**January 25, 2008, Newsletter from President Michael J. Kasler**

**NBA Great Kareem Abdul-Jabbar on Campus February 7, 11-Noon**

The Hall of Famer will speak to students about his book “On the Shoulders of Giants” as part of Black History Month.

Basketball Hall of Famer and long-time L.A. Lakers star Kareem Abdul-Jabbar will appear on campus on February 7 as part of Cypress College’s Black History Month celebration. The talk is also the centerpiece of Cypress College’s 2nd Annual Black College Fair, with approximately 250 high school seniors from neighboring campuses in attendance.

Abdul-Jabbar, the author of six books, will be speaking to students about his most-recent work, the New York Times bestseller “On the Shoulders of Giants: My Journey Through the Harlem Renaissance.”

The event, which will take place from 11 a.m.-noon in the college’s largest venue, the Campus Theater. It is open to the college community and those attending the Black College Fair.

In his latest book, Abdul-Jabbar “pays tribute to the black artists, activists, athletes, and intellectuals whose lives have shaped — and continue to shape — his own,” according to the Booklist review service of the American Library Association.

Abdul-Jabbar is a six-time NBA champion, two-time recipient of the NBA Finals Most Valuable Player Award and a three-time national college basketball champion while studying at UCLA. He was named the league’s MVP five times. He was elected to the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in 1995 and named to the “50 Greatest Players in National Basketball Association History” list during the NBA’s 50th anniversary the following year.

Among the seven NBA career records he still holds are the most points in an NBA career, most All-Star Game selections, most playoff games played and most minutes played.

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**Focus the Nation’ Global Warming Awareness Events to Take Place on Campus Next Week**

Cypress College is participating in the first “Focus the Nation” events to highlight awareness of and seek solutions to global warming. Focus The Nation is an unprecedented educational initiative on global warming solutions for America occurring at more than 1,000 universities and colleges in all 50 states on January 31, 2008. As the largest teach-in in U.S. history, Focus The Nation is preparing millions of students to become leaders in the largest civilizational challenge any generation has faced.

Cypress College will host in preparation for the national event on Thursday. The college’s three events are:

- Screening of the movie “Who Killed the Electric Car?,” CCC-216, 6-8 p.m.;
- Screening of the movie “An Inconvenient Truth,” CCC-216, 6-8 p.m.; and
- Focus the Nation Webcast, CCC-216, 7-9 p.m.

Focus The Nation has created a teach-in model centered on the three most essential pillars for today's youth to embrace solutions to global warming: education, civic engagement and leadership. Participants are also being encouraged to vote on what they think are the top five solutions from a list of ten. Voting is ongoing at www.focusthenation.org. Vote results will be presented nationally in mid February. All students who vote on the Choose Your Future ballot will be eligible to win a $10,000 leadership scholarship for a project to be completed by end of August 2008.

For additional information, listen to this edition of the Cypress College Podcast with campus event coordinators Ron Armale and Alex Mintzer.
Just a friendly reminder:

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- **Bananas Flambe** Tuesday, 1/22 & 1/29 12:15 p.m.
- **Culinary Sauces** Wednesday, 1/23 & 1/30 3 p.m.
- **Turkey Deboning** Thursday, 1/24 & 1/31 3 p.m.

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1100 CAMPUSES TO FOCUS NATION ON GLOBAL WARMING SOLUTIONS

Largest teach-in in US History will sweep country, galvanizing
generational partnership to educate and demand change

PORTLAND, Ore. — Missouri State organizers will dump 15 tons of coal on their campus lawn
to show what one hour of power looks like. CalPoly already has one 125 faculty signed up, with a
goal of 500. More than 50 members of Congress will video-dialogue with campuses in a carbon-
zero conversation with young voters. “This is just the beginning,” said Alex Tinker, a University
of Oregon graduate and organizer at Focus The Nation headquarters at Lewis & Clark College in
Portland, Oregon. “We have to help America get educated on solutions. And we need Congress to
join us.”

Created by Dr. Eban Goodstein, author and professor of economics at Lewis & Clark College,
Focus The Nation is galvanizing a generational partnership between youth and baby boomers in a
vision for America that has not occurred since the civil rights movement of the 1960s. “Today’s
youth are truly the greatest generation,” said Goodstein. “No other generation has had to face this
kind of challenge. We would be failing as educators if we did not prepare them with the tools
necessary to meet this challenge.”

On Jan. 31, 2008, more than 1100 colleges and universities in all fifty states will participate in
Focus The Nation—an unprecedented teach-in on solutions to global warming that will
simultaneously educate close to one million youth.

“We are in a time where critical decisions need to be made on global warming, which means
today’s leaders and the youth who will inherit the crisis need serious education on the issue,” said
Gus Speth, dean, Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. “Focus The Nation is our
country’s foremost model to create that level of education and interaction with law makers.”
The teach-in will culminate in solutions-based round table discussions between students, elected leaders and Congress. All participants across the country will then vote on top solutions. The top five results from the Choose Your Future vote will be announced in early February 2008.

