

The Long Valley

Gazette

Cañada College • Redwood City, California

Vol. 3, No. 5

Dec. 6, 1985

Cañada to Meet Community Needs

By Aquacena Lopez

A typical noontime crowd in the cafeteria 1985 consists of a far livelier mix of individuals than in years gone by. From the computer wizz-kid transferring to MIT, to the mother of five returning for an AA, to the animated senior studying Tai Chi, it is a more diverse group to deal with than the straight transfer-to-a-four-year-college crowd.

"The demography of the county is changing," confirms Bob Stiff, Cañada's president, "and our redirection plan emphasizes the new needs of the community." The goal of Cañada, Stiff asserts, is to become a comprehensive community college, with a strong transfer program as well as an occupational emphasis that meets the needs of

minorities, night students, part-time students, the under-prepared and seniors alike. Good luck.

In a recent study of California colleges conducted by the Bermna, Weiler Associates of Berkeley, community colleges were given high ratings but the study also indicated that there are problems: transfer education could be improved, programs of special assistance for underprepared minorities could be strengthened, vocational programs usually emphasize specific skills at the cost of greater competencies, and the faculty could be more effective and often suffer from burnout. The study's findings have been presented to the Master Plan Review Commission and the Board of Governors.

Given these pitfalls how can Cañada accommodate the particular needs of a diverse population and still offer strong transfer programs?

Until recently the college's funds were allocated according to the Average Daily Attendance (ADA) and rumor had it that popular courses and programs were favored in order to increase attendance. Not so, according to Stiff. Credit courses are now more rigorous than ever, often demanding prerequisites and testing in order for the student to enroll. Stiff would like to see transfer programs strengthened both by increasing the number of majors. These broader categories: letters or humanities and sciences, would allow more students to transfer.

Seeing that students in '85 are no longer hanging out on the lawn and discussing philosophy but are serious about entering the job market, will Cañada become a vocational school? Stiff also supports placing emphasis on occupational programs and will look for new programs to meet the needs of the county as well as put added resources into successful programs.

But can Cañada do both? Will it have the resources to emphasize both the liberal arts and vocational education? Only time will tell. Till then, let's hope that Stiff is correct in assuming that we can do it all. The alternative is mediocrity.

Student-Faculty Holds First Meeting

Given the impressive title you would think the student-faculty committee was a summit meeting between two superpowers of Cañada, the students and the faculty, and that they were discussing important issues crucial to the well-being of both sides. At the last meeting of the SFC on November 25, the committee discussed the most popular item on the agenda, the school cafeteria. Teachers must eat too.

At a typical meeting there are three to five student representatives present and 11 to 12 faculty and staff members including Jack Greenalch, Cañada's vice-president, and Lois Cunningham, the committee's chairperson. The number of

staff members far outweighs the number of faculty members. "The committee should be called the 'Student-Staff Committee,'" quips Alan Baer, the student senator representative at SFC meetings.

Despite the fact that Baer wrote a letter to each professor informing him or her of the meeting and personally met with many of them to remind them of the coming event, not many faculty members attended the meeting. Baer reflects that the faculty may not be interested in attending meetings because in years past, "They talked about the cafeteria and nothing much happened."

Even with a poor history and a

reluctant faculty Baer believes that the SFC is a good forum for dialogue and change. Regarding the most popular item of discussion, the cafeteria, changes are already taking place. Esther Rores, the present cafeteria manager is retiring and being replaced by David Davenport from CSM; the Associated Students of Cañada College (ASCC) are conducting a poll about improving the cafeteria; and the cantina behind the cafeteria will soon be opened up to students and faculty — it will be "jazzed up" with tablecloths and plants.

Besides upgrading the cafeteria the SFCC is looking into the possibility of changing the district calendar, perhaps

starting the semester earlier and ending it at Christmas time. Another item under discussion is an inter-national day.

Baer, as the student representative, is the mouthpiece for the students' concerns. Students can voice their opinions and concerns to him at the ASCC office and he can, in turn, pass them on at future meetings. "We're starting off slow but we're doing something and going somewhere," concludes Baer. His first task is to clean up the messy bulletin boards. It may not be the summit meeting of the superpowers of Cañada but the opportunity for an exciting dialogue nevertheless exists.

Xmas Fair In Cafeteria Dec. 9, 10, 11

Join in the fun on December 9, 10 and 11 (that's Mon., Tues., and Wed.) — Cañada will have its Christmas Fair in the cafeteria. A Stellar attraction will be the Christmas tree whose branches, it is hoped, will be festooned with decorations donated by students and visitors — bring an ornament to help make it a very merry like tree!

