

March 3, 2003 Newsletter from President Margie Lewis

THIS WEEK

3 • Monday

» "Photochimica" exhibit on display in Edouard deMerlier and Library Galleries, through April 5.

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» Fall 2003 Semester in Florence, Italy, information session, 6 p.m. - 7 p.m., Wilson Conference Room

5 • Wednesday

» Banner training session for faculty and classified staff, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Wilshire Room 212

» Fall 2003 Semester in Florence, Italy information session, 12 p.m.-1 p.m., Wilson Conference Room

» Last day to submit nominations for Outstanding Faculty Award

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» Parent Night, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m., H-131 and H-136

» Faculty recital featuring jazz vocalist Kathryn Reid, 11 a.m.-noon, FA-304

9 • Sunday

» Cypress College Theater Re-Opening, champagne reception, 5 p.m.; tour and performances, 6 p.m.

THEY SAID IT

"The power of a book lies in its power to turn a solitary act into a shared vision. As long as we have books, we are not alone."

— First Lady Laura Bush

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Americana Banquet Honors Local Heroes

► The college's major fund raiser has its best-ever year with a net of \$115,000.

The Cypress College Foundation hosted its annual Americana Awards Banquet on February 22 at Disney's Grand Californian Hotel in Anaheim.

The event raised approximately \$115,000 for the Foundation, an enormous boost for the college especially in these times of budget crisis.

The purpose of the night was to celebrate the efforts of some of the wonderful volunteers in our primary service cities, along with honoring Couple of the Year Ed and Dixie Arnold, and Distinguished Business Partners Anaheim Memorial, West Anaheim and Los Alamitos medical centers.

The event, Cypress College's largest fundraiser, also featured live and silent auctions, music performed by the Citrus Swing Orchestra, a four-course meal, dancing, and much more.

Receiving Citizen of the Year awards were Anaheim's Bruno Serato, Buena Park's



Ed & Dixie Arnold receive the Americana Man and Woman of the Year award.

Jerry Sigler, Cypress' George Hallak, Garden Grove's Leo and Virginia Zlaket, La Palma's Lauree Aragona, Los Alamitos' David Dugan, and Stanton's Mary Lara.

Toyota Motor Corporation, the 2002 Americana Distinguished Business Partner, returned the college's generosity by becoming the first-ever title sponsor of this year's event. Toyota also was responsible for donating the highlight item of the live auction — a three-year lease on a brand new Camry sedan.

Darlene Fishman (director of Nursing) and her husband were the high bidders on the car.

North Orange Community College District Trustee Donna Miller commended Cypress College on its Americana Awards Banquet, noting the strong level of community support indicated by the numbers of attendees.

"This year's Americana Awards was a great success," said Raúl Alvarez, Cypress College's executive director of the Foundation and Community Relations. "We surpassed last year's record net income by \$35,000." @



Citrus Swing Orchestra performs.

Black History Month Celebration Ends With a "Meeting"

Cypress College wrapped up the Black History Month celebration with a performance of "The Meeting: A Conversation between Martin and Malcolm," Thursday in the Studio Theater.

The play, inspired by historical speculation, surmises what could possibly have happened had Civil Rights leaders Martin Luther King, Jr., and Malcolm X met on Valentine's Day, one week before the assassination of Malcolm X, to discuss ideology and pur-

pose. "The Meeting" explores the relationship between the two men with respect and admiration for both leaders. In particular, it reveals Malcolm X beyond his "revolutionary" personification.

Performed by professional actors and directed by Adleane Hunter, "The Meeting" captivated the standing-room only audience of students and staff members.

Attendees were encouraged to stay on after the performance for a Q&A session.

CHARGERS

Lady Chargers basketball teammates, sophomore **Joyce Proctor** and freshman **Octavia Curtis**, have been named to the Orange Empire Conference All-Conference team for the 2003 season.



The Lady Chargers softball squad was selected as this year's pre-season favorite in the 2003 OEC softball coaches poll. Sophomore third baseman **Victoria Torrez** was named Preseason Co-Player of the Year, and freshman **Lindsey Klabacha** was named Co-Preseason Newcomer of the Year.

Sophomores **Lolani Alvarez** and **Anel Fonseca** were also named to the All-OEC Sophomore Preseason Team.

