

Chancellor's Report & Update

Board of Trustees Meeting

April 11, 2018





Recognition

FAST TRACK CNC MACHINIST TRAINING PROGRAM GRADUATION

The Economic Development Division hosted the CNC Machinist Training Program graduation on Friday, March 16th.

- This program is for candidates seeking entry-level positions in CNC manufacturing operations and a long-term career path in manufacturing.
- 11 students graduated from the program on March 16th.
- **9 of the 11 students have already been hired by local manufacturing companies, with the other 2 still in the interview process!**



SILVER SPUR CELEBRATION HONORING HOWARD “BUCK” MCKEON

The **28th annual Silver Spur Celebration** was held on Saturday, March 24th in the Air Force One Pavilion at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library.

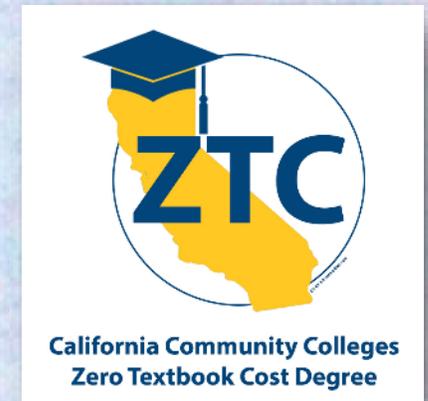
- The COC Foundation was proud to honor **Howard P. “Buck” McKeon** for his community contributions, career achievements and ongoing advocacy for education.
- **Congressman McKeon** has supported the Santa Clarita Valley for more than **50** years as a businessman, community leader and elected official.
- Thank you to Silver Spur Chairmen **Nick Lentini** and **Brian Koegle** and the Foundation staff for another very successful event!



COC GRADUATE WINS GLOBAL AWARD FOR PROMOTING OER AT COC!

Natalie Miller graduated from COC in 2017 with AS degrees in Computer Science, Mathematics and Physics, along with a Certificate in Web Design.

- Natalie was a member of MESA, Phi Theta Kappa, Cougar Peer Educators, and Honors; and
- She worked as a College Assistant in Distance Learning/OER.
- Natalie is the recipient of the **first-ever Student Award** from the **Open Education Consortium**, to be conferred at the Open Education Global Conference in **Delft, Netherlands, April 24 - 26**.
- Natalie's contributions to OER at COC include:
 - ✓ Designing and creating a marketing campaign for OER at COC;
 - ✓ Designing a logo for the statewide ZTC degree program; and
 - ✓ Facilitating sessions for faculty from across the state at our OER summits.
- Natalie now studies at Cal Poly.
- Congratulations to Natalie!



MIRIAM GOLBERT HONORED FOR 10 YEARS OF SERVICE AS ADVISOR TO PHI THETA KAPPA

Congratulations to Dr. Miriam Golbert for serving as the chapter advisor for Phi Theta Kappa for 10 years!

- Through Dr. Golbert's leadership, COCs Alpha Nu Xi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa has grown, thrived and engaged students in opportunities for service and academic excellence.
- In honor of her ten year anniversary as the advisor, we are purchasing a brick to have a permanent and prominent home in the **Alpha Courtyard** at **The Center for Excellence**, home of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society in Jackson, Mississippi.



EXCITING SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF CAREER ED PROGRAMS!

➤ *Silver Star Programs - have attained threshold outcomes on two metrics. Congratulations to:*

- ★ **Human Resources Management:** With a **54%** increase in earnings and **100%** of students are employed in a job similar to their field of study.
- ★ **Small Business Management:** With a **51%** increase in earnings and **100%** of students employed in a job similar to their field of study.
- ★ **Marketing:** With an **85%** increase in earnings and **100%** of students employed in a job similar to their field of study.
- ★ **Construction Management Technology:** With a **71%** increase in earnings and **75%** of students attained the regional living wage.
- ★ **Water Systems Technology:** With an **88%** increase in earnings and **78%** of students attained the regional living wage.



EXCITING SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF CAREER ED PROGRAMS!

➤ ***Bronze Star Programs - have attained threshold outcomes on one metrics. Congratulations to:***

- ★ ***Automotive Technology:*** With a **194%** increase in earnings.
- ★ ***Accounting:*** With a **122%** increase in earnings.
- ★ ***Child Development-Early Care and Education:*** With **100%** of students employed in a job similar to their field of study.
- ★ ***Child Development Administration and Management:*** With a **100%** increase in earnings.
- ★ ***Medical Laboratory Technology:*** With a **159%** increase in earnings.
- ★ ***Office Technology-Office Computer Applications:*** With a **121%** increase in earnings.
- ★ ***Film Production:*** With a **139%** increase in earnings.
- ★ ***Computer Networking:*** With **100%** of students employed in a job similar to their field of study.
- ★ ***Administration of Justice:*** **77%** of students attained the regional living wage.
- ★ ***Fire Technology:*** With a **116%** increase in earnings.
- ★ ***Hospitality:*** With a **53%** increase in earnings.
- ★ ***Paralegal:*** With a **67%** increase in earnings.



➤ ***COC received the 6th highest amount of funds per college of the 114 in the state! A result of collaboration and getting out of silos!***

COC FBLA STUDENTS EXCEL

Our Future Business Leaders of America – Phi Beta Lambda (FBLA-PBL) came away with a variety of medals at the 2018 Spring California State Business Leadership Conference in San Diego on April 6th – 8th.

➤ The **9** members of our team combined to win:

- ✓ **2** Second Place medals;
- ✓ **3** Third Place medals;
- ✓ **2** Fourth Place medals; and
- ✓ **3** Fifth Place medals.

