Registration for Spring, Including Winter Intersession, Begins Nov. 28

Please help make sure that students are aware of the registration process, including knowing when they register.

Registration for current students begins on November 28. All students will receive a postcard in the mail with information about the upcoming registration process. The postcard will also be distributed on campus to all employees.

Please let students know that specific registration dates and times are available in the current class schedule. Every student with a valid e-mail address entered into WebStar will also receive an e-mail with their personalized registration information.

While all students should get the postcard in the mail, sharing information about the registration process is helpful since some students will undoubtedly miss the card in an already-packed mailbox.

Here are highlights from the postcard:

- An e-mail will be sent to your e-mail address listed in WebStar later this month;
- Please visit WebStar to check your e-mail address;
- Be sure that “preferred” is checked next to your address;
- Make sure your spam blocker is set to accept messages from “cypresscollege.edu”;
- Additional information about setting up your e-mail account in WebStar is on page 6 of the spring schedule;
- Registration dates are on page 9;
- The schedule is online at CypressCollege.edu;
- Don’t have an e-mail address? Visit the computer lab in Business, Room 210 and they’ll get you one;
- Need help? Call (714) 484-7410

Noel-Levitz Survey Results Back

Earlier this semester students were invited to take a survey measuring their satisfaction with Cypress College and various aspects of the campus. Nearly 1,000 students participated, almost double the participation from the previous survey in 2003.

Initial results indicate that students are significantly more satisfied than their peers at other community colleges in the following areas: registration effectiveness; instructional effectiveness; safety and security; and campus support services. Cypress College students were more satisfied than the national average in the other eight categories measured in the survey: counseling; concern for the individual; admissions and financial aid; academic services; campus climate; service excellence; student centeredness and responsiveness to diverse populations.

Areas that students rated as being of both high importance and high satisfaction included the quality of instruction, the online process for registration, and the knowledge of faculty in their fields.
‘Pull For Cypress’ Campaign Underway for 2005-2006

As a member of the faculty and/or staff, you know more than anyone else how the college expands the horizons and opportunities of our students — just as we have for the past 39 years. After all, you are Cypress College.

Thanks to your commitment and dedication, our important and life-transforming work has never been done better than it’s being done today.

Being part of the Cypress College family also means that you understand first-hand the daunting challenges that many of our students face in pursuing a college education.

Thanks to the efforts of the Cypress College Foundation, this heavy burden borne by so many of our students is dramatically lightened. Last year nearly $250,000 was distributed in student scholarships and emergency grants.

The Foundation is also well on its way to establishing a $1 million endowment fund that will assist students for the life of Cypress College (made possible by a “matching grant” received as part of the Title V federal grant).

In addition, 16 Foundation “mini-grants” were awarded to programs throughout the campus.

Thank you to those who already support this meaningful work. If you do not currently contribute, please carefully consider donating to our “Pull for Cypress” campaign.

Brochures have been distributed to all campus mailboxes in the past week. The document includes a pledge form and provides additional information about this effort.

Please fill it out and return it to the Foundation office by December 1. Donations can be deducted from your paycheck. Think of the difference that even $25 a month can make in the life of a student!

Thank you for the fine work that you do on behalf of our students. In the words of one of them (a Foundation scholarship winner):

“Thanks so much for your support with my education… my experience at Cypress College has changed my life forever.”

Please direct questions to Raul Alvarez at ext. 47128.

Library/Learning Resource Center: The L/LRC is not only looking complete on the outside, but the interior as well. Carpentry is already installed on the second floor; bookshelves have begun arriving and will be installed over the next five weeks; and pendant lighting is already hanging from the ceiling. One of the challenges has been prompted by the rotunda’s unique shape, which has forced some adjustments. The plan continues to call for the new 62,500-square-foot building to be open for the start of the spring semester, though contingency plans are being prepared just in case there is a delay of a week or two.

Marquee and scoreboards: Contracts for the new electronic marquee and scoreboard have been awarded, and the displays have been ordered. The marquee will replace the current one located at the college’s main entrance at Valley View and Lakeshore. The electronic scoreboard is being installed at “Ray Haas Field” — home of the soccer teams. A second scoreboard is being installed at the softball field. Physical work should begin as soon as the architectural design is finalized.

L-216: Campus funds are being utilized to renovate the Library lecture hall commonly known as L-216. The seats have been removed for restoration, and the lighting and carpeting will be replaced. The project should be completed in time for the spring semester.

Library/Administration: Work on the first two floors of the building is not progressing as rapidly as planned. Because of delays, move-in dates are now planned for January (first floor) and February (second floor).

A report on Cypress College’s Construction Projects

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

The Annual Holiday Reception will be held on Thursday, December 8, 9:30-11:00 am in the Theater Lobby. All are invited.

“The Holiday Season will soon be here. It is a perfect time for me to express my gratitude to you for your contributions to and support of the college and students throughout the year,” Dr. Lewis said.

