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President’s Report to the Governing Board September 8, 2009

🐾 Fall Enrollment

The following is an analysis of the Fall 2009 enrollment compared with Fall 2008 enrollment as of the same day of registration:

	Fall 2009	Fall 2008	Difference by #	Percentage +/-
Date	09/03/09	09/04/08		
Headcount	9293	8749	+544	+6.2
Units	68422.0	64665.0	+3757.0	+5.8

🐾 Fall 2009 Convocation

The theme of the Fall 2009 Convocation was “Cuyamaca College: The Next Chapter”. Interim President Cristina Chiriboga addressed the packed crowd in the Student Center, welcoming everyone back to the college and addressing some of the challenges the college will be facing in the coming fiscal year. Years of Service Awards were awarded to 27 faculty and staff, representing a total of 350 years of cumulative service to the college; fifteen new staff members were welcomed into the Cuyamaca College family.

The college’s Readers Theatre, under the direction of Nancy Jennings, presented an entertaining and informative overview of the college’s new 2010-2016 Strategic Plan and the top activities the college community voted to become part of the plan.

As the highlight of the Fall 2009 Convocation, Dr. Chiriboga was recognized and honored for her years of service to the college and for serving as its Interim President during the past year.



The annual President's Awards for Classified Staff were presented to Ms. Gwen Nix, Institutional Advancement, and Ms. Barbara Takahashi, President’s Office; for Faculty to Ms. Nancy Jennings, English; and for Administrator to Vice President Arlene Satele, Administrative Services.

The college-wide Osher Matching Scholarship fund-raising campaign was launched, encouraging faculty and staff to sign up for payroll deductions to meet our college's challenge of \$239,000 by July 2011. The money raised will be matched 1:2 from the Bernard Osher Foundation and will go toward creating 24 permanent \$1,000 scholarships for Cuyamaca College students in financial need.



At the Convocation lunch, Cuyamaca College's 13 retirees were recognized and honored for their dedication to Cuyamaca College and the District. The luncheon celebration included certificates of appreciation as well as a picture collage of the college for each retiree signed by their colleagues.

🐾 Retiree Recognition Celebration

The Communication Arts building was the setting for the District sponsored Retiree Recognition Celebration on Thursday, August 20th. Family, friends, and colleagues came to congratulate the twenty-nine retirees who were recognized and applauded for their years of dedication and service, to the District, the colleges and most importantly, to our students. Laughter and reminiscence marked the evening as retirees were honored for their time as employees with the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District.

🐾 Interim College President Dr. Cristina Chiriboga Retirement Party

Hooley's in Rancho San Diego was the setting for the **hot** retirement party for Dr. Cristina Chiriboga. Family, friends, and colleagues from around the County came to wish Cristina and her husband Tom best wishes as they enter this new chapter of their lives. Cristina was recognized and applauded for her 14 years of service to the college and the district. Over and over, words of appreciation were expressed to Dr. Chiriboga regarding her leadership, charm, humor, storytelling, and the many achievements and milestones during her years of service at Cuyamaca College.



🐾 College Welcomes Mr. Ron Manzoni as Interim President

The college rolled out the welcome mat to Mr. Ron Manzoni who will be serving as the Interim President until the new president is appointed early next year. Morning and evening meet and greet sessions were held during his first day at the college where many of the faculty and staff had a chance to personally meet Mr. Manzoni. Mr. Manzoni brings an exceptional wealth of experience, having worked within the community college system at the administrative and CEO levels throughout most of his 40-year career.

🐾 Cuyamaca College host SDICCCA Interns

The SDICCCA Regional Faculty Internship Program is an important community college faculty training program for members of underrepresented groups interested in a community college teaching or counseling career. This year, Lauren Halsted will mentor Cynthia Luna (English), and Greg Gomez will mentor Clara Sagoe (Counseling). The SDICCA Internship Program is a major initiative by the San Diego and Imperial County Community College Association in cooperation with San Diego State University. Cuyamaca College will host all of the 2009-10 SDICCCA Interns on February 5, 2010.

🐾 Division I Receives Donated GPS System

Earlier this month, Cuyamaca College received a donation of a Trimble GPS system from Chris Bardon, Principle of California Surveying and Drafting Supply, Inc. Pictured is John Butcher, part time instructor, Dean Madelaine Wolfe, and Chris Bardon, with the Trimble. Students in the Surveying program at Cuyamaca College will certainly benefit from this recent donation. The Trimble GPS is used by surveyors



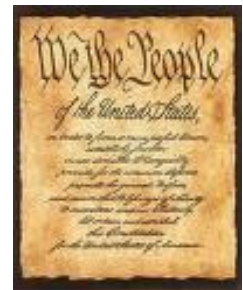
it the field, provides positioning solutions enabling professionals in engineering and construction, surveying, agriculture and field service to be more productive by revolutionizing their work processes. We are grateful to John Butcher for acquiring this generous donation for our students and our program.

🐾 Library Displays for September



The display on the first floor of the library focuses on the 40th anniversary of the first person to walk on the moon. On display are books and posters, a 40th anniversary DVD with Walter Cronkite, and other items commemorating this historic event, which took place on July 21, 1969.

On the second floor of the library are books and posters highlighting the United States Constitution, which was signed on September 17th, 1787. Constitution Day is a time to remember that great event and the “birthday” of our government. From now through the end of September, the library will have on display books and posters of the Constitution and other Documents of Democracy.



UPCOMING COLLEGE EVENTS

🐾 San Diego Robotics Expo

Saturday, October 10th in the Student Center. This event is being sponsored by the Science & Engineering Department.

🐾 Growing Green Collar Careers

Friday, October 16th at Cuyamaca College. A full day of speakers, panels and break-out sessions on greening your college's curriculum – creating pathways to careers in green industries. Funded by a grant from the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office.

🐾 Got Plans? 2009

Cuyamaca College, in collaboration with the GUHSD, will once again host the wildly successful Got Plans? Event on Wednesday, October 21st, in the Student Center and surrounding areas. The event will include transfer and career activities.

🐾 Grand Opening of the Business and Technology Building

The new building is coming along, and will be open for classes beginning in Spring 2010.