

THIS WEEK

Ongoing

- » “Negative Traces,” exhibit of photographs by Rudy Vega, Edouard De Merlier Photography & Library Gallery (through Dec. 11).
- » “Tour of Duty: Iraq 2003,” exhibit of photographs by Paul Bennett, Floating Wall gallery (through Dec. 11).

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- » CC LEADS Workshop: Fall 2004 Leadership Book Club, Food for Thought Dining Room, 12-1:30 p.m.
- » Faculty Dance Concert, Campus Theater, 8 p.m.

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- » Mozart Midnight Madness, First United Methodist Church of Orange, 11:30 p.m.

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- » Holiday Art Sale, Fine Arts Gallery, 9 a.m.- 8 p.m.
- » President’s Holiday Reception, Theater Lobby, 9:30-11 a.m.

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- » Academic Senate, Wilson Conference Room, 3-5 p.m.
- » Thirsty Thursday, El Torito (Katella and Valley View), 4:30-8 p.m.

10 • Friday

- » Patron of the Arts’ Holiday “Sing-A-Long” Concert and Recital, FA-304, 7:30 p.m.

THEY SAID IT

“I come to win.”

– Leo Durocher

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December 3, 2004 Newsletter from President Margie Lewis

Core Values:

Excellence

Integrity

Collegiality

Inclusiveness

Women’s Volleyball Makes History in Advancing to the State Tourney

► The Lady Chargers are the first to proceed to the Final Eight of the state tourney as the No. 16 seed. They open play tonight at 8 p.m.

For the first time in school history, the women’s volleyball team has advanced to the state championship tournament. As the 16th seed from Southern California, the Lady Chargers, coached by Nancy Welliver, are also the lowest seed to ever advance to the Citi California Community Colleges Commission on Athletics Women’s Volleyball Championships.

Cypress College (12-8) completed its first upset against top-seeded El Camino College (17-1), 30-26, 31-29, 22-30, 27-30, 15-12, in the first round of the California Community Colleges regional playoffs. Cypress used 27 kills by sophomore outside hitter Tordra Sessions and 24 kills from freshman outside hitter Breezie James to spoil El Camino’s perfect season.

The Lady Chargers proceeded to upset No. 8 Orange Coast College, 27-30, 30-20, 30-26, 30-21, in the second round of the Southern California Regional playoffs on November 27. Sessions gave

another strong performance with 25 kills, four aces and four blocks in the win. Freshman libero Nancy Laguna contributed with 35 digs.

The Women’s Volleyball Championships will be held this weekend (December 3-5) at San Joaquin Delta College in Stockton.

The state tournament will feature a double-elimination format with the top four qualifiers from Northern and Southern California. Cypress is joined by No. 2 seed Golden West, No. 3 L.A. Pierce and No. 8 Mesa from Southern California. In the Northern California regional bracket, the remaining colleges to make up the Final Eight are: No. 1 Delta, No. 2 Taft, No. 3 Butte and No. 4 Sacramento.

For matchup purposes at the State Tournament, the South re-seeds with Golden West at No. 1, L.A. Pierce at No. 2, San Diego Mesa at No. 3 and Cypress at No. 4. The North stays identical to its pre-regional playoff seeds.

The Lady Chargers, now ranked 25 in the state, open against the host Lady Mustangs on Friday, December 3, at 8 p.m.

The COA will broadcast the 2004 Women’s Volleyball Championships via streaming audio technology on its Web site, located at www.coasports.org.

I Didn’t Know That!

In order to qualify for financial aid, students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, commonly known as FAFSA. It is highly recommended that students submit the FAFSA electronically on the Internet at www.fafsa.ed.gov, though they may also mail the application directly to the Department of Education’s Central Processing Center. Applications will be accepted after January 1. Preferential consideration is given to those who file the FAFSA before the preliminary deadline of March 2, 2005; however, the forms will be accepted until June 30, 2005. Students needing assistance should make inquiries at the Financial Aid Office, located on the second floor of TE-2, in Room 209.

Annual Faculty Dance Concert

The Theater and Dance Department presents the Annual Faculty Dance Concert tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m., in the Campus Theater.

The program includes a wide variety of dance styles and modes, from Tap to Modern, Jazz to Hip Hop, and Flamenco to Afro-Caribbean, featuring works by both professional and student choreographers.

General admission is \$12 and \$10 for seniors and children.

For further information or to make a reservation, call ext. 47200 or visit www.finearts.cypresscollege.edu/~theater.

CHARGERS

Rod Petkovic, in his first season as the men's soccer coach at Cypress College, has been selected the Orange Empire Conference Coach of the Year. He took the Chargers from a 0-19 record in 2003 to the college's first winning record in school history. Cypress completed the 2004 campaign with a mark of 8-6-5. Five of his players, all freshmen, were chosen for OEC all-star recognition. Earning first team honors were forward **Brandon Melendez**, defender **Mike Mirzadeh** and goalie **Ramiro Gonzalez**. Second team choices were midfielders **Tim Mellor** and **Armando Delgado**.



