

# President's Board Report

## August 8, 2013

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



*Dr. Cheryl Marshall*  
*President*

We are looking forward to the start of the 2013-2014 academic year! It is always wonderful to have the full cadre of faculty, staff, and students back on campus and to experience the energy they bring. As a result of our planning sessions over the summer, we have identified a number of important topics and activities as focus areas for this year.

We began the process of revising our Educational Master Plan and expect to complete the process by early spring. This includes a review of our mission, vision, and values which will be the main subject matter for our Flex Day in September. The preparation of the Accreditation Self Evaluation Report will be a major project for this year and we will provide periodic updates to the Board. We will also be monitoring our implementation of the Student Success Act and Education Code changes, including new registration priorities, restrictions on course repetition, and mandatory student educational plans. It will be another busy year; we look forward to achieving our goals and serving students.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- August 14:** Roadrunner Rally, 3-7 p.m. @ Cafeteria Quad Area
- August 16:** Opening Day Activities
- August 19:** Fall Semester Begins
- Sept. 27:** **CHC Presidential Inauguration, 3 p.m. @ Performing Arts Center**
- Oct. 8:** Friends of CHC Luncheon
- Oct. 12:** "Come to College" Family Fest, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. @ CHC

### 2ND ANNUAL ROADRUNNER RALLY

As part of the Left Lane Project, Crafton Hills College will be holding the 2nd Annual Roadrunner Rally. The Rally is an opportunity for new students to get a campus tour, find out where their classes will be, learn about Student Clubs, show off their new campus to family and friends, and win prizes from the CHC Bookstore. The Rally also includes a parent orientation in English and Spanish.

**Wednesday, August 14**  
**3-7 p.m.**  
**Cafeteria Quad**



# FAREWELL JACKIE BUUS!

In 1979:

- The Shah left Iran and Ayatollah Khomeini takes over
- Margaret Thatcher is elected Prime Minister
- Hostages are seized in the Iranian Embassy
- Jimmy Carter is President and Walter Mondale is Vice President
- Unemployment is 5.8%
- A postage stamp costs 15 cents
- *The Deer Hunter* wins the Oscar® for Best Picture
- Carroll O'Connor wins an Emmy for his role in *All in the Family*
- John Wayne dies
- Ray Ellerman is Chancellor of San Bernardino Community College District (SBCCD)
- **Jackie Buus begins working at SBCCD**



In 2013:

- The Boston Marathon Bomber kills 3 and wounds hundreds
- Huge tornadoes damage Oklahoma
- Margaret Thatcher dies
- Pope Benedict XVI resigns
- A Boeing 777 crashes in San Francisco
- George Zimmerman is found not guilty in shooting of Trayvon Martin
- A postage stamp costs 46 cents
- Unemployment is 7.6%
- *Downton Abbey* is nominated for an Emmy
- **Jackie Buus retires from the San Bernardino Community College District**

A lot has changed in the 34 years since Jackie Buus became the Chancellor's "GO-TO" person. She has prepared for and attended over **600** Board meetings. She has worked for **seven** Chancellors and educated **27** Trustees.

She has helped guide **Six** presidents at Crafton Hills College, and about **10** presidents at SBVC. Board agendas are now online, cell phones have to be silenced at Board meetings, and email has replaced snail mail and faxes.

While Jackie is well-known for her forthrightness and spunky attitude, she's also famous for always getting the job done. In fact, she only missed **TWO** board meetings in her entire career! You could always count on Jackie to have the answers to your questions or to point you in the right direction. And, of course, Jackie is chock-full of funny stories and the latest gossip.

*Crafton Hills College would like to thank Jackie for her dedicated service to the San Bernardino Community College District and the College. We wish her lazy days, hours and hours of the latest movies, long walks, endless best sellers to read, and unlimited bonding time with her dogs, cats and grandchildren.*



Jackie in Chicago with Lorraine Norton and Jacque Takano.

## 79th PARAMEDIC CLASS GRADUATION



Crafton Hills College celebrated its 79th Paramedic Class Graduation on Thursday, July 18, 2013.

CHC 79th Paramedic Class Graduates from left to right: Connor Beck, Brian Leidner, Brandon Ward, Cody Underwood, Will Carson, Toby Belknap, Matt Swenson, Amanda Hartel, Michael Graves, Brian Carnes, Kristin Fandrich, and Joseph Webb. (Broc Fraser and Joseph Ico are not pictured.) They each completed the 10-month program, attending classes Monday-Thursday, and finishing 600 hours of field work.

