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Halloween Fun Facts

1. Halloween was brought to North America by immigrants from Europe who would celebrate the harvest around a bonfire, share ghost stories, sing, dance and tell fortunes.
2. Jack o' Lanterns originated in Ireland where people placed candles in hollowed-out turnips to keep away spirits and ghosts on the Samhain holiday.
3. Halloween candy sales average about 2 billion dollars annually in the United States. Chocolate candy bars top the list as the most popular candy for trick-or-treaters with Snickers as #1.

Fall Club Rush Brings New Clubs and Old

By Mandy Godard
Staff Writer

Do you have a fascination with anime? Or do you possibly enjoy doing community service? Maybe you're really into art. Or perhaps you just want to fill time between classes and make new friends. At Crafton Hills College, there's a club for you!

On September 13th and 14th, an event called Club Rush was held. What is Club Rush? Club Rush is Crafton students' opportunity to learn about some of the clubs that are offered to them. Each club that participated this year set up an information table where students were welcomed to ask questions about the different clubs and find out information about meeting dates and times.

One of the clubs that participated in this event was Arts League. Arts League is a club

dedicated to the fine arts. Whether your passion is music, dance or acting, Arts League would be glad to have you. Every semester they host an event for Crafton. This semester Arts League will be hosting their second annual Haunted House at the end of October.

The Child Development Education Club also joined in the fun at Club Rush. This club works together with other clubs to meet one main goal: helping children and families in need. They also work with organizations like Redlands Family Services to give back to the community. If you have an ambition to work with children professionally, this is definitely where you should be.

Another club available is Spanish Club. Don't worry, you don't need to be fluent in the language; however, they



Alpha Gamma Sigma club members at this semester's Club Rush. Alpha Gamma Sigma is the California Community College Scholastic Honor Society.

do suggest that you have a knowledge of it. This is a good place to practice Spanish and to learn more about the culture. Often, they have students from other countries talk about their experiences back home and how they've adapted to American culture.

Anime/Manga Club promotes Japanese comics, animation and culture. It's not just a bunch of geeks! It's a fun place for lovers of

anything anime-related.

Other clubs include The Well, which is a fellowship club for people who want to "know God and make Him known" and Phi Beta Lambda, a business club that encourages focus and leadership both in school and in the community.

If you missed Club Rush this year, don't fret! There's still time to get involved doing what YOU like to do!

Attention Students at Crafton!



By Leanne Perrault
ASCHC Social Co-Chair

Want a great opportunity to get involved at your school? Be a student representative right here at Crafton!

There are a lot of committees on campus that need student participants. This would be a good chance to meet and get to know many of the CHC faculty, as well as obtain detailed information about different aspects of your school.

The following committees still need student representatives:

User Services – 2 hours, 2 Fridays per semester

Administrative Apps – 2 hours, 2 Fridays per semester

Technical – 2 hours, 2 Fridays per semester

Web Standards – 2 hours, 2 Fridays per semester

If you are interested in learning more, please contact Ericka Paddock, Director of Student Life, via email at: epaddock@craftonhills.edu

Program Review – Every Monday 3pm-5pm

Crafton Hills College and the Accreditation Process

By **Katlin Bridge**
Editor-in-Chief

Being an accredited institution assures the quality of the institution's education and encourages improvement within the college. Crafton Hills College (CHC) began its most recent accreditation process in 2008. CHC conducted a self-study, the first step of the six year long process, prior to the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) committee's initial visit in October 2008. The WASC committee consisted of about a dozen individuals and their visit lasted approximately three days. While the committee was present at CHC, it challenged and validated the school's own findings by interviewing district and administration members, faculty and staff, and even students. The primary issue

WASC found was that CHC had a significant gap between its actual planning processes and WASC's planning standards. Throughout their investigation, WASC concluded that there were no issues directly involving or relating to students. However, students have been indirectly affected by the suggestions made by the visiting committee. As students, we are now very familiar with Student Learning Outcomes, also known as SLOs. Some of us have also been introduced to specific program reviews, which have been integrated into the school's day-to-day procedures.

