

President's Report to the Governing Board July 16, 2019

CCC Student Wellness Ambassador Program

Cuyamaca College student Warren Preston was selected to participate in the California Community Colleges Health & Wellness Student Wellness Ambassador Program (2019-2020), a joint program of the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office and the Foundation for California Community Colleges. A total of 20 Student Wellness Ambassadors were selected across 20 CCC's for the 2019-2020 school year to be trained as a Student Wellness Ambassador through a combination of in-person and online trainings. Wellness Ambassadors will learn about statewide mental health and wellness resources and provide peer-outreach on their community college campus to connect students with resources and supports, raise mental health awareness, and reduce stigma.

Original Score Performed at Bishop's Consecration

On Saturday, June 15, at St. Paul's Cathedral in San Diego, music by Emeritus Professor Paul Carmona was sung in Spanish at the consecration of Susan Brown Snook as the new bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego. The selections performed were the "Santo" and the "Cordero de Dios" from Paul's *Misa*

San Pablo (or Saint Paul Mass), which he scored for cantor, choir, organ, and singing congregation. The music uses a call-and-response procedure to enable the congregation to sing confidently without previous rehearsal—with the result that they shook the rafters on this festive occasion! Paul's involvement in this event extended beyond his musical role. In the lead-up to the election of the new bishop, Paul served on the Nominating Committee that presented a slate of candidates to the San Diego Diocese. In addition, he was invited by the bishop-elect to be one of the diocesan representatives who would formally present her for consecration at the ceremony on



June 15. Beyond all of the above, Dr. Carmona continues to be active as a member of clergy in the Episcopal Church, and he still continues to teach one or two courses per semester here at Cuyamaca College. Dr. Carmona has been invited to be one of the interfaith group of clergy that will bless the Pride parade before it starts; he has been asked to say a bilingual Spanish-English blessing.

New Cuyamaca College Wall Calendar for 2019-2020

The highly popular and coveted Cuyamaca College wall calendar was released in late June. The calendar, designed by Graphic Specialist Mr. Dave Francis, highlights all the important dates such as the first and last day of classes, district holidays, contract pay dates, and commencement.

2019 American Water Works Association Diversity Award

Don Jones was the recipient of the 2019 American Water Works Association (AWWA) Diversity Award which was awarded at the AWWA's Annual Conference in Denver this summer. This award recognizes an individual or organization that has created, promoted, and maintained diversity within an organization by establishing an environment that recognizes, encourages, and effectively utilizes each individual's talents. The AWWA recognizes the role of diversity as being essential to the growth, structure, and continued success of any organization. The Diversity Award is not given to an individual on the basis of who they are, but because of their achievements and accomplishments. Don was the visionary behind Cuyamaca College's new Center for Water Studies. He has forged and strengthened partnerships with the local water industry, established a very successful annual symposium, "Women in Water," aimed at bringing more women



into the industry, and is working tirelessly with the Cuyamaca team to bring a BA in Public Administration with an Emphasis in Water Utilities Management to Cuyamaca College in partnership with National University. This is a much-deserved award for Don!

College Secure Grant to Expand Online Career Education

Cuyamaca College has secured a \$500,000 grant to build online career education programs to train students with the skills needed for good-paying, in-demand jobs. The grant will fund a program that will offer 12 online automotive technology courses that can be accessed by students from across California and which builds on an existing Ford Automotive Student Service Education and Training (ASSET) initiative. Online classes cover everything from brakes and automatic transmission service to electronics and climate control. Students completing the curriculum will receive Ford Motor Co. Technician Specialty Training certification. The \$500,000 grant was made through the *Improving Online CTE Pathways* grant program developed by the California Community Colleges' California Virtual Campus – Online Education Initiative. The California Virtual Campus – Online Education Initiative's primary focus is to increase the number of transfer degrees awarded by the state's community colleges and its mission is to provide access to and success in high-quality, online programs and student support services. The program should be available for students by fall 2020.

Conference Targeted Educating Educators on Teaching Economics and Personal Finance

The San Diego Center for Economic Education (SDCEE) at Cuyamaca College co-hosted a five-day institute on economics and personal finance June 24-28 this year for 52 elementary, high school, and college instructors. Now in its second year, SDCEE partnered with the University of San Diego (USD) and the California Council on Economic Education (CCEE) and with the Federal Reserve banks of Atlanta, Dallas, San Francisco, Richmond and St. Louis in planning and organizing the institute. Instructors attending the institute were given effective interactive lessons designed by the partnering Federal Reserve banks to use in their



economics and personal finance courses. The participants were welcomed to the Institute by College of

Business Dean Dr. Barbara Lougee at an evening reception at the University of San Diego hosted by the University's College of Business. In addition to the institute participants, the reception was attended by Cuyamaca College President Dr. Julianna Barnes, CCEE President Denise Gutierrez, CCEE Chief Programs Officer Joshua Mitton, USD Economics Professor Dr. Steve Summers, and SDCEE Director Anthony (Tony) Zambelli. Instructors from all over California and from all over the United States attended the institute: Arkansas, Arizona, Connecticut, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Michigan, Texas and Utah. The San Diego Center for Economic Education at Cuyamaca College trains scores of elementary and high school teachers each year on the best methods for teaching economics and personal finance in the classroom and how to infuse economics into government, history or geography classes. The San Diego Center for Economic Education is the only one of 11 such centers in the state that is located at a community college.

Small Business Award for Making a Difference

This spring, The Water Conservation Garden here at Cuyamaca College enthusiastically received the *Making a Difference*—Small Business Award from the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce, who annually honors our region's small businesses and nonprofits for their significant contributions as drivers of economic growth. Just last year The Water Conservation Garden empowered more than 42,000 visitors and educated more than 83,000 youth and adults through its Ms. Smarty-PlantsTM program. They were honored to receive this very significant recognition during their 20th anniversary year, alongside other outstanding small businesses of San Diego.

Upcoming Events at Cuyamaca College Include:

A complete list of college activities can be found on our website, www.cuyamaca.edu

Professional Development Week

August 12-16, 2019

Professional Development Week includes many learning opportunities and is the major vehicle for faculty participation in Professional Development activities.

Fall Convocation & Luncheon

Wednesday, August 14, 2019 Student Center 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.