There will be various activities on the stage — a folk band, the Cañada choral group singing Christmas carols, and the Cañada dance group doing some of their numbers.

There will be vendors — Linda Hummel will sell jewelry; Barbara Fruhwirth, artwork; the Atitlan Trading Co., Central and South American clothing; Don Levin, sports and dance wear; Gloria Barron will sell cosmetics and give facials.

Art students will show the results of their work in Cañada classes. In one booth, Cheryl McNamara will be selling tickets for Cañada's December 13th dance show, and the Peninsula Ballet Theater will be selling tickets to their performances of the "Nutcracker" on December 14, 15, 20, and 21. The latter, ordinarily \$15 for adults, \$10 for children, will be sold at a special discount (\$10 for adults, \$7.50 for children) when accompanied by the special discount order form (bright green) available at the Fair and from the Associated Students of Cañada College.

We repeat — Come to the Fair!

Don't leave your lights on . . .



With the rainy season upon us, be careful not to leave your car lights on when rushing to class. These perplexed Canada students forgot. Whoops!

Photo by Ed Garcia

The Observatory

By Frank Helm

It's Christmas time again. Time for the dreaded last minute shoppers and spending enough money to easily pay off the national debt we all willingly ignore... a time of colder temperatures and cars that don't always start-up so easily in the morning... a time of receiving lifetime supplies of underwear from grandparents instead of money... a time of unwrapping overpriced gifts that find their way to a closet or up in the attic collecting dust... a time of dressed up Santa Clauses ringing bells until it seems only natural to salivate at the sound or reach into the pocket or purse for spare change. But this isn't what Christmas is all about." I asked Him how much He loves me; 'This much,' He replied, and He opened his arms and died..." A powerful use of imagery and somewhat sad, but not nearly as sad as the realization that Christmas has become one big SOCIETAL COMMERCIAL of forced smiles and good cheer where Santa Claus comes with the label In GOD We Trust.

I don't want to dampen your Christmas spirits, but I can't help but wonder why we are unable to hold on to the thoughts of love that seem to overflow during this time of year, yet come the early morn of Dec. 26 over a hot cup of coffee we inwardly breathe a heavy sigh of relief over the thought of having survived another Christmas as we return to our regular programming.

It seems very obvious that Christmas isn't meant to be a celebration but a reminder. Have we forgotten? Have we forgotten that giving of oneself requires far more and is of much greater value than any Visa or check could ever purchase? Have we become so afraid to look at ourselves and see and allow to be seen what is really there? Have we forgotten how to feel when we touch? These aren't questions asked by the Question Man. He's more concerned with the definition of a "GEEK," but these are questions we need no longer be afraid to ask; the answers only help us grow.

This has been the observer reminding you that there is a gift called love which is the gift of Christmas... and he opened up his arms so that we may live...!

U-get the most out of life *win* U live it,
U-get the most out of love *win* U give it.

Student Government Seeks Participation

By Edwin Garcia

All students enrolled at Cañada College are members of the Associated Students of Cañada College (ASCC).

Located in the Southeast corner of the cafeteria is the student government office. The representatives consist of a president, vice-president, and 10 senators all of which are elected by students to take office for the term of one year.

Without doubt, student involvement is an area of major concern on this campus. In recent elections for the 1985-86 college year, only seven senators ran for office to fill ten vacancies. Are students not interested? Did students not know?

Senate Meetings are held regularly — at least once a week — and usually consist of discussing ways of improving the campus and promoting events to make Cañada a more active campus for all students to enjoy and participate in. Committees such as curriculum, student faculty relations, steering, inter-intra campus communications, student services, clubs and organizations and activities are all areas where student government representatives work closely.

Nazanin Afshar, a student government senator and Sequoia High School graduate, agrees that this campus should be more active in areas of participation. "We need to unite the students more and let them know that we're there for them and not for ourselves." Her motive is to walk around campus talking to students and getting the word out that a student government exists at Cañada College. Afshar also is in charge of the Clubs and

Organizations Committee, which supports and aids clubs on campus.

As a hired secretary to the student government, student Sharon Lowman sees a problem with a lack of communication. She feels that more advertising and publicity are needed to tighten the gap and let people know the ASCC is there. "Because of lack of communication, there's no feeling of community," said Lowman about this campus.

