Happy Holidays and Warm Wishes for Health and Prosperity in 2007

Dr. Lewis gives holiday greetings and praise for Cypress College employees as 2006 draws to a close.

One of the things I like best about the holiday season is that, in spite of how busy we are trying to finish the fall semester, we take time to plan various kinds of gatherings. These events give us an opportunity to set aside the various tasks that occupy our days and simply enjoy one another’s company.

This is a time of celebration and good will, when we are reminded of the importance of family and friends, of caring for one another, and of sharing whatever gifts we have — both tangible and intangible.

This was a good year for Cypress College in many respects. For starters, the campus celebrated its 40th anniversary, the Library/Learning Resource Center, Maintenance and Operations Building and the Cypress College Complex opened, and ground was broken on two new buildings — the Student Center and the School of Continuing Education. The pond area was returned to its old, inviting self and even more with the openness of the new walkway in front of SEM, the glass-faced L/LRC at the east end and new fountains adding vibrancy.

I hope you enjoy your well-earned time off.

— Margie Lewis

Registration Underway for Spring and Winter Intersession; Awareness Campaign Ongoing

Registration for Spring 2007 Semester is underway at Cypress College. Included among the offerings are approximately 100 online courses and 12 honors courses. A new learning community also is being offered that pairs English 58, Reading and Writing II, and Math 15, Pre-algebra.

As a reminder to students that it’s time to select their classes, posters have been placed on campus, e-mails have been sent, and a number of items have been included in a public-awareness campaign, including newspaper and radio advertisements.

The campaign will continue through the start of classes on January 16 (January 3 for winter intersession courses).

Please remind students that registration is underway and that the sooner they login to WebStar, the more likely they are to get into the classes they most desire.

The class schedule is available online.

Pat Boer Loses Battle With Cancer

Pat Boer — who worked in the Health Science Division office and was the college’s 2001-2002 Classified Employee of the Year — died last night (Thursday, December 7) after a valiant battle against breast cancer.

Her daughter, husband Gary and many Cypress College friends were with her. The date and time of the funeral services have not yet been set. Please feel free to drop notes of condolences by the Health Science Division to be forwarded to her family.

‘Top Model’ Contestant Returns to Campus

Cypress College student Michelle Babin was recently eliminated from the reality-television show “America’s Next Top Model” after participating as one of the final five in an episode taped in Barcelona. After a successful run on the show, Babin returned to the women’s basketball team.

Upon her return, Babin sat down with head coach Margaret Mohr to discuss her run on the show and her return to real life. The interview is available on the Cypress College Web site.

THEY SAID IT

“Definitions belong to the definer — not the defined.”

— Toni Morrison

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Core Values:
- Excellence
- Integrity
- Collegiality
- Inclusiveness
Warland Investments is Title Sponsor for 2007 Americana Awards

Warland Investments has secured the role of title sponsor of the 2007 Americana Awards Banquet, which will be held on Saturday, February 24, 2007 in the Disneyland Hotel’s Grand Ballroom.

As the event’s top sponsor, Warland has presented a gift of $25,000 to the college.

Warland Investments is the major owner of the Cypress Business Park. The firm’s principals are John Law and Carl Robertson.

The local company follows another — Walter K. Bowman Real Estate — as the event’s title sponsor.

Nursing, Dental Hygiene Students All Pass State Board Exams

It was perfection for students who recently completed their nursing or dental hygiene studies. Both the Nursing Program and Dental Hygiene programs at Cypress College have learned that their most-recent graduates earned a 100% pass rate for the state board exams. The results are an impressive reminder of the success of two of the college’s marquee academic programs.

Blueprint

Crews completed a “test pour” of concrete in a small section of the Phase II piazza restoration area. The work was done to ensure the proper mixture of the concrete used for the refurbished piazza level. If the test proves successful, work can then be completed in the rest of the Phase II area, which includes the section above the Student Activities Center and another that runs adjacent to the Fine Arts, Science/Engineering/Math and the Humanities buildings.

A successful pour will also likely result in a break-neck-speed piazza restoration along the area outside the main entrance to the Health Science area of Tech Ed 3. If the decision is made to proceed with the work, it will be done between December 19 and January 15. Crews would work double shifts to ensure the repair is completed before the start of the semester. The only entrance to the building would be through the elevator on the ground floor, as the construction would block the main entrance on the second floor.

Work has been completed on the elevator adjacent to Tech Ed 1. That, in turn, has resulted in the removal of fencing on the ground level near the northwest corner of the pool. The elevator will become operational once inspections are completed (anticipated for mid January) and once the concrete is poured on the adjacent piazza.

An inspection of the Business Building elevator will be conducted at the same time as the Tech Ed 1 elevator.

Rails are now being installed along the edges of the Phase I area of the piazza, which is above the former Culinary Arts area and extending to the Fine Arts and Cypress College Complex buildings.

