

# The Bottom Line

NEWS & VIEWS FROM COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS FALL 2003

## President's REPORT



Dr. Dianne Van Hook

**A**n organization built on a solid foundation and fueled by the energy, tenacity, passion and commitment of the people who work there is predisposed to overcome challenging times more readily than other organizations.

Such is the case at College of the Canyons, which, like every one of the 108 community colleges in California, is dealing with the impact of the state's historic budget deficit. While we are all in similar situations, the outcome for College of the Canyons will be different than others. Our attitude in the face of this situation reminds me of a statement made by William Jennings

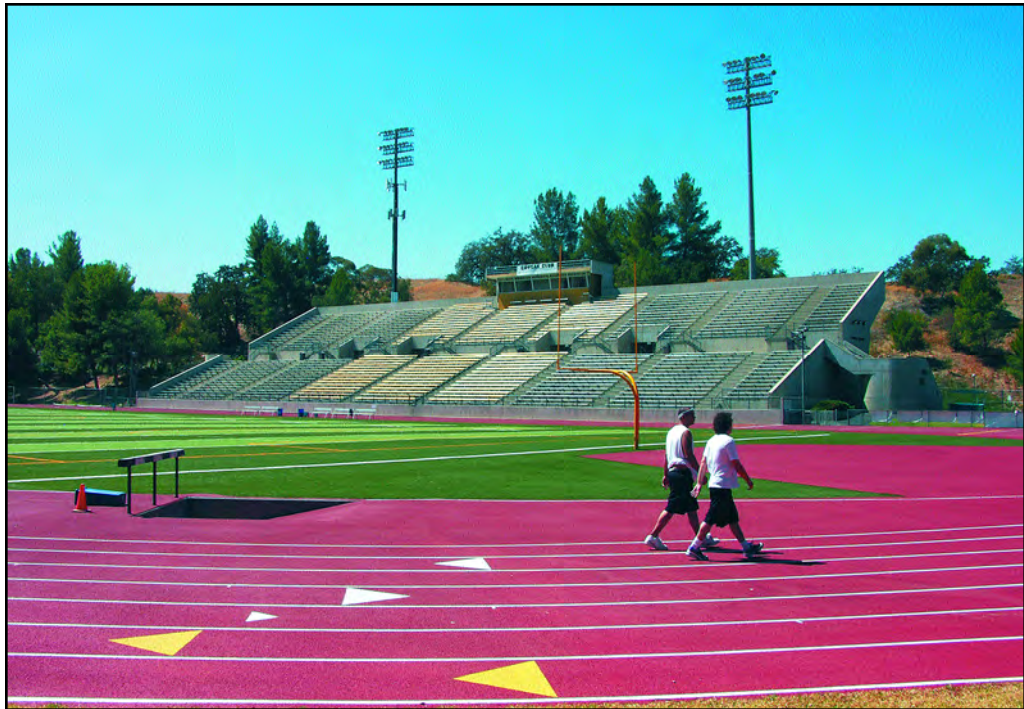
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## Strategy Takes Aim at Nursing Shortage

**C**ollege of the Canyons is one of seven Southern California community colleges working with several regional hospitals to overcome a critical shortage of registered nurses. Not only is California dead-last nationally in the ratio of nurses to patients, it projects a statewide shortfall of 25,000 nurses by 2006.

The Associate Degree Nursing Regional Collaborative, led by College of the Canyons, proposes the creation of a new first-year nursing program that would be developed and shared by all partner colleges. Educational partners currently include Los Angeles Pierce College, L.A. Valley College, Antelope Valley College,

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Renovations of Cougar Stadium have been completed. The field now boasts a FieldTurf synthetic playing surface that resembles grass but requires far less upkeep, surrounded by a new track. The restrooms also were updated.

## University Center Adds More Programs

**S**ince January 2001 when the Interim University Center opened its doors on the College of the Canyons campus, the number of educational partners has grown from two to nine, generating a tremendous increase in the

number of degree programs offered.

The center now offers six credential programs, eight bachelor's programs, nine master's programs and two doctoral programs. And, more are on the way.

The appeal and popular-

ity of these programs was predicted years ago by Superintendent-President Dianne G. Van Hook, who realized that freeway congestion and busy lifestyles would ultimately reach the point where students could

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## Van Hook

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Bryan, who said, "Destiny is not a matter of chance – it is a matter of choice."

There are certain factors over which we have control and we have done our best to use them to our advantage. We have done our own long-range planning, set fiscal policy, and managed enrollment to maximize revenue and ensure fiscal stability. And, we advocated with the governor and state Legislature and called on them to mitigate cuts to community colleges. In doing so, we have achieved results over the years that some said were unattainable.

Our work is not finished, however. As the state works to get out of its deficit, we must do our part and be resilient, creative, and flexible in dealing with outside influences and unexpected occurrences, while keeping ourselves in a position ready to seize opportunities when they present themselves. And, we must continue being part of the solution to fuel the economy by ensuring that access to education and training is present in the Santa Clarita Valley.

As we move forward, we will continue doing what we do best:

- Innovating;
- Planning for the future;
- Moving forward with new ideas to better meet the needs of the students and community we serve; and
- Working with business and industry to meet their ever-changing yet essential training needs.

