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President's Report to the Governing Board November 14, 2017

Mole Day

On Monday, October 23, Cuyamaca College was once again filled with the thrills, reactions, and creations of Mole Day. STEM students and other curious faculty, staff and students wandered into the H building to learn about the magic of Science and Avogadro's number. There were demonstrations of chemical experiments and hands on activities made available by Cuyamaca College Science and Chemistry faculty for all to learn from.



Annual Transfer Fair

On October 23, the annual Transfer Fair was held on the Grand Lawn of Cuyamaca College. Representatives from over 28 colleges attended the event, and met with approximately 250 students. The students were given answers to questions about majors available, major requirements, impacted majors, GPA requirements, tuition costs, student involvement/student groups, and any other questions they had. The representatives were set up along the walkway going through the Grand Lawn where the students were easily accessible. Along with the representatives, the students had a chance to interact with Transfer Center Coordinator Dr. Amaliya Blyumin.

Women's Golf Wins PCAC Championship



The Cuyamaca women's golf team capped off a dominant conference season with a PCAC championship. Head coach John Klein was also named the PCAC Coach of the Year. The team consists of freshmen students Amber Christiansen, Kendry Chun, Jayden Hays, Stephanie Ksiasek and Emily Weber, and sophomores Lizette Arteaga, Kenna Caricato, Leanna Mena, and Sara Rott.

20th Annual Wheelchair Basketball Game

Cuyamaca College's gym was filled with all kinds of talent on October 25, as the men's basketball team scrimmaged with the San Diego Silverbacks, a wheelchair basketball team. The teams were mixed to have a few Silverbacks on each side to teach the Coyotes how to dribble, pass and recover the ball from their seats. The College Hour event was hosted by the Associated Student Government, Disabled Student Programs and Services, the Cuyamaca Athletic Department, Club ABLED and Adaptive Sports. The contest included basketball players from the So Cal Sol, the San Diego Hammer, and the San Diego Xpress, a National Wheelchair Basketball Association team. Able-bodied basketball players from the Men's Cuyamaca basketball team as well as other students, faculty and staff were welcomed to take their turn at wheelchairs for the event.

Students Participate in Umoja Conference

On November 3-4, over 1,000 Umoja students convened in Sacramento to attend the Umoja XIII conference. This year's theme was *"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."* Four of Cuyamaca College Umoja Scholars students were in attendance for this life changing experience: Antonio Hicks, Mallory Webb, Mustafa Nasheed and Karrennton Fountain. The students along with their Umoja Coordinator Camille Jack, Dean of Counseling Nicole Jones, Umoja Instructor/Counselor Brandon Williams, Umoja Instructor Kristin McGregor, Counseling Department Chair Greg Gomez and Articulation Officer Tacey Hosley spent two days gaining knowledge about the Umoja Practices, building community that is supportive and uplifting all while attending workshops that challenged and provided them with lessons to bring back to their college. Those in attendance had the privilege to hear from Dr. Cornel West, a prominent and provocative democratic intellectual and Tim Wise, the most prominent anti-racist writer and educator in the United States. Umoja believes that when the voices and histories of students are deliberately and intentionally recognized, the opportunity for self-efficacy emerges and a foundation is formed for academic success.



Outreach Hosts Open House

The High School and Community Relations Department teamed up with Aklas Sheai, Interpreter & Community Liaison, to host an Open House on Halloween to welcome Outreach and Aklas to their new location in the One Stop. The office opened its doors to all faculty, staff, administration, and students to celebrate the grand opening of the Outreach office. The open house included delicious food, music, and information on services provided by the office. The office turned into a cultural hub with amazing food including Middle East specialties and music by the great talent Khaleed Iqab. President Julianna Barnes, Interim Vice President Aiden Ely, and Nicole Jones, Dean of Counseling Services, were on hand to welcome the new additions to the A-Building. Jessica Murguia, Student Success Coordinator and Aklas Sheai, Interpreter and Community Liaison, along with the Outreach Ambassadors, were also there to welcome the guests. The Open House was a great way to show off the new office space and bring awareness of the new location of both Aklas Sheai and our High School and Community Relations/Outreach department.



