

Carlmont to get lights for football

BY KRISTEN PETERS
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Spectators will begin seeing Carlmont High School's football games in a new light, after a \$1.4 million proposal to add stadium lighting was approved by the Sequoia Union High School District board after overcoming objections from neighbors.

The school board voted 5-0 Wednesday night to move forward with the project which,

in addition to the installation of four stadium lights, includes adding a new speaker system, a 465-seat capacity bleacher area and a 47-space parking lot adjacent to the field.

"This project is going to enhance the educational opportunities for students at Carlmont High School and open up a new venue for the community to come together," school board member Olivia Martinez said yesterday.

An agreement with neighbors

Though the lighting project initially ruffled neighbors living near the Belmont school — who were concerned about the rowdy crowds going to and from late night football games, the noise from the new sound system and the bright lights illuminating their homes after school hours — school board president Alan Sarver said that the district has agreed upon a "use policy" with nearby residents.

"The school district went into the entire project wanting to be a good neighbor," Sarver said. "And it seems that we've achieved that."

Under the agreement, the school can host up to six football games on Thursday or Friday nights, as long as the sound system is not used after 9:30 p.m. and the stadium lights are turned off by 10:30 p.m.

The school is permitted to use the lighting and sound systems for other athletic events or gatherings an additional 20 times during the year, and another four times without the stadium's public address system.

The agreement also allows the school's sports teams to use the lights for practice sessions on a daily basis, but prohibits them from activating the sound system every day.

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More security

In order to resolve residents' concerns about large crowds, the district is working with the Belmont Police Department and the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office to come up with a security plan.

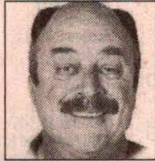
"There's really only one football game, against Sequoia High School, that draws a huge crowd and that's only held at Carlmont High School every other year," Sarver said.

According to Sarver, construction of the lighting system will begin this summer and last about two months. A total of 46 lamps will be installed on four 70-foot-tall poles surrounding the field.

Two years ago, Menlo-Atherton High School, another campus in the district, installed a lighting system around its field. Although the school's neighbors attempted to get the lights turned off with a lawsuit, a settlement reached between the school and its nearby residents permits the lights to be used under certain conditions.

Carlmont's Liggett gets No. 900

It was another Saturday, which means it was tournament day in the world of high school softball. Carlmont won its first game of the day, 2-1 over Pioneer, at the Mission City Tournament at Mission College and had to get ready to play a second game.



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But that first game was no ordinary game. It was the 900th win for Carlmont coach

Jim Liggett, the most in California high school softball history.

The party, however, would have to wait for another day.

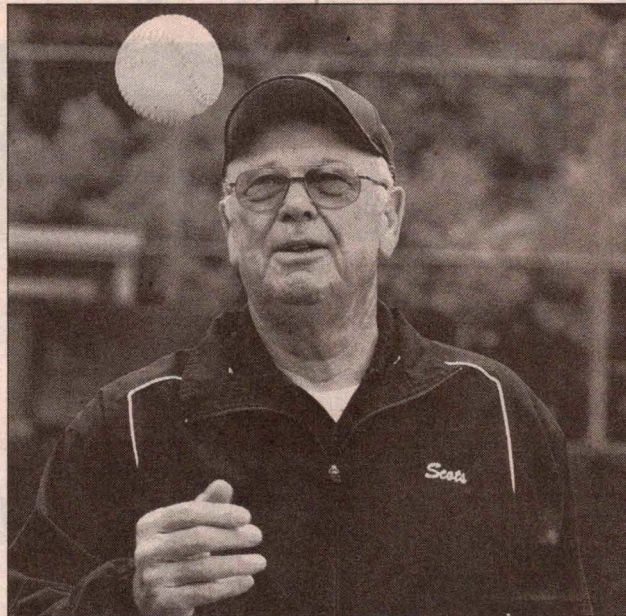
"It was kind of hard to celebrate down at Mission College," Liggett said.

Not that it went unnoticed.

