# S SENTINEL 

Station goes off the air Floods drown KFJC waves


Water spouts from KFJC's roof.
Photo by Dave Wallick

## Auction to finance Fanfairs travels

By SHELLEY SIEGEL
Before the auction, Fanfairs On Feb. 22, the Foothill will give a gree concert to preFanfairs will be holding an auc- view music they plan to perform tion to help raise funds for their on tour. European tour this July.

Donations are still needed and anyone wanting to donate Some of the items to be auc- goods or services to the auction, tioned are: computer and electri- please contact Nile Norton in cal equipment, wine, restaurant A-80. dinners, gift certificates and trips to Mexico.

The auction will take place


Craig Penley thanks doctor at El Camino Hospital emergency unit.

By LORI RENO
The recent heavy rainstorms have dealt a double blow of misfortune to radio station KFJC's Foothill campus studio.
"We've been off the air since late Friday morning, Feb. 14," reports station general manager Robert Zepernick.

The coaxial cable connected to the transmitter tower has been damaged by the storm. The bad weather has prevented im-
mediate inspection and repairs. To add unsult to injury, Zepernick reports that "the whole downstairs, our production and master studios, have been flooded. Over the weekend staff members were attempting to hold water back using sandbags, outdated program guides, any thing."
"At one point there was water standing throughout the entire downstairs, what we call
'the pit'" says Zepernick. "It looks like the carpeting, which was installed just a couple of years ago, will be ruined." Zepernick predicts that the station will be back on the air by the end of this week
"Right now we're at a standstill until the transmitter is functioning. Cost of replacing the coaxial cable could be around $\$ 1,000$ or as much as $\$ 5,000$.'

## High school orientation planned for Foothill

## Black leader to speak

Foothill College will hold a special orientation, in conjunction with Black History Month, for high school seniors of Afri can-American background on Thursday, Feb. 27, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Campus Center.
Judge LaDoris Cordell will speak on "Moving the Dream Forward" at a luncheon that will begin at $11: 30 \mathrm{a}$.

Foothill and De Anza College students are invited to attend the luncheon.
Cordell is a graduate of Stanford Law School. In 1983, she was appointed to the Santa Clara County Municipal Court, making her the first Black woman judge in Northern California. She was elected Presiding Judge of the Santa Clara County Municipal Court for the 1985-86 term.
She was featured twice in Ebony Magazine and twice nominated for the "Black Enterprise Magazine Annual Achievement Award" in the "Under 30" cate gory. She is listed in "Who's Who in California," "Who's Who in American Law," "Who's Who Among Black Americans," and "Who's Who in the United States."


## Running down stairs causes accident

## Haste wastes student

By RHONI GILKEY
Two fire trucks, an ambulance and a police car, all with red lights flashing, convened at the entrance to Foothill College on Feb. 11, following a report that a student had been injured.

That student was Craig Penley, 20, currently a business administration major in his first year at Foothill
Penley's last class ended at $12: 15$ p.m. but he lost a few minutes as he talked with friends while crossing the Campus, he said.

In order to make up the time and arrive at his eye therapy appointment in downtown Los Altos as close to 12.30 p.m. a possible, he took the stairs down to the parking lot on the run. He said, "All went well until after I
crossed the road halfway down the hill. Then a stumble sent one ankle twisting under me with the sound of a pop." Shortly afterwards the other ankle suffered a similar fate as he jumped regain his balance, he explained.
Penley said his first thought was that he had broken both ankles. "The intense pain was a good clue that a lot of damage had been done," he said
Santa Clara Valley paramedics rushed him to El Camino Hospital where X-rays showed torn ligaments in both ankles, with a chipped bone in the left one, he reported.
Now, with both legs in casts and healing time estimated at learning to get around Penley is
es and expects to return to classes as soon as transportation back and forth is arranged, he said. The missed eye appointment has not as yet been rescheduled.

Penley said he was very impressed by the care and coopera tion given by the fire depart ment personnel and paramedics.

Firefighter, Lt. John Ford, on duty at the El Monte station on Campus, complimented Penley. "He handled the whole situation very well - a real super guy. He appeared to be in excellent physical condition. Guess it was just a fluke accident." "It just wasn't my day," philosophized Penley.

He had advice for other students: "Don't run down the stairs. It could happen again."

EDITORIAL

## The true essence of Presidents' Birthday holidays

Now that we're back in the groove, what do you think of those so-called President's Birthday holidays? Don't they seem to pale in significance now that they've been "adjusted" to dates which are more convenient to the bureaucracy? As a result, there is even less recognition of the men they are supposedly intended to honor. Did any one of you find a meaningful way to reflect upon Lincoln's courage on Valentine's Day this year? In an attempt, I created a card for my sweetheart, combining a black construction paper profile of Honest Abe (as public education has faithfully taught me to depict him) with a lace-trimmed shiny red heart. It was not a pretty sight.

Washington's "birthday" on Monday was also a washout. Not only was there the all-day roof leak struggle, but the fact that I couldn $t$ muster the 254 candles necessary for George's cake because the neighborhood market was closed in observance of the holiday.
Washington's and Lincoln's birthdays have lost their pizazz as far as national holidays are concerned. What we need is a nationwide all-out "Best Presidents Day," a chance for every citizen to rave for their favorites. I'd get right on the bandwagon for Thomas Jefferson in an instant; now there was a man!

