Welcome Back to the 2003-2004 Year

It has been an interesting summer and there is much to look forward to this year.

Welcome to the fall semester of 2003 at Cypress College! I hope you are looking forward to the beginning of a new academic year with the promises and challenges that we know it holds for us.

Recently the Cypress College Foundation hosted a Cypress Chamber of Commerce mixer at the college. At that event I had the opportunity to welcome community members and tell them a little bit about “their” community college. It was with great pride that I shared some of our recent successes:

• The Dental Hygiene Program is again the best in the country with our students earning the highest average on the national exam—for the second year in a row!
• The Toyota T-TEN Program is again the best in the country, producing the largest number of graduates and the greatest number of students placed in jobs in Toyota and Lexus dealers.
• One of our students won the national Interstate Oratory Contest, beating out students from other two-year and four-year institutions. Incidentally only two students from each state are even invited to participate in this contest.
• Our baseball team once again won the state championship.
• One of our honor students is in an elite group of 26 transfer students who was awarded a $4,000 scholarship at UCLA.
• Most recently, one of our students has just learned of her appointment to the California Community Colleges Board of Governors (see article below).

Each of these honors is a testament to the faculty and staff of our college, the people who are dedicated to helping students learn and succeed. This dedication, commitment, and hard work, along with the expertise that people have, are the key factors that make former students say over and over again what a great experience they had here at the college.

Let me close with a story that also illustrates what a special staff we have. An employee in the EOP&S office accidentally left her wallet on the floor of her office as she was leaving one evening, and, as luck would have it, there was a large sum of money in the wallet. The evening custodian, Sal Hermiz, found the wallet and, not wanting to leave it in the office, took it home for safekeeping. Then the next morning he came in on his own time to return it to its owner.

We are indeed fortunate to be part of an institution where people care this much, where they are willing to go the extra mile to help students and each other.

Clearly we are facing a difficult year with the state’s budget crisis, but I hope we can all remember that in spite of these tough times there is much to celebrate at Cypress College.

— Margie Lewis

CC Student Appointed to Board of Governors by Gov. Davis

Cypress College student Kristen Franklin has been appointed by Governor Gray Davis to the California Community Colleges Board of Governors.

Franklin, who works as a student employee in EOPS, learned of the appointment this week. She will officially be sworn in next week. She has already begun part of her role as a member of the board. On Thursday, she made her first “appearance” as Gov. Davis invited her to an event where he signed higher-education-related legislation.

Her interest in government was sparked by a lobbying trip to Sacramento — made as an effort to help prevent cuts to the EOPS program and as a community college advocate.

A short time later, an e-mail circulated that applications were being accepted for membership on the Board of Governors. EOPS Manager Mara Scott encouraged Franklin to apply. In addition to the application, Franklin has undergone a series of interviews in Sacramento.
College Update

New Deans, Interim Dean
Two new deans and an interim dean have been named for the academic year. Eldon Young has been selected as the dean of Language Arts/Library. Mo Entezampour joins Cypress College as the dean of Science/Engineering/Mathematics. Dan Willoughby, a faculty member at Fullerton College, is the interim dean of Social Science.

Management Update
The International Student Program has a new manager — Joyce Ricci. She is charged with expanding the program. Cypress College gains a share of the revenue from international students, so growth in that area means a little elbow room in the campus budget. In addition, two interim administrators are continuing in their positions a little bit longer. Regina Ford remains the interim registrar, while Bob Riffle serves as the interim manager of Maintenance and Operations.

New Discrimination, Sexual Harrassment Process in Place
With the retirement of George Beloz, Cindy Vyskocil, director of Equity and Diversity at Fullerton College, will be handling any complaints of discrimination or sexual harassment. She can be reached at her Fullerton College office at ext. 27720. She will also handle training for hiring committees. Kim Bartlett will serve as a campus liaison, while Bob Riffle serves as the interim manager of Maintenance and Operations.

Bookstore Open in New Gym II Location
The Bookstore has relocated to Gym II to make way for Cypress College’s new Library/Learning Resource Center. The new digs are in Gym II, Room 124 (the former wrestling room). You can get to the bookstore most easily from Lot 5. The main entrance is at the south end of Gym II.
Questions should be directed to the Bookstore at ext. 47336.

