October 1, 2001 Newsletter from President Margie Lewis

THIS WEEK

1 • Monday
> “Meet the Pres.” dialog with Dr. Lewis, Student Activities, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

3 • Wednesday
> A Day of Reflection, L-216, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

4 • Thursday
High School Invitational exhibit, Fine Arts Gallery, through Oct. 11
Continuing
Water works — Mixed-media group exhibition opens, Photo and Library galleries (through Nov. 3)

THEY SAID IT

“Let our lives be formed by our hopes and not by our fears. Let us not live afraid of what harm can be done to us. Rather, let us live for all the good we can do.”
— Bishop Jaime Soto

Great News for Summer, Fall Enrollment

Fall 2001 enrollment passes 15,000 and Summer produced a 23% increase.

It appears that everyone’s hard work is starting to pay off.

Final figures for summer 2001 enrollment have come in. They reveal a whopping 23% increase in full-time equivalency (FTES), compared to a year earlier.

Also last week, Cypress College’s enrollment passed the 15,000 mark for the first time in several years. As of the Friday morning, 15,271 students were enrolled in classes at the college.

The numbers are the latest indication that enrollment is on the upswing.

Enrollment growth is vital because of the financial implications.

District allocations for instructional equipment, Partnership for Excellence, Staff Development, full-time faculty positions, and other needs are based on the percentage of FTES that the college generates within the district as compared to Fullerton College and the School for Continuing Education.

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‘A Day of Reflection’ on Wednesday Includes Islamic Speakers

In honor of all people affected by the tragic events of September 11, the Center for Intercultural Understanding has scheduled “A Day of Reflection” this Wednesday.

The event will be held in the L-216 lecture hall adjacent to the Admissions and Records Office on the ground level and the Instruction Office on the piazza level. It will feature guest speakers from the Council of American Islamic Relations and an open question and answer period.

“A Day of Reflection” is an opportunity to learn more about the Islamic faith and how the tragic events of September 11 have impacted American Muslims.

Events get underway at 11 a.m. with guest speakers Arefa Vohra, Sabiha Khan and Munir Sheikh of the Council of American Islamic Relations. Following their presentation, at 12:30 p.m., is the question and answer session.

For more information, please contact Fernando Oliveira at ext. 48653 or Erika Gruber in the Center for Intercultural Understanding at ext. 47049.

There’s Still Some Time Left to Enter Foundation Golf Classic

There’s still time to sign up for a challenging round of fun-filled golf that will help raise funds for student scholarships.

The 16th annual Cypress College Golf Classic will be held on the greens of Los Coyotes Country Club on Monday, October 15. The RSVP deadline for players is October 5.

Hosted by the Cypress College Foundation, the tournament will begin with a putting contest at 8:30 a.m., followed at 10 a.m. with a shotgun start.

Players’ greens fees, electric golf cart, tee package, refreshments on the course, dinner and prizes are all included in the $150 donation per person ($125 for staff and faculty).

The awards dinner in the clubhouse will follow play. Guests are invited to the dinner for $35.

For additional information, call the Cypress College Foundation at ext. 47126.
Extended Hours at Photo I.D. This Week

Service hours have been extended for two days this week at the Photo I.D. center.

Photo I.D. is located in Gym II, second floor.

The center’s regular hours are from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. daily.

This week’s additional hours are on Thursday and Friday, 5-7 p.m.

Students need to bring a valid fall semester registration printout with them.

The extra hours have been added to accommodate students who may still wish to purchase the Campus Photo I.D. Card, but haven’t yet had the opportunity to do so.

For further information contact the Student Activities Office at ext. 47198.

October 15 Deadline for Strategic Conversation

The deadline to sign up for participation in Strategic Conversation #4 is October 15.

Two hours of flex credit may be earned. Informational flyers and RSVP forms have been circulated to all campus employees. Extra copies are available in the Staff Development Office, located on the second floor of the Library/Administration Building.

“The Challenge of Change: Ready or Not — Here it Comes!” is the topic of the District’s fourth Strategic Conversation.

The roundtable discussion with the NOCCCD Board of Trustees has been scheduled for Tuesday, October 23, 2001 at the Holiday Inn Hotel and Conference Center in Buena Park. Refreshments are served from 5:50 p.m. and the conversation is scheduled for 5:30-7:30 p.m.

The Strategic Conversation offers an opportunity to share thoughts about where the District should focus energy and resources.

For information, contact Nancy Deutsch at ext. 47326.

Cadillac Dinner on October 12; RSVP Immediately

The 17th annual “Cadillac Dinner” raffle/fundraiser is scheduled for October 12.

The fundraiser helps provide many quality services and equipment for Cypress College athletes.

Each ticket entitles attendees to a dinner for two and a chance to win many great prizes in the event’s reverse raffle.

The grand prize is a new car — either a Chevy Malibu or a Chevy S-10 pickup. Many other prizes are also available. They include a week in Hawaii for two, a week in Cabo San Lucas for two, weekend trips to Laughlin and Las Vegas for two, and dinners or brunches at Orange County’s most popular restaurants.

Cash prizes are also offered. Tickets are $200 per couple or $1,000 for a table of 10. The donation is tax-deductible.

The event is being held at the West Coast Anaheim Hotel, beginning with a reception at 6:15 p.m. For questions and RSVPs, please call Margaret Mohr at ext. 47366, Scott Tucker at (714) 821-7870, or Paul Bottiaux at ext. 47365.

Call Campus Security, Not PD or FBI, with Concerns

Recently Dr. Lewis distributed information to all employees asking that we as a campus community do everything possible to ensure that all of our students, but especially Muslim students and students from Middle Eastern countries, are treated with dignity and respect throughout the campus.

However, there may be some situations where concern related to the terrorist attacks is warranted because of the behavior of a particular student. If you have security concerns, please contact Shirley Smith, Director of Campus Security, at ext. 47455. She will assess the situation and determine if it is appropriate to contact an external agency, such as the Cypress Police Department or the F.B.I.

Of course, if there is an emergency or immediate danger, please do one of the following: Call Campus Security at ext. 47387; or call the campus switchboard operator at “0” and ask her to call 911 and also notify campus security.

Plans are now underway to plant a tree on campus in memory of Dottie Stout. This is being done in addition to the “Dorothy Stout Memorial Fund,” which has been established at the Cypress College Foundation.

Anyone wishing to contribute to either the fund or the tree planting should make out a check made payable to the Cypress College Foundation with “Dorothy Stout Memorial Fund” written in the memo field. More information is available by calling the Foundation at ext. 47126.

Online education workshops are scheduled for next week. Blackboard Workshop II will be presented on October 9 and 10. Space is limited. To sign up for the workshop, please call Soni Schneider at ext. 47134.

The Title III Office, the Career Planning Center and the Workforce Prep Center are soliciting “ideas, input and inspiration” for the Doorways to Discovery Workshop Series being planned for the spring 2002 semester. The goal is to have well-attended workshops on a variety of subject areas.

A short input form is available in the Tech Ed III Office. For more information, or to have a form sent, please call Michelle Dugan at ext. 47273.