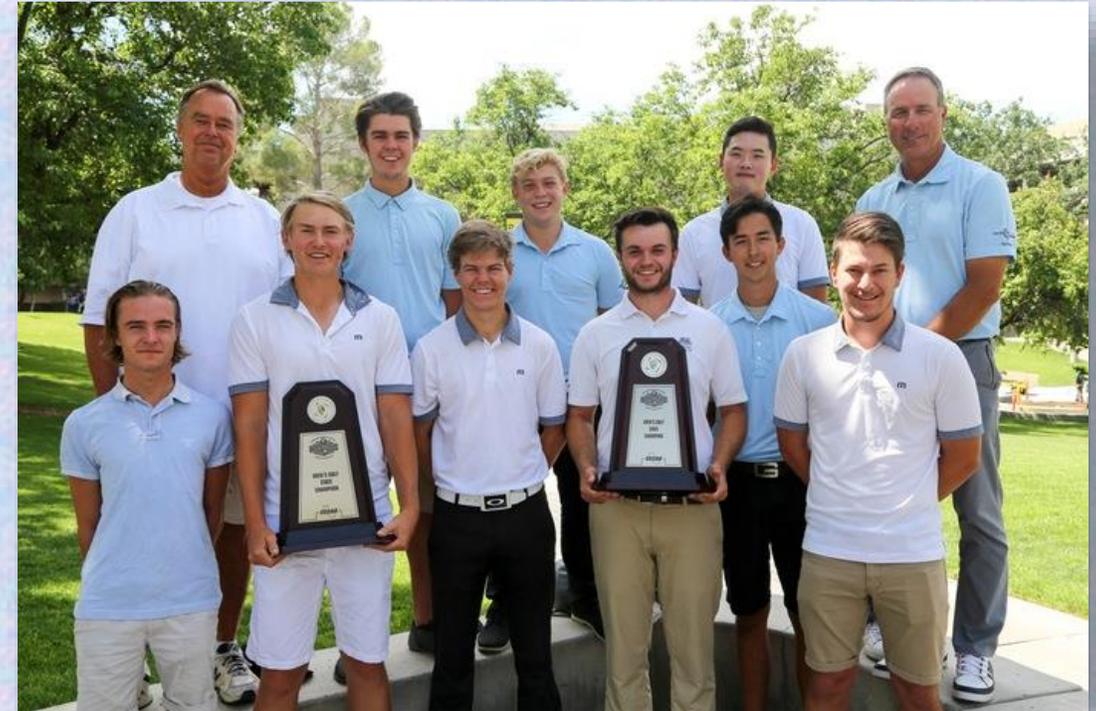


- Over **175** students from colleges and universities across California participated, including students from UC San Diego, UC Riverside, USC and CSU Fullerton.
- Students competed as individuals in knowledge events to demonstrate their mastery of essential business concepts and skills. Additionally, they competed as teams in analysis and decision-making events.
- ***Our “Marketing Analysis and Decision Making” team qualified to compete at the National FLBA-PBL Conference in Baltimore in June.***
- The COC chapter was also recognized for having the second largest increase in membership over the previous year statewide.
- Thank you to faculty advisors Heaven Warner and Bob Maxwell for their leadership and guidance.

2017 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF TEAM EARNS ANOTHER HONOR!

Our 2017 State Championship Men's Golf Team has been named a **CCCAA Scholar Team Award Winner!**

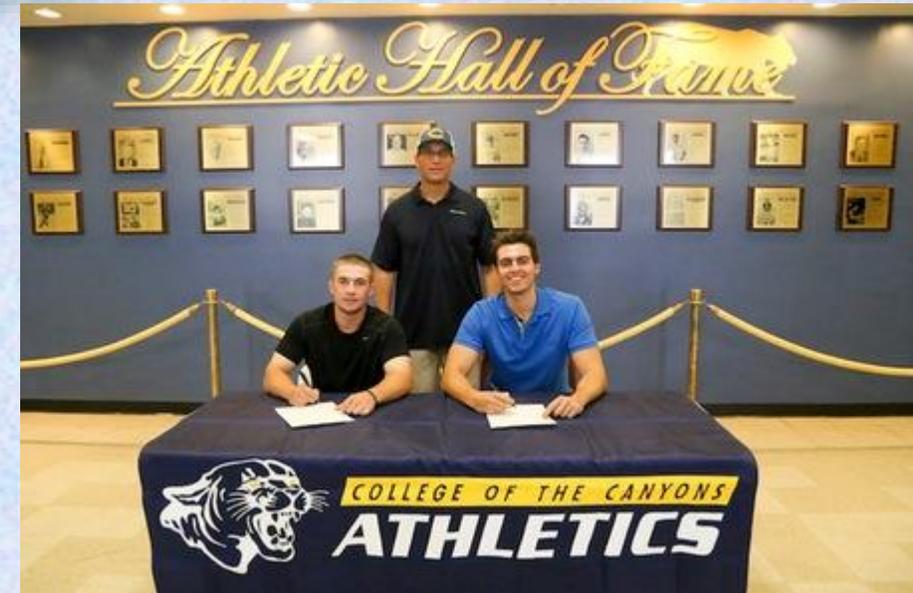
- This is the highest academic team achievement given annually by the California Community College Athletic Association (CCCAA).
- It emphasizes the academic achievement of all members of one specific team, with **only one team selected from each CCCAA sport in the state.**
- To be eligible, all team members must have excelled academically with a total GPA of 3.0 or higher and have demonstrated better than average accomplishments in intercollegiate athletic competition. **Our team had a combined GPA of 3.66!**
- This is a special accomplishment for this State Championship Team, which included several international student-athletes who also had to navigate through language barriers and cultural differences.
- At the end of the season, this team saw eight players transfer to four-year NCAA universities to continue competing and pursuing their academic goals.



BASEBALL PLAYER NAMED TO CCCAA SCHOLAR ATHLETE HONOR ROLL

Former COC baseball player Justin Dehn has been named to the **2016-17 CCCAA Scholar Athlete Honor Roll**.

- Winners are selected for excelling both academically and athletically.
- Honorees must have participated in two seasons of the sport, maintained at least a 3.5 GPA – **Justin maintained a 3.79 transferable GPA** – and displayed strong citizenship, dedication and hard work.
- Justin graduated from COC last Spring with magna cum laude honors and a degree in Accounting.
- Justin joins a select list of **18** student-athletes across the state to earn recognition as a member of the Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll.
- Justin is currently attending New Mexico State University and pitching for the Aggies baseball program.



WOMEN'S INAUGURAL TENNIS TEAM

I received a very special visit from the *inaugural women's tennis team* on Wednesday, March 28th.

- It was a joy to meet the team and their coaches, who were accompanied by Chuck Lyon.
- Last weekend at the WSC Singles & Doubles Championships hosted by Ventura College, two of the doubles teams qualified to compete at the statewide tournament in Ojai on April 26-29.
- We look forward to welcoming many of the team members back for next season!