Sophomore basketball point guard **Brittany Imaku** has signed a letter of intent to play next season at San Jose State University. Imaku averaged 14.0 points, 5.6 assists and 5.5 rebounds in her first season with the Lady Chargers. She was a first team OEC all-star.



Aimee Schneider, who received her associate's degree in May, has been awarded a Puente Transfer Recognition Award from the state Puente organization. Schneider has enrolled at Cal State Fullerton.

Women's Soccer Advances to the State Final Four Tournament

The women's soccer team — coached by Jeff Gordon and Tracy Van Herk — qualified for its 10th consecutive State Final Four tournament with a 6-0 win over visiting Chaffey College in the Southern California Regional Finals on Nov. 23 at Ray Haas Memorial Field.

Sophomore Krystle Vance scored three goals to lead the Cypress scoring attack. The Lady Chargers, who outshot Chaffey 41-2, put the game away early as Vance gave Cypress a 2-0 lead with goals at the three and 30-minute marks. The other Lady Chargers' goals were scored by Krissy Grana, Cathi Dragna and Annica Perez.

The Chargers will face West Valley College of Saratoga in the Women's Soccer State Semifinals on Saturday, December 4, at the East Field.

In the other semi-final match, Long Beach City (21-0-0) faces American

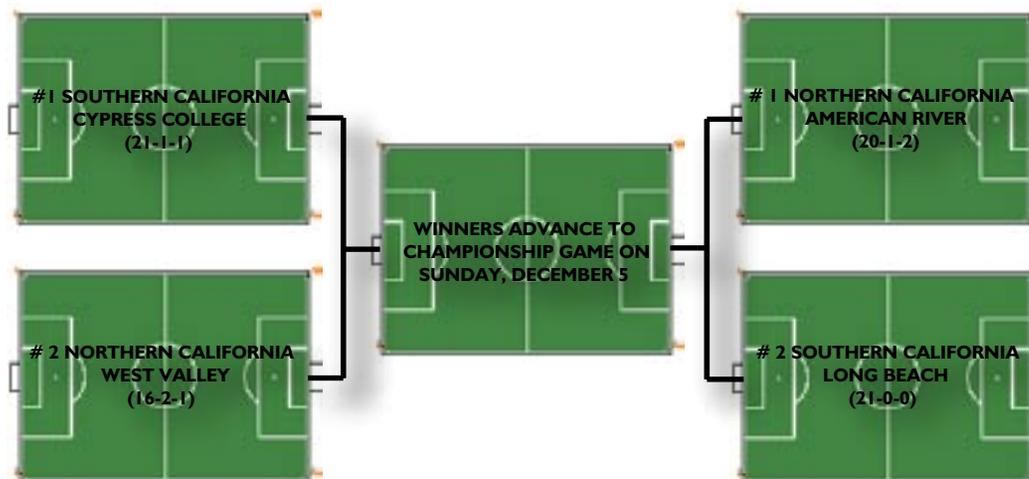
River College (20-1-2) at the West Field on Saturday.

The championship game will be played on Sunday, December 5, at 10 a.m. between the winners of Saturday's games.

All games will take place at Oxnard College at 10 a.m.

Cypress, with a 21-1-1 record, is the top-seeded team from Southern California. West Valley enters the tournament as Northern California's second-seeded team, with a 16-2-1 record this season.

Results will be posted to the California Community College Commission on Athletics (COA) Web site following the game. They will also be posted on the college's athletics Web site.



Blueprint

A report
on Cypress
College's
Construction
Projects

The inside of the old Women's Shower/Locker Room Building is beginning its transformation into the cogeneration plant. The underground trenching and refilling is almost complete. If all goes well, this week there will be the drilled caissons placed for the foundation for the heavy equipment. This drilling will be inside the building and should not be excessively noisy, although a diesel smell from the drilling equipment may permeate the area. This is expected to last 5-6 days.

Sharing the same building — but separated with 2 ½-foot-thick walls — will be the new Student Activities Center. Activity for that portion of the building will also begin this month. Work will also begin in the Library/Administration building as new restrooms are installed, other infrastructure construction occurred, and a four-story elevator in front of the building is erected.

BRIEFLY

A retirement celebration for Linda Wettmarshausen, of Health Science, will be held on Monday, December 6, from 1-3 p.m., in TE-3, Room 203.



Now is a great opportunity to save big at the campus Bookstore, with their Holiday Sale. Save 40% on all Cypress College clothing and 30% off all gift items. The sale ends December 10. Bookstore hours are Monday-Thursday, 7:45 a.m.-8 p.m., and Friday, 7:45 a.m.-5 p.m.



Next week's edition of @Cypress will be the last before the winter break. Publication will resume with the Opening Day edition in January.



Speaking of next January... don't forget to encourage students to sign up for winter intersession and spring courses now. Information about intersession, which will be held January 3-14, 2005, is located on page 3 of the spring schedule and the Web.



Before leaving for winter break, employees should change their phone voicemail messages to indicate that the campus will be closed over the holidays.

