

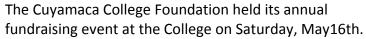
President's Report to the Governing Board June 16, 2009

Summer Enrollment is Growing

The following is an analysis of the Summer 2009 enrollment compared with Summer 2008 enrollment as of the same day of registration:

	Summer 2009	Summer 2008	Difference by #	Percentage +/-
Date	06/10/09	06/11/08		
Headcount	3,282	3,032	+250	+8.2
Units	11,790.0	10,972.0	+818.0	+7.5

Foundation Celebration





Viejas Production & Entertainment once again graciously donated the lighting that transformed the Student Center and Plaza to create a magical and enchanting evening. Guests enjoyed the opportunity to visit with friends, take home numerous silent and live auction items, and enjoy live music and exquisite food. Despite these challenging economic times, the Foundation broke a fundraising record for the evening's event -- over \$20,000 on the night of the auction (and grossed nearly \$80,000 for the event)! The College is grateful to the Foundation for its dedicated and selfless fundraising efforts.

31st Annual Commencement Ceremony

Spirits were high and bright as more than 360 degrees and 140 certificates were awarded during the 31st Annual Commencement ceremony at Cuyamaca College. Hundreds of people came to share in the happiness and excitement as their family members and friends received their diplomas and certificates. The Cuyamaca College "Acadellas" and the American Sign Language Choir graced the ceremony with their performances. Dr. Cindy Miles, our new Chancellor, delivered the memorable keynote address at her first Cuyamaca College Commencement ceremony.

Record Scholarship to OH Student!

Congratulations to Ms. Rosalee Clanton for being a recipient of a 2009 Pesticide Applicators Professional Association (PAPA) scholarship in the amount of \$5,000! Rosalee was required to

submit transcripts, letters of recommendation, an essay, record of work experience, and resume of activities which were reviewed by the statewide scholarship committee in the selection process. Rosalee's award may be the record for a single scholarship to a Cuyamaca College Ornamental Horticulture student!!

Cuyamaca College Becomes Official Lincoln Legacy School

The Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission (ALBC) recently awarded the College the distinction of becoming an official Lincoln Legacy School. The College received a certificate recognizing its participation in the Lincoln Bicentennial National Teach-In webcast that was held on February 12, 2009 in commemoration of the 200th birthday of President Abraham Lincoln.

Congress established the ALBC in 2009 to recommend appropriate ways to commemorate the 200th birthday of Abraham Lincoln. Through educational programs, public forums, and the arts, the Commission provides an opportunity to re-examine Lincoln's legacy in our 21st century democracy.

A special *Thank You* goes to Susan Haber, History faculty, for coordinating the events at the College in honor of President Lincoln's bicentennial birthday.

Patricia Santana Honored with Premio Aztlán for Ghosts of El Grullo

El Grullo, the National Latinos Writers Conference and the History & Literary Program of the National Hispanic Cultural Center (NHCC), have recognized Patricia Santana as the winner of the 2008 Premio Aztlán Literary Prize for her novel, *Ghosts of El Grullo*. A national literary award established to encourage and reward emerging Chicana and Chicano authors, the Premio Aztlán was founded by renowned author Rodolfo Anaya and his wife Patricia in 1993. As winner of the Premio Aztlán, Santana received \$1,000 and gave a public lecture during the National Latinos Writers Conference, held at the NHCC in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on May 21-23, 2009.

Scholarship Recognition Ceremony

The Financial Aid & Scholarships Department held its 2008-09 Scholarship Breakfast on May 22, 2009 to recognize the year's scholarship recipients. Each of the twenty-eight scholarship recipients present received a certificate. Over 65 attendees enjoyed a hot breakfast and were welcomed by Interim College President Chiriboga and Chancellor Miles. Vice President Joseph Marron and Financial Aid Director Ray Reyes assisted with awarding the certificates. Special thanks



to the Cuyamaca College Foundation for their sponsorship and to the Financial Aid & Scholarships staff for putting on this fabulous event.

