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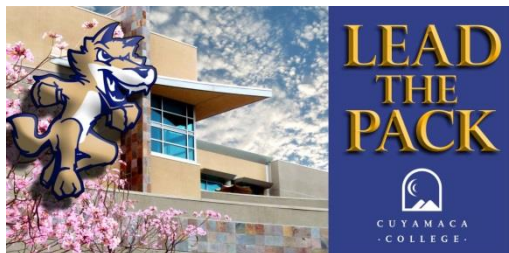
President's Report to the Governing Board February 18, 2014

Students Awarded Laptop Computers

Seven of the 44 eligible Chafee Grant recipients that were awarded a new Dell laptop computer were from Cuyamaca College. The John Burton Foundation for Children Without Homes is a non-profit organization based in San Francisco, working throughout California to improve the quality of life for California's foster, former foster, and homeless children. The organization sponsored an essay contest. This year's theme for the contest was "Making Tough Financial Choices-What Tools Will I Need to Make the Right Choices?" Cuyamaca College students **Mr. Mark Adams, Mr. Kevin Ervin, Ms. Melinda Fugate, Ms. Alexandra Jackson, Mr. Ludovic Koh, Ms. Sarah Mugford, and Ms. Isela Ortega** were all awarded new laptop computers compliments of the John Burton Foundation. The college is grateful for the work of Dr. Wendy Craig, Associate Dean of EOPS, Ms. Pam Fleming, Foster Youth Liason, and the entire EOPS staff for the work they do in assisting in our students' success.



Institutional Dialogue and State of the College Address



On Wednesday, January 22nd, in the Student Center the college community came together to inaugurate the beginning of the spring semester. After breakfast, **President Mark Zacovic** introduced **Dr. Wei Zhou**, Vice President of Instruction, and **Dr. Tammi Marshall**, Student Learning Outcomes Coordinator, who lead the crowd in a dialogue on Institutional Learning Outcomes. Small groups were formed at the tables with each group discussing the competencies of a successful Cuyamaca College student in the areas of personal responsibility; critical and creative thinking/innovation; career and/or transfer readiness; environmental stewardship; civic responsibility; and global awareness/cultural competence. This is the first time we had a college-wide dialogue on Institutional Learning Outcomes. Faculty, staff, students, and administrators had the opportunity to sit down together to prepare for a significant step further along the "Cuyamaca Way" focusing on student learning and success. President Zacovic provided the State of the College address, updating the college community on some of the issues affecting Cuyamaca College. Each of the Vice Presidents, **Dr. Zhou** (Instruction), **Dr. Scott Thayer** (Student Services), and **Dr. Arleen Satele** (Administrative Services), provided a brief state of the college address as it related to each of their areas.



The Academic Senate honored two faculty members with its *Award for Teaching Excellence* during the State of the College Address. Faculty member **Ms. Lindy Brazil**, English instructor, received the full-time Faculty Award for Teaching Excellence. **Ms. Brandon Baker**, who teaches in the Paralegal Studies program, received the part-time Faculty Award for Teaching Excellence. These two award recipients were among over 34 nominees from across the college. Each nominee received rave reviews from their students who commended and praised their dedication and enthusiasm for teaching and

learning. Congratulations to Ms. Brazil, Ms. Baker, and all of the nominees who exemplify Cuyamaca College's commitment to academic excellence and student success.

Four new Administrators, three new Faculty members, and nine new Classified Staff were welcomed into the Cuyamaca College family.

🐾 Welcome Week—Spring Semester

Students were welcomed back on the first week of the semester with various student activities. New and returning students enjoyed complimentary donuts and coffee on Monday, tacos on Tuesday, a student organization involvement fair on Wednesday, and a movie screening on Thursday. In addition to the free food, students also had the opportunity to learn more about student involvement opportunities through student clubs and Student Government.

