

Mountain Times

Concern raised over stabbing

By Johann Newton
MTX STAFF WRITER

A month after a white student stabbed a black student on campus, students and staff are still wondering whether the incident was racially motivated.

Tuolumne County sheriff's deputies arrested Brandon Ray Beardsley, 21, of Jamestown, a few days after the stabbing. Beardsley was held for a possible parole violation, then released.

Investigators are still looking for his brother, Scott Beardsley, 24, who witnesses say attacked Wade Tinson, 24, with a knife. At last report Scott Beardsley, also on parole for a previous felony, was at large and believed to be hiding out in Stockton, according to sheriff's investigator Tom Memmer.

Tinson, recovering from a deep stab wound to his left arm, was apparently in the wrong place at the wrong time.

"I was on my way to class when I saw these guys arguing with a friend of mine," he said. "They walked off and I followed to see what was going on. Me and a group of other people were behind the Rotunda and next to the Buckeye Building when one of the guys pulls out a knife."

The argument, witnesses said,

had something to do with the Beardsley brothers' "racially insulting tattoos."

"My friend ran," Tinson said, "and when (Beardsley) couldn't catch him he started walking back toward the group I was with. He was real upset and yelling. I was the first one in the group when he came walking back. I saw the knife and I said, 'What are you going to do, cut somebody?' Then he punched me."

"I threw my glasses down because I thought we were going to fight. That's when he cut me and ran off. I stayed pretty calm. I was bleeding real bad. I kept direct pressure on the wound and waited for the EMT dudes to show up."

Emotions on campus ran high.

"I was upset, it's like someone had a grudge against one person and they took it out on someone else of the same skin color," said student Sunshine Joice. Asked if the college should focus on racial issues, Joice replied, "I think it's good to get it out in the open. It's like the monster under the bed, everyone knows it's there, but no one wants to deal with it. There are a lot of great people out there and they come in a lot of different colors."

Head basketball coach Jim Saia felt it was better to let the matter rest.

"No comment," he said. "It's a

done deal. It happened a month ago. The matter is history."

College President Ken White said there has been no racially motivated violence during his three years on campus.

"My feeling is, we're looking at a situation from the attitudes of the two (suspects) with prior criminal records," said White. "This was an isolated situation. The reason this persists as an issue is because we've been so for-

tunate to avoid this type of violence in the past."

Tinson himself doesn't think there is racial tension at Columbia College.

"Here?" he asked. "No, not at school. Maybe in town, but not from students."

Asked how we as a society could curb violence, he said, "There would be a lot less violence if more people had the herb of understanding."

Ben Caras, Vice President of Policies and Procedures for the Student Senate, sees things differently.

"There's definitely an amount of racial tension that wasn't here last year. Right now, you have the

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Few at Violence Forum

Only about 35 people showed up to talk about safety and violence at each of two meetings last week.

The meetings, organized in response to the interracial violence that occurred on campus on Aug. 18, were held during College Hour in the Dogwood Forum.

At the first meeting, faculty and staff divided students into small groups to discuss concerns, which ranged from issues of campus safety to the media's portrayal of violence.

The second meeting was a panel discussion involving three speakers. Jack Pool of Columbine

