ERAFTON HILLS MONTHLY BOARD REPORT



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Eyes of Freedom: Lima Company Memorial Coming to Campus





Eyes of Freedom is a traveling memorial depicting the fallen Marines and Navy Corpsman of Columbus, Ohio-based Lima Company 3/25, one of the most heavily engaged units of Operation Iraqi Freedom. These 23 life-sized portraits have become a powerful traveling veterans tribute "Honoring ALL Who Answer Our Nation's Call; Then, Now, and Tomorrow." You can find the complete story at www.eyesoffreedom.org.

The exhibit will be on display in the Crafton Center from April 10-12 and is open to the public. There will be a grand opening on Tuesday, April 10 at noon in the Quad.

"Sweet Home Crafton Hills!"



ISEEK Students Highlighted @ Gala

San Manuel representatives presented a check for \$303,500 at the CHC Foundation Fundraising Gala this year, continuing its dedication to the community and education. The check was for the Increasing Student Engagement, Employment, and Knowledge (ISEEK)

program, which provides funding for student employment and scholarships.

Three of the ISEEK students shared their stories at the Gala on March 24. Maranda Jiles is studying sociology, and wants to become a social worker so she can help families and improve the community.

"The financial assistance I have received from Crafton has allowed."

me to focus on school," she said. "I am able to do more than I would have if I was solely relying on my own income."

Jiles works in the on-campus foodbank, COACH Cupboard, which provides non-perishable food and toiletry items to students facing food insecurity.

Lacy Gugliemino is another student benefitting from the ISEEK grant. Gugliemino is a veteran who served in the United States Marine Corps for five years, studying health science as a prerequisite for nursing school. A mom, she also works at the Veterans Resource Center, which provides assistance to veteran students and their dependents with academic

counseling, career guidance, mental health counseling, grants and scholarships, and more.

"The Veterans Resource Center is very important because veterans have different needs than other students," she said, adding, "It is a rewarding feeling to help other veterans who have some of the same questions and issues that I once encountered. I can pass on my knowledge and personal experience to help them have a smooth and easy military-to-civilian transition."

This year's gala, "Sweet Home Crafton Hills," was held on campus and included a lively live auction, recognition of the 2018 Distinguished Alumnus, and a rockin' band to end the evening.



Kudos to Michelle Riggs, Director of Community Relations & Resource Development, and her staff for their amazing work that produced a beautiful evening and successful fund raising event.

Redlands Firefighter Named 2018 Distinguished Alumnus



Crafton Hills College named a Redlands firefighter/paramedic its 2018 Outstanding Alumni.

Steve Leverette, a six-year veteran of the Redlands Fire Department and a 2005 Crafton graduate, was selected for the designation from a pool of nominees for his work giving back to the community he serves.

"This is really surprising," said Leverette. "It's pretty humbling being a firefighter. Naturally people look up to you, but for me, I've gotten the most out of the job by being a servant of the community."

Leverette, 34, grew up in Mentone and is a 2002 graduate of Redlands East Valley High School. He joined the Redlands Fire Department's Redlands Emergency Services Academy (RESA) the same year. The weeklong program provides high school graduates a hands-on look at careers in police and fire.

Leverette said it was RESA and meeting Donna Ferracone, a program advisor and former dean of humanities and social science at Crafton, that turned him on to becoming a firefighter. Leverette enrolled at Crafton in the summer of 2002 and became an EMT shortly thereafter, he said. After graduating from CHC, Leverette continued his education in the field by graduating from paramedic school in December of 2006.

Before joining the Redlands Fire Department, Leverette worked with Cal Fire in Highland for five years as a firefighter/paramedic. He began working with Redlands Fire in 2012 where he plans to stay for the remainder of his career, he said.

STEM Student Success Center is Open!









The Henry Stone STEM Student Success Center had a fun opening on Tuesday, March 20. Thanks go to Elaine Rosen, widow of Henry Stone and benefactor, for coming out to share stories of Henry.

SBCCD Trustee Frank Reyes thanked Rosen, and students toured the Center and enjoyed pizza and cupcakes.

The STEM Center serves as the home for the students in our STEM Trek program which provides STEM majors access to academic assistance, STEM counseling, and STEM related activities. The center will be open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon. This cool space, which will be coordinated by Patricia Menchaca, STEM Pathways Coordinator, will help our STEM students succeed. Score!

Mark Your Calendar!

Thurs., April 19 Yucaipa-Calimesa Joint Issues Mixer 5-7 p.m. @ PSAH Engine Bay

Fri., April 20 "A Midsummer Night's Dream," 8 p.m. @ PAC Sat., April 21 "A Midsummer Night's Dream," 8 p.m. @ PAC

Fri., April 27 Student Recognition Dinner, 6 p.m. @ Roadrunner Cafe

Sat., April 28 Third Annual Women in Fire Science Day, 9:30 a.m. @ PSAH

Sun, May 6 Herbivore Festival, 11 a.m. @ CHC Quad+

Fri., May 11 EOPS Graduation & Scholars Ceremony, 6 p.m. @ Roadrunner Cafe

Tues., May 15 Retirement Reception, 3-4:30 p.m. @ LRC-226

Thurs., May 17 Transfer Recognition Luncheon, 1-2 p.m. @ Crafton Hall

Fri., May 18 VIP Donor Reception, 4:30-6 p.m. @ PAC Lobby

Scholars Convocation, 6-7:30 p.m. @ PAC

Tues., May 22 Fire Academy Graduation, 6 p.m. @ PAC

Thurs., May 24 EMT Graduation, 6 p.m. @ PAC

Fri., May 25 Graduate Breakfast, 9:30 a.m. @ Crafton Hall

VIP Reception, 5 p.m. @ Roadrunner Cafe

Commencement, 6 p.m.

In the Eyes of Beholder April 9 - 15 CHC Art Gallery

Exhibition of the students' scrolls from Drawing 124/125 classes exploring the relationship between animals and humans, from a perspective of the animals. Limited showing intends to initiate dialogue preceding the "Herbivore" festival.

