



## *President's Board Report*

### *February 17, 2011*



#### Message from the President

This has been a month of addressing ongoing, important issues.

#### **ACCREDITATION:**

I am very proud to announce that Crafton Hills College is not only a fully accredited institution, but it is no longer under sanction. Our accreditation has been fully reaffirmed.

The college was advised by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges that we “have addressed and now meet all the recommendations made by the previous comprehensive evaluation team.”

I would like to personally thank our CHC faculty, staff, administrators and students for their dedication and hard work, the Board of Trustees, the Chancellor and District staff for their commitment to the process, and the community for their support that led to this successful resolution.

As an institution, we have come out of this experience stronger than ever. We have demonstrated to the Commission that we have sustainable processes in place that align with the best practices in the accreditation standards of clear communication, participative decision-making, and integrated planning and review processes.

The team members’ report from their October 2010 visit lauded our College, noting that “We wish to acknowledge the tremendous amount of work that both Crafton Hills and the District office have completed in their efforts to bring Crafton Hills into compliance with all accreditation standards. **The results are impressive and are so well done that they could be used as models for other colleges struggling to develop integrated planning tools.**”

#### **BUDGET:**

My thanks to those who took the time to attend and to participate in the two campus-wide forums held in February where we started the complex process of addressing the heart of our mission, asking the vital question “Whom Shall We Serve?”

Examining the ramifications of this question will ultimately impact our demographics, our curriculum, our budget and how we serve our students. In order to consider these issues thoroughly, we are utilizing the expertise and the contributions of Vice Presidents Cheryl Marshall, Rebecca Warren-Marlatt and Mike Strong, and the raw data and analysis of that data generated by Director of Research and Planning Keith Wurtz. I so appreciate their time and assistance as we work together to meet these challenges.

## Congratulations!

### Art Professor wins Ovation Award

On January 17 at the Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Plaza ceremony, Snezana Petrovic, Chair of the CHC Art Department, received a 2010 Ovation Award from the LA Stage Alliance. Nominated for both Scenic Design (25,000 sq feet of space, 24 installations) and Costume Design (180 costumes) (Large Theatre) for Songs and Dances of Imaginary Lands, Overtone Industries, she won in the Costume Design category. The Ovations are the only peer-judged theatre awards in Los Angeles.

Professor Petrovic said, "To be recognized within one percent of the best in the Los Angeles area by the theatre professionals was exhilarating enough for me. I felt honored by just receiving the Ovation nomination in two categories for set and costume design and by being part of this year's award ceremony. But hearing my name announced in the auditorium of thousands was an out of body experience. I do not even remember how I got up to the stage!"



Crafton Hills College President Gloria Macías Harrison noted, "The faculty, staff and students at Crafton Hills are very proud of Snezana and her success – she is a wonderful teacher and it is terrific to see her receiving the accolades and recognition of her peers that she so deserves."

Snezana has been a freelance designer both in Europe and the USA. She has designed for more than 225 theatrical productions as well as 22 television series and 8 feature films. Her art and video works have been exhibited in New York, Los Angeles, Amsterdam, and Prague.

Shown at the 2010 Ovation Awards are Snezana Petrovic and Deborah Bradford, costume assistant and designer from the University of Redlands

### Student Life Director Selected for ACCCA Mentor Program

Ericka Paddock, Director of the CHC Student Life Department, has been selected for the Association of California Community College Administrators (ACCCA) 2011 Mentor Program. According to their appointment letter, as a "mentee," Ericka will be matched with a seasoned administrator with whom she will work closely for one year.

A statewide activity that provides a personal and professional development experience for individuals who have demonstrated a potential for expanded leadership roles in their current, or future, responsibilities with the California Community College system, participants develop competencies through participation in leadership events. The Program's goals include:

- Providing learning experiences that expand and enhance current leadership skills and abilities
- Offering appropriate training for administrators
- Providing a network for career opportunities
- Encouraging participants to seek expanded leadership opportunities within their regions or the statewide system
- Assuring the availability of a diverse pool of skilled leaders for the future administrative needs of the California Community Colleges
- Encouraging improved statewide working relationships and communications



## In-service Day Welcomes New & Returning Staff

Those several days before the spring semester started provided an opportunity for returning faculty to attend professional development offerings and get their rosters and syllabi ready to roll for the full classrooms that would greet them on January 18. And on January 14, faculty, staff and administrators had the opportunity to come together for food, information and comradeship. Attendees received updates from President Harrison, Vice Presidents Marshall, Warren-Marlatt and Strong, Interim Chancellor Baron, Research Director Keith Wurtz, and the faculty addressing various aspects of the new Title V grant Debbie Bogh, Daniel Bahner, and Gwen DiPonio.