Senator Francis Icaza joined student government because he saw a need for student involvement on campus. His belief is "To try to motivate students and to try to make the students more optimistic. We have to work together (students and student government). We're not alone." Icaza also believes that the campus needs more events to attract students and urges students to work with the student government in order to put ideas into practice.

Student government exists for the students and is run by the students. If you have any suggestion about this campus, don't hesitate to stop by the student government office to let them know what's on your mind. It's up to you to make this place effective.

Remember, many of us chose to come to this school because we didn't consider it a "high school." Now that we're here, let's make things happen! The student government would appreciate your input. Senate meetings are held each Wednesday at 1 p.m. in bldg. 3 room 218 and all students are welcome to attend.

College Choir Opens Saturday

The Canada College Choir, under the direction of Carl Sitton, will present its annual Winterfest Concert Saturday, December 7 and the Canada College Orchestra, directed by Dr. Stanley Easter and Van Raymond Thein, will perform Thursday, December 12.

The Winterfest Concert will begin at 8 p.m. in the Main Theatre and feature the works of Mozart, Lotti, Haydn, and Billings as well as traditional carols and spirituals. The Canada College Singers, a select chamber ensemble, will also perform. Tickets are \$3 for general admission and \$2 for students and seniors.

There is no charge for the Canada College Orchestra concert which will begin at 8:15 p.m. in the Main Theatre and feature the works of Faure, Mozart, Bartok, and Haydn. A reception to meet the performers will be held immediately following the performance.

Additional information may be obtained from the Canada College Humanities Division.

Spring Film Class Begins February 5

Masters of the American Cinema will be the subject of a spring semester film study class beginning February 5 at Canada College.

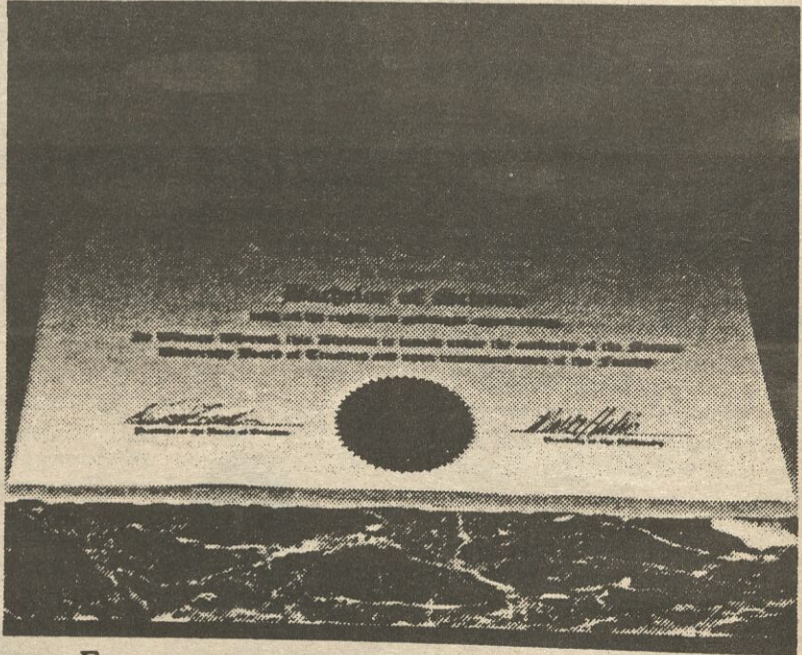
Two sections, Wednesdays from 12 to 3 p.m. and Wednesday evenings from 7 to 10 p.m., will be taught by instructor William Kenney in building 3, room 148.

Citizen Kane, Moulin Rouge, Lolita, Sabrina, Beat the Devil, Seven Year Itch, A Man for All Seasons, Viva Zapata, The Killing, Magnificent Ambersons, Shadow of a Doubt, Thieves Like Us, Left-Handed Gun, and The Wedding are a few of the films to be studied in the course.

Registration for Canada continuing students begins December 2 and for new students January 21.

For further information contact William Kenney at ext. 334, or pre-register by calling 363-1515. Master Card or Visa may be used.

IN TODAY'S JOB MARKET EMPLOYERS WANT MORE THAN THE SAME OLD B.S.



Every year, over a million new college graduates put on their new blue suits and go job hunting.

All of them have degrees. Most of them have hearty handshakes. But very few have what employers want most — practical work experience.

That's why there's a nationwide program called Cooperative Education. It allows students to alternate studies at the college of their choice with paid, practical work experience in the career of their choice.

So Co-op Education students graduate with more than a degree. They have practical knowledge. And a competitive advantage in today's crowded job market. And that sure beats trying to B.S. your way into a job.

