Student Honored with Goldwater Scholarship

Peter Koo is the first from Cypress College to earn the national award.

Peter Koo has been selected as a recipient of the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship for the 2004-2005 academic year.

Koo was one of 310 recipients selected from a field of 1,113 nominees from 1,100 colleges and universities nationwide. The Goldwater Scholars were selected on the basis of academic merit and demonstrated potential for, and commitment to, a career in mathematics, the natural sciences and engineering.

The scholarship award covers eligible expenses — cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board — up to a maximum of $7,500 per year. Koo is eligible to receive funds for two years after transferring to a university.

Koo, majoring in physics, has applied to top tier universities and plans to eventually obtain a Ph.D.

His career objective is to conduct research in quantum information science at the university level or at a national laboratory.

Koo is also a member of the Cypress College chapter of the Society of Physics Students, which recently received a grant by the parent organization to conduct their research proposal on “Constructing a Cosmic Ray Detector and Investigating the Nature of Secondary Cosmic Rays.”

The Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation hopes to provide a continuing source of exceptional individuals to conduct academic study and research in the fields of mathematics, the natural sciences and engineering.

Since the program’s inception in 1986, the Foundation has awarded 4,272 scholarships worth approximately $42 million.

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Seven students from Cypress College have been selected as national outstanding campus leaders in the 2004 edition of WHO’S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN JUNIOR COLLEGES.

Since 1966, the annual publication has honored and recognized an elite group of students from more than 1,400 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Campus nominating committees and editors of the national directory include the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

Recipients of the Who’s Who from Cypress College are: William Avila, Kevin Cook, Tony Lane Law, Nora Masri, Kelly Raburn, Daniel Strimback and Amanda Yniguez.

The softball team extended its consecutive games winning streak to 19 with a 6-1 victory over visiting Santa Ana College on Tuesday. Freshman third baseman Chelsea Reinhart was 3-for-3 with three runs scored, two stolen bases and one RBI. Sophomore pitcher Lindsey Klabacha won her 20th game (20-1) of the year. Ranked number 1 in the state in the JuCal Transfer CCC/SIA Super-15 Poll, the Chargers are 28-1 for the season, and 11-0 in the Orange Empire Conference.

Annual Parent Night Event Set for April 20

Parents of prospective Cypress College students are invited to attend Parent Night where they can receive information on academic programs, clubs and services offered to their children.

The informational night will be held on April 20, from 6:30-8 p.m., in H-131 and H-136. Parents will have the opportunity to meet with faculty, students and administrators of the college. A presentation will be given in both English and Spanish. Selected topics will include Financial Aid, Certificate programs/degrees and Special Student Services. In addition, questions concerning applications, registration and available classes will be addressed.

For more information, contact Jorge Ramirez, dean of Student Support Services at ext. 47371.

Alternative Fuel Vehicle Event Held at Cypress

Cypress College today served as the Orange County-LA host of the National Alternative Fuel Vehicle Day Odyssey. The National AFV Day Odyssey is an advanced technology and alternative fuel vehicle (AFV) public awareness event that aims to provide information about AFVs and clean-fueled, energy-efficient, and other advanced-technology vehicles as positive, viable options in transportation.

Participants experienced the excitement of AFVs and learned how the transportation industry is addressing sustainable energy sources, economic trade balance, environmental air quality and other social issues.

A variety of alternative fuel vehicles — hybrid passenger cars and buses, and partial zero emission vehicles — were on display.

Choi is Recipient of Wall Street Journal Award

Megan Eun Young Choi is a recipient of the 2004 Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award. She was chosen based on her academic achievement.

Choi is tentatively set to transfer to Cal State Fullerton in fall 2005, where she has been admitted with Academic Distinction. While enrolled at Cypress College, Megan has maintained a 4.0 GPA.

As a recipient of this honor, she will receive a one-year subscription to The Wall Street Journal, a commemorative award medallion embedded in a Lucite paperweight, and a congratulatory letter from The Wall Street Journal. She and other recipients will have their names published in a full-page announcement in the newspaper.

She will also have her name added to a list of past Cypress College winners on a plaque that hangs in the Business Division Office.

Construction crews made up for rain-lost time and advanced their schedule so that pile driving at the Library/Learning Resource Center could begin on Monday, the first day of spring break. However, Thursday’s rain threatens those plans. The work will take 2-plus weeks to complete. It has been an important goal to utilize the full break to help minimize disruptions.

Also over the break:

• M&O will be moving to the Holder Building (formerly the Campus Children’s Center); and
• A wall will be constructed in the Men’s Shower Locker facility so that it can be shared (in a non-co-ed fashion) with female students.

Both the M&O office and the Women’s Shower Locker must be vacated so that construction can begin on the co-generation plant and the new student center. The co-generation plant needs to be completed prior to the L/LRC opening in fall 2005 — and there’s a significant financial incentive to get it done this year.

@Cypress will not publish next week because of spring break and the spring holiday on Friday, April 9.

Your weekly newsletter returns to its regular schedule a week later. The remaining editions will publish on April 16, 23, 30; and May 7 and 14.

Please submit your news items to the Public Information Office via e-mail or by calling ext. 47006.
Peter Koo

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Parent Night

April 20, 2004
6:30-8:00 p.m.

Humanities Building Rooms 131 & 136

Come to Cypress College and
Go Places!

Parents and graduating seniors are invited to attend an informational night specifically set aside for you. You will have an opportunity to meet with faculty, students and administrators of Cypress College. Questions about applications, registration and available classes will be answered.

Contact Person: Jorge Ramirez
Dean of Student Support Services
Phone: 714-484-7371

Highlights
Meet President Dr. Margie Lewis
Meet with college staff
Selected Topics: Financial Aid, Certificate programs/degrees, Special Student Services
Refreshments will be served

Se Habla Español
Padres de familia de los estudiantes que van a graduarse de la escuela secundaria quedan invitados a asistir a una noche de información referente a la educación universitaria. Usted tendrá la oportunidad de reunirse con miembros de la facultad, estudiantes y administradores del Colegio Cypress.

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Designated parking area for this event - Lot #8
(See map and parking permit on reverse)
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Alternative Fuel Vehicle Day

The National Alternative Fuel Vehicle Day Odyssey event was held on campus on Friday. Toyota’s Prius and Honda’s Insight — both gas-electric hybrid cars which are available to consumers — and the prototype Toyota Highlander fuel cell SUV were on display.