The good news is that all of suggestions made by WASC have been completed by CHC within two years. The school now has broader representation in planning processes, which include more student involvement. Planning committees have been organized on campus; the Educational Master Plan and Enrollment Management Committees are two examples at



the district level. Technical and Human Resource planning committees have been founded and maintained.

The accreditation process isn't over yet. WASC will be visiting again on October 12th, 2010 to review the changes set forth by the many people involved in this endeavor. In February, administration will officially notify students on CHC's status via the school's web page. Dr. Cheryl Marshall, Vice President of Instruction and Accreditation Liaison Officer for Crafton Hills Col-

lege, wants to assure students that the school being on probation is not related to the quality of the education being received here. She believes that, "Students should feel that they made the right decision to attend this school. We were a good school two years ago, and today we are even better."

And for all of you students who are wondering whether or not your class units will transfer: the answer is *yes*.

Come Question Candidates at the Trustee Forum



By **Kaylee Hrisoulas**
ASCHC President

This November students, faculty, staff, and administrators of Crafton Hills College (CHC) will flock to the voting polls. Among names campaigning for California Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Control-

ler, Senator, and more, this year's ballot will include names of local candidates running for two open and vital seats on the governing body that handles matters directly related to our campus: the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees oversees, creates, and approves District and college policies, long-term

plans, employment contracts, construction, and nearly anything else concerning (CHC and San Bernardino Valley College whom both reside under) the San Bernardino Community College District.

Trustees are voted in to ensure the prosperity of students and colleges. This is why students must play an active role in choosing which candidates are the best. We have invited all five candidates to participate in a Q&A session where all individuals will speak to the questions submitted by students, faculty, staff, and the community. Some question topics from the 2008 forum included personal perseverance, experience with the district, community work, and possible term goals. However, the two incoming Trustees will be voted into a district barely afloat as a result of less state funding.

Therefore the questions in this year's forum might include heavier subjects such as prevention of lay-offs or class cuts, fiscal solutions, or any other pressing issue our school faces in today's economy.

Before the forum begins, attendees will have the opportunity to submit questions for the moderators to read to the candidates. Questions will be limited and will be screened for irrelevance or redundancy. For more information, please contact the Department of Student Life at (909) 389-3410.

The Trustee Forum will take place Tuesday, October 12th at 4:30pm in CHC's cafeteria. Admission is free and all members of the community are welcome to attend. Remember, this is our education and the only way to control it is to be involved in the process.

What the Student Rep Fee Does For CHC Students

By Ericka Paddock

ASCHC Advisor, Director of Student Life

If you're like most students, you've probably glanced at the mandatory fees at the bottom of your registration statement at the start of the semester and stopped to wonder what each of those fees are for.

One of those fees is a \$1 charge for Student Representation. Established in 1987, this fee first appeared in the California Education Code as Assembly Bill AB 2576. More recently, an explanation of the Student Representation Fee can be found in Section 76060.5 of the California Ed. Code. This section states,

"A \$1 Student Representation Fee* shall be collected to provide support of governmental affairs representatives who may be stating their positions and viewpoints before city, county, and district governments and before offices and agencies of the state government."

How does the Student Representation fee impact your life as a student at Crafton? This fee provides funds for your Student Government (also known as "governmental affairs representatives") to attend meetings and/or conferences at the local, regional and state level to advocate

for your needs and concerns as a California community college student. For example, this fee allows for your student government to attend powerful statewide conferences such as CCCSAA (California Community College Student Affairs Association) and SSCCC (Student Senate California Community Colleges).

The results of their conference attendance are tangible. After attending the CCCSAA Conference last Fall, the 2009-2010 Student Senate was inspired by the number of community college students whose long-term educational goals were severely impacted by state budget cuts to education. As a result, the group created the "Tombstone Project", where they built tombstones for each of the 55 classes that were cut on our campus due to state budget woes and turned the Library Quad into a "graveyard" as a form of non-violent protest. In addition, Crafton students were asked to "pay their respects" to the classes that were cut by writing their thoughts on how the lack of classes affected them personally. The student government then shared those comments with both our local Board of Trustees at the District level as well as mailing those comments to our state legislatures.

