President's Board Report March 12, 2015

President's Message



Dr. Cheryl Marshall

Spring semester always seems to speed by. Before we know it, our students will be walking across the quad for their graduation ceremony.

We look forward to seeing you at some of our upcoming events, including our Classified Appreciation Luncheon on April 8.

Best Regards,

Cheryl

Free Tax Form Preparation



The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, sponsored by the Accounting program at Crafton Hills College and the IRS provides free tax preparation services to individuals and families earning less than \$53,000 a year who need assistance in preparing their own returns. VITA volunteers are CHC students who have completed a rigorous IRS-sponsored training and are certified by the IRS to provide basic income tax assistance.

The VITA site will be open Saturday mornings, 9 a.m. to Noon in the Lab-Administration (LADM) Building, Room 217 beginning February 14 through April 11. (The site will be closed on March 21 for the college spring break holiday). No appointment is necessary. By appointment service will be available on select Thursday evenings, 6-8 p.m. in LADM-217. Appointments will be taken on the following dates: February 19, March 5 and April 9.



CHC Accreditation Update

Deficiencies	Progress/Next Steps
Complete the implementation and regularly assess and review SLOs Demonstrate the use of assessment results to make improvements to courses and programs Demonstrate the use of student learning assessment results in college-wide planning Demonstrate that resource decisions are based on student learning assessment results Develop and implement a process to ensure that SLOs are on all course syllabi	 Progress We are up to 90% for Courses and 84% for programs (See Table Below) The SLO Cloud Tool is in use and positive feedback has been received We have a tentative plan for discussion of ILOs and GEOs on our April 1 Flex Day Next Steps Participate in the April 1 Flex Day activities We continue to discuss ideas about the broad dialogue, planning, and resource allocation that must be conducted and documented and have tentative plans for Fall In Service Day VPs, Deans, and Chairs need to ensure that SLOs are on syllabi
College Recommendation 2 ■ Update the Distance Education plan □ Include student support, library, and learning support services	 Progress The Academic Senate approved the resolution for the DE Coordinator and discussions are scheduled with CTA Funding is available for a .5 DE Faculty Coordinator Next Steps Gain agreement from CTA Conduct open search on campus Begin development of the plan
College Recommendation 3 Establish a policy to address when programs are eliminated or significantly changed and ensure the process does not negatively impact students	Progress Crafton Council approved the Program Viability Process Next Steps The policy will now be used for implementation of new programs and elimination of programs that are no longer viable
Publish the College Catalog in a timely manner and with a high level of accuracy	Progress • Staffing changes have been made • The digital catalog project is underway • Clean up of errors is underway Next Steps

Accreditation Update, continued

Areas to Improve College Recommendation 5 Progress Gain Board approval of the mission The new Mission, Vision, and Values were Board Approved on October 9, 2014 statement before use and publication College Recommendation 6 **Progress** Complete performance evaluations in a Outstanding evaluations have been completed timely manner across all employee groups **Next Steps** Work with HR to develop accurate lists and due Classified Evaluations for some employees are due in April

Student Learning Outcomes (SLO) Progress

Year	Course Outcomes		es P	Program Outcomes		es	Learning & Support			ILOs	
2013-14	227	71.6%		30	68.2%		10	100%		6	100%
Fall 2014	278	86.1%		32	72.7%		16	100%		6	100%
Spring 2015,											
January	291	89.8%		37	84.1%		16	100%		6	100%
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Until Tuesday

New York Times best-selling author Luis Carlos Montalvan and his tail-wagging, best-friend and service dog "Tuesday" are coming to Crafton to share their story and their advocacy with the community.

Wednesday, April 1 5-7 p.m. Performing Arts Center

Families are welcome!

STEM Pathways Lead to STEM Career Interest & Higher Success Rates Among Hispanic Students

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Over 2,000 students in elementary, middle and high school were exposed to STEM careers at Crafton Hills College (CHC) last year, thanks to the Dept. of Education grant the college secured three years ago.

Activities like SciFri, NASCAR Math and Science Day, The Science Experience, and Promise Scholars, gave students of all ages an opportunity to learn more about science, math, computer science, fire science, and biology. The goal of these activities is to increase the number of Hispanic students pursuing a STEM degree or certificate, and increasing the number who transfer to a four-year institution.

Obviously, many of the activities won't pay off for a number of years as they were focused on students not yet of college-going age. But SciFri, which this year brought 200 students from nine high schools to Crafton Hills for the day, has resulted in 15% of them enrolling in STEM courses at CHC the next year.

SciFri begins with a keynote speaker. Last year it was Dr. Stuart Sumida, professor at CSUSB and animal anatomy consultant for animated films, including Lion King and How to Train Your Dragon. This year's keynote speaker was Dr. Laura Newcombe, also from CSUSB, who is researching influenza Nucleoprotein (NP). After the keynote presentation, students rotate between a series of three experiential workshops. This year, these workshops focused on chemistry, microbiology and computer science.