Despite the challenges presented by the state's fiscal condition, College of the Canyons continues to excel and connect with communities. We produced a number of achievements this year that deserve to be noticed and celebrated. Among them:

- Construction continued on our Performing Arts Center, a joint project with the City of Santa Clarita. When completed early next year, it will be a premier venue with 950 seats, a state-of-the-art sound system, and will feature performances by our students, community groups and professional artists.

- Nearly 800 students earned associate degrees this year, a record number.

- The University Center continued to grow in popularity, with eight bachelor's degrees, eight master's degrees, seven credentials, one doctoral degree and one certificate from eight partnering institutions – a major increase from a year ago.

- We began renovating Cougar Stadium, first by replacing the grass with FieldTurf, a synthetic playing surface requiring less maintenance, offering safer footing, and

providing a rejuvenated aesthetic appearance. Resurfacing of the track is under way, as is refurbishment of the restrooms, which have not been upgraded since the stadium opened more than 30 years ago.

- Pacific Metal Stamping was named our Training Partner of the Year for their commitment to and successful implementation of lean manufacturing techniques taught by our Center for Applied Competitive Technologies/Employment Training Institute (CACT/ETI).

- Together, CACT/ETI provided workforce training and skills development to more than 1,500 employees at 220 area companies this year.

- Nearly 1,000 students provided 10,000 hours of volunteer work to 55 organizations through our Service Learning Program.

- We added 19 degree and certificate programs, giving students more academic choices.

- We formed partnerships with 354 companies to offer internships to our students, enabling them to gain professional experience complementing their coursework.

We have definitely been on the move, connecting across communities. As a new academic year gets under way, we look forward to more exciting outcomes and accomplishments as we continue to invest funds from the local bond measure voters approved two years ago into new facilities, including the Music/Dance classroom and lab building adjoining the Performing Arts Center, a high-tech classroom and laboratory center, an expansion of our science laboratory building, and the construction of a new science lecture hall. We are also working to identify and receive approval from the state to acquire a site for a permanent campus facility in the Canyon Country area. And, our capital campaign for the permanent University Center building will continue to move forward.

These projects will be a tremendous resource to our students and the community we serve as they will expand access, enable us to serve more students, and offer new majors and certificate options to meet our students' transfer goals and business training needs. They will also position us to take advantage of coming opportunities and enable future success.

As I look ahead, I am confident about the future. We have set ourselves on a course of excellence – one that will bring us continued achievement and success.

And, when we reach our goals, we can look back and say with confidence that we crafted our own destiny, that it was the result of our choices, and not something left to chance.

## showcase

- ▶ Mark your calendars now for Nov. 5. Sociology instructor **Patty Robinson** will deliver the next installment in the college's **Scholarly Presentation** series, "Feminists, Federations and 'Farmerettes:' The Mobilization of the Women's Land Army of World War I." The presentation will examine the history of 19th and 20th century women's volunteerism, the significant role women played in bringing about social change before they received the right to vote, and the vast mobilization effort of women beyond the cause of suffrage. Robinson spent years researching the subject and finding more than 700 sources around the country. "This topic is of personal interest to me because of the story it tells about American women," she said. "It's a story I want to share with whomever will listen."

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► Class of '03 Facts

- **Graduates:** 786
  - Female 520
  - Male 266
- **Majors:** 47
- **Ethnicity:**
  - Asian 53
  - African American 22
  - Filipino 16
  - Hispanic 132
  - Multicultural 36
  - American Indian 1
  - White 521
  - Pacific Islander 5
- **Average age:** 26
- **Youngest graduate:** 17
- **Oldest graduate:** 65
- **Honors graduates** 154  
(3.5 GPA and above)
- **Students with 4.0 GPA:** 5
- **Class Average GPA** 3.03
- **International graduates**
  - Japan 10
  - Thailand 1
  - Philippines 1
  - Hungary 1
  - Russia 1
  - Brunei Darussi 1
  - Total 15
- **DSP&S graduates** 17
- **PACE graduates** 41
- **EOPS graduates** 40
- **Leading majors**  
(with number of graduates)
  - General Education 216
  - Social Science 168
  - RN/LVN Nursing 65
  - Biological/Phys. Science 57
  - Business Management 53
  - Administration of Justice 30
  - Fire Technology 22
  - Art 19
  - Media Arts 19
  - Math 18



Family members and friends watch as 786 students graduate during a ceremony in the college's Honor Grove on May 23.

## 2003: Largest Graduation Class

The graduating class at College of the Canyons was the largest ever this year, mirroring the college's explosive enrollment growth in recent years. The number of students receiving associate's degrees was 786 – a 4 percent increase over last year.

Women comprised the majority of graduates at 520, whereas 266 men graduated.

The graduation ceremony was held in the college's Honor Grove on May 23.

This year's class received associate of arts or science degrees reflecting their accomplishments in 47 distinct courses of study. The average age of the class was 26 – down from last year's 26.4. The youngest graduate was 17, and the eldest graduate 65.