Way back when Liggett got his 500th win, T-shirts were created to commemorate the event with a caricature of Liggett on them. The team donned those T-shirts Saturday and took a picture. Former players Ashley Chinn and Kelli Leong were in attendance. So were a number of parents of players Liggett had coached throughout the years.

"They were just happy we won the first game so they could take off and didn't have to stick around," Liggett said with a laugh.

The Scots lost the next game they played, 5-3 to Salinas, before finishing the day on a positive note with an 8-5 win over Wilcox.



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Carlmont's Jim Liggett has the most softball coaching victories in California high school history.

The last couple of years Carlmont has faced stiff competition from Hillsdale and Capuchino for the Peninsula Athletic League Bay Division title. But this year the Scots (14-2, 3-0), despite being decidedly sophomore heavy, are odds-on favorites for the league title, which would be the 25th for Liggett, who has coached softball at Carlmont since 1976 and won seven Central Coast Section championships.

Liggett spent seven years as an outfielder in the Baltimore Orioles organization before beginning his career as a high school teacher and coach at Carlmont in 1967. He coached a number of sports at the school. His ground-oriented football teams were

the best in the PAL back in the mid-1980s. But softball is the sport he grew to love to coach and a sport he continued to coach after he retired as a teacher.

The current team has two seniors in leadership roles in second baseman Kelly Robinson (.524) and center fielder Janelle Shiozaki (.500). Liggett doesn't rely on one pitcher, basically having sophomores Danielle Giuliacci (6-2, 1.20) and Rachel Faulkner (6-0, 0.35) split starting pitcher duties and senior Aurora Stottler working as a reliever. Giuliacci and Faulkner play the outfield when not pitching. Liggett has also gotten excellent production from three other sophomores: power-hitting first baseman Gabriella

Pons, slick-fielding shortstop Christy Peterson and leadoff-hitting outfielder Melissa Pekarek, as well as from junior catcher Taylor Yzaguirre.

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Traffic an issue in Carlmont dispute

Neighbors fight plan for nighttime football

The controversy over whether Carlmont High School should add lights on its football field isn't so much about the lights but the crowds night games would attract.

That's according to Sequoia Union High School District board president Alan Sarver, who said that modern lighting will prevent light from creating a problem for neighbors.

He said the district has received nine letters about the proposed lights as part of its environmental review process. One of the letters is from a group of neighbors, who are fighting the proposal.

Sarver said the district wants to be a good neighbor and address the residents' concerns about the traffic night games would create.

He said the district hopes to meet with the neighbors before the end of the month.

Another meeting took place on April 5, called by state Assemblyman Jerry Hill, D-San Mateo. Among those in attendance were Belmont Councilwoman Coralin Feierbach and San Carlos councilmen Mark Olbert and Ron Collins.

Carlmont is located at the border between the two between Belmont and San Carlos.

"I'd heard a lot about negative energy between Belmont and San Carlos," Olbert said of the April 5 meeting. "Everybody was very open and flexible."

"A lot of this comes down to PR," Collins said yesterday. "How do you treat the neighbors?"

Neighbors who oppose the lights fear they'll be used on other nights besides evenings when there are football games, according to Feierbach.

A \$900,000 expense

Feierbach said she's not taking sides in the proposal to add stadium lights, estimated to cost \$900,000. But she said the most of the emails she's received on the subject support installing the lights.

The Sequoia Union High School District is scheduled to discuss an environmental review of the lights on May 2.

The high school has used temporary lights for some games since 2009. They cost \$3,290 per game, according to minutes of the Carlmont boosters club.

Construction of the lights could begin this summer and would last about two months. A total of 46 lamps would be installed on four 70-foot tall poles.

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Lights in works for Carlmont

Belmont high school may soon host night games

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Carlmont High is the lone comprehensive school in the Sequoia district without lights to host evening sporting events — something that could soon change.