Once students enroll at CHC, there are a number of activities in the grant to help them be successful. STEMTrek offers academic, social and co-curricular opportunities designed to support successful transfer into four-year programs, and STEMAcademy is designed for students beginning their studies. There are one-on-one tutoring

services for students in advanced physics and math courses. And there is a supplemental instruction (SI) program for students in chemistry, physics, geology, microbiology, and math. This program, in particular, has been especially successful for Hispanic students, showing a 20% increase in course completion for those students who participate. Overall, the grant activities have led to a 34% increase over the last four years in the number of Hispanic students graduating with an associate's degree or certificate.

Targeting younger students, CHC developed a number of outreach events, including a summer camp. STEM Explorer Camp was held last July with 19 students from local high schools. They studied igneous, metamorphic, and sedimentary rocks in the lab and while hiking the Crafton Hills. They worked in groups to construct an apparatus that would hold an egg that could sustain a 30-foot drop, built wind turbines to generate energy, and concluded the camp by constructing a boat made of cardboard and tape that could hold a person. Teams then paddled their boats across the CHC pool to determine who's was the fastest and most reliable design. The week ended with a family dinner to recognize the students work and dedication to STEM fields. Approximately 55 students and family members attended the closing ceremony.

CHC also has a unique partnership with Ontario-Montclair USD, called Promise Scholars. Throughout the year, approximately 700 students from six schools visit CHC, participating in hands-on activities in a variety of STEM programs.

Kudos go out to Rick Hogrefe, Project Director, Ernesto Rivera and Patricia Menchaca, who work with the STEM team to offer these amazing opportunities for students interested in STEM careers.

SciFri--February 27, 2015



Elect Her Workshop: CHC and University of Redlands Women Win

Thanks to the generosity of the American Association of University Women and Running Start, 50 Crafton Hills College and University of Redlands female students attended a one-day workshop on Friday, February 20 to encourage and train them to run for student government and future political office.

The Elect Her workshop is designed to address the need to increase the number of women running for office and to diminish the longstanding gender gap in political leadership. The agenda included step by step exercises on building a campaign team, and running for student office.

During lunch, Supervisor Janice Rutherford shared her story on being elected to city council at the age of 32 and working her way to county supervisor.

CHC student Esmeralda Vasquez and alumnae Kaylee Hrisoulas offered their advice on taking the leap into politics, "Be loud, be proud, be fearless."

Dr. Marshall was the wrap-up speaker, giving advice on networking. "You never know when someone you meet while networking will turn into a job lead, or a lifetime friend," she concluded.











Kudos!

Dr. Rebeccah Warren-Marlatt, was elected to represent Region IX on the Advisory Committee for the Chancellor's Office Institutional Effectiveness Technical Assistance Program (IETAP).

Ericka Paddock, was selected as a Latina of Influence by Hispanic Lifestyle. She will be recognized at the Latina Conference on April 2 in Ontario.

T.L. Brink and Dr. Diane Pfahler were selected to present poster sessions at the Western Psychological Association national conference in Las Vegas in May. Five of Brink's students and eleven of Pfahler's students will also present posters, some as co-presenters with their instructors.

The 17 Radiologic Technology students participated in the National Student Academic Challenge sponsored by the Association of Collegiate Educators in Radiologic Technology (ACERT), in Las Vegas, Feb. 4-6, 2015. There were over 560 participants from colleges and universities throughout the USA. One third of CHC's student body were among the 30 finalists. Ray Ulloa, Senior Rad. Tech. student received the 3rd Place Award. They attended with Morris Hunter, Program Director.

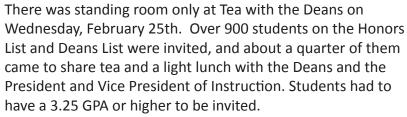


The Child Development Center received a \$2,000 grant from Target Community Grants for a Family Lending Library. Deborah Wasbatton, Director, secured the grant and media coverage. In the photo above are the kids with their books and a large thank you note the children wrote to Target.



Tea with the Deans









Mark Your Calendar!

GRAD Fair, 9 a.m2 p.m. @ Cafeteria Quad
CHC Gala, Students Rock! Tour, 6 p.m. @ National
Orange Show
FLEX DAYno classes
Classified Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. @ LRC-226
Fire Academy Golf Tournament @ Calimesa Country
Club (Contact Jesus Ramos, 260-8705)
COACH Cupboard Ribbon Cutting
Student Recognition Dinner, 6 p.m. @ Cafeteria
Scholars Convocation (6 p.m.) & Donor Reception
2015 Commencement, 6 p.m. @ Quad





RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY:

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15 NOON - 1 PM AT THE OLD GYMNASIUM

PLEASE BRING NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS
TO HELP FILL THE CUPBOARD

If you can't bring items, monetary donations appreciated. Please donate online at www.craftonhills.edu/foundation or make checks payable to the CHC Foundation. Call Michelle Rioos at 909.389.3391 for more information.