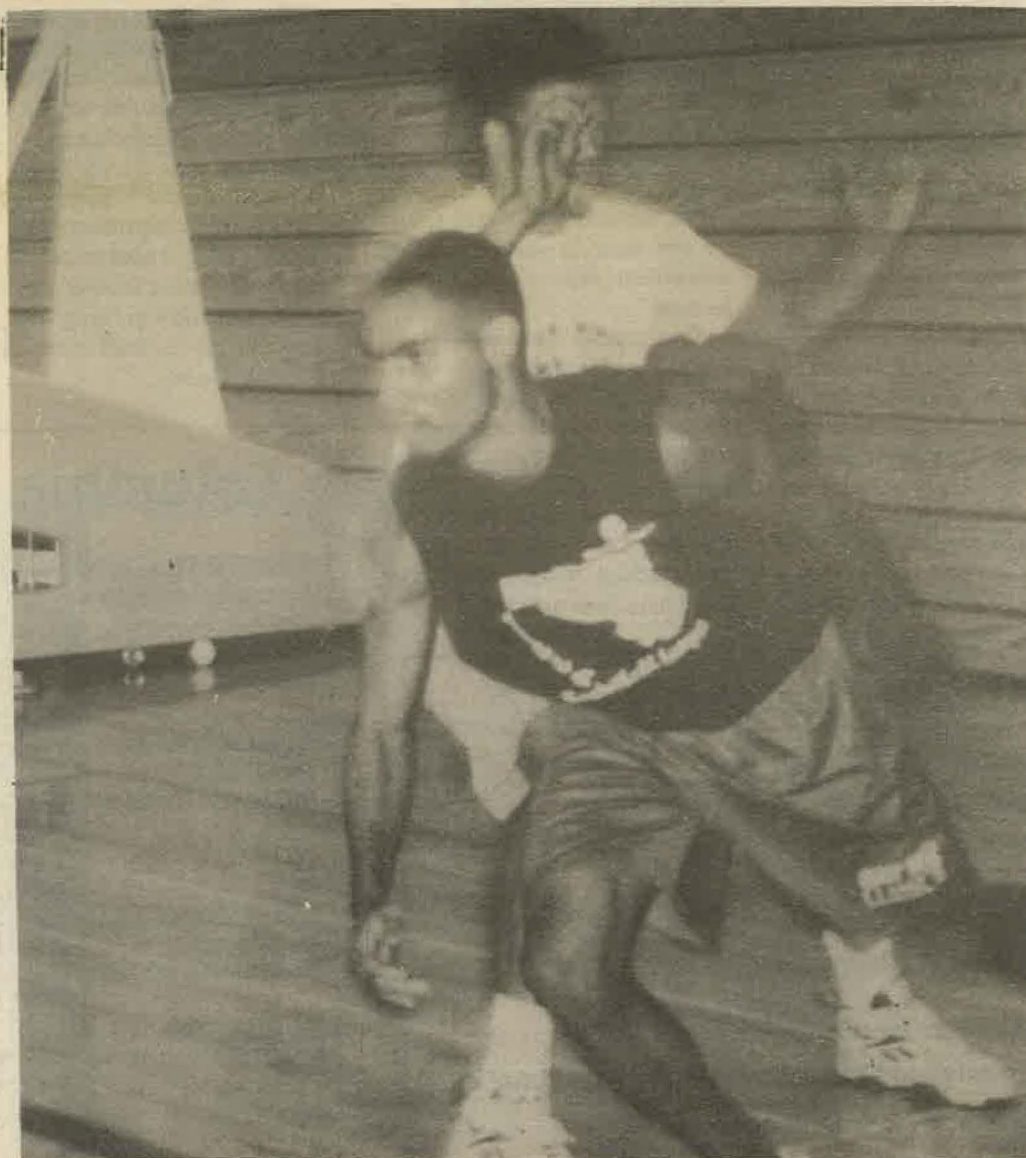
Counseling Center discussed violence and personal perceptions.

"If we have emotional baggage and someone pushes the right buttons, we're going to react," said Pool. "The bottom line to therapy is to do something about what is bothering you."

Pat Moss of the Mother Lode Women's Center discussed conflict resolution and how not to be a victim of violence.

"A victim is chosen, they have no choice," she said. "Our basic reactions are fight or flight. We need to be aware of the situation."

The meetings were organized by Kathryn Jeffery, Vice President of Student Services.



Claim Jumpers practicing already

Bradley Lamar (front) and Shaun Kunz (back) ran around the basketball courts last week in preparation for the season. The first games played will be the Best Western Classic, held at Columbia College on Nov. 10-11 in the Oak Pavilion. Please see back page for basketball preview story.

Drink the water: It's supposed to taste better

By Connie Close
MTX STAFF WRITER

It's a given that nobody would drink untreated water from the lake. It also appears very few will drink water out of a fountain anywhere on campus.

"The water is horrible," said Daniel Fitzsimmons.

"Too chlorinated," agreed Chris Metz. "Tastes like hell."

"I usually bring my own," said math instructor Meryl Landyss. "Generally, I don't drink the water."

For these chlorine-weary consumers, relief may be in sight. The new ozone treatment system went on line Sept. 8 at a cost of \$50,000 to the Yosemite

Community College District.