## STUDENT PROFILE: DARIN KAWAMOTO

Hailing from Northern California where he graduated from Terra Linda High School in 2008, Darin Kawamoto has migrated to Southern California to try new experiences. He is a student at Crafton Hills College and served as a student intern working on the CHC website for three semesters.

An avid tennis player, one of the things that attracted him to Crafton Hills College was tennis instructor, Ralph Rabago. "He is one of the highest credentialed tennis instructors I know," said Darin. Between playing tennis and basketball in high school, Darin ended up with an injured shoulder that required surgery. He couldn't play for almost three years but is back on the courts whenever possible now.



Darin is also passionate about psychology, but not interested in pursuing a career in that field. He can carry a lively conversation about current topics like gun control vs. mental illness, how the mentally ill on the streets manage to cope and survive every day, and how important it is that patients participate in their therapy. "I'm not interested in becoming a psychologist or therapist though, because I don't believe our society really supports them. Plus, I'd have to go to college for eight years," he said smiling.

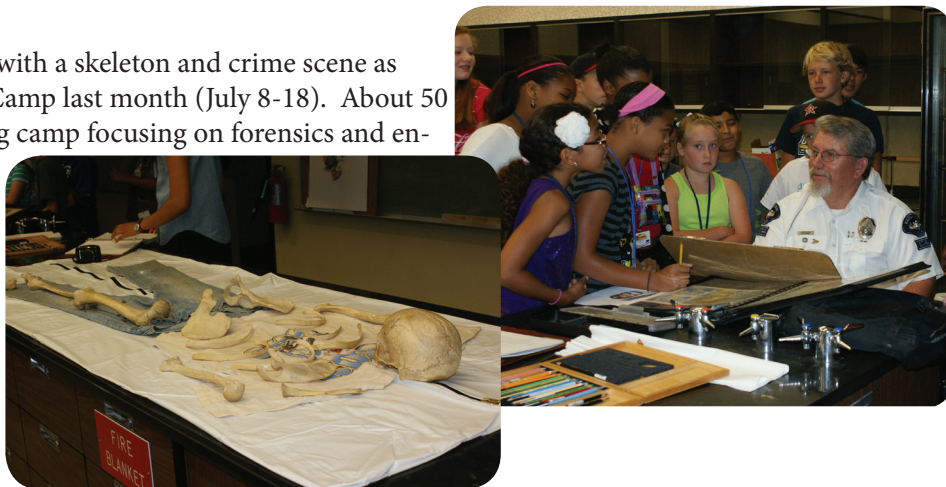
He's enjoying learning about the processes and procedures at Crafton Hills College. "It's interesting to see how and why a bureaucracy works," he said. "Plus, I get to network and meet top-level administrators." While he likes web design and maintenance, he is still considering his educational goals. "My philosophy is, 'plan for the future, but live for today,'" he said. "And I can say I've enjoyed every day over the last two years."



# SUMMER CAMPS A BIG HIT AT CHC

## CSI Comes to CHC

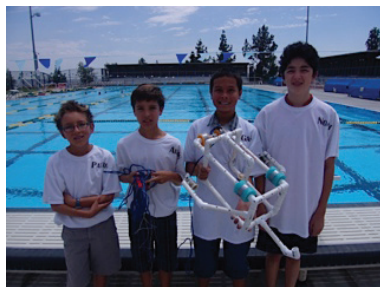
Middle school students were faced with a skeleton and crime scene as part of a Summer Xtreme Science Camp last month (July 8-18). About 50 students participated in a week-long camp focusing on forensics and energy science. Crafton Hills College partnered with CRY-ROP to offer the camp. In addition to their CSI activities, which included working with a police officer to create a sketch of the suspect, the students also made slime and bouncy balls, and took a field trip to CHC's Solar Farm.



## STEM + WATER= FUN

Middle school students were on campus at the Aquatics Center for the week of July 22-25 for the First Annual Inland Empire Underwater Robotics Camp. The camp was a partnership between the Banning Science & Technology Center, the UCR MESA Center, and the San Bernardino Community College District.

The class learned to make an underwater robot and had a competition with their finished products. They learned soldering, PVC pipe cutting, water dynamics, navigating in three dimensions, and how to keep a scientific/engineering notebook.



