Committee seeks to ban smoking on campus

By Merritt Holloway

The Bakersfield College College Human Resources and Good for the BC Community, also known as B-COUGH, is proposing a tobacco-free campus, according to Nick Acosta, Student Government Association's president, and B-COUGH's student chair. On Oct. 30, Acosta unveiled a draft of his BC Health Campus Initiative, which outlines B-COUGH's objectives and commitment "to provide a safe and healthy environment for its students, employees, and visitors."

In spring 2012, the student health center conducted a campus-wide smoking survey. The vote was split between those who were for the tobacco-free campus, 52 percent wanted some form of designated smoking area; 48 percent voted in favor of the tobacco-free campus. Acosta believes that we need to have a vote with either for or against a tobacco-free campus. "It's a health issue," said Acosta. "We're just trying to help people. They're probably going to think they're intentionally being left out. They think they're bothered by anyone." At the Nov. 6 meeting, B-COUGH's agenda discussed some of the ways it wanted to raise awareness of the health risks associated with smoking and the active smoking issues, said, "The smoking ban got the highest percentage that it will go into effect April 22, 2013. Some of the ways they plan to raise awareness is to put posters in all of the buildings and around the campus that also have Health Services."

John Gerhold, department chair for Performing Arts and Theatre, and B-COUGH's student chair, said, "It's important that we take care of the future of the campus and that we make sure that we're keeping the campus clean and healthy."

"I don't just want to advertise the ban, I want to have tobacco-free campus," said Gerhold. "I know there has been a lot of public education about secondhand smoke. But I don't know if I could answer for most people who smoke. It seems to me that even if somebody smokes that they could step off campus or not light up on campus. They could wait until they're leaving their car, or go campus to do that."

"The smoking ban is going to be applied and enforced. I don't think that most people who smoke don't come to BC. It just means that they have to modify their behavior when here."

Assemblywomen Shannon Grove, left, and Congressman Kevin McCarthy are shown at the Labor Hall Democratic party celebrating Barack Obama's re-election. The crowd chanted "Si se puede" and "Yes we can" in celebration. Political parties react to election results: Page 8

More work to be done despite Prop 30 passing

Six in row carries Renegades into playoffs

By Esteban Ramirez

The Bakersfield Renegades football team beat Pasadena City College on non-homeground night Friday 38-17 on Nov. 10 to earn the final spot in the Southern California community college playoffs. With this win and with Riverside City losing to Mt. SAC, the Renegades were able to clinch the final playoff spot. BC got the No. 3 seed and will play at No. 2 seed Ventura College in the semifinals, while No. 1 seed Mt. SAC squares up against No. 4 seed Saddleback College. The last time BC played Ventura was earlier this season, and they lost 28-17 in four overtimes. Since then, BC won on a win-game winning streak to finish the season. Their playoff matches will also be the Beach Bowl. The Renegades limped in the regular season 2-9-1, 4 seed Saddleback College. BC responded with a 22-yard touchdown pass from Brunel to receiver Andrew Melendez for a 36-34 victory and 14-3 victory. Pasadena tied the game on their next play with a 17-yard touchdown run from running back Zach Sinclair. BC responded with a 22-yard touchdown pass from Brunel to receiver Robert Burns. That gave Burns the first touchdowns in his two years on the team. After Pasadena tried another fake punt that failed to convert, BC's 17-yard line. Pasadena responded by scoring on its next drive, and BC suffered an even bigger blow after running back Curtis McGregor got injured with less than five minutes left in the half. BC still managed to take a 24-17 lead.

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Editor to Chief

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Smokeout promotes smoke-free lifestyle

By Moritz Holloway

Reporter

Bakersfield Community College's annual Great American Smokeout will be held on Thursday, Nov. 15, beginning at 10 a.m. and ending at 4 p.m. The annual Great American Smokeout is a nationwide health education outreach program that encourages the public to stop smoking by promoting events and activities that promote a smoke-free environment.

