

Curtis 'Back in the Saddle'

By Kellee Hartman

Students who have been at Cañada for awhile may have been wondering where our highly respected and talented Drama guru, Bob Curtis, has been for the last year. Mr. Curtis took his sabbatical last spring and toured theatre centers in New York, Los Angeles, Dallas, and Washington D.C.. He then spent a semester with a group of Cañada students at the Kensington-High Street campus in London teaching Drama, Shakespeare, Introduction to Theatre, and Literature. Much to our delight, Curtis is back on campus and has brought his usual abundance of effervescent enthusiasm with him (not to mention his trademark cowboy boots!)

Bob Curtis, a native Texan whose drawl still surfaces every once in a while, received his B.A. and M.A. at San Francisco State University, but was enamored with the stage long before he ever took his S.A.T.'s. He recalls his high school performance in Eugene O'Neill's "Where the Cross is Made" as the most memorable and the one that got him hooked. Although it wasn't necessarily his finest performance, it was the first time it "all came together" for him; everything just "clicked," and he knew and felt what it was to truly be an actor.

Curtis had the opportunity to share this experience and open up the world of the Theatre to many students while in



Bob Curtis (left)

London in the Fall. Most of them had not had any previous experience as actors, and Europe offered a variety and a richness that everyone could appreciate. For Curtis, the trip was a chance to introduce many young people to an art that he loves, and to greatly enrich his teaching.

This semester, Curtis is quite busy

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College V.P. To Step Down

The soon to be ex-vice president of Cañada sees himself as an evolutionary existentialist.

Jack Greenalch, the man in question, will be leaving Cañada's administration staff to return to the ranks. On July 31, he will be reinstated by the board of trustees as a teacher and a counselor.

Greenalch is looking forward to the move. After twelve years as a dean and a V. P., he wants to get closer to the people he has been pulling for from the other end of the academic structure. Greenalch is hoping to carry nine units teaching philosophy and religious studies plus six units counseling.

His greatest contribution to Cañada as V. P. and Redwood City as mayor has been being "The person I am." An existential but accurate thing to say. Greenalch prides himself on his integrity and fairness at school and in his duties as mayor. He sees our college, with its racial and economic diversity, as a microcosm of our state. He wants to focus on the individuals at our school to help support the whole community.

We can all look forward to continuing contributions to the people we can be from the man who is who he is.

East Palo Alto Is a 'City Under Siege'

By Christine Talbott

We have observed Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday and are now observing Black History month. We should have the opportunity to observe Black History in the making in our own neighborhood. In 1950, East Palo Alto had 2,000 residents and almost none were black. With the 50's came the block busting real estate agents and by 1960, 3,000 of the 15,000 residents were black. In 1966, blacks became the majority on the town board, three to two. In 1970, of the 17,800 residents, 10,800 were black. Today 63.5% of the 18,850 residents of E.P.A. are black and 13.5% are Hispanic.

It would almost seem like victory but the growth of the city that boomed with the 60's civil rights movement is doomed by the standards of the economic eighties. The

minority district of our culture is plagued by the usual institutional racism. LaDoris Cordell, a Santa Clara Superior Court judge who was a practicing lawyer in E.P.A. from 1977 to 1982, tells the San Jose Mercury News, "East Palo Alto was the bastard child of San Mateo County. It was not taken seriously. It was seen as a thorn in the side of the county." Because the zeal of the 60's and funding from the Reagan administration has dried up, as the Mercury News suggests, or because of the obsolete housing and segregated schools (e.g. Ravenswood, which is now closed, a victim of busing) the city is under siege.

New proposals to incorporate E.P.A. seem too late in coming. Now the city that was thrown into turmoil by block busting is being blamed for the situation they find

themselves in today. The powers that be seemed to recognize the mistake made by pushing a ghetto on to a valuable piece of property on the peninsula. Flanked by Palo Alto and Menlo Park, two strong political and economic cities, E.P.A. doesn't stand a chance. The reasons given for taking control of this fledgling city are all clichés. The drug traffic, and the fact that the blacks that have risen to middle classdom have not stayed in the black community are old lame excuses. Drugs are not just a major problem in E.P.A., but a problem all over the peninsula. Just the expectation that blacks are obligated to "Take care of their own" shows separatism, as if I am my brother's keeper only if he is my color.

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— president's corner —

What's New This Spring

Spring Semester, 1989, is a busy time for Cañada College. The College is planning a number of staff activities as a result of AB 1725 Staff Development requirements and funding. The College will receive approximately \$23,000 to develop a number of workshops for faculty, staff, and administrators, activities which have been suggested in surveys completed by all segments of the Cañada staff.