"The purpose of the system is the efficient removal of bacteria, heavy metals, color, odor and taste from the water," said Building and Maintenance Supervisor John Miller. Miller was due to retire last year, but stayed on to oversee the installation of the new system.

The system is designed to electrically generate ozone on-site. The electrical system is housed in a 10-by-12-foot building. Some structural adjustments are needed as well as an air conditioning system.

"There are a few minor kinks to work out," said Gaila Johnson, Miller's student assistant. "Hopefully, there will be a

noticeable difference once they are solved."

Even with the system in place, state law requires a minimum chlorine residual at the rate of .2 parts per million. However, prior to the installation of the system, chlorine residual at point source was .5 parts per million. That reduction is expected to improve the taste of the water.

While ozone is a toxic gas, hazardous to plants and animals, it is less of a hazard than gaseous chlorine. Chlorine is manufactured off-site and then transported to the water treatment facility. Ozone is produced on-site, used in low concentrations and is not stored under pressure.

"You will not get any reading of ozone at any water source on campus," Miller said. "Only trace amounts are observable when it (the water) is actually being treated."

Ozone treatment is state-of-the-art and is becoming increasingly popular. Ozone is used by the Modesto Irrigation District, the Sonora Pool and a growing number of private landowners in Tuolumne County.



NOT JUST A DUCK POND - The San Diego Reservoir (gulp) is the campus drinking water supply.

Stabbing (cont. from pg. 1)

most new people. Prejudice is not just a black and white issue, it affects all segments of society."

Some students felt school officials were slow in dealing with the matter.

"I was concerned," said Elizabeth Zdunich. "Nothing was being done right away about this. Like we had to dig around to find out about it. This is physical violence which is very serious. It's not just yelling back and forth."

"There was nothing printed in the Weekly Bulletin, just a memo

posted on the bulletin board hardly anyone saw," said Caras. "If you want to make something available to students, more has to be done."

Two special meetings on violence, coordinated by Kathryn Jeffery, Vice President for Student Services, were held last week in the Dogwood Forum. (See separate story.)

Jeffery's feelings about the stabbing: "I wasn't just hurt, I was offended. This whole matter could have been avoided."

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Auto-tech student is outnumbered, but won't be outdone

By Lara Lelis
MTX MANAGING EDITOR

Little Janet Ramsey used to play with Tonka Trucks and was considered a tomboy.

Now, she is playing with the real thing and loving it.

"My mom would get mad at me when I wouldn't play with dolls," recalls Ramsey.

Ramsey has turned her life around, enrolled for her fifth semester at Columbia and is in her second semester of the auto tech class.

"In August of '93, I was scared to death. Most of these are kids, I thought. I got to looking around and I figured I'm here and I'll fit," she said.

Fit she did, and won numerous scholarships in the process. Ramsey has received over \$4,000 in scholarship money from various sources.

"It takes a lot of hard work filling out the applications," Ramsey joked.

Ramsey has a full schedule of classes, and also takes care of her three children with her fiancée.

"School is like going to a real job," she said. "This is my job. I

think I'll miss being at school. But the more you learn, the more you want to learn."

This semester, Ramsey and a few members of her class will be rebuilding the engine of her '68

"I'm not always a tomboy and that I'm sometimes still a girl. I get used to my Levi's and t-shirts, that it is like playing dress-up!"

Janet Ramsey

Firebird.

There are three women in the auto class and 19 men.

Asked about how she reacts to the ratio of men to women in the class, Ramsey said, "You don't know how many girls there's going to be. I get along fine with the guys. They joke and they kid. Sometimes, they're a little off-colored, but..."

One of her first experiences with

working on cars came when she worked at a gas station in Barstow, changing oil and pumping gas for such customers as the Pips (as in Gladys Knight and the Pips).

"I don't mind getting greasy or grimy," she said.

Currently involved in a few 12-step programs, Ramsey believes strongly in helping others.

"I like to pass on helpful information. When you get something, you should pass it on," she said. "You keep what you have by giving it away."

To her mother's amazement, Ramsey can sometimes be spotted wearing a skirt.

"I say, I'm not always a tomboy and that I'm sometimes still a girl. I get used to my Levi's and T-shirts, that it is like playing dress-up!"



Janet Ramsey

What do you want to see in the Mountain Times?

