



Board of Trustees Meeting
April 12, 2017

Chancellor's Report and Update

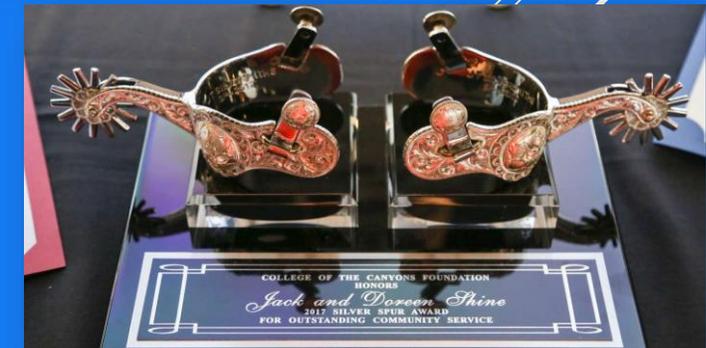
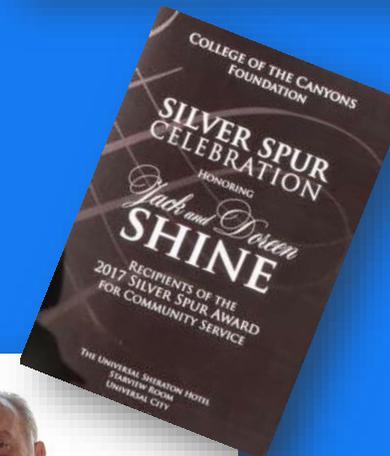
Recognition



SILVER SPUR – MARCH 18

On March 18th, **208** friends, family and colleagues gathered to honor and recognize Jack and Doreen shine for their commitment to the college and the community.

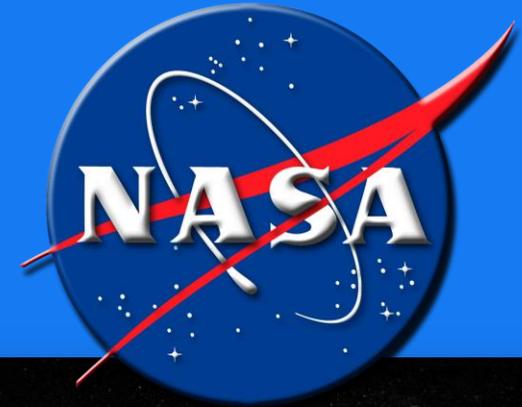
- Guests sat atop the Sheraton Universal in the Starview Room and enjoyed a wonderful evening of cocktails, dinner, music and a lively auction.
- Eric Harnish and Rich Fandre created a beautiful tribute video that told the story of the Shines with humor and honesty.
- Brian Koegle and Nick Lentini served as the Masters of Ceremony as well as the auctioneers.
- The event was co-chaired by Brian and Lindsay Koegle and Nick and Elise Lentini.
- It was truly a night to remember!



COC INSTRUCTORS SELECTED TO FLY ABOARD NASA MISSION

COC adjunct instructors Christine Hirst and Thomas Gavin have been selected by the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (SETI) Institute to join the 2017-18 NASA Airborne Astronomy Ambassadors (AAA) Program.

- Hirst and Gavin, who teach astronomy and physical science at COC as well as in the Hart District, will fly aboard NASA's Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy (SOFIA), the world's largest aircraft-based observatory.
- Positioned above more than 99% of the atmosphere's water vapor, SOFIA makes it possible to conduct experiments and gather data that would otherwise be impossible to obtain.
- An intensive Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) experience, the SOFIA flight week provides participating educators with access to subject matter experts at NASA and science curricula to engage students in the classroom with real-world science.
- Hirst and Gavin are expected to fly aboard SOFIA in Fall 2017.

