

CRAFTON HILLS COLLEGE PRESIDENT'S BOARD REPORT

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Dr. Wei Zhou

Three Peaks Challenge Teams Up with Family Services



Crafton students, faculty and staff joined together for a Three Peaks Challenge on Saturday, November 18. The challenge was helping Family Services Association in Redlands for its annual food drive. Almost 30,000 pounds of food was donated and the CHC team helped unpack and sort the food, which will be distributed to needy families over the holidays.

Our Three Peaks Challenge events are organized to challenge students in some capacity and remind the entire campus community that students are more likely to succeed when they summit the three peaks: Engage, Learn and Advance.

Girl Scouts Introduced to Allied Health Careers



The third annual Medical and Allied Health Career Day was held on Friday, Nov. 17, with about 200 Girl Scouts from across the Inland Empire attending.

The students were split into groups and cycled through several stations, including nursing and psychiatric care, ground and air emergency transport, fire and hazardous materials, radiologic technology and respiratory care. They spent 30 minutes at each station and had a chance to speak with professionals in each field.

“They learn about the particular discipline, educational requirements and job opportunities once those educational requirements have been met,” said Ann Sandez of the San Manuel Fire Department, a part-time faculty member at Crafton and coordinator of the event. “Each station has a small hands-on demonstration to keep the scouts engaged and allow them to have fun.”

Participating agencies include the San Bernardino County Fire Department, American Medical Response, Mercy Air, Dignity Health, San Manuel Fire Department and Crafton Hills College public safety and allied health programs.

Tom Bryant's Work Leads to 2nd Award

Theater Arts Professor Tom Bryant has once again served as dramaturge for an award-winning drama — this time, Lisa Loomer's *Roe*.

As a dramaturge, Bryant researches and develops plays. He was dramaturge for Robert Schenkkan's 2014 drama *All the Way*, about the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which won the Tony Award for best play and went on to become an HBO movie. *Roe* was recently bestowed a Pen Award, which honors literary works that spotlight human rights and freedom.

"The awards honor contributions to the cause of human rights," Bryant said. "In this case, one might see the issue as reproductive rights, but also as the moral dilemma posed by the legal issues. Lisa sought to illuminate the issue posed by the Roe v. Wade case not in a partisan sense, but in the sense of the cultural divide the issue has created. To have her work recognized as illuminating this complex issue and hopefully shedding further light on it goes to the heart of the effect theater can have on society."

Roe was a commission by The Oregon Shakespeare Festival's American History Project, and Bryant, who also leads the CHC theater department, joined on as dramaturge while Loomer was in the early stages of writing. Bryant was there for readings, workshops, and re-writes before the play opened in March 2016, and found the Oregon Shakespeare Festival to be an "extremely welcoming environment" and a great venue to premiere such an important work.

"The sense of helping Lisa highlight the issue of the momentous Roe decision and the cultural divide in American society at this particular moment in history was a privilege," Bryant said.

Bryant said he's often asked what a dramaturge does, and people are surprised when they find that plays aren't just written and produced.

"The process is usually much more complicated," he said. "Particularly with the adaptation of history, there is an immense amount of research, but more importantly, the process involves combing history for specific events and character moments that can be dramatized. The process also involves the honing of dramatic effect by hearing actors read the play and then making revisions based on the notes from readings. Like education, the art of play creation is a very collaborative process between the playwright, the director, the actors, and the dramaturge to shape the drama to its most focused meaning and to its most intense dramatic effect."



Native American Culture Celebrated

From basketry to music, Native American cultures were in the spotlight during the annual California's First Cultures: A Celebration at Crafton Hills (Waa't) on Thursday and Friday, November 16-17. The event is held in recognition of National Native American Heritage Month.

The celebration brings together Redlands and Yucaipa elementary school students and Native American instructors with the San Manuel Education Department to teach the Indian culture of Southern California. Students take part in hands-on lessons covering aspects of Native American culture including basketry, pottery, music and lessons in the Serrano Indian language and history of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians.



Where have we been? Everywhere!

Crafton employees are representing the College on campus and in the community in a variety of ways. This is a synopsis of some of our activities for the past month.

- College of the Desert visited Crafton Center to learn the centralized and one-stop model for student services, 10/25
- *Hello Major/Hello Career* Fair with various employers, 10/25
- UCRX Extension College Fair, 10/25
- Senator Mike Morrell visited CHC to discuss the East Valley Regional Training Center, 10/26
- Cabinet-to-Cabinet meeting with Yucaipa-Calimesa USD, 11/2
- Good Morning Yucaipa Breakfast - Yucaipa Chamber of Commerce, 11/2
- Meeting with Yucaipa City Manager, 11/2
- Yucaipa Chamber Golf Tournament, 11/3
- *Corrections to College California* hosted by Assemblymember Eloise Reyes, 11/3
- Region 9 CEO meeting, 11/6
- Yucaipa Adult School Career Fair, 11/7
- Meeting with Redlands USD Superintendent, 11/7
- Arroyo Valley High School, 11-12th graders, 11/7
- San Bernardino High School, 11-12th graders, 11/8
- Attended San Bernardino County Workforce Development Board meeting, 11/8
- Yucaipa Kiwanis Meeting, 11/8
- Veterans Day Thank You luncheon, 11/9
- Chaffey High School College Fair, 11/9
- San Geronio High School, 11-12th graders, 11/9
- Beaumont Unified School District College Colloquium, 11/9
- CORE Regional Meeting with Yucaipa Calimesa JUSD, Beaumont USD, San Jacinto USD, Colton USD, and Rialto USD, 11/9
- Yucaipa/Calimesa Joint Partnership Committee, 11/9
- Dignity Health - Inland Empire and The Community Foundation Luncheon, 11/14
- Give BIG San Bernardino County Launch Party, 11/14
- San Jacinto High School College & Career Fair, 11/14
- Wa'at Native American Celebration, 11/15-16
- National Philanthropy Day - AFP, Inland Empire, 11/15
- Yucaipa High School – College applications celebration, 11/16
- Southern Region California Community College Assessment Association Conference hosted by CHC @ ATTC, 11/16
- Sierra High School College & Career Fair, 11/17
- Three Peaks Challenge @ Family Services Association in Redlands, 11/18
- Transfer Center Directors Region 9 Consortium, 11/20
- Yucaipa Rotary Club Meeting, 11/21



Thank You ADK!



Alpha Delta Kappa (ADK), California Beta Iota Chapter of Yucaipa and Calimesa recently donated personal hygiene items and food for REACH and COACH Cupboard.

REACH assists homeless students and COACH Cupboard is open to all students experiencing food insecurity.

Debbie Wilson (left) and Claudia Garcia (right) are members of ADK and adjunct counselors for CHC. Rebecca Orta (middle) works in Counseling. ADK is comprised mainly of current and former educators.



Senator Mike Morrell came to campus on October 26 to tour the Public Safety & Allied Health Building and discuss the proposed Regional Fire Academy.

Trustee Frank Reyes joined the discussion.

Mark your calendar!

Fri., Dec. 8	Paramedic Graduation, 6 p.m. @ PAC
Dec. 9-15	Final Exams
Mon., Dec. 11	EMT Graduation, 6 p.m. @ PAC
Wed., Dec. 13	Respiratory Therapy Graduation, 6 p.m. @ PAC
Fri., Dec. 15	Fire Academy Graduation, 6 p.m. @ PAC
Dec. 25 - Jan. 1	Campus Closed for Winter Break
Fri., Jan. 12	InService Day
Mon., Jan. 15	Campus Closed for Martin Luther King Day
Tues., Jan. 16	First Day of Spring Semester