A piece of paper on the door of the MTX office (Redbud 14) gathers great comments from students. Here is a free sample of what you have been saying:

- 1) Ganja! Smoke up. He He He.
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17) Where to get good pot

18) Yes! So cool!

19) Community Information

20) Entertainment section in city

21) Political issues (pro & con)

22) Is this a rumor? Are there really people living under the island in the pond? I think I seen um!

23) You don't want to know!

24) Top 10 List: Why the GOP sucks

25) Top 20 List: Why all liberals suck

26) World Hunger/The Third World

27) State Budget and what really happens to money schools get

28) Get some articles

29) Also motivating an initiative for BETTER PARKING

30) Have someone check people who park in disabled parking. Make sure they are disabled. Some are not.

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Talking Heads

Who is the sexiest
instructor on campus?



I think Francis Lynch is
sexy in his chef's hat.
But Terry Hoff has the
best body. Sorry Morgan!

Teri Telles



Margo Elliott.
She's a babe.

Balele Shoka



I think Blaine
Rogers is the
sexiest teacher on
campus.

Shelly Alderman



Margo. She's a great
dragon lady.

James Coleman



Vonna Breeze-Martin is
the sexiest teacher on
campus. It's the bi-
lingual thing.

Daniel Fitzsimmons



Dana Cooper performed during College Hour last Thursday. Cooper's appearance was the first in a series sponsored by the Student Senate.

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The Man and the Vultures

By Burgandy Strands
MTX GUEST WRITER

The man knew he would never see his home as it was again. He felt the cold mingle with the warmth of spring and instead of

filling him with comfort, it reminded him of the Great Society and its industrious productivity during the summer months. His eyes grew weary and his heart was restless. So he began a journey to the north to speak with his friend

and consort the Stanislaus. On his journey, he saw seven turkey vultures circling low above the path he was on.

Man: Why do you circle here? I see no food for you to feast on.

Vulture: It is our circle that brings us food.

Man: You surely must know that you mustn't wait for food to appear. You must seek it out!

Vulture: It is you who are silly. Why have you traveled so far from home? What will you do when your bag is empty of sustenance?

Man: I will do what all creatures must and seek it out.

Vulture: But you who walk the Earth must know that you can only see as far as the horizon lets you, while we sky creatures can see for miles and miles. How will you see where your food rests?

Man: I will use my wit and cunningness to feed myself. I do believe I shall have a better time at it than you seven waiting for your prey.

Vulture: I would like to see such a wonder.

The man showed the vultures where the great road was and told them if they were too lazy to seek their food, that here over the great black road, would be a fine place to wait. Immediately after his knowledge was shared, a doe and her children came walking across the great blacktop. In time to meet the doe's smallest child, a large motor vehicle came down the road and struck the little fawn with such force it sent her up and directly into the mouths of the seven vultures.

So many students, so few parking spots

By David Serpa
MTX STAFF WRITER

The 1995-96 school year began with an influx of new and returning students to Columbia College.

According to the Student Services office, 565 first-time students arrived on campus Aug. 14, down from last year's total of 599.

Though enrollment is down 110 students this fall, they are taking more classes than in previous years.

Most of the students interviewed seemed to come to the same conclusion: The campus is nice, but the parking isn't.

guided to park along the road, he takes down the license plate number. When someone parks there unauthorized, he'll give them a ticket.

Josh Rando, who commutes from Mariposa County each day, was very vocal about this fact: "The parking sucks!"

His friend Bret Haines agreed, then added, "They need to put in some escalators around here."

When asked what they liked about the college, both answered simultaneously, "The women."

"Sometimes finding parking at Columbia is like finding a needle in a haystack," said Stephanie Klann. "But there's only one entrance into the haystack and if you miss the needle the first time, you have to come all the way out and around to the one entrance again. But, as for the stairs, I like them."

Not all students felt that the parking is a problem. Karen Hillyard, who moved to the Sonora area about a month ago, said, "I really like Columbia College. There are no cliques like in high school."

She did admit that the course work was a little bit harder, but so far she wasn't having any problems with her 12.5 units.

Hillyard did complain that there wasn't much to do in Sonora itself, calling it "boring."

Staff Writer Heather Ficklin and Managing Editor Lara Lelis contributed to this report.

"Sometimes finding parking at Columbia is like finding a needle in a haystack."