We could utilize all the typically American salutes to our heroes (and future heroines). We could have T-shirts with a president's face on the front and a summary biography on the back, in the manner of, say, a Grateful Dead World Tour shirt. What could be more American than Chief Executive T-shirts?
We could have The Presidents Collectors Series Trading Cards, a spinoff from the baseball card market. What a concept, if Americans would devote even half the memory cells now committed to baseball statistics, to memorizing presidential track records instead!

The game of trading to complete the entire set would be an education in itself. "Hey, what'll you give me for a Richard Milhous Nixon?" "Some good advice, flush it."

Perhaps best of all, we could have an "extra" holiday on the calendar, by consolidating the days now devoted to Lincoln and Washington separately. Let's call it "National Catch-up On . . . Day," because, quite honestly, I think that's how we all used the day, each according to our needs.
What are you going to catch up on next year?
-Lori Reno


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## Letter to the editor

## Football coaching blasted

The Jan 28 issue of the SEN. TINEL carried a cartoon ("Winning isn't everything, nor in your case possible") that I believe has been in the SENTINEL before. I believe that this cartoon propagandizes an old misconception that the Foothill football team is perennially talent poor and any is perenmally trent poor and any coaching staff would lose with the teams that Foothill could
field. This disgusting view has prevailed at this college before, yet nothing could be farther from the truth regarding the 1985 football season.

The coaching personnel hired from Reno [Nevada] were complete failures at offensive planning despite their glorious reputations and their pretty resumes. They whittled down the talent
mindessly and provided bad instruction in July and August when I was enrolled in their summer preparation course. They stammered around at first, so I gave them well-thought advice in an effort to get their brains jump-started. They only misused or ignored my ideas. They had no innovative talent, and they were badly organized They incorrectly told me that I was ineligible to participate competitively, repeatedly citing inappropriate NCAA regulations, while refusing to check GGC [Golden Gate Conference] regulations. Their overall negligence encouraged certain behavioral problems to repeatedly occur.

Head Coach Gene Scattini and his "yes-boy" Marshall Sperbeck were hired because Scattin
managed to snowball hype from his high school career to good effect with Athletic Director Bill Abbey. Bill did nothing to check Gene's actual football knowlege, and I'm not surprised. Bill was a famous loser and excuser of his program for years as head football coach at Foothill before Coach Fairchild's time. He will do nothing but encourage all of us to excuse these new incompetents until they become tenured

Even if you don't have any of these symptoms, we always offer tea, sympathy, and a bed to use for a quick nap when you are not feeling up to par!
Foothill in fact has a great talent base for football, and the team will win with a capable coach.

Bob Gaebler
Foothill Studen

## Ask Elyse

## Cold symptoms

## under examination

QUESTION:
I have been to health services three times and I still have a runny nose, scratchy throat, aches and pains. It has been more than a week. How long do these symptoms last?

ANSWER:
If you are asking me if there is a cure for the common cold and various viral infections which are afflicting so many people in the Bay Area - I have to say, there is no cure.
How long will you stay sick? Some viral infections are over in $24-48$ hours. Many more last 10 days to two weeks. Remember that even after you are "cured" of a virus, you are likely to feel residual aches and somewhat tired.

What can you do to feel better? There are several steps
that you can take to feel better: 1) rest as much as your body needs; 2) drink plenty of fluids starting with clear liquids if your appetite is poor, 3) take Aspirin or Tylenol for aches, pain, or fever; 4) gargle with warm salt water ( $1 / 2 \mathrm{tsp}$. salt to 8 oz . water) or take lozengers for throat discomfort; 5) use a decongestant for a stuffy nose or plugged ears.
You should come to the health office for any of the following symptoms, regardless of any prior visits: 1) temperature over 101 ; 2) severe headaches or pain around your eyes or sinuses; 3) throbbing ear pain; 4) productive cough; 5) wheez ing or chest pain when taking a deep breath; 6) severely swollen glands; or 7) enlarged tonsils that are red or have white spots on them.

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# FEATURES ENTERTAINMENT 

## Erma makes Foothill bearable

By JULIE GRIMSTEAD
If you browse through the Foothill cafeteria, you may notice the smiling face of cafeteria worker Erma Ferrell, otherwise known as "The Bear Lady." Her fellow workers and friends at Foothill call Ferrell "The Bear Lady" because of the hand-made teddy bears she creates and sells.
With a blush she reveals, "I keep the bears all over my couch." Her smile turns into a laugh. "My living room looks like a big playpen!"

Ferrell shapes the face of each bear to express the personality she wants it to have. "I talk to them all the time. It helps me to shape their faces. I just hold them like this [she cuddles the bear like a baby] and begin trimming the fur on their nose. You never know how they'll turn out."

Ferrell says that she doesn't plan the personality of her bears, but instead she expresses what is deep within her as she shapes each individual face, and that becomes the bear's expression.
"The way you feel when you make them is what shows in their expression, and you had better be in a good mood or your bear won't be happy either."
Since she molds the bears according to how she feels, each fuzzy creature she creates is

## unique. <br> Wretched writing rides again <br> Just like the buzzards that recafeteria. She notes a few

turn to Hinckley, Ohio, each spring, the semi-infamous Bul-wer-Lytton Fiction Contest for wretched writing rides again.