Fifteen international students representing six coun-

tries received degrees, and 41 students graduated from the popular Progressive Adult College Education (PACE) program. The Disabled Student Programs and

The graduating class grade point average (GPA) was 3.03, nearly identical to last year's class GPA. Five students graduated as valedictorians, having posted perfect 4.0 GPAs. The number of honors graduates (those graduating with a 3.5 GPA or above) was 154.

Patricia Blair (business major) and Deborah Lynn Roberts (student government president) were featured student speakers.

The subject area with the highest number of graduates was general education, with 216 graduates. There were 168 social science graduates, and the nursing

program had 65 RN/LVN graduates.

Ethnic minorities represented 33.7 percent of the graduating class.



The 2003 graduating class ranged in age from 17 to 65, with women outnumbering men 520-266.

Services program graduated 17, and 40 students participating in Extended Opportunity Program and Services received degrees.

# Students Spend Semester in Spain

Thirteen College of the Canyons' students and their instructor were settling in for a semester in Spain when the first U.S. bombs began falling on Baghdad.

Being far from home, in a land where tensions were mounting over the U.S. decision to attack Iraq, was an unexpected learning experience all its own, said Claudia Acosta, the foreign languages chair who accompanied the students abroad. The trip stretched from February to May.

"There were a lot of anti-American sentiments and protests," Acosta said. "Being Americans, they learned a lot about themselves during a time of social and political turmoil."

As someone who spent considerable time studying in Madrid, Acosta added: "It was the first time I had been



Some of the students who participated in the semester in Spain pose for a shot.

to Spain and felt like a foreigner. I experienced what my students experienced."

Home base was Don Quixote University in the college town of Salamanca. All but the language classes were taught in English. History classes often included visits to historic sites.

"The whole idea about

international education is something that I believe in," she added. "Students learn more about themselves and their own culture by going away."

For information on future semesters abroad, contact Acosta at (661) 362-3530 or by e-mail at [claudia.acosta@canyons.edu](mailto:claudia.acosta@canyons.edu).

## Nursing

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Glendale Community College, Moorpark College and Ventura College.

Most colleges have waiting lists of prospective nursing students, illustrating the fact that there is no shortage of applicants. Rather, colleges are unable to accommodate those on waiting lists because of a lack of faculty, space and equipment.

The idea is to transform the waiting lists into nursing students who can be advanced into the workforce.

Partner colleges would develop the curriculum in partnership for an initial three-year pilot program. College and hospital officials have begun developing a shared curriculum to be implemented in fall 2004.

Students now on waiting lists can be enrolled in the collaborative program and acquire first-year nursing

skills and knowledge, then fill vacancies in second-year courses at the partner college of their choosing.

A group of hospitals acutely aware of the nursing shortage also would play a major role by providing much-needed lab space that would be shared by all colleges in the group. They also would provide video teleconferencing facilities, instructors, and funds to help develop the curriculum and get the program off the ground.

Hospitals that have expressed interest in participating include Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial Hospital, Providence Holy Cross Medical Center, Providence St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center, and Northridge Hospital Medical Center. Discussions are ongoing with other hospitals, as well.

Associate degree nursing programs, such as those offered at College of the Canyons and other commu-

nity colleges, are the primary source for registered nurses in California. Such programs produce more than two-thirds of the registered nurse graduates in the state every year.

"This is a unique and viable approach to help solve the nursing shortage in our region," said Sue Albert, dean of allied health at College of the Canyons. "It is also designed to create a more diverse nursing pool and support the needs of employers and students."

Key to the program's success is the securing of adequate funding, currently estimated at about \$1.7 million. Several hospitals have committed \$235,000 to the program so far.

The Associate Degree Nursing Regional Collaborative was formed by a group of colleges and hospitals with the mission of making a determined, creative effort to solve the nursing shortage in the region.

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Students learn salsa dancing during the Intensive Spanish Institute.

### ► The Summer Intensive

**Spanish Institute** attracted more than 120 participants the week of Aug. 4 to 8. Classes and activities focused on Spain's linguistic and cultural diversity. The popular language immersion program is held twice a year. The next institute, scheduled Jan. 5 to 9, will be tailored for those working in the fields of business, medicine, education and law enforcement. The specialized courses will be held at night to accommodate the schedules of working professionals. Other classes, translation techniques and practical conversation sessions will be held during the afternoon. For more information contact **Claudia Acosta**, foreign languages chair, at (661) 362-3530 or [claudia.acosta@canyons.edu](mailto:claudia.acosta@canyons.edu).

### ► The American Welding

**Association** honored welding instructor **Jack Compton** with its Sponsor of the Year Award for 2002-03. Compton received the honor for sponsoring 39 new members in the nationwide association. College of the Canyons offers a wide variety of state-of-the-art welding instruction and produces a steady stream of qualified welders. For more information call (661) 362-3062.



► The **Fall 2003 Job and Career Fair**, the largest event of its kind in the Santa Clarita Valley, will return to College of the Canyons on Oct. 1. Sponsored by the college and **The Signal**, the event will feature nearly 100 employers seeking workers. The event, scheduled 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the college's centrally located Honor Grove, is free and open to the public. Parking in any student lot will be free on the day of the event. Also sponsoring the event are the **Santa Clarita Valley Chamber of Commerce, Star 98.7 and A-1 Party**. Additional information: Lonnie Davis, (661) 362-3394.

