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Timber!

On March 19, a sugar pine crashed down on the Sequoia building, damaging the roof and destroying a handrail leading down a flight of steps. Biology instructor Blaine Rogers told students the tree, already weakened by soil compaction, was taken down by a "microburst" of wind during the storm, which dropped a couple of inches of snow on campus.

Bricks & Mortar

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Building an ethic of lifelong service

By Karen Bladel
MTX STAFF WRITER

Carmine Palermo begins by having her student write a paragraph about a personal experience, or a short story. Then she analyzes what skills need to be addressed: spelling, handwriting, syntax, comprehension. They then begin to work on each, one at a time.

Palermo is a student at Columbia College. The person she's tutoring is a legally blind adult who uses a magnifying glass to read and has a first grade reading ability. Their tutoring session takes place in the Learning Skills Center as part of the Bricks and Mortar Program.

Griffith received a \$50,000 grant from the Student Corps for Literacy in 1990. The purpose of the grant was to help the college set up volunteer tutors to increase literacy and promote the ethic of volunteerism in students. The tutoring began in conjunction with a Political Science class.

"We started hearing back from our literacy tutors, 'I know my student learned a lot, but I learn as much or more,'" said Griffith.

Griffith began researching service learning at other campuses. Then she received a grant from the Conference on Literacy, which was interested in what the tutors were getting out of their experience. This all lead to the current Bricks and Mortar program.

that need changing," said Elizabeth Rummey, one of B&M's elementary school tutors. Situations like homelessness, and illiteracy should not be just accepted as a part of the human condition."

The Bricks and Mortar program "self-selects" its participants, according to Reese. Some students sign up for B&M for career exploration, others because they think it will look good on their resume, or because some instructors give extra-credit for participating, or allow a student to do B&M in lieu of an assignment or test.

But most students get involved because they want to do something in their community.

"When I started the Bricks and Mortar program it was something

Drugs in the dorms: How big a problem?

By Lara Lelis
MTX MANAGING EDITOR

The arrests of two Columbia College students in the dorms last month has prompted students and staff to become more aware of the drug problem on campus.

Matt Ellery and Dana Humphrey were arrested on March 15 for growing 24 marijuana plants in Ellery's dorm room. Ellery went to court on March 17 and Humphrey was released on \$10,000 bail and will be in court on May 8.

The arrest came after dorm manager Jason Larson reportedly saw the plants in Ellery's bedroom window during his routine rounds. When taking a closer look, Larson noticed more plants on the bedroom floor.

Dorm residents were not surprised by the arrests.

"Definitely there's a drug problem in the dorms," said Sunshine Cooper. "Everybody does them. It's just amazing how many drugs they do."

"It's horrible. It's rampant!" said Jeremy Kelly. "I'm glad those people got kicked out. They had it coming."

Fifi Atakilti took the news in

stride.

"I'm just the kind of person that if it doesn't affect me, it doesn't bother me," she said.

The administration has taken notice of the amount of drug use by students.

"I can tell you we're definitely concerned from both a professional and personal perspective," said President Ken White. "It would seem silly to be concerned about smoking and not about drugs."

Vice President of Student Services Kathryn Jeffery plans to make the campus more aware of the dangers of drug use.

Jeffery stressed that telling someone drugs are illegal is not enough. Programs need to be put in place to teach the consequences.

"I really feel we have a responsibility to educate," said Jeffery. "I want to do more than the preventative side. I want to be on the education side."

Ellery and Humphrey have been evicted from the dorms and face charges. But the drug problem in the dorms continues.

"Whatever we can legally do to delete and diminish it, we will," said White.



TUTORING TIME - A Bricks & Mortar student with his Sonora Elementary School pupils.

The goal of Bricks and Mortar is to foster an ethic of lifelong volunteerism, and to enlighten students to the need for them to strive for social change, according to Tutorial Coordinator Michele Griffith.

Currently, there are 100 placements in 20 different agencies from AIDS to the environment.

Students enrolled in the program earn college credits, though at this time only a few instructors are participating. Andrew Reese, who works with Griffith in the Learning Center and in B&M, hopes interested instructors will be encouraged to contact him at the Learning Center.

Bricks and Mortar began after

Bricks and Mortar has three components: volunteering, course work, and reflection. Service programs have been in existence since the sixties, but many of them failed, Griffith said, because they were missing the reflection component. Reflection is where students consider both how service affects them personally and the broader social ramifications.