California Acceleration Project Design & Development Institute



On Friday, October 27 and Saturday, October 28, Cuyamaca College welcomed 220 faculty and administrators from community colleges all over California for the Design & Development Institute offered by the California Acceleration Project. Myra Snell and Katie Hern began by looking at information pertaining to AB705. This was followed by a panel of five short presentations to showcase “*Colleges Doing Ambitious Work*” and three of these were from Cuyamaca College: Lauren Halsted (English), Guillermo Colls (ESL), and Tammi Marshall (math). Colleges then worked with their teams by looking at their own placement and success data and developing initial plans on how best to move forward. Everyone then broke into discipline breakouts to learn about placement reform, corequisite support, and other strategies colleges can implement in their own reform work. On Monday, October 30, the Cuyamaca College

Math Department welcomed 13 math faculty from various California community colleges and one person from CSU East Bay, to an Open House. These faculty were able to observe several of our courses with corequisite support and PreStatistics as well as meet with several faculty and the chair of the department to ask questions.

Groundbreaking for New Center for Water Studies

Cuyamaca College is building a state-of-the-art Center for Water Studies to train the next generation of water and wastewater industry professionals. A ground-breaking ceremony for the first component of the project, the Field Operations Skills Yard, was held Thursday, November 9, next to the L-Building. When completed, the Field Operations Skills Yard will include a fully operational, above-ground water distribution and an underground wastewater collection system that will enable students to apply their science, technology, engineering and mathematics knowledge in a learning-by-doing, career-preparation environment. The Field Operations Skills Yard with a fully operational water and wastewater system will provide students a learning-by-doing career-preparation environment. Construction on the Field Operations Skills Yard is set to begin before the end of this year.



San Diego Center for Economic Education at Cuyamaca College Update

Cuyamaca College hosts the San Diego Center for Economic Education (SDCEE). SDCEE provides programs in economics and personal financial literacy for pre-K to 12 teachers in San Diego County and surrounding areas. SDCEE helps schools to integrate the teaching of economics and personal finance across all grade levels. SDCEE provides a variety of quality programs, classes and workshops that enable teachers to help students meet California State Standards in economics and to have the practical knowledge and skills necessary to become vital members of the local and global economy. This is the tenth year that Cuyamaca College has been hosting SDCEE. SDCEE is one of five other centers in California; the others are all hosted by universities. Board member Gifford Asimos conducted a breakout session on innovative ways to teach economics to high school students at the annual California School Economics Teachers Conference at the San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank. Associate Director Brett

Litoff and board member Chris O'Bryne conducted two separate financial literacy trainings for teachers and staff at Diego Valley Charter School in El Cajon and at the San Elijo campus of Mira Costa College. Center Director Anthony Zambelli conducted a breakout session on using YouTube videos to teach personal finance at the California Business Educators Conference in Garden Grove, CA and a breakout session on using public choice theory to explain the election of Donald Trump at the Professors Teaching Conference at the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank. Gifford teaches Accounting and AP Economics at Helix Charter High School and Principles of Economics at Cuyamaca College, Brett teaches at San Pasqual Academy; Chris teaches accounting at Cuyamaca College; and Anthony is Professor Emeritus of Economics at Cuyamaca College.

Upcoming Events

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

Remaining Career Workshops

All the workshops meet from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. and meet in the Career Center, room A-221

Wednesday, November 29 *How to Choose a Major and Career*

Tuesday, December 5 *Finding & Applying for Internships: Preparing for Summer*

2017 Fall Concert Series

All concerts take place in the Cuyamaca College Performing Arts Theater in Building B. General admission tickets are \$8 each, \$5 for students and seniors, unless otherwise noted.

Thursday, November 16 *Zimbeat*

Music from Africa

Monday, November 27

Cuyamaca College Rock, Pop, and Soul Ensemble

Performing "The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill"

Thursday, November 30

Cuyamaca College Choir with Cuyamaca College Concert Band

Wednesday, December 6

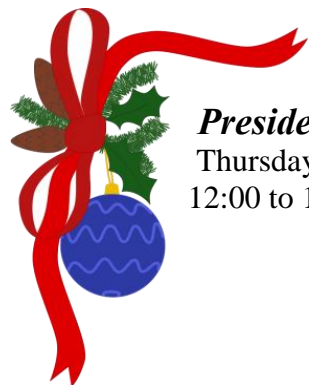
Cuyamaca College Concert Band with Grossmont College Concert Band

Achieving the Dream Coaches Visit: "Pathways to Success & Equity"

Wednesday, December 6

8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Student Center, I-209.



President's Annual Holiday Luncheon

Thursday, December 14

12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Student Center