The SEM Building is now officially on the California Community College System’s list of maintenance projects. The funding still needs final approval and would also require passage of a state bond measure.

Bids will be opened on December 12 for the remodel of the former Culinary Arts area and for Gym 2. The projects are the last of the bond projects being funded by Measure X.
From: Andrea Hannon  
Date: December 8, 2006 9:44:59 AM PST  

Dear Health Science Family, Cypress Staff Members and Friends,

It is with a sad heart that I need to inform you that our dear Pat Boer died last night shortly after 7 pm. She fought a valiant battle against breast cancer, but was not able to win that victory. Her daughter was able to arrive from Atlanta on Wednesday and was with her, along with husband Gary and many Cypress College friends.

The date and time of the funeral services have not yet been set, but they will be held some time in the near future at Rose Hills Mortuary in Whittier. We will share that information as soon as it becomes available.

If you wish to send notes of condolences to her husband and family members please feel free to drop them by the Health Science Division and we will forward them for you. In the meantime the best thing you can do in remembrance of Pat is to be kind, gentle and loving to your colleagues, family and friends. She was the consummate role model of how we should all be caring for and about each other.

Andrea
Take 3 Classes, Get 1 Free!

Starting in January a typical 3-unit class will cost $60 instead of $78 — for full-time students, that’s almost like getting a class for free.

Reaching Students

Here are two samples of efforts to reach students. At the left is an e-mail that will be distributed next week as a follow up to the first set of e-mails informing students of their registration date and time.

A key message (as illustrated below) is the fee reduction. This sample is a reduction of posters that have been hung on campus in a number of areas.
What’s Going On At Cypress College Bookstore!

**CASH FOR BOOKS!**

**TEXTBOOK BUYBACK DATES ARE:**

- **Dec. 12th** to Dec 14th, Tues. - Thurs. 8:30A.M TO 7:00P.M.
- **Dec. 15th** Fri. 8:30A.M. TO 4:00P.M.
- **Dec. 18th** to Dec. 19th, Mon.- Tues. 8:30A.M. TO 7:00P.M.
- **Dec. 20th** Wed. 8:30A.M. TO 4:00P.M.

**GREAT HOLIDAY GIFTS!**

**BARGAIN BOOK SALE:**

GREAT BARGAIN BOOKS ON SALE.

SAVE BIG $$$ ON COOKBOOKS, HOLIDAY TITLES, CHILDREN’S BOOKS, COFFEE TABLE BOOKS, ETC.

**GIFT AND CLOTHING SALE:**

**SAVE 30%** ON ALL CLOTHING ITEMS INCLUDING 40TH ANNIVERSARY LOGO

**SAVE 25%** ON ALL GIFT ITEMS INCLUDING 40TH ANNIVERSARY LOGO

**BURT’S BEES PRODUCTS:**

THE VERY POPULAR SKIN CARE LINE IS HERE!!

WE CARRY A FULL LINE OF BURT’S BEES PRODUCTS INCLUDING THE LATEST GIFT PACKS. ALL COMPETITIVELY PRICED. LIP BALM, LOTIONS, CREAMS, SHAMPOOS, SOAPS, HAND SALVE, ETC.

**EXCELLENT STOCKING STUFFERS**

**NO LINES, NO HASSLES & CONVENIENT!!**

WHILE SHOPPING DON’T FORGET TO GRAB A SNACK AND A BEVERAGE. FROM WATER TO ENERGY DRINKS WE GOT IT ALL!

**TRY OUR LATEST ENERGY DRINK “FULL THROTTLE BLUE DEMON”**

SURE TO GIVE YOU A BOOST TO GET YOU THROUGH THE HOLIDAY SHOPPING MADDNESS!

BOOKSTORE HOURS: M-TH 7:45A.M. TO 8:00P.M. FRI. 7:45A.M. TO 5:00P.M.

PHONE: 714-484-7336
**FLEX DAY ACTIVITY**

**“JOINT SENATES AND FACULTY UNIONS MEETING”**

“All are Welcome!”