Co-op Education

You earn a future when you earn a degree.

'Streetcar' a Success Here

Sanity or insanity has always seemed to be like beauty, "in the eye of the beholder," and Mel Ellett's direction of the play "Streetcar Named Desire" was certainly a beauty in the eyes of this beholder. The play colorfully unfolded into a very vivid and all too real observation of a woman's inward destruction from her inability to let go of her painful past.

Shelley Johnson as Blanche and John Oswald as Stanley Kowalski very masterfully portrayed the main characters as being complete weak/strong opposites, with Blanche's weakness made greater by her loss of sanity. With an inability to strike back,

and a too gentle soul to survive the many confrontations and struggles of her life, Blanche represents a woman without independence while Stanley Kowalski on the other hand depicts a man without a gentle side.

Supported by a very talented cast and under the skilled direction of Ellett, "Streetcar Named Desire" may be the semester's best display of talent yet with one play to go.

Cast members included: John Oswald, Shelley Johnson, Doug VauDell, Renee Bishop, Dan Roach, Carol Waxler, Jim Musatti, Gina Cocco, Leighton Marzlin, Karen Grant, Chris Ritter, and Jean Dickson.

Job well done!

The Long Valley Gazette

Editors: Edwin Garcia, Chris Mosel

Reporters: Mark Lewman, Frank Helm, Aquacena Lopez, Mike Cole, Polly Swinerton.



Classie Foat

Classie Foat Charts For Cañada Success

"I hope to get all the Forty-Niners up to Cañada to speak to the students," exclaimed Cañada's newest member of the Administration. Classie Foat, Director of College Services, has set many goals for herself. Being here for only a few weeks, Foat has been able to see a few things that need to be changed. For instance, her main concern is "making certain" the students at Canada succeed. She would also like to see an outreach program in the community in order to encourage people to attend Canada.

A few days before Foat's interview, she came to Canada in a jogging outfit to see exactly what the school was like, and see what kind of students were enrolled. To her surprise, she was greeted with friendly smiles, and helpful advice. Even before she went to the interview, she knew she belonged here.

As of now, Foat's primary responsibility is to coordinate all off campus classes. This semester 25 programs are offered to all students and citizens of the community. She is also in charge of coordinating evening college supervision and part-time faculty who teach in the evening only. Foat will also serve as the administrator responsible to the President for assisting in the coordination in duties related to the instructional program and college services. Also to plan and coordinate campus visitations, and other community projects.

Foat plans to spend her Christmas vacation in the Sierra Mountains. She is part owner of a cabin, along with ten other people. With a look of disgust, she exclaimed that "You need to reserve your vacation at least a year before you go." The only reason she is able to cope with the monotony is because she is a avid "ski bum."

While shuffling through masses of paper on her desk, Foat wished for yet another change. She would like to do away with the hassles of paperwork and install a computerized office system. Although Foat is an avid "workaholic," she hopes that soon she will either get a secretary and (or) an assistant.

Foat holds an M.A. from Trenton State in Education and a Ph.D. from Stanford in Educational Psychology. She later taught Educational Psychology at Stanford and Trigonometry at Rutgers University. She has worked at GTE Sprint as an Observation's Analyst. Working as an Education Consultant for the Legislature in Sacramento, Foat recommended that more monitoring of the continuation high schools should be enforced. Her recommendation later became a state law which helped to primarily get these schools more specialized counseling.

The major reasons why Foat came to Canada was that she "missed the educational environment" and she believes that the corporate world was "boring" and "sterile."

New Dictionary Hits Stores For Xmas

Volume 1 of a new dictionary has just appeared in the bookstores. A quote from the dust jacket reads, "Here are local names for familiar objects, from old cars to frying pans to dust-balls under the bed (176 names for these); for creatures real and imaginary..."

In Wisconsin, a man whose motives are suspect "has beans up his nose." In Georgia, a conceited person is "biggity"; someone important or self-important in the Northwest is "bull of the woods." A close friend may be a "bobbasheely" (Mississippi) or an "ace boon coon" (New York City).

This is the "Dictionary of American Regional English, Frederick G. Cassidy, Chief Editor. The Belknap Press of Harvard University Press \$49.95 until December 1, 1985 — \$60 thereafter.

CANADA COLLEGE CLASS SCHEDULES FOR THE UPCOMING SPRING SEMESTER ARE NOW AVAILABLE. STOP BY THE REGISTRATION OFFICE FOR YOUR "FREE" COPY NOW.