► The **Measure C Citizens Oversight Committee** determined May 30 that College of the Canyons is in compliance with the legal requirements set forth in Proposition 39, which mandates that an oversight committee composed of community members oversee the proper disbursement of bond revenues. The committee was formed following passage of Measure C in 2001 and tasked with the responsibility of ensuring that bond revenues are expended properly and that no bond funds are used for faculty or administrative salaries or other college expenses. Measure C passed with 68 percent of the vote on Nov. 6, 2001, providing \$82.1 million in bond revenue for the construction of much-needed new facilities and renovations of the campus. The 12-member oversight committee, appointed on Jan. 23, 2002, has met five times. The public is welcome to attend committee meetings. Meeting dates, agendas and minutes are posted at <http://www.canyons.edu/info/news/mcoversight.html>.



The Science Laboratory Building expansion will add about 32,000 square feet of space to the existing structure (lower left).

## Building a Bigger & Better Future

The Center for Performing Arts nearing completion along Rockwell Canyon Road (*see back cover*) is a visible sign of the progress being made toward building new facilities that will meet the educational demands of a growing community.

Not as noticeable are a host of other upgrades and expansion projects, some under way and some planned in the near future. Much of the work will be made possible via proceeds from Measure C, the \$82.1 million bond measure approved by Santa Clarita Valley voters in 2001, and last year's passage of Proposition 47, which provides matching construction dollars from the state.

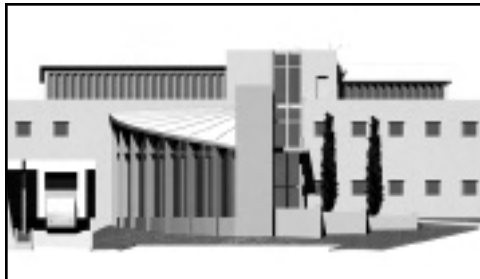
An exception is the performing arts center, which was funded prior to the passage of Measure C.

"This is an exciting time because we can now build new, state-of-the-art facilities to accommodate the many educational programs this community deserves," Superintendent-President Dianne G. Van Hook said.

Facilities, renovations and upgrades that are in the works include:

- **Center for Performing Arts:** Nearing completion, this joint venture with the City of Santa Clarita features 950 seats in the main hall and up to 125 seats in a reconfigurable "black box" theater. The center will be a venue for college and citywide shows.

**Status:** Under construction  
**Opening:** Fall '04



The Music-Dance Classroom Building, which will rise on the north side of the new Center for Performing Arts, is slated to begin construction later this year.

- **Music-Dance Classroom Building:**

This 20,000-square-foot instructional facility will be built directly north of the new performing arts center. It will house the music and dance programs, as well as music labs and offices.

**Status:** Under state architectural review  
**Start:** December '03  
**Completion:** Late '04

- **High-Tech Lab Center:** This instructional building of about 34,000 square feet will provide much-needed space for technology training. It will house the computer information technology and computer science programs, as well as business, economics, cinema and journalism programs.

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# 'Classic' Benefits Youth Orchestra

Several hundred wine lovers converged on California Institute of the Arts June 7 to taste great wines and raise money for valley musicians.

The 15th Annual Santa Clarita Valley Wine Classic grossed about \$37,000 for the SCV Youth Orchestra and Santa Clarita Symphony. The youth orchestra is a three-tiered instrumental educational program that was founded at CalArts in 1986 and moved to College of the Canyons in 1989. The program provides a positive and creative outlet for hundreds of young musicians. The symphony performed its first concert last summer.

Some 50 wineries, seven wine merchants and 10 restaurants participated in the event.

The event is held annually, usually in June. Additional information can be found on the event's Web site ([www.scvwineclassic.org](http://www.scvwineclassic.org)).



The popular SCV Wine Classic, held in the Main Gallery at California Institute of the Arts on June 7, grossed about \$37,000.



## Special Guest

Author and Sacramento Bee columnist **Dan Walters** offers his take on California's state of affairs – from the recall election of Gov. Gray Davis to the dynamic forces that are changing California into the world's most socially and ethnically diverse region. Walters was the special guest speaker during the college's annual opening-day luncheon Aug. 15.

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▶ If you love German cuisine and want to support the College of the Canyons Library, you shouldn't miss **Oktoberfest**. The fund-raising event will feature platters of German food served family style, live German music and dancing, and a full bar. Attendees also will receive a souvenir beer stein. The event is scheduled Oct. 18 at the **Elks Lodge**, 17761 Sierra Hwy. Cost is \$45 per person for Library Associates members, \$50 for non-members. Reservations should be made by Oct. 10. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the **COC Foundation** at (661) 362-3493.

▶ **College of the Canyons Career Services/Job Placement Department** offers numerous events and workshops throughout the year to help people find good jobs. In addition to the biannual **Job & Career Fair** (see Page 5), regular seminars address job-seekers' biggest concerns. The following are some upcoming workshops:

- **The Job Search**  
Noon Wednesday, Oct. 8  
How to conduct a successful search, track progress, network, use electronic resources and fill out an application.
  - **Strategic Resumes**  
Noon Tuesday, Oct. 21  
How to take your existing resume and match it to a job description; tips and tricks to better qualify yourself.
  - **Basics of Job Benefits**  
Noon Tuesday, Nov. 4  
Covers various benefits new employees may be offered. Presented by a representative from the U.S. Dept. of Labor.
- To make a reservation, call (661) 362-3286.