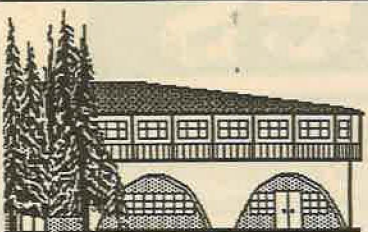
"We try to help students make connections with their companion studies," said Griffith. For example, for a Poli-Sci class, what are the ramifications for democracy of 40 million illiterate Americans? Why does our society tolerate homelessness?

"Through service there are ways to change things in society

to put on my resume, but next semester I will be helping two students on my own because they want to learn and I have the ability to teach them," said Amy Reeves, a literacy volunteer.

Palermo, a single mom with three kids, had been an Emergency Medicine major, but, she said, "the Bricks and Mortar program has made such an impact on my life I've changed my major to Education."

"This is my life," she said. "I think that Bricks and Mortar should be mandatory. If more people knew the good feeling you get from service, the self-esteem, from being compassionate and offering service, the world would be a better place."



Campus Briefs

Bigger Mac Lab

The Sequoia Building will be remodeled soon to increase the size of the Macintosh Computer Lab. President Ken White said he is hoping the remodeling job, which is now in the design phase, can be done during summer session to reduce its impact on classes. The expansion is aimed at making the lab more efficient and more accessible to the various sciences, White said.

Elections coming

Applications are due by Friday, April 7 for anyone wanting to run for Student Council. The application packet has all the information needed about becoming a part of student government. If you are interested in becoming an officer or senator, stop by the Student Council office in the Manzanita building to pick up the packet and talk to the Council.

Campus Kiwanis

The Sonora Kiwanis Club is ready to sponsor a Circle K club at Columbia College. A Circle K club at Columbia College will be affiliated with the Sonora Kiwanis Club and Kiwanis International with opportunities to attend district leadership training conferences and district conventions.

Membership in Circle K provides you with leadership development, lifetime friendships, career networking, fun, a chance for scholarships, personal development, practical experience, and opportunities to impact your campus and community.

The mission of Circle K International is to involve college and university students in campus and community service while developing quality leaders and citizens.

If interested, call Fred Petersen at 533-5156, or 533-5209.

Blacks aren't racists, says NAACP chief



RALPH WHITE speaks at "Racism in America" forum.

By Rebecca Hansen
MTX STAFF WRITER

Mouths dropped, minds reeled and heads shook in disbelief.

The topic was racism. The speaker was Ralph White, president of the San Joaquin County Chapter of the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People).

"No black people are racist," White told an audience of about 100 Columbia College students and a few staff members last month. "The most peaceful people in the world are black people."

Some audience members said White's speech inspired them to change things, but others felt they weren't taught much, just put down for all that has happened to the blacks.

One student, Mark Joachim, said he was offended that White would always view him as a

"white person" and never just as a human being.

"He made me feel like I was just a black depressor," Joachim said.

Speaking as part of "Racism in America" week organized by history instructor Anne D'Orazio, White also made a number of controversial statements about religion.

"Every time you see a picture of Jesus," the Stockton businessman said, "you see him standing there with a lamb in his hand and long, straight hair, and you know that's not coming from the Bible because the Bible says Jesus's hair is that of a sheep, and anybody who knows anything about sheep, knows they have real kinky hair."

"To black people, a god is a god. But for white people, they can only worship their own."

White's hour-long speech was peppered with analogies. When asked by a student why we don't

just split up everything evenly instead of separating everyone into color before helping them, White responded, "If there were 50 dogs, 25 cats, and 25 rats fighting for food, who do you think is going to get it?"

In another analogy from the animal kingdom, White compared all people to lions and "the system" to an elephant.

"If one or two lions attacked an elephant at one time, the elephant would undoubtedly kill the whole pack until there were none left," he said. "Yet, if the whole pack of lions got together and attacked the elephant, they would all triumph."

White said we have to be the smart lions and bring all the elephants down together.

D'Orazio felt that White didn't focus on his personal accomplishments enough. White, 56, owns nine group homes - which are for all races - for 54 boys whom he takes on educational trips to museums, parks, and even in his personal tour buses cross country to Washington, D.C.

D'Orazio and White said they hoped "Racism in America" week would inspire people to have discussions and activities focusing on racism that would stimulate others to get involved.

Other activities of "Racism in America" week included a lunch hour discussion period, the movie "Nothing But a Man," and the Columbia Actors Repertory play, "The Good Times Are Killing Me," followed by a talk-back with the cast and audience.

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Council goes out on trash patrol Crew needs volunteers

By Karen Bladel
MTX STAFF WRITER

The Student Council is trying to clean up Sawmill Flat Rd., but it isn't getting much help.

