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Panelists Argue on Education

By Yvonne Moriarty

On May 16, Cañada held an open discussion on education and its impact on the community. Panelists included politicians, educators and representatives from the local business community. Notices were sent home with every child in the Redwood City School District although less than 100 people attended.

"Fifty percent of the high school graduates in California never attend college. Sixty percent of the high school graduates tested in the Bay Area cannot pass entry level exams to gain employment in a major corporation. Thirty-five percent test at seventh grade level or below in arithmetic," according to Raychem Corporation spokesperson Michal Mendelsohn.

The effect this will have on Cañada will be the need for more remedial classes here.

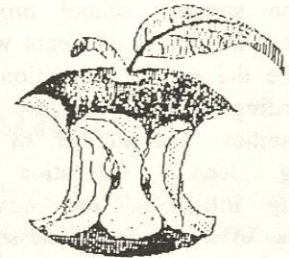
Stanford Professor, Micheal Kirst, said, "National testing is the answer to our low education standards in education. If applying for a job, just turn in test scores and that will determine qualifications."

Georgi La Berge, Redwood City Mayor and former Cañada student said, "I am skeptical of national testing. There are students who score poorly in one area, but excel in other areas."

Another proposed solution to the problem is to encourage corporations to contribute to schools by giving incentives like tax credits. The corporations that contribute now will continue, and the incentives will recruit new corporations to donate to our schools.

La Berge said, "Unfortunately, the fact is the community will have to raise funds locally until the State can restructure the way it handles funding for education."

Assemblyman Ted Lempert is very distressed about the education crisis. "Education is everyone's responsibility. The crisis will not be resolved until there is unity between local and state governments, and the community."



Colts Stand Strong in NorCals

By Joe Zamagni

The Cañada Colts baseball team headed by coach Mike Garcia has made it to the "great eight". They are one of eight teams remaining in Northern California to play for a bid to the State Championship. Sophomore leaders Gary McNamara, Billy Bulanti, Mike Ruane, James Walkvist, Jason Talavs, Donovan Sinton, and Jim Mercurio have led the way the entire year. Not to be forgotten are freshmen Tim O'Brien, Brian Nelson, and Greg Baldwin who aided in big ways also. It has been a team effort the entire year and with one more big push, the Colts could have a chance to win the state title.

After a disappointing second place finish in league, the Colts were ranked 12th in NorCals and would have to travel for their NorCal series. They were matched up with fourth ranked Consumnes River of Sacramento. The Colts knew they were in for a tough fight, but with the calm, cool coaching style of Mike Garcia, he was able to keep the Colts in the right frame of mind and help the Colts capture the victory in Sacramento.

The series was a best two out of three and both teams matched their number one pitchers for the first game. James Walkvist threw very well and held Consumnes River to four runs

over six and a third innings. The Colts were highlighted by Bertland Watson, Billy Bulanti, and Tony Edeyan, all picking up key hits in the game. Going into the ninth, the game was tied at five. Brian Nelson, the ace reliever for the Colts, was on the mound. He came in the game in the seventh inning and was a little tired by the ninth. He let in the winning run with two outs. The Colts had their backs against a wall.

With a good night's rest and clean slate the Colts sent Jason Talavs out to the mound. Jason threw very well, and although getting hit hard the Colts

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Courses Set for Summer

By Suzanne Whitney

Summertime is quickly approaching and those who intend to continue their studies in summer school have until June 27th to enroll in the course of their choice. Summer school classes will be the same as they always have been with the exception of certain courses which had to be dropped as a result of budget cuts and other classes which have become additions to the curriculum. In addition, since the state's educational budget is affecting every public college in the state, many four-year universities will no longer be offering General Education courses. As a result, many classes in these areas at community colleges may become crowded in the future.

The summer school program is targeted at transfer students who need to take the general education classes. According to John Friesen, Dean of Humanities "the number of students taking General Education courses heavily influences the number of courses offered." These classes are far more expensive at the universities and may not be offered at schools such as San Jose State University next year. San Jose State will cut 500 sections, many of these General Education courses.



In the Humanities area the summer program is the same as last summer's according to Friesen. All classes that were cut were classes that had low enrollments last summer. Only one English 100 course will be offered during the day because a great deal of writing will be required and it is a very intensive four-day a week course.

For those who enroll in a language course, it will be an intensive seven-hour, four-day week. According to Friesen "it is an excellent opportunity for a student to get a year's worth of study in a foreign language in six weeks and an excellent way to learn a foreign language." For students who do well on a fast track, it is an excellent way to finish up their degree requirements in a short period of time.

