

President's Board Report March 14, 2013

Message from the President



Dr. Cheryl Marshall, President

We are half way through the Spring semester and the remainder of the academic year will be very busy. Spring break will occur the week of March 18 and then the push to finish committee work and annual projects will be in full gear.

Our annual Gala will be held on March 30 at the Orange Show and we hope you will join us. Not only do we have a lot of fun, but we raise money for a variety of programs and services. Graduation and end-of-year ceremonies will also be taking place throughout April and May.

This has been a good semester and it was wonderful to add classes to both Spring and Summer. We expect to offer around 40 classes this Summer, nearly as many as during 2011. Approximately 60% of our Summer funding will come from donations and grants with the remainder provided through increases in general funds from the passage of Proposition 30. Students and faculty are very excited about having a Summer session this year.

We hope you are having a great Spring and look forward to seeing you at some of our celebrations.

Student Success Act Implementation

Committees across campus are having dialogues and developing site-specific plans for the implementation of the Student Success Act. Our Student Success, Engagement, and Enrollment Management Committee (SSEEM) has taken a lead role in developing the campus plan. They held a two-day retreat at Redlands East Valley High School in January and created a list of 85 possible action items; that list is now being discussed and refined to help formulate a plan. Discussions have also taken place in the Academic Senate, Crafton Council, and the Chairs Committee. An Open Forum was held on February 13 with over 20 people in attendance. At the end of the semester, all of these discussions and plans will be reviewed and used to prepare the campus-wide plan.

CHC students take part in "Read across America"

The National Education Association's *Read across America* Day is an annual nationwide reading celebration held on or around March 2, which happens to be Dr. Seuss's birthday.

Students of Crafton Hills College Child Development Education Club took part in *Read across America* events at both the college campus and at Dunlap Elementary School. CHC Child Development and Education Professor JoAnn Jones organized the collaboration with Dunlap. Ten CHC students attended the local school on March 1. Dunlap was also participating in a school-wide celebration.

Dunlap Principal Lindy Ward dressed up as Cat in the Hat. "This is great," said Ward. "We have a partnership with Crafton and they come in all semester-long to observe. It's awesome. They help the teachers with reading and flash-cards and it's just a really good partnership. Today was a fun day. Let's celebrate that literacy."

CHC student Lauren Smith read "Thunderbird Braveheart" to students in June Delcampo's fourth grade class. "This was cool," said Smith. "It was a new experience. I had never read to kids before using a microphone and an overhead projector. It was pretty good."

Delcampo's class enjoyed having a new reader. "It's good because we get to read new books," said student Joseph Hull. "She's good at reading and stuff."

Back at the CHC pre-school lab there were plenty of books being read, too. Janice Gericke read to little pre-schooler Martina who said, "I like this book." Gericke also said she enjoyed the experience and added, "I wish we could do this more often."



Janice Gericke, CHC student, reads to Martina



CHC student Lauren Smith reads to a fourth grade class at Dunlap Elementary

Student Senate Hosts Club Rush

The 2012-2013 CHC Student Senate has been very active. They presented the annual Club Rush 2013 on Feb. 27 in the Campus Quad area.

The six hour event highlighted the 24 Crafton Hills College clubs and encouraged students to join and learn more about what interests them. Each club had its own table or booth area with informative literature and club members to answer questions.

In addition to multiple giveaways, students were treated to music, complimentary food and drinks. "It's really informative and really gets you involved," said CHC student Rachel Ballard. "They're starting a new African-American fraternity here - the first one at Crafton."

Ballard is majoring in Health Sciences and hopes to become a veterinarian. She plans on joining the Health Science Club for the opportunity to meet others in her education field.

CHC student Berlin Abeyta browsed several club tables. "We like looking at all the different clubs to see which one is the coolest," she said. "The Anime (Japanese influenced movies, cartoons, prints and computer animation) one was pretty cool."



Above: Rachel Ballard and Katherine Jones enjoy the activities at Club Rush







ArtsDay 2013 at CHC

ArtsDay is a Crafton Hills College annual event designed to inspire the more than one hundred local high school students who attended to participate in the arts once they attend college. The outreach event was held on February 22 and reached at risk and underprepared students, motivating them to take art classes and to engage in the fine arts programs as college students. Research shows that involvement while in college, whether in the arts, athletics or student life, increases a student's retention and success in college.

The high school students began the day with an opening session in the Finkelstein Performing Arts Auditorium. They then attended forty-five minute workshops in Music, Theatre and Improv, Art and Screen-Printing shirts, and Dance. They also toured the beautiful campus. Attendees came from Redlands High School, Redlands East Valley High School, Yucaipa High School, Pacific High School, Arroyo Valley High School, and San Gorgonio High School.