Phi Theta Kappa Induction Ceremony & Dinner



The National Honor Society of Phi Theta Kappa of Cuyamaca College inducted and recognized the academic excellence of their newest members by

providing a wonderful dinner and induction ceremony, held here at the College in the Student Center.

San Diego County Water Authority Annual Water Summit

On June 2nd, nearly 400 representatives from California's various water districts came to Cuyamaca College to discuss the current water conditions throughout California and its implications on the future of the region. Participants filled the theatre in the Communication Arts Center and the



meeting rooms in the Student Center to hear speakers talk about the current trends regarding water and water conservation. The San Diego County Water Authority, who sponsored the event, praised Cuyamaca College for its beautiful facilities and ever-helpful staff for help putting on the successful event. Special thanks to Henri Migala, Executive Dean, for serving as the college liaison to the SD Water Authority and overseeing all the logistics for hosting this very important and high-profile community event.

@One Summer Training Institute

On June 3rd, Cuyamaca College hosted five 3-day intensive workshops sponsored by @One, a State Chancellor's Office-supported technology training initiative for college faculty. Sixty-six faculty, including 33 from Cuyamaca College and 3 from Grossmont College, attended seminars in Camtasia, Photoshop, Online Teaching, Vodcasting, or Sharepoint Designer. Classes were held in the CIS Department computer labs, allowing all participants hands-on experience in their chosen technology. Participants came from throughout California and Nevada.

An Afternoon with the Lost Boys of Sudan

Cuyamaca College's very own Sudanese Cultural Club members shared their riveting and ultimately inspirational stories showing the strength of the human spirit to overcome enormous obstacles during a reading of their personal survival stories. The event was sponsored by the English Department and coordinated by Marvelyn Bucky, advisor for the Sudanese Cultural Club. Over 100 faculty, staff and students packed the standing-room-only presentation to hear harrowing stories of survival in their war-torn homeland, and came away with a deeper understanding of the genocide and human suffering in Darfur.

Community Learning/Club ABLED End of the Year Ceremony

Students and staff enjoyed a relaxing afternoon bar-b-que as they celebrated their accomplishments for the year and awarded students their certificates. The OH Garden was the setting for the afternoon event held on Wednesday, May 20th.



Child Development Center Holds Silent Auction

This spring, the Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) sponsored a children's art auction as a fundraiser at the Child Development Center. PAC purchased the different sized canvases and each classroom chose the art media the children would use on the canvas. Classrooms chose

watercolors or paints and used various "tools", i.e. fingers, paintbrushes, recyclables, and other items, to create their artwork. The pieces of art were displayed at the children's center for a few weeks and sold through a silent auction. The art department kindly loaned easels to display the art pieces in a professional looking exhibit. The artwork sold for at total of \$421, and the funds will be used for a summer activity for the children.

Library Display: Water Supply Crisis

For the summer semester, the Cuyamaca College Learning Resource Center's display will address the timely issue of water conservation. In response to this issue, a beautiful collection of drought resistant, xeriscaping plants from the Ornamental Horticulture Department's Nursery is currently on exhibit in the library. Also on display are handy brochures and pamphlets featuring tips for preventing water waste, water-smart gardening ideas and e-books on the local and global water shortage. Display items and information were generously donated by the Cuyamaca College Water Conservation Garden, the Cuyamaca College Ornamental Horticulture Program, and the City of San Diego Water Department. Display created and arranged by Maria Gearhart.

UPCOMING COLLEGE EVENTS

College for Kids

From June 22 -July 31, the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District's Community Learning Program is offering College for Kids, a series of weeklong summer day camps featuring a wide variety of workshops in everything from DJ'ing to influencing public policy in the community. Held at both Cuyamaca and Grossmont Colleges, the 30 classes are open to youngsters ages 8-14 or 10-14, depending on the subject, and can be taken as half- or full-day sessions.

Fall Semester 2009 in Paris, France

September 30th – November 30th Includes 61 days, plus 3 weeks of instruction at Cuyamaca College prior to departure.

Fall Convocation

Convocation is scheduled for Wednesday, August 19th, beginning with breakfast at 8:00am. This annual event will be held in the Student Center.