There are those of you, who after reading



this, will feel that spending \$1 for student representation is not an effective use of your money. Per the Ed. code, a student who wishes not to pay the student representation fee must submit their concerns in writing and cite "political, religious, financial or moral reasons" at the time of registration whether on line or in person.

For those of you who don't mind the \$1 charge, thank you. Your support of the Student Representation fee will continue to allow your Student Government to educate itself, thus allowing it to make better decisions on behalf of CHC's student body.

Halloween Events That Will Have You Scream For More



By Katlin Bridge
Editor-in-Chief

As children, Halloween meant dressing up as someone else and getting a big bag of candy. As adults, Halloween still means dressing up but instead of visiting neighbors for mini-sized treats, many of us opt for parties. What the majority of the student population

fails to realize is that there are other options for Halloween fun.

This year, Crafton Hills College's (CHC) own Arts League will be hosting its third annual haunted house on the 27th-29th of October from 6-9pm in the PAC at CHC. This haunted house has been a very popular event for the past two years. A carnival put on by other CHC clubs will be available for all to

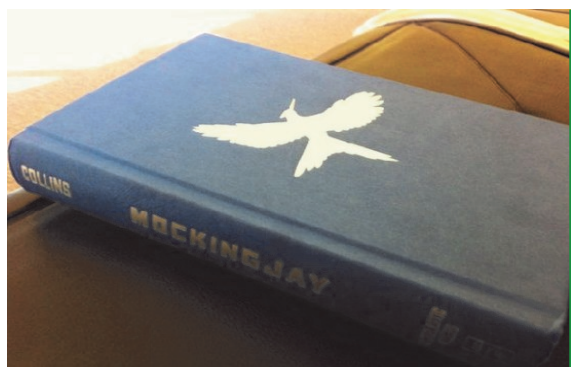
enjoy. The haunted house contains mature content, and it is strongly encouraged that adult supervision be present for anyone under the age of 16. The cost of admission will be \$5 which will go towards the support of all of the fine arts programs on campus. The Arts League invites everyone to come and enjoy this exciting event.

RCPS (River Cities Paranormal Society) of Southern California would like to invite you to a scary fun event "Horror Night at the Fox" at Redlands Fox Theater on October 29th from 7pm-12am. General admission is \$10; \$7 for children under 12. Proceeds will help CHC's ASB (when school ID is shown), a fundraiser auction for Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and a raffle to help renovate the Fox Theater. There

will be a costume contest, games, prizes, candy, and a concession stand. A special interactive viewing of "House on Haunted Hill" starring Vincent Price, surprise guest appearances, and a maze will keep you entertained. All ages are welcome, however 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. If you are interested in being a volunteer, contact a RCPS SoCal representative at rcpssocal@gmail.com.

Of course, there is the ever popular Knott's Halloween Haunt and Six Flags' Fright Fest to attend if you're up for a challenge. Riley's Farm will host its Halloween festivities, "Legend of Sleepy Hollow," and Yucaipa's pumpkin patch will surely delight if you're looking for some wholesome family fun.

Have a fun, and safe, Halloween weekend!



A Review: Mockingjay

By Kristen Jensen, Book Club President

After a year of waiting, *Mockingjay*, the third and final installment in Suzanne Collins' best-selling *Hunger Games* series, is here. Out of respect for those who have yet to read it, I will say very little about the plot. But I will say this: it is *not* a happy book.

Mockingjay is, all and all, an enjoyable read. It is compelling, intelligent, and full of twists that even long-time fans might not see coming. My one complaint is that the story

dragged at times towards the middle and felt too rushed towards the end, although, in all fairness, this may have been an artistic choice on the part of the author.

This is definitely *not* the book for readers new to *The Hunger Games* to start with, but fans of the series definitely owe it to themselves to give *Mockingjay* a shot.

A new book review is offered in each issue by a member of CHC's own Book Club.

