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October 10, 2003 Newsletter from President Margie Lewis

THIS WEEK

Ongoing

- » "Nature's Laguna Wilderness" exhibit, Edouard DeMerlier Photography, and Library galleries (through October 24)
- » "In Transition: El Toro" exhibit, Library and Floating Wall galleries (through October 24)

14 • Tuesday

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

15 • Wednesday

- » [Disabilities Awareness Forum](#), WCR, 2-4 p.m.

16 • Thursday

- » "[Does God Exist?](#)" debate, L-216, 2-4 p.m.
- » "[Unscenery](#)" opening reception, Fine Arts Gallery, 7-9 p.m. (exhibit runs through November 11)

16-18 • Thursday-Saturday

- » "[Grease](#)," Campus Theater, 8 p.m.

THEY SAID IT

"I'm very grateful for my experience here at Cypress College. It wasn't what I set out to do or what I had planned. But it opened a lot of doors for me."

– Eldes Tran

A recent Honors Program graduate, now at UCLA, speaking at the [High School Principals/Superintendents Breakfast](#).

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Are You There, God? Debate Scheduled

► **One theologist. One atheist. Both experts. Will either prove their case?**

Does God exist? Professor Greg Cavin says it's one of the most important topics that people ever ponder.

To that end, he and colleagues in the Philosophy and Religious Studies Department — along with the Journalism Department — are co-sponsoring a debate on whether God exists.

The event will be held on Thursday, from 2-4 p.m., in L-216.

[Robert M. Bowman, Jr.](#), will support the position that God exists. He is the president

of Apologetics.com, a nonprofit Christian organization based in Southern California. He holds a Master's degree in biblical studies and theology from Fuller Theological Seminary.

[Eddie Tabash](#) will assert that God does not exist. He is a constitutional lawyer in private practice and a part-time Los Angeles Superior Court judge. He is on the board

of directors of the Council for Secular Humanism.

Professor Neill Cooney, from the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, will moderate the debate.

All students, fac-

ulty, staff, and administrators are welcome.

Additional details are available in the [@Cypress extras section](#).

Does God Exist?

What: Debate

When: Thursday, 2- 4 p.m.

Where: L-216 (second floor, Lib/Admin.)

Who: [Robert Bowman](#) (God exists)

[Eddie Tabash](#) (God doesn't exist)

Those Who Simulated Disabilities to Share Experiences

In recognition of Disabilities Awareness Month, several faculty and staff simulated a disability for a day. They will discuss their experiences in a [forum](#) on Wednesday, from 2-4 p.m., in the Wilson Conference Room. Pat Ganer will be the facilitator.

The Roosevelt Center Club provided props, such as wheelchairs, crutches, walkers, goggles, and earplugs, to simulate a variety of disabilities.

At the Roosevelt Center, testing for learning disabilities has also resumed. Students must first be interviewed to determine their eligibility for testing (students who have poor English skills or who take certain medications may not be eligible). The whole testing process takes 7-10 hours and is spread over several days.

For more information, students may contact DSPS (SEM-129) at (714) 484-7104.

CSULB's Maxson: 'Cypress College is a Great College'

Speaking at the annual High School Principals/Superintendents Breakfast, Dr. Robert Maxson lauded Cypress College.

"Cypress College is a great college," the Cal State Long Beach president told the gathering of nearly 50 high school administrators. "This is a very student-centered college. Dr. Lewis is a very student-centered president."

Maxson said his enrollment is capped at 35,000 students. Last spring CSULB received 44,600 applications and admitted just 9,000 new students. Of those applications, about half came from transfer students.

"I am a community college fan," he said. "We'll never shut our doors to community college transfers."

Maxson said that the graduation rate is higher among students who transfer from community colleges.

He also noted that his campus is seeking funding to guarantee scholarships to the top graduate from each California Community College campus.

CSULB is California's second largest university, behind only UCLA in student population. @

CHARGERS

Cypress College won't be represented in the Governor's Mansion any time soon. **Reva Renee Renz**, who played basketball here in 1991, was one of the 135 candidates on the November 7 recall ballot. The Tustin bar owner, however, recorded just 277 votes — falling a mere 3,654,797 short of Governor-elect Arnold Schwarzenegger.