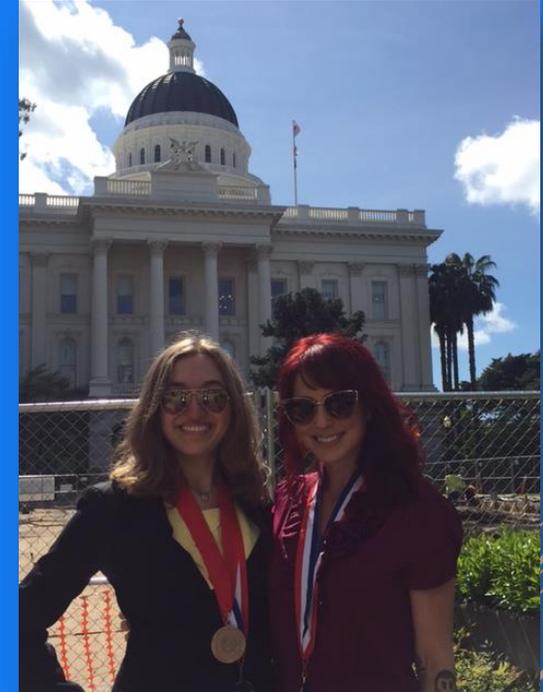


A total of 12 science teachers from the Hart District were selected.

COC STUDENTS SHINE!

Congratulations to Tanya Hauer and Natalie Miller, two of our Honors students who were recognized as members of the Phi Theta Kappa All California Academic First Team.

- Tanya and Natalie received their recognition on March 23rd in Sacramento.
- Natalie was also named the Coca-Cola Bronze Scholar, which came with a \$1,000 scholarship!
- Additionally, Sabrina Ariss was recognized as a member of the 2nd team. She could not attend the event as she is volunteering in Nicaragua.
- Grades, leadership and community service determine selections to an Academic Team.
- The selection was determined by scores nominees received from the judges at the national level.
- A total of 93 students, 31 on the 1st team, 31 on the 2nd team and 31 on the 3rd team, represent some of the best of the 2 million students enrolled in the 113 California Community Colleges.



COC HONORS STUDENTS RECOGNIZED

Three students from College of the Canyons were recognized at the Honors Transfer Council of California Research Conference on April 1st at UC Irvine.

- Over **300** students from **31** California Community Colleges presented their research at the conference.
- This annual research conference gives students in community college honors programs the opportunity to present the results of their work.
- The three students presenting were:
 - ✓ **Naomi Santa Cruz** – Craft Beer for Biodiversity: How Buying Beer Locally Can Help National Biodiversity
 - ✓ **Xochitl Hernandez** – The Female Identity and the Allure of the Beauty Queen
 - ✓ **Chelsea Glickman** – How Advertisements Have Contributed to Childhood Obesity.
- Congratulations to **Xochitl Hernandez** for winning first place and a \$500 scholarship!



Honors Transfer Council of California Proudly Announces
the 17th Annual Student Research Conference for
California Community Colleges.

**Building Bridges.
Constructing Futures.**

Saturday, April 1, 2017 | 8 AM - 4 PM
Hosted by U.C. Irvine



Presentation Format

- Research poster
- Small group oral
- Large group oral
- Individual oral
- Performance

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14 FOOTBALL PLAYERS NAMED TO SCHOLAR-ATHLETE TEAM

The COC football program had 14 players named to the 2016 Southern California Football Association (SCFA) Scholar-Athlete team!



- To be eligible for inclusion on the SCFA Scholar-Athlete team, players must participate on their respective school's football team for two seasons, while successfully completing a minimum of 36 units and at least 27 units must be in academic courses.
- Scholar-athlete team honorees must also achieve a GPA of at least 3.0.
- We could not be more proud of our SCFA Scholar-Athlete honorees!

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| ✓ Blake Austin | ✓ Austin McKinney |
| ✓ Tyler Bjorklund | ✓ Matthew Moore |
| ✓ Raymond Calles | ✓ Jesus Mota |
| ✓ Gabriel Gaitan | ✓ Tobenna Okunna |
| ✓ Zach Gragas | ✓ Colton Oshiro |
| ✓ Jerel Hall | ✓ Jacob Sammut |
| ✓ Andrew Karatepeyan | ✓ Hayden Wright |



ATHLETE HONOR ROLL

Former COC student-athlete Griffin Scott has been named to the 2015-16 California Community College Athletic Association Scholar Athlete Honor Roll.

