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Coming Up:

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| Tues,
Sept 30 | Men's Soccer at
Hartnell College, 4pm |
| Wed,
Oct 1 | Planning & Budget
Mtg 2:10pm, Bldg 2
Rm 10
Women's Volleyball
at Hayward, 6:30pm |
| Thurs,
Oct 2 | Women's Golf vs.
West Hills College,
12pm, Lemoore GC
ASCC Mtg,
3:30pm, Bldg 2 Rm
10 |
| Friday,
Oct 3 | Men's Soccer vs.
Chabot College, 4pm,
Soccer Field
Men's Basketball
Midnight Madness,
7pm, Bldg 1 |
| Sunday,
Oct 5 | Arts & Olive
Festival, 10am to
5pm |

Fall Enrollment Figures Show Positive Steps Forward

Final Census enrollment data was released last week by the District Office and it provided some very positive signs. The college's headcount (total number of students enrolled) increased 2.6%, even as enrollments fell District wide by nearly 1%. The number of returning transfer students increased by 22.5% over Fall, 2013, nearly twice the District-wide rate. And, concurrent High School enrollment increased by 28.7%, nearly three times the District-wide rate. The net change in course enrollments (duplicated headcount) outpaced our sister colleges, and increases in our internet enrollments were three times higher than the District average. Each of the colleges continued to suffer from a decrease in FTES. Cañada's FTES is down 4.7% as compared to this time last year, pointing to the fact that while we have an increase in the number of students taking our classes, they are generally taking fewer units than in previous semesters. Undoubtedly, this is related to the increase in employment opportunities that our students currently enjoy. This highlights the need for the college to redouble our efforts in promoting retention through student engagement. Finally, Cañada reached our goal of a load factor (efficiency measure) of 500 ... an improvement of 17 points from last year. The efforts of our Deans and faculty to manage enrollments more effectively this fall has already paid meaningful dividends in promoting student access and resource savings.

President Meets with Alum Barry Mainz

I recently had the pleasure of meeting with Cañada alum Barry Mainz, the President of Wind River Systems which produces embedded software systems and employs some 1,800 workers. A San Carlos resident, and long-time supporter of community colleges, Mr. Mainz and I discussed possible future partnerships between Cañada and Wind River.



TRIO Upward Bound *Submitted by Dean Linda Hayes*



Upward Bound turns 50! In 1964, President Lyndon B. Johnson created special programs to address some of the nation's toughest challenges. The Opportunity Act of 1964, helped create TRIO, Head Start, and Job Corp. As a federally funded program, Upward Bound helps low-income and first-generation students prepare for college. Since then, additional TRIO programs were created, including Student Support Services and Veterans' Upward Bound.

Here at Cañada, TRIO is thriving with TRIO SSS (Student Support Services) which started in 2005 and TRIO Upward Bound which began in 2004. Our programs have made a difference in the lives of many students. TRIO Upward Bound currently serves 63 students from the communities of North Fair Oaks and East Palo Alto. Our partnership with the Sequoia Union High School District is stronger than ever. In the past 10 years, we have helped over 200 low-income and first-generation high school students prepare for college. Our services include weekly tutorials, academic advising, mentorship, and workshops designed to assist students navigate college. During the summer, our students participate in a six-week academic program designed to prepare them for their Fall classes. Our students are concurrently enrolled and participate in programs such as STEM and the Engineering Institute.

In addition, many of our students have been recognized with prestigious scholarships, including the Gates Millennium, Sequoia Awards, and Silicon Valley Community Foundation. Our students attend a range of colleges and universities, from Cañada to Stanford to international schools. In honor of TRIO turning 50, we are planning to host several events, culminating with a celebration for National TRIO Day on February 21st, 2015. Please join us in celebrating this milestone anniversary. To learn more about TRIO programs, please visit www.trioprogams.org and check out our website at <http://canadacollege.edu/upwardbound/index.php>

Introducing EPIC *Submitted by Diva Ward, Learning Center Director*

EPIC has come to the Learning Center at Cañada College! What is EPIC, you ask? EPIC is our own version of supplemental instruction and stands for "Embedded Peer Instruction Cohort." The goal of the EPIC program is to facilitate students working together with EPIC leaders and faculty to achieve course success. An EPIC leader is an advanced student who has successfully completed a course and wants to tutor other students in that course. The EPIC leader attends class part time, and in most cases, will hold supplemental study sessions each week outside of the class for the students in that section of the course. The EPIC program at Cañada College started with funding from the HSI-STEM grant and focused on STEM classes. Beginning this semester, EPIC is expanding to more subjects. The Learning Center is excited to add this valuable resource to our arsenal of services that are available to our students and faculty. Feel free to contact Diva in the Learning Center for more information about the EPIC program.