Former Honors Program student **Esme Bermudez** was named USC's Outstanding Print Journalism Student of the Year for 2002-2003. Esme graduated in June and is currently working for the Oregonian newspaper in Portland. She was also an intern at the Orange County Register. "Because of her performance, **Kane Barber**, the current Chronicle editor in chief was invited to be the fall intern at the Register," Journalism Chair **Robert Mercer** said.



Dr. **Edward Alfaro** passed away on September 27. He was both a teacher and counselor at Cypress College. He served Cypress students while part of the Student Education Development Center/EOPS team until the early 1990's. Memorial services were held on October 2. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to the American Cancer Society or Crown Valley Church. For more information, contact **Jorge Ramirez**.

Multicultural Displays Now in Library

Three multicultural displays are now up in the Library. The displays recognize:

- Hispanic Heritage Month;
- Gay and Lesbian History



Anyone interested in joining **GLADE — Gay and Lesbian Association of District Employees** — can call Dan Willoughby at ext. 47185.

Month; and

- National Disability Awareness Month.

The displays, which include books and videos, celebrate and recognize these events.

Books and videos are available for circulation.

The library's Web site at <http://cypresscollege.edu/-library> contains related links. Click on "Library Information," then "Library Events and Celebrations."

Library staff will put up similar displays throughout the year.

Health Center Participating in Free Mammograms

October is a busy month for the Health Center. Flu shots begin October 20 and will be offered to students, faculty and staff at a cost of \$10.

Ten days later is the Health Fair, which will be held in the quad adjacent to the Admissions and Records office, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Many types of screening will be offered, as well as flu shots. There will also be prizes and entertainment.

Free mammograms will also be offered during October for low income, underinsured or uninsured women over 40. More information on the program is included in [@Cypress](#) and is also available from the Health Center.

CC Has Success Sending Students to USC

At the USC Counselor Conference last month, Penny Gabourie received some impressive information about our transfer students to that campus.

For the current semester USC received 6,081 transfer applications and offered admission to 1,932 students (a 31.8% acceptance rate).

Here are the specific numbers for

Cypress College students:

- 31 Transfer applications received;
- 16 Transfer offers of admission (a 51.6% acceptance rate); and
- 11 Transfer students enrolled (a 68.8% yield).

"While we don't send great numbers to USC, our students are clearly well prepared," Gabourie said.

Blueprint

A report on Cypress College's Construction Projects

Finally!

The Library/Learning Resource Center has been approved by the California State Department of Architecture.

Plans for the building had been submitted in March. Review and approval had been delayed because of a large number of projects submitted across the state as part of a wave of construction-bond approvals.

The approval should allow the college to maintain the construction schedule, which calls for groundbreaking later this month or early in November. More importantly, it retains a timeline that calls for pile driving to take place during the winter break.

The schedule is also highly dependent on the weather.

BRIEFLY

New (first time enrolling) or returning (those absent for at least one semester) students who enroll in a half-semester course beginning later this month will have their enrollment status changed to "continuing student" for the spring semester.

The information is significant because it means that they will not be mailed a permit to register for the Spring 2004 semester. Like all continuing students, they could miss their initial registration appointment, and possibly miss important deadlines, if they don't follow the registration information that will be printed in the Spring 2004 class schedule.

Please advise students that permits to register are no longer being mailed and remind them that the information is printed in the class schedule. It is also available on the Web site.



The semester's second "**Meet the Pres.**" session will be held on Monday, October 20. It will take place from 12:30-1:30 p.m., in Student Activities. "Meet the Pres." offers an hour of informal questions and answers with Dr. Lewis. Participants are welcome to arrive and leave at any time during the hour.



The Foundation has kicked off the annual Pull for Cypress campaign. Material has been distributed to all campus mailboxes. All employees are encouraged to consider contributing to the Foundation.

