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President's Report to the Governing Board December 12, 2017

Cuyamaca College Knits Scarves for Student Veterans

On Wednesday, December 6, the staff of the Health & Wellness Center hosted a holiday luncheon at the Cuyamaca College Veterans Resource Center. The highlight of the afternoon was the distribution of 20 winter scarves knitted by Cuyamaca College student Annie Bartzen. Annie volunteers her time at the Student Health & Wellness Center and loves to knit. Each of the student veterans left with a new scarf.



Women's Cross Country Race to Victory

The Cuyamaca women's cross country team capped off their season with a runner-up finish at the state championship in Fresno in early November. Two Coyotes earned All-American honors for their performances. Alexia Thiros finished 7th place finish on the individual leaderboard with a time of 10:41, while Marleen Aranda covered the 3.1 miles Woodward Park course in 19:01, good for 13th place. This year's Cuyamaca College team is the first in 16 years to win a PCAC title and to medal at the state level.

Social Gathering at Cuyamaca College



Cuyamaca College's 7th annual Social Gathering was held on Tuesday, November 21, on the Grand Lawn. The event celebrated our American Indian culture with participants from tribes locally and elsewhere. The Social Gathering, in honor of Native American Heritage month, is a celebration of dance, song and story that holds deep significance culturally and spiritually for American Indian people. Richard Crane of the Crow/Dine tribe served as the guest speaker. Chuck Cadotte

of the Hunkpapa Band-Lakota conducted the blessing prior to the start of the festivities. Terry Hinsley of the Shawnee tribe performed his drumming which was accompanied by the Soaring Eagles dance. This annual event is hosted by the Native American Student Alliance, the Associated Student Government, Student Affairs, and the Office of Institutional Effectiveness, Success and Equity.



Part-time Instructor Recognized for his Work in the Field

Rafael Perez, part-time Real Estate instructor, was recently crowned Realtor of the Year at the annual PSAR Board of Realtors induction at Coasterra in San Diego.

Cuyamaca College Scores High Marks with Veteran Students

Three of San Diego's major universities and one community college ranked highly in a newly released list of military-friendly institutions of higher learning. In the rankings released by the publication *Military Times*, Cuyamaca College was only one of a handful of California Community College to make the top-rated list and the only community college in San Diego, in addition to three universities in the region – CSUSM, SDSU, and USD. According to the *Military Times*, the rankings are created from answers to a 150-question survey submitted by the colleges, coupled with data from the federal Education, Defense and Veterans Affairs departments. The results showed how schools compare in university culture, academic quality and outcomes, policies, student support, and cost and financial aid. The *Military Times* reported that of schools that track graduation rates for students with military ties, 58 percent reported rates higher than or equal to the rate for their overall student population.



Free Flu Shots

It's not too late! While the supply lasts, all Cuyamaca College students and staff can receive their free flu shot at Student Health Services during their business hours.

The office is located in the Student Center, room I-137.

Upcoming Events

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



President's Annual Holiday Luncheon

Thursday, December 14

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

Spring Convocation & Luncheon

Wednesday, January 24, 2018

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Student Center

4th Annual - Cuyamaca College Powwow
Saturday, February 3rd, 2018
900 Rancho San Diego Parkway, El Cajon, CA 92109

Powwow Info:
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Photography

A photograph of a Native American family in traditional regalia. A woman on the left wears a bright green dress with intricate patterns and a white shawl. A young child in the center wears a colorful patterned dress. A man on the right wears a large, elaborate feathered headdress and a green and black patterned tunic. The background is a dark, textured wall.

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The logo for Cuyamaca College, featuring a stylized mountain range and a sun or moon above it, with the text "CUYAMACA COLLEGE" below.