Campus Parking Passes Required with Handicapped Placards
Anyone who parks on campus with a handicapped placard must also display a campus parking permit or day-use permit. Please also share this information with students. Any additional information is available in the Campus Safety Office, located under the piazza, between the Library/Administration and Business Buildings.

Pat Ganer Appointed as Self Study Chair
Pat Ganer has added to the many roles she plays on campus. In addition to her teaching load, she is perhaps best known for impersonating Regis Philbin, Bob Vila and Simon Cowell. Now, for something completely different, she will be chairing the college’s accreditation self study. The accreditation office is located on the second floor of the Library/Administration Building.

Baseball Team Wins State Championship
Congratulations to the baseball team! The players captured the California Community College State Championship just as the spring semester came to a close.

The Chargers captured the 2003 championship crown with an impressive three-game sweep. The four-team, double-elimination tournament was held May 24-26 at Fresno City College.
Cypress topped Feather River College (13-1) in the first round, and then defeated Saddleback College in the semifinal (16-1) and title (13-3) contests.

Freshman third baseman Kevin Smith and sophomores Jason Vargas (P/1B) and Felipe Garcia (catcher) were named the State Tourney’s Most Valuable Players. Vargas and Garcia also were named Southern California All-America selections.
Cypress, which won 24 of its last 27 contests, finished the year with a 37-14-1 mark.

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Mitsubishi Donates 4 Vehicles
Mitsubishi Motors North America has donated four vehicles to the Cypress College Foundation. They will be used for classroom instruction and lab work in the college’s Automotive Technology and Auto Collision Repair departments.

The vehicles are a 2000 Mitsubishi Montero Sport, Ltd., four-wheel drive; and three 2002 model vehicles: a Lancer ES, a Lancer OZ Rally and a Montero Sport, four-wheel drive.

Cypress College officially received the keys to the cars and sport utility vehicles during the Cypress Festival Mixer, held on the campus as part of the City of Cypress’ annual Festival Week last month. Both Cypress College and Mitsubishi Motors are active members of the Cypress Chamber of Commerce, which hosts and plans the festival.

“Cypress College is a great resource to our employees and to our community,” said Stephanie Rico, corporate relations specialist at Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc., headquartered in Cypress. “Mitsubishi Motors is delighted to support the college and its efforts to help students achieve their dreams.”

Likewise, Cypress College was appreciative of the donation.

“The Cypress College Foundation is thankful for the tremendous support from Mitsubishi, especially in these times of unprecedented financial need at California’s community colleges,” said Raúl Alvarez, executive director of the Foundation and Community Relations at Cypress College. “Our Automotive programs simply would not be among the nation’s best if not for donations of this type. Our students get immeasurable benefit from this donation and the generosity of Mitsubishi.”
**Campus Children’s Center, Workforce Prep Center and North Lab Close**

The Campus Children’s Center closed for good on July 2. It had been in operation since 1975. Likewise, the Workforce Preparation Center and the North Computer Lab will no longer operate.

All three are victims of the continuing state budget crisis (see related article “Budget Watch” at right).

Open lab services which have been provided in the North Computer Lab will now be handled in the Writing Center and Learning Center in the Humanities Building.

The Computer Classroom in SEM is still available for faculty use and should be scheduled through Byna Steihr, administrative assistant in SEM. She can be reached at ext. 47153.

**Foundation Reports a Successful Year**

The Cypress College Foundation has just completed its most successful year — and, it appears the new academic year is picking up where the old one left off. The financial success couldn't come at a more important time for the college.

