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Fall 2013

Convocation

Wednesday, August 14, 2013

Student Center

Morning Agenda

Welcoming Remarks

Cuyamaca College President, Dr. Mark J. Zacovic
Chancellor, GCCCD, Dr. Cindy L. Miles
Governing Board Vice President, Mr. Edwin Hiel

Academic and Classified Senate Programs

Academic Senate President, Ms. Alicia Munoz
Presentation of the Outstanding Faculty Award
Professional Development Coordinator, Ms. Jodi Reed
Classified Senate Vice President, Mr. Eddie Vasquez

Introduction of New Employees

Vice Presidents Dr. Arleen Satele & Dr. Wei Zhou

Convocation Address

Cuyamaca College President, Dr. Mark J. Zacovic

Awards

Service Awards presented by Vice President of
Administrative Services, Dr. Arleen Satele
President's Awards presented by Dr. Mark J. Zacovic

Closing Remarks

Dr. Mark J. Zacovic

Lunch and Raffle Drawing

Please join us for lunch in the Student Center
Must be present to win in the raffle drawing

15 Years

Mary Asher-Fitzpatrick	DSPS
Debra Bablyon	Art Faculty
Priscilla Bartholomew	Health Services
Marcella Brown	Student Services
Alicia Munoz	ESL Faculty
Kathryn Nette	Biology Faculty
Alvin Salvanera	Operations
Patrick Thiss	Exercise Science Faculty
Steve To	Learning & Technology
Rob Wojtkowski	Exercise Science Faculty

25 Years

Ken Grimes	Counseling
Teresa McNeil	Counseling Faculty
Angela Nesta	Library Faculty

35 Years

John Heimaster	Grounds
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Service Awards

5 Years

George Attar	Operations
Amaliya Blyumin	Counseling Faculty
Cyndy Bourget	Learning & Technology
Melissa Chandler	Chem. Tech, Div. I
Guillermo Colls	ESL Faculty
Bryan Cooper	Learning & Technology
Daniel Curtis	Math Faculty
Ramon Davis	Grounds
George Diaz	Maintenance
Michael Erickson	Business Services
Bruce Farnham	Facilities
Michelle Garcia	Biology Faculty
Kimberly Gioscia	Instruction, Division I
Lauren Halsted	English Faculty
Nicole Jones	Counseling Faculty
Brian Josephson	Instructional Support
Julie Kahler	Instructional Operations
Jesus Miranda	Counseling Faculty
Don Schultz	OH Faculty
Taylor Smith	Music Faculty
Vicky Trask	Business Services

10 Years

Reine Perry	Bookstore
Beth Viersen	DSPS

Our New Employees

Dr. Wei Zhou, Vice President of Instruction

Dr. Zhou most recently served as the Vice President of Academic Affairs at Copper Mountain College, in Joshua Tree, California; he has also served as an Academic Dean at Evergreen Valley College in San Jose, California. Dr. Zhou earned his Ph.D. in Educational Administration from the University of Texas at Austin, his M.S. in Genetics and his B.S. in Genetics and Genetic Engineering from Fudan University, Shanghai, China.

Mr. Dorian Yanke, Instructor, American Sign Language

Our new ASL instructor grew up in Virginia with a love for an active lifestyle and an appreciation for nature. When not playing sports or pursuing various water-based activities, chances were good Dorian could be found tucked away somewhere with a book in his hands. His literary interests eventually guided him to a BA in English, which led him to an initially surprising position as a high school American Sign Language teacher and subsequent college level teaching experiences. Because of these enjoyable years invested in teaching ASL, he returned to Gallaudet University to acquire a master's degree in deaf studies. Dorian has had the unique experience of being an early childhood center ASL specialist; and for the past seven years has served as a high school English teacher at the Texas School for the Deaf in Austin, Texas.