► The **SCV Chamber of Commerce Business Expo** is coming to College of the Canyons this year. The event will be held under the “big top” in the South Parking Lot Oct. 10 to 12. The college and the **COC Foundation** are the event’s presenting sponsors. For more information call the chamber at (661) 259-4787.

► College of the Canyons has entered into a partnership to provide coursework to the **Los Angeles Police Academy**, which will utilize the college’s 10-unit Peace Officer’s Training (Administration of Justice 250) course. The LAPD Academy holds seven to 12 sessions per year at its campus in Los Angeles. Recruits must be sponsored by the LAPD. Anyone interested in attending may call (866) 444-LAPD. More information is available on-line at [www.lapd-online.org](http://www.lapd-online.org).

► **Community Extension** and the **Sociology Department** are presenting a lecture series entitled “**Transcending Barriers: Exploring Issues of Diversity in a Changing World.**” Designed to bring community and campus speakers of varied philosophies together to discuss topics of social, cultural and political diversity, the series is being held Mondays through Nov. 17. They are scheduled 5:30 to 7 p.m. in Room R-206. Upcoming lectures include:

- “‘I’m Right, and You’re Wrong’ **Political Diversity, Conflict and Change**”  
Sept. 29
- “**Who Shall Live? Social Diversity and Health Care**”  
Oct. 6

Information: (661) 362-3422

## Biotech, Engineering Get a Boost

**B**iototechnology and bioengineering programs at College of the Canyons have received substantial donations from **3D Systems** of Valencia and **Bio-morphic Systems** of Thousand Oaks that will allow students and local workers to train in real-world environments.

The donations will allow both academic and contract-education programs to be expanded. They will be utilized by students at the college and for contract training and instruction via the college’s **Employee Training Institute** and **Center for Applied Competitive Technologies (CACT)**.

3D Systems donated a brand-new soft-wall modular clean room valued at \$35,000, as well as air-filtration and lighting systems. Such structures are typically used to house manufacturing processes that require super-clean environments – such as the manufacture of computer microchips.



The “clean room” donated by 3D Systems is similar in concept to the one in the photo illustration above, except that it’s much larger at 2,000 square feet.

“This donation provides the ideal venue for bringing the biotech and engineering/manufacturing departments together to develop an interdisciplinary lab that would support the engineer-

ing, manufacturing, quality and biotech programs,” said Pete Bellas, director of the college’s CACT.

The stand-alone clean room measures 40 by 50 feet

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## Students Design, Build Baja Racer



Engineering Club members pose with their first mini-Baja racer, in which Superintendent-President Dianne Van Hook is seated.

**M**embers of the College of the Canyons Engineering Club put their expertise to the test by building their first mini-Baja racer, a fully functioning prototype of an off-road vehicle the club plans to compete with next year.

The students presented their completed – and fully fueled – project vehicle to Superintendent-President Dianne Van Hook outside her office on May 20.

Van Hook promptly proved the racing vehicle’s off-road worthiness by taking it for a spin around the college campus.

The project was overseen by Rick Clark, assistant professor of engineering and physics at the college.



### TV Backdrop

For several days in August the campus resembled the Annapolis naval academy during filming of the TV show "JAG." Film crews are a common sight at the college, whose campus has been used in numerous productions ranging from TV shows such as "The West Wing" and movies like "The Banger Sisters." The college has raised more than \$60,000 over the past year in its role as a Hollywood backdrop.

▶ College staff members were honored Aug. 15 for their years of service. They are:

#### • 30 Years

Cherie Choate  
Lee Corbin  
Joan Jacobson

#### • 20 Years

Dennis Morrow  
Bob Patenaude  
Nancy Williams

#### • 15 Years

Diane Ayres  
Susan Crowther  
Michael Dermody  
Debbie Morlett  
Bruce Pelkey  
Bob Tolar  
Dianne Van Hook

#### • 10 Years

Sonia DeLeon  
Roberta Honey  
Janine Martinez

#### • 5 Years

Claudia Acosta  
MaryAnn Bardin  
Howard Blanchard  
Gina Bogna  
Kerry Brown  
Linda Crosby  
Deanna Davis  
Olga DeLavera-Solomon  
Steven Dixon  
Michele Edmonson  
Tom Ellertson  
Carolishca Forster  
Derek Fujimoto  
Joe Harrington  
Phil Hartley  
Jeff Haynes  
Beryl Lawrence  
Melanie Lipman  
Chuck Lyon  
Michelle Marcellin  
Phil Marcellin  
Monica Marshall  
Sharon Melton  
Thomas "Rick" Olsen  
Mario Quicho  
Debbie Reid  
William "Bill" Salkeld  
Garett Tujague  
Leila Yahata  
Catherine Young

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and covers 2,000 square feet.

Biomorphic Systems donated two so-called laminar flow hoods, which purify the air in a defined environment. They are typically used in microchip and nanotechnology manufacturing.

