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Appreciation Lunch

By Samantha Avecedo
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Every spring, the Associated Students of Crafton Hills College (ASCHC) plans an appreciation luncheon where faculty and staff are invited to receive gratitude from the student government for inspiring them to achieve success in every facet of life.

This is the third annual ASCHC luncheon, and this year it takes place on campus on April 28th. In attendance, there are usually around 40 staff members, and 20 students.

The lunch is often catered by local establishments and is free for those who attend.

During the luncheon, the prior student government members introduce new ASCHC officers for the upcoming semester.

New officers are also sworn into office by the Vice President of Student Services, and all members are recognized and acknowledged during the ceremony.

Overall, the luncheon is a way for ASCHC to express their everlasting gratitude to the campus, and to all of the incredible faculty and staff behind it.

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Crafton Student Trustee protests budget cuts



CHC Student Trustee, Kaylee Hrisoulas, along with another student from College of the Desert, show the signs they used during The March in March.

By Sarah Olsen
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The Student Senate of California Community Colleges (SSCCC) hosted "The March in March" to petition budget cuts to higher education at the Capitol building in Sacramento.

This year, Crafton's Student Trustee, Kaylee Hrisoulas attended the march along with 40 other students

from College of the Desert.

When asked why she attended, Hrisoulas said, "I attended 'The March in March' because now, more than ever, students need to be heard. I went to ensure Crafton Hills College had a voice when we needed one the most."

The students made a 24 hour turn around trip up to Sacramento, leaving at

11:00 pm on March 21st and arriving home at 11:00 pm on the 22nd.

The march lasted for approximately 3 hours on Monday, March 22nd and, according to the Director of Student Life at College of the Desert, Carlos Maldonado, it was the "biggest march in California history" with approximately 13,000

students from Universities and Community Colleges from all over California in attendance.

Students carried signs that said, "Stop stealing my future!" and "Invest in my education."

In regards to the event in its entirety, Hrisoulas said, "The March in March was an incredible experience.

Just the amount of people present made me feel like we were making a difference.

The experience became so much more valuable when I saw the passion in people's faces, and the emotion behind their posters, chants, and speeches.

The diversity of the crowd was my absolute favorite part.

No matter what school system, economic, social background, or part of California we all came from, everyone was so united in our efforts to tell California legislators that education needs to be a top priority in our state."

CHC to elect their new student representation

By Megan Crigler
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On Tuesday, April 6th and Wednesday, April 7th, the Associated Students of Crafton Hills College (ASCHC) will be hosting their annual elections of the Executive ASCHC Board scheduled to take place from 10am-2pm in the quad area in front of the Library.

The Executive Board of ASCHC is composed of the elected students that will be representing Crafton Hills College (CHC) at state and district level conferences and in relation to various schools all around the country.

Positions to be voted upon are

President, Executive Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President of External Affairs and Vice President of Academic Affairs.

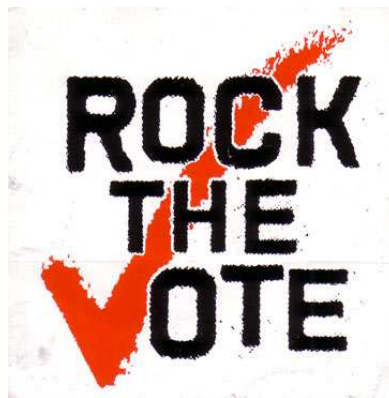
Students will also be voting for the student who will be representing them as the CHC Student Trustee.

Students are asked to vote in order to raise awareness regarding their student representation in pursuit to increase student involvement on campus in various activities.

Depending on the time of day, voting students will receive either a donut or slice of pizza upon receiving their ballot.

In order for students to vote, students must have a valid CHC identification card for this academic year.

For more information on candidates, read the brief candidate biographies on the following pages of the *Advisor*.



2010 Executive Student Government Candidates

Kaylee Hrisoulas

Executive President



I'm Kaylee Hrisoulas. I love to smile, be outside in the sun, and listen to music. I'm a sophomore studying Communications with hopes to graduate with an Associates of Arts in Communications in Spring 2011 and transfer to a university in Fall 2011.

I work in the Financial Aid Office as a Student Ambassador and I am finishing up my term as Student Trustee for Crafton Hills College (CHC).

I have been involved with the Associated Students of Crafton Hills College (ASCHC) since I started here in the Summer of 2008.