**WHEN:** Thursday, January 11, 2007 8:30 am—2:30 pm

**WHERE:** Anaheim Campus 1830 W. Romneya Dr., Anaheim, 92801
1st Floor Multi-Purpose Room, 105, 107

8:15 -8:30- Coffee, Snacks

**MORNING SESSION 8:30am —12:30pm**

“How the Unfunded Retiree Benefits Liability Could Affect YOU!”
Alan Frey from CTA and UF will explain what this complex and important issue is all about and what it means to faculty and our future retiree benefits (8:45-10:15am)

“Do WE Want a Compressed Calendar?”
A presentation of 2 models of the compressed calendar currently in effect at other colleges; with discussion and Q & A to follow (10:30-12:30)

**AFTERNOON SESSION 1:00 — 2:30 PM**

“Part-Time Faculty Issues are Full-Time Faculty Issues!”
A panel of PT and FT faculty discuss part-time faculty issues, how they affect the institution as a whole, and discuss strategies to address them (1:00-2:00pm)

“Hot Topics!”
Discuss the latest HOT TOPICS! (2:00-2:30)
Moderated by Senate/Union Presidents

**RSVP BY JANUARY 3, 2007!!**
If you want lunch, you need to RSVP!

**FULLERTON COLLEGE**
714-992-7082 or jmcgowan@fullcoll.edu

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**SCHOOL OF CONT. ED.**
714-815-3991 or asibleysmith@sce.cc.ca.us

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CONCERT PRESS RELEASE

“Sing We Now of Christmas”

featuring the
Cypress Masterworks Chorale, Camerata & the Star Carolers
Dr. Sheridan J. Ball, Director

Plus a “Special Guest” appearance by the a cappella vocal ensemble - Crescendo

Date/Time: Saturday - December 16 – 7:30 PM
Location: Cypress College Campus Theater
Address: 9200 Valley View - Cypress, CA
South of the 91 freeway - between Lincoln Avenue & Orange Avenue

This concert will feature the Cypress Masterworks Chorale and Camerata in a wide range of holiday favorites such as White Christmas and Sleigh Ride, plus several grand choruses from Handel’s Messiah and the soaring Gloria from Johann Sebastian Bach’s Christmas Cantata.

The Cypress Camerata will be featured in Craig Courtney’s humorous setting of the Twelve Days of Christmas and will then combine forces with the Masterworks Chorale for a powerful and dramatic setting of the Gloria, by contemporary composer Randol Alan Bass. Originally composed for the New York Pops Orchestra, this work has been featured in concerts by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, the Tanglewood Chorus, and the Chicago and Dallas Symphony Choruses. This is stirring, inspirational music of grandiose proportions which is bound to move even the most experienced listener.

As a special holiday treat, the Orange County a cappella ensemble, Crescendo, will make a guest appearance featuring their unique mix of vocal talent and energized humor. As in years past, the audience will also be encouraged to join the Star Carolers in singing several traditional holiday selections.

(PS - We also have it on good authority that a visit from Santa is highly likely.)

From lighthearted carols and festive seasonal gems to splendid holiday selections from some of the world’s finest composers, this concert will delight the ear and charm the musical senses of every audience member.

For many regional families, this annual concert with the Cypress Masterworks Chorale, Camerata, and the Star Carolers has become a treasured holiday tradition, so patrons are encouraged to order tickets in advance and arrive at least thirty minutes prior to concert time for preferred seating.

Ticket Information “Hotline” (714) 484-7210
$15.00 General Admission $12.00 Senior Citizens & Students
$7.00 Children 12 & Under

*** Additional Special Events ***

Concerts with Three Regional Orchestras and a Televised Performance

The Cypress Masterworks Chorale & Camerata will also be appearing with the Orange County Symphony on Sunday, December 3 at the Anaheim United Methodist Church - 1000 State College Blvd. - for a “Sing-A-Long” Messiah and other holiday favorites. This will be followed by two performances with the Long Beach Symphony at the Terrace Theater on Saturday, December 9 at 8:00 PM and Sunday, December 10 at 2:00 PM.

After their home concert at Cypress College (see above) on Saturday, December 16, a select group of singers will appear in the Golden State Pops Orchestra’s “Holiday Pops Spectacular” at the Warner Grand Theater in San Pedro on Sunday, December 17 at 3:00 PM. The holiday concert season will conclude on Christmas Eve with a televised appearance on PBS (3-5:00 PM) at the 47th Annual Holiday Celebration at the Los Angeles Music Center’s Dorothy Chandler Pavilion.

The Cypress Masterworks Chorale and Camerata, a combined ensemble of 110 voices, has attained a reputation for excellence throughout the Southland. In addition to their regular four-concert season, the choirs participate in regional music festivals and have been featured performers for the Choral Conductors Guild, the American Choral Directors Association, and the California Music Educators Association.

The Cypress choirs have toured throughout Europe, the Middle East, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji and Russia; and have performed at the Hollywood Bowl, the Orange County Performing Arts Center, the Vatican, the Sydney Opera House, Radio Vienna, and have appeared at New York City’s famed Carnegie Hall on three separate occasions.

Dr. Sheridan Ball received his Bachelors and Masters degrees from the University of Northern Colorado and a Doctorate of Musical Arts from the University of Southern California. He served as the Chairman of the Cypress College Music Department for six years and is currently in his 26th season as Director of Choirs at Cypress College. Dr. Ball is also an Associate Conductor for MidAmerica Productions in New York City.