AIDS Clinic

The Canada College Health Center will hold a special Aids information and update session Wednesday, December 4, from 11 to 12:30 in building 5, room 209.

Radio and talk show host Dr. Harry Ritter, San Mateo County Department of Public Health Aids consultant, will be one of the speakers along with Arlette Grubbe who is also a San Mateo County Aids consultant.

A special film on Aids will be shown.

The public, as well as Canada College faculty, staff, and students are invited to attend.

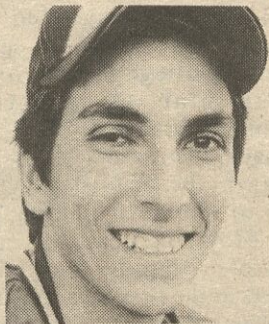
For further information call the Canada College Health Center, ext. 309.

HELP WANTED!!

NEED PART-TIME ASSISTANCE WITH LIGHT HOUSEWORK AND TAKING CARE OF TWO BABIES. FLEXIBLE HOURS — LOCATED IN FOSTER CITY. IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CALL 573-9205.

Question Man

Q: How do you feel about the operation of the student government on this campus?



Wayne Richelle

To me, they don't seem to get too many things done. I'm sure there's a few people out there who really care, but until the whole school has the same feelings as they do, I don't think it's gonna work.



Barbara Warren

I didn't even know we had one. The only thing I have ever heard of student government is in the Gazette. That was just yesterday I opened it up.



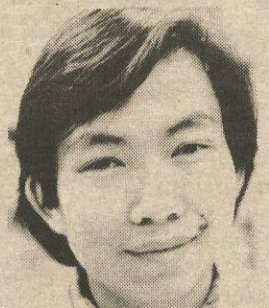
David Ecsery

I know very little about it. It's not highly visible, nor is it an essential part of what most of us are doing here.



Mary Jean Stratton

I don't think a lot of people know what's going on. I think it's up to the student government to get more people involved. More communication is needed.



Hung Vo

Actually, I don't have enough time to pay attention to the student government. Recently I've seen some of the activities at this school and I know they are doing very well and I hope they do better for the future.



Lisa Hickey

I really don't know anything about it. The only thing I know is that George Karkazis is president.



Silvano Vial

I think that generally, members of the student government have tried and wanted to make contributions to the college. But their efforts prove to be futile at times.



Alma Gonzales

I think the student government is trying hard to have more activities on campus, but I think the students in general should cooperate more with participation.

Colt Soccer Season Ends



—Photo by Ed Garcia

By Edwin Garcia

The season is finished for the Cañada college soccer team and it now can do nothing more than wait for next year and hope for a better finish.

The Colts ended the season with a loss to Foothill College, the Golden Gate Conference champions, on Nov. 8. Cañada's record fell to 0-8-2 in GGC play and 6-8-3 overall.

Coached by Nick Constantine, an alumnus of Cañada College, the season in his opinion, was not a failure, despite the record. "Our record doesn't indicate to me how we played. We lost five games by one goal and three games by more than one. It was successful regardless of the record."

Constantine has reason to believe the Colts were successful. He was only given four weeks to get a team together to restart the soccer program at Cañada after its two year absence. While the other teams in the conference have maintained a team throughout the years, Cañada had to start from scratch and play in what Constantine calls "One of the very toughest, most highly respected leagues in the nation."

Ed Gribay, a Menlo-Atherton graduate and Cañada soccer player, said the poor season was due to "a lack of experience." And like Constantine, Gribay has no doubt that the GGC is a very tough league to play in. "The league we're in is the hardest in California," added Gribay.

Team member Robert Benson thought that because it was the first season for the group, inexperience was the major factor concerning the Colt's record. "It was really just Freshman," said Benson, who will be returning to play next year. Since most of the players used to be the stars on their high school teams, they had to learn how to play together as a group and not individually. And for some, that was hard to get used to.

"Obviously they all have a lot of potential," observed Martha Jacinto, who watched a majority of the matches. On where they failed — "They need to learn to play together as a team and not individually," added the Colt's aficionada.

Like the rest of the teams in the GGC, Cañada plans to have a spring season, which will highly benefit the program in "piecing a team together." Coach Constantine also plans to recruit locally as well as teach soccer classes in the Spring and Summer.

Since 21 of the 23 players are freshmen, next season should be more successful for the Cañada Colt's soccer team. The groundwork has been laid and Cañada's "Born-again" soccer program has the experience for what it takes to play competitive soccer.