The contest honors the memory of Lord Edward Bulwer-Lytton, Victorian literary dwarf and renowned whist player, by seeking the most atrocious opening sentences to the worst possible hypothetical novels conceivable.

From Bulwer-Lytton's prolific pen flowed stupifying novels such as "The Last Days of Pompeii," and enduring cliches like "The pen is mightier than the sword."
Ironically, Bulwer-Lytton's greatest fame may be attributable to a beagle named Snoopy whose prolix prose invariably begins, "It was a dark and stormy night . . . " (a fraction of the opening sentence of Bulwer-Lytton's novel "Paul Clifford").

From such rich compost have blossomed more than 20,000 entries from every state in the Union and nearly 50 foreign lands during the contest's first four years, according to SJSU English Professor Scott Rice, contest founder and self-proclaimed BLFC Gran Panjandrum.

Deadline for entries is April 15, a date synonymous with creative writing in America. Grand Prize is an Apple MacIntosh 512 K

Ferrell designs about three Teddy Bears each weekend, which is when she likes to sew them. "That way I'm relaxed," she says, "and I can make sure that every one is just right." She spends about seven hours on the large bears and five on the smaller ones. The very tiny bears take longer though, because she sews them by hand

The news of Ferrell's sof, furry teddies has spread quickly by word of mouth. She sold 25 by word of mouth. She sold 25
of them between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Her customers even included people living in New York and North Dakota.
She plans to make jointed teddy bears next. "Generally, I can look at something in the store and go home and make it," Ferrell says.
Ferrell constantly uses her creative talent in some craft or project, anywhere from sewing to ceramics.
"I'm an active person," she says, "I like doing just about everything." With a passion for so many activities, you might wonder how she finds the time to be so involved. "There aren't enough hours in the day, not really when you think about it. I don't want to retire for a long time, even though I can now."

Ferrell does keep her life full of action. She works 40 hours a week in the Foothill


Furry friends of Erma Ferrell (who is pictured in the inset).
shes seen while working years. "We food. I know that for sure Also I think even the people we serve are a lot nicer, every single one of them."
"I love working here," she says with enthusiasm. "It's different everyday. Sometimes I
work in the back and sometimes at the cash register." But whereever Ferrell works, she is surrounded by people.
"I really like being with pec ple. You have to like people to work in a job that serves others," she smiles warmly. "It's great to serve people you see regularly
and can get to know as friends." "If you give to others, instead of always taking, you're better off. You get back just what you give to others. When a person is down sometimes you can say the right thing, and it helps to cheer them up. Then when they smile, that makes your day."

## Black History

Month events still to come

By Rhoni glikey
Feb. 24, 12:30 p.m., Library 8Book Talk: James Baldwin's book, "Evidence of Things Not Seen." To be conducted by instructors/counselors Don Dorsey and Harry Saterfield.
Feb. 26, 12:30 p.m., C-31 Black Female/Male Relationships. Dr. Nathan Hare and Julia Hare.
Feb. 27, beginning at 11:30 a.m., Owl's Nest - African American program by black students, noon to 2 p.m. Students $\$ 2.50$; General, $\$ 3.50$. Menu:

Choice of:
Southern Fried Chicken
Barbecued Chicken
Curried Chicken
Choice of:
Potato Salad
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Choice of:
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## FEATURESIENTERTAINMENT

## A student's 'Passage

By DEBORAH SMITH
To many Americans, India is a distant, enigma-filled land of dark-skinned, turbanned men and exotic, sari-clad women, a land flowing with spirituality and swarming with poverty.
But to Foothill student Ashwini Gowariker, India is home, familiar and understandable. "I've been her 67 days," she says. "I'm homesick. I miss my friends but most of all I miss the place, even the dirty little streets."
It is the U.S. that is sometimes bewildering to Gowariker. On her first day in the U.S. she asked for a cup of cocoa at the airport snack bar. She was surprised when she was handed a cup, a straw and a packet of powder.
"I didn't know what to do," Gowariker recalls. "I felt foolish standing in line and studying the instructions on the packet. In India, when you ask for something, a person prepares and serves it to you. Here you have to fix it yourself or go to a machine and push a button."
Named for a star, Ashwini Gowariker was born 20 years ago in Kidderminster, England. Her father, a scientist with the Indian space program, brought the family back to India when Gowariker was two years old.
For the next 18 years, Gowariker lived in Trivandurm, the capital of the state of Kerala on the southern tip of India.
Gowariker's father is currently doing research work at Stanford. Her 17-year-old sister, Kalyani, also attends Foothill and another 15 -year-old sister attends a Palo Alto high school.

## Unlike the Movies

Americans had little contact with India during British colonial rule. Recently, movies about India have sparked American curiosity in the subcontinent. Gowariker feels, however, that the Western media may have created an unrealistic image of her country by focusing on the past and on the extraordinary.
"I saw the James Bond movie, 'Octupussy,' which was filmed in India," Gowariker says. "It was the most amusing thing I've seen since Laurel and Hardy - snake charmers in the streets, a fantastic chase scene in auto-rickshaws, tigers leaping out from everywhere. These things are inconceivable in India."