On Wednesday, the Sequoia Union High School District Board of Trustees will begin to discuss the process for installing lights on the Belmont campus' field. Part of the board-adopted facilities plan

funds were set aside for the installation. Sequoia has started the initial environmental review study process. In addition, the school has hosted a handful of night games using temporary lights to allow the district to gather information on traffic, attendance, light and noise. One issue already identified is a need for additional parking should the school start hosting night games, according to a staff report.

Lights won't be up quickly. The

district is proposing to hold a community meeting at Carlmont Feb. 2 to discuss the plans. Initial study of the proposal should be released in mid-February with the board considering a negative declaration in late March. According to this timeline, the district could go out to bid May 1.

District officials are proposing similar rules to what has been set up at Menlo-Atherton. Practices, for example, would end at 8:30

p.m. with scheduled football games ending at 10:30 p.m. Lights would not be used on the weekends and an amplification system, which will be installed close to the seating areas, will only be used during games and special events but would not be available to outside groups.

Menlo-Atherton was the most recent school in the district to have lights installed. The process was a long one which started in 2010 but

was delayed due to a lawsuits from neighbors who felt possible problems were not being addressed. Rules were set up after working with the neighbors. Those same regulations seem to be guiding the possible rules for using the lights at Carlmont.

The board meets 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 18 at the District Office, 480 James Ave., Redwood City.

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PREP GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

New-look Scots in the mix

Carlmont lives up to reputation, makes 3rd straight CCS semis

By Zack Farmer
Special to The Examiner

Much has changed for the Carlmont girls' volleyball team since last season, but the result hasn't.

The Scots (25-9) make their third consecutive trip to the Central Coast Section Division I semifinals Thursday despite having a new coach and an essentially new roster.

"We talked about how we've accomplished everything that anybody could have reasonably expected," first-year coach Chris Crader said.

"They're excited to be here again. They're excited to get another shot at [Menlo-Atherton]."

Carlmont will face Peninsula Athletic League Bay Division foe Menlo-Atherton (28-5), which cruised to a three-set victory over 10th-seeded Monta Vista.

Carlmont finished second in the Bay, behind M-A, and its only two league losses were to the Bearcats.

"We had some nice runs, but we made too many errors," Crader said. "If we're out there scoring points for them, it's tough."

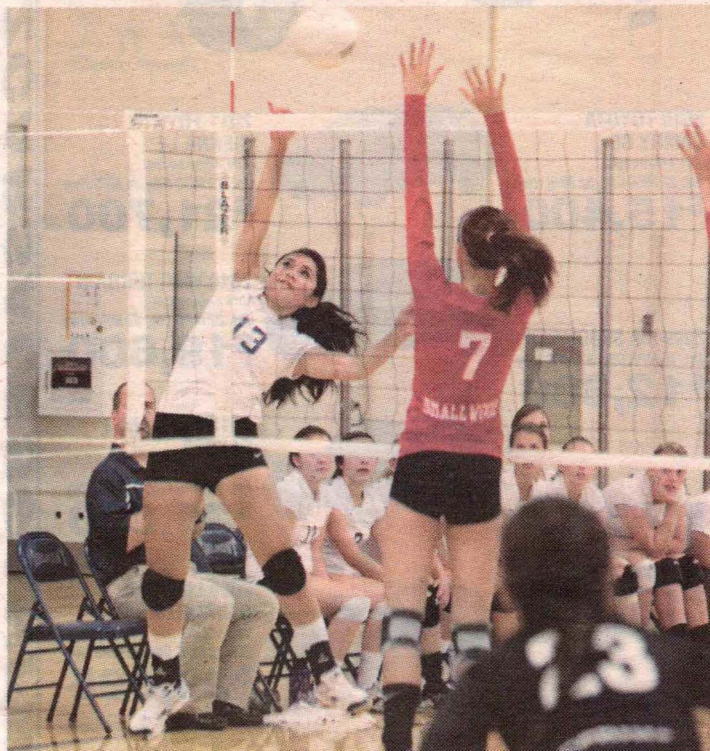
In Carlmont's two losses to M-A, the Scots held leads but let the Bearcats go on long runs keyed by errors.