Dr. H. Grace Adams, Dean of Business/Social Sciences Division stated that the same amount of courses offered this summer were offered last summer. For the summer schedule, there will be three new tourism classes which relate to the railroads. "Domestic Rail A-Z and International Rail A-Z" are all new courses which teach the students how to book passages on railroads and techniques for booking tours around the world.

In the business area, a new course entitled "Small Business Problem Solving" will be offered. Students enrolled in this class will manage the new student cafe which will open within the next two weeks. For any student who wants to manage a small business, this is the course to take. Two new computer courses entitled "Macintosh Skills I and II" provide hands-on instruction with the Macintosh II CX computer for office workers now in the new MacLab.

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Comedy in the Flex

By Daniel Trecroci

The Cañada Drama Department will wind down its Spring semester line up of shows when it presents "The Voice of the Turtle", a romantic comedy by John Van Druten, staged in the college's Flex Theater between May 30 and June 8 on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

Director William Kenney brings an impressive line up of past shows with him including, "Waiting For Godot", "Right You Are", "Merchant of Venice" and "My Fair Lady". Kenney has assembled what he describes as an excellent cast for the play that deals with the love affair of a New York City actress and a World War II GI that evolves over a series of conversations in three days when the GI is stood up by the actress's best friend.

The play will feature the husband and wife team of Catie and Bill Shinnick in the roles of Sally and Bill, where Kathleen Pistorio is slated for the role of Olive.

Kenney feels that "Turtle" will have an appeal to almost anyone who comes to see the show because it is almost like a situation comedy of sorts with the gags and humor that exist even though it is set in the 1940's World War II era. At the suggestion of Kenney, the comedic side of the show should not overshadow the show's latent serious nature.

"The message of this show says that we should often dare to take the chance to fall in love after we have been hurt. Both characters have been hurt by love affairs."

Assisting Kenney with the production will be Kevin Wilson, Kristie Farishon, and Kris Hulén. Mike Walsh will be the technical director and Kate Irving will organize the costuming. Tickets for the production are \$6 general, and \$5 for students/seniors.

E.I. Recognizes Students

By Betty Smith

The English Institute will be sponsoring their Second Annual Recognition Award Ceremony on Thursday, May 23, 1991, in Cañada's main theater. The first ceremony will be at 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. and the second ceremony will be at 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. There will be a potluck meal following each event.

Alice Dragan, who is a part-time English Institute Instructor, says that the purpose of the celebration is to recognize the students. She says that the students work very hard, they make the dean's list, and the majority of them maintain a perfect attendance. She also says that most of them obtain employment daily after classes. Dragan says she is very proud of all the student's success in the four semester program, and they really do deserve their own day.

Dragan says last year some 200 awards were given out at the awards ceremony for perfect attendance alone. She says awards will be handed out to students who are receiving AS and AA degrees along with the students who are completing certificated courses. She says students who are finishing up the English Institute program and going into regular native speaking classes will be receiving awards also. Dragan added that some of the students will be receiving community service awards for working on campus, perfect attendance awards, outstanding students awards, along with the Latin American-Club Scholarships. Dragan says that there will be a few formal Cañada nonnative speakers as guests, who have already finished the program and have gone on to San Jose State and San Francisco State, to further

their education. Dragan also adds that the students will be supplying the food and entertainment for the potluck. This celebration is open to the public. For more information contact Ms. Alice Dragan 365-8364 or Ms. Alicia Aguirre 306-3412 in Bld. 13-122.



Spring Faire Heats Up Canada

By Daniel Trecroci

The Associated Students of Cañada College sponsored their annual Spring Faire, May 14-16 on the college's frisbee lawn. Decorated with hundreds of students' bodies stretched out conversing with one another, there was indeed the unity that was anticipated.

"Everything was great", stated Lois Cunningham, Sociology instructor, and affiliate of the ASCC. "I saw strong unity amongst the students and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves."

Cunningham could be seen dishing out hamburgers for the Cañada College booster club along with several other vendors that ranged for Pat Milburn and his array of colorful baggie pants, a jewelry booth that contained both stone and gold gems, 60's style shirts, top quality leather sporting bags, and a collection of computer books and periodicals.

"Business went pretty good, better than I expected it to" stated Valerie Hanepen who worked at one of the tables.

On Tuesday there was street dancing with Barbara Delaney that featured students from Heather School which is Cañada's adopt-a-school. Wednesday featured the modern rock band Dharma Front which played and was received well by a large number of students.

"They were really good, I was surprised. I would actually pay to see them in concert," stated Raul Ayala, Dharma Front's newest fan.

Thursday featured a dance demonstration with Cheryl McNamara's dance class, plus live music with Four-Play, a local band from Redwood City.

