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Staff: Julie Davis

By Megan Crigler
Editor-In-Chief

Through motivating her students and promoting community service, Professor Julie Davis takes an active role in making a difference.

Davis is known throughout the campus as a professor in Sociology at Crafton Hills College and being the advisor for the Sociology club.

Davis has taken an active role in encouraging awareness throughout the campus through endorsing and participating in campus events. For the October cereal drive, Davis generously donated an ample amount of boxes herself and also offered her students extra credit for their contributions.

In regards to her support of the cereal drive, Davis said, "A goal was set and I wanted to meet it. It was a good opportunity to teach my students about setting a goal and achieving it."

Aside from her involvement in campus sponsored events, Davis is also an advocate for Service Learning programs. In the 5 years that Davis has been employed on campus, CHC students have completed over 21,000 hours of service in the surrounding communities.

"Through Service Learning programs, students learn to serve the communities and they also get to the experience the benefits of community service. I hope my students learn to continue contributing to the community even after Sociology class," says Davis.

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The Advisor

Students help stuff stockings



Kristin Best drops off her new toy at the drop off center in the Student Life Office.

By Samantha Avecedo
Staff Writer

There is no better way to kick off the holiday season than to donate a gift to a child in need.

This year, both the Associated Students of Crafton Hills College's Diversity and Activism committees on campus

will be hosting a toy drive. The drive will run from November 12th through December 12th. All toys will be donated to the Child Development Center to help children in need have a happier Christmas.

The Diversity and Activism committees ask the faculty, staff, and students to donate a new, unwrapped gift to the drop off centers located in the Student

Life Office and on the first floor of the library. Toys are needed for all age groups, and these gifts will be collected daily. Donating a gift is a wonderful way to contribute to your local community, and spread holiday cheer.

A toy of any size will make a tremendous difference in a child's life this Christmas. With our country suffering from such a detrimental economic crisis, many families will have to go without this holiday season which is why it is important for everyone to come together as a community and do all that is possible to help those in need.

Due to our current fiscal state, many families will need assistance in providing gifts under the tree for their children.

While doing your holiday shopping in the coming weeks, keep in mind that a small toy donation will make a world of difference for a needy child this holiday season.

Donate change to make a change

By Marina Serna
Staff Writer

The Associated Students Crafton Hills College's Activism committee has decided to join the fight against the Northern Uganda war and help participate in the Schools for Schools (S4S) program.

S4S emerged from Invisible Children Uganda's overarching goal to help rebuild the standards of secondary education in northern Uganda.

Invisible Children's development philosophy revolves

around long-term, sustainable ways for secondary schools to continue to raise the bar of education in the North.

By hosting several fundraisers on campus, the S4S team has raised over \$350.

With the phrase, "Donate Change to Make Change" the S4S team has also been collecting spare change as their main campaign. Students can make donations in the Student Life Office.

The S4S program is dedicated to helping these

schools by ensuring that they return to their original sites, complete with brand new structures.

If you are interested in joining the cause, please contact the Student Life Office and ask for the Activism committee.



CHC clubs and organizations head to conferences

By Jesper Rapouw
Staff Writer

Associated Students



Last month, the Associated Students of Crafton Hills College attended the California Community College Student Affairs Association which is held every year during the fall semester. The conference was held in Sacramento, California where more than 600 students spent a weekend learning ways to promote student life on campus. All of the 110 community college representatives through the state of California attended the conference and gained valuable information from the meetings and the workshops. In the meetings and workshops, representatives discussed leadership development, student government issues, and tips on how to help organize students organization on campus. ASCHC learned a lot and had fun doing so.

Phi Beta Lambda



Phi Beta Lambda is a business club at Crafton Hills College. On November 7, 2009, PBL attended the Fall Southern California Business Conference held at the University of California Berkeley in conjunction with UCSD, UCB, UCI, and other California Community Colleges. In the conference, the members of PBL participated in several workshops where they gained knowledge of business strategies. Four students also competed in a business related case study competition and Jonathan Jackson competed in the Mr. PBL competition. PBL had an exciting time networking with other students and learning from real world business leaders.

Alpha Gamma Sigma



On November 7, 2009, the Alpha Gamma Sigma Honors Society of Crafton Hills College attended the AGS Southern Regional Conference at Pasadena City College. Also in attendance were other AGS chapters in the state such as SBVC and OCC. Members joined in different workshops such as learning how to be a leader, learning about astronomy, and learning how to make and edit videos using the Apple program. This experience taught the members how to pursue their futures and interact with others. Many of the members had a fun experience. Vice President Josh Armijo stated "I thought it was great and worth going to for sure."

Peace Corps Club contributes to the community

By Clare Hinkle
Staff Writer

If you enjoy volunteering for a great cause, then joining the Peace Corps may be the best decision you will make in the next few weeks.