Ms. Kerry Kilber Rebman, Dean of Learning and Technology Resources

Kerry didn't have to go far, having worked at our sister college as the Dean of Learning and Technology Resources since 2010. Prior to working for our colleges Kerry held several positions at USD. Kerry received her B.S. in German at Minnesota State University, Moorhead with a minor in music and obtained K-12 licenses to teach German in Minnesota and Georgia. In continuing her education, Kerry completed graduate coursework in Library Science, Teaching English as a Second Language, and Educational Technology before completing her M.A. degree in Nonprofit Leadership & Management at the University of San Diego.



Ms. Jamie Adams, Athletic Trainer

For the past five years Jamie has been an athletic trainer at UCSD. She has been the Medical Director and Head Athletic Trainer for the LeBron James' Basketball Camps, and for three years she was the Head Athletic Trainer at Templeton High School. Jamie earned her Master's Degree in Education Leadership focusing on the community college from Northern Arizona. She completed her undergraduate studies in Sport Sciences with an emphasis in Athletic Training at the University of the Pacific.

Ms. Kelly Allen, Instructional Lab Assistant, Intermediate Instruction, Division II

Kelly lives in Coronado near the beach with her two cats. She graduated in 2011 from UC San Diego with a BA in Literatures in English, and she is currently studying at Antioch University for her Masters in Creative Writing with a focus in Writing for Young Readers. She started working at Cuyamaca in January of 2007 as a tutor and has been working for the Cuyamaca Reading and Writing Center ever since.



Ms. Jessica Yakou, Student Services Specialist, Student Affairs

Jessica, a former Cuyamaca College student, recently graduated with honors from San Diego State University with a BA in Sociology and a Minor in Social & Personality Psychology. She also has a great deal of experience working on the Cuyamaca College campus. While a student, Jessica worked in several departments at Cuyamaca College including the Counseling Office, DSPS, VP Student Services Office, and in Student Affairs.



Ms. Elsa Hernandez, Student Trustee

Elsa is majoring in international business at Cuyamaca College. She has been involved with the Associated Student Government of Cuyamaca College since she began attending here in 2012. She hopes to transfer to the University of Southern California, and envisions a career in Western Europe and Australia.



Ms. Jaclyn Marlow, President, Associated Students

Jaclyn graduated from Valhalla High School in 2012 and is currently a sophomore at Cuyamaca College, majoring in Communications. She serves as a Student Ambassador for the college, and as a Hostess at Hooleys. During her free time she enjoys hiking and practicing for Cuyamaca College's women's golf team.





Ms. Valerie Peterson, Student Services Specialist, DSPS

Valerie has worked in the GCCCD since she graduated from high school in 2005. During the past 8 years, She has worked in the Disabled Student Programs & Services at Grossmont College and began her college years at Grossmont College. Valerie recently earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Liberal Studies with an emphasis in Special Education at San Diego State University.

Mr. Jack Robertson, Instructional Lab Assistant, Intermediate, Division II

Jack had been a volunteer for the American Sign Language department since Fall of 2006. In those 7 years, he worked his way through the ASL department's mentoring program and served as a Lead ASL tutor and President of the Cuyamaca College American Sign Language Association. Jack recently became the first recipient of the Cuyamaca College American Sign Language certificate.

Ms. Araceli Rodriguez, Student Services Specialist, EOPS

Araceli was born and raised in Mexico and came to the USA to learn English and get her education. She began taking ESL classes at Southwestern College in 2003. In 2004 she came to Cuyamaca College to continue her education. She has been working at EOPS at Cuyamaca College since 2005 as a Peer Advisor and presently works for the CARE and UP! programs. She received her Associates Degree in Paralegal Studies in 2008 from Cuyamaca College and her Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from UCSD in 2011.

Ms. Patricia Tackett, Ornamental Horticulture Assistant, Sr.

Patty started working in the Grounds Department at Cuyamaca College in 1996 as a part time employee, and was hired as a Grounds Maintenance Worker in 1997. Shortly thereafter, she was promoted to Senior Groundskeeper. Patty received her degree in Landscape Technology, Landscape Design, and Irrigation Technology in 2011. She and her husband started their own landscape business in 2011, specializing in small residential landscapes.