Club Meeting Information

Anime/Manga Club: Fridays at 1:00; the cafeteria

Art Club: 1st Thursday 4-5pm, 3rd Monday 12-1pm; both times meet in OE 130

Arts League: Tuesday-Thursday at 2:30; PAC 112

Black Student Union (BSU): TBD*

Book Club: Every Monday at 11:30am; the cafeteria

Child Development Education Club: Every 2nd and 4th Thursday at 12:30am; CD 106

Japanese Club: Every Friday at 11am; the cafeteria

Mecha Club: Every Wednesday 12-1pm; CL 218*

Phi Beta Lambda: Thursdays at 3:00; place TBD

Psychology Club: Every other Sunday at 5pm; BC 101*

Research Club: Every other Sunday at 6pm; BC 101*

Spanish Club: Every 2nd and 4th Friday at 12:00; the library

Terrestrial Investigations Club (TIC): TBA

The Well @ Crafton: Wednesdays at 12:00; room PAC 308

**For more information, contact Dr. Diane Pfahler by e-mail at dpfahler@crafton.sbccd.cc.ca.us*



Was your club not mentioned? Please write to katlinbridge@gmail.com with the name of the club, place of meeting and time of meeting(s).

Adjusting to University Life: So Far, So Good

Megan Crigler
Staff Writer



I've been in Berkeley since the end of June. I arrived at my building in a taxi-cab, by myself. After checking into my dorm, I went up to my room and unpacked my suitcases. At

this time, I didn't have a bedspread, hangers, posters or anything that would make my room seem lived in. I was going to wait to buy everything until I moved into my apartment at the beginning of August.

As the summer session passed, I made friends with a bunch of Korean and European students, with whom I'd stayed with in the international dorm. I was doing well in my first Cal class, and it was time for me to move into my apartment. I packed and unpacked again. Still no bedspread, still very few hangers and still no posters or any-

thing that would make the room seem lived in.

As the new fall semester began, my international friends went back home. My roommates were pretty cool, I was hired to be an Account Executive for the school's newspaper, *The Daily Californian*, and I was going to rush a sorority. So far, so good.

It is now late September/early October and I still do not have a bedspread. I have a few posters, a lot of hangers and a picture of me and my mom framed on my windowsill. I even bought myself a potted plant. My room is starting to look pretty lived in.

Classes are alright. I'm getting the hang of my job. My roommates are still pretty cool. And now I'm adjusting to Greek Life as a Alpha Delta Pi (Pi love representing).

Last weekend, I went down to the florist and bought myself three Gerber daisies. I used an old-fashioned glass Coca-Cola bottle as the vase. The flowers brought a lot of life and color into the room and made my room feel "mine" for the first time... Four days later, they were pretty much dead. One had already completely wilted.

This weekend, I think I'll go shop for a bedspread.

Do You Celebrate El Día de los Muertos?

By Maelee Johnson

ASCHC Diversity Chair

For the most part, we have all heard of the holiday El Día de los Muertos or the Day of the Dead, a day that many Americans have deemed "the Mexican Halloween". Perhaps you've read about it in a book like *The Halloween Tree* by Ray Bradbury. Maybe you have seen the festivals or parades that are often depicted in movies such as *Once Upon a Time in Mexico*.

While El Día de los Muertos is often associated with Halloween, the two holidays bare almost nothing in common aside from their placement on the calendar.

The Day of the Dead is a celebration. People gather together to remember and celebrate their loved ones that have passed. Many families bring offerings to

the grave sites of their loved ones that have passed away. Often their favorite foods and candies are brought, as well as decorations for the grave.

Many of you may find the idea of going to a cemetery and eating and laughing with your family while you reminisce about those who have passed to be morbid. In actuality it is more of a celebration of life than of death. You celebrate the life of the loved ones that have passed, and you encourage a visit from them so they can witness all the love your family still has for them, and let them know that they are not forgotten.

I personally feel envious of those who have been raised to celebrate the Day of the Dead. Lord knows it would be like orchestrating a C.I.A. mission to get my whole family to the

cemetery on the same day. I think taking a day or two a year to celebrate the memories of family members who are no

longer with us and hoping to once again feel their presence is something we could all benefit from.



The picture above is an example of an altar made in honor of a loved one who has passed away.

Schedule of Events

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
10	11	12 Trustee Forum 4PM	13	14 BOT meeting 4PM	15 Region IX @SBVC 2PM	16
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24 CCCSAA Confer- ence	25	26	27	28	29	30
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