Senior Day 2003: New Location A Success

Students gain awareness of many facets of campus life through workshops, activities

Last Thursday, Cypress College played host to yet another successful Senior Day event, with the only reported “ruffled feathers” belonging to the inhabitants of the duck pond.

Just over 900 area high school students attended the festivities, which included workshops, tours, and informational booths, as well as the usual melee of duck pond races, inflatable sport competitions, and rock and roll from local radio stations.

Student Activities Advisor Paul Bottiaux said that the change in site to Lakeshore Drive from previous years, due to the construction in front of the SEM building, worked out very well, especially concerning the flow of students from one activity area to the next.

Additionally, there were fewer students this year due to budget cuts which alleviated some of the congestion problems from years past.

Counselor Jane Jepson also reported that the free, half-hour workshop sessions were well attended, with the “Choosing a College Major” workshop drawing over 50 visiting students.

“We were very pleased with the turnout,” Jepson said. “I even had a couple of students who said how surprised and impressed they were by the number of majors and career options that Cypress had to offer.”

Parents Night Sees Record Turnout

Parents of prospective Cypress College students got a chance to receive information on academic programs, clubs and services offered to their children during the annual Parent Night, held March 6. Despite budget cuts, Cypress College still needs to generate new enrollment to offset those students departing because they’ve completed their objectives.

Nearly 200 parents attended — more than double last year’s attendance, making it the largest Parent Night yet — according to Student Support Services Dean Jorge Ramirez.

Chorale, Camerata and Orchestra to Perform “Elijah”

This weekend, the Cypress Masterworks Chorale, Camerata, and Concert Orchestra will join forces under the direction of Dr. Sheridan Ball to present Felix Mendelssohn’s monumental masterpiece, “Elijah,” at the Cypress College Campus Theater.

This work is truly one of the most powerful, dramatic and oftentimes sublime pieces ever written — an inspirational example of music at the apex of 19th century Romanticism. Elijah is far more than just a concert; it’s a dynamic expression of the human drama, of spiritual triumph in the face of adversity.

The group will also be holding their annual “Silent Auction” at the Elijah concerts, so come prepared to find some great travel and entertainment bargains.

Performances are April 5 at 7:30 p.m., and April 6 at 3 p.m. Admission tickets are available through the ticket hotline, (714) 995-4832, at the Music Department office or at the Theater Box Office.
**Scholarship Established in Connie Lowery’s Name**

The Theater and Dance Department is establishing a scholarship award in remembrance of Connie Lowery’s contributions to Cypress College.

An on-campus memorial for Connie will take place Tuesday, April 2, from 3-4 p.m., in the Campus Theater. The Department will present her family with a scrapbook filled with both memories and pictures of Connie and friends.

For those who plan on attending, please feel free to bring pictures and/or write up an experience you had with Connie to add to the scrap book.

A plaque for the scholarship will hang in the new Theater Lobby.

**Update from Admissions & Records**

Beginning this summer, continuing students will no longer receive a permit to register in the mail.

Continuing students attending summer classes will need to follow the information provided in the Summer 2003 class schedule. This information is printed on page 2 of the schedule under the heading: “Registration Information and Important Dates.”

New and returning students (those students who have missed attending at least one semester) will still be mailed a permit to register. In order to have the permit issued, these students must submit a new admission application.

Registration appointments will be issued based on students’ application dates.

If students ask for more information, please let them know that the details are in the schedule and on the campus Web site.

We are using all possible ways to notify the students of this change. Please help spread the word.

**Summer Class Schedule Now Available Online**

Cypress College’s detailed class schedule for Summer 2003 is now available online at http://CypressCollege.edu. Printed versions of the schedule will be available on campus this week.

**Political Science Professor Now Regular TV Analyst**

Peter Mathews, professor of International Relations, American Government, and chair of the Political Science Department, was interviewed by KNBC-TV Channel 4 on the costs of war in Iraq on the “Today in LA” morning show on Sunday, March 30.

Mathews has become a regular television analyst for KNBC since his first appearance last November. He has been interviewed several times on topics that have included local, state and national elections, California state budget cuts, and President Bush’s State of the Union Address, including U.S. relations with Iraq and North Korea.

**Construction Update: The Latest News**

Contractors and staff continue to evaluate the efficiencies of the proposed temporary bookstore, warehouse and mail room space in the Gym II Building. The move is still scheduled to take place in early summer.