Films such as "Passage to India" and "Ghandi" are his-torically-based but portray India over 40 years ago. Even documentaries, Gowariker points out, do not convey the many facets of the former "jewel in the crown" because they concentrate on its extremes of wealth and poverty, antiquity and modernity.

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- Ashwini Gowariker
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India is not one homogeneous country but a mosaic of peoples, languages, religions and cultures. Dress, architecture and diet vary from region to region, from city to rural village.

Today India is a republic of 22 states and nine union territories. But for much of its 5,000-year-old history, India was splintered into hundreds of heterogeneous nation-states. Even under British rule, 562 princely states retained semi-autonomous status.

There is no common language in India. Over 200 languages and dialects can be heard within its borders. The Indian constitution, however, only gives official status to English, Hindi and 14 other Indian languages. Gowariker speaks English and one of the four principal Indian languages of southern India. The native languages of her parents, who originate from middle India, are foreign in the south.
"The same word can have different neanings in different languages," Griwaiker says. "The word for flower pot in my mother's native tongue means bottom' in one of the southern languages. The neighbors would always laugh when she said she needed another flower pot."

Centuries of invasions and migrations of peoples from all over Asia and what is now Europe and the Middle East have produced in India one of the most acially diverse populations of the world. There are even greeneyed Indians according to Gowariker.
The people of the south tend to have darker skins and curlier hair than those of northern and middle India. Gowariker is the darkest of her family, but has light brown skin light brown ght brown skin, light brown yes and black, wavy hair.
Hinduism unites 580 million Hinduism unites 580 million
80 percent of Indians but Islam claims 11 percent ( 79 mil lion people) and Christianity another 3 percent ( 31 million). Two percent of the population is Sikh and less than 1 percent are followers of Buddhism or Janism. There are roughly equal numbers of Hindus and Christians in Gowariker's home state, Kerala, with a smaller number of Muslims.

Trivandurm
Trivandurm is a hilly town of
about 500,000 people. Gowariker describes it as a typical small city in India, not as cosmopoli$\tan$ as Bombay or other major Indian cities nor as primitive as the rural villages where about 70 percent of the population lives.
"There are streets in Trivandurm that are so narrow," Gowariker says, "only one car can pass at a time." Traffic jams are often caused by dawdling cows which claim and receive the right of way because of their sacred status in the

Hindu religion.
Homeless, jobless people also wander along the streets of Trivandurm. "There is immense poverty in India," Gowariker says. "The government has done a lot to help the poor but labor there is so cheap and plentiful."

Since achieving independence in 1947, the Indian government has made much progress in education, health and social services, according to Gowariker. Programs have been established to build roads, dams, hydroelectric plants and irrigation systems.


Long-term projects to introduce modern farming techniques and promote industrialization are underway.

But India remains a predominantly agricultural country ra vaged by droughts and floods and faced with feeding an ever growing population of over 725 million.

Gowariker lived in a fourbedroom house perched on a hill. Four maids cooked, cleaned and tended the children and a tropical flower garden. "In the U.S. labor is expensive and people don't have maids so often," Gowariker says. "You have machines here that make housework easier but you have to do it all yourself."

Gowariker attended a pri mary school near her home where English was taught. The school was run by a Catholic nunnery but instruction was nonreligious.

Education is free and compulsory in India to the age of 14. The usual pattern consist of 10 years of primary and


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## from India'

secondary education, two years of higher secondary education and three years of univesity education for the first degree. Exams are given once a year at the end of the term. Classes are larger than in the U.S., according to Gowariker, and instruction is stricter with teachers using a formal lecture style. "Classes in the U.S. are easier," Gowariker says. "There is more freedom and participation by students.'

Gowariker's love of animals led her to study and earn a degree in zoology in Mar Iranio, a university in Kerala. Her collection of pets in India included several rabbits, squirrels, love birds, fish, cats and a dog. Though she doesn't plan to pursue a career in this field, she savs she would like to visit Africa to see the wildlife there.

## Hinduism

To most Westerners, Hindu ism is an enchanting but incomprehensible religion. It has hun dreds of deities and semi-deities but has no founder, no church and no fixed creed. Hinduism rejects nothing and absorbs everything, including the beliefs and spiritual heroes of different eligions
Like four-fifths of her country, Gowariker is Hindu. "Hin duism is more than a religion or set of rituals," she says. "It is a way of life."
Hinduism acknowledges that people are different, individually and at different stages of their lives and that they, therefore, need different ways of expressing their faith.
For orthodox followers, Hin duism provides a set of rituals which regulates their daily lives from rising in the morning to bathing, eating, praying and even ex.
For Gowariker, Hinduism is a pervasive but unrestrictive aspect of her culture with a myriad of beliefs which she neither believes nor disbelieves.
"Hinduism doesn't mean not eating meat or going to temple," Gowariker says. "I haven't been to temple in years and I eat everything. I don't know if I beleve in reincarnation. I don't think about it. But I've always thought of myself as Hindu." Gowariker cites rigid orthodoxy and territorial conflicts as major causes of violence be tween Hindus, Muslims and Sikhs. "In the north there are pure Hindu villages," she says, "where if a Muslim kills a cow volence will occur."
"After Indira Ghandi was assassinated by her Sikh body guards," Gowariker continues, "Hindu and Sikhs began killing each other like mad. This is a disgusting aspect of India. But many Hindu families risked thei lives to protect their Sikh riends. This, I think, show what is noble about India.

