March 5, 2004 Newsletter from President Margie Lewis

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THIS WEEK

9 • Tuesday
- NOCCCD Board of Trustees Meeting, Anaheim Campus, 5:30 p.m.

11 • Thursday
- Academic Senate meeting, WCR, 3 p.m.

11-13 • Thursday-Saturday
- “Angels In America,” Campus Theater, 8 p.m.

TEY SAID IT

“Just like moons and like suns,
With the certainty of tides,
Just like hopes springing high,
Still I’ll rise…”
- Maya Angelou

“Never confuse activity with results.”
- Lou Gerstner

“We divided the world into ‘us’ and ‘them. There is no ‘them’ left on our tiny planet.”
- Marilyn Rea

Americana Sets New Record for Net Income

- The event raises $116,000 while honoring Ferragamo, Military and active citizens.

Vince Ferragamo, who led the Los Angeles Rams to Super Bowl XIV and who now shares his leadership with countless charities, was honored as the Cypress College Foundation’s “Man of the Year” at the 29th Annual Americana Awards last Saturday. This year’s event — the most successful to date — also saluted the brave members of the United States Military for their service to the nation.

The event raised more than $116,000 for the Cypress College Foundation. It is the second consecutive year that Americans broke its previous net-income record.

The Americana Awards — sponsored by Toyota Motor Sales, USA, Inc. — were started in 1976 to honor outstanding volunteers within the communities in Cypress College’s primary enrollment area.

Over the years, Americana has grown into Cypress College’s largest fundraiser — helping fill the budget hole created by insufficient state funding. In the last year alone, the Cypress College Foundation has provided money to save the Black Studies and Teacher Preparation programs as well as the Library’s textbook collection program, which ensures copies of books used for classes are available to students who can’t afford to buy them.

In addition, the Foundation provides student scholarships and loans for textbooks. The Foundation’s current top priority is matching a federal grant that will result in a $1 million endowment to continue the vital efforts that help students achieve their dreams.

Ferragamo was selected as the Man of the Year for his tremendous efforts with a wide variety of charities.

In addition to Ferragamo, honorees included the U.S. Military and citizens from the cities Cypress College serves: Frank and Sally Feldhaus, Anaheim; Traycee Mayer, Buena Park; Frank Sabato, Cypress; Tom and Marge England, Garden Grove; Pastor Herb Carson, La Palma; Margaret (Peggy) Reep, Los Alamitos/Rossmoor; Jim Klinasian, Seal Beach; and George and Judy Fenton, Stanton. All the recipients are active volunteers in the community. Individual bios on the Citizens of the Year are available on the campus Web site at http://CypressCollege.edu.

As a rookie quarterback for the Los Angeles Rams, Ferragamo shared the position with Pat Haden and Joe Namath. By his third season, he led the 1979 Cinderella Rams to Super Bowl XIV against the Pittsburgh Steelers at the Rose Bowl. It was the first time the Rams had made a Super Bowl appearance, and although Pittsburgh went on to win the game, it is still heralded as one of the best games in Super Bowl history.

While still with the Rams, Ferragamo was active in the community and in 1983 became the celebrity host of the Vince Ferragamo Celebrity Golf Classic. Twenty years later, the tournament has become bigger and better and through the Vince Ferragamo Foundation has contributed funds to the Special Olympics, The Ronald McDonald House, Juvenile Diabetes, the Alzheimer Association and other local charities.

He is a firm believer that giving back to the community is a responsibility and a privilege and gives his time freely to many different organizations.

I Didn’t Know That!

Stay fit and trim — and do it for free! All employees are invited to work out in the fitness lab located in Gym I.

Lab hours are 7 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Thursday, and 7 a.m.-5 p.m. on Friday. For more information contact the P.E. Division Office at ext. 47352.

The Board is Alive...

Tuesday night’s Board meeting is one you’ll want to pay to see. A dare issued by Pat Ganer on Opening Day has evolved into Dr. Lewis attending the meeting dressed as Maria (Julie Andrews in the “Sound of Music”). Donations of $20 are being requested, with the money raised going to match Title V endowment funds.
CHARGERS

EOPS Manager Mara Scott wrote in with good news and kudos for the staff. Some 230 new students were brought in to the EOPS program from December through March, allowing EOPS to slightly surpass their cap.