According to Esteban Bernal, the Vice President of the Peace Corps Club "the bigger picture within the club is to help out the community with our various activities and to raise awareness/money for global causes".

This club is always helping out the community however they can. On December 15th at the Family Services Association in Redlands, the Peace Corps Club will be hosting a hot coco/blanket drive for the families in need. A donation of time and/or money would be greatly appreciated.

This club spends all its time

volunteering for various charities. So far, the club has planted trees, donated their time by serving in soup kitchens, and they are planning on cleaning up a few beaches in the near future.

Peace Corps also plan to return to "Kids Night Out," a program that enables parents to attend training at a local school while their children are watched by club members.

Anyone who is interested may and should join this club. One of the many reasons to join, besides the obvious satisfaction of helping the community become a better place, is that the Peace Corps would be an excellent addition to your transcript.

The club meets on Wednesdays from 1-2 pm and Thursdays from 12:30-2pm at the second floor of the library. If times change, an announcement will be sent notifying members.

There is no greater feeling than volunteering for a worthy cause. Peace Corps is a dedicated club motivated to find a "great cause."

Get involved on campus today and join Peace Corps

Club.

Bernal motivates students to get involved on campus and attend a meeting when saying, "Being involved and helping others gives you a great feeling. What more could you ask for?"



Photo By: Jeremy Katz

Successful transfer tips and tricks

By **Megan Crigler**
Editor-In-Chief

With the current state of the economy and college admissions being more competitive than ever, students must know a few tricks of the transfer trade.

First, it is recommended that all students looking to transfer follow an approved guideline from your school of choice that outlines the requirements needed to transfer.

These requirements include but are not limited to a unit quota, completion of the general education requirements, and completion of classes aimed to further educate in a student's chosen major.

These prerequisites can easily be obtained from either the Counseling Center or from the institution in question's web-

site; UC's and Cal States for example follow the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC).

Remember, in regards to transferring, the first and most important aspect that colleges look to first are grades. The achieved grade point average is what makes a student competitive in the selection process.

However, applications are holistic, meaning that intuitions take into consideration every part of the submitted application before decisions regarding admissions are made.

This includes aspects such as extracurricular activities, community service, work experience, and the personal statement.

Upon completing the transfer requirements, students must then begin to work on their college applications. This, is meant to encourage students to work on making themselves as well rounded as possible.

To do this, students are suggested to get active in their community, campus, or perhaps in their major; take on an internship of some sort.

These activities allow colleges to see students in a more complete perspective; they are able to see if the student is motivated, has leadership skills, and is passionate about their future.

Extracurricular activities can only help an application, so remember that grades should be first priority. Do not take so much on to where the focus on academics becomes at risk.



If time is an issue due to work or family situations, be sure to elaborate upon the aforementioned circumstances in the essay portion of the application.

Personal statements provide yet another opportunity for colleges to see "the real you." Again, the personal statement can only help your application.

Most importantly, remember to be honest. Do not lie or omit anything from the application. Any dubious information can result in the dismissal of the application in question.

No matter what campus you desire to attend, UCLA, Cornell or Cal State San Bernardino, all students should abide by these simple tips in order to make the application process smoother, quicker and less stressful.



Keeping the pockets 'jingling all the way'

By **Jonathan Jackson**
Staff Writer

The holiday season is coming once again, and with the economy in a less than perfect state, gift giving is looking unrewarding and arduous for the spender.

This reason is why I am writing to you wonderful students today. Classes cost money, and my hope is that your holiday gifts will not.

Let us start off with the most important gift recipient, your significant other. Gentleman, I know you play the card to your friends that you are not going to buy your significant other anything, but I have a plan to keep you out of the dog house.

Ladies, this is also a way to show your partner how much they truly mean to you as well.

This is not only simple, but it could be fun; to do this we start off with a single Christmas ornament. Next, you go through the wonderful pictures you have together and find one you believe is special. After cutting it to size, decorate the ornament and make sure to put "our first Christmas" or something to that effect.

This could even turn into a gift giving tradition that you could utilize at every holiday.

If this is too cheesy or you do not plan to stay serious, a scrapbook book is a thoughtful and time consuming way to show that you really do care.

Stepping away from the romantic side of gift giving, inexpensive gifts for friends or family can include tasty treats. Sweets always supply a smile and are easy on the pocket.

Well roadrunners, I hope my suggestions provide a wonderful holiday, and until next time, keep saving money!



Box tops off to support education

By Sarah Olson
Staff Writer

'Box Tops for Education', you may recognize this from the box of cereal you pour into your bowl every morning be-

fore heading off to class, or maybe on a package of Hamburger Helper you cook yourself for dinner every night.