"We put up notices on all the bulletin boards, in all of the faculty boxes, and put it in the Weekly Bulletin, but nobody but us showed up," said council President Tony Ramirez.

The clean-up crew has consisted of Ramirez, Kati Wheeler, Caroline Buster, Karen Hayes, Pete Sattari, and Crispin Shelly, all from the Student Council.

The clean-up began last semester. There have been two clean-up days so far this semester, and another is planned for April.

People are just dumping their garbage on the side of the road, according to Ramirez. Two dump sites have been identified that will be addressed in the future.

In just two hours the six senators picked up 10 large bags of garbage. Most of it was household garbage, but there were also cans of motor oil and oil filters, and an enormous amount of soda cups and other fast food debris.

When asked if people seemed to be losing interest in environmental issues, Ramirez replied, "At this campus in particular, people would rather look environmentally conscious than be environmentally conscious. There are people who really care, who have done a lot, and they know who they are."

Bon Appetit

A dinner sponsored by the International Club will serve a variety of dishes on April 29 in the cafeteria. Dishes planned are egg rolls, an Italian veggie dish, an Ethiopian bread dish, a Fijian dish and a Mexican dish. Entertainment by a group of Hmong dancers is possible. Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$8 for students and seniors and \$6 for children 6 and under. For more information or tickets, contact Anne D'Orazio at 533-5226 or Pakuda Ly at 533-5270.

Auto maintenance class

Women take crash course in car repair

By Rebecca Hansen
MTX STAFF WRITER

Women of the nineties should have the know-how so they aren't taken advantage of by their auto mechanics.

That was the message of an auto maintenance class for women last month. Approximately 15 women and one staff member were present.

The class was taught by Yvonne Berry, the primary technician at Sierra Conservation Center, where she is responsible for 250 automobiles. Berry said she wanted to erase some of the ignorance that most women have about their cars.

Most of the women in attendance were there to learn how to save money on their car bills, and Berry gave them tips on how to save money even while their cars are in the shop.

One tip she gave was that when you get a tune up, ask to see the box that your old air filter, spark plugs and oil filter were put in. Check to make sure that all of the parts the mechanic said he changed, are in there.

Smoking

Campus restrictions take effect

By Karen Bladel
MTX STAFF WRITER

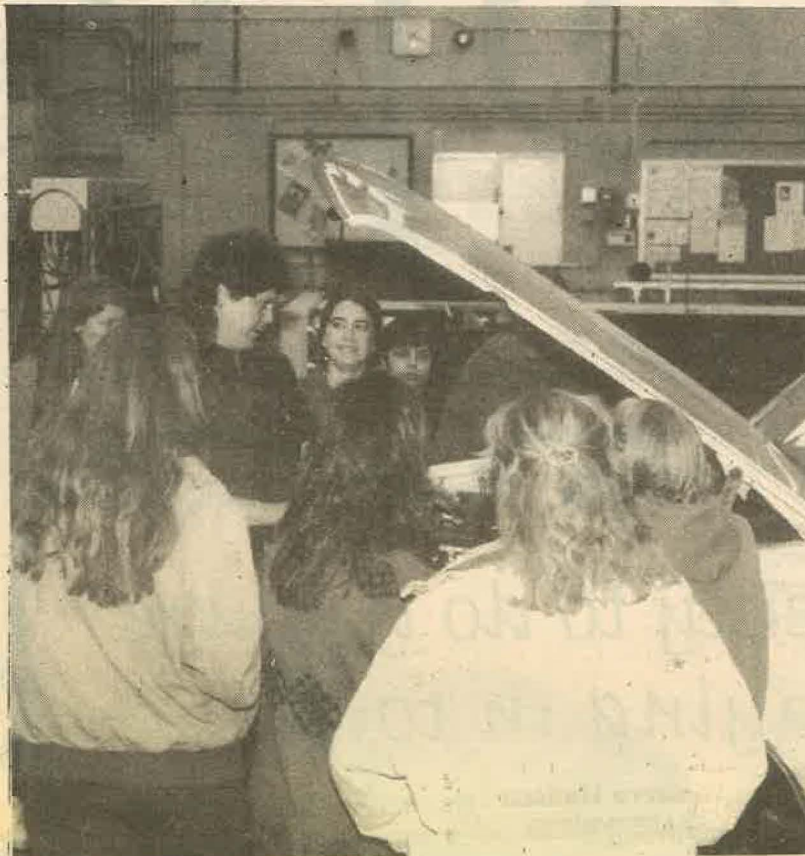
There are new signs everywhere: No Smoking. How does the campus community feel about the reality of the county regulations? Responses are mixed.