In addition to the donation from Mitsubishi Motors (see page 2), here are some of the Foundation's other recent successes:

- During the 2002-2003 academic year, the Foundation provided nearly $150,000 in scholarships to Cypress College students. Roughly $50,000 was hande[d] to students during an on-campus awards program held in May;
- The Foundation saved Cypress College's Teacher Preparation Program by providing it with $20,000 to operate through the end of 2003 while seeking ongoing funding. The Teacher Preparation Program was scheduled to be eliminated as a result of California's retroactive, mid-year budget cuts announced last December;
- The Cypress College Library “Textbook Collection Program” received $16,500 worth of support from the Foundation, which will fund it through the current academic year. The program allows the Library to purchase textbooks as part of its collection so that students who can't afford to purchase the books can have access to the materials they need for class. This program also faced elimination because of the retroactive budget cuts — totaling about $1.8 million — last fiscal year;
- Twenty-two “mini-grants” are being provided to Cypress College faculty and staff, directly supporting their work in the classroom and with students. The Foundation's “mini-grant” program allows faculty and staff to purchase equipment and materials that wouldn't otherwise be funded through the college's general budget. Each grant must improve the quality of instruction or student support at the college. The recipients of the mini-grants will be announced at the college’s “Opening Day” program.

During the 2002-2003 academic year the Foundation also hosted the most successful Americana Awards Banquet and Cypress College Foundation Golf Classic in its history. The events were held in February and November, respectively.

Cypress College's Foundation is governed by a 25-member board of community leaders, including current president Dave Culberson, chief executive officer of West Anaheim Medical Center. Bill Ross, the senior vice president of Industry Relations for Walt Disney Parks and Resorts, is the immediate past president of the Foundation board. The executive director of the Foundation and Community Relations at Cypress College is Raúl Alvarez.

**Budget Watch**

California has a budget — at least for the moment. Less than two weeks after inking the spending plan, Governor Davis was already talking about making modifications. Experts are also predicting another round of retroactive, mid-year reductions.

Even without speculation, the budget causes an Excedrin-bottle-full of headaches.

For starters, the June, 2004 payment from the state to the community colleges is deferred into next budget year — meaning the system is shorted a payment this year. A series of moves will allow that money to be applied back to purchases made in 2003-2004.

However, that assumes the payment arrives in the first place. Because of the structure of this element of the budget, it's a prime target for a mid-year reduction, or as a reduction from next year's budget.

Figures are still being analyzed by the state Chancellor's Office. But, the state's budget is not balanced, and the L.A. Times reported that a "maze of financial transfers" is used to cover a still-existing $10.7 billion debt.

The colleges also face the potential of additional budget cuts related to concurrent enrollment (High School Bridge Program). The recently adopted budget withholds money from the Community College system. Yet to be determined is how much the state Chancellor's Office will apply to Cypress College, Fullerton College or any of the state's other community colleges.

Interestingly, the budget provides money for growth at 1.5%. Unfortunately, the amount provided is insufficient to meet the projected growth statewide. The District is likely to see just 30 cents of every growth dollar allocated in the budget.

The state budget also provides money for additional employees to help students seek more financial aid. In theory, more students will need financial aid because of the fee increase to $18 per unit. However, it's unknown if more students will actually be eligible for financial aid. Further, there are questions about how the funding can be used. The increased funding for financial aid also comes at the expense of PFE funds, which reduces flexibility in local spending decisions.

For the first time in history, the district will not have a budget in place by the September 15 deadline. Trustees have exercised an option to extend the deadline by a month because there hasn't been enough time for the state Chancellor's Office to analyze the budget and determine what each district's share will be.

Finally, the political situation — perhaps the most volatile in the nation's history — further clouds the budget question. Simply put, if we don't know who the governor will be two months from now, it's hard to get an accurate picture of what the budget will look like.

**Sub Nation is Now ‘Food for Thought’; Takes Over Operations in Humanities General Store**

Sub Nation is now “Food for Thought.” In addition to the name change, the campus eatery has also expanded to take over operations in the Humanities Building General Store. The major service will remain in the space formerly occupied by the “Dugout.”

Service will also be offered at select times in the former Culinary Arts dining room and in the Gym II location, which is adjacent to Student Activities.
**Dental Hygiene Nation’s Best Program — Again!**

Cypress College’s Dental Hygiene program has earned the nation’s top ranking for the second consecutive year with graduating students earning an average overall score of 93.9% on the national board exam.

The test score is nearly two percentage points higher than the average earned by students from the nation’s second-ranked program. There are 256 Dental Hygiene programs in the U.S. The exam is administered by the American Dental Association and the U.S. Department of Education.

All 13 Cypress College students who took the eight-hour written exam passed it. Two recorded perfect scores: Robin Baker and Lori Hofeditz.