"We've got to play well and if we don't, we will certainly lose," he said.

Carlmont has been to the CCS Division I semifinals six of the past seven seasons and last reached the final in its championship year of 2005.

M-A has lost in the CCS Division I final each of the past two seasons.

"It's hard to beat a good team three times," Crader said. "I don't mind being the team playing with house money."



JOSEPH SCHELL/SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER

Keep 'em coming: Amelia Tupou, left, and the rest of the Carlmont girls' volleyball team hope to keep rolling against M-A in the CCS semifinals Thursday.

The Bearcats are a balanced team, according to Crader, and have won five in a row.

Crader will be looking to slow down junior Ali Spindt, sophomore Pauli King and junior Seini Moimoi.

The Scots' CCS quarterfinal match against North Salinas showed two sides of the team.

Carlmont committed 19 errors in the first set but turned around and dominated the Vikings for the final two sets and the key for the Scots will be repeating that success.

"I thought we really turned up our defense [in the second set]," Crader said. "Even though we were making errors, we were digging so many balls it was hard for them to generate points on their side of the net."

The catalyst for Carlmont has been the play of standout senior Shelby Vance.

Crader said, "When she plays great, it's easy to feed off that."

Vance came up just short of a triple-double against North Salinas with 15 kills, 10 digs and six aces.

Four players finished with 10 or more digs against North Salinas, including libero Ashley Duba, outside hitter Kallan Bedard, setter Amelia Tupou and middle blocker Torika Ramulo.

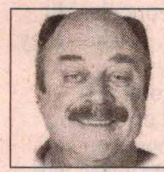
The Scots have won six in a row with their last loss coming on Oct. 29 against Valley Christian in the Spikefest Tournament.

Carlmont last beat M-A won Oct. 14, 2008.

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Carlmont cross country teams again in chase for CCS titles

Carlmont High School has a long history of excellence in distance running. The school's location in the Belmont hills and the proximity of the Crystal Springs cross country course are contributing factors. Loren Lansberry, the school's long-time track and cross country coach,



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had many outstanding individuals and teams. But the program has reached another level of late.

The Carlmont boys and girls cross country teams have each won five of the last six Central Coast Section Division I championships. And both the boys and girls teams are currently ranked No. 2 in the CCS.

Neither Carlmont team has an individual ranked in the top five in CCS. What both teams have is outstanding depth.

"We've got a solid 15 for the boys and a solid eight or nine with the girls," said Carlmont coach Jennifer Randazzo. "We have no clear-cut No. 1. It's someone different every time out. In workouts, too, it's the same thing. They all push each other."

The Carlmont boys had a streak of five consecutive CCS Division I champion-

ships broken last year by Bellarmine. And the Bells, led by top runner Jack Bordoni, are loaded again this year, ranked No. 1 in CCS and favored to defend their title.

"Bellarmine is an amazing team," Randazzo said. "It will be very interesting to see what happens at CCS. It could be a matter of who has an on-day and who has an off-day."

The Carlmont girls would appear to have an excellent chance at winning a sixth CCS title in the last seven years, due to the Division I girls field not being as strong as Division I boys. San Lorenzo Valley, a Division IV team, is the only team ahead of the Scots in the CCS rankings.

Carlmont's current run of CCS championships began with Jeff Gilkey as the coach. Randazzo is now in her third year. When she replaced Gilkey prior to the 2009 season she came into a difficult situation. Several Carlmont runners, as well as parents of Carlmont runners, had developed a strong bond with Gilkey and were not willing to accept Randazzo and her different approach to training.

"It was hard," Randazzo said. "I was a young coach, a young female coach who got looked at differently. After three years people see I'm serious about this and know what I'm doing, which helps build trust."

The boys Division I race at the CCS finals, Nov. 12 at Crystal Springs, should be interesting. Four of the top five finishers from last year return: defending champion Miguel Vasquez of Andrew Hill; second-place finisher Yohanes Estifanos of Milpitas; Bordoni, the fourth-place finisher last year; and Mont Vista's Kevin Bishop, who came in fifth.

