

THIS WEEK

Ongoing

- » Annual Student Art Exhibition presenting juried work from the 2005-06 school year. Continues through May 11.
- » 17th Annual Juried Student Photography Exhibition, Anaheim Museum, continues through June 3.

9 • Tuesday

- » NOCCCD Board of Trustees meeting, Anaheim Campus, 5:30 p.m.
- » Night with Forensics, Hum-131, 7-9 p.m.

10 • Wednesday

- » Puente Program 10-year reunion, Food for Thought Café, 6 p.m.

11 • Thursday

- » "Spitfire Grill," Campus Theater, 8 p.m.

12 • Friday

- » [Classified Employee Appreciation luncheon](#), Theater lobby, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- » "Spitfire Grill," Campus Theater, 8 p.m.

13 • Saturday

- » "Spitfire Grill," Campus Theater, 8 p.m.

14 • Sunday

- » "Spitfire Grill," Campus Theater, 4 p.m.

THEY SAID IT

"If you can't find the bright side, polish the dull side."

– Unknown

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May 5, 2006, Newsletter from President Margie Lewis

Core Values:

Excellence

Integrity

Collegiality

Inclusiveness

\$5,000 Increase in Foundation's Spring Scholarship Appeal

► **The campaign, designed to fund awards at the annual Scholarship Convocation, typically generates \$20,000.**

The Foundation's annual spring scholarship appeal generated an increase of \$5,000 — or 25% — over a typical year. The money is used to help pay for scholarships awarded at this month's convocation.

Although the Cypress College Foundation raises funds for and then distributes scholarships throughout the year, most are awarded at the end of the school year, in mid May.

Each March the Foundation makes a special appeal for this purpose, and normally approximately \$20,000 in donations result.

This year, as the result of an expanded solicitation, an additional \$5,000 was contributed. Roughly \$1,500 of that amount were new contributions made by Cypress College faculty and staff.

The Foundation's Scholarship Committee selects many of the Foundation Scholarship winners, although numerous campus programs, departments and divisions also make selections.

Approximately \$250,000 in scholarships is distributed by the Cypress College Foundation annually.

The annual Scholarship Awards Convocation will be held on Monday, May 15, in the Theater lobby. The event begins at 1 p.m.

Some 200 scholarships will be distributed to Cypress College students during the ceremony.

Members of the campus community are invited to participate in the event and encouraged to support their students who are receiving awards.

Among the scholarships being awarded are various division and department scholarships, such as the DSP&S scholarship, the Charles Pound Memorial Scholarship and awards to Puente students.

The Atkinson, Boeing, Associated Students, Mortuary Science, Alpha Gamma Sigma, Patrons of the Arts and the Bruce Family scholarships are among those that will also be distributed.

Softball Hosts Regional Playoffs this Weekend

The Chargers softball team hosts the Southern California Regional Playoffs this weekend, opening up against Chaffey at noon on Saturday (May 6). They'll play a second game either on Saturday or Sunday. The Chargers finished with a 46-4 overall record and a 17-1 record in the Orange Empire Conference.

Baskets Sought for Fundraiser at Luau

The Staff Development Committee is inviting interested divisions, groups, or clubs to develop and donate a basket of selected items in a theme of your choice to be part of an opportunity drawing at our End-of-the-Year Luau. All proceeds will be used for Staff Development events. The baskets will be given away at the End-of-the-Year Luau on May 16, from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., in the Theater lobby. To donate a basket, call Elizabeth Douglas at ext. 47324 or send her an e-mail at edouglas@cypresscollege.edu.

Classified School Employee Week

Trustees of the North Orange County Community College District adopted a resolution at their April 25 meeting to designate May 22 to 26, 2006, as Classified School Employee Week.

In advance of that recognition, Cypress College will salute the dedication of its classified employees at the annual Classified Employee Appreciation luncheon on Friday, May 2. It will be held in the Theater Lobby from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. At the event, the classified employee of the year will be named.

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Call for Gift Baskets

Annual Staff Development Fund Raiser

The Staff Development Committee is inviting interested divisions, groups, or clubs to develop and donate a basket of selected items in a theme of your choice to be part of an opportunity drawing at our End-of-the-Year Luau. All proceeds will be used for Staff Development events.

A ticket for the opportunity drawing will be included with the price of your luau lunch and additional tickets will be available for sale on the day of the event. At the luau, the opportunity tickets can be placed in a container next to the basket of choice and at 1:00 p.m. the drawings will begin.

Save the date:

Baskets will be given away during the opportunity drawing at the End-of-the-Year Luau on May 16, 2005 at 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in the Theater Lobby.