This year Bakersfield Community College will host the event. The college will have a tent set up in front of the library where people can stop by and get information about the benefits of quitting smoking. The college will also have a tobacco-cessation class available for students who are interested in quitting.

In addition to the tent, the college will have a smoking cessation informational display set up in the library. The display will feature information about the dangers of smoking and the benefits of quitting. It will also include resources for those who want to quit.

The college will also have a smoking cessation counselor available on site to help people who are interested in quitting. The counselor will be able to provide information about smoking cessation programs and help people develop a plan to quit.

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"This is the oldest program on campus and this is such a great way to recognize that," she said. "It's a two-year program. It's a two-year wait list. And I'm not sure it reaches the 60 to 70 people we're on. It's a first-come-first-serve basis. There's an interview process, but the class size is 18 to 20 people."

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**Staff editorial**

**Barack Obama waves to a crowd during his acceptance speech for the 2012 election.**

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Photographer

Assassin’s Creed III is the latest sequel to the long-running Assassin’s Creed series. So many gamers are fans of this series that AC III sold 5.5 million in its first week!

**Game Review**

During the American Revolution, and while some may say that AC III makes a casual reference, AC III stands for itself. From the beginning, you will find that the game is quite long, period, whether it’s trying to find scenery pages from Benjamin Franklin’s journal or participation in capturing the British.

The graphics are quite striking, cities, the frontier and even the mountains all seem vivid. Dressed from the first time you step into the game, you feel the excitement of the time and the film. The story is a bit slow, but as the game goes on it gets a lot of time and effort went into the making of this game. I particularly liked how the seasons would change. This was a nice touch, I really liked the water effects too, when you are doing ship to ship combat.

Game play is solid, although not perfect. You eventually play as the Native American assassin Connor, whose overall mission is to kill and kill again.

Connor moves with a grace that few video game characters possess. He bounds from building to building, from tree to tree, and somewhere he even manages to blend into crowds though he’s the only one wearing a bright white hoodies.

One of the biggest problems I have with the game is that it won’t let you do much. You can go anywhere, but you won’t be able to interact with the people, and we must never forget this.

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Local political supporters rally on election night

By Martin Chang

On election night, members of the Republican Party gathered to watch the triumph and disasters of the evening. Sharon Grove, who was re-elected that night, described her experience as a mix of emotions.

"I was kind of disappointed (after Obama's win)," she said. "I'm a non-partisan. I'm pleased to support both parties, but we all have to get along."

"I think it's important for both parties to understand what the other party's goals are," Grove described her plans for the future of the country.

"My plan is to expose government, the stuff that goes on in a secret society, to make government free," she said. "I think the future is going to be great for us in the private sector," she mentioned some of the political races that were up for grabs.

Grove said that she would like to continue "the people's government." She also wanted to make a difference in Bakersfield.

"We can make a big difference," she said. "That's why I ran for office."

"The best government is government closest to the people," said Terry Maxwell, who won his Ward Two City Council seat that night. "That's why I ran for office."
Freshman makes impact on BC team

By Jason Reed

In just her freshman year, Morgan Butterbredt made an impact with the Bakersfield College women's soccer team.

After a 1-0 loss to West L.A. College, Butterbredt said she's excited to continue playing soccer.

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By Esteban Ramirez

SPORTS

Hall of Famer Gifford receives plaque

Even though he has already been enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame, Bakersfield College and Bakersfield High School alumnus Frank Gifford was very proud to receive the Homecoming Hall of Famers plaque.

“It means a lot to me, and I think it’s a wonderful idea,” Gifford said on receiving the plaque. “I’m very proud of getting the plaque. I know that it was pretty well-just got a thought in the idea because it goes to the owners of the team. You get an idea of what it means to the fans, the athletic staff and alums, and also it takes a lot of time and effort to make it happen. I think the efforts that are being shown in the different high schools.”

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BC wrestling takes second

On Nov. 9, the Bakersfield College wrestling team traveled to Glendora College and put together a solid dual including the Vaqueros in straight sets 25-17, 25-13, 25-9. 