In my first year, I served ASCHC Social Chair and planned 11 events throughout the school year. I soon became interested in student representation and with the help and support of the Student Trustee before me, I decided to explore student advocacy and run for Student Trustee for 2009-2010.

To this day, I speak for all CHC students at monthly Board of Trustee meetings, Shared Governance Committees, and the occasional conferences.

Just last month, I attended a march/protest at the State Capitol where 13,000 students showed up in opposition to Sacramento's cuts to higher education.

Now that my term is coming to an end, I hope to continue my advocacy efforts and encourage others to do the same as ASCHC President for 2010-2011. My main focus would be student representation at CHC, District, and at the state level. For more detailed information about my plans, check out one of my posters around campus or email me at khrisoulas@gmail.com.

Crafton has been a second home for me. I enjoy working with everyone on this campus, and I hope to continue next year as your ASCHC President.

Jenessa Premus

Executive Vice President



My name is Jenessa Premus and I would like to encourage you to vote for me for Executive Vice President in this upcoming election April 6th-7th.

I have been attending Crafton Hills College (CHC) since Spring '09. I originally started as a Business major but changed it to Nursing after spending sixteen days in the hospital with my mom because she had open chest surgery shortly after I began attending Crafton. I will be transferring to a nursing program right after I graduate from CHC with my AS in Health Science and an aspiration to be a Registered Nurse.

I want to be involved and make a difference while attending CHC. I would like to see smaller class room sizes for a better education, a safer campus (especially for the students who take night classes) more parking availability for students so we don't have to spend thirty minutes trying to find a parking spot, and more campus participation in "going green."

I believe it's important to be involved on campus since it affects your education and future. I volunteer at CHC at every opportunity I can. I recently volunteered at Crafton's Got Talent and at High School Visitation Day.

As Executive Vice President, I would like to see more student involvement on the campus and more school spirit.

I am a hardworking, committed student and would make an outstanding Executive Vice President. I currently have a 4.0 GPA and always strive to be the best I can be and I am always up for a challenge. I take school very seriously and am a dedicated student and would be an excellent choice for an Executive Vice President, which is why you and your friends on campus should vote for me!

John Sheldon

Treasure



My name is John Sheldon and I am running for the Associated Students of Crafton Hills College's (ASCHC) Treasurer.

I have always been good with handling money and keeping the books organized.

This will be my second semester at Crafton Hills College. I have already been involved with ASCHC through volunteer work and I really enjoyed the experience that I shared with the current members of the Senate.

The current ASCHC members have left a good impression on me and I would like to do the same for those interested in joining Senate in the future.

I know that money management is very important in life, and I wish to increase my knowledge on how to manage it more efficiently.

By becoming ASCHC's Treasurer, I believe I can do that. Sure, I could go and ask my parents who are really careful and keep their budget constantly under watch, but I want to learn how to manage money through my own experiences, not theirs.

Of course, if I ever need help with something I do not understand, I will seek help, but I want to be able to know when and how to seek help through my peers and fellow members of ASCHC.

Please express your right to vote for your Senate and vote on April 6th and April 7th. Thanks to all the people that will vote and to the *Advisor*.

Vote for me as Treasurer!

2010 Executive Student Government Candidates

Chris Walsh

Vice President of External Affairs



November 4th, 2008 is the day I decided what I was going to do with my life. At the age of eighteen, I sat at the edge of the couch in my grandmother's living room, and realized that my calling was not only to show compassion and love to my fellow human beings, but to do it in a political sense, fervently fighting for the needs of those I represent.

At roughly 9:00p.m., C.N.N announced that the new President would be Barack H. Obama. Although becoming president one day is not something that I "plan" on doing, helping others, through a representative way is what I am going to strive to do, whether it be through politics, or a non profit organization.

My major being political science, and my passion being public speaking, I plan to utilize the position of Vice President of External Affairs, to represent every student on campus with dignity when it comes to advocating for their needs.

While doing this, I plan to fulfill my duties to the best of my abilities, and then some. I have always been the person to go the extra mile, and for my last year at Crafton Hills College, I want to be that person that will go the extra mile for you, my fellow students.

Through any means necessary, I promise to maintain my obligations and duties to the students first, and myself second.

For these sole reasons, I am proud to be running for V.P.E.A. and look at it as the first step of a long career that I have chosen for myself. A career that is both pleasing to me, and helpful to others.

Monica Aguilar

Secretary



Greetings fellow students!