🐾 Spirit Week

The Associated Student Government sponsored an office door decoration contest to celebrate the February 5th men's basketball game between Cuyamaca and Grossmont Colleges. To spread Coyote spirit throughout the campus, the Associated Student Government asked departments to decorate their main office door, and decorations were judged based on creativity and how they reflected overall Coyote spirit. The following departments participated: Business Office, Counseling Center/CalWORKs, Duplicating, Facilities, Health Center, Mailroom, President's Office, Switchboard, Student Veterans Organization, and the Transfer Center. The decorations were very creative and spirited and the winners were announced at the Pep Rally prior to the game. The Health Center won first prize and the Counseling Center/CalWORKs won second prize for their door decorations.



🐾 Men's Basketball Game – Cuyamaca vs. Grossmont



It was a packed house for the men's basketball game on Wednesday, February 5th, with the Cuyamaca Coyotes pitted against the Grossmont Griffins. Spirits were high and the crowd was loud as the score rallied back and forth throughout the entire game. Regrettably, the Griffins pulled out the win 65-70. Congratulations to both of our coaches for a great game. There's always next year!

Love Your Heart Day



During the Cuyamaca College *Love Your Heart* Campaign (February 10-13, 2014) over 100 students and staff members had their blood pressures checked and received health education from the registered nurses from the Health and Wellness Center. The goal of *Love Your Heart* is to encourage Cuyamaca College students and staff to “know their numbers” and take charge of their heart health. For more information, check out www.LoveYourHeartSD.org.

Special Appointment for Cuyamaca College Instructor

Part-time ESL Instructor **Ms. Yuki Yamamoto** was recently appointed President of the California Association of Developmental Education (CalADE). The purpose of CalADE is to provide visibility and significance to basic skills and developmental education programs and their support services in postsecondary educational institutions.

Center for Innovation Activities

The Center for Innovation within the Office of Continuing Education and Workforce Training serves as the umbrella for many of the contract and grant-funded professional and vocational programs housed at Cuyamaca College. Many are regional programs funded to serve all of San Diego and Imperial Counties. Below is a brief summary of some of their recent activities:

Prop 39 Workforce Grant: Regional community colleges nominated Cuyamaca College to lead the Prop 39 workforce development grant for Regions IX and X. This \$350,000 grant was submitted in partnership with College of the Desert, and if funded, would serve both Regions starting in early March 2014. The project will be working with colleges throughout the two regions on improving programs related to energy efficiency to meet the skills, regulatory, and workforce demands of industry.

Regional Leadership: **Mr. Jonathan Kropp**, former Director for the ETC and author of the Prop 39 grant, has been nominated to become the Regional VP for the San Diego/Imperial Region for the California Community College Association for Occupational Education (CCAOE).

Global Corporate College: Continuing Education & Workforce Training, as the contract training arm of the District, has partnered with the Global Corporate College in offering employee training solutions to companies with a multi-location footprint. On February 4th, Continuing Education hosted an Executive Breakfast at Cuyamaca College to formally announce the partnership with Global Corporate College and invited local business executives to take advantage of the training solutions available to them through Continuing Education. Twenty-five guests attended the breakfast, including representatives from Grossmont College, Cuyamaca College, the District Chancellor’s Office, workforce agency partners, and 9 local medium-sized companies with multi-location footprints. The breakfast resulted in several opportunities for follow up and future meetings and has initiated momentum in GCCCD’s ability to serve the region through contract training.

Environmental Training Center: On December 31st, the Environmental Training Center (ETC) Grant has come to a bittersweet end after 12 years of funding that created an award-winning training center which developed specialized capacity in environmental health and safety training. ETC's legacy lives on as a sustainable center of excellence that provides fee-based certification and contract education through Continuing Education and Workforce Training.