- Scott joins a select list of 18 student-athletes across the state to earn the recognition.
- Honorees are selected for excelling academically and athletically, having participated in two seasons of the sport, maintaining a minimum of 3.5 GPA, displaying strong characteristics of citizenship and representing the positive outcome of dedication, hard work and service.
- Scott maintained a 3.85 transferable GPA while double majoring in communication studies and geography.
- He became the first Western State Conference Male Swimmer of the Year in college history and was named an All-American.
- Scott is currently attending UCLA as a geography major and playing on the rugby club team



COC RECOGNIZED FOR INTERNSHIP EXCELLENCE

COC has been presented with three awards from the California Internship & Work Experience Association (CIWEA).

- The Outstanding College Work Experience & Internship Program Award recognizes schools that model exemplary internship and work experience programs.
- CIWEA awarded a COC veteran student with the \$1,000 Bernard L. Hyink Student Scholarship in recognition of the internship by the student at Pulchella Winery.
- The California Film Commission was also awarded the CIWEA Outstanding Internship or Work Experience Employer Award for playing an integral role in providing COC students with real-life work experience.



NATIONAL LEADERSHIP TEAM – THE DEMOCRACY COMMITMENT

Our own Dr. Patty Robinson, Faculty Director for the Civic and Community Engagement Initiatives, has been appointed to the **Campus Coordinator Advisory Council of The Democracy Commitment – National Leadership Team.**

- The purpose of the Campus Coordinator Advisory Council is offer informal strategic advice and feedback voicing ideas, opinions and concerns to the national office in regards to programs, initiatives, events and strategies.
- The Campus Coordinators also serve as regional liaisons for member institutions.
- Patty is one of 18 members of the Advisory Council and one of two from California.



OUTSTANDING SOLOIST

COC vocal groups competed at the 2017 Next Generation Jazz Festival in Monterey on March 31st – April 2nd.

- Student James Meske won the Outstanding Soloist Award.
- The competition is an educational component of the Monterey Jazz Festival.
- Julie Lawson accompanied the students.



Partnerships



NEXT GENERATION SCIENCE STANDARDS (NGSS) TRAINING FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICTS – MARCH 4, 11 & 25

The School of Mathematics, Sciences and Health Professions continued its Educational Alliance Outreach training for local third through fifth grade science teachers on three Saturdays in March.

- Approximately **50** teachers from Castaic, Newhall, Saugus and Sulphur Springs school districts attended the training.
- Teresa Ciardi led the training, organized by Dean Omar Torres.
- The attendees learned about contextualized experimental techniques to incorporate into their classroom instruction.



LOCAL EDUCATOR CHAPTER SPEARHEADS CONFERENCE – MARCH 11

I was honored to be the Keynote Speaker at the Delta Kappa Gamma International Society Annual Spring Festival on March 11th at Knollwood Country Club in Granada Hills.

- Delta Kappa Gamma, a world-wide educational society, is composed of current and retired teachers, dedicated to supporting the careers of future teachers.
- An overflow crowd of over 200 members from 13 chapters from Southern California attended the event to honor, support and celebrate women who have excelled in the field of education.
- The theme of the event was “Building Connections”.



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WALK FOR KIDS WITH CANCER – MARCH 18

The Michael Hoefflin Foundation raised more than **\$100,000** to fight children's cancer during their **2017 Walk for Kids with Cancer** at COC on March 18th.

- Over **1,025** walkers signed up for the walk, filling the stadium and proudly wearing t-shirts with anti-cancer slogans.



TWO COUGARS REUNITE – MARCH 24

I was invited by former COC Vice President and current El Camino College Superintendent/President Dena Maloney to present **“Shaping Change Through Collaboration and Innovation”** on Friday, March 24th.

- The presentation was part of El Camino’s new PRIDE program that launched in February 2017.
- PRIDE stands for “People, Respect, Integrity, Diversity and Excellence” and is similar to our LEAP Leadership Program.
- Participants in the PRIDE program include faculty, classified staff and administrators.



GARDEN WALK – MARCH 25

A garden walk was held at the Canyon Country Campus on Saturday, March 25th.