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October 1, 2003
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Unscenery
Curated by Doug Buis

Artists include: Doug Buis, Florian Claar, Kristen Morgin, Ed Heckerman, and Jessica Newman-Skrentny

Opening Reception: Thursday, October 16, 2003, 7-9 PM

Exhibit: October 16-November 11, 2003

Gallery Hours: Monday-Thursday 10am-2pm and Tuesday-Wednesday 6-8pm

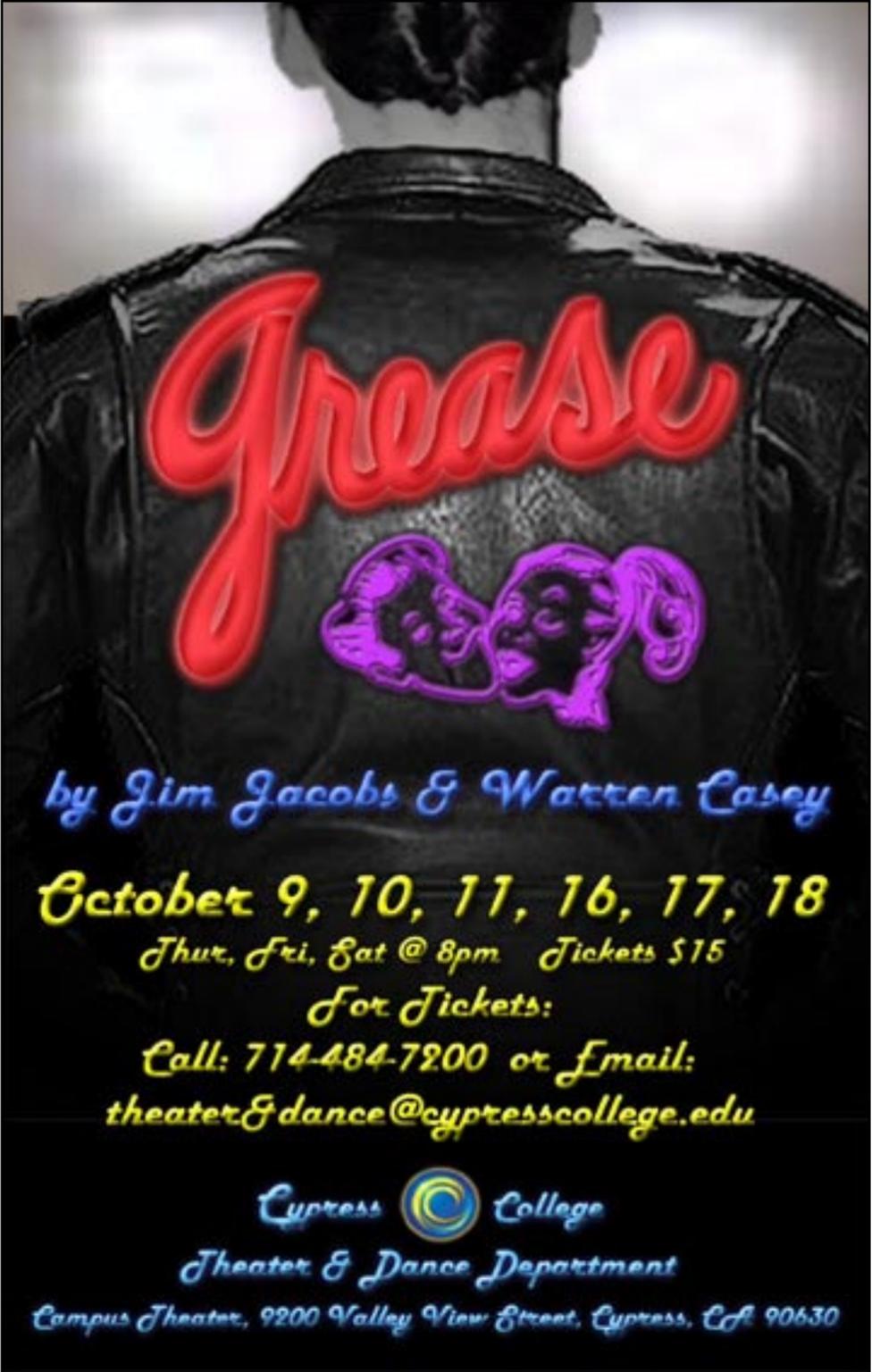
The gallery is closed Friday except by appointment

The intent of this exhibition is to give students the opportunity to ponder the nature of sculpture and the thematic elements presented.