And one big thing to be thankful for: the tree-trimming project has been completed just in time, as the Santa Ana winds are predicted to send up to 50 mph gusts across campus for the next week or so!
CONCERT PRESS RELEASE

ELIJAH

- by Felix Mendelssohn

Cypress Masterworks Chorale, Camerata, Soloists & Orchestra

Dr. Sheridan Ball, Director

Date/Time: Saturday - April 5 - 7:30 PM and Sunday - April 6 - 3:00 PM

Location: Cypress College Campus Theater
Address: 9200 Valley View Street, Cypress
South of the 605 fwy - Between Lincoln & Orange

On the first weekend in April the Cypress Masterworks Chorale, Camerata and Concert Orchestra will present Felix Mendelssohn's monumental masterpiece, *Elijah*. Commissioned for the Birmingham, England Music Festival in 1846, this powerful and dramatic work has been hailed by many as "... the greatest oratorio of the nineteenth century, and to this day it is second in popularity only to Messiah." With choruses ranging from the lyric beauty of the well known "He Watching Over Israel," to Elijah's climatic ascension into heaven via a "fiery Chariot," this work contains some of the most dynamic and exhilarating repertoire ever conceived for chorus and orchestra.

Woven amid this choral tour de force is a selection of solo works which are equally enticing in beauty and theatrical range. From Elijah's powerful "Is Not His Word Like A Fire" to the plaintive soprano aria "Hear Ye Israel" or the declamatic proclamation "Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth" as sung by the tenor - this is music of remarkable power and subtle beauty.

Featured soloists for this presentation include, Michael Gallup, (Chino) as Elijah; with tenor, Alvin Brightbill (Laguna Niguel); sopranos, Maria Cristina Navarro (Irvine), Janet Hoover (Garden Grove) and Kiandra Haaf (Orange); mezzo-sopranos, Kathleen Scott (Huntington Beach), Holly Harvey (Newport Beach), Teresa Raridan (Brea) and Lucy Dunn (Coto de Caza).

The Cypress Masterworks Chorale and Camerata, a combined ensemble of 130 voices, has toured throughout Europe, Russia, and the middle east; and has performed at the Hollywood Bowl, Orange County Performing Arts Center, the Vatican and Radio Vienna. Recently the Chorale made their third appearance in New York City's famed Carnegie Hall, where Dr. Ball conducted Ralph Vaughan William's dramatic masterpiece, *Dona Nobis Pacem*. The Chorale will be performing at the famous Sidney Opera House this summer as a part of their New Zealand-Australia Concert Tour.

Dr. Sheridan Ball received his Bachelors and Masters degrees from the University of Northern Colorado and a Doctorate of Musical Arts from the University of Southern California. He served as the Chairman of the Cypress College Music Department for six years and is currently
celebrating his 21st season as director of the Cypress Masterworks Chorale & Camerata. Dr. Ball is also an Associate Conductor for MidAmerica Productions in New York City.

Tickets: $16.00 General Admission $14.00 Groups of 10 or more

$15.00 Sr. Citizens, Students w/ID and Children 12 & Under

Tickets & Information "Hotline" (714) 995-4832
Summer 2003
Class Schedule

Classes Begin
06/02/2003
5-Weeks & 6-Weeks
07/07/2003
5-Weeks

Register Online with WebStar
CypressCollege.edu
714.484.7000

How to Read the Schedule
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Cypress College Professor/Political Analyst

Professor Peter Mathews, chair of the Political Science Department, has become a regular news analyst for KNBC-TV, the Los Angeles NBC-affiliate station.
Title of Event: "College Major? I Need to Choose A Major!!"
Dates/Time: Many Dates and Times Available Throughout the Semester!

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Sponsored by: Cypress College Career Planning Center and Adult Re-entry Program
Open to Whom: Join Us! Bring a Friend! Everyone is Invited to Attend!
Cost: FREE! FREE! FREE!
Phone Number for Info: (714) 484-7120
Additional Info: This workshop will introduce you to the process of selecting a college major or occupational field. This is geared to the individual who is completely undecided, tentatively decided or uncommitted. Participants will be given a brief interest inventory to assist in clarifying a major. Other avenues will be presented to further clarify your direction for major and career choice.
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.
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.