

April 29, 2002 Newsletter from President Margie Lewis

THIS WEEK

30 • Tuesday

- » "Amazon & African Wildlife Experience" slide show and dialog, TE1-205, 7-9 p.m.

1 • Wednesday

- » World Fest, Pond, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

2 • Thursday

- » "Cartoon Character Workshop" (part of Imagination Celebration of Orange County), FA, 4-5:30 p.m.

2-4 • Thursday-Saturday

- » "One Act Plays," Studio Theater, 8 p.m.

Ongoing

- » "The Creative Spirit in Portraits," Photography Gallery (through May 25)
- » "Ambrotypes," Library Gallery (through May 25)
- » "El Toro Documentary Project," Floating Wall Gallery (through May 25)

“THEY SAID IT”

“The guy who takes a chance, who walks the line between the known and unknown, who is unafraid of failure, will succeed.”

— Gordon Parks

Submitted by Ron Armale

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Gibby is Teacher of the Year Nominee

► Students select her as college's best and nominate her for top OC honors.

Math Department Chair Cheryl Gibby has been selected by students as Cypress College's nominee in the Orange County Teacher of the Year process.

In the 12 years she has been at Cypress College, Gibby has taught basic math, pre-algebra, elementary algebra, intermediate algebra, liberal arts mathematics and business calculus. She has been the department chair since October, 2000.

Gibby, an educator for 30-plus years, has also been a part-time faculty member at Fullerton College and at Cal State Fullerton.

She was a math teacher and department chair for a decade at Mission Viejo High School and taught math at Lake Forest's Serrano Intermediate School and Hilton D. Bell Junior High in Garden Grove.

Gibby earned her bachelor's degree at Cal State Long Beach and her master's at Cal State Fullerton. She also completed a certificate program in computers at UCI.

In 1996, she received the National

Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) Excellence Award and was recognized for being a California nominee for the "Presidential

Award for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics." Gibby was honored as the Southern California Edison Outstanding Teacher in 1988.

She is a member of several professional organizations, including the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

When she has time outside of work, Gibby enjoys traveling to see her daughters in Alaska and Petaluma. Fortunately, Gibby's 6-year-old grandson is in the closer of the two destinations.

She and her husband also enjoy off roading — a recreation that recently took them to the Mojave Desert.



Cheryl Gibby

Unique El Toro Photo Exhibit Goes on Display in Gallery

A unique look at the shuttered former El Toro Marine base is now on display in the campus Photography Gallery — what is likely the first stop on a tour of the county that will culminate in the works being donated to Orange County's official historical archives.

Students in several photography courses conducted a two-day visit to the closed Marine Corps Air Station at El Toro earlier this month. It is the only such documentary project conducted at the base. The project, and the access needed to complete it, required official approval from the Orange County Board of Supervisors — something that was facilitated by Trustee Molly

McClanahan and Cynthia Coad, a former trustee who now sits on the five-member county governing body.

"This place offered an amazing opportunity because of its unique history," Professor Jerry Burchfield told *Orange County Register* reporter Peter Larsen. "And the time was such that I figured if somebody didn't do something here soon, a legacy would be lost. There's something about right now, this modern-day ghost town, that seems to epitomize the state we're in — society's changing, the military's changing, the battle over this specific land. In my view, photography gives us evidence of what was — and maybe what might be."



"X" marks a spot on a runway at the former Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro. This photograph was taken by Cypress College student Ba Han Nguyen.

CHARGERS

Congratulations to **Susana Jianto** and **Ann Richey**, who were recently honored at the Seal Beach Host Lions Club's "Honor the Teacher" Night. Susana is campus teacher of the year. Ann, an alumna of Cypress College, was honored as Hopkinson Elementary School's teacher of the year.



Student Trustee **Michael Robbe** has been elected treasurer for the state executive board of the California Student Association of Community Colleges, commonly known as CalSACC. **Lisa Montoya**, the A.S. treasurer, has been appointed to the treasurer position for Region VIII of CalSACC.



Two of Orange County's best high school basketball players will continue their education and athletic dreams here at Cypress College. **Matt Reid**, from Cypress High, and **Bryce Sheldon**, from Loara, have both committed to play for coach **Paul Bottiaux** in the fall. Reid averaged 26.3 points per game last season, more than any other prep player in the county, and is the Centurions all-time leading scorer. Sheldon averaged 22.3 points per game, fifth best in OC.

