Piazza-Eating ‘Dinosaur’ Returns to Dismantle its Last Section

A corner of the upper level near the pool and the Tech Ed 1 elevator are the final pieces of demolition for the Student Center project.

During the summer a large Caterpillar construction machine ate away at three areas of the piazza, removing the upper level to make way for the Student Center and eliminating two areas that were more expensive to repair than to remove.

Now, the rest of the campus community has the opportunity to watch a process that fascinated many people who were on campus this summer. The machine is back to remove a corner of the piazza near the pool and the old Tech Ed 1 elevator.

It is the last section of piazza that needs to be removed to make way for the Student Center. The elevator will be replaced by a larger and stronger elevator in the future.

In addition to creating a scene, the work has forced a temporary closure of two pedestrian paths near the pool. Both will re-open when the demolition work is completed in the next week or so.

A revised campus-access map has been posted to the college Web site and sent to all employees’ e-mail accounts. The map is also included in this edition of @Cypress.

Former Charger Jason Vargas Records His First Major League Baseball Complete Game

Former Charger Jason Vargas, now playing in his rookie year for the Florida Marlins, recorded his first Major League Baseball complete game on Sunday, August 21, in the Marlins’ 7-1 win over the Dodgers.

The 22-year-old “southpaw” (left-handed pitcher for those who don’t follow the sport closely) allowed just six hits while striking out seven batters. The game was his fifth Major League start after a mid-season promotion from the minor leagues. Vargas became the first national League rookie to toss a complete game this season. In the same game, Vargas also picked up his first RBI of the season with a two-run single in the fourth inning.

Vargas, a second-round pick out of Long Beach State in 2004, played on Cypress’ most-recent state-championship baseball team in 2003. He is the 12th former Charger in Coach Scott Pickler’s 20-year tenure to reach the Big Leagues.

Vargas, now 4-1 with a 2.43 ERA, is scheduled to make his next start on Friday, August 26, against the Chicago Cubs.
Pickler Now Has an Even Dozen in Major Leagues

First Cory Sullivan made his MLB debut in April. Jason Vargas, who played on the 2003 state-championship team at Cypress College, followed last month.

Meanwhile, Trevor Hoffman is now second on MLB’s all-time save list behind only Lee Smith.

Cory Sullivan Starting for Colorado Rockies

Baseball fans who made it out to Chavez Ravine this week as the Dodgers hosted the Colorado Rockies saw Cypress College alumnus Cory Sullivan starting in centerfield.

Sullivan, who made his Major League Baseball debut on April 4 by coming to bat against Trevor Hoffman, of all people. Sullivan doubled off the four-time National League all-star and later scored the tying run.

So far this season, Sullivan has appeared in 106 of the team’s 127 games and has 255 at bats.

Sullivan closed out the preseason by earning the team’s Spring Training Most Valuable Player award. Last season, before the injury, he was batting an even .300 as he led the Double-A Texas League with 167 hits.

Alumnus Trevor Hoffman Now Second in MLB Saves

Treevor Hoffman is now second on Major League Baseball’s all-time saves list. The former Cypress College standout recorded his 425th save on Wednesday (August 24) as the San Diego Padres beat the Houston Astros.

The save moves Hoffman past John Franco (424 saves) and leaves him 53 saves behind all-time leader Lee Smith.

In May, Hoffman became just the third pitcher in Major League Baseball history to record 400 saves.

Hoffman played for Chargers coach Scott Pickler in 1986 and 1987 and then transferred to the University of Arizona.

He was chosen in the 11th round of the MLB draft by the Cincinnati Reds and made his MLB debut with the Florida Marlins in 1993. Hoffman was subsequently traded to the Padres as part of a deal that landed Gary Sheffield in Florida.

During the 1998 season, Hoffman tied a National League record with 53 regular-season saves.

More information about Hoffman is available on his player page at MLB.com.

Vargas is Number 12 in MLB for Scott Pickler

With the Major League Baseball debut of Jason Vargas this summer, a dozen of Coach Scott Pickler’s players have gone on to “The Show.”

Vargas made his debut on July 14 against the Philadelphia Phillies. He pitched a scoreless inning in relief, striking out a batter, walking one and giving up a hit.

Vargas made his first start on July 18 against the Arizona Diamondbacks going five innings, but not factoring in the decision. He won his first game on July 27 against the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Others who have played for Pickler since he came to Cypress in 1985 and have gone on to the Big Leagues are: Cory Sullivan, Colorado Rockies; Trevor Hoffman, San Diego Padres; Jeff Patterson, New York Yankees; Jason Bates, Colorado Rockies; Charles Gipson, Tampa Bay Devil Rays; David Newhan, Baltimore Orioles; Augie Ojeda, Minnesota Twins; Keith McDonald, St. Louis Cardinals; Keith Ginter, Oakland Athletics; Steve Smyth, Chicago Cubs; and Gerald Laird, Texas Rangers.
Construction Area (closed)
Open Pathway
Cross-Campus Route
S=Stairs  E=Elevator

There is a temporary closure of path “C”; path “D” is partially closed, with access available on the Piazza from TE1 to G2.
Temporary parking areas as needed for overflow.

Note:
Elevator access is available on the south side of campus through Tech Ed III (located under the main staircase).

Ground-level access through Gym 1 (G1) not always available.

For updated information, visit the campus Web site at http://CypressCollege.edu.