Megan Centis, who danced with the troupe of Cañada dancers, said there was a "good reception from a relatively low number of students."

One student was quoted as saying that the Spring Faire didn't live up to its expectations calling it a "pathetic attempt to put life into the students. that the event was "good" and that "in order to get stronger social unity among

the students at this college in the future perhaps we should have more of these events."

IRIGOYEN WINS BIG!

On May 8th, Fermin Irigoyen, member of the current student government and CAL-SAAC regional chairman for our region, won the presidential election by a 118 vote margin.

Ahmed Darwiche, current president on the student government stated, "Most people go after a position like this just for the title, Fermin is not that kind of person."

Darwiche added that the combination of Irigoyen and new vice-president Maryam Mashhom will provide a good working atmosphere to serve the campus community.

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scored runs for him and kept him in the game. Home runs hit by Bertland Watson and Gary McNamara sparked the Colts. The game came down to the ninth inning once again. With the game tied at nine Billy Bulanti stepped up to the plate with two out and two runners on. With a two and one count he hit a home run over the left field wall to spark the Colts win. It would now come down to the third and deciding game.

The Colts were in a good situation for two reasons. They had the momentum going their way and they had a far superior pitcher on the mound in Jim Mercurio. As stated the far superior pitching won the game. Mercurio went eight and two thirds, allowing four runs, all in the ninth inning. The colts offense also pounded out hit after hit bringing six runs across which proved to be more than enough. Gary McNamara came on to record the last out and let the celebration begin.

The Colts now find themselves in the semifinals, but in a very tough bracket. With Chabot, Delta, Cañada, and a tough Fresno team, the Colts have a grueling road ahead. The Colts open up with Fresno and the rest remains to be seen. With the way the Colts work and feel it is going to be tough to beat them. With Mike Garcia in the dugout and the talent the Colts have, a State Championship is right ere for the Colts to grab.

LATE SPORTS

Cañada advanced in the regional tournament Friday with an upset 3-1 win over Fresno.

The Colts season ended the next day, however, as a double loss on May 18 put them out of the tourney.

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There is a new class entitled "Burda Patterns" where students will fit patterns and construct garments from the new European approach to fit. Another new class included in Home Economics is "Sewing Pillows" where students will be able to evaluate suitable fabrics for various pillow types.

Courses included under Interior Design include "Presentation of Techniques" and "Rendering" which are courses designed to teach students new ways of developing and making presentations with different media such as glass, metal, fabrics, textures and others. "Barrier-Free Access" is a new course designed to show the student how to design the electrical, mechanical, and acoustical space for people with special needs with an emphasis placed upon the kitchen and bathroom. Another new course which teaches the student how to draw a residential reflected ceiling plan and understand sources of residential fixtures on the market is entitled "Reflected Ceiling Plans."

Students enrolled in the Paralegal Program can get updates of all the new laws passed in 1990 in "Family Law" and "Litigation/Discovery" which will be offered in two full-day Saturday classes.

Cañada will continue to offer classes at San Francisco Mart and Contract Center. All students considering enrolling in Summer School can register by telephone up until June 13th and should do so beginning on May 30th. Remember that there will a fewer number of classes offered in the general education area and there might be a higher enrollment as a result of their budget cuts taking place at all California colleges, so register early.



Future Bright for Ballplayers

By Nicole Burleson

The Cañada Colts are running up the rungs of successes ladder this year. With a 21-9 record the Colts played with the best the weekend of May 18th in the NorCal finals.

The team is doing exceptionally well this year, passing up last year's fourth place slot. This success is due to many talented players on the Colt's team. Most all of the sophomores are looking toward a playing future at a four year university. The college recruiters are out and decisions are being made.

Catcher Matt Hansen is looking at Washington State or the University of Tennessee. Infielder Billy Bulanti is also considering Washington State with University of Hawaii also a possibility.

Outfielder Gary McNamara is heading toward Fresno State or Pepperdine. Bertland Watson will most likely go straight into the pros.

Pitcher Jim Mercurio has already received a scholarship from University of Pacific. Pitchers Jason Talavas and James Wallkvist are looking at Loyola, Marymount or Sacramento State, Longbeach State or Cal Fullerton respectively.

From the six years Head Coach Mike Garcia has been at Cañada, he has had seven of his players go on to play professional ball, including Moses Alou who was the #1 draft pick for the Pittsburgh Pirates.

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Student senator positions will be filled by Shaq Hovsepian, Praveen Khilnani, and Ahtossa Piroozfar.

Along with the position that were filled, a proposal to change the existing constitution was also on the ballot. The proposal passed by a 62% yes vote to a 14% no tally.