ATHLETIC UPDATE

Spring sports are in full swing!

➤ **Baseball** – The Cougars (19-11, 8-3) began the week two games behind first place Glendale College on the WSC, East Divisions standings. This week the Cougars will begin a three-game series with Citrus College.

➤ **Men's Golf** – The defending state champion Cougars have won three straight conference tournaments and look poised to bring home the program's ninth straight Western State Conference Championship. Canyons will next compete at WSC No. 10 at San Dimas Golf Course on Monday, April 23.



ATHLETIC UPDATE

Spring sports are in full swing!

➤ **Softball** – Canyons (20-11, 11-0) has a perfect 11-0 mark in conference play. With just nine regular season games remaining, the Cougars are in contention for a WSC, East Championship.

➤ **Swim & Dive** – The COC men's and women's swim teams put together a strong performance at the third and final WSC meet of the season on Friday, March 30, combining to win six events. Up next, a trip to the WSC Championships April 19-21.



ATHLETIC UPDATE

Spring sports are in full swing!

➤ **Track & Field** – COC had two student-athletes place in the top-10 at the Southern California Heptathlon Championships this week. The annual two-day event hosted by Cerritos College attracted a field of 14 in the heptathlon, including COCs Takaira Beard and Megan Carbajal. Beard was the top finisher for Canyons, placing 8th with Carbajal finishing in the 10th spot. Canyons will compete this Friday, April 13th at the Cerritos Invitational.

➤ **Women's Tennis** – Canyons completed its inaugural season with a 4-12 regular season record. Over the weekend, COC competed at the two-day WSC Singles & Doubles Championships hosted by Ventura College. At the match, two of COC's doubles teams qualified to compete at the statewide tournament in Ojai April 26-29.



Partnerships



8TH ANNUAL WALK FOR KIDS

The Michael Hoefflin Foundation held their 9th annual **Walk for Kids** in Cougar Stadium at COC on Saturday, March 17th.

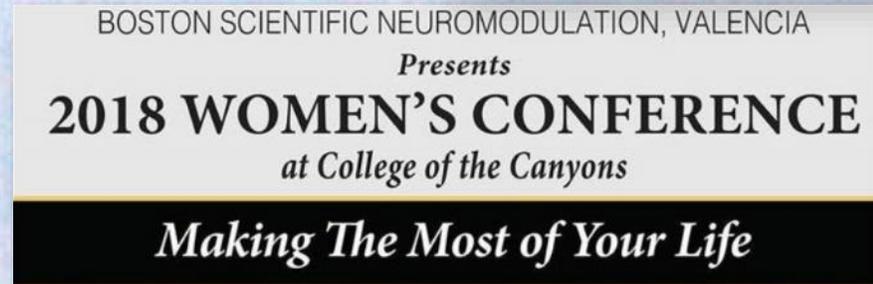
- Nearly a thousand people walked and raised funds for this local non-profit that assists children diagnosed with cancer and their families.



“MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR LIFE” – WOMEN’S CONFERENCE

The **2018 COC Women’s Conference**, presented by Boston Scientific Neuromodulation, drew a record crowd on Saturday, March 17th.

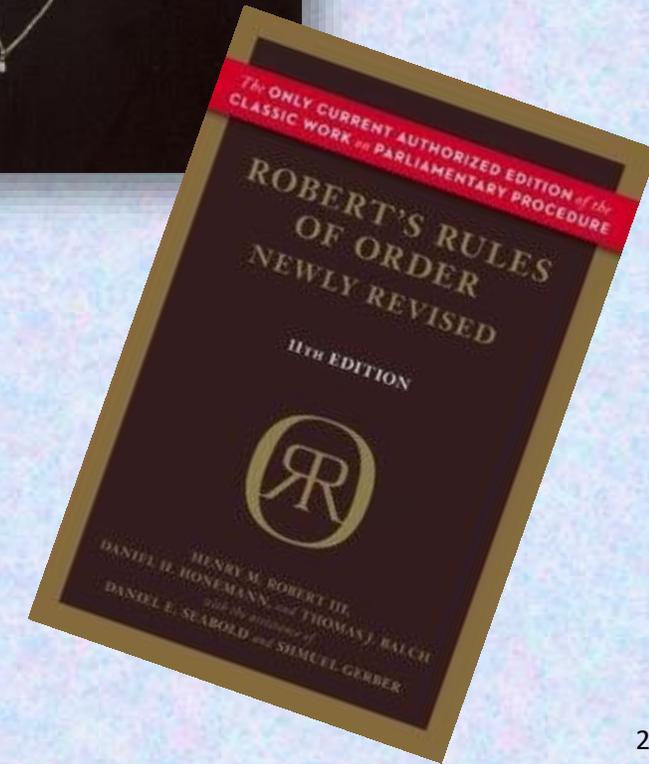
- The conference featured an exciting lineup of presenters and breakout sessions centered around the interests of women in our community.
- The keynote speaker was Ms. Lisa Welker-Finney, Human Resources Vice President at Boston Scientific.
- Many of the speakers talked about how participants could use local resources to make an impact in the community.
- A special thank you to many of our COC staff members and Foundation Board members who participated as speakers and sponsors of this conference.



DONNA MILLER PROVIDES EFFECTIVE MEETING WORKSHOP

We were pleased to host Donna Miller, for the second in a series of three workshops as part of the Professional Development priorities of the *Committee on Committees* on Wednesday, March 21st.

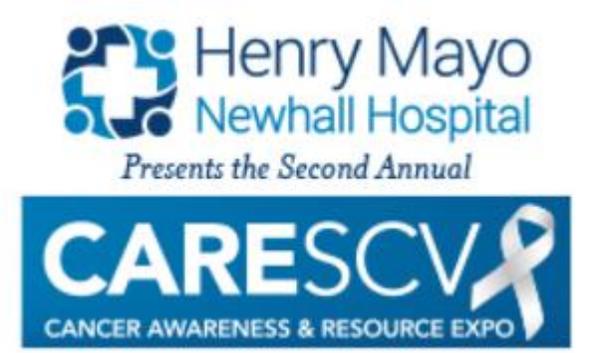
- This workshop, “**Using Parliamentary Procedures to Produce More Effective Meetings**”, focused on understanding the purpose and benefits of parliamentary procedures in order to conduct more effective meetings.
- We had an excellent mix of people come out for the workshop on a very rainy day.
- Attendees included members of our own Board of Trustees, COC committee members, Foundation Board members and members of our neighboring K-12 school boards (Castaic, Saugus and Sulphur Springs), as well as some community members.
- The third workshop in the series will be held on Wednesday, April 18th from 1 – 3 pm. It will be a very interactive workshop on “**Collaborative Conflict Resolution Skills**”.



