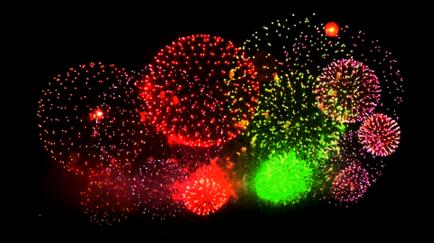


Recognition





5TH STRAIGHT YEAR OF SPACE FLIGHT FOR COC TEAM!

Congratulations to the *COC Aerospace & Sciences Team* who have been selected to launch an experiment on NASA's 2020 RockSatX for the 2nd Year in a row (NASA HASP & NASA's RockSatX programs)

- This team's students received CA Space Grant \$600 Scholarships.
- > Students acquire real, applicable, and marketable space flight skills through these activities.
- 54 internships & scholarships have resulted to date (NASA, JPL, CalTech, Sweitzer Engineering, Boeing, EPA, Aerojet Rocketdyne).
- 2 full-time positions have resulted to date (EPA and Northrop Grumman)
- > **Funding** for these payloads currently comes from outside donors, innovation funds, and COC Foundation mini-grants.



GLAPA-GROSSKLAG HONORED FOR OER LEADERSHIP

For his exceptional contributions to advancing open education around the world, James Glapa-Grossklag, Dean of Learning Resources, received the *President's Award for Excellence* at the *Open Education Global Conference*.

- Glapa-Grossklag was recognized at the Open Education Consortium's (OEC) annual conference held in Milan, Italy last month
- In addition, Glapa-Grossklag received the Best Open Course in the World award for "Zero Textbook Cost Pathways: OER & Equity," a course that explores the fundamental connections between Equity, Open Educational Resources (OER), Guided Pathways, and Zero Textbook Cost (ZTC). Glapa-Grossklag developed the course as part of the CCC ZTC program with Aloha Sargent, a Cabrillo College librarian
- Highlighting the role that students play in advancing OER at the college, Trudi Radtke—COC alumna and current shortterm employee—was one of the conference's opening keynote speakers, along with students from Italy and Germany.







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COC RECEIVES AWARD FROM LAEDC

College of the Canyons was presented with the 15 Year Membership award from the LA Economic Development Corporation (EDC) Board of Governors.

- Presenting the award was Dr.
 Dianne Harrison, President of
 CSUN and Chair of the LAEDC
 BOG, along with Bill Allen, CEO of
 LAEDC.
- John Milburn was in attendance to receive the award on behalf of the college.



HOLLYWOOD GALLERY TO DISPLAY STUDENTS' WORK

Recent design work from three *Architecture* and *Interior Design* students – *Dakotah Gordon*, *Daniel Paniagua* and *Judah Bateman* – will be exhibited at the WUHO Gallery in Hollywood starting Jan. 25.

- Located on the iconic *Hollywood Boulevard Walk of Fame*, the **Woodbury University Hollywood Outpost** (WUHO) invites a diverse audience to a vital and celebratory place for learning about architecture and interior architecture.
- ➤ The gallery is open 1 to 8 p.m. Thursday and 1 to 6 p.m. Friday through Sunday. Admission is free.







COUGARS PICK UP ALL-AMERICAN, ALL-STATE TEAM HONORS

Wide receiver *Alonzell Henderson* and center *Jordan Palmer* represent College of the Canyons as selections to the *2019 California Community College Football Coaches Association* (CCCFCA) *All-America Team*, headlining a class of honorees that also includes four All-State Team selections.

- COC sophomore middle linebacker Charles Ike and sophomore quarterback Armani Edden also join Henderson and Palmer as members of the 2019 Region III All-California Community College Football Team.
- ➤ This is the **second straight season** that Canyons has had **at least two players** named to the All-American team ... This year also marks the **sixth straight season** that the Cougars have had **at least one player** named to the All-State team.





18 APPRENTICES AT ADVANTAGE MEDIA SERVICES (AMS) COMPLETE SWAG PROGRAM!

The **Strong Workforce Apprenticeship Group** (SWAG), a partnership between College of the Canyons and *Goodwill Southern California* hosted the graduation of **18** apprentices from its **Material Coordinator Program**.

- The event took place on November 12, 2019 at *AMS*, a leading fulfillment firm and employer of record for the apprenticeship.
- Tracy DiFilippis, Sector Stragegies Manager at Goodwill Southern California worked with the US Department of Labor to register the occupation.
- ➤ College of the Canyons provided the related *Technical Instruction*, and AMS delivered the *On-the-Job Training*. :
- > SWAG is grateful for the support of the US Department of Labor, along with its partnership with employers such as AMS in making registered apprenticeship available to employees seeking to obtain marketable skills in the fulfillment industry.







CHICK-FIL-A TRAINING PROGRAM

Chick-fil-A Santa Clarita is currently renovating their store front and has partnered with College of the Canyons on numerous training programs for their employees.