Colt Basketball Optimistic As Season Opens

By Mark Lewman

On November 22 and 23, the Cañada Classic opened the basketball season. The Colts won their first game against Merritt College 67-63 on Friday night, but on the following night, the Colts lost to Menlo, a tough defensive team, 84-51.

Throughout the game Cañada led Merritt. The two lead scorers on the team were Tom Witsch with 20 points, and Anthony Biosic with 17 points. According to Coach Sullivan, "Damon Horn played the best game he has ever played at Cañada." Horn led the team in rebounding, defensive maneuvers, and also in leadership.

The following game did not go quite as well as the first. On November 23, Cañada met Menlo College. At the end of the first half, Cañada was down by nine points. But the final score was 84 to 51 with Cañada at the bottom end. Sullivan believes that one reason they lost was a series of bad calls in Menlo's favor. He believes that in order to win, the players must "learn to come back after they are behind," "better themselves under pressure," and "be able to rebound better."

Sullivan is very optimistic about this year's team. He believes that Cañada will win many more games before the season is over.

Lighting Class Begins Feb. 6

Nationally recognized lighting designers will be guest lecturers at Canada College's Interior Design Fundamentals of Lighting class beginning February 6.

Canada instructor Marian Haworth will teach the Thursday evening class from 7 to 10 p.m. in building 2, room 10.

Jan Moyer of Luminae, Inc. and Lee Boyak of Livingston Ltd. will be guest lecturers at the first class meeting. Moyer will speak on Luminous Composition and Fun With Light will be covered by Boyak.

Light and Color will be addressed February 13 by Dan Kennedy of MCT

Engineering and Kevin Keesey of General Electric will cover The World of Lamps on February 20.

Subjects also to be covered include Basic Electricity, Fluorescent Fixtures, Residential Lighting Techniques, Designing for Office Space, Landscape Lighting, Public Spaces Lighting Design, Specifications & Reflected Ceiling Plans, Daylighting & Architecture, and Making it All Happen.

Two units of college credit may be earned and class fee is \$10. Students may register at the first class meeting or pre-enroll by calling 363-1515.

Aid To Getting Ready for The Slopes

By Michael Cole

If you are like me, one of the things you look forward to is the beginning of ski season. As you well know it's that time again. I thought I might save you a little trouble by giving you a small profile of the resorts on both sides of Tahoe. My personal preference is Northstar, but this article would be very small if I went with just my trivial fancies, so I will conclude a few more.

NORTHSTAR: is one of the most attractive ski areas and ideal for intermediates. It has replaced the Big Springs double chair with a 70 cabin gondola (6 pass. to a cabin). Adult lift tickets have increased from the previous

price of \$22 to \$24 this season. Phone (916) 562-1010, Snowphone (916) 562-1330.

SQUAW VALLEY: is for those who live, eat, drink, breathe, and sleep on skis. Squaw Valley has replaced the double chair on Siberia with a quad chair, capable of moving 3000 passengers an hour. Phone (800) 545-4350.

SIERRA SKI RANCH: which was thought of as mostly a family resort has been taken over by large corporations. Sierra maintains one of the lowest lift prices — \$19. Phone (916) 659-7475 or 659-7519.

ALPINE MEADOWS: has improved many of their intermediate runs and has expanded the base lodge. The lift ticket

prices have also increased to \$26. Phone (916) 583-4232, Snowphone (916) 583-6914.

INCLINE: has a tremendous view of the lake, and is more for the beginner. Incline prides itself on teaching beginners. Phone (702) 832-1177, Snowphone (702) 831-3211.

BOREAL: one of the closest areas to San Francisco, caters to beginners and intermediates. It is one of the few areas that offer night skiing on some of the trails.

BEAR VALLEY: Though it's the major ski resort in California, many skiers avoid it because they think it's too far. Well, they're wrong. It's actually closer to San Francisco than most

resorts. All-day lift tickets will cost \$22 this year instead of \$20. Phone (209) 753-2301, Snowphone (209) 753-2308.

KIRKWOOD: Last year opened up a fantastic advanced-intermediate area with a triple chair. It also widened several popular runs including the wall. Phone (209) 258-6000, Snowphone (209) 258-3000.

TAHOE DONNER: is a small, wide open area mostly for beginners. Its adult lift tickets are \$12 — the lowest among the ski areas. Tahoe Donner offers the Sierra's only free salom race, Thursday at 3:30 on novice terrain, and Sunday at 12:30 on intermediate terrain.