—Stephanie Klann

"I just think it's ridiculous," said returning student Dan Steenwyk. "You can't expand the parking the way it is."

Chester Shears, of Campus Security, sees the parking problems every year and knows the pattern.

"It's about the same every first few weeks," Shears said. "I'll have to put a few (cars) on the street. But after the first weeks, students drop out. We go through this every semester."

Shears said that when someone is



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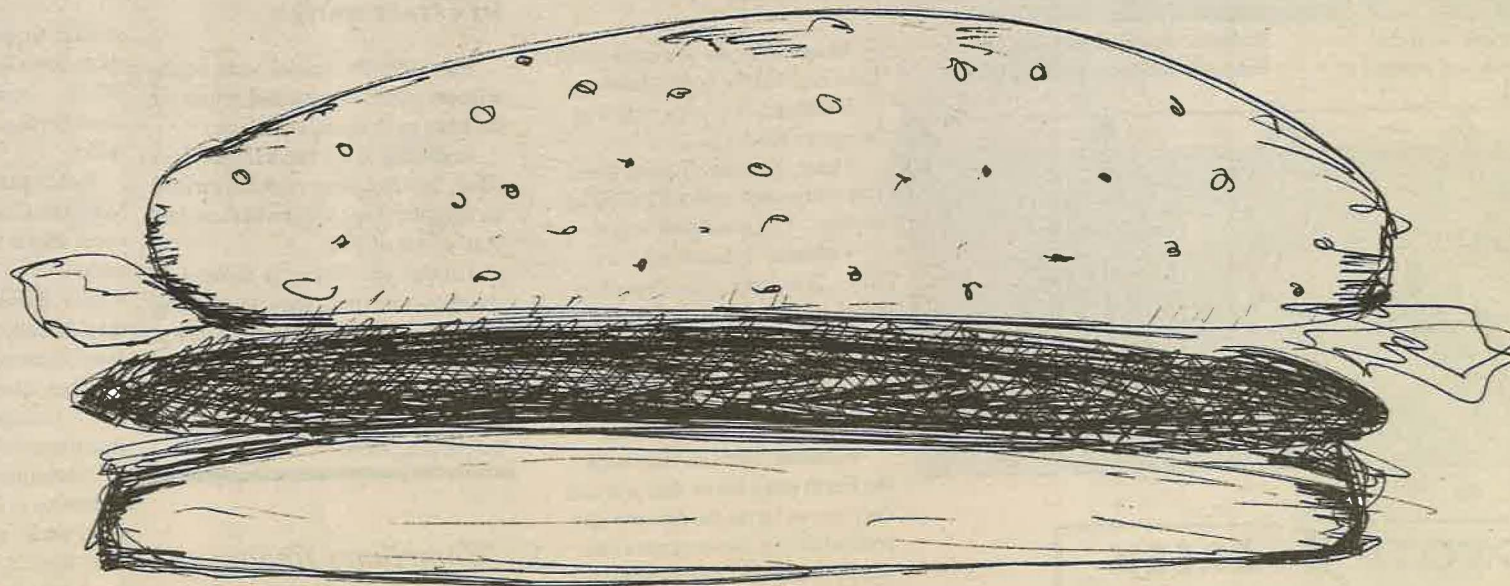
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The Best Burgers Around



Student in search of the perfect hamburger

By Karen Bladel
MTX STAFF WRITER

I consider myself to be a burger expert, so I feel quite safe in stating that the best burger in town is cooked on the grill outside.

It's one-third of a pound of ground sirloin, done to a perfect medium rare, smothered with smoked cheddar cheese, and served on a Kaiser bun smeared on one side with Best Foods mayo and the other with hickory smoked Bar-B-Q sauce.

Add a slice of vine-ripened tomato, green leaf lettuce, and a thick slice of summer sweet Stockton red onion. This is the best burger in town, at least on my grill.

If you don't have the time or inclination to grill your own, finding the best burger in town depends on what town you are in.

I inquired as to where to get the best burger at the Angels Camp Visitors Bureau. Rachel, the executive director there, recommended Dave's Dinner.

Not wanting to be too trusting, I proceeded across the street to Scott's Tavern. There, the daytime bartender, Walt, told me, "Got to be Dave's Dinner."

Mike, a local patron, agreed

wholeheartedly. "Me too," he said. "Dave's Diner."