The Lady Chargers went 10-1 during their preseason schedule.



Don't miss your last chance to nominate a co-worker for an Outstanding Faculty Award. Nomination forms (available in the Admin. Bldg.) are due in to **Steve Gold**, S.E.M. Division, by Wednesday, March 5.

STAFF TIPS

Retention Tip #6

When students miss class, a phone call from the teacher encouraging them to return and offering to help them make up the work can be the crucial factor in retaining them.

KinderCaminata Needs Your Help!

KinderCaminata is looking for enthusiastic volunteers!

On March 28, Cypress College will be hosting its eighth annual KinderCaminata event. "KinderCaminata" has come to be used to describe a day when children visit their local community college to explore their ideas of what they might like to be someday. When the young students return home, their families hear about their experiences, thus exposing the entire household to the various opportunities a community college has to offer.

Celebrated in honor of Cesar Chavez' birthday, KinderCaminata was founded by Los Amigos of

Orange County, a Latino leadership group that was the original sponsor of this event, hosted at Rancho Santiago College in 1994.

Today, many community colleges in Orange County have joined in this program.

You are invited to be a part of Cypress' KinderCaminata event by becoming a volunteer for one of the planned activities.

If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Hortensia Modregon at ext. 7368 or email Linda Shimer, Campus Diversity, at lishimer@CypressCollege.edu.

Cypress Theater Department Alight with News

The Fine Arts Department has developed a groundbreaking partnership with worldwide theater lighting leader, Strand Lighting.

In exchange for allowing locally-based Strand Lighting to use the new college theater as a technology demonstration area, Strand will permit Cypress College students to use this top-of-the-line equipment for training purposes.

"We're really excited about the partnership," said Diana Polsky, Fine Arts Department faculty member. "Lighting tech is a field in which experience counts more so than any certification or degree, and this training means that our students will have that extra edge."

In addition to the equipment provided, Strand will also invite Cypress students to train alongside professional lighting experts in their workshops.

According to Fred De Pontee, theater production manager, Strand is also hoping to provide internship opportunities for the students.

"They (Strand) have really gotten excited about doing as much for the college as they can," De Pontee said. "They're going to have a booth set up at Senior Day and have already joined the patrons' group."

Strand technology is responsible for the lighting of many of the top musicals across the globe, including the current #1 hit in London, *My Fair Lady*; and the revival of *Oklahoma* on Broadway. The company was also responsible for the lighting effects during the opening and closing ceremonies at the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games.

While the specific partnership details are still being worked out, the Fine Arts Department is hopeful that they will be able to offer training on the Strand equipment starting in Fall 2003.

Construction Update: Theater Takes On a New Tone

If those attending the Cypress College Theater Re-Opening on Sunday notice a slightly different glow to the theater, chances are it's coming from their feet!

Over the course of the past few weeks, contractors have been working around the clock to prepare the center for its debut. Just last week, all of the seats were removed and the floor was "shot-blasted," re-surfaced with a slightly darker color, to complete the theater's "head-to-toe" transformation to a modern and stylish venue for the 21st Century.

For those interested in attending the re-opening celebration, please contact the Foundation at ext. 47126.



**MEASURE X
CONSTRUCTION
UPDATE**

BRIEFLY

The Staff

Development Office is hosting a series of Hands-On Powerpoint Instruction workshops in March and April. Session material will range from the basic to the very advanced in Powerpoint instruction, with classes accelerating in difficulty as the weeks go by. As space is limited, contact Connie Lowery at ext. 47324 or email staffdev@CypressCollege.edu for reservations.



Cypress College will be hosting a Parent Night on Thursday, March 6, from 6:30 - 8 p.m. in the Humanities Building, Rooms 131 & 136. Parent Night is a great opportunity for parents of high school students to meet with Cypress College faculty, students and administrators. Questions about applications, registration and available classes will be answered. For more information, contact Jorge Ramirez at ext. 47371.



Senior Day is drawing closer, and we are still in need of volunteer tour guides for the event. If you are available between 9 - 11 a.m. on March 20 and would like to help out, please contact Becky Rojas at ext. 47199.

SAVING TIPS

Tip #3

Out of your office for long meetings most of the day? Be sure to save energy costs by shutting down your computer and monitor before you leave.