By Nestor Fernandez

"We did the things that we needed to do to win the game," BC head coach Carl Ferreira explained. "We just really came out and delivered our strong play and came away with a straight set win at Citrus. They won the first game 25-26, but it tightened in the final sets, winning those 25-21 and 25-23." 

BC head coach Carl Ferreira collected a few words on where his team currently stands. "What we're trying to do is to focus on two things, we're trying to take care of everything that's in front of us, and at the same time time to be able to understand the big picture. We're trying to generate the same type of motivation for something that's down the road, we need to put together solid performance after solid performance and then we need to continue to put together about four to six solid, consistent performances in a row. So at this point, it's less about what you do, and more about how you do it," Ferreira explained. "It was a match that brought us some redemption against Citrus College. BC's setter, Morgan Frazier, commented if the squad had a favorable field date for Citrus since it was right after the Pierce match. "This time, we came really prepared. We were totally ready for it," said Frazier. "Time was, we came up with nothing but we were inspired and we wanted it even more. We wanted to use the big picture of the whole thing. I can't speak highly enough of this team and how consistent they are." 

BC standout Caitlin Berardinelli had a way of expressing how she feels the team is at this point. "Right now, we're on the 1 line," she said. "We still have a long way to go and there's always room to grow. So it's the right thing for us, that we're all willing to keep growing."
B-boys rock to the breaks

By Omar Oseguera
Photo and Multimedia Editor

Breakdancing events in Bakersfield are not very common, but thanks to Omar Juarez, a local DJ, Break ‘Em Off has been started as an effort to raise awareness for hip-hop culture in the area. Juarez held B-boy events back in 2001 with his friend Joseph Hernandez, but both were newly inspired after seeing local B-boys.

“We went to an out of town contest, and we saw kids from Bakersfield dancing,” said Juarez. Motivated by seeing the younger generation adapting to B-boy culture, Juarez resurrected the event in 2011 with Break ‘Em Off 2.

“We get together and felt that we needed to do it again because we saw kids in town that were still dancing,” said Juarez. “Back then we were the only ones in town really doing it. Our goal is for the new generation. You grow up and start taking care of bills and all that, but you start seeing the new generation and realize that’s still here, and they’re learning all on their own. So I felt it’s a good opportunity to start again and get a good response.”

On Nov. 3, Juarez put together Break ‘Em Off 3 at The Garden in downtown Bakersfield. The event was a series of rounds between crews. Judges determined who made it to the next round, and the last crew standing won a $2,000 cash price that was gathered by Juarez and his partner Hernandez. The event had no sponsors and was achieved with the help of longtime friends and supporters.

The event brought B-boys from all around the United States, with the winners being two members of the Battle Born crew, a B-boy crew from Las Vegas.

“It was good,” said Juarez after the event, “but 80 percent of the people there came from different cities to compete.”

Juarez believes that events like Break ‘Em Off are helping the youth in the community.

“Some of these kids practice every day after school,” said Juarez. “A lot of kids just think that all there is to do here is go to parties and be in gangs, but there’s a lot more and we’re trying to bring that here.”

Juarez is heavily involved in hip-hop culture and has been for some time. He is a regular DJ at The Mothership, another hip-hop event in Bakersfield in which a group of DJ’s play classic records from the genre. The Mothership is held inside Sandrini’s Bar every month, but Juarez also wants the youth to be involved, which is why he creates events like Break ‘Em Off.

“It’s better for the kids to be there breaking than at a party on a Saturday night, rather than doing drugs or fighting,” said Juarez. “The battles are aggressive, but that’s how the B-boy culture started in New York, and it stays like that.”

– Omar Juarez, Break ‘Em Off organizer

Top: Josiah Ihem battled with the Docious Gambinos crew, a subset from his main crew Squishy Docious. Ihem made it to the final round, but lost to the BB Guns crew.

Right: J-Soul battled with the BB Guns crew. The crew made it to the final round and won a cash price of $2,000.

Members of team FreakShow battle against another crew Nov. 3 at Break ‘Em Off 3.