UPCOMING

12 • Monday

- Piazza “Pier” meeting, 4:45 p.m., SEM-129
- Summer registration begins

13 • Tuesday

- NOCCCD Board of Trustees meeting, 5:30 p.m., Anaheim Campus Board Room

14 • Wednesday

- Dolores Huerta speaks, 2-4 p.m., H-136

16 • Friday

- College Majors workshop, 9-10:30 a.m., TE2-106
- Children’s Center graduation, 7 p.m.

19 • Monday

- Scholarship Awards ceremony, 1 p.m., Campus Theater Lobby (RSVP by May 14 to Foundation)

20-29 • Final Exams

21 • Wednesday

- Campus-wide Budget Forum, 2 p.m., Campus Theater

26 • Monday

- Memorial Day holiday, Campus Closed

27 • Tuesday

- NOCCCD Board of Trustees meeting, 5:30 p.m., Anaheim Campus Board Room

29 • Thursday

- Spring semester ends
- Graduation ceremony, 6 p.m., East Lawn

THEY SAID IT

“Happiness is not something you get, but something you do.”
— Marcelene Cox

Classified Staff Appreciation Luncheon 2003

Day of celebration and fun also recognizes dedication and hard work of employees.

Johnna Reynolds was selected as Classified Employee of the Year at this year’s Classified Staff Appreciation Luncheon, held May 2 in the Campus Theater Lobby.

All nominees for the award were formally recognized and included in a photograph memorializing the honor. Many of the pictures from this fun-filled event are included in the online edition of @Cypress.

And don’t forget: the End-of-the-Year Barbecue, in celebration of Cypress College’s employees with 25 years of service, will be held Tuesday, from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., on the pool deck. All are welcome, though lunch is available only for those who pre-paid.

Also honored will be this year’s retirees and those employees with 5, 10, 15 and 20 years of continuous service.

Budget Forum Set for May 21

A second campus-wide budget forum will be held Wednesday, May 21, at 2 p.m. in the Campus Theater.

Although the forum takes place during finals week, the date was selected to follow the anticipated release of Gov. Davis’ revised budget proposal.

Puente Program Grad to Speak at Commencement

This year’s graduation speaker is Puente Program alum Luis Santiago Valencia.

Prior to entering Cypress College’s first Puente class in the spring of 1996, Valencia had enrolled in English 60 four times without success. Thankfully, Valencia flourished in the Puente Program environment and received an “A” grade in English 100. During the second half of Puente, he became active in student government, and became the first Latino Student Trustee in the history of Cypress College.

Valencia now holds a bachelor of arts degree in history from UCLA and has been accepted to Harvard, Yale and Stanford University law schools. He graduated Magna Cum Laude from UCLA, and his family and the Cypress College Puente Program are very proud of him.

E-mail Account Sign-up Reminder

The primary method of communication on the Cypress College campus for all faculty and staff is through the use of campus-assigned e-mail addresses.

All faculty and staff are required to regularly check their campus-assigned e-mail account.

If you do not presently have an account, please contact Academic Computing at ext. 47109. You must complete an e-mail request form in order to establish the account.

E’ You Next Semester

This week’s edition of @Cypress is the last to be printed. We’ll “e” you next semester!
**Newly Tenured Faculty to be Recognized**

The following newly tenured faculty members will be officially recognized by the North Orange County Community College Trustees at the May 27 board meeting in Anaheim: William Baldwin, SEM; Glenn Bower, Health Science; Penny Chin, Health Science; Jim Dedic, Social Science; Joe Gallo, Fine Arts; David Gill, SEM; Jolena Grande, Health Science; Carol Green, Health Science; Susan Klein, Language Arts; Renay Laguana, Counseling; Debra Sue McPherson, Language Arts; Deborah Michelle, Counselor/DSP&S; Alex Mintzer, SEM; Joyce Patti, Fine Arts; Dan Snook, Vocational Education; Brinda Subramaniam, SEM; and Gary Zager, Social Science.

**Cypress Softball Team, Players Honored**

Conference champion Cypress nearly swept top honors when the All-Orange Empire Conference softball teams were announced late last month. Charger shortstop Carrie Hagen and second baseman Lolani Alvarez were named co-Players of the Year, while Cypress pitcher Lindsey Klabacha shared Pitcher of the Year honors with Fullerton’s Courtney Nix. Brad Pickler was named Coach of the Year.

Hagen, a sophomore from Marina High, led the OEC in batting average, hits, runs scored, and steals. Her double play partner Alvarez, a sophomore from Buena Park High, was fourth in the OEC in hitting and second in RBIs and stolen bases. Klabacha, a freshman from Canyon High, posted a perfect 11-0 record and narrowly missed the ERA title (0.69).

At press time, the Lady Chargers were heading to Riverside Community College to make their 14th appearance in the State Tournament in the past 15 years. Cypress, seeded No. 2 in the South, was scheduled to open play May 9 at noon against the No. 3 team in the North.