Bishop has had an excellent season and had the fastest time for a CCS runner at Crystal Springs (15:12) heading into this week's league finals. Leland's Richard Ho, a favorite in the Division II race, ran 15:10 Monday at the Blossom Valley Athletic League finals.

In the girls races, Mountain View's Allison Sturges (Division II) and Priory's Kat Gregory (Division V) are both two-time defending CCS champions.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Carlmont boys reign over Bells at CCS

By Rick Eyrer
Correspondent

Carlmont High senior Jeffrey Stalun made a prediction that came true Saturday, and his teammates were able to laugh about it afterward.

"He predicted he would throw up after the race," Scots junior Reese Dickson said. "He really ran his heart out."

Stalun finished fourth in the Central Coast Section Division I boys cross country race at the Crystal Springs course to lead Carlmont to the team title over Bellarmine by a score of 38-69.

Bellarmino beat the Scots 30-95 in last year's CCS championship race, ending their five-year title run.

Carlmont made it a sweep in Division I, winning the girls title 58-87 over Gunn. Milpitas junior Yohaness Estifanos won the individual title, racing the course in 14:59, among the top 50 best marks run on the course.

"Last year I lost by one second, so I wanted to go for it this year," Estifanos said. "This is what I've been training for all season."

Estifanos, Monta Vista senior Kevin Bishop, Gunn senior Andrew Prior and Andrew Hill junior Miguel Vasquez qualified for the Nov. 26 state meet in Fresno as individuals, joining Carlmont and Bellarmine.

Gunn sophomore Sarah Robinson won the individual Division I girls title in a sizzling 17:12, the ninth-best time ever recorded by a high school female on the 40-year-old course.

Aptos junior Nikki Hiltz went faster in winning the girls Division II race. Hiltz blazed to a 17:05 finish, placing her among the top seven on the course's all-time list.

Hiltz helped Aptos, which won the team title with 34 points, record the fastest average girls time of the day at 18:43. Sacred Heart Cathedral and Valley Christian also qualified.

Sarah Schreck finished second in 18:08 in Division I to lead Carlmont. Leland junior Alyssa Johnson, Wilcox senior Lalida Maokhamphiou, Monta Vista freshman Jenny Xu, San Benito junior Vanessa Estrada and Palo Alto freshman Katie Foug qualified as individuals.

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EDUCATION

Carlmont teacher county's best

English, journalism instructor honored for efforts to engage students, prepare them for life after school

By Neil Gonzales

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BELMONT — An English and journalism instructor at Carlmont High School in Belmont is the county's top teacher.

Raphael Kauffmann has been named the 2012 San Mateo County Teacher of the Year for his efforts to

engage students and prepare them for life beyond high school.

"In the classroom, Mr. Kauffmann creates a welcome and engaging learning environment in which students thrive," county schools Superintendent Anne Campbell said in a news release. "As a teacher-leader, Mr. Kauffmann demonstrates inno-

vative thinking and collegiality. He has been instrumental in establishing an instructional writing program that helps prepare all students for success in college and career."

Carlmont Principal Raul Zamora described Kauffmann's instruction as setting a teaching standard.

"He epitomizes school instructional leadership," Zamora said. "His team-player attitude and positive approach to support student activities and staff members never end."

Kauffmann has been a teacher at Carlmont for six years.

He serves as the English department chairman and instructional leader, providing guidance to both new and veteran teachers.

Kauffmann spearheaded a campus initiative to provide every Carlmont student a common writing assessment.

This project allowed teachers to establish a baseline understanding of the students' writing strengths

and areas for improvement.

"I believe in establishing an air of mutual respect," Kauffmann said. "For this to happen, I must know my students, and I must allow them to know me. My successes and failures are part of the narrative I use to encourage them to choose wisely and to choose intentionally."