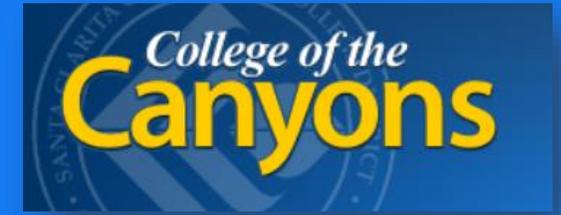
- The weather was ideal for the mix of faculty, students and community members.
- Participants hiked the campus, seeded boxes in the Research Garden and planted perennials.
- They also examined flowers under a microscope.



IEPI PRT TO VISIT COC – APRIL 11

A Partnership Resource Team (PRT) under the Institutional Effectiveness Partnership Initiative (IEPI) visited COC on April 11th.

- In December COC requested that a PRT visit us and provide expertise in the area of noncredit.
- PRTs draw on the exceptional expertise and innovation from within the California Community College system to advance best practices and avoid potential pitfall.
- On April 11th the PRT, led by Dr. Anthony Beebe, Superintendent/President of Santa Barbara City College, met with key individuals at COC to look out what we are currently doing in the area of noncredit and work with us develop an ***Institutional Innovation and Effectiveness Plan***.
- Once this plan is submitted, COC will be eligible to receive a grant of up to **\$200,000** to implement the plan.