The Staff Development Advisory Committee, required by AB 1725, is made up of the faculty Governing Council, the Administrative Council, the President of the Classified Council, and two additional classified staff members. The Committee has approved a Human Resources Development Plan for Spring, 1989. Another such plan will be developed for 1989-90, when additional funds will become available.

The many Matriculation activities continue. A progress report on Matriculation and the implementation of AB 1725 will be given to faculty members on March 1 in back-to-back meetings on that day.

Another new development is the instructional use of the old 49er facility in Redwood City. Cañada will offer a short course in Adaptive P.E. in the facility this Spring. After the site has been restored, other Adaptive P.E. courses can be offered there, which will be very attractive to seniors at the Veterans Memorial Senior Center across the street. It looks as if Barbara McCarthy's Adaptive P.E. program is about to expand.

We will also offer a number of basic skills courses to Raychem employees this Spring and hope to expand those offerings into specialized areas in the future.

Finally, some interesting new courses have been developed. Among them is a course in International Politics to be taught by Ted Reller. This course will not only allow students to delve into politics on an international level but the course will also satisfy the Critical Thinking General Education requirement. We also plan some new courses in Kitchen and Bath Design, Sports Psychology, as well as some interesting changes in Certificate Core requirements in various programs. It will be an interesting Spring.

—Robert Stiff, President

ASCC Plans Many Activities

This semester brings many Associated Students of Cañada activities on campus. Starting off, the ASCC is planning Black History Week for Feb. 21-24, along with Open House in the Health and Psychological Services in Bldg. 5.

This event, with others to come, are made possible through the cooperation of the student government, administration, faculty, and clubs. More important is the participation of students at these events.

"The students of this generation seem to be not as active or vocal about issues, like I used to see on campus during the '60s & '70s," Lois Cunningham points out. "Our goal is to stimulate and develop campus life through the events."

Cunningham is the faculty advisor & Activities Coordinator for the student government. She teaches sociology and admits that this is her priority.

"What the college needs is a full time activities director. Someone who can be organized, creative, and, most importantly, committed to the job."

This is not the only problem. Cunningham states that the student population changes and, with Cañada being a primarily two year college, the development of leadership is a constant cycle. She sees many positive aspects also. "I have never been in a faculty community that has shown more concern about each other and for their students than here at Cañada."

Cunningham reports that the ASCC has recently requested the use of money from a grant to be directed to the purchase of a new wide-screen T.V., VCR, and a P.A. system for the cafeteria. This will offer special programming, movies, and public address announcements, directly helping achieve the Cañada student awareness goal. The ASCC is expecting the district's decision regarding this request by Spring Break. If approved, Cañada may see it functional by the end of Summer.

This positive direction, combined with the participation of students and faculty, could make a major impact in the education and level of awareness on campus.

Co-op Education Works For Students

Co-op-er-ate; To work together toward a common cause. The Cooperative Education Program at Cañada College works together with students to promote a learning environment on the job while gaining valuable academic units for use toward transfer or an Associate degree.

A one - hour orientation seminar, a friendly visit to the workplace by a faculty member, and four mail-in worksheets are all that is required to earn up to four credits per semester.

Regardless of the occupation held, any day or evening student can participate. A series of measurable goals are agreed upon by the working students and their regular, immediate supervisors. These are then worked out into a written set of specific objectives that are then accomplished and tracked by the mail-in worksheets.

For example, a bartender could set "greater efficiency behind the bar" and "improved customer relations" as goals. He would then, over the course of the semester, devise specific actions to succeed, like moving the wine glasses closer to the wine, and starting a list of customer names. By working together with supervisors in this way, most students will increase job skills and performance, while improving communication with the boss.

Assistance in registration and more details can be obtained at the Cooperative Education office located in Bldg. 5, Rm. 207C or by calling Renee Moresco at 364-1212, ext., 367. A representative is also on hand in the cafeteria throughout the registration period.

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Auditions for the Cañada drama department's second production of the semester are March 13, 14, and 15 at 7 p.m. in the Flexible Theatre.

The play, Arthur Miller's The Creation of the World and Other Business, will be directed by Bob Curtis.

Creation is a highly unique comedy featuring God, Satan, several angels, and the First Human Family engaged in conflict and compromise attempting to muddle through to harmony and understanding.

For further information: Bob Curtis in Bldg. 3 room 211, or the Humanities Division office in Bldg. 3 room 205.

Colts Earn Top Ranking

By Mike Urban

Quick! Who's the #1 JC basketball team in Northern Cal?

First of all, if you don't know, get outta town, man! You've probably got a few of them in some of your classes. That's right, the Cañada College Colts are currently the best team in NorCal, and according to the polls, there are only two teams in the entire state that are better.

