

President's Board Report

July 12, 2012

Message from the President

Each spring at Crafton Hills College we are visited by beautiful swallows who build their nests and raise their young before leaving. The return of the swallows each year is a reminder to us that one year is ending and a fresh start is around the corner. Summer is typically a busy time for the campus and despite not having classes, the summer of 2012 is no exception. Graduations continue to mark the transition for students from one phase of learning to another. Much preparatory work is underway for the new academic year. New students are participating in assessment, orientation, and counseling. The Left Lane Project is in its early stages. Managers and staff are catching up on last year's unfinished projects and making plans for a new phase in the College's history. I am honored and excited to be Interim President at Crafton and look forward to dealing with the challenges that will come our way. The campus community is poised for new beginnings and I have full confidence in our ability to respond.



Radiologic Technology Graduation

On June 7, twelve Crafton Hills College students were honored as they graduated from the School of Radiologic Technology located at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center. The College has partnered with the Medical Center for a number of years to provide the only program in the area with a community college affiliation. Over 80 applications are received each year for the dozen openings, so students must be highly competitive to enter the program.

A unique aspect of the program is the extensive amount of clinical experience that students receive. Students spend about 40 hours each week in the program, which includes three days of clinical experience and two days of classes.

Three of the graduates, Jamey McFarland, of Yucaipa; Pamela Kristi Archer, of Yucaipa; and Trinity McCallum, of Banning, also took and passed their American Registry of Radiologic Technologists board exams this week, and they each earned an Outstanding Academic Award reflecting their 4.0 g.p.a. Additional graduates are Edward Melendez, Jr., Alexis Rose Tagorda Ritumban, Katie Nichole Ellis, Robert Aguila III, Brian Rosete, Jamaal Jordan, Phong Nguyen, Mike Scott, and David Ramirez.

Paramedic Graduation

The 77th Paramedic class celebrated completion of the program in a ceremony on June 28th with family and friends cheering them on. Program Director, Dan Word, told the audience to treat the event like a pep rally to mark a significant mile post in the students' progress. The graduates heard a moving talk from Mark Hartwig, Chief of San Bernardino County Fire, reminding them of the life of service they have chosen. Brian Hunter spoke on behalf of the students and humorously described the challenges he faced in providing compassionate care to a family in need. The evening was enjoyed by all and served as a great celebration of the graduates' accomplishments.



Front row: Brian Hunter (Fontana), Caleb Pohren (Beaumont), Adam Landis (Menifee), Caryn Walter (Nuevo), Ray Crespo (Montclair). Middle row: Thomas Dennehy (San Bernardino), Justin Barreras (Riverside), Justin Morris (Upland), Karl Schmidt (Idyllwild). Back row: Jim Crane (Crestline), Greg Williams (Dana Point), Brian Patrick Potter (Corona)

Left Lane Project Begins

The Left Lane Project takes a novel approach to creating opportunities for new Crafton Hills College students to succeed. By tying together existing, already successful programs and by using enrollment priorities as an incentive to participate as well as a tool to ensure that students can access needed developmental classes in their first semester, the LLP creates a clear pathway to college success. Our goal with the LLP is increase student success and to have students achieve their goal much faster.

The LLP creates strong connections between SOA³R, our high school outreach and orientation program, Summer Bridge, and our



Karen Peterson registers students for the Summer Bridge Program.

Learning Communities initiative and shows students the steps they need to take to succeed at Crafton. The reaction from students has been very enthusiastic. To date, we have received over 500 applications for the program and over half of these students have already participated in our “First Steps” meeting in which students were oriented to the program. Over the course of the next two weeks, LLP students will participate in the Kick-Off event where they will work with counselors to register for their fall class including all of their developmental math and English classes. After enrolling in classes, all LLP students will participate in the Summer Bridge program during the last two weeks of July to help ensure they prepared for their first day in college. While the pilot program will only be able to accommodate 300 students, we anticipate that the program will expand in accordance with its success.



LLP students getting to know each other.

Classified Professionals Week

The 3rd Annual Classified Professionals Week hosted by Crafton Hills College Classified Senate June 11-14, 2012 was a rousing success. With funds generously donated by EduStream, a dozen personal and professional development activities provided education and recognition for Classified Staff. This year’s program fostered a culture of teamwork and provided unique opportunities for staff interaction, with workshops such as “Personal Goal-Setting” and “Getting Organized” attracting 23 participants each. In addition, over sixty employees from across campus now have an increased awareness of key issues that shape the college as highlighted in the “Q&A Panel Discussion”, “Our Changing Campus”, and “Crafton Budget-101”. A catered luncheon on Thursday celebrated the dedication and hard-work of our exceptional classified employees with a raffle of donated prizes including gift cards, gift baskets, and a one-year staff parking permit.



