

THIS WEEK

- 22 • Wednesday**
➤ Last day to drop full-term classes
- 23 • Thursday**
➤ Thanksgiving (campus closed)
- 24 • Friday**
➤ Campus closed
- 28 • Tuesday**
➤ Holiday Festival, in front of A&R, 10 a.m.-2 p.m..
➤ NOCCCD Board meeting, DEC, 5:30 p.m.
- 29 • Wednesday**
➤ STAR registration begins (through Dec. 12)
➤ Holiday Art Sale, Fine Arts Gallery, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
- 30 • Thursday**
➤ Holiday Art Sale, Fine Arts Gallery, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

THEY SAID IT

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“If you don’t know where you are going, any path will take you there.”

– Sioux Proverb

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Puente Program Has 4 University Grads

► **Four former students in the program have gone on to earn bachelor’s degrees.**

Now operating in its fifth year, Cypress College’s Puente program has propelled four students to completion of bachelor’s degrees – and played matchmaker for two marriages of students to boot.

Of the 120 students who have participated in the program since its inception in the Fall 1995 semester, 21 are currently attending universities, one is in graduate school and six are serving as peer mentors to current students.

An interesting side note is that the

Puente Program has resulted in matrimony for two pairs of students and produced a Puente baby.

Puente’s four university graduates all come from its first class of students in the 1995-96 academic year.

Luis Valencia earned his B.A. in history from UCLA; Joe Angel Zamora completed a B.A. in psychology at CSUF; Mary Vasquez’s bachelor’s degree is in human services from Hope University; and Maria Carillo de la Cruz has hers in business administration from CSUF.

Twenty-six students are currently enrolled in the program. Only three of them participated in the Puente Program while in high school.

President’s Holiday Reception Set for December 5 in Theater

Dr. Lewis will host the annual President’s Holiday Reception on Tuesday, December 5, from 9-11:30 a.m. in the Theater Lobby.

“The holiday season is a perfect time for me to thank the faculty and staff of Cypress College for their individual and collective contributions to the college and especially to our students,” Dr. Lewis said. “I hope you will attend the annual President’s Holiday Reception so that I can thank you personally for the important role you play in helping our students be successful.”

No RSVP is necessary.

Lapel Pins are in Thin Supply; Do You Have Extras?

Those attractive lapel pins that many Cypress College employees wear are in short supply and high demand.

The original order of pins is now gone, having been distributed to campus employees.

The President’s Office is hoping that those who have more than one lapel pin will part with the extras. You can simply drop off the lapel pin(s) in the President’s Office or place them in the campus mail. Thanks in advance.

NOCCCD Trustees Give OK to New Food Services Proposal

Cypress College’s new Food Services vendors should be on the job in January after the proposal was approved by NOCCCD trustees at their board meeting on November 14. The “Dugout” area should re-open when the college does on January 2, and service in Gym II and Humanities is scheduled to begin with classes on January 22.

@Cypress Takes a Break for Thanksgiving, Returns Dec. 4

As 1980s rock icon Boy George said: “Miss me, I know you’ll miss me!”

@Cypress takes a bit of a vacation next week because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

In case this bit of news produces separation anxiety, just hold onto this edition of @Cypress a bit longer. @Cypress returns on December 4.

CHARGERS

Congratulations to golfer **Russamee Gulyanamitta**, who earned the individual state championship at the California State Community College Championships. She shot a two-day 151 at par-72 Monterey Country Club in Palm Springs. Many believe she is headed for the LPGA tour.



Infielders **Ryan Hubbard** and **Jeff Ruziecki** have signed with Wake Forest and pitcher **Chris George** and outfielder **Adam Rachlin** have signed letters of intent to play at Kansas.



Former Cypress College student **Barbara Michel** has been elected to the Buena Park School District Board of Trustees, according to the Orange County Register.