Dave Meckler, Bi-coastal Composer



On September 13 & 14, Cañada College faculty member Dave Meckler became a bi-coastal composer, with a work played in the LA area on Saturday, and one played in New York City on Sunday. The concerts were sponsored by a New York-based organization called *Vox Novus*, which has as its mission the presentation of music by as many living composers as possible. One way they do that is a program called “Fifteen Minutes of Fame,” which features selected performers playing 15 one-minute pieces. Meckler has written ten of these one-minute bits, and four have been selected for performance. The LA piece was for solo cello, “BACH Frame.” All the pieces for that program had to refer to Bach in some way. The New York piece, “Elation Relation,” was for the unusual combination of bass clarinet and drum set. Meckler says that these one-minute pieces are enormously fun to compose, and they have led to some interesting possibilities. He has since been in contact with musicians in NY, Colorado and, closer to home, at UC Davis and CSU East Bay, about expanding these teasers into bigger pieces.

You can next hear his music right here, as he is enjoying composing music for Cañada College’s production of the play *Antigone*, which opens on October 22nd.

You can also hear samplings of Dave’s work at: <http://home.myastound.net/~dcmeckler/index.htm>

Redwood Symphony Halloween Family Concert

Violinists in witches’ black, a cellist as Snoopy and Maestro Eric Kujawsky in pirate’s stripes will greet children as they arrive for the Halloween Family Concert that Redwood Symphony will present at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, in the Main Theater at Cañada College.

The afternoon event begins with a Tour of the Orchestra, in which the audience circulates through the building to meet the orchestra musicians, as they demonstrate their instruments and answer questions.



At the top of the bill for the afternoon, the symphony will play the suite from the Disney movie *Frozen*, and children are welcome to sing along. After intermission, the Symphony will present the Northern California premiere of “Nutcracker: The Untold Story,” adapted by Pamela Hill Nettleton and narrated by Valerie Sarfaty. Nettleton’s narration is based on the original E.T.A. Hoffman tale (“The Story of the Hard Nut”) that inspired Tchaikovsky to create his Nutcracker. The piece incorporates many of the most famous Nutcracker dances and includes several interludes in which children are invited to join the narrator in chants. Ten lucky children, chosen by raffle, will get their own batons to lead the symphony in a Sousa march.

Pre-sale tickets for this family event are \$10-\$25, and are available at RedwoodSymphony.org. Adult tickets are \$5 more at the door. Parking is free.

Lady Colts Volleyball 2014 *Submitted by Brandon Prudencio, Head Coach*

In what is considered a rebuilding year for the Cañada College Women's Volleyball program, we're off to a great start! Especially with stats like this from: Yasmin Crociani (Aces) 19, Tiya Villareal (Digs) 87 (Kills) 56, Ariana Chavez (Assist) 136 and Alayna Allard (Blocks) 65 and this is just within our pre-season games. This past week the Lady Colt's swept both Alameda College and San Jose City College in 3 sets. Our Lady Colt's were playing like veterans of the game. Led this season by Head Coach BJ Prudencio, and Assistant Ava Thompson, it is evident that their commitment and dedication to the program and the team's success both athletically and academically will be their first priority. This season's team is made up of seven returning Sophomores: Alayna Allard, Ariana Chavez, Yasmin Crociani, Cristina Gray, Ariel Magnum, Michaela Pietrobono, Tiya Villareal and eight new Freshman: Julie Ann Docena, Bianca Doronila, Amanaki Fehoko, Amy Francis, Mele Lutui, Lindsay Karle, Alisi Maake and Megan Nicholls. As returning and new team members, they have all played both club and/or high school level volleyball, so their right to expect quality coaching and instructions was not a surprise. Prudencio, with over 8 years of coaching experience, was able to provide each player exactly that, as well as a constant learning and improvement not only in the game of volleyball as a player, but as an individual.