## Caste

Americans may find the Indi an caste system distasteful but exists in all major religions of India and has for centuries pro vided an orderly if static system for the co-existence of highly diverse social groups.

The caste system was origi-
nally based on a division of labor, according to Gowariker. The Brahmins, consisting of priest and scholars, formed the highest caste, followed by aristocra and warriors, merchants an farmers and finally laborers. Outside the tem were the caste sy tem were the untouchable whose very shadows could de file a caste member.

Each caste is divided into some 3,000 subcastes, each wit its own rules and regulations privileges and responsibilities

Today, the caste system i weakening under the impact of industrialization, modern trans portation and legal changes Caste remains hereditary but is no longer tied to occupation or economic class, according to Gowariker. A Brahmin could be an impoverished priest and lower caste member could be a lawyer but both would retain the caste status they were born with.
"You can't be sure of a per son's caste unless you ask," Gowariker says, "and you don't ask. We have to mark our cast status on school exams. Other wise I would never know what caste my friends belong to."

The Indian constitution re jects the idea of inequality in herent in caste. Untouchability was outlawed in 1947. Its mem bers now belong to "scheduled castes" which are protected by government quotas. Caste quotas affect admissions to universities, scholarships and jobs in the government and in public cor porations.
"I was born into the Brah min caste and so, quotas are to my disadvantage," Gowariker says. "But I think it's only fair to make up for the centuries of disadvantages heaped upon this caste."

## Social Life

At age 20 Gowariker doesn't date and shows little interest in doing so. 'Dating doesn't happen so easily in India," she says. "A man who asks a girl out without knowing her fairly well would probably get a slap in the face."

Gowariker intends to marry whom and when she pleases but says that arranged marriages are still common and even preferred in her country.
"A girl isn't forced to marry her parent's choice," Gowariker explains. "Parents simply provide their daughters with suitable candidates."
"Lots of people prefer arranged marriages," Gowariker continues. "They tend to be more stable and last longer be cause they are not based on whim or on emotions but on

careful considerations such as family background.'
Family backgrounds are an important consideration because an Indian woman often lives with her in-laws. In larger cities the tendency is toward smaller family units because of space limitations. But relatives remain an integral part of a couple's life.

Whenever we go to another city, we have to visit all the rela tives who live there," Gowariker says. "It is almost a duty."

Divorce is not common in India. 'The idea doesn't really enter our minds because divorce is considered a very bad thing, Gowariker says.

Abortion is relatively easy to get and with less stigma attached according to Gowariker. Although India is the seventh largest country in the world, it is the second most populous after China. The government official ly endorses sterilization and government family planning cen ters provide contraceptives for both sexes.

Most Indian women, accord ing to Gowariker, lead harder lives than most American wo


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men, with fewer luxuries and freedoms. Indian women perform all sorts of heavy manual labor such as bricklaying.
"Yet American women look so old by the time they are 50 ," Gowariker says. "Indian women don't look so old. They have fewer wrinkles. Perhaps it is matter of stress."
When asked what she thought of American men, Gowariker re plied, "Oh, I haven't given them any thought. I've been too busy thinking about what detergen to use."
"Mugging"
In two years, Gowariker will return to India with her family She is considering applying for an internship with an Indian newspaper.

Until then, Gowariker is adjusting to California living and Foothill's cocoa machines. While she continues to refer to pencil erasers as "rubbers" and admits to "mugging" (cramming) before exams, Gowariker says she hasn't experienced any major cultural misunderstandings..
"The United States is very beautiful," Gowariker says. "I like American food and the people here are friendly, friendly in a more open way than in India."

She even likes the bus system here. "It's great," Gowariker says. "Everyday the bus is late or breaks down. It's just like in India.'

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# Computer buff hits the hoops 

## By TARNA ROSENDAHL

When Sophomore Marjorie DeWilde-Bey graduated from San Pasqual High in Escondido, near San Diego, she decided to "get an education" while most of her former classmates decided to "get hitched." Now she has a bachelor's degree in Psychology, but her education continues at Foothill, where she has been perfecting her computer programming skills and playing intercollegiate basketball.

After graduating with honors from Santa Clara University in 1982, DeWilde-Bey (pronounced "dee wild buy") planned to go on to graduate school. First, though, she wanted to "take a year off to be married" to a felow Psychology major who also planned to pursue a doctorate. Like many other recent college graduates, however, she and her husband have had to work before continuing their schooling, and every year the move to grad school seems more remote as new interests take precedence in their lives.

At first, DeWilde-Bey chose to find work in her field, knowing that she would need practical experience in order to improve her chances of acceptance to grad school. She became a nursing assistant at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Palo Alto, working in a locked ward with suicidal patients. Occasionally, her job would involve careful monitoring of an individual patient, staying with him or her all day, writing down everything they did every 15 minutes.