EOPS was still able to maintain their high level of services to the continuing students.

“I am very proud of the efforts of the awesome EOPS team for all their hard work in making this a reality,” Mara said.

Kudos to: Michele Dugan, Michele Warren, Aja Cordova, Kelly Grimes, Jackie Jackson, Marion Shocklee, and Alexandria Rosales.

EOPS is supported by three counselors who also deserve nice pats on the back: Deidre Porter, Rolando Castillo and Megan Li.

Freshman 5’2” point-guard Brittany Imaku has been hot for the women’s basketball team. She scored 27 points to lead Cypress to a 74-65 victory over L.A. Valley College last Friday in the first round of the Southern California Regional Playoffs. She then turned in another big performance this past Wednesday to help upset Ventura College. Imaku scored 39 points as No. 10 seed Cypress beat the No. 2 seeded Lady Pirates, 72-67. The victory advances the Lady Chargers to the regional finals against Pasadena City College Saturday, March 6 in Pasadena. Tip-off is at 7 p.m.

Admissions Applications Now Being Accepted

The Admissions and Records Office is now accepting applications for summer. New and returning students can apply online using CCC Apply Online and by submitting the conventional paper application.

New and returning students who mail in the application must ensure that it is postmarked by Friday, May 7. Likewise, applications submitted via CCC Apply Online must be submitted by that same date.

Concert, CD to Fund New Baby Grand Piano

The Music Department has released a CD of classical piano and is hosting a concert featuring Peter Beneff, Mark Peterson, and Joe Gallo.

The proceeds from the concert and CD are going to the Cypress College Commercial Music Fund. The goal is to raise enough money to buy a new Baby Grand for the college.

The concert is on March 26, at 7 p.m., in FA 304.

The CD contains 12 amazing Frederic Chopin composition performed by Gallo (the winner of multiple gold records during his professional music career).

Tickets for the concert are $10. The CDs are also $10. To purchase either (or both) call Susan at ext. 47140.

It’ll Take More Work for Students to Enter CSU

Students transferring to a Cal State campus will need to have 60-units completed beginning in fall 2005, up from 56 units previously required to be considered as a junior.

In general this does not change anything for our students, since most of the CSUs have not been accepting lower division transfers for some time.

Also, students in most majors must have completed the “golden four” (English Composition, Speech, Critical Thinking and Math) to be eligible for admission.

San Diego State is already requiring 60 units for transfer, as are several other schools.

The change comes at a time when Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger is attempting to send more students to the state’s community colleges because of our ability to provide education for a much more economic rate than the other higher education systems in California.

For more information about the changing transfer requirements, contact the Transfer Center at ext. 47132.

For nearly a half-million students, Cypress College has been a springboard to their dreams. Come to Cypress College and Go Places!
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May 25, 2004

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Thank you.
Scenes from Americana

The 29th Annual Americana Awards were held a week ago. Here are some images from the event. More information is on page 1 of this week’s edition.

KABC-TV’s Sid Garcia served as the emcee for Americana for the fourth consecutive year, even though he is now based in Los Angeles instead of Orange County. Garcia commented that Americana highlights the many positive contributions volunteers make.

A joint military color guard presented the American flag for the National Anthem at the conclusion of a ceremony honoring the U.S. Military. Each branch was represented by an active service member and the Amerikus band provided patriotic music.

Vince Ferragamo (right) was honored as the Cypress College Foundation’s Man of the Year at the 29th Annual Americana Awards on Saturday night. He is pictured with Ed and Dixie Arnold, last year’s Man and Woman of the Year (center), and his wife, Jodi (left).

Cypress College graduate Eldes Tran reminded the 550-plus in attendance at the 2004 Americana Awards how important the Foundation is to students. She spoke about how Cypress College helped her transfer to UCLA.
Women’s Day of Expression

The third annual Women’s Day of Expression was held on Thursday.
Playing Piano for a Piano

This CD and a concert are intended to raise money for the purchase of a baby grand piano for Fine Arts.
Pile Driving Begins

The L/LRC construction site finally dried up enough for pile driving to begin on Friday morning. The work will continue next week. More photos appear on the following pages.