The exhibition will, in a sense be constructed around the idea of landscape, using a variety of media. Although landscape is a traditional theme, used in art for millennia, it is not as prevalent in sculpture, as for example, in painting or photography. The depiction of space is more difficult to achieve. Although the work in the exhibition will make some reference to traditional representation in landscape, ideas pertaining to land, the politics of land, and the subjective nature of perceiving landscape will be brought into question. Another aspect is the narratives, either inherent, or projected, which occupy some of the space within the structure of landscape.

The notion of sculpture will be stretched somewhat, to allow the inclusion of stereoscopic photography, video and sound work. All of these media question the nature of three-dimensional representation, giving students the opportunity to broaden their view of the nature of sculpture, and to examine how different media allow a different focus on particular aspects of landscape. For example, the use of stereoscopic photography and the inherent illusion of three dimensions questions the reality of physical space, whereas the use of video may bring into question the mediation of what we perceive. The varying media all use different techniques of seduction to compel the viewer to look.

For further information, contact Gallery Director, Paul Paiement, (714) 484-7134.



Grease

by Jim Jacobs & Warren Casey

October 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18

Thur, Fri, Sat @ 8pm Tickets \$15

For Tickets:

Call: 714-484-7200 or Email:

theater&dance@cypresscollege.edu

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Theater & Dance Department

Campus Theater, 9200 Valley View Street, Cypress, CA 90630

'Grease' is the Word

Cypress College Theater and Dance Department Presents
GREASE

October 9, 10, 11, 16, 17 and 18, at 8 pm

See the flyer at

http://finearts.cypresscollege.edu/~theater/webpages/grease_pages/grease_flyer.htm

50 free tickets are available to campus staff for the Thursday, October 9 performance. Faculty and staff tickets are available for all performances as "buy 1, get 1 free." Make your reservation by calling the box office at 47200.

“Does God Exist?”

Fact Sheet for Debate, “Does God Exist?”

Topic of Debate: Does God Exist?

Time, Day, and Date of Debate: 2:00 - 4:00 PM., Thursday, October 16th, 2003

Location of Debate: L-216, second floor of Administration / Library Building at Cypress College

The Debaters: Rob Bowman will be defending theism, which answers the question in the affirmative. Eddie Tabash will be defending atheism, which answers the question in the negative.

Format of the Debate:

Opening remarks by moderator Professor Neill Cooney (5 minutes)

Opening statement by Rob Bowman (20 minutes)

Opening statement by Eddie Tabash (20 minutes)

Rebuttal by Rob Bowman (10 minutes)

Rebuttal by Eddie Tabash (10 minutes)

Break (10 minutes)

Cross-examination: 8 questions / answers (4 for each debater) alternating between Bowman and Tabash; the questioner will have one minute to ask and the responder has two to respond (24 minutes)

Questions from the audience (30 minutes)

Closing statement by Rob Bowman (5 minutes)

Closing statement by Eddie Tabash (5 minutes)

Farewell remarks by moderator Neill Cooney (1 minute)

Moderator of the Debate: Professor Neill Cooney, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Cypress College

Co-Sponsors of the Debate: The Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies and the Department of Journalism, Cypress College

http://socialscience.cypresscollege.edu/~philosophy/Debate_info.htm

Bios of the Debaters:

Robert M. Bowman, Jr.

Robert M. Bowman, Jr., is the President of Apologetics.com, a nonprofit Christian organization based in Southern California. He holds a Master's degree in biblical studies and theology from Fuller Theological Seminary. Rob has taught in the fields of religious studies, philosophy, and biblical studies for eleven years, and currently teaches in the Christian Apologetics Program at Biola University. He has authored six books and co-authored three others with Kenneth D. Boa, including the Gold Medallion book Faith Has Its Reasons: An Integrative Approach to Defending Christianity and their most recent book, 20 Compelling Evidences that God Exists. He has debated Al Seckel, a scientist who has written in defense of atheism, and Bobbie Kirkhart, co-chair of Atheists United.