The trouble is, there's this group of thugs up at Skyline that keep winning as well, so the Colts aren't even a lock to win the Coast Conference title and break Skyline's incredible string of eight straight titles or shared titles (they shared it last year with Cañada).

But if last week's trouncing of perennial contender DeAnza is any indication, the Colts are definitely hitting on all cylinders. The Colts dominated the contest from start to finish and sent the hopeful Dons home with their playoff thoughts drowned in a sea of green Cañada baseball jackets.

Center Scott McDonald got the Colts off to a quick start by scoring 8 of his game-high 26 points in the opening minutes as the Dons were busy trying to adjust to the nasty pressure defense so skillfully orchestrated by Coach Al Klein and his assistant Darrell Barbour.

As guards Marcus Rodriguez and Jim Stockwell patiently worked the ball around to create easy shots, the lead was up to ten only seven minutes into the game, which is right about when the ominous green cloud known as the baseball team came charging in to lend their support, prompting a standing ovation from the players on Cañada's bench.

"Right when those guys came in," said Stockwell after the game, "we looked at each other and thought, 'Game over.'"

Indeed it was, as the fired up Colts pumped the lead up to 20 within the next six minutes and went into halftime with a commanding 19-point lead.

The second half was only more of the same as McDonald and Reggie Mixon dominated inside play and the swarming

Colt press forced several costly turnovers for the Dons.

And when they weren't turning the ball over, they were being verbally harassed into missing free throws by the unbelievably loud rooting section across from the Colt bench. Despite Coach Klein's constant pleading to calm down, the fans remained in their frenzied state throughout the game, with Gary Mota, a Colt outfielder, leading fight songs, claps, and chants with his musical cheese grater. And contrary to popular belief, not once were the supporting group even warned about a possible technical foul, which apparently is what Klein was worried about.

Back on the court, the Colts methodically put the Dons away in spectacular fashion, with 3-pointers, dunks, and re-



lentless rebounding by McDonald, Mixon, and Fine Lauese.

With the emotional victory under their belts and the following Saturday's victory over Hartnell, the Colts were looking to the much awaited clash of the titans as Skyline comes to "The House" this Wednesday night. By press time the game will already be over, but look for the special Colt Playoff Spectacular in the next edition of the Gazette.

Until then, get your butt out there! This is a team that truly deserves some support. Word.

Bowling Moves To District

After years of work and genuine devotion, Bub Bowling has decided to leave Cañada College.

On Feb. 7, Bowling, Basic & Applied Science Division Director, left his position of five years to accept the rank of Asst. Chancellor for the San Mateo Community College District.

His new placement focuses on employee relations and will take him to each community college campus in this district.

"He saw this as an opportunity for growing professionally," said Judy Smith, Bowling's former secretary. "He will be doing basically what he's been doing here at Cañada, only on a larger scale. Bub knows how to listen to people. He has an understanding. His door was always open for students and teachers in need. He loves Cañada and was always hoping to help the school. And in this way, he has his chance."

Ross Westover is the temporary replacement as Science Division Chairman. The Administration hopes to find a new candidate for permanent replacement by June.

"In the meantime," Smith adds, "it will be a difficult time of adjustment. We will all miss him."

Golf Team Wins Tournament

Cañada's Golf Team held to its impressive record by returning victorious from the 54-hole tournament hosted by Cañada and played over 3 days at Menlo, Del Rio, and Silverado Country Clubs. The individual winner of the tournament was a newcomer to Cañada's Golf Team, Thomas Ljung from Sweden, who finished with a score of 232.

Cañada's Golf Team swept past its opponents by 33-strokes with the following team totals: Cañada 1,217; Modesto 1,250; and Napa 1,262.

The flight challenges, which pit the #1 ranked player of one team against the #1 ranked player of the opposing team on down through the #6 ranked player, concluded with the following winners: Eric Kuchherzki (C) 238, Cameron MacKenzie (C) 248, Matt Ochs (N) 248, Thomas Ljung (C) 232, Joel Bishop (M) 246, and Steve Lochrie (C) 254.

Although the team has lost two very talented veteran players from last semester's championship team, Jerry Drever, Cañada's Golf Coach, feels that the two freshman players, Thomas Ljung and Eric Kuchherzki are "very promising" additions to the team.

Cañada To Be 'Smoke Free'?

On February 22nd, the board of trustees will be voting on a new smoking initiative for Cañada. Basically, if passed, this would make Cañada a non-smoking campus. We asked some students how they felt about the initiative.

Teresa Boynton, an ex-smoker for three years: "I can see it in my own house, but this (Cañada) in a public place."

Fumiko Nagaro, who has never smoked: "Smoke doesn't bother me. Most of my friends smoke. I think they should get to stay inside. The Japanese smoke

because they have a lot of stress."