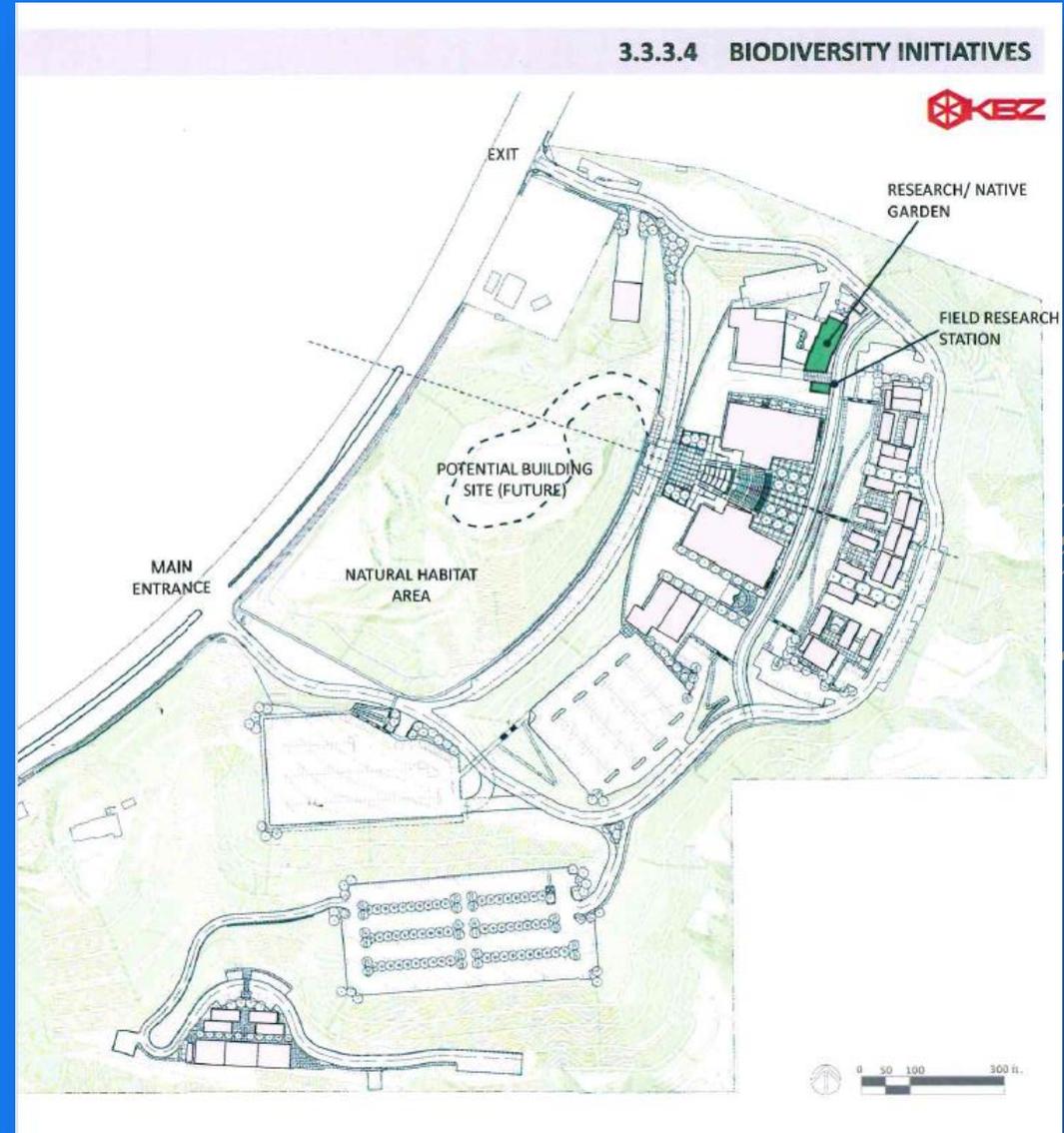


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COC BIODIVERSITY INITIATIVE

COC is fast becoming a leader in fostering awareness and initiating solutions to save the earth's ecosystem. Specific aspects of the COC Biodiversity Initiative include:

- Developing a network of native gardens on our campuses.
- Designation of the buffer zone as a natural habitat.
- Field studies biodiversity research where students will have the opportunity to collect and analyze field data.
- Field research station where a campus operated location will be available for student research.
- International connections with international local projects in different biomes.
- Facilities Master Plan connection where the facility master planner, architects, landscape architects and construction managers will provide guidance in terms of mitigating biodiversity loss while implementing the master plan.



COC JOINS US DEPARTMENT OF ED PANEL AT STANFORD

The U.S. Department of Education's Office of Edtech is holding a meeting at Stanford University on Friday, April 14th and Saturday, April 15th.

- COC faculty Joe Gerda and Kathy Kubo have been invited to join a panel along with Ellen Junn, President of CSU Stanislaus, Eduardo Ochoa, President of CSU Monterey Bay and Candace Thille, Assistant Professor at Stanford University to discuss the relationship between learning research and teaching practice.
- Joe and Kathy were invited as special guests of Stanford University for the innovative work they are doing here at College of the Canyons.



What's New On and Around Our Campuses



COC HOSTS FORUM WITH CONGRESSMAN KNIGHT – MARCH 13

U.S. Representative Steve Knight participated in a student forum at College of the Canyons on May 13th.

- The forum was hosted by the Political Science Department and moderated by professors David Andrus and Phil Gussin.
- The forum touched on issues including:
 - ✓ The current political climate;
 - ✓ Immigration reform;
 - ✓ Health care;
 - ✓ Bilingual education; and
 - ✓ Veterans affairs.



COMMUNITY SUPPORTS ATHLETICS AT THE “BIG WIN” BENEFIT

The Athletic Department held the annual *Cougar Pride Big Win Athletic Benefit* on Thursday, March 16th in the Cougar Cage.

- Over **170** tickets were sold to this 19th annual evening of food and fun, held in support of the **16** intercollegiate sports programs at COC.
- Since the inception, this event has raised over **\$200,000!**
- The highlight of the event is the annual “Big Win” raffle.
- Traci Dennison, a parent of one of our football players, walked away with the grand prize.
- The event next year will be held on March 15, 2018.



COC BOND RATING REAFFIRMED BY S & P – MARCH 24

On March 24th Standard & Poors (S & P) reaffirmed College of the Canyons “AA” rating. In their opinion S & P stated:

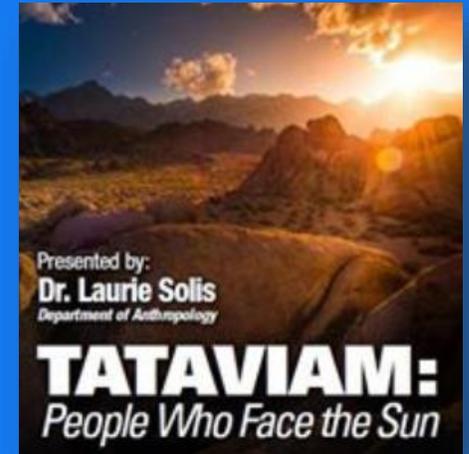
- COC has a broad property tax base in northern LA County, coupled with strong to very strong income indicators and extremely strong wealth levels, and
- Good available unrestricted general fund reserves, supported by operational flexibility inherent to community colleges.
- They went on to say that in their opinion, the district’s finances have been generally stable, supported by positive general fund results in the past three audited fiscal years and available unrestricted general fund reserves that they considered good.