"It doesn't really matter, around the cafeteria and stuff. As long as they don't shut down the whole campus. We pay fees to go here," said Seth Whitmer.

"It doesn't really bother me. I don't think there would have been a need, if there was a little courtesy practiced," said John Tarantino, smoker.

There seems to be some confusion as to what the regulations are. There are still ashtrays near the cafeteria and the phones, for example. People are smoking where they see ashtrays.

"I don't know what all the regulations are. I try to be courteous, and not smoke near the ta-



MTX PHOTO BY REBECCA HANSEN

UNDER THE HOOD - Sierra Conservation Center's Yvonne Berry led a one-day auto maintenance class for women last month.

Next, pick up your air filter, if it was changed, and hold it up to the light. If there is any light filtering through, ask the mechanic why he changed it, because it's still good.

Berry said the best suckers for auto mechanics are women and men in suits.

Berry also gave tips on the best gas to use, how to change your fuel filter, and how you can take off your radiator cap, start your engine, and watch the anti-freeze and water moving in the radiator.

Two women who attended, Janet Ramsey and Ronda Bryce, are auto tech students and both feel that auto maintenance should be given a lot more attention by the women of Columbia College.

"I have no background in auto maintenance," said Cass Larkin, Job Placement Coordinator. "I liked the emphasis that she put on the preventative side of it. There are a lot of things we can do without going to a shop."

When asked why she signed up for the class, Edith Stone said, "Cause I don't know jack about my car and it's about time I learned a little about it."

bles and the doors," said Jenny Jacobs.

There seems to be a consensus that some of this could have been avoided if a little courtesy had been employed.

"All of this wouldn't have happened, if people hadn't been so sloppy, leaving their butts on the ground everywhere. But I think that it's taking away my rights," said Teri Telles.

The responses have been similar from non-smokers.

"It doesn't matter. If I didn't like the smoke, I'd just get away from it. Everyone has the right to do what they want," said Frewini Atakilti.

"I think it's good for the non-smokers to have a place to eat outside," said Sheri Danon, a non-smoker due to pregnancy.

The only regulation that is currently being enforced is: no smoking around a dining area in-

According to President Ken White, the college will have to wait at least one more year to begin planning for a new library.

"The state does not have any money to fund any new building projects," he said.

Each semester, a maximum \$10 fee is added to students' fees to go toward building a new student union.

If the proposal goes through,

the area now used as the library would turn into the Student Union. Student suggestions would help planners decide where the money would go. New furniture, arcade games, a cafeteria extension are some options being discussed.

The site for the "new Library" has not been set. But, White said, "I'd like to see it in the vicinity of campus that looked over the water."



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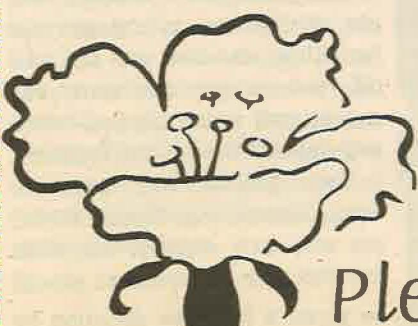
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Spring



Plenty to do if you're staying in town

By Lara Lelis
MTX MANAGING EDITOR

Planning on staying here for Spring Break? Tuolumne County and the surrounding area have a lot to offer. From skiing to hiking, there are many outdoor and different activities to enjoy.

Rafting is available on many rivers in the area including the Tuolumne, Stanislaus, Merced and American Rivers. One-day trips are offered through local rafting companies, including O.A.R.S.

Trips along the South Fork of the American River, by O.A.R.S. are \$99 for each person on weekends and \$89 on weekdays. The trip covers 21 miles of river and it is categorized as a Class 3 river, a beginner river.

If rivers aren't your thing, New Melones Reservoir has a variety of activities and facilities. Hiking, fishing, swimming, jet skiing, wild flower observing and rock climbing are just a few of the outdoor events at Melones. Boats can be rented for \$56 per day and campsites are \$10.50 per night.

The Glory Hole Recreation Area, near Carson Hill, is one of the places Jon from Sierra Cyclery recommended to bike. He mentioned other places to road bike, such as Jacksonville Rd and Old Yosemite Rd.