Did you know that just by turning in your box tops you could help elementary schools provide their students with

more funding? Funding that can be used for school supplies, art material, or gym equipment.

Each box top is worth anywhere from 10-15 cents and this can really add up.

'Box Tops for Education' are not only found on cereal boxes; you can find them on Kleenex, Ziploc, Chex Mix, Hamburger Helper, Mac 'n Cheese, and countless other grocery items.

Crafton has over 5,000 students, and if each student were to give just one box top, we could raise almost \$1000 for one lucky school. Now, imagine if each student gave 5, or 10, or 20 box tops; the possibilities are endless.

So next time you go grocery shopping, keep an eye out for 'Box Tops for Education.' You would be surprised by how

many of your everyday grocery items participate in this program.

You can also help by spreading the word in your classes and amongst your friends.

The semester is almost over, and Christmas will be here before we know it. If you want to help your community or make a donation to someone in need this holiday season but perhaps cannot squeeze it into your budget, just stop by the Student Senate Office and drop off your box tops.

At the end of this semester, the Associated Students of CHC will donate the Box Top's collected to a randomly selected elementary school in our area. You could help make a huge difference for an elementary school this Christmas.



Finals Schedule for Fall Term

Final Exams

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FINAL EXAMS: Monday, December 14 – Saturday, December 19, 2009
(Unless otherwise announced, all examinations will be held in regular classrooms.)

| TIME AND DAY OF REGULAR CLASS MEETING | TIME AND DAY OF FINAL EXAM |
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| 7, 7:30 a.m. MWF, MW | 8 – 10:30 a.m. Monday, December 14 |
| 8, 9 a.m. M only | 8 – 10:30 a.m. Monday, December 14 |
| 11, 11:30 a.m. MWF, MW | 10:30 – 1 p.m. Monday, December 14 |
| 1, 2 p.m. M only | 1 – 3:30 p.m. Monday, December 14 |
| 2:30, 3, 3:30 p.m. MWF, MW | 1 – 3:30 p.m. Monday, December 14 |
| 7, 7:30, 8 a.m. TTh, T only | 8 – 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, December 15 |
| 10, 10:30, 11 a.m. TTh, T only | 10:30 – 1 p.m. Tuesday, December 15 |
| 2:30, 3, 3:30 p.m. TTh | 1 – 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 15 |
| 1, 1:30, 2 p.m. T only | 1 – 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 15 |
| 8 a.m. MW, W only | 8 – 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, December 16 |
| 9, 9:30 a.m. MWF, MW, W only | 10:30 – 1 p.m. Wednesday, December 16 |
| 1, 1:30 p.m. MWF, MW, W only | 1 – 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 16 |
| 3 p.m. W only | 1 – 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 16 |
| 9, 9:30 a.m. TTh | 8 – 10:30 a.m. Thursday, December 17 |
| 12, 12:30 p.m. TTh | 10:30 – 1 p.m. Thursday, December 17 |
| 1, 1:30, 2 p.m. TTh, Th only | 1 – 3:30 p.m. Thursday, December 17 |
| 8 a.m. MWF, MF, F only | 8 – 10:30 a.m. Friday, December 18 |
| 9 a.m. F only | 10:30 – 1 p.m. Friday, December 18 |
| 10, 10:30 a.m. MWF, MW | 10:30 – 1 p.m. Friday, December 18 |
| 11 a.m. F only | 10:30 – 1 p.m. Friday, December 18 |
| 12, 12:30 p.m. MWF, MW | 1 – 3:30 p.m. Friday, December 18 |
| 1 p.m. F only | 1 – 3:30 p.m. Friday, December 18 |
| Conflicts and Make-ups | 1 – 3:30 p.m. Friday, December 18 |

NOTE: There may be conflicts for some day classes, especially those that have an unusual meeting pattern (e.g., a day class that meets only once a week). If you have a conflict, notify your instructor at once. All conflicts should be resolved with the instructor before final exam week.

EVENING (4 p.m. or after) AND SATURDAY CLASSES
Final Exams will meet on the following days at the regular class time:

| REGULAR CLASS MEETING | FINAL EXAM DAY AND DATE |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| M | Monday, December 14 |
| MW | Monday, December 14 |
| T | Tuesday, December 15 |
| TTh | Thursday, December 17 |
| W | Wednesday, December 16 |
| Th | Thursday, December 17 |
| S | Saturday, December 19 |

Final examinations at other than scheduled times are permitted only by petition and for circumstances clearly beyond the student's control. Approval of individual instructors is required for such exceptions. Instructors who wish to give final examinations at other than scheduled times MUST obtain prior approval from the Division Deans.

NOTE: Final Exams for SHORT-TERM CLASSES are given at the last regular class meeting.
(Please refer to the Schedule of Classes for exact dates.)

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