Each individual player brought with them their own unique passion for the game, along with their own personal purpose and commitment to promote nothing but success for each other, on and off the court. There is a sense of being a family among the team this season and with that, they are not only teammates, but sisters. This new found support system for each other and willingness to be there, when one is in need, is a stronger bond than just being a team member. It is this very bond that made their past two games, their best-played games thus far. Comradery was a key factor that was missing in the start of this season, but now it has gone beyond that; they are a group of sisters with one goal of being the best they can be, athletically and academically. These lady Colts are in a league of their own and we are excited to soon witness them in action this season.

The women's volleyball program at Cañada College is a comprehensive program that focuses on both academic and athletic development. Our goal is to develop student athletes to compete both academically and athletically at a four-year institution.

2014 Schedule: <http://canadacollege.edu/volleyball/schedule.php>



Artistry in Fashion

This past Saturday, our Fashion Design Department welcomed hundreds of community members, vendors, designers, and artists to our campus for the annual *Artistry in Fashion* Open House and Fashion Show. Pati Palmer was the featured artist and hosted a spectacular fashion show. The highlight of the show was the display of the extraordinary and creative works of our fashion students. The event raised scholarship and program support funds for our Fashion students.



Lady Colts Golf 2014 *Submitted by Rick Velasquez, Head Coach*

The Lady Colts are striving to win their fifth straight Central Valley Women's Golf Championship and third straight Northern California State Golf Championship. This task may be difficult as the team lost five out of six starters to graduation last year. However, after five mini C.V.C. tournaments, the Colts are one point away from taking over first place. The team appears focused and working hard to improve their physical and mental golf skills. After finishing the year with a team GPA over 3.7, it appears this team is also very proficient in the classroom as well as the links.

Where are they now: Recent Cañada College Colt golfers are playing quite well in their respective four year universities. Sarah Rotter, 2014, recently shot a 73 and 74 in a tournament in Arizona to help lead Sonoma State to a second place tournament finish. Shannon Wong, 2014, shot a 77 in her first tournament at Cal. State Bakersfield. Annika Nousiainen, 2013, shot a 75 and 76 to help Point Loma University set a school record at a recent tournament hosted by Western New Mexico. Michelle Wong, 2014, of Cal. State East Bay, Mehreen Raheel, 2013, of Menlo College and Hannah Murray, 2013, at Hope College are ready to play in their first tournaments in 2014.



Miranda Wiss at Moffett Field Golf.

2014 Schedule: <http://canadacollege.edu/golf-women/schedule.php>

MART Students Attend Animation Show



releases until June of next year, as well as new work from Academy Award winner Torill Kove and master animator Glen Keane.

About 20 Cañada Multimedia Art & Technology students, along with Associate Professor Paul Naas, attended the 16th annual *Animation Show of Shows* Friday, September 26th at San Jose State University. The *Show of Shows* is presented by Acme Filmworks president Ron Diamond, and is a compilation of the best short animation from the previous year's festival circuit. Among the films screened were new shorts from Disney and Pixar, the latter of which will not be

Cañada students have attended the Show of Shows screenings for the last two years, taking advantage of the opportunity to interact with their colleagues at San Jose State, as well as to get a sneak peek at one or two shorts that will go on to be nominated for Academy Awards.

The previous evening, Professor Naas and several current and former students attended a screening of the 2014 SIGGRAPH Electronic Theater at Zynga in San Francisco. SIGGRAPH is the international computer graphics society, and the Electronic Theater is the premiere event for screening the best of the year's computer graphics.

Message from the Presidents



Cañada College President, ASCC President,
Academic Senate President, & Classified Senate President

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PLEASE DONATE MONEY TO HELP STUDENTS AND STAFF OF WEED, CA

**FUNDRAISING TABLES ARE AVAILABLE IN UPPER QUAD ON:
Tuesday, Sept. 30th and Wednesday, Oct. 1st
OR DONATE AT ONE OF THESE LOCATIONS ANYTIME:**

- The Bookstore
- The Pony Espresso
- Humanities & Social Sciences Division Office
- Science & Technology Division Office
- Counseling Division Office
- Business, Design & Workforce Division

- Athletics, Library & Learning Resources
Division Office
- Vice President of Instruction Office
- Vice President of Student Services Office
- President's Office
- Center for Student Life and Leadership
Development

Over 140 structures have burned down in the city of Weed, in Siskiyou County, including those of students and colleagues from the community college, College of the Siskiyous.

We would like to ask the Cañada College community to help the College of the Siskiyous' affected students and staff in any way we can!

Non-perishable foods can also be donated in the Center for Student Life and Leadership.



THE FUNDS WILL BE SENT ON FRIDAY, OCT. 3rd