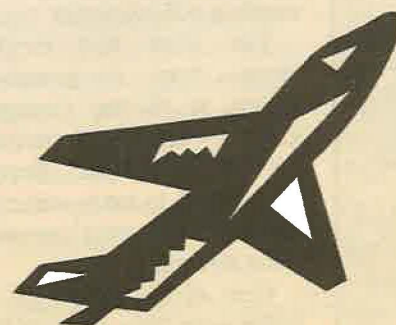
"It's real nice out there right now," he said. "Lots of flowers."

For advanced riders, Italian Bar Rd. is a good road to follow. The entire stretch of road is 35 miles and ends up in Twain Harte.

If the outdoors aren't in the picture, Chicken Ranch Bingo in Jamestown has a casino open 7 days a week and bingo 4 nights. Anyone 18 and older can gamble and play bingo.

Risking money might not be an option, but golfing might. Phoenix Lake and Mountain Springs are just two of the golf courses in the area. Prices range from weekday and weekends and equipment rentals are available.

Tuolumne County has many activities to offer and Spring Break might be the week to get out there and see it all.



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A week of work,

By Lara Lelis
MTX MANAGING EDITOR

With the greatly anticipated week off from school, many students and staff have made plans to relax, travel and have fun.

"My cousin is taking me up to Napa Valley for my birthday and we're going to do the mud baths, the massage and wine tasting later," said Earleen Gaudette.

"Then, we sleep."

Some students have fun and work mixed into their plans.

"I'll be resting and going out with my friends," said Orin Holland. "I have jury duty and I'm performing in a play."

Matt Von Savoye said, "I'm going to be doing lots of singing, dancing and working."

A less fortunate student will be in a lot of pain.



Spring break means spring skiing

By Lara Lelis
MTX MANAGING EDITOR

Spring is upon us and many diehards will be out there on the slopes getting their last few runs in before the resorts close.

Dodge Ridge is scheduled to close on April 16 and Bear Valley on April 23.

Dodge has a snowboarder package. For \$55, the offer includes the board, boots, a two-hour lesson and a lift ticket.

According to Greg Howey of

Dodge, the crowds should be between 400 and 600 people during the week and jump to 1,400-1,500 on the weekend.

An all-day pass is \$32, but a coupon at Save Mart drops the price to \$25. On Tues., Wed., and Thurs., Dodge is offering a two-for-one deal.

Bear Valley also has package deals. Through their adult ski school, beginners have an all-day lift ticket, a group lesson and all equipment needed for \$30.

A snowboard package at Bear is

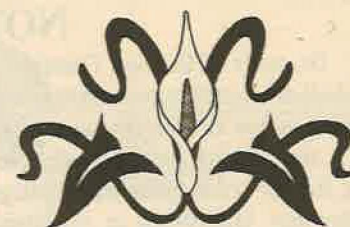
\$56 and includes equipment, lift ticket and lesson.

"It's been very slow the past few weeks," said Chris Edwards of Bear. "But we're expecting between 500 and 2,000 during spring break."

All-day lift tickets for Bear Valley are \$28.

At press time, Bear had a 7-16 foot base and Dodge Ridge had an 8-12 foot base.

To reach Dodge Ridge, call 965-3474. Bear Valley's number is 753-2301.



UN team bound for New York

By Pakuda Ly

The International Club is sending four UN team members from Columbia College and two from Modesto Junior College to the National Model United Nations conference in New York during Spring Break.

The students will assume the role of ambassadors and delegates from Niger at the conference as they attempt to resolve real problems facing the world today.

One committee will focus on the continuing problem of ethnic violence in three different parts of the world: West Africa, Georgia and Pakistan. The delegate to that committee will have to resolve these disputes in a diplomatic way that is consistent with the policies of the government of Niger.

Another committee will work on restructuring the UN and handle the organization's finances.

The year 1995 marks the 50th anniversary of the United Nations. Every year the UN team represents a nation from a different region of the world.

The team will hold an open forum on their trip when they return.



break



play and travel

"I'm going to get high on Novocain and get a bunch of dental work done," said John Hansen, Jr.

And just what is the President of the college going to do?

"I'll be doing two things. One is catch up on a lot of work. With most of the people gone, I'll get a lot of work done," said Ken White. "I'm planning to work out everyday. I talked to my son,

who's coming home for Spring Break. My goal is to become more physically fit in about a week."

Carmen Palermo has a more academic schedule for her break.

"I'm going to the new CSU campus in Monterey to check it out," she said.



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mtx mailbag

Kudos...

To the Editor:

Congrats! I applaud your initiative in providing staff and students with a campus newspaper however irregular in publication. Keep up the spirit.