The job turned out to be highly stressful. The underpaid staff worked erratic hours and had a high turnover rate. Worse, the patients' conditions neve improved noticeably. DeWildeBey was beginning to have doubts about the line of work she had chosen. Before she could burn out, however, she was laid off due to a budget cutback.

After a few months of job hunting, a friend called DeWildeBey and said that she knew of a job for her - if she knew how to run a computer. "I lied, but got the job," she said. The only computer experience she had was on an "archaic teletype" at Santa Clara, where she had taught herself BASIC.

Since taking on the new job, this time at the Menlo Park
branch of the V.A., she has become the resident expert on the various computer systems used by her co-workers, who treat depression in the elderly.
"When I first arrived," says DeWilde-Bey, "they showed me an Apple II and a mountain of file folders stuffed with paper My job was to enter all that data into the computer." Eventually based on what she had taught herself previously and her ability to learn quickly, she wrote a data base management program including editing and sorting routines, in order to make her huge task a bit easier.

As new systems have been put into use, it has been up to DeWilde-Bey to install them teach herself the new software, then teach everyone else how to use them. She has also become more involved in statistical ana. lysis of the data that she manages.

The department's reliance on her to get them started and keep everything going smoothly put DeWilde-Bey in a key position, allowing her to bargain success fully last year for a reduction in hours so that she could attend Foothill.

DeWilde-Bey came to Foothill, she explains, because she realized that while she had accomplished quite a bit using he limited experience, she needed to learn much more about pro gramming. "Like many people who teach themselves how to program," she says, "I had a lot of idiosyncrasies in my work I was the only one who could understand my programs; needed to learn some standards.'

Not only did DeWilde-Bey wish to improve her professional skills. She was also becoming more and more convinced that she had really missed out on intercollegiate sports. She decided to try out for the basket ball team. It didn't hurt her to be 6 feet 3 inches tall and willing to get tough under the basket

Once on the team, she has had to keep herself there by loading up on units during the fall and winter quarters, when she worked half time, so that she could also return to her job full time in the spring. She took at least two computer courses every quarter. " 'Data Structures' and 'Algorithms' were very helpful in my work." she

## Patterson to judge contest

By TARNA ROSENDAHL
Foothill photography instructor Marion Patterson will be one of three judges of the Seventh Annual Photography Contest sponsored by San Mateo County's Coyote Point Museum for Environmental Education.

The museum will accept photo entries from Feb. 23 to March 8 (mail-in), and March 14 and 15 (walk-in). Winning photos will be exhibited in the museum's North Gallery from April 6 to May 18.

Patterson, who was a student of Ansel Adams and Imogen Cunningham, also judged the
contest last year. She recalled that while the grand prize winner was immediately obvious to all three judges, some of the other photos caused some argument between them before they could settle on the winners.
Patterson also noted that when her students' work came before her at the contest last year, she had to disqualify herself from judging it.
For details on the contest, consult the brochure posted on the bulletin board near the entrance to the photography lab, M-21.
says, "and now I program in Pascal instead of BASIC.'

When she announced her plans for computer-assisted basketball stardom to her coworkers and friends, however DeWilde-Bey encountered disbelief and even some snide remarks. "The first year, even my husband didn't believe I'd go through with it. People would say, 'When are you going to grow up?' " she recalls. But she had made up her mind; it was something she really wanted to do.
Just as with computers, De-Wilde-Bey's basketball experience was fairly limited. "I played one year in high school, my senior year, mostly because the coach wasn't making cuts that year, and he also thought it would be too embarrassing for me to be put on the JV team as a senior." By the end of the season she was a starter.

At Santa Clara, DeWilde-Bey played on recreational intramural teams every year. "The nickname on my team shirt was always 'Amazon," she said. In 1983, she started playing recreational basketball at Foothill through its community services program. She and a friend were the only women who showed up. They got used to being picked last when teams were selected. But while the friend did not come back the next quarter, De-Wilde-Bey stuck it out "It took while" she says, "but I finally while, she says, but I finally started to get picked before some of the guys, like in the third round!" Eventually, a fellow player suggested she try out for the Foothill team.
"I didn't know what to expect," she says. She knew she had some serious relearning to do. "I would have to play well inside, whereas with the guys I was more of an outside player, since I couldn't make effective moves against them." Unfortunately, the starting center that year was injured, so DeWildeBey had to take over, without the benefit of her instruction. "My defense was pretty good, but we had a long season, ending with a 3-21 record, and only four of six possible players re turned for the next season." DeWilde-Bey was one of them, though she wondered if this year would be any better

The record shows that indeed, this year has been very good for the women's team, which will compete in the Shaughnessy Playoffs of the Golden Gate Conference.

## Art club donates funds

Foothill College's Art Depart ment is receiving an annual scholarship of $\$ 700$ from the Los Altos Art Club in memory of Hal Brady, former club president and charter member.
"We were offered this oppor tunity last year with the under tanding that it would be for one year. I am incredibly pleased that the art club liked the students' work so much they decided to make it an annual

Under the leadership of new coach Ron Oburn, who "cares a lot about the team," and assistant coach and former Foothill player Jenn Segar, who is "really good at the x's and o's," DeWilde-Bey, now the captain says the team's general outlook has greatly improved. She praised the talent of the Freshmen, noting that "Carol [Ishimaru] is a great guard, Kim [Campbell] has got the moves, and Angela [Segar] has a great height advantage," around which the team has built its offense.