“I’m so proud of our students and our faculty,” said Ina Rydalch, director of the Dental Hygiene program. “It’s a wonderful gift that our graduating students have presented to the department through their motivation and determination to succeed.”

The students, replying to an e-mail from Rydalch announcing the honor, returned the compliments. Several attributed their results to the work of the program’s faculty and the quality of education they received.

“I literally got the best [dental] hygiene education in the world at Cypress and I will always feel privileged to have had the experience, and proud to be a Cypress grad,” wrote Jennifer Hair. “I thank you so much for your kindness, caring, and the countless ways that you helped our class.”

Hair said Rydalch’s e-mail arrived on a day that was already filled with excitement: “It was great because it came the same day we found out that we passed the state boards.”

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**Appreciate This: Free Al Instruction Available**

Fourteen members of the Cypress College community — faculty, classified staff, administrators, and a student — participated in an intensive four-day Appreciative Inquiry Facilitator Training at the Anaheim Campus, June 15-19.

It was hosted by Cypress College and sponsored by the League for Innovation in the Community College, the National Council of Staff, Program, and Organizational Development, and by Company of Experts.net.

The Cypress participants, funded by the Title III federal grant under the “Train the Trainer” Staff Development program, are enthusiastic and excited about leading Cypress campus groups through this process this coming year.

The Appreciative Inquiry approach focuses a college community on continuously inquiring into what’s already working very well within the system under study and deliberately and systematically creating more of it.

An extremely positive approach, this process assists groups to implement positive change within a department, work area, division, club, organization, or committee. For more information on this positive approach and/or scheduling a team of facilitators for your organization FREE OF CHARGE, please e-mail Nancy Deutsch or call ext. 47326.

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These newly adopted core values were approved by PAC late last semester. They are the focus of the Opening Day presentation on Friday morning.
*Academic Calendar 2003-2004

2003 Fall Semester - August 18 - December 19, 2003

- August 18: First Day of Instruction
- September 1: Legal Holiday - Labor Day
- November 10: Legal Holiday - Veterans' Day
- November 27, 28, 29: Legal Holiday - Thanksgiving Recess
- December 11-19: Final Examinations
- December 19: End of Fall Semester

2004 Spring Semester - January 20 - May 26, 2004

- January 20: First Day of Instruction
- February 13: Legal Holiday - Lincoln's Birthday
- February 16: Legal Holiday - Presidents' Day
- April 5 - 9: Spring Recess
- May 18 - 26: Final Examinations
- May 26 (Tentative): Commencement
- May 26: End of Spring Semester
- May 31: Legal Holiday – Memorial Day

2004 Summer Intersession - to be announced

*Dates and deadlines are subject to change.

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Yearly Planner

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The Cypress Broadcasting System presents...

Cypress Idol

Opening Day 2003-2004
August 15, 2003
Opening Day Agenda

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8:30 am - 10:15 am ........................................................................................................... Opening Day Activities — Theater
Introduction of New Staff & Special Recognition
“State of the District” — Jerry Hunter, Chancellor
Greetings from the Board — Leonard Lahtinen, Board President
Master Plan Update — Nancy Byrnes, Vice President, Educational Support and Planning
“State of the College” — Margie Lewis, President
Core Values — Simone Cowell

10:30 am - 12:00 pm ........................................................................................................ Division Meetings (see page 3 for locations)

12:00 pm - 12:45 pm ........................................................................................................ Lunch — Adjacent to the Theater Lobby
(Box lunches available for those who pre-paid.)

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm ........................................................................................................ Faculty Meeting — Theater
Speaker: Peggy Maki
Institutional Effectiveness/Student Learning Outcomes

2003-2004 Award Recipients

**Outstanding Faculty of the Year**
**Doug Metz** — Health Science
Cypress College recognizes a faculty member who has demonstrated outstanding teaching abilities in the classroom in one or more of the following behaviors: a creative learning environment; attention to the individual needs of students; expertise in subject matter; and/or the ability to go the “extra mile” to motivate and encourage students.