To donate a basket, email edouglas@cypresscollege.edu or contact Elizabeth at ext. 47324.

Please provide the following information to Elizabeth before **Wednesday, May 10, 2006**

- the group represented
- the theme of your basket
- the name of the contact person for your group
- the contact phone number and/or e-mail address



The Staff Development Committee invites you to attend the

End of the Year Luau

Tuesday, May 16, 2006

11:30 a.m. ~ 2:00 p.m.

In the Theater Lobby

(Program will begin at 12:15 p.m.)

*Come celebrate
with us!*

We'll be celebrating this year's Cypress College retirees and employees who will receive service pins.

This year's honored guests for 25 years of dedicated service are John Alexander, George Beyer, Elmo Castro, Mary Kay Davis, Betty, Disney, Marilyn Glattly, and Mark Majarian

The \$8.00 charge for the luau lunch includes
one free opportunity ticket
for the Staff Development Basket Fundraiser.

Opportunity Drawing Gift Baskets

- You can purchase additional opportunity tickets for the wonderful theme baskets designed and donated by members of our college community.
- Opportunity Ticket sales will begin at 8:00 a.m. on the day of the luau; you do not need to be present to win.
- The price of one ticket is \$1.00 or 15 tickets for \$10.00 so don't forget to bring your wallet. Checks made out to Cypress College will also be accepted.

Clip and return the bottom portion of this form to the Staff Development Office before **May 3, 2006**.

Yes, I will attend. Here is \$8.00 for my luau lunch and one free opportunity ticket.

Name _____

Div/Dept _____

Checks should be made payable to Cypress College.

LEARNING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM Cypress College



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The Cypress College Title V Learning Community Development Program (LCDP) is an opportunity for you to partner with a faculty member from another department in order to help students make meaningful connections in both your courses. You will build a supportive relationship with your partner as you create integrated curriculum that promotes active learning and student achievement.

In the LCDP you will collaborate with a colleague, expand your repertoire of teaching approaches, revise course content, and earn a \$1000 stipend or 3 equivalent units.

3 STEPS TO APPLY

On or before May 19, 2006

Step 1: Find a partner!

Step 2: Apply by email to Mary Forman and include the following information:

- Your name
- The class you will teach
- Your partner's name
- Why you want to participate
- Your availability for the Wednesday meetings

Step 3: Have both your Department Chair and Division Dean send a letter of support for your application to Mary Forman at mforman@cypresscollege.edu

What?

Successfully complete the LCDP to qualify to teach in a 2-faculty member learning community and earn \$1,000 or 2 equivalent units.

Why?

- Improve student retention
- Increase student achievement
- Broaden your instructional repertoire
- Collaborate meaningfully with a faculty partner
- Create coherent linkages for students through interdisciplinary study

When?

Wednesdays, 2-5 pm, from September 6 to November 8 in the LLRC.

How?

Apply today!

For more information or help with any part of the application process, please contact:

Mary Forman, LCDP Coordinator
mforman@cypresscollege.edu

or

Jessica Puma, LCDP Facilitator
jpuma@cypresscollege.edu

The LCDP BASE MODEL:

Two courses for which students co-register. Faculty coordinate syllabi and interdisciplinary assignments, but teach their classes separately.



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40YEARSofGOINGPLACES

Cypress College invites the community — especially all past students — to join us for our 40th Anniversary Campus Open House

Cypress College is currently celebrating the campus' 40th anniversary. The college first opened on September 12, 1966 — an unbelievable 74 days after escrow closed on the 110-acre former dairy farm. *Newsweek* magazine described it as “the instant campus.”

Several events will mark the anniversary. The community is invited to attend a campus Open House on Saturday, October 21, 2006, from 2-5 p.m. One highlight is the opportunity for former students to visit some of their friends and former faculty members.

Former students can reconnect with the college and subscribe to our upcoming Alumni Newsletter by visiting the Alumni page on our 40th Anniversary Web site at:

<http://www.CypressCollege.edu/40th>.

DID YOU KNOW?

- **FULL-CREDIT:** Cypress College's 58 bachelor's-degree programs are equivalent to the first two years at Cal State, the University of California, and many private universities
- **FAST:** 122 career-certificate programs, completed in one semester to two years
- **EARN MORE:** Associate's degrees are offered in 48 areas of study; earning an associate's degree boosts lifetime earnings by \$250,000
- **LOW COST:** \$78, plus books, for a typical class
- **FINANCIAL AID:** Cypress College administers more than \$6 million in federal and state funds annually
- **FLEXIBLE:** Classes available during the day, evening, on the weekend and even online

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



Una Noche de Informacion Colegial para las Familias Latinas

Cypress College hosted its first Latino Family night on Wednesday, May 3. The event was designed to provide outreach to Hispanic community. More than 20 people visited the campus for the inaugural event, which was held in the Food for Thought Café.