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Americana Awards Banquet 2003

Click on the image above to view a multi-media presentation from the 2003 American Awards Banquet. This shortened version (under a minute) shows the award recipients.



KinderCaminata 2003

February 10, 2003

Dear Colleague:

We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers!

On March 28, Cypress College will be hosting its eighth annual KinderCaminata. KinderCaminata, a recently coined word, has come to be known as a day when children visit the Community College to explore their ideas of what they might like to be someday. When the kindergartners return home, their families hear about their experiences thus exposing the entire household to the various opportunities a community college has to offer.

We celebrate KinderCaminata in honor of Cesar Chavez' birthday. To find out more about Cesar Chavez, founder of the United Farm Workers of America organization, please see the attached biography. Los Amigos of Orange County, a Latino Leadership Group, was the original sponsor of this event that Rancho Santiago hosted in 1994.

Today many community colleges in Orange County have joined in this program. We would like to invite you to be a part of this wonderful program by becoming a volunteer for one of our planned activities. For more details, please see the attached Volunteer Sign-Up sheet, complete and return to Hortensia Modregon, EOPS Office, by March 10.

If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Hortensia Modregon at (714) 484-7368 or email Linda Shimer, Campus Diversity, at lshimer@cypresscollege.edu.

Sincerely,

Linda Shimer
KinderCaminata 2003 Committee

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KinderCaminata 2003

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP

February 10, 2003

Dear Colleague:

In order to have another successful KinderCaminata, it is important for faculty, staff and students to participate. The KinderCaminata Committee would welcome your involvement in any of the following activities. Thank you for volunteering your valuable time.

Please keep this section as a reminder.

ACTIVITIES FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 2003:

- Decorations and Set-up 7:00 am - 8:30 am
Bus Greeters 8:00 am - 9:30 am
Career Station Attendants 8:30 am - 11:30 am
Water Station 8:30 am - 11:30 am
Snack Assistants 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

To sign up to volunteer, please complete and return the bottom portion of this form to Hortensia Modregon, EOPS Office, by March 10, 2003. If you should have any questions, Hortensia may be reached at Ext. 47368.

HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US!

Please cut & return this portion:

KinderCaminata 2003 VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET

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For your convenience, there will be two separate orientation sessions for volunteers. Please select one of the following:

- Tuesday, March 18
Wednesday, March 19

Both sessions will be held from 11:00 am to 12 noon at the Fine Arts Staff Conference Center.

Please return to Hortensia Modregon, EOPS Office, by March 10, 2003.

Hands-On PowerPoint Instruction

Don't miss this last opportunity before Title III fundign ends!

Hands-On PowerPoint Instruction

All Comers Welcome !!

by

Carol Lewis

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| Basic PowerPoint: | Wednesday, March 12: | 2-4 p.m. |
| Intermediate PowerPoint I: | Wednesday March 19: | 2-4 p.m. |
| Intermediate PowerPoint II: | Wednesday March 26: | 2-4 p.m. |
| Advanced PowerPoint I: | Wednesday April 2: | 2-4 p.m. |
| Advanced PowerPoint II: | Wednesday April 9: | 2-4 p.m. |

Faculty and staff who complete all 5 classes of workshops series will receive a certificate of completion. Faculty who complete all ten hours of workshop and a project can ear 1/2 equivalent unit credit toward advancement on pay scale.

Limited to 10 participants in Teaching learning Center. For reservations,

Call Connie Lowery, Admin. Bldg., X47324

OR

E-mail: staffdev@CypressCollege.edu

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Educational Excellence

Students and staff are proud of the many top-quality academic and vocational programs at Cypress College. Our students say Cypress College is a good place to build skills and connect with others. Many feel their confidence grow. Graduates say that after completing a program at Cypress College, they feel well prepared for their next step, whether that's a career or the university.

A Great Environment

Students often comment about the warm, personal and friendly experience at Cypress College. They say they feel safe at the college and enjoy the atmosphere. Students like that teachers remember their first names and say "hi" on campus. They also enjoy the casual environment, beautiful grounds and ample parking. And they rave about the relaxing duck pond.

Personal Attention

Cypress College classes are always taught by highly qualified faculty members. Students think their teachers are excellent and willing to go the extra mile for them. Faculty members like Cypress College because they love to teach. The result is personal attention and one-on-one interaction between students and their instructors. Many students say they came to Cypress College for that reason alone.