Then I heard a voice from down the bar: "Closes at two, better hurry!" I never saw who said that as I ran out the door.

Dave's is a fifties-style diner that serves only breakfast and lunch and does indeed close at 2 p.m. Martha, the waitress, recommended the 3-d, short for dave's desoto deluxe. As I was not alone, we traded bites of the hamburgers we ordered. Definitely an excellent choice, the 3-d.

Dave's Diner is located on Highway 49 about a mile past the old part of town.

If you happen to be on the way to Yosemite Park and get hungry as you arrive in Groveland, fear not. I was turned on to this place by my parents but have been there many times since.

The Iron Door is a bar and there is a grill connected with it. The place is full of animal heads and frontier memorabilia. It's fascinating just to spend time looking at the walls.

I was assured by our waitress, Sharon Elbes, that the most popular burger from the grill is the buffalo burger. My personal favorite is the sunshine burger.

The really nice thing about this

place is that if your companion does not eat red meat, almost every selection is available with chicken instead.

The Iron Door is located on Highway 120 in Groveland.

Who would be better informed on what to eat than the business people in downtown Sonora?

"Got to be the rattler, the Diamondback," said Dan Hale, proprietor of Approved Mortgage on Stewart St. "And second is the Burger Barn, they let you build your own."

I'm sure Dan knows what he's talking about since he eats out almost every lunch. I also have partaken of the Diamondback's menu, including the burgers. They have a burger there that's like a pound of beef plus trimmings. My personal favorite is their gorgonzola burger - absolutely awesome!

If I were to pick only one of these establishments it would have to be the Diamondback. The place is so small you could walk right by and never see it. Once you've been in, though, you'll never forget where it is.

I have never had a bad meal in this restaurant, and I encourage burger lovers like me to make a point of trying any one on the menu, including their specials.

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COLUMBIA COLLEGE STUDENT SENATE NEWS

Activity Sticker gives major discounts

The Student Senate has made a deal with local businesses to offer discounts and special offers to students who purchase the \$5 activity sticker.

Offers lined up so far include free admission to all sport events at Columbia College, a student night at Coyote Creek and 5% off sale items in the Bookstore.

To purchase an Activity Sticker, go to the Business Office.

For more information on other discounts, contact a Student Senator or call 533-5270.

Stop and hear the music

Every Tuesday and Thursday, the Senate sponsors College Hour music. Between 12:20 and 1:30, musicians perform outside the Rotunda near the Bookstore. For more information on upcoming bands, please contact Vice President of Activities, Alyssa McCrea or a Student Senator at 533-5270.

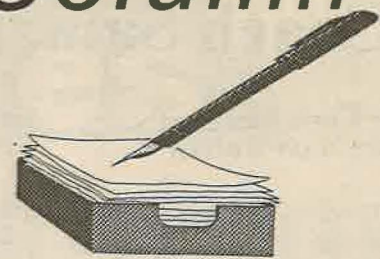
All those in favor

Weekly Student Senate meetings are held from 4-6pm on Wednesdays. Visitors are always welcome. Stop by and check out the meeting. There's still room for new senators. Check out a meeting and see if you'd like to join. Stop by the Senate office in the Manzanita Building if you are interested.

Guest Writer Column

Each issue, we hope to run articles written by YOU! The only way this is possible is for you to write to us. Whether you want to see a story you wrote, pictures taken in your photography class, a really funny doodle you made in a boring class,

submit it to us! This column is designed for you, the reader. Have you always wanted a poem you wrote published? Or do you have a major environmental or political concern? Write it and let the campus know. MTX is your paper, use it!



Life is Good!

By David Palomo
MTX GUEST WRITER

Student has urges

By David Palomo
MTX GUEST WRITER

Sometimes I just want to roll around in mud, go swimming fully clothed, or even stark naked. I have to howl at the moon, lie down on the sidewalk and stretch, or start dancing to music in the middle of my living room. I meet a gorgeous girl and want to kiss her after knowing her three minutes. I like to pet dogs who are being taken for a walk and I

love to duck behind buildings at night just to feel sneaky. Don't you feel like walking up stairs just to slide down the rail, or want to do your laundry in the nude? Have you ever walked by someone's house and wanted to mow the lawn? What would it feel like to take all your money out of your wallet, light it up and watch it burn?