SCHOLARLY PRESENTATION – MARCH 30

Dr. Laurie Solis, Anthropology professor, delivered the scholarly presentation on March 30th.

- The title of the presentation was “**Tataviam: People Who Face the Sun**” based on her published book of the same title.
- Dr. Solis was excited to share her knowledge of the prehistoric Tataviam, who were people that learned to live in harmony with their environment.
- Dr. Solis has served as a liaison to various local tribes, including the Tataviam/Fernandeno Band of Mission Indians.



CLASSIFIED DEVELOPMENT DAY – APRIL 4

Classified staff enjoyed a day filled with fun activities and insightful speakers during Classified Development Day on Tuesday, April 4th.

- The keynote presenter was Dr. Jacinta Mpalyenkana who discussed diversity in the workplace and how to draw on the skills of the workforce to employ creative strategies to enhance teamwork and creativity.
- A Talent Showcase was held in the UCEN lobby where several classified staff members set up tables and talked about their special hobbies including gardening, sports photography, scrapbooking, quilting, belly dancing, bicycling, candy making and improv.
- In the afternoon classified staff chose from a variety of workshops including:
 - ✓ Public Speaking;
 - ✓ Bringing Fun into the Workplace;
 - ✓ Adobe Photoshop Basics;
 - ✓ True Colors – understanding yourself based on your personality temperament;
 - ✓ Dealing with Challenging People & Tough Situations; and
 - ✓ Beginning Yoga.



Upcoming Events



ALUMNI BANNER APPRECIATION RECEPTION - APRIL 13TH

The COC Foundation will hold a special Alumni Banner Appreciation Reception on Thursday, April 13th at 5:30 pm in the PAC lobby.

- All Alumni Banner participants have been invited to attend.
- The banners on display on our campuses highlight the accomplishments of some of our outstanding alumni who have gone on to become teachers, nurses, doctors, engineers, entrepreneurs, firefighters, police officers, chefs, builders, actors, news reporters and everything in between!
- These banners serve as a constant reminder of “*what can be*” to our students.
- Alumni banner participants will be given a copy of their banner as a keepsake.



Chase Mendenhall
FIREFIGHTER,
LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT

THE FIREFIGHTER'S
COLLEGE



Nicholas A. Lentini
INSURANCE & INVESTMENTS

2016
OUTSTANDING
ALUMNUS



Brian Koegle
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

THE
ATTORNEY'S
COLLEGE



Jessica Maganda
CRITICAL CARE NURSE,
GLENDALE ADVENTIST HOSPITAL

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CANYON HIGH SCHOOL

THE PRINCIPAL'S
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THE ENTREPRENEUR'S
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Jonathan Gonzalez
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COLLEGE

DELIBERATIVE DIALOGUE: TRAIN THE TRAINER STUDENT WORKSHOP – APRIL 14

The COC Center for Civic Engagement is holding a “Deliberative Dialogue: Train the Trainer Student Workshop” on Friday, April 14th.

- Deliberative Dialogues provide a way for community members of diverse views and experience to seek a shared understanding of a problem and to search for common ground for action.
- The workshop will be held from 8:30 am – 11:00 am in Mentry Hall 340.



COC FLEX FITNESS FRIDAYS – STARTING APRIL 14

A Spring Fitness Workout Series is starting this Friday, April 14th.

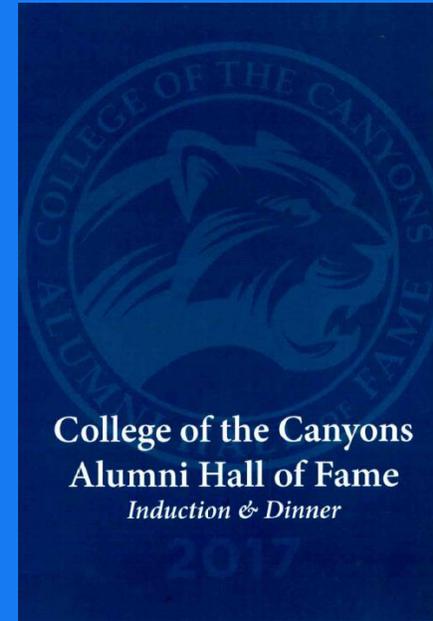
- The Cardio Strength Training classes will be held on select Fridays from 12 pm to 1 pm in WPEK 110.
- Classes will be held on April 14th, April 28th, May 19th and May 26th.
- FLEX credit is available and you can attend one or all of the sessions.
- Each session will include detailed instruction in mobility, warm-up, strength training, metabolic/cardio work, core work and much more!
- All fitness levels are welcome.