De Wilde-Bey sees herself as the Kurt Rambis of the team "My job is to rebound and decoy." (Rambis, a center/forward for the Los Angeles Lakers is also a Psychology major out of Santa Clara U.)

Such comparisons aside, De-Wilde-Bey says that at Foothill at least in the women's basket ball progam, few players have delusions of grandeur. "We don't have great expectations of what basketball will do for us. It's a personal experience. It's not played for the crowd; there is no crowd. It's not for money; scholarships are minimal if and then they are awarded. The peo ple who are in the program are there because they want to play basketball, period."
event," said Dorothy Rodal, ar
instructor instructor.

Three promising Foothill art students, chosen by faculty and art club members, will receive one $\$ 500$ and two $\$ 100$ scholar ships.

Winners will be announced at a reception on Monday, May 12 at 7:30 p.m. at the Hillview Community Center, 97 Hillview Avenue, Los Altos.

For more information con tact Lucy Wilder at 948-5846.


Foothill student Mariorie DeWilde-Bey in action.

As the season ends, a new job hunting period begins for De Wilde-Bey, as the grant funding her department's research will soon be exhausted. She hopes to find a computer-related job.

She has been refreshed by her relatively "long" involvement with Foothill, even though she now owes her husband many chores, especially dishwashing.

She is proud of her achieve ment and would like to share two observations. First, it really is true that once you find ou what you want to do, you should definitely do it. Second she said, "When you play your first collegiate game at 24 and you're feeling the same butterflies as the 17 -year-olds, you know there truly are some constants in this world.'

## Cafeteria Menu

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Men's tennis dominates

By WILL BAILEY
"We have some talent," says coach Tom Chivington of the men's tennis team at Foothill. The team, which defeated UC Davis Feb. 3, and UC Santa Cruz on Feb. 5 in scrimmage matches, will next compete in the Modesto JC Tournament in Modesto, Feb. 20-22.

Foothill has been ranked second in the nation by the International Tennis Coaches Association and first in Califormia for community colleges.

Coach Chivington believes he has a team capable of doing well in the Golden Gate Conference and state. "Craig Corfield is back again. He was number one here two years ago," says Chivington. "We have some good players with good records."
Number two for the team Jeff Cohen, is ranked in the top 20 nationally for amateurs. Brian Cory, playing number three, has been highly ranked as a junior in Northern California as well as nationally.
"Players four through eight on the team are pretty darn even,' says Chivington, who wouldn't be surprised to see one of these players move up on the team ladder. Ted Dimond,

Bobby Fenton, Scott Margot Ray Bilsey, and Silvano Simone fill positions four through eight on the team, respectively.
"Players like Ray [Bilsey] and Silvano [Simone] are capable of beating higher ranked players on the team," says Chivington. "Silvano has had a lot of tournament experience, even international." Bilsey is ranked in the top 20 in Nor Cal as a junior player.

Winning in doubles is an important factor in college tennis. 'We're working doubles very hard. I see progress," Chivington says. "I think we have some good players in this area," Chivington adds, "Ray and Bobby [Fenton] are pleasing to see as a team."
In a scrimmage, Foothill defeated UC Santa Cruz on Feb. 5 soundly, 9-2. At number one, Craig Corfield defeated Mark Roberts 6-3, 6-4. The rest of the Owls' singles ladder dominated except for Ted Dimond's tough three set loss at number four by a score of 6-7, 6-3, 6-1
Foothill's first scrimmage of the year against UC Davis at Davis on Feb. 3 was more of a struggle for the Owls, winning 7-5. Number two for Foothill

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Jeff Cohen, defeated Elliott Dun 6-1, 7-5 while number five Bobby Fenton, and number six Scott Margot both won in
straight sets. Ray Bilsey won at number seven, defeating Par Tolles 7-6, 7.5. Sylvano "mad dog" Simone beat Tom Burwell 6-1, 4-6, $6-2$ while playing eight

## for Foothill.

Simone and Dimond clinched the victory over UC Davis by winning the number four doubles match 2-6, 7-5, 6-3 over Burwell and Pierre.

## Brad Gilbert rises to top <br> WILL BAILEY

## Women's tennis shows potential <br> By WILL BAILEY

The women's tennis team at Foothill may have its best season since 1982 when the Owls were in the state championships, according to coach Jeanne Tweed. Foothill will face Monterey Peninsula on Friday, Feb. 21 in Monterey. In a nonconference match, the Owls made short work of Ohlone College in Fremont on Feb. 11, winning 9-0.
Coach Tweed is confident in her team. How will the Owls do against Monterey? "I feel we're going to win," Tweed replies. "I am anticipating a very good year. Our team is stronger than last year's. We have more depth and our doubles are stronger."
Tweed believes the $9-0$ win over Ohlone is evidence of the Owls' strength. "We've never had a match won so quickly. It was a good match to get started with," says Tweed.