I don't know, I'm broke and right now, I'm glad I am.

It's good to be alive. New students, welcome to the adventure. The first thing to learn is to enjoy everyone and everything around you. Except the harsh things, but hopefully there won't be too many. This college is a beautiful thing, with beautiful people from everywhere. You are part of it and anything you wish to contribute to this dynamic, interactive, collective mass of souls will be appreciated by someone. So share your views. Good hunting to all.



Fall Jubilee

Francis Lynch, culinary arts instructor, (above), was among those who attended and helped at the Fall Jubilee. This third annual event was held on Saturday, Sept. 9, 1995 at Carkeet Park. A karaoke contest was held with over \$100 in prizes. Clubs and vendors sold a wide variety of items and raffle tickets.

Basketball preview**Coach Saia, back for a 2nd year, likes the look of his team**

By Chris Van Tuyl
MTX STAFF WRITER

Coach Jim Saia and his Columbia College Claimjumper basketball team will start the 1995-96 season with a completely different agenda from last year.

First off, there is the matter of a job description for Saia. Instead of being an underpaid, part-time interim coach hired at the last minute, he can now simply be referred to as a full-time member of Columbia's faculty. Which is only fitting, since he masterminded a team that was

only a few loose balls from a state championship.

Returning with Saia are six players from last year's 31-5 squad, as well as two red-shirt players. The returnees include all-Central Valley Conference forward Robert Parker and honorable mention all-CVC centers Gilbert Smith and Shaun Kunz.

Also back are center T.K. Davis, guard Bradley Lamar, forward Jason Perry, and red-shirters guard-forward Marlon Johnson and center-forward Chris Griffin.

Missing from last year's team is point guard Harlan Roberson. A starter at the beginning of last season until an ankle injury reduced his playing time, Roberson left Columbia to return to his home state of Washington.

New to the roster are guard Gabe Wingo, guard-forward Donell Singletary, point guard Dexter Young and guard Brian Hamilton.

The coaching staff has some new faces with Tronsela Grimes and Bill Vaughn taking over the assistant coaching positions vacated by Will Hooker and Dave Horton.

Coach Saia likes the mix of veterans and newcomers.

"We have a good chance of going even farther this year," he said. "Certainly, the other teams in the conference see us as the team to beat. We've got some height and athletic ability, so we'll be a better offensive rebounding team. Dexter and Brian can fill Harlan's shoes, no doubt in my mind, and Robert Parker is just a phenomenal player."

Practice officially starts Oct.

15, though the players are already playing in basketball class and doing preseason training.

At the end of last season, Saia was quoted as saying, somewhat wistfully, "Hopefully, if I'm hired we'll be back as strong as ever."

He was, and the Claimjumper appear poised to continue their winning ways when they open the season with the Best Western Classic at Oak Pavilion on Nov. 10-11.

Lady Jumpers off to 'smashing' start

By Dwayne Smith
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The women's volleyball team blasted the College of Alameda in three straight sets in their regular season opener last Friday night at the Oak Pavilion.

With a good turnout boosted by a between-sets raffle, the Lady Jumpers responded with a crowd-pleasing show of teamwork.

Among the night's highlights were Jenelle Mendez serving for the entire first set (unheard of at this level!), handing her opponents a 15-1 defeat. For the night, Mendez scored an impressive 21 service points as well as 8 aces and 16 assists.

Other notable performances were turned in by Marci Fieber, with 4 blocks and 2 aces, and Ginger Thomas, who had 11 service points and 2 blocks.

Rounding out their night with

scores of 15-7 and 15-3, Shana Casey said, "We all pulled together and played together as a team not as individuals."

The win over Alameda follows a road trip that took the Lady Jumpers to San Luis Obispo, where they went 5 for 5 at the Cuesta Tourney against a large field of competitors from all over the state.

This energetic team of women consists entirely of first year players with the exception of middle blocker-outside hitter Marci Fieber.

Head Coach Morgan McBride is enthusiastic about her team.