Phil Reinhart

...and a complaint

To the Editor:

I would like to address an article in the March edition written by Mark Joachim, entitled "Piling on the fees." This article incorrectly states that Material Fees are not collected by Modesto Junior College, and that some standardization should exist between Columbia and MJC on the issue of Material Fees.

While I continue to support the hard work and effort being expended to produce this paper, I am more than a little concerned about the lack of accuracy and fact. I have attached a copy of a page taken from an MJC schedule of classes, and underlined just a few of the indications of Material Fees charged at that campus. Even the least amount of effort on the part of your reporter could have gotten the facts straight. Surely your organization stands for truth in reporting, and substantiation of facts. If you are to continue to report controversial subjects, I am concerned that you will soon lose your credibility. Disinformation and misinformation are hopefully not what you are about.

Joe Grillo
Business Manager

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Talking Heads

Question: What will you be doing in ten years?

Joei Selfa

"I will be practicing
Psychology in a big city."



Keith McKnight

"I hope to have a house
on the beach, surf a lot,
and still be a professional
track and field runner."



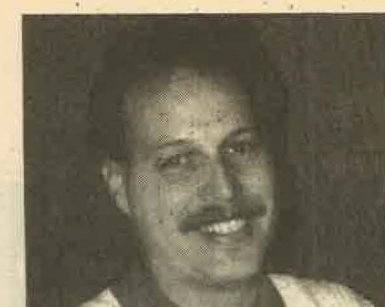
Sofia Penabaz

"I'll probably be in a
forest somewhere on
earth, studying plants."



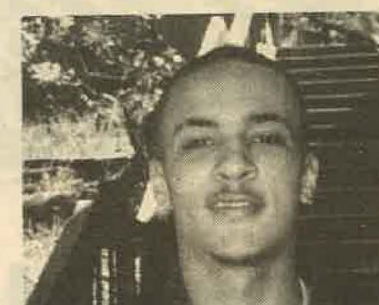
Steve Reinhart

"Living in Hawaii,
working as a supervisor
in the computer
information business."



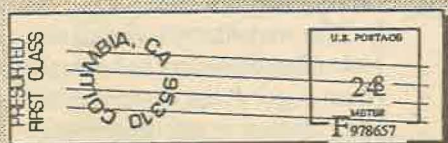
Robert Parker

"I'll be raising a family,
retired from basketball."



Chris Griffin

"I'll be married with two
kids, and own my own
sporting goods store."

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Jumpers take one last look at sparkling season

By Liz Maddalon

The Columbia Claimjumper surpassed all expectations for the 1994-95 season.

With only 5-and-a-half weeks to recruit a team, first year head coach Jim Saia beat all odds to uphold Columbia's winning tradition. Saia led the Claimjumper to a record of 31-5 and guided them to the state championship. The Jumpers proved early on they shouldn't have been picked last in the conference with their last second win over West Valley, the top-ranked junior college in Northern California.

The Claimjumper finished the season only one game away from the state championship, losing to Hartnell, 86-80. The Claimjumper kept the crowd roaring with their comeback in the last six minutes of the game, cutting the Panthers' lead from 18 to 2.

The team's success was the product of a number of outstanding individual efforts. Jerome Latimer was a consistent player throughout the season. He led Columbia in assists and his season high of 13 was proof of his unselfish play. Latimer was voted the team's most valuable player and was named to the all-state team.

Robert Parker displayed the ability to penetrate the key and slam monstrous dunks. Parker and Latimer were named to the CVC's all-conference first team.

Gilbert Smith and Shaun Kunz combined for a potent low post. Together, they averaged more than 20 points per game. Both re-

ceived honorable mentions when the all-CVC team was selected at the end of the season.

Sophomores Adrian Ealy, Nate Allen and Ese Hursky dominated the three-point line, burying an endless barrage of treys throughout the season.

Here are the Jumpers' final look back at a successful season:

"We were picked to be last, so winning first was an accomplishment. With a new coach we achieved the same record as last year. This year's team got along great. This made our season successful. Even though we didn't go to state we exceeded all expectations."

Nate Allen

"I enjoyed myself this season. The team was a nice group of guys that became friends. There were no fights in practice. This is the first time I've been on a team that didn't want to have any superstars, we just wanted to win. Since the coach only had about a month to put together a team, he did a good job. He's a coach and a friend and he wants the best for his players."