Against Ohlone, Foothill women gave up few games. Number one for the Owls, Saundra Glass and number two, Pat Vultee, both won with 6-0, 6-0 scores. First year player, Kris Paxton at number three, "played exceptionally smart," says coach Tweed.

Returning players are (players four through seven) Susan Regimbal, Kay Bushnell, Carol
Craford, and Carolyn Whitty. Glass, Paxton, and Cynthia Sabo (number eight) are freshmen.
"He's the hot item in tennis now," says Foothill tennis coach Tom Chivington of his protege, former Foothill star Brad Gilbert.

Ever since Brad Gilbert played tennis for Foothill in 1980 under the coaching of Chivington, and since turning pro in 1982, Gilbert has made steady progress in the game. Within the past month, Gilbert has defeated four of the top ten tennis play ers in the world, including John McEnroe, en route to a number 13 world ranking. Gilbert has also recently been named to play on the United States Davis Cup team.

A remarkable distinction between Gilbert and other players who have risen to the top of pro tennis is that Gilbert has never slipped substantially in the rankings. He fares better year after year as his confidence builds. Gilbert is not the kind of player to reach the top ten and then suddenly fall some 50 slots down the ladder as did Australia's Pat Cash. Gilbert is not a "flash in the pan."
"There are no quick fixes in anything, says Gilbert's coach, Tom Chivington. "For Brad it's been a matter of yearly work His victory over McEnroe helped He has developed a good foundation on fundamentals.'

While playing for Foothill in 1980, Gilbert finished as the second best community college

The Owls are hoping to win the Golden Gate Conference this year as opposed to last year's fourth place in the GGC. De Anza has a strong team while Chabot may be a darkhorse, says Tweed. Tweed's motto is, "Winning takes a little luck and a little skill."

## Basketball team

## on winning streak

## By TOM HARVEY

On Feb. 11, the Owls defeated Laney College, 77-72. Two days later, Diablo Valley fell at 81-68, and Saturday, Feb. 15, Foothill killed Canada College, 88-63. In the game against Carada, freshman Maury Samilton brought in a total of 24 points, and Johnny Hines folowed up with 16. Coach Jerry Cole gives much credit to Jim Cartoni's outstanding floor game.

A change of pace has occurred in the Foothill men's basketball team; they currently hold a three game winning streak, as opposed to the many losses they have suffered in past games.

We needed to win this one to keep our playoff hopes alive. We got ahead early, with a 24 point lead at the half, and then won handily," Cole said.

Foothill's next victim will be West Valley College (remember Foothill's brutal 31-point defeat) on Wednesday, Feb. 19, and then Chabot College on the
singles player in California, as a runner up to teammate John Seveley. Holding true to his trademark, Gilbert improved his following year at Foothill in 1981 and made history as well "It was a phenominal year for him. He didn't lose a match," says Chivington. "He was also named to the Jr. Davis Cup team - the only community college player ever to do so." In the same year Gilbert beat Tim Mayotte, Stanford's NCAA singles champion of 1981.

Gilbert, now 24 years old, has risen slowly but surely through the ranks on the Association of Tennis Professionals computer. During his first two years after turning pro in 1982, Gilbert hung between spots 50 and 60 on the ATP computer. Then, by the end of 1984 , Gilbert had gradually risen to number 23.

The 1985 season may just have been a warm up for Gilbert's accomplishments to come in '86. 1985 brought Gilbert a number 18 world ranking, a 51 21 record for the year, and $\$ 206,117$ in tournament earnings.
Now it appears 1986 will be Gilbert's "best year" ever, since this seems to be the case every year he sets foot on the court. The right-hander from Piedmont is already off to a good start by winning the Volvo U.S. Indoor on Feb. 10 in Memphis, Tennessee. Gilbert consecutively defeated three top ten players in the tournament, Jimmy Connors, Anders Jarryd, and then Stefan Edberg, 7-5, 7-6, in the finals.
Gilbert has been making a noticeable surge in pro tennis in comparison to other players. Coach Chivington adds, "If he keeps performing and doing the things he's doing now, he can make the top ten." And if Gilbert does break into the top ten, he will likely set an even higher goal for himself.
following Wednesday.
The game against West Valley should pose quite a challenge for he Owls, because of West Valley's current seventh position in the state. However, Cole feels that this game will have a different outcome. "Last time, not everybody was playing. We're playing much better, a threegame winning streak. We think that it will be a totally different contest."

The significance of these two games is that they are the final games of the regular basketball season. Depending on the out. comes of these matches, Foothill may or may not be picked to play in the Northern California State playoffs, which begin at the end of this month.

The team is doing much better this season than they did last year. Although Foothill College currently holds no state position, the Junior College Athletic Bureau of Feb. 10 awarded Foothill an honorable mention.


By LYNN HENSEL
Foothill College's Annual Sports Medicine Week will be held Feb. 24-28 on Campus. Professionals from all over the Bay Area have donated their services, equipment and expertise for the event open to students and members of the community.

The sessions will offer oppor tunities for fitness evaluation and exercise planning. Comfortable clothes and tennis shoes are recommended. The events scheduled are listed below.

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