President's Holiday Reception Set for December 7 in Theater Lobby

Dr. Lewis will host the annual President's Holiday Reception on Tuesday, December 7, from 9:30-11 a.m., in the Theater Lobby.

The gathering is an opportunity to visit with friends and colleagues in celebrating the spirit of the season.

"The Holiday Season is a perfect time for me to express my gratitude to faculty, staff and friends of Cypress College for their contributions to and support of the college and students throughout the year," Dr. Lewis said.

No RSVP is necessary. All are welcome to drop by the event at any time.

Holiday Art Sale Set for December 6-7 in Fine Arts Gallery

The college's Annual Holiday Art Sale will be held in the Fine Arts Gallery on Tuesday, December 7, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and on Wednesday, December 8, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Items on sale include hundreds of one-of-a-kind art object including paintings, drawings, prints, photographs, jewelry, ceramic pieces, clothing accessories and more.

Cypress College art students as well as professional

artists from both Orange and Los Angeles County will be participating in this event.

This sale is the ideal place to find unique gifts for hard-to-please friends and relatives as well as items for one's own purposes and for the special needs of the holidays. For the acutely observant shopper, there are even a few items for free.

Proceeds from the sale are used to support the Fine Arts Gallery and its educational programs.

A.S. Food Drive Feeds 25 Families

The annual food drive sponsored by the Associated Students provided heaping baskets of food for 25 deserving families. A Thanksgiving turkey was included in each basket.

Each of the recipients is a current Cypress College student. The food drive was held November 2-22.

The food-donation project was put together by the Associated Students and made possible by the generous donation of food and money from Cypress College students and employees.

Jazz Concert Set for December 12

The Music Department and the Jazz Program is presenting the Winter Jazz Extravaganza concert on Sunday, December 12, at 3 p.m. in the Campus Theater.

The concert will include the Jazz Band, the Vocal Jazz Ensemble and the Lab Band.

Two free tickets to the concert are being offered to all faculty and staff members.

For reservations, please contact Susan Weil at ext. 47140 or via email at sweil@CypressCollge.edu.

'Patron of the Arts' 'Holiday Sing-A-Long' Concert to be Held on Dec. 10

The Cypress College Patrons of the Arts has organized a "Holiday Sing-A-Long" Concert and Recital to help you start the Holiday Season on a happy note filled with joy and song!

It will be held on Friday, December 10, at 7:30 p.m., in the Fine Arts building 3rd floor Recital Hall. The evening will include student performances and audience participation sing-a-longs.

Admission is \$5 per person regardless of age.

All proceeds go towards Fine Arts Scholarships for Art, Dance, Journalism, Music, Photography, and Theater students and all donations are tax deductible.

The Patrons of the Arts is an affiliate of the Cypress College Foundation.

Tickets are going quickly and seating is limited, so please reserve your tickets today by contacting Helena DeCoro or Collette Hausey at ext. 47143 or Lynette Young at (714) 337-2880.

'Mozart Midnight Madness' on Saturday

Under the direction of Dr. Sheridan Ball, a vocal ensemble that includes singers from the Cypress Masterworks Chorale, Cypress Camerata, the St. Irenaeus Catholic Church Choir, and Los Angeles and Orange County choral musicians including several singers from the Pacific Chorale will perform in the Third Annual "Mozart Midnight Madness" Memorial Concert.

It will be held on Saturday, December 4, beginning at 11:30 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church of Orange, located at 161 South Orange Street in Orange.

Featured soloists for this year's performance will be sopranos Kathy Ball (Orange) and Erika Hillinger (Anaheim); Alto, Liz Loberger; tenors, Joey Burgos (Long Beach) and Paul Shirts (Cypress); and basses Alphonzo Hicks and Mike Le Doux (Ontario).

The concert is held as part of an annual tradition as a tribute to Mozart on the anniversary eve of his death.

"Mozart Requiem" and "ave verum corpus" will be performed.

Admission is free. Information is available by calling (714) 995-4832.

Cypress Masterworks Chorale Presents Messiah

Music aficionados will have the opportunity to hear Georg Frideric Handel's classic oratorio, Messiah, performed by the Cypress Masterworks Chorale, Camerata, soloist and orchestra — over 150 musicians — all under the direction of Dr. Sheridan Ball.

The concert will be held on Saturday, December 18, at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, December 19, at 3 p.m. Both performances will be in the Campus Theater.

Due to the popularity of Messiah, patrons are encouraged to arrive at least 1/2 hour prior to concert time to obtain preferred seating.

General Admission is \$14, \$10 for senior citizens, and \$8 for children 12 years or under, or groups of 10 or more.

For ticket reservations or further information, please call (714) 995-4832 or visit www.cypresschorale.org/.

Black Student Union Sponsors Holiday Toy Drive

The Black Student Union is sponsoring a toy drive for this holiday season.

All of the donations will go to children in an after school program for disadvantaged children in South

Central Los Angeles.

Collections for new and unwrapped toys will be held on December 8, 9, and 13, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., in front of Admissions & Records.

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