See reverse for piazza-level closures.
Extreme Campus Makeover in Progress
August 25, 2005

The college’s new Library/Learning Resource Center, the large building at the end of the pond, will open in January, 2006. The L/LRC is depicted on the front cover of the fall class schedule and the top of this page.

The new Student Activities Center, located along the south side of the pond, will open this summer. These two buildings, along with the new Student Center (shown below), will make the pond the central gathering spot on campus.

In addition to these two major projects, a Maintenance and Operations building is being constructed in parking lot 6 and a complete renovation of Tech Ed III (Health Science Building) is currently underway.

During the next two years, construction work will present a significant challenge to pedestrian travel across campus. We appreciate your support and flexibility during this period as we build a more efficient campus.

For additional and updated information, please visit CypressCollege.edu and click on the construction icon.
News Release

August 24, 2005
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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Trustee Appointed to Fill Area II Vacancy
on North Orange County Community College District Board

Barbara Dunsheath of Cypress has been appointed to fill the Trustee Area II seat on the North Orange County Community College District (NOCCCD) Board of Trustees.

The provisional appointment was made by the NOCCCD Board at its August 23 meeting after interviewing nine candidates for the vacancy that resulted after the retirement of Otto Lacayo. Mr. Lacayo served on the Board for 20 years.

Ms. Dunsheath is a tenured Associate Professor of History at East Los Angeles College. She has 16 years of experience working in the California Community College System, including a stint as an Adjunct Professor at Cypress College in the NOCCCD. She also has served on a variety of campus and department committees, including Vice Chair of History for the Social Science Department, Curriculum Committee, and Joint Hires Committee. Additionally, she has represented her college at various leadership institutes and at district-level workshops.

In her candidacy application letter to the NOCCCD Board of Trustees, Ms. Dunsheath wrote, “Working in these areas has given me a broad understanding of the critical issues that face our colleges and the importance of the Board’s policymaking role.”

She also stated, “I would work to further enhance the existing programs and services, which the North Orange County Community College District already provides for student success, student access, and academic excellence.”

Two New Trustees

At its August 9 meeting, the NOCCCD Board also interviewed candidates and selected Michael B. Matsuda of Yorba Linda as a provisional appointee for the Trustee Area III seat on the Board vacated by Nancy Rice. After serving as a trustee for nearly 10 years, Ms. Rice retired from the Board in July to move out-of-state to be closer to her children and grandchildren.

The provisional appointments to replace the two retiring trustees will be effective until November 2006, when voters will be asked to elect a trustee to Area II to begin a new four-year term (Mr. Lacayo’s term was through 2006) and to elect a trustee to Area III to complete the remaining two years of a four-year term (Ms. Rice’s term was through 2008).

After each appointment, there is a 30-day period in which the public may appeal the Board’s decisions through a legally prescribed process. The appointed trustees will be sworn in and seated on the Board after their respective waiting periods.

More...
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NOCCCD Background

The NOCCCD is one of 72 community college districts in the state that make up the largest higher education system in the country. The NOCCCD includes Fullerton College, Cypress College, and the School of Continuing Education, which together serve more than 68,000 college and non-credit students each term.

The District serves the communities of Anaheim, Brea, Buena Park, Cypress, Fullerton, La Habra, La Palma, Los Alamitos, Placentia, Rossmoor, and Yorba Linda, as well as parts of Garden Grove, La Habra Heights, La Mirada, Orange, Seal Beach, Stanton, Whittier, and unincorporated territory in both Los Angeles and Orange counties.

The District is governed by a seven-member board of trustees that sets policies and oversees operations. Two student trustees also represent Cypress and Fullerton colleges and cast advisory votes on public session items.

Following are the continuing members of the NOCCCD Board: Molly McClanahan, President; Donna Miller, Vice President; Jeffrey P. Brown, Secretary; Leonard Lahtinen; and Manuel Ontiveros. Student trustees are Elsa Garcia of Cypress College and Victoria Rizo of Fullerton College.

More Information

Questions about the provisional appointment process may be directed to the District Chancellor’s Office at 714-808-4797.

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August 15, 2005

Dear Grant Coordinator:

Re: Upcoming Grants Seminar

I am pleased to invite you to my Second Annual Grants Workshop, "Grants-101." The program will feature a PowerPoint presentation produced by the Congressional Research Service designed to introduce individuals to the federal grants process as well as answer questions regarding personal grant writing. The Workshop will take place on Thursday September 08th at the Buena Park City Council Chambers located at 6650 Beach Blvd. in Buena Park beginning at 9am.

I have enclosed a copy of a flyer about the event, please feel free to distribute this to those in the grant community who may be interested in attending. Please RSVP to Lou Penrose in my district office by Monday September 05th, 2005 at 714-992-8081.

Sincerely,

Ed Royce

EDWARD R. ROYCE
SECOND ANNUAL GRANTS WORKSHOP
HOSTED BY
OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN ED ROYCE

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 08, 2005
9:00-11:00AM

PLEASE JOIN LOU PENROSE FROM
THE OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN ED ROYCE FOR "GRANTS 101"
A PROGRAM THAT WILL FEATURE A COMPLETE OVERVIEW OF FEDERAL
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PRESENTATION FROM THE CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE:
• HOW TO FILL OUT GRANT APPLICATIONS
• THE DO'S AND DON'T OF THE GRANT PROCESS
• HOW TO TRACK NEW GRANTS

SPACE IS LIMITED!
PLEASE RSVP BY SEPT 05ST TO LOU PENROSE AT 714-992-8081.