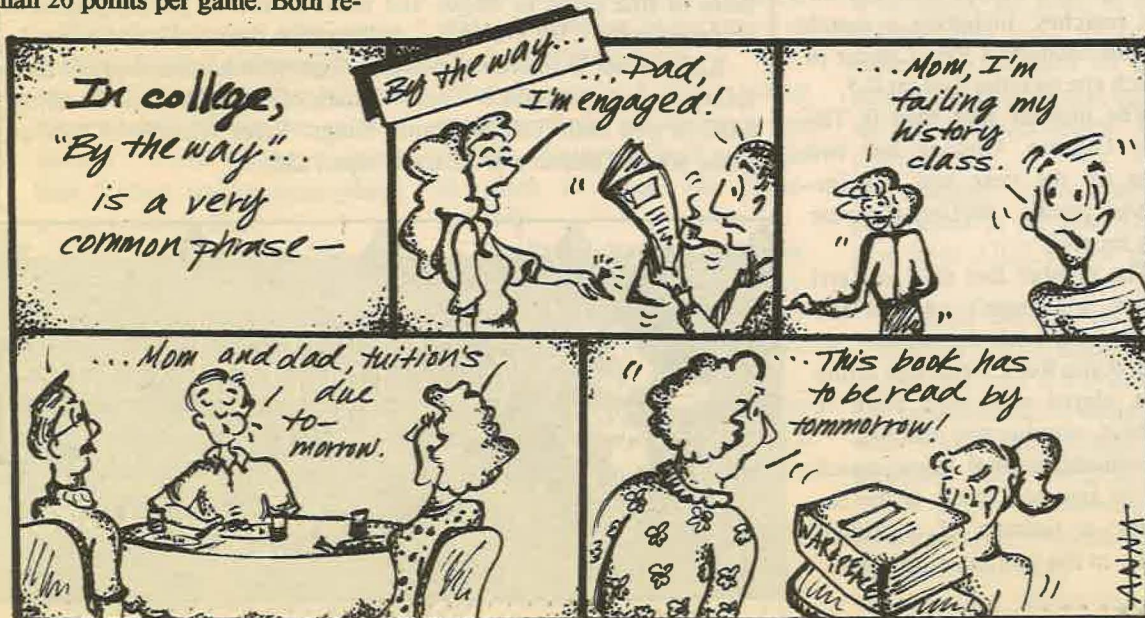
Gilbert Smith

"We achieved more than most people expected. As a team we felt confident that we would win the CVC championship, even though we were picked last. We were all friends. We never had any arguments a team. That made us able to step onto the court and do our job. Everyone on the team knew their role. That made us successful. Playing for a young coach like Coach Saia made it easier because he understood us. The way he pushed us in practice, prepared us for the games, he's the best coach I've ever played for."

Jerome Latimer

"I don't think I'll ever have another team like this, one. Their ability to play together is second to none. They are unselfish. The way they interacted on and off the court is a model of what a team should be. I appreciate all their efforts. They made my first year very enjoyable. Their will to win on a scale from 1 to 10 was a 10. The last game proved that with their comeback. Being down 18 points with only six minutes left, they never gave up."

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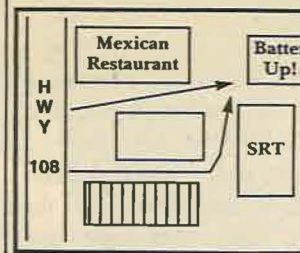
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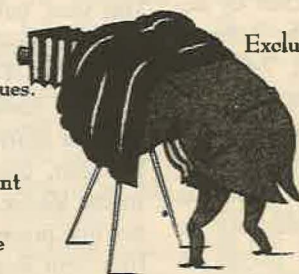
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Soccer Club finishes first season in third place

The Columbia Soccer Club ended its first season in the Central Valley Soccer League with a 1-1 tie against first place Canarios.

Columbia finished in third place with a 9-4-4 record. They missed the playoffs by one point.

Columbia played their final match short-handed because only ten players were available. Only half of those were regular starters.

The game was played in Modesto and controversy was almost immediate.



PUT SOME FOOT INTO IT - Emmett Phelan turns upfield in late season Soccer Club action.

Gerald Nelson was clearly taken down in the penalty box in the 15th minute of play. The referee's whistle failed to blow however, which was nothing new for the Columbia team.

Nelson put Columbia up 1-0 in the 35th minute. Jason Forbes dribbled through the right side of

the defense and crossed the ball in front of the goal. Nelson took the pass and tucked it into the old onion sack for the score.

Canarios took advantage of their one player advantage in the 78th minute of play. A Canarios shot bounced around the defense

until an attempt to clear the ball resulted in an own goal.

Coach Forbes said that "we moved the ball really well, but with a man down and no substitutions we just tired out."

Effren Casillas and Nelson Combined in goal for 12 saves.