Additionally, the college was the recipient of two robotic pipette machines. The donation was arranged by the Central Coast Biotechnology Center at Ventura College.

The clean room and equipment are being housed in a cavernous manufacturing space being leased from **Aquafine Corp.** of Valencia. College officials hope to have everything operational by early December.

Biotechnology has become an increasingly important field of study at the college, which has expanded the program aggressively. The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office last year approved a program at College of the Canyons leading to a certificate in biotechnology. And,



Pete Bellas, director of the Center for Applied Competitive Technologies at the college, shows off two laminar flow hoods that were donated to the college.

in March, the college hosted the fourth meeting of the **SCV Biotechnology Alliance**, a group composed of educators and industry representatives.

Indeed, the biotech industry itself has emerged as a major player in the Santa Clarita Valley. **Specialty Laboratories**, for example, is

expected to soon move into its new headquarters in the Valencia Corporate Center, and **Advanced Bionics** and **AlleCure Corp.** have relocated here as well.

The college is discussing with **Baxter Pharmaseal** the prospect of developing a new curriculum in biotechnology.



► The organization **Designers for Peace** was so impressed with the work of a College of the Canyons student that his work is now featured on the group's Web site – alongside the work of other well-known designers. **Allen Wayne Acree** donated his design to the organization, which placed it on merchandise ranging from coffee mugs to T-shirts (above). Proceeds are donated to UNICEF. Creating a successful design would not have been possible, Acree said, without the expert instruction he received in the college's Design & Technology Department. Acree's designs can be viewed at <http://www.designersforpeace.org>.

► The public is welcome to attend a number of upcoming performances as our guests. The events include:

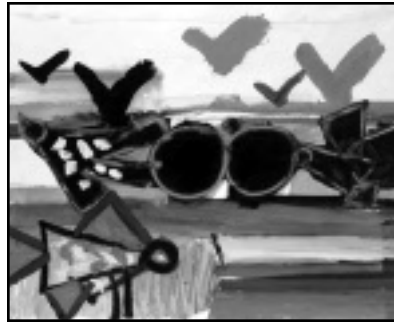
- **Jazz Band (Swing Era)**  
8 p.m. Oct. 14  
Room S-130
- **Concert Sampler**  
Symphonic Band, Choral Ensemble, Youth Orchestra and Jazz Band  
7:30 p.m. Oct. 25  
Student Center
- **Student Recital**  
Noon Oct. 30  
Room S-130
- **SCV Youth Orchestra**  
7:30 p.m. Nov. 8  
Room S-130

## Exhibit Showcases Woelffer's Art

The art of Emerson Woelffer, whose abstract expressionism graces top museums worldwide, will be the focus of a special Art Gallery exhibition Oct. 1 to Nov. 15.

"Emerson Woelffer: Seven Decades" will feature 100 drawings, original prints, collages and paintings spanning seven decades – from the artist's early days as a student at the Art Institute of Chicago to his works of the 1990s. Woelffer died on Feb. 2 of this year.

Woelffer's work has been exhibited at numerous museums and galleries in the U.S. and Europe. Among those that have put his art in their permanent collections are The Museum of Modern Art in New York, Art Insti-



"Birds at Noon" by Emerson Woelffer

tute of Chicago, Whitney Museum of American Art, Smithsonian Archives of American Art, L.A. County Museum of Art, Norton Simon Museum and Bauhaus Archives in Berlin.

Born in Chicago in 1914, Woelffer had his first exhibition at The Artist's Gallery in New York City in 1949. As much a teacher as an artist, he influenced at least two

generations. He served as a professor at the New Bauhaus under Laszlo Moholy-Nagy, Black Mountain College with Buckminster Fuller, Chouinard Art Institute in Los Angeles, California Institute of the Arts and Otis Art Institute of Parsons School of Design.

A public reception will be held 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30. A full-color exhibition catalog will be available in the gallery store. Gallery hours are noon to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

Visitors may obtain parking permits from the vending machine in parking lot 6.

Additional information about this and future exhibitions is available by calling (661) 362-3612.



### Dramatic Effect

College of the Canyons theater students presented "15 Minute Hamlet" during their Shakespeare on the Green series Aug. 15 through 17. The evening shows, directed by Dee Marie Nieto, were presented outdoors in the college's Independence Grove.

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**Status:** Working drawings  
**Start:** Fall '04  
**Completion:** Summer '06

• **Science Laboratory Building Expansion:** This 32,000-square-foot expansion will house science and nursing programs, as well as an astronomical observation deck.

**Status:** Working drawings  
**Start:** Early '05  
**Completion:** Early '07

• **Cougar Stadium Upgrades:** A synthetic surface called FieldTurf has been installed on the playing field, the running track is being restored, and the restrooms are being repaired and remodeled.

**Status:** Completed

• **New Warehouse:** A new 9,000-square-foot warehouse will augment an overburdened existing 8,000-square-foot facility.

**Status:** Out to bid

**Start:** November '03  
**Opening:** February '04

• **Landscaping & Signage:** A landscaping beautification project along Rockwell Canyon Road – between Valencia Boulevard and the library – should be completed soon. Three lighted map kiosks are being installed at strategic campus locations. And, three lighted, computer-controlled marquee signs will be installed – two at Rockwell and Valencia, and one at the main entrance near the Center for Performing Arts.