OPENINGS

For more information on these job openings, visit the NOCCCD Web site:

Student Accounting, Records Clerk
(50%)/Secretary (50%)
(SCE/Wilshire)
Administrative Secretary III (FC)
Secretary (CC)

Student Creates Post 9/11 Fire Fighter Exhibit

Student Nazgol Zandyazdani will install a photomural project to honor the firefighters who lost their lives on September 11 and those who risk their lives on a daily basis.

The work — done in conjunction with Fire Service Recognition Day — will be featured in an on-campus reception scheduled for May 6, from 6:30-7:30 on the Library Patio.

It is expected to draw a large con-

tingent of local firefighters, and their emergency vehicles, to the campus.

Zandyazdani has been extensively photographing members of the Orange County Fire Authority for the last several months. From those images, she is creating a mural depicting the now-famous image of New York firefighters raising the American flag over the rubble of the World Trade Center towers.



Use Recycle Bins to Meet State Requirements

By now, you may have noticed the new recyclable containers for soda cans which are located around campus. These containers are a direct result of our efforts to reduce waste — a state requirement.

In 1999, Gray Davis signed into law AB 75, which orders state agencies to meet waste diversion goals of 25% in 2002 and 50% in 2004. Cypress College submitted our plan to the state last year, and a report to the state updating our progress to reduce waste by 25% was filed on April 1.

Paper recycling containers are also more prevalent on campus and in offices. Use of double sided copies and new technology, such as e-mail and attachments, has also reduced the amount of paper used on campus.

One challenge before the next evaluation is complying with the green waste on campus.

It is important that every member of the campus use these containers to help the campus become compliant with the state regulation.

Community College Grads Make More Money

A recent report from AACC contained this interesting and somewhat startling information:

"Individuals who attain a two-year vocational or technical degree can expect to earn almost \$1.5 million in career earnings over their lifetime, according to a new analysis of recent data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). ... The breakdown of 40-year, career earnings by educational

level includes: No high school diploma — \$852,577; high school diploma — \$1,222,396; two-year college degree — \$1,524,703; bachelor's degree — \$1,973,760; master's degree — \$2,307,025; professional or doctorate degree — \$2,862,914."

So a student who earns a two-year degree can expect to earn over \$300,000 more than a person with just a high school diploma.

Puente Program Schedules Orientations

Puente Program orientations have been scheduled for this Tuesday, at 4 p.m., and Wednesday, May 15, at 11 a.m. Both will be held in the Humanities Lounge, near H-231.

Puente is a transfer program that assists students to acquire the writing skills and academic success skills they need to transfer to four-year universities and colleges. Students get tutoring assistance and mentoring and participate in many cultural activities. Puente is open to all students who qualify for English 60 and have a desire to make this year-long commitment.

Statistically, statewide only 7% of the students in community colleges transfer to four-year colleges and universities (even less than that for underrepresented minorities). With Puente, the statewide figures are 46%.

If you know a student who could benefit from such assistance, direct them to an orientation. For more information contact Mary Forman at ext. 47171 or Therese Mosqueda-Ponce at ext. 47180.

BRIEFLY

It's "spring cleaning" time at the Bookstore — and that means big discounts today and tomorrow. Save as much as 90% on selected textbooks and 15-60% on selected reference books. Some clothing, gifts and greeting cards are also on sale. To sweeten the deal, free candy is being given with each sale-item purchase, while supplies last.



On Wednesday, May 8, the Teacher Preparation Program will host an information day for Liberal Studies majors and students who are interested in becoming teachers. It will be held in front of the Humanities building, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. At noon, a representative from Cal State Long Beach will give a presentation for students interested in becoming teachers.



The deadline for instructors to submit an application to lead the semester abroad program in Mexico has been extended to May 1. Instructors are not required to teach a foreign language class. For information, contact Susan Williams at ext. 47050 or swilliams@CypressCollege.edu, or Gina Marrocco at ext. 47049 or gmarrocco@CypressCollege.edu.



World Fest, sponsored by the Associated Students and the Inter Club Council, will be held on Wednesday, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. around the pond.