Math Professor Kathy Godshalk Succumbs to 17-Month Cancer Battle

Services are scheduled for Saturday, October 13 for the popular faculty member.

Kathy Godshalk, Cypress College’s 2007 Outstanding Faculty Award recipient, passed away on Sunday afternoon with her family and pastor at her side. A member of the Math Department faculty for the past 15 years, Godshalk was diagnosed with cancer in 2011.

Services are scheduled to take place on Saturday, October 13, at Messiah Lutheran Church in Yorba Linda, at 11 a.m. The viewing will begin at 9:30 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, Godshalk’s family requested donations be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society in her memory.

“IT overwhelms me to know that a single person just going about her day to day life could have such a profound effect on so many people,” Godshalk’s husband Ron Godshalk wrote. “Overwhelming but not surprising to anyone who knows her. It was an honor to share so much of her too short life with her.”

Cypress College President Bob Simpson shared these thoughts:

“We have lost one of our dearest family members, one who embodied in every way the spirit of Cypress College. It was my privilege to have known Kathy for over 20 years. During that time, I never heard a cross or disparaging word from her. Her smile brightened every event. She lived her life in accord with the highest personal and professional standards, a true role model for us all. Kathy’s commitment to the College and to her students was surpassed only by her commitment to her family and to her faith.

Our heartfelt condolences go out to her family, and to her dear friends in the SEM Division.

Dr. Richard Fee, Godshalk’s dean in the Science, Engineering and Mathematics Division, described her as “the sweetest person I had ever met.” He continued:

A “no” from her was kinder and gentler than most people’s “yeses.” Students who did not pass her class were more upset about letting her down than about failing the class. Kathy was the embodiment of grace and compassion.

Kathy and I would talk about our families. Whatever stage I was going through with my children, Kathy would

Dr. Simpson Talks About Student Success, Transparency at Academic Senate

Addressing the Academic Senate during their first meeting of the new school year, Dr. Simpson highlighted student success as a top priority, and he announced initiatives to expand transparency in decision making.

“I realize we may not always agree on issues,” he said in a memo last week. “But, we should always be dealing from a common information base and in an environment of trust that affords appropriate opportunities for all voices to be heard.”

At the meeting, Dr. Simpson said he will establish a College Town Hall calendar “to afford members of the College and local community to bring issues, concerns or comments directly

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October 8, from 5-6 p.m., and on Thursday, October 11, from 9-11 a.m.

Each week, the President's Office Hours will be announced in @Cypress under the “This Week” section on the first page.

The two measures are Dr. Simpson's response to the most-recent Campus Climate Survey in which a significant minority of respondents expressed the belief that campus operations are not as transparent as they should be.

“This finding is of great concern to me,” Dr. Simpson said.

He also added the he has made it a point to emphasize to constituent representatives their need to both speak on behalf of their groups, and to bring information back from shared governance bodies to their constituent membership.

At the meeting, Dr. Simpson also shared his vision for Cypress College and expressed an interest in collaborating with the Academic Senate on “a variety of fundamentally academic matters we will be addressing.”

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remind me to treasure it, because time is so short and every moment is precious. That is a lesson I will carry with me for the rest of my life.

Our tears are broken at her passing.

Godshalk came to Cypress College after having worked as a software engineer for Hughes Aircraft (where she met her husband). She then took a sabbatical to raise their two children, before embarking on a teaching career.

At Cypress College, she served on the Honors Committee, was a member of the Academic Senate, worked on curriculum development, and was a regular contributor to the Cypress College Foundation's “Pull for Cypress” campaign. For the college's First Women's Recognition Month Luncheon, in March 2011, she was a nominee in five award categories: “Most Supportive,” “Most Supportive of Student Success,” “Most Influential,” “Outstanding Woman Who Goes Above and Beyond,” and “Woman Athlete of the Year.”

Godshalk earned her bachelor’s of arts degree in mathematics from California State University, Long Beach. She holds two master's degrees, one in computer engineering from University of Southern California, and the other in mathematics form California State University, Long Beach.

When interviewed on the occasion of earning tenure in 2001, Godshalk noted her active involvement with church, community and her family's favorite activities. She included among her favorite activities traveling, reading and eating.

Budget Central: Degree Completion Expands State’s Economy

If just 2% more of Californians earned associate degrees and 1% more earned a bachelor's degree, our state's economy would grow by $20 billion, state and local tax revenue would increase by $1.2 billion a year and 174,000 new jobs would be created.

Learn more at www.nocccd.edu/BudgetNews.htm.
SAVE THE DATE!

Cypress College

Featuring: Culinary Arts Program

Cypress College High School Counselors
Breakfast Meeting
Thursday, November 1, 2012
7:45 am
North Orange County Community College District - Anaheim Campus
1830 W. Romneya Dr. Anaheim, CA 92801

Location Has Been Changed!
Disabilities Awareness Month

Hello,

October is recognized as Disabilities Awareness Month throughout the country. With nearly 20% of all Americans having a physical or cognitive disability, it is fitting that we set aside this time to promote disability as a natural and beautiful part of human diversity in which people with disabilities can take pride.

Despite the increasing numbers of people with disabilities in the mainstream of society, there are still those who feel uncomfortable when interacting with someone with a disability. In an effort to reduce uneasiness and promote social interaction, we would like to kick off the month by providing you with a guide on "disability etiquette". Hopefully, this guide will answer some of your questions and raise your awareness.