My name is Monica Aguilar and I'm running for the position of Secretary for the Associated Students of Crafton Hills College (ASCHC).

This is my first year at Crafton Hills College (CHC). I'm fresh out of high school, but I have plenty of writing know-how, and I have a background in leadership, specifically with student government.

All throughout high school, I was involved with student council holding office in the following positions: Freshman Class Vice President, Sophomore Class Treasurer, School Commissioner of Public Relations and Student Affairs Liaison.

Through volunteering with ASCHC throughout the semester at events such as Crafton's Got Talent and High School Visitation Day, I have become familiar with the way ASCHC works.

I must say that it's a pleasure to work with those involved with the ASCHC and I hope that I will soon be able to serve all of you.

All around I'd like to think that I'm a down to earth girl who can get along with just about anyone, after all, I'm a student just like you!

When I'm not studying or doing homework, I'm either playing some Xbox or reading a book.

So, if you have any concerns about CHC that you would like to share with me, or if you would just like to talk, you are more than welcome to do so.

I'm Monica Aguilar and hope to see you next Fall as your new Secretary!

Daniel Shedd

Student Trustee



This is my last year at Crafton Hills College (CHC) and I plan to transfer to Cal-State San Francisco or Cal-State Long Beach as a Social Political Science major.

I'm currently an involved member of the Associated Students of Crafton Hills College (ASCHC) as the Diversity Chair. As head of the Diversity Committee, I organized and co-sponsored the black history month events and other activities. My committee also helps create awareness on campus by educating students about what it means to be diverse and different by promoting multicultural unity here at CHC.

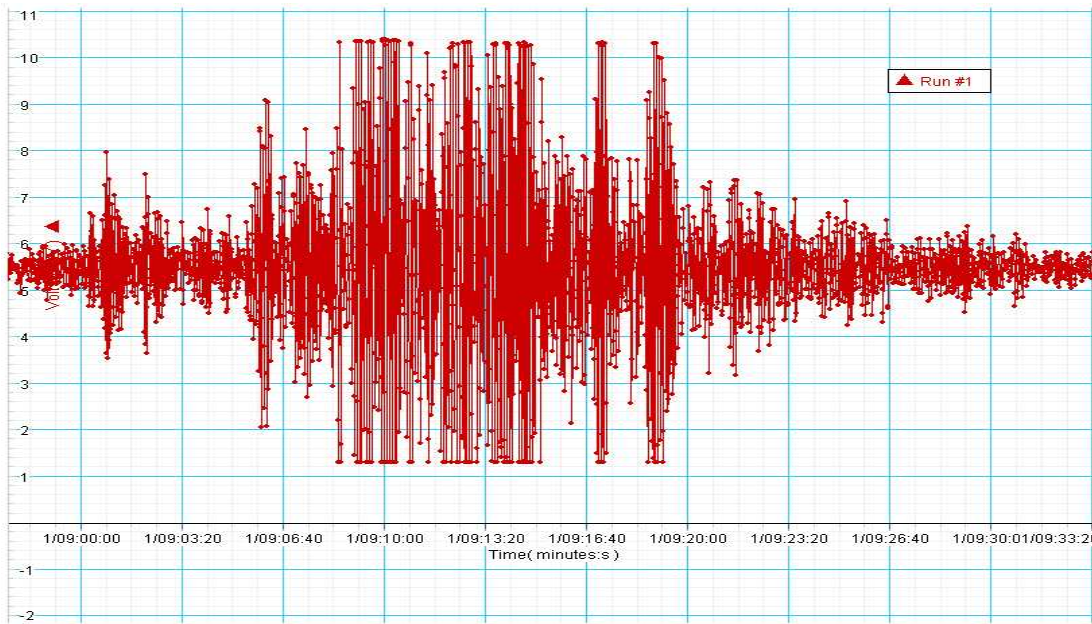
The success of students relies on various environments throughout the campus community. The safety, health and academic success of every student is what I stand for. My Agenda includes keeping adequate learning resources available to all students, working to make CHC smoke free, and increasing campus safety.

My incentives include the following: Improving health education awareness programs and increase accessibility to health and wellness services availability to all students throughout the district.

Campus safety means protecting people and property. Our campus like any other community college has its share of crime and incidence. With the right attitude and actions, we can take a more proactive role to protect the students, faculty and visitors at CHC.

I will fight to keep college fees from being increased and work to make a difference for all students at CHC.