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Shelley Bustamante, a therapist at Carlmont High School in Belmont, developed and leads the school's Students Offering Support program, which aims to resolve issues.

School therapist gets students to help each other

By Jesse Dungan

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Shelley Bustamante's office walls are covered with pictures of many of the Carlmont High School students who came knocking at lunchtime over the past 14 years to talk out their problems or just hang out.

Although she's officially a school therapist and coordinator of Carlmont's Students

Offering Support program, Bustamante can sum up her job succinctly.

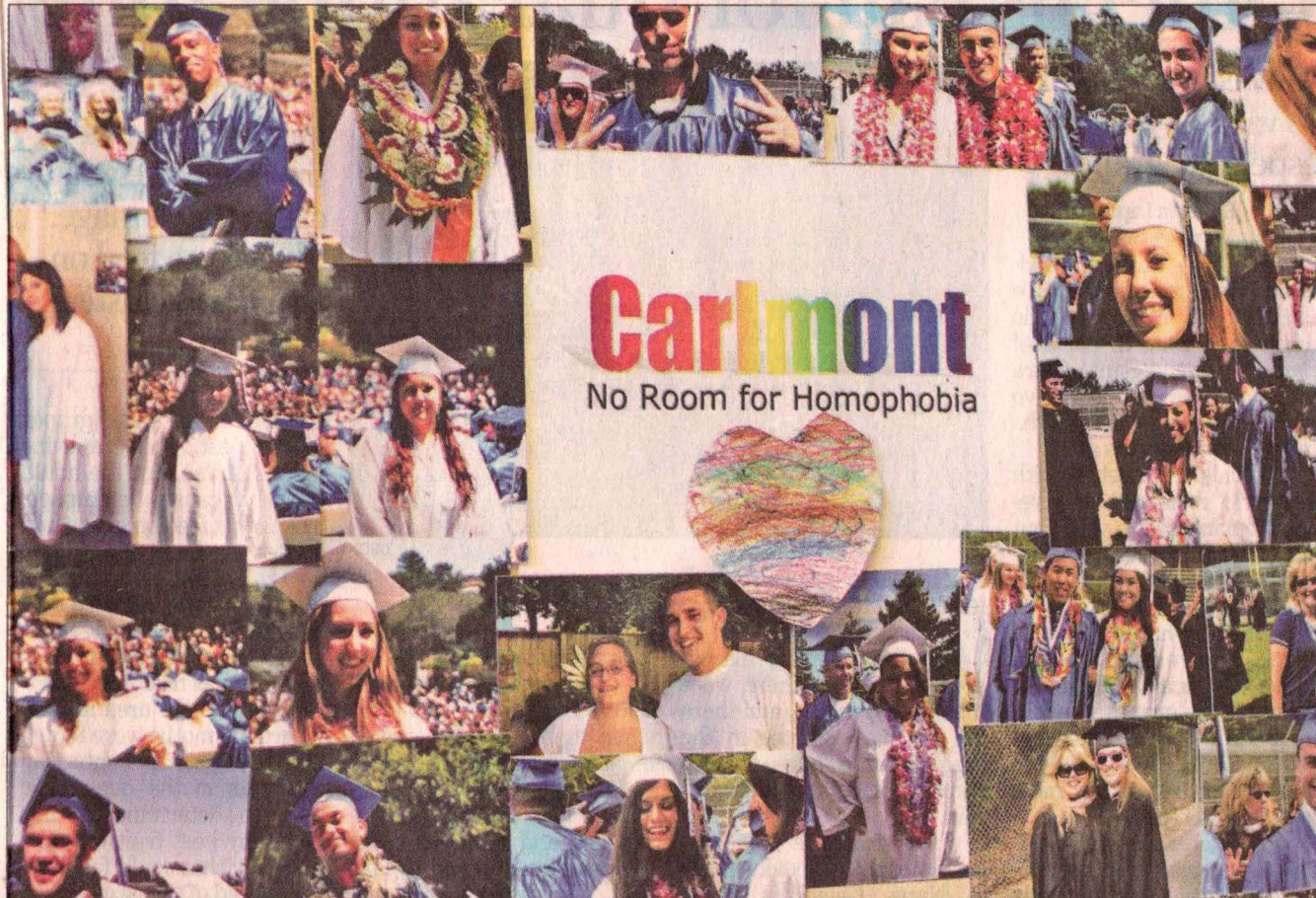
"I personally see myself as a crisis counselor," the 57-year-old Belmont native and Redwood City resident says.