Ms. Teresa Bean, Child Development Center Aide

Teresa has been working with young children for many years and has taken Child Development classes at Cuyamaca and Grossmont Colleges. Teresa has an Associate Teacher permit. She already loves her job here at the Children's Center, and looks forward to continuing her education at Cuyamaca College.

Ms. Ohood Elawwad-Fouda, Child Development Center Aide

Ohood was born and raised in Kuwait and moved to Egypt after the Gulf War. She studied at Ain Shams University and received her BA in Science and Civil Engineering. After graduating, she worked in developing plans and contracting for 4 years then worked part time as a drafter. She came to the United States in 1994, and after having her second child who had special needs, she decided to go back to school. She earned a Child Development Certificate and also has a Child Development Site Supervisor permit. Ohood's goal is to earn her Master's degree in Mainstreaming and Inclusion for children with special needs.

Ms. Cindy Emerson, Administrative Assistant III, CEWT

Cindy has done undergraduate work in Psychology, Communication and Theater Arts and has years of experience in supporting educational executives in northern California K-12 districts. She will bring a new dimension to the exciting developments in Continuing Education.

Ms. Danielle Eygenhuysen, Child Development Center Aide

Danielle has been a student and a student worker in the Child Development Center at Cuyamaca College. She completed her Associate of Arts degree at Cuyamaca College, and soon after transferred to San Diego State University. At SDSU, she completed her Bachelor of Science degree in Child Development.





Ms. Amber Hughes, Community Learning Operations Coordinator

Amber Hughes joins Continuing Education and Workforce Training (CEWT) as the new Division Supervisor after being a part of the team since November 2011. Amber has a BA in Sociology and brings extensive supervisory and quality improvement experience to the College. She is looking forward to being part of the amazing work Continuing Education does in the community and helping the division strategically grow to meet the mission of the College and the goals of the division.

Mr. Steve Lenox, Instructional Lab Assistant, Intermediate Instruction, Division II

Steve attended Cuyamaca College from 2003 to 2006. During this time, he wrote for the *Coyote Express*, the school newspaper, and worked as a tutor at the Writing Center. He then transferred to University of Southern California where he earned a BA in English. After graduating, Steve moved back to San Diego and began working at the Writing Center as an acting Supervisor. In 2011, he enrolled at University of San Diego for a Master's in Education; he has earned his MEd, and is finishing up the last requirements for his teaching credential.

Ms. Cathy Long, Multi-Media Technician, Senior Learning & Technology Resources

Cathy received two Associate degrees from Palomar College, one in Library Technology and the other in Information Systems. She also has an ROP certificate in Computer Applications and Computer Repair. Cathy has had a wide range of experiences, but most recently, was a Library Technician at an elementary school for four years.



Ms. Alexis Lytle, Financial Aid Assistant, Senior

Alexis began working in Financial Aid as a Federal Work-Study student in 1999 and worked her way up to Financial Aid Assistant and eventually served as the Financial Aid Director of Fashion Careers College from 2005 to 2013. She went back to school at Grossmont College in 2010 after spending many years focusing on her career and her two daughters. Alexis transferred to the University of Redlands this coming fall and will continue pursuing her Bachelor's degree in Business. Alexis grew up in El Cajon and feels passionately about serving the students in this community. She is very excited to be a part of Cuyamaca College's endeavors to help students achieve their educational goals.

Ms. Veronica Nieves-Cortez, Student Services Specialist-Tutorial Services, Learning & Technology Resources

Veronica has worked at Cuyamaca College since she began her college years. She obtained two Associates degrees and eventually transitioned over to a four year university to earn her Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education with Concentration in School Administration. Veronica earned her Master of Arts in Teaching with Specialization in Special Education this year.

Mr. Patrice Nya, Budget Analyst, Administrative Services

Patrice received his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Accounting from Eastern Oregon University. Patrice will be monitoring and analyzing Cuyamaca College's accounts and making recommendations as necessary as well as reviewing all fiscal forms. In his free time he enjoys playing and watching soccer and basketball.