Value and Quality

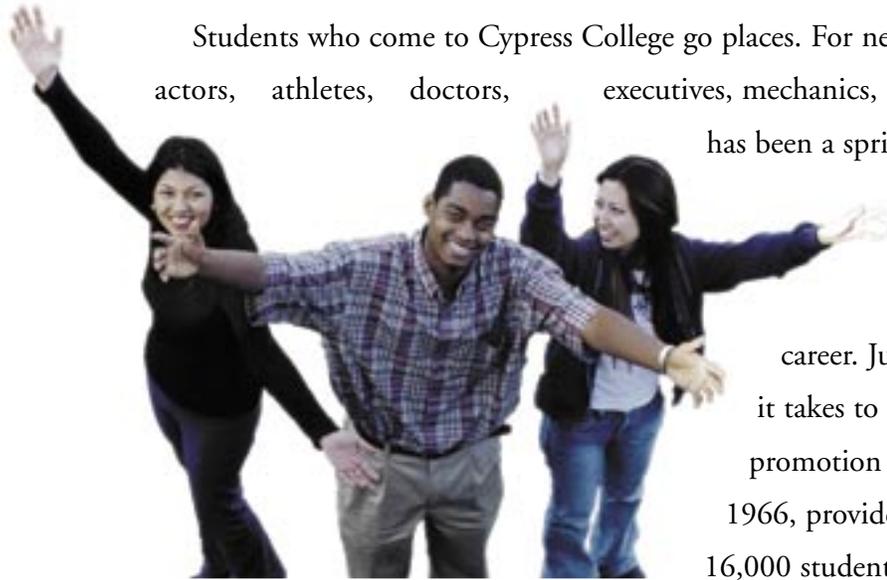
Ask a Cypress College student if they're getting a good deal and you're likely to hear this response: "My friends are paying a fortune for the same education." It's not only the exceptionally low cost of just \$11 per unit, either. Students say they know they're getting a top-quality education and transfer credits, too.

A Fun Experience

You can't quite call Cypress College a party school. At least not in an official publication. But students say they find lots of opportunity for involvement. The campus has a vibrant arts community and several top-notch athletic programs. Not to mention all the attractions — like Downtown Disney and Knott's Berry Farm — that are just a stone's-throw from the campus.

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For nearly a half million students, Cypress College has been a springboard to their dreams. Come to Cypress College and *Go Places*



Students who come to Cypress College go places. For nearly a half-million people — including actors, athletes, doctors, executives, mechanics, nurses and teachers — Cypress College has been a springboard to their dreams. For some,

Cypress College is the ticket into their university of choice and for others it provides essential training for a rewarding career. Just one Cypress College class is often all it takes to provide cutting-edge skills that lead to a promotion or a new job. Cypress College, founded in 1966, provides a quality higher education to more than 16,000 students of diverse backgrounds each semester.

More than 25% of Cypress College's students are Latinos, 18% are Asian, 7% are Filipino, 5% are African American, 38% are Caucasian, and 7% are from other ethnicities or are unidentified. The college serves the Orange County cities of Anaheim, Buena Park, Cypress, Garden Grove, La Palma, Los Alamitos and Stanton, although residents of any city are welcome.

Cypress College is committed to promoting student success and contributing to intercultural understanding, in a student-centered learning environment. Offering 58 university-transfer majors, 107 career-certificate programs, and degrees in 46 areas of study, Cypress College has traditional semesters beginning in January and August, while short-term courses start throughout the year. A Cypress College education costs just \$11 per unit, California's lowest tuition. Financial aid and scholarships also are available to qualifying students.

Cypress College, in sunny Southern California, is in the shadow of major tourist attractions such as Disney's theme parks and Downtown Disney (about six miles), Knott's Berry Farm (less than five miles), and The Block entertainment complex (about 10 miles). The campus is 12 miles from the beach and provides quick access to Long Beach and Los Angeles. Located at 9200 Valley View Street in Cypress, the college is easily accessible from several Southern California freeways, including the 5, 91, 605, 22 and 405.

The 110-acre Cypress College campus features a lake, park-like study areas and beautiful weather year-round.