CANCER AWARENESS AND RESOURCE EXPO

The *2nd Annual Cancer Awareness and Resource Expo*, sponsored by Henry Mayo Newhall Hospital, was held in our PAC on March 24th.

- Breakout sessions featured Oncology experts in Skin Cancer, Immunotherapy, Men’s Health and Nutrition.
- A panel of experts, moderated by broadcast journalist Bella Shaw held a Q & A.
- Community resources and support services were also be available.



TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH THE POWER OF WORK

COC was pleased to participate in a **“Doing What Matters”** event on March 26th in Palmdale.

- The meeting was hosted by Goodwill Southern California and included California Forward, LA County Office of Education, K-12 leaders, Community Colleges and employers.
- Featured speakers included Van Ton-Quinlivan - California Community College Executive Vice Chancellor, Ed Knutson - President of Antelope Valley College and Orville Dothage, III - Northrop Grumman.
- **Jeff Forrest** participated on a panel that addressed diversity, adult learners and building relationship with local businesses.
- Topics of the day included:
 - ✓ Doing What Matters for Jobs and the Economy;
 - ✓ Fostering Educational – Employer Partnerships; and
 - ✓ K-12 Career Education Initiatives.



CHANCELLOR'S CIRCLE PROSPECT LUNCHEON

I was pleased to join the Chancellor's Circle members for a special luncheon with community members on Thursday, March 29th in the iCue.

- Our guests toured the iCue and the enjoyed the delicious buffet lunch prepared by our Culinary Arts students.
- The Chancellor's Circle members shared a variety of ways that our guests could partner with COC.
- Since the luncheon, **4** of the **8** prospective Chancellor's Circle members have renewed or committed to join the Chancellor's Circle, with the Foundation actively following up with the other 4 guests.



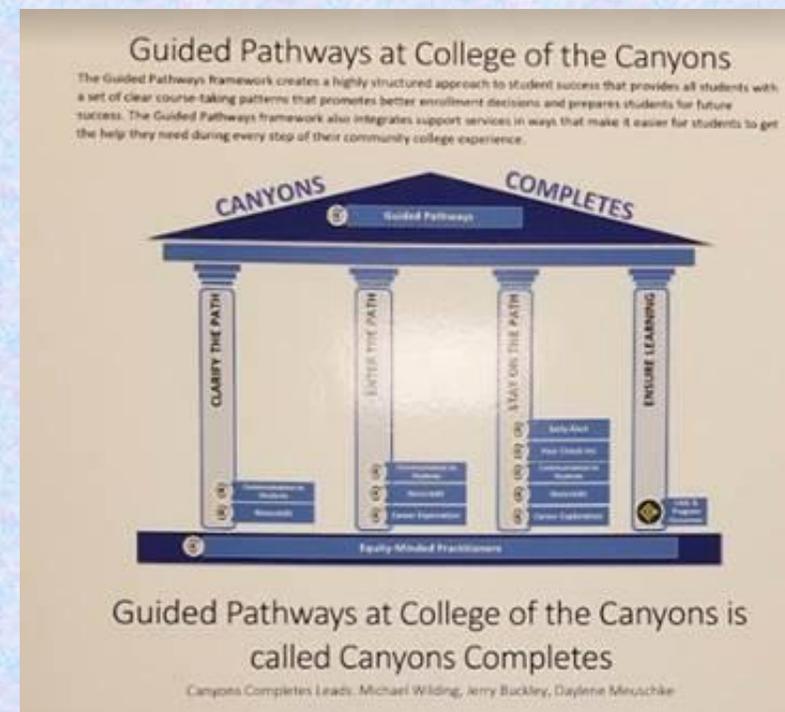
Chancellor's Circle



TEAM COC ATTENDS ADVANCED GUIDED PATHWAYS WORKSHOP

On Tuesday, April 3rd, 19 members of the COC team attended the **Advanced Guided Pathways Workshop for CA Community Colleges** in Marina del Rey.

- This “advanced” version of the statewide IEPI workshops on Guided Pathways provided an opportunity to learn from other colleges, strategize about implementation efforts and compare best practices for Guided Pathways redesign work.
- The COC team worked with a Career Ladders facilitator who helped to document and discuss how the Guided Pathways work began, it’s early achievements, current implementation status, lessons learned and next steps.
- This workshop provided valuable encouragement that the current efforts at COC are on track and targeted to support student success.
- One of the important takeaways from the workshop was that meta-majors and program mapping are urgent projects that will help us in our website and schedule design processes.



STUDENTS HOST TOWN HALL TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE GUN VIOLENCE SOLUTIONS

In a packed lecture hall on Saturday, April 7th, COC hosted a “*Town Hall for Our Lives*” featuring college and high school student speakers along with candidates for the 25th Congressional District.