We will be sharing more information with you in the coming weeks. In the meantime, please check out our display on the first floor of the L/LRC.

Kim Bartlett, Director
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DO:
Put the person before the disability, “A woman who uses a wheelchair”, “A man who has cerebral palsy”. Politely ask someone about their disability. Let your child talk to people with disabilities. Relax and be yourself. Smile and be friendly. Offer to help.

DON’T:
Stare. Call people afflicted, retarded, wheelchair bound, courageous, burden, deformed, crippled, poor, spastic, invalid. Talk down to people or treat them like children (unless they really are a child). Park in a disabled parking space unless you have a disability that warrants you to park there. Talk over people’s heads or act like they are not there. Distract a service dog by petting it; they are busy working.

If a person has **SPEECH DIFFICULTIES:**
Speak directly to the individual, not to a companion. Maintain eye contact. Be patient, do not complete the person’s sentences, let them finish. Don’t pretend to understand if you don’t. Don’t be afraid to ask the person to repeat or spell a word, or to use a different word. Remember that speech difficulties do NOT equal intellectual deficits.

If a person has **MOBILITY IMPAIRMENTS:**
Treat the person’s wheelchair like a part of their body. Push it or touch it only if asked. Talk to a person in a wheelchair on their level if possible; sit in a chair, etc. or stand back so the person doesn’t have to look sharply upwards.

If a person is **DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING:**
Make sure you have the person’s attention before you speak. Always face the person when speaking. Speak normally; do not exaggerate your speech, do not shout. If a sign language interpreter is present, talk directly to the person who is deaf, not to the interpreter.

If a person is **BLIND OR HAS LOW VISION:**
Speak directly to the person; use a normal tone of voice. Identify yourself when entering the person’s space, and announce when you are leaving. Freely use terms such as, “See you later”. Offer to help, and then listen to the person’s directions. If helping, do not hold a person’s arm; let them hold your arm. When giving assistance in seating, place the person’s hand on the back or arm of the seat. When giving assistance with stairs, place the person’s hand on the banister.
IF YOU HAVE A STUDENT who MAY HAVE A DISABILITY, PLEASE HELP THEM TO CONTACT:

School of Continuing Education Disabled Student Programs & Services
http://sce.edu/news/index.php/dsps/2009/03/03/welcome-to-dsps
Phone (714) 484-7057; FAX (714) 484-7454

Cypress College Disabled Students Program & Services
http://www.cypresscollege.edu/services/dsps
Phone (714) 484-7104; TTY (714) 761-0961; FAX (714) 826-4042

Fullerton College Disability Support Services (DSS)
http://www.fullcoll.edu/dss
Phone (714) 992-7099; FAX (714) 992-9920

WHAT SUPPORT SERVICES ARE PROVIDED?
Disability support services offer a variety of services for students with all types of documented disabilities, including:

• Learning disabilities
• Visual, hearing and mobility impairments
• Psychological conditions
• Acquired brain injuries
• Other medical disabilities

WHAT SERVICES ARE PROVIDED?

• Adaptive computer and learning strategies classes
• Classroom furniture accommodations
• Test taking accommodations
• Specialized counseling
• Priority registration and assistance
• Alternate media, audio format textbooks, e-text, enlarged print, etc.
• Note taking assistance
• Interpreting services for the deaf
• Special classes
• Learning disability assessment
• Tutoring
• Assistive and adaptive technologies
• Liaison with or referral to campus and community agencies
Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Orientations

All Regular District Employees:

The Office of Human Resources will be hosting short orientations on the Employee Assistance Program. The orientations will provide an overview of the program, demonstrate how to access and log-in to the web resources and provide information and answer questions on the services available. The program is available to all regular District Employees (classified/confidential employees including probationary employees, contract and tenured faculty, managers), and members of their households.

The orientations are scheduled as follows:

**Cypress College:**
Thursday, October 11
11:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon
College Complex, Room 419

**Fullerton College:**
Wednesday, October 17
11:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon
College Center, Room 224

**Anaheim Campus:**
Tuesday, October 23
11:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon
Room 105

Please note that it is not necessary to register for the orientation, so feel free to drop in to any of the sessions. Separate orientations will be scheduled for those employees working evening/early morning shifts.

Thanks.

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CYPRESS CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES FORUM

Wednesday, October 17, 2012 at 7:00 PM

Cypress College, Humanities Building #131
9200 Valley View, Cypress

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan organization that encourages the informed and active participation of citizens. To be better informed, join us at the Cypress City Council Candidates Forum where you can meet and ask questions of the candidates.

Free parking in Lots 7 and 8 from 6 to 9 PM

League of Women Voters
North Orange County
Cypress Chamber of Commerce and Cypress College Political Science Department & Club
Save the Date!
3rd Annual
Cypress College
Donate a Day of Service

Wednesday, October 10, 2012
11:00 am - 1:00 pm
on the Bridge by the Pond

Sponsored by
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The Honors and Service Learning Program

We would like to invite all service agencies, faculty, staff and students to join us as we show our college commitment to service both on and off campus. Please contact me if you would like to participate by hosting a service booth.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Sonne, Honors and Service Learning Program and Associated Students

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