## President's Board Report January 14, 2016

#### President's Message



Dr. Cheryl Marshall

In December we enjoyed celebrating our graduates in the paramedics, EMT, and Respiratory Care programs. It is heartwarming to see the dedication of students who chose career paths where service to others is the norm. We applaud these students and the faculty who guided and educated them.

During the Spring semester, we will continue to strive for growth in order to meet our FTE target. Classes at the three Redlands high schools will begin January 25 and we are excited about the expansion of our partnership. We will also be working with Cal Fire to provide classes for their employees, returning to a service we have not been able to provide in over five years. Another potential new program involves reaching out to students who need a handful of classes to graduate and working with them to complete their programs.

I hope you had a restful break with happy holidays.

## Crafton Participates in Yucaipa Christmas Parade

For the first time, Crafton was represented in the Yucaipa Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 12.

Dr. Marshall and Student Senate members sat on the float and gave out candy while the Obsidian Dance Club performed in the street behind them.



The crowd loved the candy and the music!



# SOAR Saturday Event Helps Students Register



SOAR is the new Student Orientation, Application, Assessment, Advising and Registration process required of all new students. Crafton had a SOAR Saturday event on Saturday, December 5, 2015, where 35 students were assisted in completing the matriculation process to start at Crafton in the spring.



#### Canyon Hall Preview Party

VIPs, including President Circle members, Foundation board members, and architects, got the first glimpse of Canyon Hall on Thursday, December 3. Canyon Hall will house the sciences classrooms, lecture halls, and labs, and has a separate wing for faculty offices. It will open for spring 2016.



# CHC Graduates 84th Class of Paramedics

Crafton graduated its 84th Paramedic Class on Friday, December 11 at 6 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. The 18 graduates completed the 10 month program, attending classes Monday - Thursday, and finishing 600 hours of field work.







# Respiratory Therapy Students Celebrate Completion

Seventeen respiratory therapy students completed their associate degrees in respiratory care and graduated on Thursday, December 17. The 18-month program is quite rigorous, with only a little more than 50% of students completing it.

The Class of 2015 was comprised of students from throughout the Inland Empire, including Yucaipa, San Bernardino, Highland, Moreno Valley and Running Springs.











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Emergency Medical Technicians Graduate



There are more than 50 new emergency medical technicians who can perform basic life support in the prehospital setting because of Crafton. Many will take the next step of becoming a paramedic, mobile intensive nurse, or firefighter. The EMT Class of 2015 graduated on Friday, December 18--just in time to really enjoy the holidays.



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### Crafton to Offer Courses @Redlands Unified

Beginning in late January, Crafton will offer dual enrollment classes for Redlands Unified School District. These college-level classes will provide transfer-ready credits to students who wish to begin their college or career path early. Students will also receive high school elective credit.

Working closely with the director of curriculum and instruction for RUSD, we are offering seven classes: Modern Dance I, Music Theory I, American Sign Language, College Arabic I, Anatomy & Physiology, Introduction to



Engineering and Fire Technology 101. The classes are spread throughout Citrus Valley, Redlands East Valley, and Redlands High School.

This partnership will increase the college-going rate in our District and bring additional FTES to the College.



We are teeing off an athletics program next fall with a women's golf team.

Running under the auspices of San Bernardino Valley College Athletics, Crafton will begin its new athletics program with women's golf in fall 2016, then add men and women's swimming in 2017. Teams would compete in the Pacific Coast Athletic Conference.

"Bringing Athletics to Crafton Hills College is another step in our growth," says Dr. Cheryl Marshall, president. "It will draw students who want to continue their competitive sports or begin competing at the college level. And, it will take advantage of our world-class Aquatics Center," she says.

The college plans to offer men and women's tennis in spring 2018; then add men's and women's water polo in fall 2018 and men's golf in spring 2019.

Board of Trustees President John Longville also supports the expansion of Crafton Hills Colleges' offerings, noting that "Student athletes are usually among the most successful students at a college. This more completely identifies Crafton Hills College as a "comprehensive" college and returns it to its roots." Crafton Hills offered golf and skiing when it opened its doors in 1972.

"I'm excited about launching this program," says Ralph Rabago, professor of kinesiology and health. Rabago will coach the women's golf team next fall and has been instrumental in planning the implementation of the Athletics program. "Athletics has been a missing component of the educational experience at Crafton," he says. "And now that will change."

"Students can enroll at one or the other college and compete in any team sport," says Dave Rubio, SBVC Athletics Director. "The new programs being offered at Crafton will help round out the competitive sports at San Bernardino Valley College." SBVC has football, men and women's basketball, men and women's soccer, men and women's cross country and track and field, baseball, softball, and women's volleyball.

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# Collaborate! Celebrate! Diversity Festival

The art and music department collaborated on a festival focusing on diversity on Thursday, Dec. 10. The festival featured art by several classes (Art 120 Design , Art 132/232 Life Drawing, CHC Art Appreciation 103 -3 sections and Valley College Art Appreciation 103), live music by professors & music students from different ethnic backgrounds. Ana Gonzalez Jorgensen, CHC alumnae, had a short concert of traditional Mexican music and Dr. Gary Williams performed traditional Japanese music from Okinawa. Clubs participated as well, including the Obsidian Dance Club, Manga and Get Illustrated.

The festival also featured a screening of *White Like Me*, followed by a lively panel discussion moderated by former professor Judith Ashton. Panelists were Dr. Ericka Paddock, Aaron Burgess, Jan Harvey and Robert Brown.



# Holiday Celebrations

Crafton hosted its annual Holiday Party on December 9th, EOPS spread Christmas cheer to their students' families on December 18th, and Classified Senate sponsored a holiday decorating contest on December 22. It was a festive way to end the year!



#### Mark Your Calendar!

Fri., Jan. 15	In Service Day
Mon., Jan. 18	Campus closed for MLK Day
Tues., Jan. 19	Spring semester begins
Mon., Jan. 25	Open Forum on Accreditation, Noon-1 p.m. @ LRC-226
February 12-15	Campus Closed for Presidents' Holiday

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