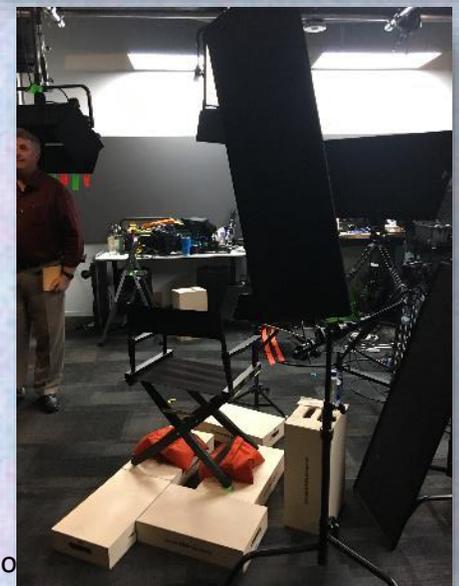
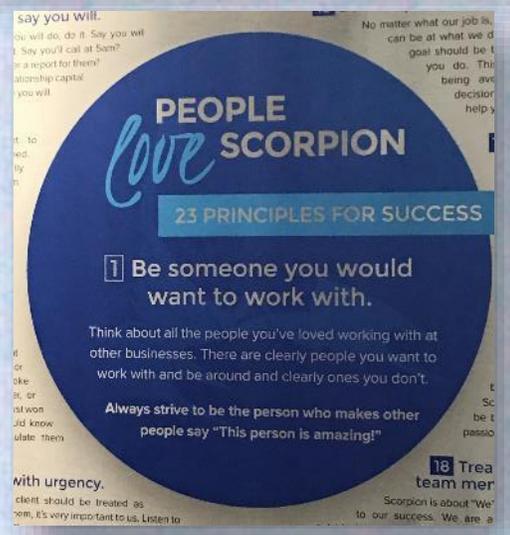
- The goal of this nonpartisan event was to invite student speakers from both sides of the aisle to discuss how to stop the advance of school shootings.
- Four congressional candidates (Bryan Caforio, Katie Hill, Jess Phoenix and Mary Pallant) joined the discussion to discuss their potential gun legislation if they were elected to Steve Knight’s current seat.
- As expected, the event sparked intense discussion.



COC TOURS SCORPION INTERNET MARKETING

I had the pleasure of touring *Scorpion Internet Marketing* on Monday, April 9th, along with James Kneblak and Jeffrey Forrest.

- Scorpion is a new, driven, enterprising addition to the Santa Clarita Valley, where **1/3 of their employees are COC alumni!**
- In November 2017 Scorpion became a member of the **Chancellor's Circle** and made a significant donation to the **First-Year Promise Campaign**.
- Scorpion has become an engaged member of the **Chancellor's Circle** and presented to a packed house at the **Breakfast Briefing** on February 23rd.



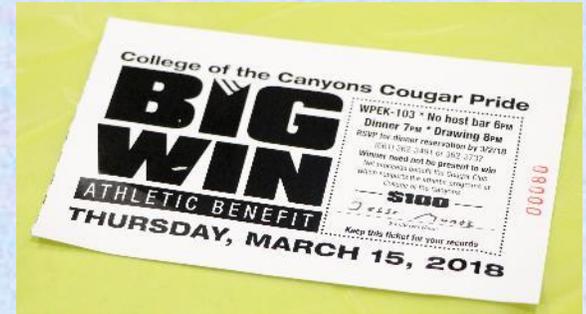
What's New on and Around our Campuses



BIG WIN!

COC Athletics celebrated “March Madness” in style at the annual “**Big Win**” on Thursday, March 15th.

- The evening provided college staff, community members, COC supporters and local sports fans with a chance to mix and mingle with the athletic department staff, enjoy a delicious barbeque dinner and be entered into a chance to win a \$3,000 grand prize.
- Net proceeds from the event benefit the Cougar Club, which supports all 17 athletic programs at COC.



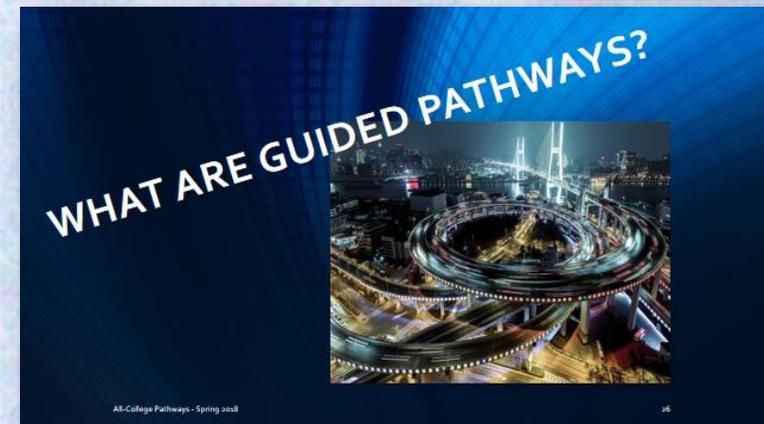
ALL-COLLEGE STAFF MEETINGS

All-College staff meetings were held on Wednesday, March 28th and Thursday, March 29th with over **200** attendees.

- We celebrated the ways that College of the Canyons stands out from other community colleges in:
 - ✓ What we achieve;
 - ✓ Supporting innovation;
 - ✓ Playing a key role in developing the economy and training the workforce;
 - ✓ Partnering in the community;
 - ✓ Reducing the cost of education for our students; and
 - ✓ Building state-of-the-art facilities.

- We also focused on ***Guided Pathways***, discussing:
 - ✓ Key elements of Pathways;
 - ✓ What we know about our students;
 - ✓ How COC is progressing;
 - ✓ What are the opportunities for collaboration; and
 - ✓ How our staff can become involved.

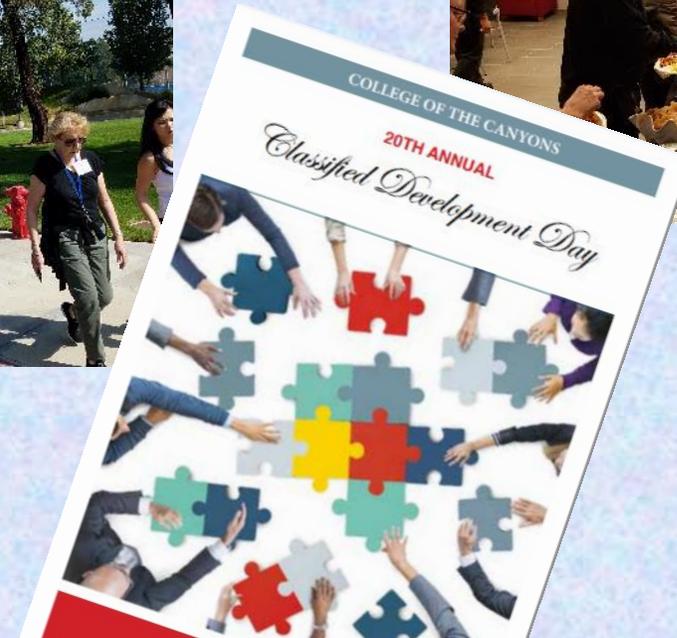
- A special thank you to Ryan Theule, Denee Pescarmona, Daylene Meuschke, Rebecca Eikey and Jasmine Ruys for their input into the Pathways portion of the presentation.