The Cypress Connection

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Spring is Finally Here

This issue is a little late in coming, as was spring in the mountains and California in general. This is largely due to a general lack of information from the readership.

It is easy to understand that everyone is busy working hard at retirement and “doing” is much more engaging than “writing” about “doing.” Also, most of us wonder if anyone is really interested in our own little adventures. But, surprisingly enough, there is great interest about what’s going in each other’s lives, as well as what’s going on at the college. I know. I’ve had a few queries about former colleagues. But I didn’t have any answers.

Anyway, I appreciate those of you who have taken a few minutes to keep us updated.

I am writing this today because next Sunday, the 30th of April, **Marilyn** and I are headed to Pittsburgh to visit our son **Craig** and our daughter-in-law, **Denise**. Has it been two years already? Then we’re off to Chicago for a seven-day vacation. After we both

read *The Devil and the White City*, we had to go. It’s a terrific non-fiction piece about the 1893 Chicago World’s Fair--fascinating how it helped shape America. There’s also an ugly mystery as part of the story.

That’s our little adventure. Now onward and upward.

Who’s Doin’ What?

Nancy Rayl sent a card from San Miguel de Allende, Mexico. She was down there in March. “What a marvelous experience,” she writes. “This has been a surprise. It is a 16th century colonial town with such sophistication—art galleries, music, restaurants, and terrific entertainment. Eight days is not enough.”



San Miguel de Allende

It’s hard to keep track of Nancy. She has to be one of the busiest

persons in Orange County.

Gail de Mallac called a few days ago seeking some information on **Carmen Decker's** retirement. Apparently Carmen is retiring this year. As many of you may remember, Carmen transferred to Fullerton College quite a few years ago. She was an important member of the Language Arts Division at Cypress. Her daughter, **Monica Donan**, is a librarian at Cypress. Carmen is a great teacher and a fine friend.

Gail has been retired from Cypress for a number of years. We talked a little about skiing, but she prefers cross-country skiing to downhill—"sheer terror," I believe she said.

She has been taking courses at UCI, enjoying being a student in their programs designed for post college years. She is also a volunteer facilitator for some of the programs that involve over 700 members in the group. She says she misses teaching.



Once a teacher always a teacher, it seems. **Joanalee Horn** agrees. She missed teaching so much that she is back in the classroom at a

college in Richmond Virginia. She loves it. Joanalee taught math and chemistry at Cypress. She phoned to find out about *The Cypress Connection*.

She also gave me **Al Root's** number. I called him. Al is now living in Portland, Oregon.

He is suffering from restricted vision, but otherwise he is almost too healthy, he says. Though he likes Portland, he misses the hustle and bustle of L.A. However, Portland's public transportation system makes life easier on retirees. Al retired in 1983. He taught math; he enjoys retirement.



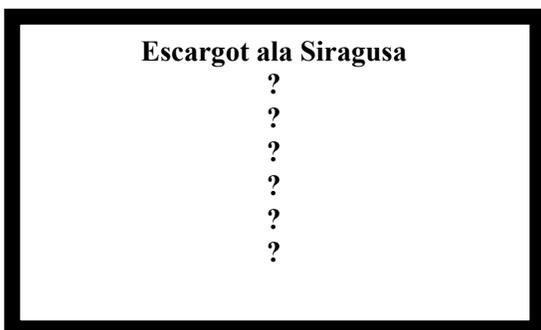
"Let's go South, Eddie"

Sue and Ed Hawley have moved from Vancouver, Washington to "warm and sunny and sometimes hot) Mesa, Arizona. The grey skies and cold rainy weather" finally forced them out of the Pacific Northwest. As Sue says, "the summers here are quite nice" but "we have found that this year, in

particular, the fall through the spring was not so nice.”

Their “new home is located in a beautiful manufactured home community called Las Palmas Grand.” The “home is brand new with two bedrooms, two baths, on a corner lot.” They are looking forward to the activities and in using the beautiful swimming pool.

Chris Siragusa of science math fame sent an email to say “Hi.” Chris is a gourmet cook. I tried to get him to send a recipe. But he didn’t promise one, nor did he send one. I’ll keep trying because he is good. How about it Chris?



Jack Weber is enthusiastic about square dancing. Jack has always been enthusiastic about everything. He retired to his avocado orchard out of Escondido some years ago. When I talked to him he sounded like the same Jack of years gone by. He’d just finished picking a thousand pounds of Fuerte avocados. He has 10.6 acres of the Hass and Fuertes.