Hector Arevalo, who has been attending Cañada for seven months and smokes: "It is discrimination against smoking people. This (cigarette) pollution is better than the cars. Cigarette smoke is from burning natural plants. Non-smokers are affected but not as bad as from cars and industry."

Cartanula Brooks, who smokes: "Why should we be put out in the cold? It sepa-

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bleacher features

A Poem for Coach Al Klein:

By Mike Urban

Where, oh, where would your band of men be,
Without the support of the Colt baseball team?

We get pumped up and fired up
And cheer your team on,
Yet you come to us screaming
Like we're in the wrong.

You've shown us up in front of the crowd
And tried to bring us down,
When what you fail to realize
Is its you that looks like a clown.

Your faithful assistant coach loves us
As does your superstar team,
So why, oh, why Mr. Klein
Are you constantly acting so mean?

See, your absence at our games is noted
What I write is not a mere fable,
And I wonder how it would make your men feel
If we all took offense and turned tables.

There would be no more loud and boisterous din
Would your team rather hear the drop of a pin?

It seems to us all, my homeys and me
That your attitude isn't quite right,
Especially now that the playoffs are near
And you'll need us night after night.

Wouldn't it be a shame,
'Cause your team knows it won't be the same
And it'd all be on you to pump up your crew,
And why? 'Cause you strayed from the GAME!

Sure, there'd still be ol' Earnhardt,
And Crockett and Gless and some others,
But their motivational powers combined
Barely rival the waterboys' mothers.

We don't run over and suggest substitutions,
That's your job and that's why we respect you,
So please don't try to control our emotions,
We're deep and we know what to do!

Obviously you didn't see it this way, but you embarrassed us;
Tony and me,
But worst of all was the way that you yelled
At quiet and calm Bobby P.

Both you and him know he's helped you,
And that is the thanks that he gets?
I suggest you be wise ... and apologize,
If you want more City boys filling nets.

In conclusion I say: Al, leave us alone,
We're not just a wild, drunken herd
We go to support you and your band of men,
So just chill ... damn! Word.

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rates us. Restaurants have a smoking section."

Angie Dejaving, an ex-smoker for six years: "It is a habit and a fashion. It starts as a curiosity. I used to smoke and don't like it. I personally don't care."

Jill Oeullette, an ex-smoker for two weeks: "Smokers' tax dollars pay for this campus too. There has got to be another

way to solve this problem."

Gerardo Avino, smoker: "Everyone has a right. Smokers need a place where they don't hurt others. They (Cañada's trustees) should make a place for smokers. The best thing to do is to quit. It (smoking) is a stupid thing to do; though I'm not stupid, the reality is different because I smoke."

Miyuki Yamazaki, an ex-smoker who

just quit: "I think it is a kind of discrimination. There should be no segregation."

Christine Soenksen, an ex-smoker for seven years: "There should be a smoking area. People who smoke know how bad it is for them."

Frederick Morton, a smoker twenty-two years "too long": "Why not? It will inconvenience us smokers, so maybe we will quit."

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teaching Drama classes and lab workshops. He is also the founder and director of Tuesday Theatre, a performance group that presents monologues, scenes, and one act plays at various locations on the peninsula. The group is not limited to students in his Drama classes, and will be operating in full swing in the next few weeks. Mr. Curtis will also be directing Cañada's production of Arthur Miller's "Creation of the World and Other Business" in March.

With his hectic teaching schedule, Mr. Curtis has not had the time recently to do much performing himself. This does not seem to bother him, since he enjoys being behind the scenes, or better yet, in front of the scenes, as much as he enjoys being on stage. To be involved with the performers,

as well as the lighting, blocking, and other aspects of directing, is to fully experience the production of the play. Curtis directs very little musical theatre, and admits that singing is not his forte. In a chorus lineup you'd see only the top of his head! (Get it? He'd be in back!)

While observing Bob Curtis in one of his Tuesday or Thursday lab workshops, one cannot help but be amazed by his energy and dedication to his students. Through his insight and guidance, the scenes being performed by actors of all levels of ability and experience, seem to evolve, develop, and come to life. The relationship between Curtis and his students seems to be one of trust and mutual respect, and both obviously enjoy their work. For more information regarding audition and

performance dates, consult your Spring catalogue or contact the Humanities Dept., ext. #336.

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The cross burnings of the Ku Klux Klan in E.P.A. were more visual but the racism-between-the-lines of our local government policies are just as responsible for exacting a toll on pluralism. It seems to me we have a classic cycle of black history in our own back yard. It will be interesting to note the continuation of this cycle. Maybe our small society will break through to brotherhood, and maybe I'm being naive to think it possible to hope but "Hope deferred maketh the heart sick," Proverbs XIII, 12.