Columbia will need to rebuild next season because they are losing five starters as well as the coach and manager. Coach Forbes, who was also captain of the team, will be playing at UCSD next season. Manager Bobby

Renschler, a powerful force in the defense, will be playing at American River.

Fellow defender Eric Nath will be on the Stanislaus State team. Midfielder Takashi Kanda is transferring to Washington State University and goalie Kyle Sagaser will be attending Fresno State.

Columbia will keep leading scorer Nelson, and Dan Ker-moyan will most likely take over Forbes's center midfield role. Who will organize and run the team has yet to be decided.

Starters Ken Pitman, Ozan Senli and Casillas will also be back next season. Emmett Phelan and Joaquin Garman are questionable.

According to coach Forbes the team accomplished what they set out to do. "We wanted to play intelligent, competitive soccer."

Tennis

Netters fall to Fresno City; CVC tournament is next

The Columbia College men's tennis team is 1-10 this year following a 9-0 loss to Fresno City College last Wednesday at Columbia.

Fresno, one of the top ranked teams in the state, is looking forward to the Central Valley Conference league tournament April 20-22.

The Claim Jumpers' lone win of the season came against Kings River April 1, 6-3. Kings River only had three players, so Columbia won five matches by default and Mike Phillips defeated Shawn Blide 7-6 (8-6), 7-6 (8-6) for the sixth point of the day.

Number one seed for the Claim Jumpers is Mike Neuman. Neuman is 0-11 this year, but has played very well considering he plays the number one player on each team in the CVC. Neuman will be the biggest threat in the CVC tournament for Columbia.

The number two seed is Mike Phillips, who has one win on the year.

The number three seed is Josh McDivitt. McDivitt has three

wins and came close to beating Kings River's Mike Bayless last Tuesday, losing 7-5, 6-3.

The four seed is Mike Fieber. Fieber, who played basketball for Columbia until the team got knocked out of the playoffs, has two wins and has moved from a six seed to a four in less than a month of being with the team.

The five seed is Scott Miller, who has two wins this year.

The Columbia College women's team is winless so far this year, but has been very competitive, losing three matches this year by a 5-4 score.

The number one seed is Melissa Marino. Marino is 4-6 on the year, playing the top players in the league, including the number one player in the state, Christine Van Regenmorter, to whom she lost 6-1, 6-0. Against league-leading Kings River (11-0), Marino forced Jeannette Pires to three sets before losing 6-1, 2-6, 6-1. Marino is one of the top ten players in the CVC, and is expected to make a strong showing in the conference tournament.

The number two seed, Debbie Sagaser, has also been very productive this year with a 6-4 record, leading the Claim Jumpers in wins. Sagaser, along with Marino, has been very productive in doubles.

The three seed is Trishan Carollo. Carollo, who is winless on the season, has had neck problems all year, which has forced her to default from numerous matches, including a match against Modesto's Pam Lawder in which she won the first set 7-5.

The number four seed is Tiffany Gleason. Gleason has two wins on the year and has improved greatly, starting the year as a six seed.

The number five seed is Kerri Miller, who hasn't won yet this year, along with the number six seed, Kylie Reed. Reed and Miller have played well as a team in doubles, winning two matches.

Columbia's final home match will be against College of the Sequoias, a makeup of a rainout earlier in the year, on April 18.

Golf

Team is sixth in CVC

By Jason Forbes
MTX SPORTS EDITOR

Merced wraps up the league in seventh.

The Columbia Claim Jumpers finished 5th in the Central Valley Conference (CVC) Tournament at the Visalia Country Club.


Bryan Williams led Columbia, finishing at 80, on the par-72 course. Chris Ryan and Jeff Gerow both finished with 83 while Joe Pechota went into the clubhouse with 84. Woodsen Norvell scored 86 and Brian Newman rounded things out for Columbia with 100.

The College of the Sequoias won the tournament, which keeps them in first place in league and on pace for the CVC crown.

Kings River is in second place, followed by third-place Fresno. home matches but will be at the MJC is tied with Taft for fourth Kings River Country Club on place while Columbia is in sixth. April 18th.

Columbia is out of the race for a playoff spot as a team, but several players have a chance to make the Northern California Junior College Championships as individuals. Williams, Ryan and Norvel "have a shot at making the championships if they can finish out the season strong," according to first year coach Chris Bitticks.

Bitticks took over the golf team from Ron Verlin, who is now the assistant basketball coach at the University of the Pacific. Bitticks is also the teaching pro at the Phoenix Lake Golf Course. His main focus is to get his players to "improve their skills and habits."



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