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Poli-blogger John Sexton offers lecture at CHC

By Katlin Bridge
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On Wednesday, March 9th at noon, the Political Science Department and the Student Senate of Crafton Hills College hosted an hour long presentation with guest speaker John Sexton in LADM 304. John Sexton has a degree in Liberal Arts from Virginia Tech and a Masters in Science and Religion from Biola University. Sexton is currently a full time political blogger for *verumse- rum.com*. He also contributes to Andrew Breitbart's *Big Journalism* and to Hot Air's *Green Room*.

In the lecture he addressed his life as a full time blogger, shared some of his experiences rubbing shoulders with politicians and newsmakers, and explained the impact of blogs on society, politics, and traditional media.

Spring Semester

March 2011

Ramos speaks on importance of culture

By Beth Blougouras
Guest Writer

On March 1st, 2008, James Ramos was elected to be chairman of the San Manuel Band of Serrano Mission Indians. In 2010, he was re-elected to the San Bernardino Community College Board of Trustees for a second time. Ramos was appointed to the California State Board of Education, which sets policies and provides guidance for the 72 districts and 112 colleges which constitute the community college system, by Governor Jerry Brown in 2011. He has an Associate of Science Degree from San Bernardino Valley College, a Bachelor of Sci-

in Business Administration from Cal State University of San Bernardino, and a Master's Degree in Business Degree from Redlands University. Apart from these and many other achievements, he continues to work on community projects with the San Manuel Band of Serrano Mission Indians and operates restaurants in the San Bernardino area.

On March 15th at 1 pm in the Performing Arts Center, Ramos delivered a speech at an event hosted by the Phi Beta Lambda chapter of Crafton Hills College. In his speech, he addressed the audience of about two hundred people on how culture and history encourage a sense of community. Prior to the



event PBL president and Student Senate Senator-at-Large Aaron Contreras stated, "Dr. Ramos is truly an inspirational person and I cannot wait to observe his passion for history and culture firsthand."

High School Visitation Day on April 8th

By Mandy Godard
Staff Writer

On Friday, April 8th, Crafton Hills College (CHC) will be hosting a visitation day for high school students who are interested in enrolling at CHC in the fall. Over 450 students from schools in Yucaipa, Redlands and San Bernardino have confirmed their attendance at High School Visitation Day.

The event will take place from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., and about 40 student volunteers will be providing tours to the visitors. The high school students will be touring the



campus, including the new Library and Learning Resource Center (LRC) and the new Aquatics Center. They will have the chance to attend two workshops of their choosing. There are also two scheduled orientation presentations in the Finkelstein Performing Arts Center. Of

course, a breakfast snack and lunch will be provided for the seniors. Although many of you will not be participating in High School Visitation Day on April 8th, please remember that you are still a representative of Crafton Hills College.

Fourth annual Arts Day “huge success”

By Marcus Dashoff
Staff Writer/Photographer



On Friday, February 25th, seniors from high schools all over the Inland Empire poured into the Crafton Hills Performing Arts Center in order to be introduced to Crafton Hills' fourth annual Arts Day. Planned and organized by two of our own

students, and hosted by the Fine Arts Departments, the CHC Foundation and volunteers, this event was designed to give students a general idea of what types of fine arts classes are available at Crafton Hills College.

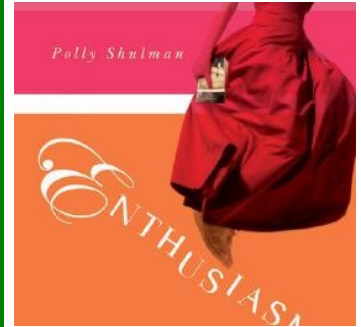
Danielle Hernandez and Ian Messersmith, those two student organizers, agreed they wanted to plan the event “in order to show the types of opportunities that they themselves have been given throughout their years at Crafton Hills.” Various professors, including Jessica McCambly and Mark McConnell, set up music creation and shirt printing activities (along with other activities) in order for the incoming seniors to experience what Crafton Hills has to offer. Upon asking Vin Lerouge (pictured), one of

the prospective students, what she thought of the program, she responded, “I really liked it”. She especially liked the opening number of the event, performed by current dance students of the college. Connor Vencent, a prospective student from Redlands East Valley High School, really enjoyed the event as well, stating, “[I’m] having a very good time.” He knew for sure that he was going to be attending Crafton Hills in the fall, and is most likely going to join the theatre program. In the end, the day was seen as a “huge success”, by Messersmith.

If the incoming class is going to be filled with any of the students who attended this event, I think we’re going to have both a creative and determined group joining the ranks.

Book Review: Enthusiasm

By Amanda Haskins
Book Club Secretary



Some readers may agree with Mark Twain who said, “Every time I read *Pride and Prejudice* I want to dig [Jane Austen] up and beat her over the skull with her own shin-bone.” However, Polly Shulman’s *Enthusiasm* is capable of wiggling its way into the hearts of the most reluctant readers, and might even inspire some readers to pick up a copy of Austen’s original works.

Shulman puts a beautiful spin on Austen’s *Pride and Prejudice*, adding a splash of *Sense and Sensibility*, and just a dollop of Shakespeare. Julie and her best friend, Ashleigh, hunt for their own versions of Mr. Darcy and Mr. Bingley while experiencing the timeless complications that come with discovering love mixed with the hassles of being average high school students in a contemporary setting.

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Upcoming Events

MARCH

Ongoing: Fine Arts exhibition in LRC
19th-22nd: CHC ASB members @ LEGcon, Washington DC
21st-26th: Spring Recess
31st: Cosi Fan Tutti Opera in CHC PAC, in conjunction with University of Redlands

APRIL

1st-3rd: Cosi Fan Tutti continues
1st-3rd: CHC ASB members @ GA conference, Sacramento
8th: High School Visitation Day
9th: CHC Foundation Annual Gala
15th-16th: Dance Show in CHC PAC

Are you interested in becoming a member of the Student Senate? Pick up an application today in the Student Life Office, located by the café!



Any upcoming events that you want included in the Events Calendar? Have any news stories for the Advisor? Want to be a staff writer, photographer, or graphic artist for the Advisor? Contact katlinbridge@gmail.com