WIA Title II Grant: **Ms. Jennifer Lewis**, CEWT Dean, in collaboration with faculty and administrators from both colleges, submitted a WIA Title II - Adult Education and Family Literacy Grant in late January. These are Workforce Investment Act federal resources routed through the California Department of Education (CDE) to fund adult basic skills programs with the primary purpose being to assist adults in becoming literate and obtaining the knowledge and skills necessary for employment and self-sufficiency -- pathways to post-secondary and career opportunities. If the \$486,000 grant proposal is awarded, the District will utilize this funding for additional not-for-credit Vocational ESL and Citizenship classes in addition to covering the instructional costs of a number of basic math and English classes (non-degree applicable - below 8th grade level) to further serve our large refugee population. These classes will not generate FTES, but will be fully funded by the CDE if the grant is awarded. In addition, funds were requested for instructional materials and hourly counseling and tutors. We will be notified in March if an award is granted and implementation would begin July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015.

🐾 Library Display



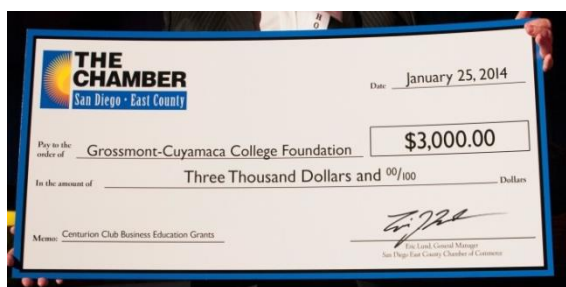
The Cuyamaca College Library celebrates the 50th Anniversary of the 1964 Civil Rights Act

The Civil Rights Act of 1964, signed by President Lyndon B. Johnson, outlawed discrimination in places of public accommodation, education, employment, and housing on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin. No longer could minorities be denied service based on any of those criteria.

Before the Civil Rights Act was signed, minority groups were excluded from restaurants, theaters, parks, and other public places. This month's displays of posters, books, and information are on both floors of the library and focus on the struggles minorities have faced.



🐾 College Receives Gift from the East County Chamber of Commerce Foundation



On behalf of each college, Dr. Mark Zacovic, Cuyamaca College President, and Dr. Sunny Cooke, Grossmont College President, accepted a check for \$3,000 from the East County Chamber of Commerce Foundation that was presented at their annual Awards Dinner. The award will be split between the two colleges and will go towards providing funds for student textbooks in business and business-related courses.

The award presented was the Chamber Foundation's first award in almost 10 years.

Upcoming Events

A complete list of college activities can be found on our website, www.cuyamaca.edu

Out of the Closet, Into Power

Presented by Dr. Davina Kotulski
Wednesday, February 19th, 12:30 to 1:30pm
Student Center, I-207

Our Diverse Communities

Presented by Mr. Floyd Lai
Monday, February 24th, 11:00am to 12:00pm
Student Center, I-207



Facilitating Student Success for Men of Color in Community Colleges

Presented by Dr. Frank Harris & Dr. Luke Wood
Tuesday, March 4th, 1:30 to 2:30pm
Student Center, I-207



Thursday, February 27: Ibsin/Walton Duo (*contemporary jazz*)
Tuesday, March 4: Kembang Sunda (*Indonesian gamelan*)
Thursday, March 13: Heather Vorwerck (*18th Century music for cello & violin*)
Thursday, March 20: Cuyamaca College Choir, 8:00pm, Student Center (*A musical night at the coffee house*)

Unless otherwise noted, all concerts begin at 7:30pm in the Performing Arts Theatre. To reserve tickets, call 619-660-4288. For more information, visit: www.cuyamaca.edu/performingarts.

Debra Babylon's Sabbatical Art Exhibition Opening Reception ***"Global Citizens and Collateral Damage"***

Thursday, February 27th, 6:00 to 7:30pm
Communication Arts Building, Third Floor - East Wing
Exhibit is open through March 16, 2014

Sustainable Turf and Landscape Conference

Sponsored by Ornamental Horticulture
Thursday, March 6th, 7:30am to 3:30pm
Communication Arts Theater

Rancho San Diego



Farmer's Market

The Rancho San Diego Farmer's Market is held at Cuyamaca College from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. each Saturday in the parking lot across from OH. The market offers a wide variety of locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables, organic beef, locally made cheese, locally caught seafood, hot foods and a variety of crafters and other goodies.