CELEBRATING OUR CLASSIFIED STAFF!

The 20th annual Classified Development Day took place on Tuesday, April 3rd.

- This special day for our classified staff entitled “***Pieces of a Puzzle: Collaborating and Connecting for Classified Staff Success and Equity***”, featured a variety of engaging activities including a discussion on the role of classified staff in ***Guided Pathways***.
- Classified staff were able to pick from a variety of breakout sessions that they wanted to attend.
- The keynote speaker was Dr. Veronica Neal, Certified Diversity Professional, who spoke on “***Call-In Culture for Advancing Equity***”.



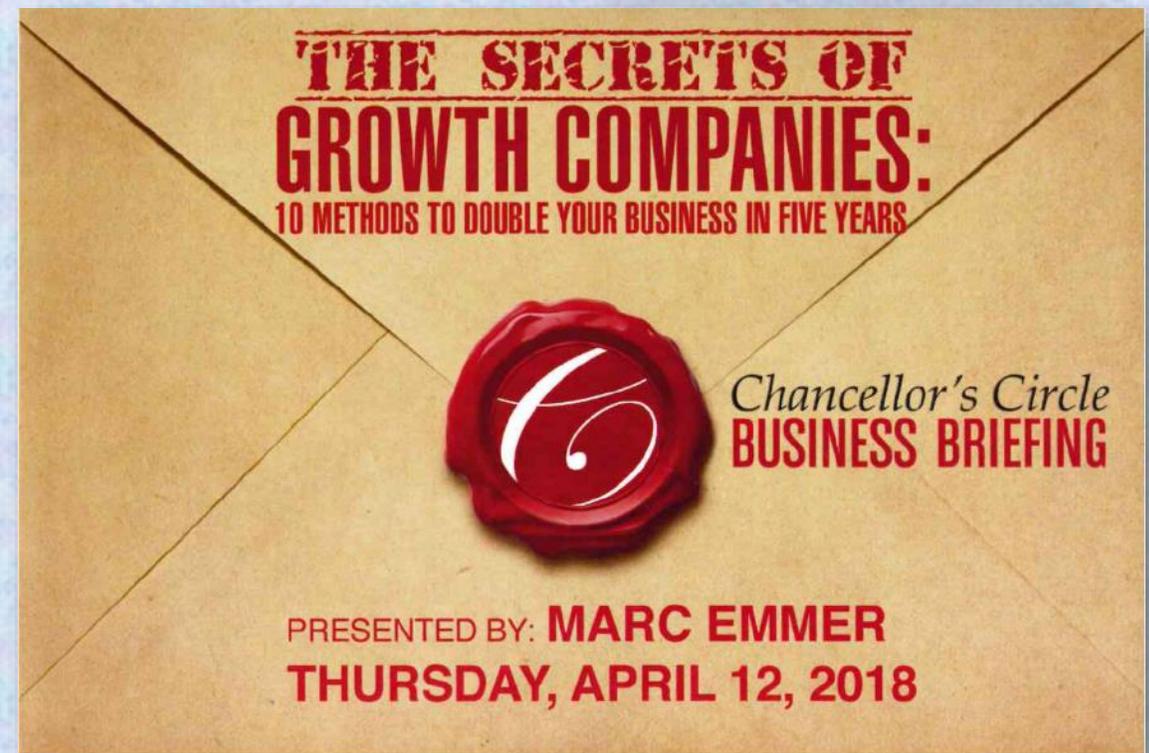


Upcoming Events

CHANCELLOR'S CIRCLE BUSINESS BRIEFING

The Chancellor's Circle will be holding a ***“Business Briefing”*** on ***“The Secrets of Growth Companies: 10 Methods to Double Your Business in Five Years”*** on Thursday, April 12th.

- The Business Briefing will begin at 4 p.m. and will be held in UCEN 258.
- The cost is \$10; Chancellor's Circle Members are complimentary.
- Following the briefing will be a Wine & Cheese Book Signing and Panel Discussion at 5:30 p.m.
- Tickets for the Wine & Cheese event are \$20; Chancellor's Circle Members are complimentary
- Attendees at the Wine & Cheese event will receive a complimentary copy of ***“Momentum: How Companies Decide What To Do Next”***.



GARDEN WALK AT CANYON COUNTRY CAMPUS

The spring Garden Walk will be held at the Canyon Country Campus on Saturday, April 14th from 9 am – 11 am.

- **Jeannie Chari**, Professor of Biology, will lead a guided tour of the unique plant life on the Canyon Country Campus.
- Participants will use microscopes to explore plant details, learn about light pollution and the effects on biodiversity, and gain tips on creating bird habitat.



WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD PLAY DAY

Celebrate *Week of the Young Child Play Day* on Saturday April 14th from 10 am – 2pm at COC.

- Bring your children, grandchildren and friends for four hours of age-appropriate play and stimulating interaction in an outdoor setting.
- This event is free and open to the public.
- This event is sponsored by the COC Center for Early Childhood Education, Southern California Valley Committee and the COC TEACH program.



22ND ANNUAL STUDENT ART EXHIBITION

The COC Art Gallery will present the **22nd Annual Student Art Exhibition** from Tuesday, April 17th through Thursday, May 24th.