**Faculty Development Award**
**Peter Mathews** — Social Science
Cypress College recognizes a faculty member who has made contributions outside the classroom. The award is being presented to a faculty member who contributed in any of the following ways: research; creative endeavors; and/or leadership or service at the campus, state or national level.

**Outstanding Adjunct Faculty**
**Tom Ormeny** — Fine Arts
Cypress College recognizes an adjunct faculty member who has demonstrated outstanding teaching abilities in the classroom in one or more of the following behaviors: a creative learning environment; attention to the individual needs of students; expertise in subject matter; and/or the ability to go the “extra mile” to motivate and encourage students.

**Classified Employee of the Year**
**Johna Reynolds** — SEM
Cypress College recognizes a classified employee who exemplifies dedication and commitment to making Cypress College an outstanding learning environment for its students.

**CSEA Employee of the Year**
**Jim Arbogast** — M&O
Each year, CSEA chapter 167 of the North Orange County Community College District recognizes a classified employee as the outstanding staff member of the year.
Margie Lewis  
President, Cypress College

Without any doubt, the past eight months have been among the most difficult in Cypress College’s proud history. With the level of uncertainty in the state, we can’t be sure that this year’s budget will remain intact. But, greatness is often the result of struggle. This is a time to remain focused on our core mission of educating students; it is a time to be innovative in our solutions; and more than ever, it is a time for trust, respect and open communication. Working together, we will meet the challenges ahead.

Steve Gold  
Academic Senate President

Welcome back! Although the year ahead promises to be challenging, I’m sure you are ready and eager to continue doing what you do so well -- giving our students a first-class education. Your dedication, in good times and bad, is what makes Cypress College a great place to teach and to learn. Have a great year!

Lisa Campbell  
United Faculty President

Welcome aboard to what will undoubtedly be a challenging academic year! Not only do we have the continuing challenge of ensuring our students have every opportunity for success at our institutions but we must meet this challenge in an atmosphere of unprecedented upheaval. It seems every budget from the State these days is subject to revisions. Already there is talk of mid-year reductions to the just adopted State budget. Now more than ever we need to employ shared governance processes that are already in place throughout the District. Your involvement is essential. I urge you to contact UF with any concerns at ext. 27188.

Sam Russo  
Adjunct Faculty United President

On behalf of Adjunct Faculty United, representative for more than 1,400 credit and noncredit faculty, welcome to the 2003-2004 academic year! We look forward to the active participation, in their union, of all adjunct faculty as we continue to work with United Faculty and CSEA in what should be an interesting year. We will do our best to keep you informed of anything of interest and importance during the ongoing budget crisis.

Elsa Garcia  
Associated Students President

I would like to welcome you to our Cypress College family. At Cypress College you will be able to further your education, with knowledgeable instructors, helpful staff, and dedicated administrators. As a student, I know that school may be difficult and challenging, but at the same time the rewards of a great education are endless. As president of Associated Students I know that our organization dedicates itself to serving students. We strive to see you succeed. I strongly encourage you to challenge yourself, do not limit yourself, but go beyond.

Vickie McPherson  
California School Employees Association President

On behalf of CSEA chapter 167 we would like to say welcome and thank you for your commitment. Our desire is to maintain a spirit of unity. Your input and involvement are necessary to the functions of our institution. Each of you is valued for your contribution to the betterment of our school and the students. As we face budget reductions, we are ready to “meet the challenge” with dignity and respect. Our chapter has increased unity and we look forward to your continued participation. May each of us take the opportunity available to make a contribution to better our work environment.

Karen Cant  
District Management Association President

Welcome to the 2003-2004 academic year. DMA events will consist of a fall business meeting, an end-of-year business meeting and a variety of workshops including Banner “Tips & Tricks” for managers. In addition to these activities, the DMA Executive Board will set aside $5,000 of member-supported funds to be used for additional staff development activities. This was done because of the recent budget cuts to district and campus staff development funds. I invite you to participate in any or all of the offered DMA activities. For information, please call me at ext. 47266.

Division Meetings

All division meetings will be held from 10:30 a.m.-noon. They will be followed by lunch and the 1 p.m. faculty meeting.

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A community that embraces diverse individuals, provides an accessible, supportive climate and encourages a variety of perspectives and opinions.
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.