Additional projects in coming years include a 50,000-square-foot University Center; 15,000-square-foot Health Education/Cardiovascular/Physical Education Center; a Vocational Technology Building addition and Classroom Building; 37,000-square-foot library addition; larger education center in Canyon Country; 23,000-square-foot Job-Training/Community Education Center; 25,000-square-foot Media Arts Technology Building addition, and a 20,500-square-foot Student Services/Counseling/Job Placement and Administration Building.

## University

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not get to university programs outside the valley in a timely way.

"If people can't get to the universities, then we'll bring the universities to them," Van Hook said.

The interim center operates out of a temporary building on the campus. As in any startup program, there have been some obstacles to overcome.

"They are not extension programs or watered-down versions of main-campus programs," said Sue Bozeman, dean of communication, marketing and external relations. "They are the real thing."

This fall three much-needed programs will begin: the single-subject teaching credential and the master of arts in educational administration through Cal State University Northridge, and the bachelor of science in computer science through Cal Lutheran University.

CSUN's single-subject teaching credential is a

developmentally sequenced program of methods, foundational and field experience courses that meet new California Commission on Teacher Credentialing standards for middle and high school teachers. The M.A. in education/educational administration option is designed for those post-baccalaureate students who seek leadership roles in school administration outside the K-12 grade levels. The program is well suited for persons employed in postsecondary institutions or those in public or private agencies related to higher education.

In keeping with the fast-growing computer science industry, Cal Lutheran's B.S. in computer science offers an expanded curriculum, following that recommended by the Association for Computing Machines. The program offers fundamental courses such as computer architecture, operating systems engineering and the latest on artificial intelligence, software engineering, object-oriented design and computational theory. Class-

es will be held in the Interim University Center's Computer Lab.

In spring 2004, two additional programs are slated to begin: the bachelor of science in nursing through Cal State University Northridge, and the bachelor of science in construction management through Cal State University Fresno. The interim center is retrofitting an existing classroom with state-of-the-art equipment to accommodate televised instruction.

The B.S. in nursing program, designed for RNs, integrates the concept of self-care into all areas of professional nursing, including leadership and community health.

The B.S. in construction management is an interdisciplinary program committed to educating future professionals in the construction industry. These professionals, known as constructors, execute architectural designs, apply engineering principles, manage project resources, and represent suppliers and manufacturers in the construction industry.

## showcase

► The College of the Canyons Board of Trustees granted tenure status to 31 contract faculty members Aug. 13. Those who will receive tenure beginning in the fall semester are **Diane Delavera-Soloman, Garrett Tujague, Pamela Borrelli, Kathy Flynn, Michael Harutunian, Susan Hinshaw, Diane Morey, Patricia Robinson, Phylise Smith, Dorothy Minarsh, Kevin Anthony, Susan Brant, Danielle Butts, Daniel Catan, Fred D'Astoli, Christopher Ferguson, Collette Gibson, James Glapa-Grossklag, Victor Jadoan, Belinda Kane, Luong Le, Monica Marshall, Gregory Mucha, Sherrill Pennington, James Ruebsamen, David Stevenson, John Varga, Robert dos Remedios, Diana Watkins, Robert Segui** and **Edel Alsonso**.

► **Pacific Metal Stamping** was honored during the college's **Business & Industry Breakfast** on June 26. The company was recognized for its continued commitment to employee development. Speakers were corporate consultants **Steve Siegel** and **Doug Anton**, who specialize in team building and management development. Emcee was **Alexis Fernandez**, global executive of communications for **Rio Tinto Borax**. The college and Pacific Metal Stamping have been partners in employee training since May 2002. The training has produced a lasting change in the culture of the organization. The annual Business & Industry Breakfast is sponsored by the **College of the Canyons Foundation, Employee Training Institute** and **Center for Applied Competitive Technologies**.



► Why not cheer on your Cougars? Here are some athletic schedules, with home games in bold:

**Cross Country**

- Oct. 3 @ Bakersfield 3:30 p.m.
- Oct. 10 @ Hancock 3:30 p.m.
- Oct. 17 @ Walnut 11 a.m.
- Oct. 25 @ Santa Barbara 11 a.m.
- Oct. 31 @ L.A. Pierce 3:30 p.m.

**Football**

- Oct. 4 **Santa Barbara** 7 p.m.
- Oct. 11 Bye
- Oct. 18 @ Compton 1 p.m.
- Oct. 25 **L.A. Valley** 7 p.m.
- Nov. 1 @ Ventura 5 p.m.
- Nov. 8 **Bakersfield** 7 p.m.
- Nov. 15 @ Moorpark 7 p.m.

**Men's Soccer**

- Oct. 3 @ Taft 4 p.m.
- Oct. 10 **Citrus** 2 p.m.
- Oct. 14 @ Hancock 2 p.m.
- Oct. 17 @ L.A. Mission 4 p.m.
- Oct. 21 **Moorpark** 5 p.m.
- Oct. 24 @ Oxnard 4 p.m.
- Oct. 28 **Glendale** 5 p.m.
- Oct. 30 @ Santa Barbara 7 p.m.
- Nov. 4 **Taft** 3 p.m.
- Nov. 10 @ Citrus 1 p.m.