ALUMNI HALL OF FAME DINNER – APRIL 20

The annual Alumni Hall of Fame Dinner will be held on Thursday, April 20th in the University Center Lobby at 5:30 pm.

- The 2017 COC Alumni Hall of Fame inductees include:
 - ✓ Sue Walroth, MSN, BAHN, RN, Outstanding Alumna 1997 – Director, Telemetry Services at Henry Mayo Newhall Hospital
 - ✓ Dale R. Donohoe, Outstanding Alumnus 1982 - President, Intertex Properties
 - ✓ Jessica Ta – Rising Star Recent Alumnus 2004 – Counselor/Associate Professor, Norco College
 - ✓ Judith & Elliot Wolfe – Outstanding Friends
- Tickets are \$25 per person and are available by calling the Foundation at (661) 362-3434.



College of the Canyons Alumni Hall of Fame Inductees

Dr. Rachael Ostrom Sachar <i>Alumna, 2016</i>	John Cave <i>Friend, 2012</i>	Mark Jenkins <i>Alumnus, 2005</i>
Nicholas A. Lentini <i>Alumnus, 2016</i>	Peggy Cannistraci <i>Alumna, 2011</i>	Roxie Ramey <i>Friend, 2005</i>
Jessica Maganda <i>Rising Star Alumna, 2016</i>	Steve Arklin <i>Alumnus, 2011</i>	Sami Salvatori <i>Alumna, 2004</i>
Jonathan Gonzalez <i>Rising Star Alumnus, 2016</i>	Dr. Joseph Schulman <i>Friend, 2011</i>	Steve Salvatori <i>Friend, 2004</i>
Myrna Condie <i>Alumna, 2015</i>	Marjanne Priest <i>Alumna, 2010</i>	Scott Evans <i>Alumnus, 2003</i>
Dr. Stacie Gereb <i>Alumna, 2015</i>	Carl and Jeri Goldman <i>Friend, 2010</i>	Al Adelini <i>Friend, 2003</i>
Margie Ann Clark <i>Alumna, 2015</i>	James "Chip" Chavez <i>Alumnus, 2009</i>	Audrey Green <i>Alumna, 2002</i>
Don Cruikshank <i>Alumnus, 2015</i>	Jan Keller <i>Friend, 2009</i>	Joan Warden <i>Alumna, 2002</i>
Ed Padilla <i>Friend, 2015</i>	Kevin Holmes <i>Alumnus, 2008</i>	B.J. Atkins <i>Alumnus, 2001</i>
Diane Ayres <i>Alumna, 2013</i>	Lundgren Management <i>Friend, 2008</i>	Michele Jenkins <i>Alumna, 2000</i>
Brian Koegele <i>Alumnus, 2013</i>	Len Mohney <i>Alumnus, 2007</i>	Dr. Greg Jenkins <i>Alumnus, 2000</i>
Yolanda Morton <i>Friend, 2013</i>	Vicki Engbrecht <i>Friend, 2007</i>	Greg Kincaid <i>Alumnus, 1999</i>
Janice Dollar <i>Alumna, 2012</i>	Jill Mellady <i>Alumna, 2006</i>	
Mark Savage <i>Alumnus, 2012</i>	SCV Auto Dealers Association <i>Friend, 2006</i>	

CHANCELLOR'S CIRCLE BREAKFAST BRIEFING – APRIL 21

The Chancellor's Circle will hold a "Breakfast Briefing" on Friday, April 21st in UCEN 258.

