



## *President's Report to the Governing Board* *July 17, 2012*

### **🐾 Students' Art Displayed at the San Diego County Fair**



Cuyamaca College ART club members, **Ms. Adriana Quintero**, **Ms. Kaitlyn Fusco**, and **Ms. Charlene Mosley** won first place for the chalk contest at the San Diego County Fair. The theme was "Out of this World." Art students, **Mr. Norman Brown** and **Ms. Charlene Mosley**, adjunct art instructor **Ms. Mary Ford**, and Art Department Chair, **Dr. Marie Ramos** also participated in the Plein Air contest during the San Diego County Fair.

### **🐾 College Hosts Refugee Employment Resource Summit**

Approximately 250 refugees (Iraqi, Burmese, Karen, Russian, Ethiopian, Somali, etc.) attended the Refugee Employment Resource Summit held here at Cuyamaca College on June 20<sup>th</sup>, and hosted by CalWORKs. **Ms. Sheryl Ashley**, Cuyamaca College CalWORKs Program Specialist, participated in the planning of this event along with volunteers from several other refugee-serving agencies. Ms. Thuba Nguyen from International Rescue Committee and Ms. Heidi Van Denburgh from Jewish Family Services were co-chairs of the event. Other participants were from Public Consulting Group; Chaldean Middle Eastern Social Services; Catholic Charities; ResCare/Arbor; Karen Organization of San Diego; and the County of San Diego Refugee Coordinator. Several non-credit ESL instructors suspended classes for the day for students to participate in the event. This free event included keynote speakers some of whom were successful refugees and workshops that provided information about job search, employment outlook, college and non-credit educational opportunities, employer panels, and the process of learning English. Many, many volunteers helped the day go smoothly. Lunch from various cultures was provided to attendees through a generous sponsorship. This was one of two events the San Diego Refugee Forum put on to celebrate World Refugee Day. The second annual World Refugee Day Celebration at the Museum of Photographic Arts, held in Balboa Park, included refugee stories, art, videos, performances, and food. These events help raise awareness of the many refugees who come to our community and to embrace the rich diversity of cultures they bring.

### **🐾 Staff Member Recognized for Her Service and Dedication to the State Classified Senate**



At the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Classified Leadership Institute held on June 14-16 in Ventura, CA, **Ms. Debi Miller**, Assistant to the Vice President of Instruction, was twice honored at the 4CS Awards Dinner & Outstanding Classified Employee Recognition event. Along with three of her colleagues from other institutions, she received an Excellence Award for her Outstanding Commitment to 4CS culminating in her vision to successfully facilitate and organize the classified leadership retreats for the South Region of 4CS twice a year. The retreat is an attempt to fill a void for these committed leaders by providing an opportunity to network, learn more about the state organization, the role of classified senates in their district, and to share their expertise with other classified leadership. Her second award was for her continued support and sponsorship of 4CS under the individual sponsor



category at the Leadership Level. Individual sponsors are recognized at this level for contributions exceeding \$500.

#### 🐾 **Program Coordinator Receives Award**

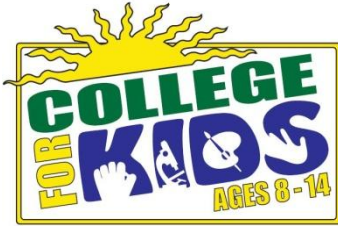
During the week of June 18, **Mr. Don Schultz**, Ornamental Horticulture program coordinator, traveled to UC Davis to attend the California Higher Education Sustainability Conference where he was invited to receive the California Community College Board of Governors Energy and Sustainability Award. Mr. Schultz conducted a presentation on the OH department's accomplishments that facilitated the award. During the conference, Mr. Schultz also attended other presentations, learning about the accomplishments of other California's colleges and universities in the areas of solar power generation and advanced recycling and conservation programs that are setting the trends in how our society uses resources.

#### 🐾 **Center for Innovation Activities**

The Center for Innovation within the Office of Continuing Education and Workforce Training serves as the umbrella for many of the contract and grant-funded professional and vocational programs housed at Cuyamaca College. Many are regional programs funded to serve all of San Diego and Imperial Counties. Below is a brief summary of some of their recent activities:

- The Workforce Innovation Partnership Grants (Green Ventures) received notification of the 2012-2013 Workforce Innovation Partnership renewal grants in the amount \$218,750 each.
- The 2012 Green Ventures Summer Bridge program held orientations at Santana high school and Kearny Construction Tech Academy with 30 students in attendance.
- A six-week Summer Bridge Green Ventures class of 11 students started June 25 at Santana High School, supporting students enrolled in the Environmental Design Academy to successfully matriculate to the variety of green training programs available at Cuyamaca College.
- "Youth Boost Career Institute" is offering College for Kids classes beginning July 9<sup>th</sup> with over 60 students registered in science and engineering, entrepreneurship, and health and medicine.
- Cuyamaca College approved the hire of **Mr. Joe Young**, the first full-time faculty member in the Water and Wastewater Technology Program.
- Classes for the Solar Sales, Design and Estimation begin July 10<sup>th</sup> at Cuyamaca College as part of the Continuing Education and Workforce Training's vocational offerings.

## ~~ Upcoming Events ~~



### **College for Kids**

The College for Kids summer program began July 9<sup>th</sup> and runs through August 9<sup>th</sup>. We are offering 39 different classes for children ages 8-14, which include classes in art, dance, fitness, science, media, and more. College for Kids registration began May 1<sup>st</sup> at [www.cuyamaca.edu/preview/CFK/](http://www.cuyamaca.edu/preview/CFK/).

### **Professional Development Week**

August 13 through August 17

A complete list of activities can be found at <http://www.cuyamaca.edu/professionaldev/schedule.asp>

### **Fall 2012 Convocation**

Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>

Begins with lunch in the Student Center at 12:30pm

### **Post-Convocation Reception**

Immediately following Convocation, Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>

Water Conservation Garden

### **Farmer's Market**

The Rancho San Diego Farmer's Market is held at Cuyamaca College from 9:00am to 2:00pm each Saturday. Fresh fruits and vegetables, health and fitness sessions, live music and more! In a short period of time, this market has become extremely popular with the local community.