"Much as the first Earth Day in 1970 mobilized public support for clean air and healthy water, Focus The Nation is mobilizing people to demand real solutions to global warming,” said Dennis Hayes, Earth Day founder and president of the Bullitt Foundation.

Focus The Nation’s teach-in has four key components:

2. **The National Teach-In** – faculty-led symposium across campuses
3. **Green Democracy** – live and videoconference round table discussions between Congress and campuses on solutions to global warming.
4. **Choose Your Future** – online ballot for participants to vote on top five solutions to global warming.

For interviews with Focus The Nation founder and director Eban Goodstein, faculty and student organizers across the country or members of our advisory committee, please call 503-768-7990.

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Cypress College Fine Arts Gallery

iCandy
Contemporary Abstract Painting in southern California


Work Site/Work Cite
Photographs and Artist’s Books by Paulette Myers-Rich
(in the Project Space)

Opening Reception: Wednesday, January 30, 2008, 6-9PM
Exhibition: January 30 – February 28, 2008
Gallery Hours: Monday-Thursday 10am-2pm, Tuesday-Wednesday 6-8pm,
The gallery is closed Friday except by appointment

The Cypress College Art Gallery is pleased to present iCandy. This exhibition features 19 painters living, working or influenced by southern California. The purpose of iCandy is to survey the breadth and width of the past ten years in abstract painting.

In Clement Greenberg’s 1955 essay American Type Painting, he transported abstract painting from decorative “wallpaper patterns” to high art. This Godfather of Abstract Expressionism was the proponent of the flat picture plane. He argued against representational imagery and said that, to the artist, paint should be nothing more than paint and surface nothing more than surface. The artist should not transpose the medium into something that it isn’t. The painters in iCandy subscribe to Greenberg’s theories. But, they’ve taken his concepts further than Greenberg himself could ever imagine—from the broad painterly brushstrokes of Michael Reafsnyder and Ali Smith to the clean linear compositions of Joan Kahn and Patrick Wilson to the more conceptual based paintings of Tim Bavington.

The project space will feature the black and white photographic work and artists’ books of Paulette Myers-Rich. Since 1982, she has been photographing the disappearing urban industrial landscape of her hometown of Saint Paul, Minnesota. Myers-Rich intends her photographs to be read as portraits of meaningful places. These desolate industrial landscapes bear witness to the tragedy of the abandonment and marginalization of the people left behind. Despite the re-use of these sites, it is not the same population that benefits from the current redevelopment. On the contrary—the gentrification of these areas make them financially prohibitive and culturally foreign terrain for the former residents and occupants of these sites.

For more information please contact Gallery Director Paul Paiement at 714.484.7134.
Join Us In February to Celebrate Black History Month

AT Cypress College

Special Appearance and Lecture by KAREEM ABDUL-JABBAR

Thursday, February 7th
Campus Theater:
11:00 AM to Noon


10 TO 11 AM
Panel of Speakers Representing Historical Black Colleges

1:00 TO 2:00 PM: STEP-SHOW
featuring the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity

Black History
Dance Concert:
“Dancing through History”

Thursday, February 21st
Campus Theater
Noon to 1:00 PM

Coordinated by Professors Erin Landry and Holly Lampe

Gospel Concert

Thursday, February 28th
Fine Arts 304 (Recital Hall)
6:30 to 8:30 PM

Featuring the Second Baptist Church of Santa Ana in conjunction with a presentation by Professor Daniel Lind on African American History in Southern California
You are invited to join the North Orange County Community College District Board of Trustees for Strategic Conversation #9: “Collaboration – Something for Everyone” beginning with a social hour and refreshments at 3 p.m. Tuesday, February 26, in the Cypress College Theatre Lobby, 9200 Valley View Street, Cypress.

Opportunities to Discuss What’s Important to You

Session I – Sharing Collaborative Activities
Participants will proceed to assigned tables and facilitators where they will share collaborative activities in which they have participated. They will then discuss – What was the goal, the process, the outcome? How did they feel about them, and what impact did they have on students?

Session II – Identifying Ways to Expand Collaborative Activities
After a short break during which the facilitators will categorize the activities shared in the first session, the participants will convene the second session by selecting one of the categories and sitting at its assigned table. They will address – How can this collaboration be expanded? What are the challenges and possible solutions?

Bonus Session – Open Microphone
Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions or discuss issues either related or unrelated to the planned topic of collaboration. Once again leading this bonus session, successfully initiated last year, will be:

Dean Day, School of Continuing Education
Pat Ganer, Cypress College
Joe Carrithers, Fullerton College

RSVP by February 14, 2008

Your Name:

Your District/Campus Location:

Please respond with this information to:
NOCCCD Public Affairs, at cwallacenoring@nocccd.edu or Anaheim Campus-Ninth Floor
Q. Can students still apply for this semester?
A. Yes! Students can apply by accessing our online admissions application on the college website.

