



## *President's Board Report*

*January 14, 2010*

### **New Respiratory Care Program Lauds First Graduates**

In August 2008, the Respiratory Care Program at Crafton Hills College converted from a one plus one program format to an advanced level only Respiratory Care Program.

In a ceremony held on December 19th, the first graduating class for this new program (and the 31st Respiratory Care graduating class) was held at CHC. All students have earned the title of Registry Eligible Respiratory Therapist. Once they pass all three of their board exams they will achieve the title Registered Respiratory Therapist.



*The December 19<sup>th</sup> event celebrated 46 students graduating from the Respiratory Care Program at Crafton Hills College.*

Under the guidance of Program Director Ken Bryson, 46 students met the requirements for graduation with special recognition being given to Perry Pollick (Academic Award) and Rachel Howell (Clinical Award).

### **“Baubles & Bangles for Books” Supports Emergency Textbook Fund**

Starting with a preview sale & reception on Monday, November 23rd, staff, students and friends of CHC, SBCCD and SBVC arrived in search of some bling as shoppers were welcomed to the Crafton Center for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual President's Jewelry Boutique in support of the CHC Foundation Emergency Textbook Fund.

Hundreds and hundreds of items like watches, pins, belts, and one-of-a-kind jewelry pieces were donated resulting in approximately \$1500 being raised from the sale of the donated items. In addition, a generous supporter offered to match all sales proceeds netting a grand total of nearly \$3000 that will all go towards helping ease the expense of textbooks for current and future CHC students.



*Early holiday shoppers perused the hundreds of jewelry items while supporting the CHC Foundation Emergency Textbook Fund.*

## Graduates in EMT-Basic Program Wrap 16-Week Program

The EMT-Basic program is the foundation in which the entire emergency medical services are built upon and graduation from the popular program prepares students for a career as an emergency medical technician - basic, paramedic, firefighter or hospital technicians. The EMT-Basic program determines which students can handle the unique patient care and can handle the pressure and the responsibility that goes along with being an emergency medical technician.



*Graduates from the EMT-Basic Program Class A are shown after the December 18<sup>th</sup> ceremony that recognized 83 students from Classes B, C and D as well.*

“Although we don’t line up jobs for students completing the program, students doing their internship with various agencies are often asked to return for employment upon course completion,” said EMT Program Director Gary Reese. “The local American Medical Response (AMR) ambulance service stated that the majority of their new hires are recruited from Crafton Hills College EMT-B program.”

Of the 83 graduates recognized at the December 18, 2009 ceremony, additional awards were bestowed upon the following students: Craig Harrison of Lake Arrowhead (Highest Program Average), Regina Vitulli of Redlands (Clinical Internship), Nathan Dobbs of Redlands (Field Internship) and Ruston Patton of Loma Linda.

## Paramedic Class #72 Graduation Ceremony Recognizes 26 Students

Twenty-six students received Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic Certificates at the Crafton Hills College (CHC) Paramedic Class #72 graduation ceremony on December 9, 2009.



*Over 1200 hours were logged from each of the 26 graduating students pictured above from the 72<sup>nd</sup> EMT-Paramedic Certificate program at CHC.*

The graduates were required to complete a comprehensive 1,200-hour course teaching emergency medical care, including learning skills to handle trauma situations, cardiac problems, respiratory problems, delivering babies, emergency care for children and clinical and field externships.

*Adam Aronsen – Highland  
Noe Astorga – Highland  
Todd Beard – Highland  
Brice Castillo – Upland  
Anthony Cordova – Yucaipa  
Erik Corpuz – San Jacinto  
Noelle Drazin – Yucaipa  
Nick Harkins – Blue Jay  
Richard Harvey – Alta Loma*

*Mike Leal – Alta Loma  
Todd LeSieur – Meniffee  
Brad McCaulley - Upland  
Daniel Medina – Fontana  
Aaron Patty – Highland  
Robert Rodriguez – Riverside  
Jeff Schmitz – Big Bear Lake  
Matt Segovia – Big Bear Lake  
Kenny Skinner – R. Cucamonga*

*Andrew Stang – Forest Falls  
Ryan Stark – Alta Loma  
Dennis Stull – La Quinta  
Tucker Trgovac – Irvine  
Jesse Vasquez – Redlands  
Bobby Whitmore – Big Bear City  
Jon Zbinden – R. Cucamonga  
Jeff Zuidema - Ontario*

## Donations Help EOPS/CARE Parents Enjoy Holidays

For many CHC students, the EOPS/CARE Holiday Celebration may have been the only celebration they would have for their families at the end of the year. Once again, a variety of community and campus groups banded together to gather enough items to help brighten the holidays for 156 kids and 72 parents at the event.

Santa even managed to make a special appearance and each child under 14 years of age received two gifts—including such items as a microscope set, a telescope set, skateboards, Betty Crocker oven bake set, and large stuffed animals for the younger children. In addition, each parent received a \$25.00 grocery gift card. A number of craft activities were made available for the children like reindeer headbands, reindeer puppets, greeting card decorations, ornaments, coloring and face painting.

The EOPS/CARE holiday celebration was made possible due to donations from faculty and staff, the Psychology Club, CHC Associated Student, SBCCD Board President James Ramos, EMT instructor Robin Bishop, CHC student James Goodwin.

One parent said “This has been a rough year for my family. I wasn’t able to get gifts for my children so this event made it happen for my children,” while another shared, “My daughter had a chance to go and watch the Nutcracker with her friends. She chose to come to the event because she had so much fun last year and couldn’t wait to see what her gifts were.”

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## CHC Group Donates Cereal, 120 Gallons of Milk to Local Charity

In December, the Child Development/Education Club and the Child Development Center at CHC participated in yet another charitable community activity.

Club members collected boxes of cereal and partnered with Thrivent Financial to donate the cereal along with 120 gallons of milk to The Family Service Association of Redlands. Club members also collected items for holiday baskets for several children at the CDC (*pictured at right*).