- On January 16th and 17th over 100 Chick-fil-A employees participated in Sexual Harassment Prevention Training, which is state mandated.
- In addition, the employees are registering and signing up for Career Skills courses over the coming weeks. Courses will be offered inperson and online.





THE 2019 COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS FOUNDATION YEAR-END APPEAL

The theme of our *Year-End* communication was *Because We Are Canyons*. The theme was intended to coincide with the celebration of the College's 50th Anniversary and raise awareness of the COC Foundation within the community. Elements of Year-End Campaign included:

- > Foundation newsletter and various appeal letters sent to Foundation donors.
- Social media posts and advertisements on Instagram, Twitter and Facebook.
- Giving Tuesday special appeal.
- Highlighted student stories and testimonials produced by COC alumna Heather Duncan.

Results:

- Largest grossing year-end appeal for COC Foundation
- > Year-End Campaign raised over \$100,000!











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BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEMBER VISITS COC

Met with Board of Governors member *Hildegarde Aguinaldo* before the holidays to discuss the *Student Centered Funding Formula*, and our priorities for changes to the formula.

Needed changes include:

- ✓ Counting first-generation college students in the Supplemental Allocation
- ✓ Adjusting the point system to better reflect the needs of low-income students in regions of the state with a high cost of living.
- ✓ Fully fund public safety training offered through Instructional Service Agreements (ISAs)
- Expanding the definition of financially needy students



INFORMATION SESSIONS ON STUDENT CENTERED FUNDING FORMULA

Thursday, January 23 at 1:30 p.m. in the University Center 258, Sharlene Coleal, Jason Hinkle and I will discuss the **Student Centered Funding Formula** (SCFF) and its practical implications for our College.

In this one hour workshop, we will:

- ✓ Present how the Student Centered Funding Formula works.
- ✓ Discuss wow the SCFF impacts the work of the college.
- ✓ Provide an update on work already under way to enhance service to students.
- Receive your ideas to build on that work, and help us increase funding available through the current formula.
- ✓ Additional presentations will be held on Wednesday, February 19 at 2:00 pm and Tuesday, March 3 at 12:00 pm. All are open to the public and provide free parking in all student lots during each presentation.



SPRING SEASONS ATHLETICS SET TO BEGIN

With the start of the spring semester right around the corner the COC Athletics Spring Sports programs are also gearing up for the start of the 2020 seasons.

- Baseball will host its Season Opener at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24 vs. El Camino College.
- Women's tennis begins its third season of competition on its home court with a 12 p.m. match vs. College of the Sequoias on Tuesday, Jan. 28.
- Softball will begin regular-season action on the road at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 28 at Chaffey College.

- Men's golf begins its state title defense on Monday, Feb. 3, with its home tourney at Valencia Country Club.
- Men's and women's track & field teams both begin competition on Friday, Feb. 7, at the annual Battle of the Regions meet hosted by Bakersfield College!
- The swim & dive squads hit the pool on Friday, Feb. 7 at the Western State Conference (WSC) Preview meet hosted by Ventura College.





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COC SOFTBALL ALUMNI GAME

The COC Softball Program hosted its **2020 Alumni Game and Home Run Derby** on Saturday, Jan. 18 at Whitten Field.

- Head Coach John Wissmath led a team of more than 20 alumni from throughout the program's history against the current 2020 roster.
- A home run derby was held immediately following the five-inning game.





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SUPERBOWL COMMERCIAL FILMING ON CAMPUS

Last Sunday **Verizon** filled the campus with production crews to film an upcoming Superbowl Sunday commercial.

- They filmed 6 different scenes all over campus.
- Tune in on February 2 to see if you recognize any of your favorite campus haunts.







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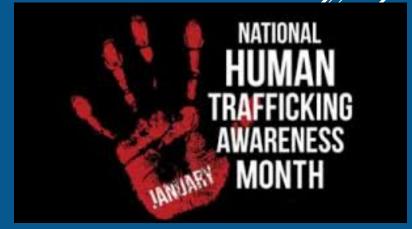
HUMAN TRAFFICING PREVENTION CLASSES AVAILABLE

In observance of Human Trafficking Awareness Month, College of the Canyons will be offering two free courses in human trafficking prevention. Divided into two parts, the courses will teach students how to develop a baseline understanding of the commercial sexual exploitation of children with an emphasis on awareness, identification, and the implementation of prevention and intervention strategies.

- The following free courses will be offered:
 - ✓ Part 1: The Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children Awareness and Identification Training (NC.CSEC-001 CSEC)
 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22, 29
 - ✓ Part 2: The Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children Intervention and Prevention Training (NC.CSEC-002 CSEC)
 — 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 1
- ➤ Upon completing the two courses, students will receive a Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) Training Certificate, which can be beneficial in many work settings.

"We are very excited to offer these free courses to community members who are passionate about putting an end to human trafficking."