After the first two sessions, everyone enjoyed lunch in the cafeteria sponsored by Stater Brothers Market and followed by entertainment. They then participated in three more workshops before a closing session, making the event a full day.

Richard Hogrefe, Dean of Arts and Sciences, facilitated ArtsDay, along with the faculty lead, Tom Bryant, Professor of Theatre. Many CHC students volunteered during the event, lead by student facilitator Brendan Hampton. When asked about the day, Brendan replied, "ArtsDay was a lot of fun for me. Not only were the planning and preparation exciting, but seeing the students get involved and get excited about various crafts made my job so incredibly worth it. If we made even one student interested in pursuing the arts into their college years, then I feel that ArtsDay was a success."







Learning to follow choreography

ArtsDay 2013 continued









Upcoming Events & Important Dates

Mar. 4-15 CHC Art Program Fundraiser

Mar. 29-30 CHC Theatre Presents *Reasons to Be Pretty* by Neil LaBute, directed by Jordan Arnold; Both shows 8:00 pm, PAC; \$10 general admission, \$5 student/senior/alumni

Mar. 30 CHC Foundation Gala "Passport to Opportunity", 6:00 p.m., Orange Show, \$75

Apr. 5 ASL Educator's Collaboration Forum sponsored by the CHC American Sign Language program

Apr. 8-30 CHC Art Presents Icheban: A Japanese Cultural Exhibition

Apr. 12 Fire Academy 30th Anniversary Celebration

Apr. 18 Fire Academy Graduation, 6 pm, PAC

May 3-4 CHC Theatre presents Spring Show (TBD)

May 13-23 CHC Art presents Spring Student Exhibition

May 14 CHC Music Presents Choir Concert 7:00 pm, PAC, \$5 admission

May 16 CHC Music Presents Jazz Concert 7:00 pm, PAC, \$5 admission

May 22 EMT Graduation, 6 pm, PAC

May 23 CHC Commencement, 6 pm, Campus Quad

Officers Visit the CDC







The Child Development Center children got to meet a real policeman, hear about how to stay safe, and sit in a real patrol car!

Biggest Senior Day Ever!

It was all 'hands on deck', under the guidance of Dean Kirsten Colvey, to welcome the largest group of high school seniors to Crafton Hills College for Senior Day. More than 620 students from 19 high schools (Aquinas, Arrowhead, Arroyo Valley, Citrus Valley, Green Valley, Grove, Orangewood, Pacific, REV, Redlands, Rim of the World, San Andreas, San Gorgonio, Sierra, Slover, Washington, Yucaipa, Colton, and Milor) descended on the campus and learned about going to college. Among the many topics covered in the day-long program were such academic programs as Fire Technology, Emergency Medical Services, Respiratory Therapy and Radiologic Technology, Fine Arts, Health Sciences, and Social and Behavioral Sciences and they were provided information from the Transfer Center and Honors Institute, Student Government, and the Left Lane Project. A special thanks to Dean June Yamamoto who administers the Tech Prep grant that funded the school buses that brought the students from three high schools to the CHC campus.

Children make Friendship Cards for Troops











The CHC Child Development Center staff, children and families are learning about Friendship, Sharing, and Caring. What better way than to share beautiful handmade cards to our military troops, Loma Linda Children's Hospital, and a local retirement home? The fourteen children from the Ladybug Room utilized construction paper, stickers, markers, gold stars and colored pencils to create colorful cards to share their friendship. The three to five year olds have been learning that sharing and friendship mean that we do something for others.

Ms. Christina, Ms. Valerie and Miss Amy helped the young students to make Friendship Cards to show that they care for the soldiers that leave family to keep us all safe. The Ladybugs say The Pledge of Allegiance everyday and understand that we are free in the United States of America and have a safe place to learn and grow. Creating and sharing the unique homemade cards is their way of showing their friendship.

"Tea with the Deans"

High achieving students from Fall 2012 were recognized with a social event held on February 27. Dozens of CHC students with grade point averages over 3.5 were invited to "Tea with the CHC Deans". The party provided the successful students the opportunity to visit with one another and with five CHC Deans: Rick Hogrefe; Raju Hegde; Kirsten Colvey; Joe Cabrales and Keith Wurtz; Executive Vice President Rebeccah Warren-Marlatt; and Dr. Cheryl Marshall, President. The students were also given information on the Crafton Honors Institute and Alpha Gamma Sigma, the Honors Society.







Don't Miss the CHC Foundation Gala!