OPENINGS

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

Special Projects Director—
Center for Applied
Competitive Technologies
(SCE/YL)
Special Projects Coordinator -
ESL/Family Literacy
(SCE/Wilshire)
Transfer Center Director
(Fullerton)
Library Technician, Senior
(Fullerton)
Secretary (Fullerton)
Environmental Health & Safety
Specialist (DEC)
Locksmith (Cypress)
Facilities Assistant, Senior
(SCE/YL)
Instructional Aide/Adult High
School Diploma Program
(SCE/Cypress)
Library Assistant, Administra-
tive (Fullerton)
Athletic Therapist (Fullerton)

Welcome Aboard to New Classified Employees

Cypress College has hired four new classified employees and promoted two others since Opening Day in August.

A hearty welcome aboard to:

- **Dao Do**, an accounting technician in the Business Office;
- **Sheila Porras**, an auto lab technician in Auto Technology;
- **Sarah Turnbull**, a student services technician in Counseling/Transfer Center; and

• **Darla Turner**, an administrative secretary II in Instruction and Campus Diversity.

While we're at it, congratulations to **Erica Bennett** in the Library, who earned a promotion to library technician, senior and to **Lenore "Lenny" Virgil**, who earned a promotion from Food Services to custodian in Maintenance and Operations.

Who Will Create Leadership Development Program?

The Staff Development and Title III Steering committees are selecting a team of faculty, managers and classified staff who will be responsible for creating the Leadership Development Program at Cypress College.

Those selected will be expected to attend eight one-day workshops held on Fridays next spring. The workshops are jointly sponsored by the California Community College Council for Staff Development, the Company of Experts, and Boeing Corporation in Long Beach.

Participants will also conduct and/or facilitate, either individually or as a member of a training team, one or more campus leadership development or team-building workshops.

Typewritten letters of interest must be submitted to the Staff Development Office by November 21 at 4 p.m. For details on what the letter should include, please contact Staff Development at ext. 47324.

Second 16-Week Semester Surveys Due Today

A second survey soliciting feedback on the proposed 16-week semester is due today to either Barbara Marshall in Language Arts or to Jeff Horsley at the District Office.

The survey, which was distributed to all NOCCCD employees, seeks a "yes" or "no" opinion about the proposed change,

based on a hypothetical calendar that has the Fall semester starting after Labor Day and the Spring semester starting on approximately February 4.

Out of 478 responses to the first survey, 307 indicated support for a 16-week semester, 119 were opposed and 52 stated they had no opinion.

Holiday Art Sale Nov. 29-30 in Fine Arts Gallery

The college's annual Holiday Art Sale will include hundreds of unique art objects in a wide range of styles and all at remarkably reasonable prices. Items on sale include paintings, prints, photographs, greeting cards, jewelry, ceramics, glass, clothing accessories, home accessories, and more.

Cypress College art students and professional artists from Orange and Los Angeles counties are participating in the event. The sale will be held in the Fine Arts Gallery on November 29, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and on November 30, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Proceeds from the sale are used to support the Fine Arts Gallery and its educational programs.

For more information, contact Paul Paiment at ext. 47137.

Faculty, Staff Campus Climate Survey Due on Dec. 12

The campus climate survey will be distributed to all faculty and staff this week. It is due on December 12.

The survey has already been

distributed to a sample group of students. Faculty in those classes should remind students that the forms are due on December 1.

BRIEFLY

The American Red Cross reports that 62 pints of blood were collected during the October 5 blood drive on campus. An official with the organization lauded the "creativity, dedication and enthusiasm" of Associated Students President Monica Verma and Student Activities Secretary Darla Becker. The blood will help save more than 186 lives.



The Library has acquired two new databases, which will be available on January 2. "A Matter of Fact" is devoted to full-text statements containing statistical evidence on current public policy topics. "Newsbank Full-text Newspaper Package" includes the complete text of the L.A. Times dating back to 1995 and the current and previous-year editions of the Orange County Register, Christian Science Monitor, Washington Post and USA Today. These databases are made available through a consortium for cooperative purchasing sponsored by the Council of Chief Librarians, the Community College League and CSU Systemwide Electronic Information Resources.



Now is a great time to advise students to make a counseling appointment and "Avoid the Rush" of demand for these services that is associated with the start of each semester. Students should call their counselor directly.