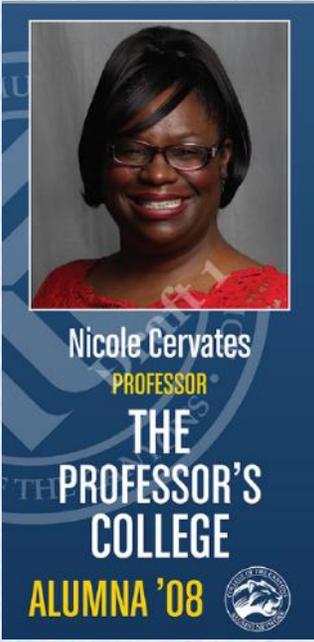
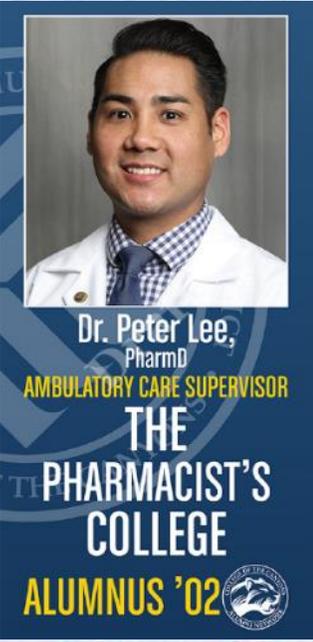
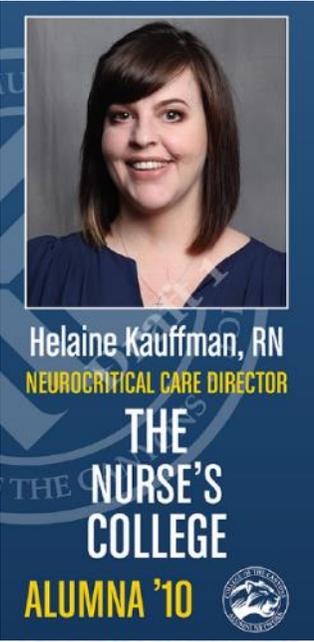
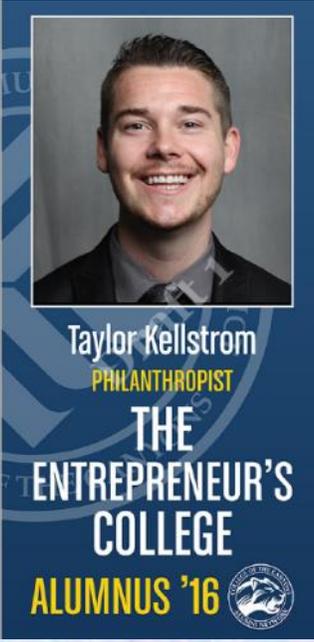
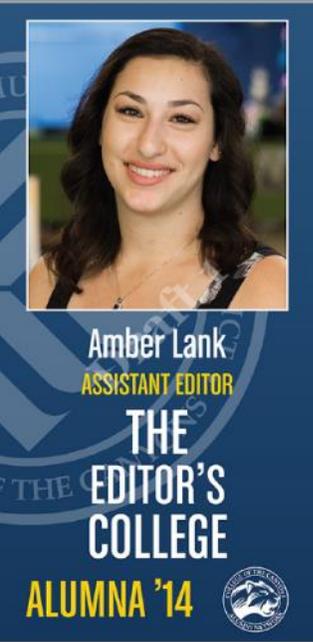
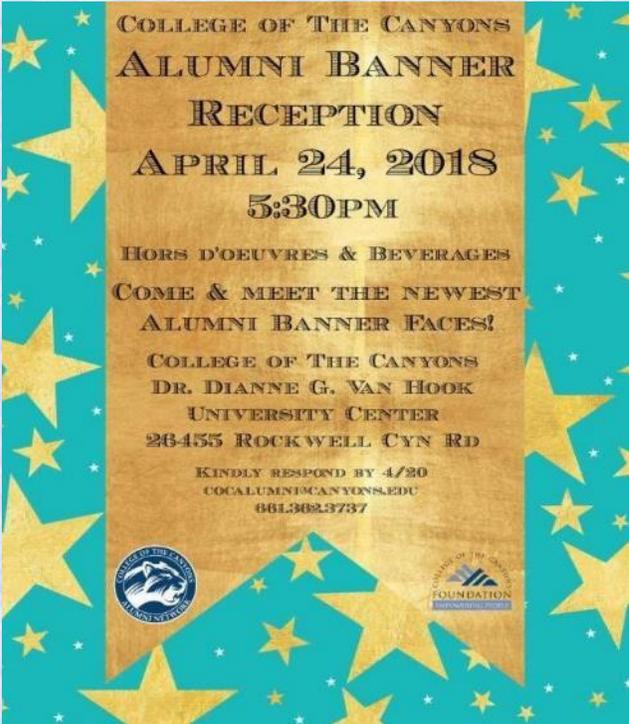
- The exhibition will include drawings, photography, paintings, sculptures, graphic design, animation and 2D and 3D design.
- This annual showcase is an educational and professional experience for our students.
- Works are submitted for review and a guest juror (this year our own Larry Hurst), curates the exhibition.
- Some of the student art exhibited will become part of COCs permanent student art collection.
- A reception for the artists will be held from noon to 4 pm on Tuesday, April 17th.



ALUMNI BANNER RECEPTION

Our new Alumni Banners will be revealed at a reception on April 24th at 5:30 pm in the University Center.

- We are pleased to honor our newest alumni to be featured on the banners displayed around our campuses.



WE ARE BREAKING GROUND!

Please join us for the official groundbreaking of our Measure E funded parking structure on Thursday, April 26th at 9:30 am.

- The 1,650 space structure is scheduled to open in time for the spring 2019 semester.



IT'S STAR PARTY TIME AGAIN!

We have a stellar lineup for the Star Party on Friday, April 27th at the Canyon Country Campus.

- ***“Detwinkling the Stars to Study Exoplanetary Systems”*** will be the topic of guest speaker Dr. Vanessa Bailey, Staff Scientist at JPL.
- Interactive demonstration and activity tables will be provided by our students, faculty and staff.
- High-powered telescopes for night sky viewing will be provided by local astronomy clubs.
- Another highlight of the event will be our portable planetarium.
- The event is free and open to the public.



MARKERSPACE FESTIVAL SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Join us for an adventure into the world of innovative creation on Saturday, April 28th from 10 am – 4 pm in West PE.

➤ ***The 2018 MakerSpace Festival*** will feature:

- ✓ Cosplay creation;
- ✓ 3D printing;
- ✓ Robotics demonstrations;
- ✓ Inflatable sculptures;
- ✓ Interactive star display;
- ✓ Planetarium shows;
- ✓ Book-making workshop;
- ✓ Hands-on science and art;
- ✓ Activities for all ages;
- ✓ Food trucks, door prizes, free parking & more!

➤ Keynote speakers will include:

- ✓ ***Matthew Wallace*** - Assembly, Test and Launch Operations Manager NASA JPL – *“NASAs Current and Future Mars Rover Missions”*
- ✓ ***Joshua Abarbanel*** – Artist – *“Digits & Digital: Harnessing Tech in Art Making”*

➤ Guest Speakers will include:

- ✓ ***Lara Frandzel*** – *“STEM on a Dime: How to Create an Elementary School MakerSpace on a Budget”*
- ✓ ***Teresa Ciardi*** – *Women and Girls in Science are Powerful!*
- ✓ ***Hsiawen Hull*** – *“The MakerSpace Movement and How COC is Incubating Ideas*

➤ This event is free and open to the public!