Eddie Tabash

Eddie Tabash is a Constitutional lawyer in private practice in Beverly Hills. He graduated from UCLA in 1973, magna cum laude. He graduated from Loyola Law School in 1976. He serves as a part time judge for the Los Angeles County Superior Courts. He successfully argued before the California Supreme Court in 1986 on a complex civil procedure issue. He is on the board of directors of the Council for Secular Humanism. He is on the First Amendment Committee of the ACLU of Southern California. He is a life member of American Atheists. He has debated Christian Philosophers on God's existence, such as Greg Bahnsen, Peter VanInwagen, and William Lane Craig. He also serves on the Platform Committee of the California Democratic Party. Eddie Tabash will be representing the Council for Secular Humanism in this debate.

THE ROOSEVELT CENTER CLUB PROUDLY PRESENTS



A DISABILITIES AWARENESS FORUM

October is National Disabilities Awareness Month. In celebration, Cypress College faculty, staff, and students will be simulating a disability for a day. Join our simulators for a lively discussion of what they learned about having a disability. The forum will be facilitated by *Pat Ganer*.

Highlights

- *Wednesday, October 15, 2003*
- *From 2:00pm to 4:00pm*
- *Wilson Conference Room Fine Arts*



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This event will be held in the Wilson
Conference Center on the second floor
of the Fine Arts Building

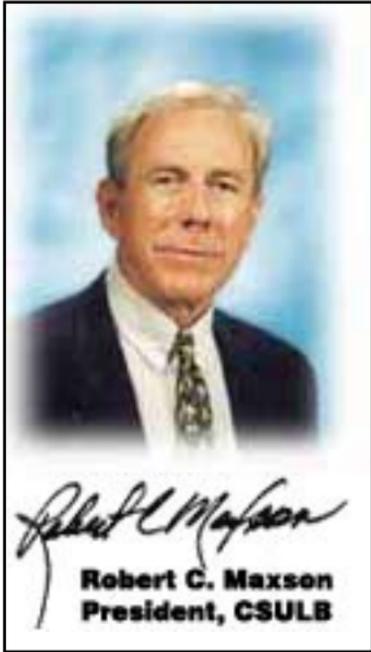
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STUDENT ACTIVITIES

High School Principals/Superintendents Breakfast



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**— Dr. Robert C. Maxson
President, Cal State Long Beach**

Among the college information provided to those attending the High School Principals/Superintendents Breakfast, was a sheet highlighting [Cypress College successes](#) in the past year.



2002-2003 CYPRESS COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

STUDENTS

- Of the several hundred students transferring to UCLA from community colleges this year, Cypress College Honors Program student **Eldes Tran** was one of only 26 to receive a \$4,000 Transfer Student scholarship.
- Electrical Engineering major **Siu Tam** was selected as a 2003 Jet Propulsion Laboratory Undergraduate Scholar.
- Forensics student **James Chang** won the Interstate Oratory Contest, an extremely prestigious national competition open to only two students from each state.
- Student **Richard Hutter** won a statewide multimedia award for his digital imagery work.
- Student **Sherry Pan** received the 2003 *Wall Street Journal* Student Achievement Award.

PROGRAMS

- The Dental Hygiene Program is the best in the country for the second year in a row, with Cypress College students scoring an average of 93.9% on the national licensing exam. Student **Debi McIntosh** earned a perfect score.
- The Toyota T-TEN Automotive Mechanic Training Program is the best in the country in terms of number of graduates and in terms of number of job placements in dealerships.
- The baseball team, under the guidance of Coach **Scott Pickler**, won its fourth state championship, and the softball team made it to the final four in the state championship.

FACULTY

- Math Department professor **Cheryl Gibby** was named the Community College Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year by the Orange County Department of Education.
- Political Science professor **Peter Mathews** became a regular commentator on KNBC and other venues.
- Art Department professor **Paul Paiement** was given the Otis College of Art and Design's Teacher of the Year Award.