"Students will gain the knowledge and skills needed to identify sexually and commercially exploited youth and provide culturally and linguistically competent support to victims" John Makevich





CANYON COUNTRY CAMPUS SPRING HIGHLIGHTS

2020 promises to be exciting at the **Canyon Country Campus**, with construction and improvements transforming the campus to keep it responsive to community and student needs. A highlights of just a few notable activities for spring include:

- Anticipated ribbon cutting and completion of the Science Center (May 2020), and
- Anticipated groundbreaking for the Student Services & Learning Resources Center (May 2020).
- Facilities improvements to upgrade quiet/new AC units in all CCC classrooms (January), a remodeled café space (Mid Spring), student study lounge improvements and a new water filling station (completed)
- > February *FLEX* offerings will be held at CCC on 2/4 and 2/5
- > Expanded *Welcome Week* activities on 2/24-27
- Engaging topical events such as Patio Talks (March), the Garden Walk (April), and the ever-popular Star Party (May)







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THE 2020 BUSINESS SUMMIT

The 2020 Business Summit will bring together companies throughout the Santa Clarita Valley to discuss the major issues impacting their business, and the resources available at College of the Canyons. Topics will include the following:

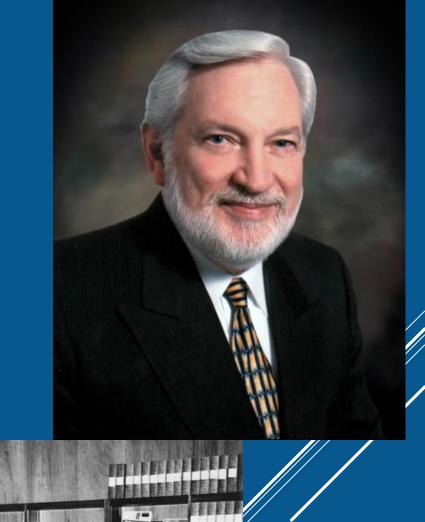
- "Growing Your Business by Growing Your People" –
 Hosted by Henry Mayo
- "Customer Service: What's Your Net Promoter Score?" Hosted by Princess Cruises
- "Marketing Strategies for Your Business" Hosted by Scorpion
- "Developing Leaders Within Your Organization" Hosted by One True North
- "Key Legislation Impacting Your Business" Hosted by the SCV Chamber of Commerce
- "Special Session: What Are Your Workforce Training Needs?"



2020 SILVER SPUR CELEBRATION

The COC Foundation will host its *30th Annual Silver Spur Celebration* on Saturday, March 14th at the *Santa Clarita Studios*.

- This year we are honoring founding Board Member *Bruce Fortine*.
- The festivities will begin at 6 p.m. with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres on the impressive Santa Clarita Studios backlot.
- > The evening will also include a gourmet dinner and live auction featuring a selection of unique items.
- The highlight of the evening's celebration will be a personal video tribute that highlights Fortine's significant contributions to the Santa Clarita Valley.



2020 ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

The League's Annual Legislative Conference kicks-off the advocacy season January 26-27th as California Community College leaders come together to discuss important policy issues and engage with members of the State Legislature.

Attendees will discuss *priority issues*, hear *best practices*, and learn about strategies to successfully *advocate* for community colleges.

Keynote Sessions include:

- Disruption or Innovation? A Conversation About the Changing Landscape of Higher Education
- Advancing a Budget with Students at the Center: Community College Budget Update



BIPARTISAN POLICY COMMITTEE WORK COMPLETED

The Bipartisan Policy Center Taskforce Committee was formed to address three challenges to America's higher education system. Identifying ways to:

- Improve Access and Affordability;
- Recommend Reforms to Strengthen Federal Accountability, Enhance Institutional Capacity, and Better Protect Students in the Event of School Closure; and
- > Improve Data and Information to Students



The Taskforce *completed* their *policy recommendations*, which will be made public at the Bipartisan Policy Center Public Launch event on *Thursday, January 30th* in D.C.

Committee members will hold a celebratory dinner at the Center on Wednesday, **January** 29th





SHOWS COMING UP IN THE PAC THROUGH FEBRUARY

- Annie Escape Theatre
 Friday, January 24th 7 pm
 Saturday, January 25th 2 pm
- Dinosour World Live
 Saturday, March 7th 12 & 4 pm
- Travis Tritt
 Tuesday, February 18th 7:30 pm









REMEMBERING GARY CONDIE

- ➢ All of us at College of the Canyons were saddened to hear about the passing of long time community philanthropist and COC supporter Gary Condie on January 1st.
- ➤ A man of exceptional talent, outstanding character, and uncommon humility, Gary spent the better part of four decades volunteering his time, his expertise, and his energy to making a difference in people's lives.
- Without doubt, his was a life well lived dedicated, honorable, and inspirational. His life is worthy of both honest reflection and joyous celebration – and we are all better for having known him.





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