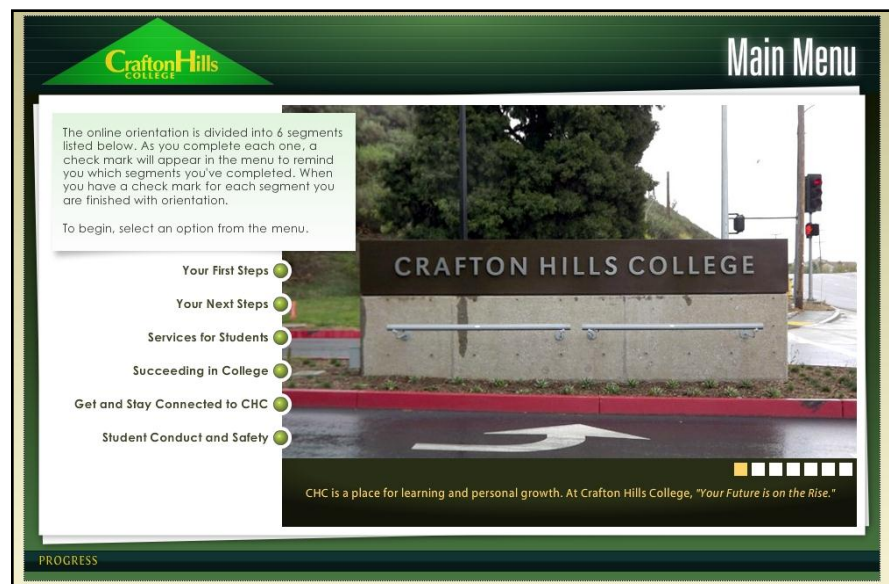
The 2012 Classified Professionals Week Planning Committee: Jonathan Townsend, Elizabeth Mealey, Stacey Fullwiler, Karen Peterson, Michelle Riggs, and Ginger Sutphin (not pictured).

Debit Card Program Goes Live

Crafton Hills College has implemented Sallie Mae debit cards for financial aid students. During the first week of classes, students will be able to access their financial aid funds via debit cards. Use of debit cards saves time and money for the District and the College by eliminating check processing, printing, and postage. Students also save money by avoiding check cashing charges and have a convenient method for paying for books and supplies.

CHC's New Online Orientation Goes Live!

To strengthen support for entering students, CHC has implemented a new custom-designed, online student orientation. The online orientation will significantly reduce the need to perform face-to-face orientations, allowing staff to attend to the students who most need individual attention, and ensuring that all new CHC students begin their academic careers at CHC with the information they need to succeed.



The new orientation is informative, interactive, and engaging. It features text, audio, still photography, graphics, animation, and at least 25 video vignettes shot on campus using CHC students as narrators. Participants in the online orientation will encounter fellow students who take them on a tour of Crafton Hills featuring photographs and video footage of the campus.

The project was funded through the Title V transfer grant and Basic Skills Initiative funds. The orientation was scripted and designed by Cynosure with the close involvement of a broadly representative group of CHC staff, faculty, and managers. The project was led by Kirsten Colvey, Dean of Counseling and Matriculation. Members of the work group included Larry Aycok, Frances Southerland, Rick Hogrefe, Raju Hegde, June Yamamoto, Ericka Paddock, Tina Gimple, Fermin Ramirez, John Muskavitch, Judi Harrington, Ben Mudgett, Mariana Moreno, Debbie Bogh, Milly Douthit, Damaris Matthews, Judy Giacona, Steven Rush, Gloriann Chavez, Mike Strong, Daniel Bahner, Rebeccah Warren-Marlatt, Robert McAtee, Rebecca Orta, and Pierre Galvez.

Welcome to Crafton Hills College. Before you get started with the orientation, here are a few things you should know:

- There are six segments in this orientation. Each segment will provide you with a lot of important information, so pay attention.
- Your progress through the orientation will be monitored. You must complete each segment in order to finish the orientation.
- To make sure you are viewing all of the material, there are quiz questions embedded in each segment. Be sure to answer these questions. If you don't answer them, or can't answer them correctly, you will have to repeat the segment.
- The orientation should only take about an hour to complete. If you can't finish it in one sitting, don't worry, your progress is saved and you can return to finish it later.
- If you are a first-time college student, you must complete the orientation in