In the Language Arts Division you could depend upon Jack to supply enough guacamole for a division party that would feed the 101st Airborne.

But now, square dancing has his full commitment. He dances as many as three times a week at three different dancing sites—Vista, Escondido, and the pro circuit at Valley Circle. He’s not there yet for this last site, he says. “It’s hard remembering all the moves.” I sympathize, and I don’t square dance.

When he’s not dancing or picking avocados or tending the fields, he attends the Padres’ home games two to three times a week. He has had season tickets for years. “All nice people in our section—like family. All nice people at the dancing classes too.” Life is good.

This year he’ll be attending his 65th Dubuque Senior High School Reunion, class of 1941. “Not many of us left,” he says. This is the last one--possibly

Sandy McLeod sent some terrific nature pictures, two of which are below:



They were absolutely fantastic. As Sandy says, “When I first saw them I alternated between abject awe of the photographers and an overwhelming desire to emulate them and a feeling that I should trash my cameras and burn my slides.”



After a scotch, he decided to “narrow” his “focus.” (ouch!) He and **Georgie** had a wonderful ski season at Whistler in Canada. “Best skiing in years.”

He’s teaching again at Art Institute. They let him work his teaching around his skiing. That, I could live with. In April he and Georgie were off to Cabo and then to Zihuatanejo in May/June, right after he finishes teaching Modern

Sociological Theory at National University.

He says he suffered his second of the second half of his life’s mid-life crises. Yep, he bought a bright red Mazda MX-5-convertible. Sent the picture—wow! Keep an eye out for the highway patrol.

Mark Your Calendars

Cypress College’s 40th Anniversary is just around the corner.

Saturday, October 21, 2-5 p.m. begins with the campus-wide open house.

There’ll be a short program in the theater, and then guests can fan out to the different divisions where refreshments will be served among displays and conversation.

Tours of the campus and especially the new Library/Learning Resource Center will be offered.

The new L/LRC will have a special collections room that has Cypress College memorabilia.

THE COLLEGE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

PLEASE SEND PHOTOS AND OTHER MEMORABILIA TO ALFREDO EUTIMIO, LIBRARIAN AT ;

aetimio@cypresscollege.edu

OR PHONE HIM AT 714-484-7418

Gail and Larry Taylor have another fine travel piece. This time it's about their Holland America trip to South American. It appears in *Travellady Magazine*. A good read and good pictures. You can get it online at--
<http://travellady.com/issues/April06/3241Takingcruise.htm>

Question of the Day

Why do croutons come in airtight packages? Aren't they just stale bread to begin with?

Betty Quigley



If the rock is wet...It's Raining
If the rock is swaying...It's Windy
If the rock is hot...It's Sunny
If the rock is cool...It's Overcast
If the rock is white...It's Snowing
If the rock is blue..It's Cold
If the rock is gone...TORNADO

(Contributed by D. Showley)

Margie Lewis had a **Mike Jacobs** sighting on her flight to Sacramento. It seems that Mike is on the "Rent a Dean" program. You may recall that Mike gave us a rundown on part his busy life a few issues ago. This brings to mind a question we've all heard from retiree after retiree:

"How did I have time to work? I'm so darn busy."



On a more serious note, **Barbara Marrs** and **Donna Friess** (Who will probably be joining our ranks in a few years) are gathering names that will be placed on a Memorial Wall for the 40th Anniversary. Please send any names of those colleagues who have passed away to Donna in care of the college—Language Arts Division—or to her email address: DONAFRIESS@aol.com

As many of you may already know, **Carol Dalton** lost her 27 month struggle with ALS on March 17th. **Chester** sent an email to many of us, and I forwarded its message to those online. We all send our sympathies to Chester, Greg, and Julie. Chester, as you know, was head librarian at Cypress for many years. He lives in Loveland, Colorado and may be

reached at:
 [contact PIO for address or
 e-mail address]
 or online at:

Robert Hardy

Robert Hardy passed away last month. Robert was a gifted teacher who taught a variety of subjects—ceramics, interior decoration and general classes on art. One of the most dramatic achievements was the restructuring and redecoration of a 1950's home in Cowan Heights, a highly creative undertaking that produced a magnificent home.

Robert, intelligent, sophisticated, and a person who was always interesting, will be greatly missed.

Keep those emails, cards, letters and phone calls coming. Send any suggestions as to how the newsletter can be improved. It's not mine; it's yours.



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If you're not online, send a letter:

Pat O'Brien

[contact PIO for Pat's address
 and/or phone number]

"We'll leave the light on for you."