Anyone in need of an energy boost can find sage advice from the father of toddler-age triplets. Bookstore Manager Dave Okawa has put his home-life experience to work here on campus.

The Bookstore’s new line of energy drinks include, “Amp” energy drink from Mountain Dew, Sobe “No Fear,” “Rock Star” & “Rock Star Diet.” For those who are into soda, the new Mountain Dew “MDX” is the soda that’s an energy drink. There is also a full line of Starbucks Frappaccinos, including Starbucks “DoubleShot” Expresso & Cream.

Non-carbonated, Sobe health drinks include “Liz Blizz” — a tropical flavored drink (Pina Colada No Alcohol) with Echinacea, Zinc & vitamin C. There is also “Green Tea” and “Energy” (Citrus Flavored).

Welcome aboard to Carol Welsh, who was approved as the new dean of the Library/Learning Resource Center by the Board at the November 8 meeting. Dr. Welsh comes to us from Long Beach City College, where she has been a faculty member in the Biology Department, the dean of Learning Resources, and a project director for their Title III and Title V federal grants. Her Ed.D. is in instructional technology from Pepperdine University. She will officially begin work on Tuesday, January 3, 2006.

At the meeting, retirement was approved for Ron Trulock, Cypress College Air Conditioning/Refrigeration Instructor, effective July 1, 2006.

Led by sophomore forward Ana Fakatou, the women’s basketball team opened defense of its state championship by winning the Merced Tournament consolation championship. Fakatou won all-tournament honors after averaging 24 points per game in the tournament. The Chargers lost by a point to Reedley in the opening game and then defeated Oxnard and Santa Rosa in consecutive games.
All faculty, classified staff, and managers are invited to participate!

2005-2006 CC LEADS
Cypress College Leadership Enhancement and Development Series

Session 3:
How to Encourage Constructive Feedback from Others

Presented by Michael Brydges

Friday, November 18, 2005
from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
in the Culinary Arts Dining Room.

Learn how to motivate people to give you honest, constructive feedback.

Bring your lunch.
We will provide the beverage and dessert.

Please email edouglas@cypresscollege.edu to make a reservation.

Be on the lookout for other topics throughout the year!
Earn professional growth credit or equivalent unit credit for any of the topics in the CCLEADS series.

"What is Shared Governance:
Who are the players and why should I care?"

"How to Contribute to the Success of Cypress College"

"How to Resolve Conflict Effectively"

"How to Bring Out the Better Side of Difficult People"
TO: Faculty, Staff, and Friends of Cypress College

The Holiday Season will soon be here. It is a perfect time for me to express my gratitude to you for your contributions to and support of the college and students throughout the year.

You are invited to join your friends and colleagues at the President’s Holiday Reception on Thursday, December 8, 2005, 9:30 to 11:00 am, in the Theater Lobby.
Cypress College Patrons of the Arts Presents

Damjan Rakonjac
Classical Guitarist

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH, 2005, AT 7:30PM
In the Fine Arts Building 3rd floor Recital Hall

GENERAL Admission: $10.00
DISCOUNT Admission: $7.00

Seniors (55+), Students (w/current student i.d.), Children (Age 10 or younger), & Patrons of the Arts Members.

Damjan Rakonjac is a vibrant up and coming classical guitarist who has been chosen to study with the world renowned guitarist Maestro Christopher Parkening at Pepperdine University. He has performed at many prestigious venues such as the Cypress Civic Center, Pepperdine University, Santa Ana College, and St. Sava’s Cathedral among others. He has done everything from accompanying a choir to being a pit musician for a major theatre performance to performing solo recitals. He is currently planning major recitals and recording his first album.

All proceeds go to Fine Arts Scholarships for Art, Dance, Journalism, Music, Photography, and Theater students.

Your Donation is TAX DEDUCTIBLE. The Patrons of the Arts is a sub-committee of the Cypress College Foundation.

NAME:__________________________________________PHONE:_(_______)________________________
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ENCLOSED IS MY CHECK FOR:

_____ (#) General Admission TICKETS @ $10 PER PERSON=

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Seniors (55+), Students (w/current student i.d.), Children (Age 10 or younger), & Patrons of the Arts Members

GRAND TOTAL AMOUNT: $____________

_____ I am unable to attend and I would like to donate $______ towards a Fine Arts Scholarship

Make checks payable to: Cypress College Patrons of the Arts

For accounting purposes please write a separate check for each event (Race, dinner theater, or Guitar Concert) and for membership.

Mail to: Cypress College Patrons of the Arts, 9200 Valley View Street, FA1, Cypress, CA 90630
For more information please contact the Patrons at (714) 484-7143 Or e-mail: Patrons@Cypresscollege.edu
Health Science Job Fair

The annual Health Science Job Fair was held on Friday, November 18, with strong participation from a number of businesses.
**Holiday Helping Hand**

The Associated Students’ have assembled their annual food baskets — still sans turkeys and pies here (for the sake of keeping those items from spoiling) — for delivery next week.