And students who have sought her counsel over the years attest that she's very good

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“These students are so amazing. ... And they’re survivors.”

— Shelley Bustamante, Carlmont High School therapist



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at what she does.

Just ask Janiece Burns, who doubts she would have made it through Carlmont without Bustamante's help, let alone be gearing up for college with hopes of becoming a counselor herself.

"It was different because ... you don't really know if you can talk to certain people, but after one talk with Ms. Bustamante, you know you can tell her everything," said Burns, who graduated from Carlmont earlier this month after being expelled from another school as a freshman.

Bustamante's ability to make students feel at ease can be attributed in part to her background. Before going to work at Carlmont 14 years ago, she was a mental health worker at the Belmont Hills Psychiatric Hospital, providing health and counseling services to youths.

Carlmont Principal Raul Zamora nominated Bustamante as a County Times "unsung hero" for her work in leading and developing the school's Students Offering Support program.

The original idea for the

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program came from two Woodside High School teachers, but Bustamante took the concept and ran, he said.

"From all of the crisis I would see coming into my office, I realized that SOS, as it was, was not addressing all the needs and we needed to redo the program," Bustamante said. "And that's what I did."

As part of the program, Bustamante trains students to become mediators so they can try to resolve disputes among their peers.

She also helps older students give presentations every other week to freshmen to help them adjust to high school. Often the students will tell personal stories to spur discussions of sensitive issues such as drug use or teenage pregnancy.

Another way Bustamante expanded the program was by creating a dozen small groups of students dealing with particular issues ranging from anger management

and depression to sexual assault or the loss of a loved one.

What she realized, Bustamante said, is that many students face similar problems. "Girls with the same kind of self-esteem issues, boys with the same type of anger issues."

Hundreds of Carlmont students are now involved in the Students Offering Support program.

"I think it's a combination of recognizing a need and addressing that need, and using the students themselves," she said.

"These students are so amazing. And they're so resilient. And they're survivors."

As popular as Bustamante is on campus, Zamora said much of what she does goes unnoticed.

"She does a lot of work with students behind the scenes that is considered confidential, that she really can't share with our staff members," the principal said.

"It's often overlooked the amount of high pressured situations that she's in."

Those situations involved working with students who have been sexually assaulted, lost family to gang violence or have felt suicidal,

Bustamante said.

To those whose lives she touches, Bustamante isn't overlooked.

"She made me want to help people," said Carly Erickson, who graduated from Carlmont in 2007. "Made me want to make a difference in people's lives, because she made a difference in my life and all my friends' lives."

Erickson, who recently graduated from San Diego State University with a degree in psychology and child development, is now applying for graduate school.

"She made me want to have her profession as well," Erickson said.

Liggett ready for another season

Jim Liggett is entering his 36th season as Carlmont softball coach and has enjoyed all sorts of success. He has the most career wins of any prep softball coach in California history with 865 head-into the 2011 season against 187 losses and four ties. He's won 24 league championships and seven Central Coast Section titles.

But this year he's going to have to do it without his longtime scorekeeper, Gretchen "Speed" Crusick, who retired at the age of 80.

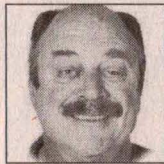
"We're going to miss her," Liggett said.

A couple of parents will fill in for Crusick, who started with Liggett in 1976 when her daughter, Mary, was on the team. At the time she told Liggett she'd do it until her daughter graduated. When Mary graduated in 1977, Liggett asked Gretchen to stay on "for one more year."