**Open Your Ears to Exciting Spring Music Events**

- **May 16** – Cypress Concert Band, Chamber Orchestra and String Ensemble, 7 p.m., FA-304.
- **May 17** – Dinner Theater sponsored by the Patrons of the Arts followed by the People in Motion Dance Concert, $32.50 per person for the 6 p.m. dinner and 8 p.m. performance. Separate performance tickets are also available at the Campus Theater.
- **May 18** – An Afternoon of Jazz with the Cypress College Jazz Band and Cypress Jazz Singers, 3 p.m., Campus Theater. Two free tickets are available to any staff member who calls ext. 47034 by 3 p.m. on May 15.
- **May 18** – Mozart Café, an evening of wine, cheese, desserts and music with the Cypress Camerata and Madrigal Singers, 6:30 p.m., Cypress Community Center Auditorium.
- **May 19** – Cypress Gospel Choir, 8 p.m., Campus Theater.
- **May 23** – Vocal Repertoire Class Recital, 7:30 p.m., FA-304.
- **May 24** – Cypress Youth Orchestra, 4 p.m., Campus Theater.
- **May 31** – “Fiddler on the Roof” featuring the Cypress Masterworks Chorale and soloists, 7:30 p.m. (also-Sunday, June 1 at 3 p.m.), Campus Theater.
- **June 7** – Cypress College Piano Competition; event runs throughout the day, Campus Theater.

**Construction Corner: Color-coded Sign Posting**

Plans are underway regarding the sign posting for the new, improved campus. It is anticipated that each building will be assigned a color, which all of its particular signage on campus will reflect. The new student center, as the central facility on campus, will incorporate all of the color schemes from the neighboring buildings, with blue and gold featured prominently.

This shift to a color-coded signage system is expected to facilitate campus navigation for students, staff and visitors alike.

**Staff Tips**

Retention Tip #14

Conduct monthly classroom evaluations/suggestion box or questionnaires to keep track of students’ needs.
Johna Reynolds was selected as the Classified Employee of the Year. She and Dr. Lewis embrace (above) after the announcement was made. The monetary award Johna received is donated by managers. Faculty contributed in excess of $700 to help fund this year’s Classified Staff Appreciation event.

Classified Employee of the Year nominees were also recognized at the luncheon. They are: Stephanie Acosta, Pam Bettendorf, Staci Burkhouse-Martinez, Lu Cayabyab, Marcia Clarke, Lidia Coman, Tom Enders, Nancy Livingston, Aggie Martinez, Louella Nelson, Johna Reynolds, Cecelia Richie, Susie Simmons, Sherrill Spencer, Byna Stiehr, Vicki Sykes, Marc Trinh, Olivia Veloz, Fran Wahl, and Linda Wettmarshausen.
Splash! Christy Montenegro sure can belt out the National Anthem (which she’ll do at graduation later this month). Catching a water-filled balloon, however, didn’t quite prove to be her specialty — at least not on this particular day.
Fran Wahl did a fair bit of taunting before the pie-eating contest. But, when all was gobbled down, Jim Arbogast retained his long-held “champion” title.
The M & O team got out to the early lead during the three-legged race (above).

Meanwhile, Norma Cruz “caught some air” (left) at the expense of her potato sack’s stitching. She cruised to victory, despite Marsha Clarke’s strenuous effort.

Popping a balloon didn’t prove to be an easy task for Olivia Veloz (lower left), Pam Bettendorf discovered that ferrying an egg requires as much concentration as entering “document text” into an RQ, and “Merc” got the prize he wanted — the coveted pink-poodle boot.
Annie get your... er, scratch that — no guns were allowed in this western, as the entrance to the Campus Theater clearly indicated (above left). Good thing, weapons on campus is a violation of Board policy an probably a criminal act as well.

Managers serve a BBQ lunch to Cypress College’s classified staff (above and left) in a show of appreciation for all their work throughout the year. Had the line been any longer, employees would have been standing on the big stage.

Headed to “W’s” ranch? This isn’t ordinary attire for our president, but we understand Dr. Lewis’ outfit — sans apron — lasted the entire day.
Dolores Huerta is the most prominent Chicana (Mexican American woman) labor leader in the United States. She is cofounder and first vice president of the United Farm Workers union. For more than thirty years she has dedicated her life to the struggle for justice and dignity for migrant farm workers.”

(Source: HISPANIC AMERICAN BIOGRAPHY, 1995.)

For further information, contact Randa Wahbe, Ext. 48441.
Postcard Replaces Mailing of Class Schedule

All residents in a dozen Zip codes surrounding the college will receive a postcard from the college in the next few weeks. The cards replace the mailing of free schedule books to those areas. By sending the card instead, we will be able to slash the number of books printed — from 140,000 to just 40,000.

In addition to being sold to students for $1 on campus, the complete schedule will be posted online at http://CypressCollege.edu. The $1 charge is being implemented to limit the number of duplicate copies of the schedule that are distributed. In the course of a normal semester, more than 40,000 schedules are distributed on campus — that’s more than two for every student and employee.

The postcard includes a coupon for a free schedule.
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.