

President's Report to the Governing Board August 20, 2008

🐾 Enrollment Continues to Climb!

Cuyamaca College shows signs of surpassing its all-time record enrollment for the Fall 2008 semester. We are approaching a new record high!

| | Fall 2008 | Fall 2007 | Difference by # | Percentage +/- |
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| Date | 08/15/08 | 08/10/07 | | |
| Headcount | 7217 | 6082 | +1135 | +18.7 |
| Units | 56972.5 | 46747.5 | +10225 | +21.9 |

🐾 Cuyamaca College Men's Basketball Players Move On To Universities

Cuyamaca College men's basketball players Dahir Nasser, Viktor Asaciovas and Martin Graham have accepted basketball scholarships for the upcoming basketball season. Dahir Nasser, a 6-2 guard from McClintock H.S. (AZ), will be playing at Cal Poly Pomona University next season. Dahir was a first-team All Pacific Coast Conference performer for the Coyotes. Dahir averaged 14.0 points, 3.3 rebounds, and 3.1 assists while shooting 46% from the field. Viktor Asaciovas, a 6-7 forward from Christian H.S., will be playing at San Diego Christian College next season. Viktor was an Honorable Mention All Pacific Coast Conference performer for the Coyotes. Viktor averaged 8.0 points and 6.4 rebounds while shooting 49% from the field. Martin Graham, a 6-5 forward from Seton Catholic H.S. (AZ), will be playing at Western State College of Colorado next season. Martin averaged 7.1 points, 4.8 rebounds and 1.2 assists.

🐾 Kids to College

Community Learning recently completed the summer "Kids to College" program that was offered from June through August. 290 kids, ages 8-17, participated in 13 classes and 17 sections (each ranging from 1 hour to 5 days in length) throughout the exciting and very popular summer program. The courses available through the program included the Natural ATMs, Babysitter Training, Beginning Guitar for Teens, Junior Theatre, Junior Hip-Hop, The Earth is a Mystery - Dig It, Survivor: Pioneer Skills in the Computer World, Art Stars, You, the Artist, Flower Power, This Class is for the Birds!, 2008 Summer Boys & Girls Basketball Camp, and Summer Junior Tennis Camp. Most of the classes were full and had a waiting list.



🐾 Instructional Administrators Retreat

The annual Instructional Deans' Retreat was held on July 24th. In addition to planning and priority setting for 2008-09, the agenda focused on key operational issues. Enrollment management, instructional schedule planning, and a discussion of procedures for effective management of facility secondary effects, off-site venues, and Datatel *Colleague* implementation were also topics of the day. A review of the Technology Plan and Workforce Committee and Plan completed the agenda. Conversations among instructional and Cabinet members over lunch on the beautiful Student Center veranda lightened up the day.

🐾 Instructional Council

Professional Development Week, kicked off with the traditional Instructional Council Retreat on Monday, August 18th. The group includes all Chairs and Coordinators of academic departments (19 in all) as well as all instructional administrators and guests including Interim President Chiriboga and Cabinet members VP Arleen Satele, VP Joseph Marron and Executive Dean Henri Migala and Academic Senate President Michael Wangler. The agenda focused on exploring effective faculty evaluation practices via a faculty-led panel that included Instructors Susan Haber, Kathryn Nette, Mary Graham, and Dean Connie Elder. Schedule planning techniques, *Colleague* training, and a Student Learning Outcomes briefing by SLO Coordinator Michael Wangler were also featured. The retreat concluded with discussion and a presentation of the annual work plan and cycles for instruction, developed by Dean Madelaine Wolfe.

🐾 New Full Time Faculty/Counselor Orientation

Not since 2005 has a Full Time Faculty/Counselor Orientation been held at the College. Thanks to the generous support of the Cuyamaca College Foundation, a full day of activities and hospitality was held on August 15th, when academic and counseling faculty interacted with the administrative and faculty leaders of the college. Interim President Chiriboga kicked off the session with introductions and comments about shared governance and priorities for the coming year. In addition to presentations from Interim Associate Vice Chancellor Academic, Student and Planning Services, Bob Hertel, about district resources, and a profile of Cuyamaca College students by Research representative Leif Christiansen, topics included briefings about Instruction and Student Services. Instructional and Student Services Deans – Dr. Tracie Herd, Dr. Madelaine Wolfe, Danene Soares, Dr. Darleen Spoor and Connie Elder provided overviews of division functions and available support services. Academic Senate President Michael Wangler moderated a panel of former Senate leaders who discussed “What it means to be a Cuyamaca College faculty member.” The day concluded with an informative series of presentations by faculty Curriculum Committee co-chair Courtney Hammond regarding the curriculum process, Professor Kathryn Nette for academic master planning, Dean Connie Elder discussed professional development, and Dr. Madelaine Wolfe briefed the group on program review. The college looks forward to this becoming an annual event!