FACILITIES

- Measure X bond funds were used to renovate the Theater and tennis courts, the first of many facilities projects scheduled for the next five years.

GRANTS

- The college was one of 15 in the country to receive a federal Title V Hispanic-Serving Institutions grant, totaling \$2.25 million over five years.

Mammogram-a-thon

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- A screening mammogram
- Clinical Breast Exam
- Information on breast health and breast self examination.

Who is eligible ?

- Women age 40 and older who are:
 - √ Low Income,
 - √ Underinsured, or
 - √ Uninsured
- Eligibility to be determined by YWCA *Encoreplus*/OCBCEDP

Location & Dates

Anaheim

October 4

October 7

October 22

October 25

October 28

Westminster

October 18

Fullerton

October 11

Costa Mesa

October 4 de Octubre

Garden Grove

October 17

October 18

October 25

October 31

Orange

October 2

Huntington Beach

October 15

October 29

Capistrano Beach

October 25

Fountain Valley

October 11

Buena Park

October 10

Placentia

October 24

Santa Ana

October 23

Stanton

October 18

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Call to receive exact location and time

**MONDAY,
OCT. 20, 2003
12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m.
Student Activities, Gym II,
Second Floor**



MEET THE PRES.

Co-sponsored by Cypress College Staff Development and the President's Office

Nancy Deutsch, Staff Development
Coordinator
714-484-7326

or

Donna Landis, Admin Asst.
714-484-7324

E-mail:

staffdev@cypresscollege.edu

An informal hour with College President, Margie Lewis.

Open to all staff and students—everyone is welcome.

There is no agenda.

Come and share ideas, agreements and disagreements.

Drop in anytime during the hour and stay as long as you want.

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Core Values of Cypress College

Cypress College is committed to:

Excellence

Quality and high standards in instruction and student services, supported by professional growth for faculty and staff.

Integrity

An ethical standard that emphasizes honesty, fairness, accountability, and trust.

Collegiality

An environment that emphasizes teamwork, collaboration, communication, courtesy and respect both on campus and with the surrounding community.

Inclusiveness

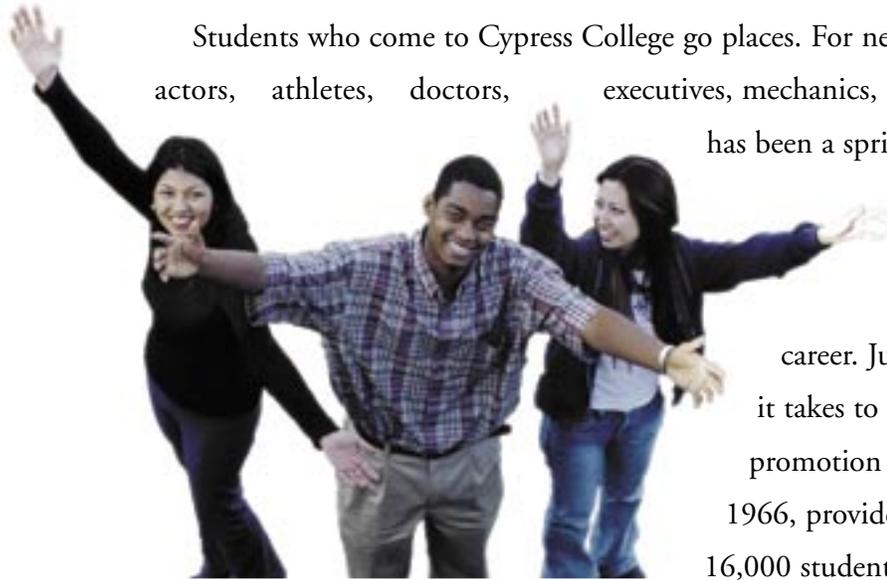
A community that embraces diverse individuals, provides an accessible, supportive climate and encourages a variety of perspectives and opinions.

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For nearly a half million students, Cypress College has been a springboard to their dreams. Come to Cypress College and **Go Places**

CYPRESS COLLEGE



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 \$18 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.