Several colleagues received special recognition: Keith Wurtz, Director of Research and Planning; Kelly Bingham, Office of Vice President of Instruction; Aimee Marshall, EMS; Laura Record, Office of Vice President of Student Services; Milly Douthit, Coordinator of DSPS; Lynnette Hunter, Campus Business Office; and Richard Bryson, Custodian.

Three new members of the campus community were introduced during the day's events: a dean, a faculty member and a police officer.

**Dean Raju Hedge** will oversee the Math, English, Reading and Instructional Support areas. He joins the campus from Grand Rapids Community College in Michigan, where he served as Director of Development and Academic Support Services. He earned his M.Ed. From Philadelphia's Temple University in Curriculum, Instruction and Technology in Education, and his B.A. in Mathematics and Theatre from Knox College in Illinois. He brings extensive educational experience having been with Portland (Oregon) Community College as the Coordinator of the Math Center and a math instructor; and math faculty with a high school in Philadelphia. He also served with the Peace Corps in Zimbabwe.

**Instructor Margaret Yau**, Computer Information Systems (CIS), will be teaching introductory CIS, web page programming and design, and C++ programming. Formerly an instructor and a math and computer science lab technician with Mt. San Antonio College, she also taught with the LA Community College District. Margaret earned her M.S. from UC San Diego and her B.S. from Berkeley. She holds a certification in Online Teaching from Mt. San Antonio. She has done extensive research work with UC San Diego, UC Berkeley, and at Statcato and the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center in San Diego.

**Jose Plasencia, Police Officer** was hired by the SBCCD in October and did his training and began his service at SBVC. Prior to joining the District, he was a deputy sheriff with San Bernardino County where he received his initial law enforcement training.



President Harrison addresses the lunch crowd; Dean Hedge; Instructor Yau; Officer Plasencia

## CHC Students “Glitter”!

More than 200 people attended the ASCHC Annual Event “Operation Glitter: A Drag Queen Performance” at the Finkelstein Performing Arts Center on Saturday, January 29. The event was co-hosted by PRIDE, the Gay-Straight Alliance. The high energy show featured professional drag queens who were former contestants on the hit LOGO reality television show “Ru Paul’s Drag Race” and who delighted the audience with their performances.

Venus D-Lite served as the witty Mistress of Ceremonies for the evening and kept the crowd in stitches as she introduced performances by her fellow queens. Chad Michael blew everyone away with his opening homage to Cher and “Burlesque”. His jaw-dropping performance was followed by Sonique’s spot-on impersonation of Shakira’s hip-shakin’ “Objection”. Her genuinely feminine appearance coupled with her ability to do a series of gymnastics moves in 5 inch stiletto heels drew gasps, cheers and a clear understanding from the viewers that what they were about to experience was no ordinary drag show. Morgan McMichaels wowed the crowd with her lively Pink and Luciana routines. Eddie D-Lite’s personifications of Janet Jackson, Michael Jackson, and LMFAO were unbelievable. Venus D-Lite’s impressions of Madonna and Gloria Gaynor were incredibly accurate. The show was so well-received that it garnered a raucous standing ovation and raised \$500 for the Foothill AIDS Project.