🐾 Center for Economic Education Receives \$5,000

Bank of America awarded \$5,000 to Cuyamaca College's Center for Economic Education to promote economic literacy. The San Diego Center for Economic Education at Cuyamaca College is an affiliate of the California Council on Economic Education (CCEE) and the National Council on Economic Education (NCEE), and is a premier provider of economic

education programs for K-12 schools in San Diego County and surrounding areas. The San Diego Center for Economic Education (SDCEE) helps schools to integrate the teaching of economics across all grade levels. SDCEE provides a variety of different programs, classes and workshops that enable teachers to help students meet California State Standards in Economics and to have the practical knowledge and skills necessary to become vital members of the local and global economy.

🐾 **Rancho San Diego-Jamul Chamber of Commerce**

The college is becoming a popular place for meetings of area service organizations. The Rancho San Diego-Jamul Chamber of Commerce held its monthly 4th Friday Breakfast at Cuyamaca College on Friday, July 25th. Chamber members and local business owners enjoyed a delicious breakfast as well as the beautiful scenery of the college.

🐾 **"Happy Hearts for Hurting Heroes"**

Cuyamaca College Trustee Chuck Taylor and Cuyamaca College's Phi Theta Kappa members joined over 80 volunteers from the local VFW, Women Auxiliary, military wives and family members, Boy Scouts, and local community members to volunteer for Rescue Task Force. Their mission was to fill backpacks for combat-wounded veterans who were medi-VAC off the battlefields in Iraq. Each backpack contained over 80 items – everything from socks to playing cards and then were given to the hospitalized veterans.

🐾 **ASSET Graduation**

The Ford Motor Company's ASSET (Automotive Student Service Education Training) program celebrated its newest graduating class at the college on July 30th. This year's commencement marked the 20th anniversary of the two-year program at the college and the graduation of the 10th class of ASSET students. Eleven students, each represented by a local Ford Dealership, received their awards and degrees. According to Ford Motor Co., 99 percent of ASSET graduates get hired at Ford or Lincoln Mercury dealerships. All of this year's graduates are already employed at Ford dealerships. Special appreciation goes to James E. Custeau, Patrick Garity, and William Lewon for their continued commitment to this popular program.



🐾 **Community College "Admin 101"**

Cuyamaca College Interim President Cristina Chiriboga recently coordinated ACCCA's Community College Training Institute, *Administration 101*, known as a "nuts and bolts boot camp" for community college administrators. This annual institute was held at the Sunset Center at UCLA July 27-31. *Administration 101* serves a cross section of community college administrators, from student services, instruction, foundations and other support services. The Institute provides a detailed and thorough overview of all essential activities of community college administration, focusing on leadership, instruction and student services, HR, budget and finance, and other related 'hot topics'. The Institute draws participants from all 110 of CA community colleges.

🐾 OH Faculty Retreat

The OH Faculty held its 2nd annual retreat on the weekend of August 9th. Funded by a Water Authority Grant to work on the new Sustainable Urban Landscape curriculum, 15 adjunct faculty members participated in the retreat. The following weekend, OH hosted its annual student club retreat. The new Student Affiliate Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects joined the retreat for the first time to plan their next year's events.

🐾 'Paper Only' Recycling

Cuyamaca College has purchased blue "paper only" bins for the college. With staff and faculty cooperation, the college hopes to make a profit from the paper-only bins. The college's recycler, Quiroz Recycling, has agreed to give the college 50% of their profits from the 'paper only' recycling system. The paper from the blue recycling waste-paper baskets needs to be dumped in the 'paper only' bins at the end of each work day. The Operations crew will then dump these large 'paper only' bins into a 4-cubic yard bin that is then picked up by our recycler. The college is asking all faculty and staff to assist in this effort by bringing their classroom and office paper to this location on a daily basis.

🐾 Region 10 American College Health Association

Cuyamaca College Health and Wellness Center sponsored its bi-yearly Region 10 meeting on Monday, August 18th. Focusing on building better communication with nurses and health care providers within Region 10, showing off its new facility, and providing workshops which included information from the San Diego County Health Department on recent outbreaks of TB were among the many topics discussed. In addition, Emergency Medical Services, in conjunction with Homeland Security, provided emergency preparedness information to participants.

Concurrent College Event

🐾 Water & Wastewater Orientation

Cuyamaca College's Water & Wastewater Technology Program is hosting a New and Prospective Student Orientation tonight from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., room F-607. Participating students can Learn About Careers, Classes, Job Opportunities, Degrees and Certificates, Talk to Faculty and Industry Members. The Water & Wastewater Technology Program is funded by the CA State Chancellor's Office through the Industry Drive Regional Collaborative grant program, and serves all of Region 10 (San Diego and Imperial Counties).

Upcoming College Event

🐾 Fall 2008 Convocation

Wednesday, August 20th, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Student Center. Breakfast will be served from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m., and lunch, sponsored by the Grossmont Schools Federal Credit Union, will be served at noon.