## What is (LCS)2?

With funding from a grant from Google, Crafton Hills College has developed a new project, Learning Computer Science through the Lens of Culture and Society (LCS)2. The project, led by Margaret Yau, is designed to increase the participation of Hispanic/Latino(a) high school students in computer science and encourage them to explore higher education and careers in computer science.

The first project is a free two-day workshop for high school STEM teachers, which was held on campus on July 31 and August 1. The workshop explained the computer science major in higher education and its career possibilities and demonstrated technological tools that the teachers could use to teach computer science principles. Each teacher who completed the workshop received a \$400 stipend.



# THE LEFT LANE IS THE FAST LANE @ CHC

Last fall, Crafton Hills College launched the Left Lane Project (LLP) to reduce the average time of AA/AS completion to four years from the current average of 5.3 years. Components of the LLP include Summer Bridge Program, learning communities, supplemental instruction, counseling and tutoring services, and services provided through SOA3R (Senior Orientation, Application, Assessment, Advising and Registration).

LLP started with 276 students, 258 earned a grade on record (GOR) in Fall 2012 and 87% of those students completed Spring 2013 classes. Lovely Jaasiel Romulo, a 2012 Redlands High School graduate, was one of those students. “It’s an excellent program,” she said. Romulo participated in the Summer Bridge Program last year. “Bridge filled in the gap between high school and college,” she said. “They showed us what college would be like. You learned what professors expect—like bring a pen and paper to class.”

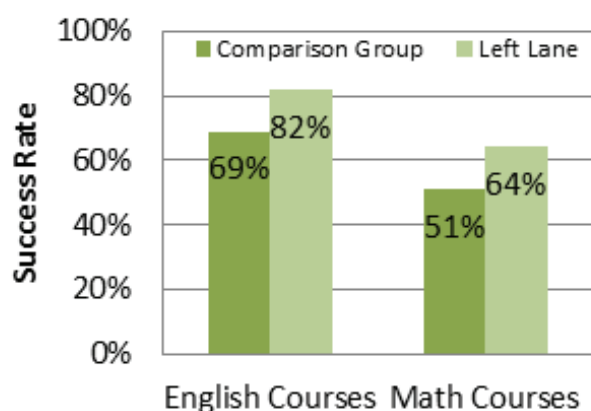
Romulo’s goal is to transfer to UCR and major in sociology. When she started college she wished she had a mentor to help her learn the ropes because she’s the oldest child in her family, and now she’s become a mentor herself by helping facilitate a basic skills-level math class. She originally thought she would volunteer to tutor in the Tutoring Center, but it was suggested she help in a class instead because she could bring the unique experience of teacher and student to the classroom.



“I was required to complete an Education Plan before I started at CHC. It really helps to keep me on track. And the priority registration makes a huge difference,” she said. LLP students receive Priority B registration which helps them get the classes they need. Romulo has a full load of transfer-level classes scheduled for this fall. She also helps prove the theory that students who complete their transfer-level math and English early are more successful in completing their AA/AS degree.

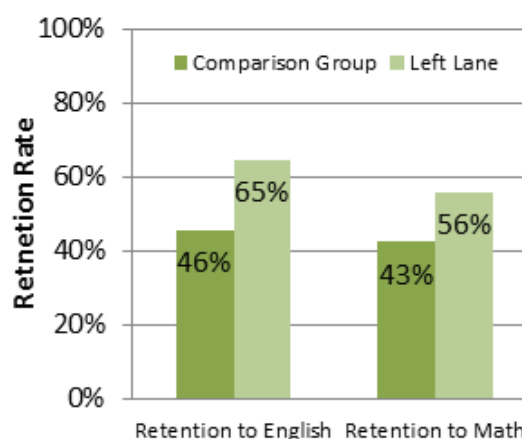
As the charts below indicate, the Left Lane Project students are succeeding at a higher rate than the resident population.

**Percent of Students Successfully Completing English and Math Courses**



Left Lane students were substantially and statistically significantly more likely to successfully complete English (82% to 69%) and math (64% to 51%) courses than students in the comparison group.

**Retention from Fall to Spring in English and Math**



Left Lane students who earned a GOR in English and math in Fall 2012 were substantially and statistically significantly more likely to enroll in an English course (65% to 46%) and math course (56% to 43%) in Spring 2013 than the comparison group.