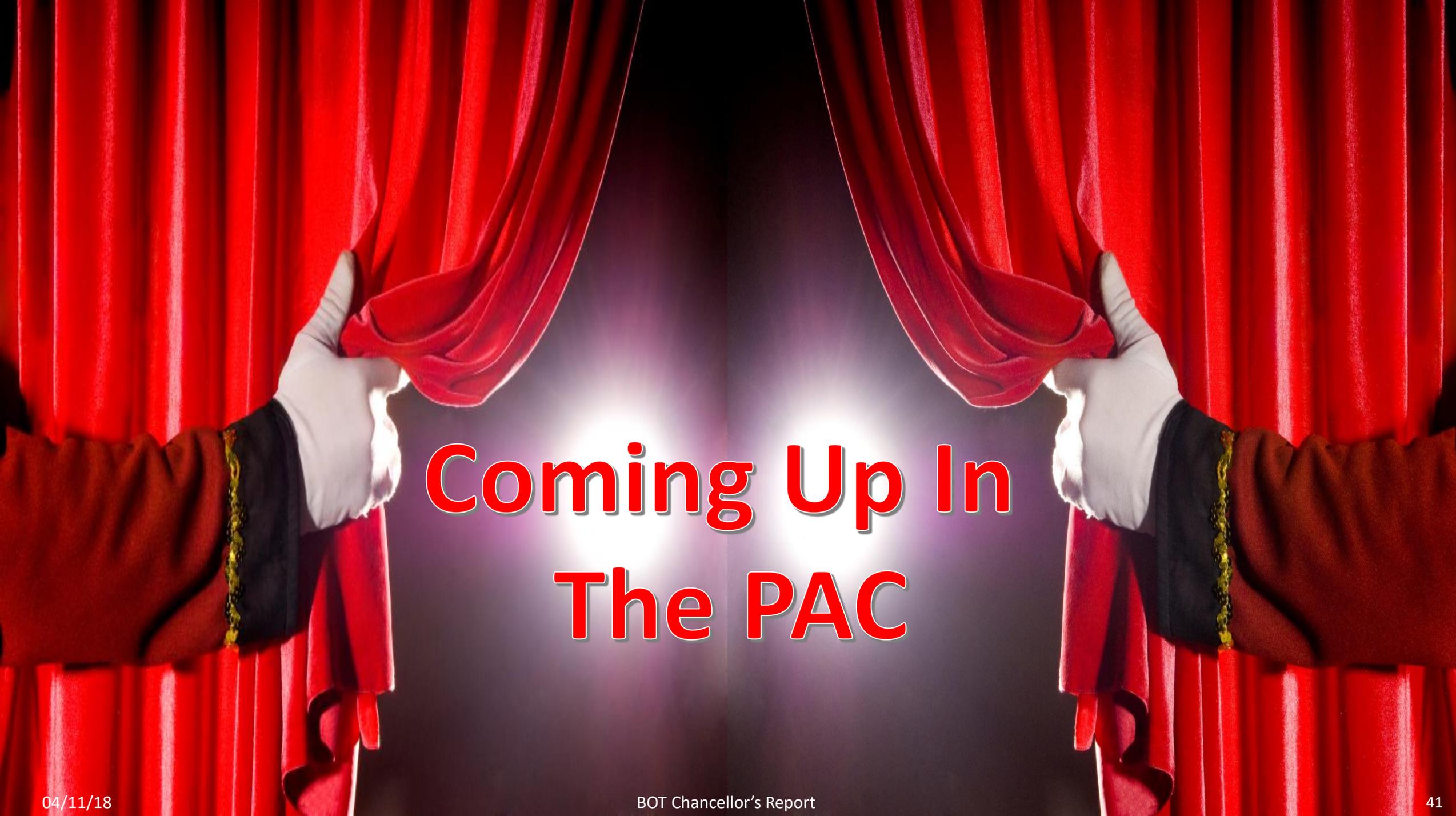


UPCOMING EVENTS IN MAY/JUNE

As the spring semester winds down, we have many exciting events coming up!

- May 3rd – DWM CEO Institute (9:30 am – 3 pm)
- May 3rd – UCEN Tour (3 pm – 4 pm)
- May 4th – UCEN Tour (11:30 am – 1 pm)
- May 4th – CCC Civic & Community Engagement Student Summit (8:30 am – 3:30 pm)
- May 6th – Canyons Music Festival at the Canyon Country Campus (12:30 – 4 pm)
- May 10th – Palomar College UCEN Tour (9 am – 11:30 am)
- May 11th – Veterans Graduation Dinner (6 pm)
- May 15th – Classified Appreciation Breakfast (7:30 CCC)
- May 16th – Classified Appreciation Ice Cream Social (2 pm – 4 pm)
- May 17th – Classified Appreciation Luncheon (12 pm – 2 pm)
- May 17th – Donor Scholarship Reception (5:30 – 7 pm)
- May 18th – Honor Graduate Reception (10:15 am)
- May 18th – Joy Spring – Vocal Jazz (6:30 & 8:30)
- May 19th – MESA Transfer Celebration Dinner (5 pm)
- May 21st – Student Athlete Academic Dinner (6 – 9 pm)
- May 23rd – Annual Scholarship Awards (6 – 8 pm)
- June 1st – Commencement (8 am)





**Coming Up In
The PAC**

COMING UP IN THE PAC THROUGH JUNE 2018

❖ *Little Shop of Horrors*
April 27 – May 6



❖ *Pops Concert – COC Music*
May 11

❖ *Symphony of the Canyons*
May 12

❖ *COC Dance*
May 17 & 18



❖ *Olate Dogs*
May 19

❖ *COC Music*
May 24

❖ *COC Music*
May 31



❖ *Santa Clarita Master Chorale*
June 2

❖ *Santa Clarita Philharmonic*
June 3

❖ *Santa Clarita Ballet - Coppelia*
June 9



❖ *Escape Theatre - Oliver*
June 15 - 23