- The topic will be **"Cybersecurity – The Threat is Real – What You Can Do To Protect Yourself!"**
- The panel of industry experts will include:
 - ✓ Howard Miller, LBW Insurance
 - ✓ Ed Padilla, NE Systems Inc.
 - ✓ Michael Little, Poole and Shaffery, LLP
 - ✓ Bob Jenner, The Network Doctor
 - ✓ John Palmieri, FBI, TEC Task Force
- The event start at 7:30 am with breakfast, following at 8:15 am with the presentation.
- Tickets are \$20 per person, free for Chancellor's Circle Members.
- RSVP to the COC Foundation at (661) 362-3434.
- Chancellor's Circle members are invited to participate in a private Q & A with the panelists.



14TH ANNUAL CHILDREN'S PLAY DAY – APRIL 22

The COC Center for Early Childhood Education (ECE) and the Southern California Valley Association for the Education of Young Children (SCVAEYC) will host the 14th Annual “**Play Day**” event as part of the nationally celebrated “Week of the Young Child”.

- The goal of Play Day is to bring the community together for a day of high quality, developmentally stimulating play experiences for infants to school age children.
- Approximately **50** local non-profit groups and organizations dedicated to child and family services are expected to participate.
- The event will be held on Saturday, April 22 from 10 am – 2 pm in the Honor Grove on the Valencia Campus.
- The event is free and open to the public.



OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES AT CSU BAKERSFIELD – APRIL 24

James Glapa-Grossklag and I have been invited to present a session on Open Educational Resources at CSU Bakersfield on April 24th.

- Sandra Bozarth from CSU Bakersfield heard our presentation at the Online Learning Consortium Collaborative hosted by the California State University System on February 16th and asked us to come to Bakersfield.
- The focus of the presentation will be on getting the faculty excited about making textbooks affordable and giving them some options and possibilities.



This is a promotional graphic for Open Educational Resources (OER). It features a close-up photograph of a small, grey and white kitten on the left side. To the right of the kitten, the text reads 'FREE TEXTBOOKS' in large, bold, white letters, followed by 'OER YOU KIDDING ME!?' in large, bold, blue letters. Below this, three bullet points are listed: '- save money', '- access immediately', and '- customized for your class'. At the bottom right, the website 'www.canyons.edu/OER' is displayed in blue, next to the logo for 'COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS'. A small copyright notice at the bottom left of the kitten image reads: 'Cat by marcode is under a CC-BY license.'

STAR PARTY AT CANYON COUNTRY CAMPUS – MAY 5

Don't miss out on the next *Star Party*.

- This always popular event will be held at the Canyon Country Campus in the Carl A. Rasmussen Amphitheater.
- Please join us on Friday, May 5th from 7:30 pm – 10:00 pm.



COC SUMMER INSTITUTE

Registration is now open for the popular career exploration themed COC Summer Institute.

- Weekly sessions will be running July 10-14 and July 17-21.
- The Summer Institute is open to student entering junior high school in the fall of 2017.
- The goal of the Institute is to provide hands-on career exploration and learning opportunities to students in a variety of areas and subjects including:
 - ✓ Robotics;
 - ✓ Special Effects & Movie Making;
 - ✓ Video Game Design;
 - ✓ Sports Medicine;
 - ✓ Allied Health;
 - ✓ Photography;
 - ✓ Architecture and Welding; and
 - ✓ Engineering/Manufacturing.
- All instructors are COC professors, student leaders or industry professionals that have tailored their curriculum with junior high students in mind.



EVENTS COMING UP...

At the PAC...

- April 28, 29, 30 & May 5, 6, 7 – COC Theatre – Bring It On The Musical
- May 12 – COC Music – POPS! Concert (7:30 pm)
- May 13 – COC Music – In Celebration of Nature (7:30 pm)
- May 18 & 19 – COC Dance – May Dances (8 pm)
- May 20 – Lily Tomlin – (8 pm)
- May 24 – COC Music – Electronica Musique & Multimedia Concert (7 pm)
- May 31 & June 1 – COC Music Solopalooza (7:30 pm)
- June 4 – Santa Clarita Master Chorale Simple Gifts (4 pm)
- June 10 – Santa Clarita Ballet Alice in Wonderland (2 & 7:30 pm)
- June 16 – 24 Escape Theatre Shrek (various times & dates)