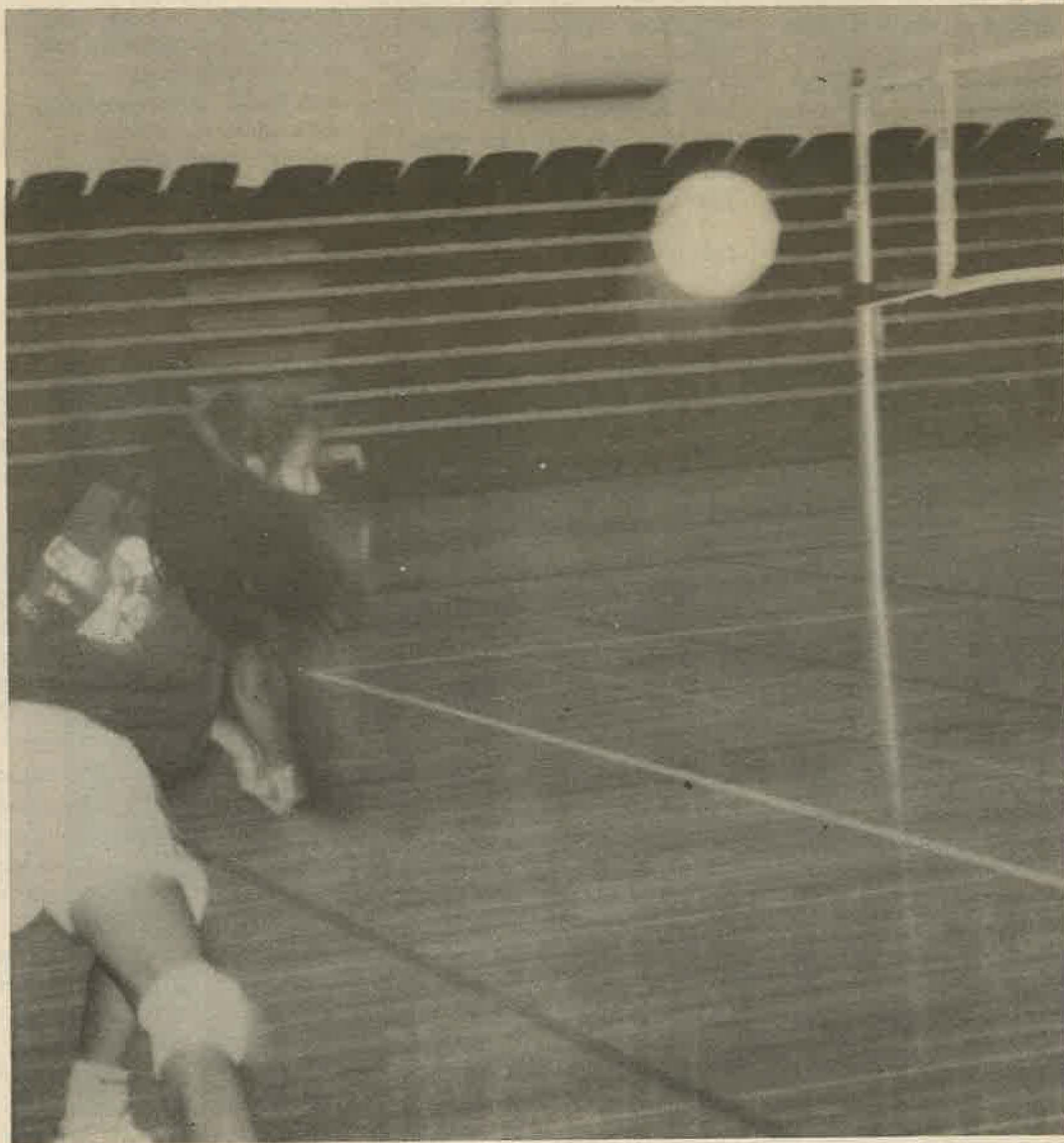
"This year's team is the most unique I've ever coached," she said. "They're unselfish, versatile and hardworking."

The team's next home game is Friday, Sept. 29 against district rival Modesto Junior College at the Oak Pavilion.

Goodbye, Russell!

The Mountain Times Staff wishes to thank Russell Frank for being the adviser/instructor for the first year (and month!). He was there at the beginning and worked

through the toughest, frustrating times of getting the paper started. Congratulations on the move. Thanks again. This campus wouldn't have a paper without you.



Second-year standout Marci Fieber helps the the Lady Jumpers get their 1995 season off to a perfect start. The team plays MJC next Friday night at home.