Did you feel that earthquake last night?



Seismograph readings are used to measure seismic waves, which describe the strength of an earthquake.

By Megan Crigler
Editor-in-Chief

The phrase, “Did you feel that earthquake” is probably the most uttered statement after the shake ends; Facebook statuses are changed, and mass texts are sent out.

April is Earthquake Preparedness Month in California and

it couldn't come at a better time.

High profile quakes like those in Haiti and Chile have brought images of shocking damages, but when natural disasters such as these happen in far away places it is easy to dismiss the risks at home.

As Californians, we live in highly risky and earthquake-prone

state, and to top it all off, we living in South California, more specially, the Inland Empire, and are pretty close to the San Andreas Fault.

This means we are, at some point in the future, predicted to have a devastating earthquake.

Unfortunately, earthquakes are impossible to predict, so in order to be safe, we all must be

prepared.

Safety kits are a great way to be plan ahead for a quake and put the mind at ease.

Of course, there are common items that should be included in every emergency safety kit such as; water, non-perishable items, and a first aid kit, but there are also some items that are essential, yet often and easily forgotten.

In your kits, don't forget to pack an extra pair of weather appropriate cloths, most importantly, don't forget to pack a comfortable pair of walking shoes.

Include unscented liquid household bleach and an eye-dropper to purify water in case of emergencies.

Hide away some cash in small denominations, and include some quarters in order to make phone calls.

These are just a few tips for you to keep in mind when preparing your earthquake kits. Remember, earthquakes are unpredictable, so expect the unexpected and stay safe!

Phi Beta Lambda hosts campus beach clean-up

By Megan Crigler
Editor-in-Chief

On Thursday, April 9th, Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) will be hosting their first annual campus-wide quarter-mile beach clean up.

The beach clean up is scheduled to take place at Balboa Beach in Orange County from 1:00p.m. to 3:00p.m.

After cleaning the beach, the organization will be offering a bonfire for those who participated in the event.

The bonfire will take place from 5:00p.m. to 10:00p.m. with food provided by PBL.

At the bonfire, PBL will be serving

traditional barbeque foods such as hamburgers and hotdogs. Beverages, sides, cutlery, and condiments will also be provided.

The event, which is an opportunity to acquire community service hours, is open to all students on campus and students are welcome to bring friends who are not registered at Crafton Hills College.

PBL has also offered other clubs a chance to participate in the event through affiliation.

When asked why PBL is hosting the beach clean up, PBL president, Kristina Raza said, “We thought this would be a good chance to attempt to unify the campus for a great cause while having fun.”

Students and clubs interested in participating must contact Raza via email at k15raza@gmail.com.



Cultures celebrated and showcased on CHC campus

By John Sheldon
Staff Writer

Multicultural Day will be held at Crafton Hills College (CHC) on May 5, 2010 in the quad area in front of the library.

Multicultural Day is an annual event that helps everyone at CHC celebrate the diversity and unity of the cultures that are present on campus.

This event is presented to you by the active Diversity Committee (DC) and is co-sponsored by the Associated Students of Crafton Hills College (ASCHC).

Not only is this event a way to promote a culturally diverse campus, it is also a great way to commemorate and recognize Cinco De Mayo.

In order to help students celebrate Multicultural Day, the DC and ASCHC have planned for music, live per-

formers, food, cultural education, and much more for all those who attend.

Students have an opportunity to learn about the many cultures at Crafton while having fun.

This event is essential because diversity is common throughout the world. No matter what country someone vis-

its, he or she will benefit from the ability to interact with people from a variety of cultures.

It is also important to have some knowledge, or at least an understanding, of the different cultures everyone is surrounded with on a daily basis whether it is directly or indirectly.

During Multicultural Day, students at CHC will be doing just that.

Crafton students will be coming together as one human race, not as individual cultures.

This event also promotes student interaction with other students, faculty, and staff.

While interacting with the others, everyone will be able to educate themselves what it means to be different and diverse.

Please come and support all of the hard work that DC and ASCHC have put forth in an effort to make this event possible for everyone to enjoy.

Take advantage of this opportunity to not only gain a better understanding of diversity, but to also get some free entertainment and some free food in the process!

We hope to see you all there Roadrunners!



Events Calendar: April

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
				1 April Fool's Day	2 PBL meeting	3
4	5	6 Elections AS Day	7 Elections AS Day	8	9 PBL Beach clean-up	10
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