Gretchen stayed until 1981. Then in 1985 Liggett asked her to come back, telling her he had no scorekeeper and that she was the best.

"One more year, that's it," she replied.

Now 26 years later Gretchen has



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decided "to hang up her pencils" after being the official scorekeeper for more than 600 games.

End of an era.

Liggett started teaching and coaching at Carlmont in 1967, right after concluding his professional baseball career

as an outfielder in the Baltimore Orioles organization.

He was head football coach from 1977-1991, during which time his run-oriented teams enjoyed the greatest success in Carlmont football history. He was head baseball coach in the early 1970s before switching to softball.

He also has coached frosh-soph basketball and soccer as well as serving as athletic director for a number of years.

He retired from teaching a while back, but he's continued with softball for a number of reasons.

"I like the quickness of the game," he said. "If you have two good teams you're done in an hour and a half. The girls are eager to learn and pay attention. You don't get the discipline problems like in football. It's an up and coming sport and I got to see it progress."

It wasn't always the pitching-

dominated sport to which we've grown accustomed.

"The first couple of years there were no windmill pitchers," Liggett said. "With good teams the score would be 5-4 or 6-5. Sometimes it would be 30-2."

We may see more offense this year with the pitching distance being moved back from 40 to 43 feet, to match the college game.

"Good pitchers will still dominate, but there should be fewer strikeouts and runs should be up some," Liggett said.

He says he has a young team this year with two promising freshman pitchers. So they'll make him stick around awhile, right?

So how much longer will Liggett stick around.

"That's what everyone wants to know," he said. "I'm still enjoying it."

The PAL Bay should be real strong this season. CCS Division III semifinalists Hillsdale and Capuchino both return star pitchers, Jordan Richwood and Michelle Pilster. And then you can always count on Carlmont being right there.

Benefit concert

Dana Leong — a 1998 Carlmont High School graduate and an accomplished cellist and trombonist — is returning to his alma mater March 4 to perform a benefit concert for the school's instrumental music program, which helped develop his talent. Leong's hip-hop jazz band will perform at 7 p.m. at the Carlmont Performing Arts Center in Belmont. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students, seniors and children. Tickets will be available at the door and online at www.carlmontmusic.com.

"Leong isn't your traditional cellist, so instead of Bach, listeners will delight in hearing a unique celebra-

tion of sound that combines influences from urban, pop, rock, classical, hip-hop, rap and jazz," John DaBaldo, Carlmont's instrumental music director, said in an e-mail.

DaBaldo taught Leong when he was in elementary and middle schools in the Belmont-Redwood Shores District, and he recognized that Leong had a special talent.

"I am so proud of what he has accomplished," DaBaldo said. "It shows that when you work hard at what you love, the sky is the limit."

Since attending Carlmont, Leong has studied at the prestigious Manhattan School of Music on a cello and trombone double scholarship. He has also worked with Kanye West and Lil' Kim and performed with other prominent artists.

Loeng's mother, Sumi Nagasawa, is a highly accomplished classical piano instructor on the Peninsula. Sensing her son's talent, she enrolled him in the El Camino Symphony and had him study with the San Francisco Symphony's associate principal trombonist, Paul Welcomer. As a youth, he also spent his summers at Stanford jazz camps.

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Belmont school earns 'green' honors

Carlmont High School's Music and Art Building has earned national distinction featuring environmentally-conscious elements. The two-story, 22,000-square-foot building on the Carlmont campus won gold certification from the U.S. Green Building Council and garnered LEED Gold certification.

LEED Gold certification honors recognize construction and high-perfor-

mance "green" buildings.

The Music and Art Building has recycled material in its construction, solar panels to reduce annual fossil fuel usage and a low-water irrigation system for the landscaping.

The building opened last fall and is adjoined to the 21,000-square-foot Center for the Performing Arts, which was finished a year earlier.

These new, state-of-the-art structures support the school's renowned vocal and instrumental music programs and other arts.

Money from bond mea-

asures approved by voters funded the construction of the buildings.

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