

# President's Board Report February 9, 2012

## **President Harrison Announces Retirement!**

Crafton Hills College President Gloria Macías Harrison announced her retirement, effective at the end of the spring 2012 semester, at the January College In-service Day, saying, "I want to thank all the faculty, staff and administrators with whom I have served for their support and friendship. I am indeed fortunate to have been a part of the Crafton Hills community for the past 18 years." President Harrison has served as president since 2000, and unique to college leadership around the state, has spent her whole professional career in the San Bernardino Community College District.

An alumna of San Bernardino Valley College, and having earned her Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees from the University of California at Riverside, President Harrison began her career in academia as a professor of Spanish, spending 24 years in the classroom before she moved into educational administration. She served as the Dean of Humanities at San Bernardino Valley College, then Vice President of Instruction at Crafton Hills College, prior to her appointment as President.

Chancellor Bruce Baron said, "Over the past twelve years, Gloria has brought to the office of the presidency a willingness to work on tough issues, a dedication to her students and staff, and a commitment to enhancing the quality of life in this community. In her role as educator or as an administrator at Valley College or at Crafton Hills, she always put students first, which represents the heart of the community college."

President of the Board Carleton W. Lockwood, Jr., noted "On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I wish President Harrison the very best, personally and professionally. She led her college through some very challenging times, and the campus, faculty and staff are all the stronger for those experiences. I know that she will continue to be a moving force in the community, as she is one of the most dedicated volunteers I know."

A similar note was voiced by the President of the Crafton Hills College Foundation, Don Nydam, who said, "President Harrison has been an outstanding president and, as she retires, she leaves behind a beautifully renewed and rebuilt campus staffed by the best people and attended by great students. She has actively supported the Foundation by establishing a department of resource development and framing a strategic plan, exemplifying a new focus on fundraising and encouraging increasing donations, all going to support our students. We will miss her leadership."

President Harrison was a governor's appointee to the California Commission on the Status of Women and served on the California Council for the Humanities and numerous state committees on education. Locally she is a member and past chair of The Community Foundation of Riverside and San Bernardino counties, a member of the Kiwanis Clubs of Yucaipa and of Greater San Bernardino, a member of the San Bernardino Symphony Association and Guild, a board member of Planned Parenthood for Orange and San Bernardino counties, and secretary of the Crafton Hills College Foundation. She also belongs to many professional organizations, including the American Association of University Women, the Hispanic Council of the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges, and the Association of California Community College Administrators. She is the recipient of numerous awards.

President Harrison is also the founder/owner publisher of the El Chicano Community Newspaper, and co-owner/co-publisher of the Colton Courier, Rialto Record, Inland Empire Weekly and Sun Newspaper Group.

## **New Signs Grace Both Campus Entrances**





The electronic marquee greets students, staff and visitors coming up Sand Canyon Road from the intersection at Yucaipa Boulevard, while the traditional monument replaces the old one at the campus entrance from Redlands. The monument lights the way beautifully at night for those coming to campus for evening classes and events.

## **Transfer Center Opens!**

Transfer Center Coordinator Mariana Moreno hosted the opening ceremony of the Transfer Center and Honors Lounge on February 1. Located above the cafeteria in SCC-200 and SCC-201., the Center and Honors Lounge have a lovely porch with mountain views and lots of sunshine. The Center officially opened for students on January 17. The opening activities included comments from President Harrison, Coordinator Moreno, Honors Lounge Coordinator Jennifer Floerke and the introduction of representatives from local universities. Light refreshments were served.



Left to right: President Harrison flanked by Student Senate officers, Honors Lounge Coordinator Jennifer Floerke and Mariana Moreno shown with a student.

# CLUB RUSH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2012 CAMPUS OUAD IN-N-OUT BURGERS SERVED FROM 12-00PM - 1-30PM RESTORS (500) 389-3410

As part of the Valentines Club Rush event hosted by the Student Senate, and as the February 40th Anniversary Event, the Anniversary Committee will have a "Falling in Love at CHC" table, complete with photo booth, heart-shaped cookies and cut-outs for those who want to pose for their own photos! Couples can tell their stories, and the best story wins a pair of tickets to the March 31 CHC

Foundation Gala, set in the Emerald City.

To buy Gala tickets, donate for the opportunity drawings, or place an ad in the tribute book, contact Betty Jo Wood at 909.389.3245.



### Save the Date

Saturday, March 31, 2012 Crafton Hills College Foundation Annual Gala Dinner & Auction

40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration 1972 ~ 2012

## "Join us in the Emerald City"

National Orange Show Events Center Renaissance Ballroom 6:00 P.M.—10:00 P.M.

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## **Professor Serves Community**



Professor of Computer Information Systems Denise Allen-Hoyt also serves as a member of the Yucaipa City Council. In that capacity, she installed the new officers and members of the Board of Directors of the Yucaipa Chamber of Commerce at a lovely banquet on January 13 held at the Morongo Golf Club at Tukwet Canyon.

# **Upcoming Events & Important Dates**

- Feb. 2-16, Snezana & Ming, CHC Art Gallery, Closing reception, Feb. 16, 4:30-7:30 pm
- Feb. 15, Club Rush & Celebrate Valentine's Day at CHC-sponsored by Student Senate
- Feb. 17 & 20, Campus Closed, President's Day Holidays
- Feb. 23 Mar. 22, Dolores Becker Trost: The White Lady, CHC Art Gallery, Opening reception Feb. 23, 4:30 pm 7:30 pm
- Feb. 24, ArtsDay
- Mar. 9, High School Senior Day
- Mar. 19-24, Spring Break, Classes Not in Session
- Mar. 31, Foundation Gala
- Apr. 3. Flex Day. Classes Not In Session
- Apr. 5-7, Orfeo Ed Euridice, joint Opera performance with UR, PAC, \$20 general, \$10 students
- Apr. 5-26, Raul Acero, CHC Art Gallery, Opening reception, Apr. 5, 4:30 pm 7:30 pm
- April 12, Music Program Recital, 8 pm, PAC, \$5
- April 17, Composers Recital, Noon, PAC 308, \$5
- April 19, Electronic Music Recital, 3 pm, PAC 308, \$5
- May 4, Student Recognition Dinner, 6 pm
- May 4-5, RENT, PAC Theatre, \$10 general, \$7 CHC students
- May 8, Choir Concert, 7 pm, PAC Theatre, \$7
- May 10, Jazz Concert, 8 pm, PAC Theatre, \$5
- May 11, EOPS Recognition Event, 6 pm
- May 17-24, Student Art Exhibition, CHC Art Gallery, Opening Reception, May 17, 4:30 pm-7:30 pm
- May 18, Scholars Convocation, 6 pm
- May 25, Commencement, 6 pm