Q. Who needs to apply?
A. NEW students who have never attended Cypress or Fullerton College and RETURNING students who have had a break in attendance of one or more semesters at Cypress or Fullerton College.

Q. How does the student know the admissions application has been submitted and processed?
A. When the student submits the application, they are given a confirmation number. They will receive two emails: one about the application's acceptance; the other about registration and other necessary info.

Q. How does an admitted student add a class once the semester has started?
A. The student must obtain a four-digit add code from the instructor—providing seats are available.

Q. Where do instructors obtain these add codes?
A. Add codes are found on the bottom of the “Printable Attendance” roster printed from WebStar.

Q. How is it decided what students will be allowed to add?
A. Add codes are given at the discretion of the instructor.

Q. When should the add code be given to the student?
A. Instructors need to give students the add codes RIGHT AWAY so that the add deadline is not missed. Deadlines are publicized in the Class Schedule.

Q. Can any class be added just by obtaining an add code from the instructor?
A. No. If the course description in the Class Schedule indicates a prerequisite or acceptable placement test score, the student cannot add the class until the clearance has been made by the Assessment Center, DSPS, or a Cypress College Counselor.

Q. Does the student come to Admissions and Records Office to add (or drop) classes?
A. No. All adds and drops are done online using WebStar.

Q. How do students add (or drop) classes?
A. Students add classes via Webstar using mygateway@nocccd.edu. WebStar is available 7am – 11:30pm Monday through Saturday. Add and drop deadlines can be found on page 2 of the Class Schedule for semester length classes and under the course description for classes that meet less than the full semester.

Q. What’s the process of adding if the add deadline has passed?
A. A green, Late Add form must be completed by the student, instructor and dean before submitting it to A&R.

Q. What happens if students add but don’t pay their fees?
A. They may be dropped from their classes and a hold may be placed on their student record which will prevent them from adding/dropping classes, obtaining transcripts, registering for future semesters, etc.

Q. If students are dropped because of non payment of fees, can they get back into the classes?
A1. They can try to re-add the classes before they start.
A2. If a class has started, an add code will be needed in order to add before the deadline.
A3. The student must pay the fees immediately (online with a credit card or in person with cash or check).
A4. If a student feels there’s an error, have them contact Admissions and Records Office immediately.

Q. What proves that students are officially enrolled?
A. Current rosters prove official enrollments. Instructors also receive add/drop notifications every 24 hours.

Q. Should a student be allowed to sit in a classroom if they are not officially enrolled?
A. Students not listed on an official class roster should not be allowed to sit in the class until they are officially enrolled. Unofficial classroom participation presents an enormous liability for the college.
Hire Me! Workshops

Designed for Individuals Seeking Full-Time Faculty Positions with the North Orange County Community College District

Part I: Perspectives on Hiring: Application, Letter of Interest, & Resume Writing
Workshop presented by Kelly Carter, Cypress College Counselor

Saturday, February 2, 2008
Registration: 9:30 - 9:50 a.m.
Presentation: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
NOCCCD Board Room, 1st floor, Anaheim Campus
1830 W. Romneya Drive, Anaheim, CA 92801

Part II: Perspectives on Hiring: The Interview
Workshop facilitated by Kelly Carter, Counselor, featuring
Dr. Michael Kasler, President of Cypress College
Dan Willoughby, Dean of Humanities, Fullerton College
Virgil Adams, Human Services Faculty, Cypress College

Saturday, February 9, 2008
Registration: 9:30 - 9:50 a.m.
Presentation: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
NOCCCD Board Room, 1st floor, Anaheim Campus
1830 W. Romneya Drive, Anaheim, CA 92801

Please email edouglas@cypresscollege.edu to make a reservation or call the Cypress College Staff Development Office 714-484-7324 for information.

Directions: From 91 Freeway, take Euclid exit and drive south to Romneya Drive. Turn right on Romneya. Turn left into second entrance of NOCCCD Anaheim Campus.
Park in any unmarked parking stall. PARKING PERMIT IS REQUIRED. Purchase $2 daily parking permit at yellow dispensers on site, if you are non-NOCCCD employee.

Sponsored by NOCCCD, Cypress College, and Fullerton College Staff Development
Save the Dates!

Cypress College Outreach and Recruitment Events

Spring 2008

Thursday, February 7, 2008
8 am – 1 pm
Black College Fair and Black History Month Celebration

10 am – 1 pm
Student Support Services Success Week

Friday, April 4, 2008
8 am – 1 pm
Kindercaminata

Thursday, April 17, 2008
8 am – 1 pm
Senior Day

Tuesday, May 6, 2008
5 pm – 8 pm
Parent Night

For more information regarding these events and/or participation, please contact Marion Shocklee at (714) 484-7371. More information, including locations and agendas, will be available soon.