaigns. Toys for Tots accepts gifts in any condition, but donations cannot be made by parents or guardians of a child.

"There’s always something exciting to give the children for Christmas," said Cindy Brown, vice chairwoman of the board of directors. "We are grateful that everyone can afford gifts to give to children who may not have a volunteer who was a winner." To learn more about Toys for Tots, visit toysfortots.com.

**Four Lokos not so loco now**

By Brendan Rodriguez  
Reporter

Breadalbane Turner Center in the Valley Plaza Mall on Nov. 26 is in full swing. "I’m excited to be here at BC today to give the students what they need," said Kathy White, BC health center director. "Many locations around the United States Marine Corps Reserve with active-duty people are able to deliver their donations at their sites, such as the U.S. Marine Base, Lemoore, Va. and Marine Air Station, Little Rock, Va. Students can bring in their donations to collect them and deliver them to BC." To learn more about Toys for Tots, visit toysfortots.com.

**CARL'S: Perseverance through dedication**

By Casey Martinez  
Student Life Editor

Carls: Perseverance through dedication

In Bakersfield, the alcoholic energy drinks, Jones and Four Loko, are becoming more popular in the United States. To rid the market of alcohol, caffeine, and sugar, the University of California, Santa Barbara, announced that it will ban the drink. The ban comes after a study by the University of California, Santa Barbara, found that students who drink alcohol, caffeine, and sugar, are more likely to have risky behaviors.

"We also refer the students to other clinics in and around the area so that they can meet in the closest health clinic and not have to travel," said Cindy Brown, vice chairwoman of the board of directors. "We are happy to have the new health center on campus, and we look forward to working with the staff to ensure that all students have access to primary care and specialty services."
Campus cats inhabit the area, play with students

One of many feral cats living on the Bakersfield College campus notices the camera from her perch on a fence behind the Science and Engineering Building on Nov. 28.

Left: A campus cat interacts with a BC student near an abandoned kit fox den she now calls home Nov. 17.

Below: A wooden box covers food and water bowls provided for feral cats on campus. The cats are captured, spayed or neutered and then released back on campus where they provide rodent and pest control.

One of the Bakersfield College’s Child Development Center, near the northeast parking lot, offers educational opportunities and child care for qualifying students.

By Cristal Rodriguez

At Bakersfield College, there is a child development center that is funded by the California State Department of Education. According to the BC website, the child development center is a state preschool and is available to families in Bakersfield who qualify.

Students who come to BC are given first priority if they want to enroll their children. Only children ages six months to five years can be taken care of at the center.

The campus has four rooms: the Caterpillar room is for infants, Butterflies room is for toddlers, Dragonflies’ room is for two-year-olds and the Starfish, Seashells and Sand Dollars are for preschool children.

“I just love everything about this center and all the teachers and workers seem very sweet,” said Karina Sandoval, who wishes to enroll her child soon.

The center is located on the far left side of the campus across from the bluffs. The center helps BC students out in many ways, such as providing care for their children while they are in class.

“I like the fact that I can have my kids taken care of for free while I am in class learning,” said BC student Lourdes Gutierrez.

Frank Rico, Gutierrez’s husband, said, “The center is very colorful and looks very fun to be in. If I were a child I would love to be able to be in these classrooms and play with all the awesome toys they have in the playground.”

The child development center also provides jobs and school credit for students who plan to have careers in this field.

Audie Bugarin, a student at BC, has been working at the child development center for a year.

Working with these children is an experience that can be applied to a future career.

“I wanted a job with hands-on experience, plus I love working with kids,” she said.

Bugarin wishes to pursue a career with children. She hopes to transfer to California State University of Bakersfield and get her master’s degree in child development.

She would like to be a pre-school teacher and eventually, a supervisor.

“My kids enjoy the centers very much and learn new things everyday. When we get home they always surprise me with something new,” said Gutierrez.

By Samantha Garrett

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Childcare center helps students

Worried for nothing, as usual

By Samantha Garrett

Copy Editor

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Breast implants: boost to self-image or sign of low self-esteem?

By Cheryl Forti

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By Roosevelt Gray

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BCRENOVATIONS

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This has been a semester of renovations and promises for Bakersfield College that have kept students waiting patiently for results as they change their routines to adjust to BC's efforts. While students were promised changes that would be beneficial in the long run, all they received was a long line filled with accommodating but traffic around the school, lack of parking plazas and rather unfamiliar Campus Center vestibules and halls.

Beginning with the solar panel project, which was supposed to complete during the summer before classes begin, students sat, stood and waited whenever they could around this crowded-to-simultaneous campus.

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