## Upcoming Events & Important Dates

- Financial Aid Fridays: Every Friday in February students can get One on One Help with the FAFSA Application at 11 a.m., Noon, and 1 p.m. No RSVP required.
- Feb. 21, President Washington’s Birthday Holiday: Campus Closed
- Feb. 23, Forum: Understanding the Transgendered, Noon to 1 p.m., LRC Auditorium. Speaker Georgia Lee McGowen on her new book, “Dear Mom and Dad, You Don’t Know Me But...”
- Feb. 25, ArtsDay, see page 5
- Mar. 3– 18, Fine Arts Exhibition, see page 6
- Mar. 21–26, Spring Break: Campus Closed
- Mar. 30, Child Development Center Family Day, see page 5
- Mar. 31–Apr. 3, Così Fan Tutti, Finkelstein PAC. Opera is produced in conjunction with University of Redlands
- Apr. 9, Crafton Hills College Foundation Annual Gala: Dancing to the Jailhouse Rock: Spend the Evening with Elvis. Contact Cheryl Bardowell for more information at [cbardowell@craftonhills.edu](mailto:cbardowell@craftonhills.edu)
- Apr. 15–16, Dance Show, 8 p.m., Finkelstein PAC
- Apr. 21, Fire Academy Graduation, 6 p.m., Finkelstein PAC

## Spring Family Day at CHC CDC

The Crafton Hills College Child Development Center will host the Spring Family Day on Wednesday, March 30 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. They will offer a range of activities for the families, including art and face painting, and lunch will be served. There is no cost to attend, and no age limit on the children who can participate—there is something for every age! The CHC Child Development students and the CHC Child Development and Education Club members provide lots of assistance for the event. For more information, contact Cammy Purper, Director, at 909.389.3401 or by email [cpurper@sbccd.cc.ca.us](mailto:cpurper@sbccd.cc.ca.us).



## ArtsDay Brings High School Students to CHC

Now in its fourth year, ArtsDay (February 25) is a joint effort by faculty, staff and students to both recruit new students and celebrate student, faculty and community arts in a campus-wide event. ArtsDay has four objectives: to offer prospective students from area high schools the opportunity to meaningfully connect to CHC through a targeted arts experience; to familiarize prospective students with the support services available for enrolling students with financial, academic or other needs; to provide a highly visible culminating event for arts students and faculty; and to aid in recruitment efforts by creating stronger relationships with area high school arts teachers.

Featuring performances, participatory workshops, exhibitions as well as college-sponsored booths for enrollment, student support and a new arts-focused small learning community, ArtsDay offers prospective students a taste of the arts at CHC. Interested students can enroll at the event and/or be tracked by recruiters for follow-up contact.



## Gallery Show Opens March 3

**CHC**  
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**CRAFTON HILLS COLLEGE FINE ARTS EXHIBITION**  
OPENING RECEPTION THURSDAY MARCH 3 FROM 4:30PM-7:00PM  
GALLERY HOURS MONDAY THRU THURSDAY 11AM TO 3PM FRIDAYS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

CRAFTON HILLS COLLEGE ART GALLERY IS LOCATED  
IN THE NEW LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER LRC

Featuring artwork by  
Michael L. Bedoya . Tom Bryant . David DiMichele  
Claudette Champbrum Goux . Hadley Holliday  
Jessica McCambly . Mark Dennis McConnell  
Laurence McNamara . Kevin Palkki . Snezana Petrovic  
Sean Regalado GORE-illa . Marc Wurmbrand

EXHIBITION CLOSING MARCH 18

## College Hosts Event to Honor Student

More than 200 community members, faculty and students came out on January 30 to participate in a 5K Run/Walk to raise money for the child of a CHC Fire Academy graduate and student of the Paramedic program, Victor "Buddy" Hrabal, who passed away unexpectedly. The event, which featured a Flag Detail Salute from Mr. Hrabal's Fire Academy 70 members, raised more than \$5,500 to help his four year old daughter Aubree. All proceeds from this event and any future donations go into a trust on her behalf. Send donations to CHC Fire Technology Department OE2, c/o Instructor Colleen Estrada, made out to Aubree Hrabal, or contact Chase Bank.



CHC Graduate Victor "Buddy" Hrabal

## Students Can Now Rent Textbooks!



Crafton and SBVC students can now rent more than 85% of their textbooks, offering them an opportunity to save a substantial amount of money. The two college bookstores have launched a partnership with Chegg to provide the convenient, easy and affordable rental option.

Both bookstores have rental kiosks powered for ease and accessibility, and students can use the Chegg site for each school from off-campus access. Each time a student rents a book, the company plants a tree through its partnership with American Forests' Global ReLeaf Program.