**Women's Soccer**

- Oct. 7 @ L.A. Valley 4 p.m.
- Oct. 10 **L.A. Pierce** 4 p.m.
- Oct. 14 @ Santa Monica 4 p.m.
- Oct. 17 **Citrus** 4 p.m.
- Oct. 21 **Bakersfield** 7 p.m.
- Oct. 24 @ Glendale 4 p.m.
- Oct. 31 **L.A. Valley** 3 p.m.
- Nov. 4 @ L.A. Pierce 3 p.m.
- Nov. 7 **Santa Monica** 3 p.m.
- Nov. 10 @ Citrus 3 p.m.

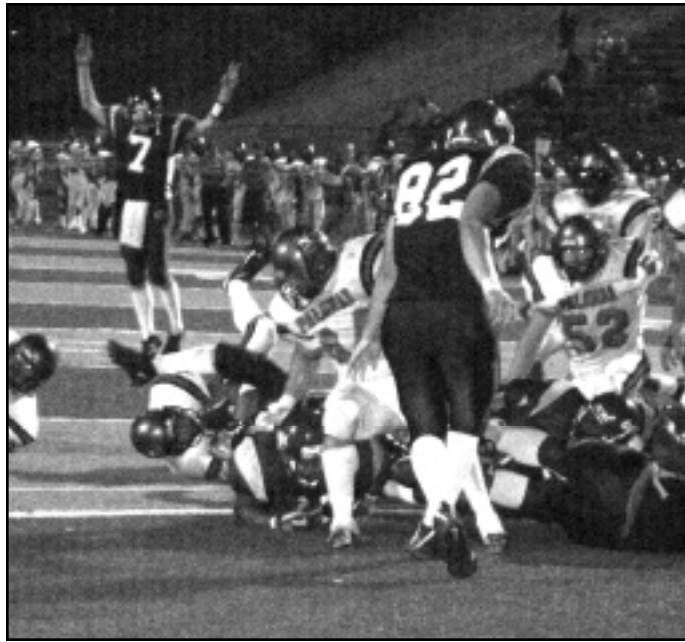
**Women's Volleyball**

- Oct. 4 @ Moorpark 7 p.m.
- Oct. 8 **Hancock** 7 p.m.
- Oct. 10 @ Moorpark 7 p.m.
- Oct. 15 **Cuesta** 7 p.m.
- Oct. 17 @ Oxnard 7 p.m.
- Oct. 22 **Santa Monica** 7 p.m.
- Oct. 24 **Bakersfield** 7 p.m.
- Oct. 29 @ L.A. Pierce 7 p.m.
- Oct. 30 @ Glendale 7 p.m.
- Nov. 5 **Citrus** 7 p.m.
- Nov. 7 @ Santa Monica 7 p.m.
- Nov. 12 @ Bakersfield 7 p.m.
- Nov. 14 **L.A. Pierce** 7 p.m.
- Nov. 19 **Glendale** 7 p.m.
- Nov. 21 @ Citrus 7 p.m.

**Women's Water Polo**

- Oct. 1 **Cuesta** 3:30 p.m.
- Oct. 3-4 @ Pasadena TBA
- Oct. 8 **Citrus** 3:30 p.m.
- Oct. 10-11 @ Citrus TBA
- Oct. 15 **Cuesta** 3:30 p.m.
- Oct. 17 **Trade Tech** 3:30 p.m.
- Oct. 22 @ L.A. Valley 3:30 p.m.
- Oct. 24 @ Pasadena TBA
- Oct. 29 @ Ventura 3:30 p.m.
- Oct. 30 **Alumni** 8:30 p.m.
- Oct. 31 @ S. Monica 3:30 p.m.

# Cougars Ranked No. 1 in Nation



Running back Marcus Crawford (bottom center) barrels into the end zone in overtime to give the Cougars a 21-15 victory over Palomar College on Sept. 13.

The Cougars football team has begun the 2003 season with the ferocity for which it has become known, defeating highly ranked teams from Pasadena City College and Palomar City College in its first two games.

JC-Gridwire, which ranks all two-year college football programs nationally, took note of the Cougars' impressive performance by ranking them No. 1 in the country.

The Cougars rolled to a resounding 37-7 victory over Pasadena City College Sept. 6, then vanquished a tough Palomar City College squad in a 21-15 overtime win before a hometown crowd of about 1,100 on Sept. 13.

Resurrected in 1998, the football program rolled to its first Southern California championship last season.

## Pristine Field



Cougar Stadium's new FieldTurf synthetic playing surface was unveiled during an SCV Chamber of Commerce ribbon-cutting June 12. The stadium has undergone additional renovations, including a new track and remodeled restrooms.



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## Moving ahead

Construction of the 950-seat Performing Arts Center continues to move forward, with its opening scheduled for fall 2004. Clockwise from above, the view from Rockwell Canyon Road, where scaffolding encircles what will be a two-story curved wall of glass; a "roundabout" driveway feature was recently completed near the west side of the structure, where exterior work is largely completed; the interior of the lobby, with staircase in the foreground.