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Jolena Grande Receives "Above and Beyond" Award *Honored for her phenomenal work on the Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program*



Jolena Grande (center) with members of her family, Cypress College President Dr. Bob Simpson (far left), and Interim Chancellor Fred Williams (far right)

Jolena Grande, Cypress College Mortuary Science Instructor, Academic Senate President, and Department Chair, was honored with the Chancellor's Staff "Above and Beyond" Award at the May 24 Board of Trustees meeting.

The award is given out when an employee executes an act of extraordinary achievement in service to the District, and it is safe to say that the College would not be participating in the Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program if not for Jolena's tremendous efforts and leadership. To read more about her tireless work in service to students, please visit the [District's website](#).

Thank you, Jolena, for going far beyond the call of duty, and for simply just being you!

CSEW Breakfast Celebrates Classified Employees



Pictured, from left to right: Rosemary Penesa, Elaine Loayza, Guillermo Santucci, Dawnmarie Neate, Rod Lusch, Pamela Spence, and Gail Smead

A great time was had by all of NOCCCD's Classified employees and their guests at the May 16 Classified School Employee Week (CSEW) Breakfast. Included in the festivities were a hearty breakfast, 50/50 drawing, and raffles for gift cards, televisions, and sporting events.

Pat Sanchez, Cypress College Executive Assistant, was named the Member of the Year, and **Joe Vasquez**, Cypress College Facilities Custodian I, was honored with the "Going the Extra Mile" (GEM) Award.

Congratulations, Pat and Joe! Visit NOCCCD's [flickr page](#) to view event photos.

Fullerton College Alumni Debut Documentary



The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery is a humbling reminder of the many soldiers who sacrificed their lives to protect our freedom. The U.S. Army's most elite ceremonial unit guards the monument 24 hours a day, whether during blistering heat or blizzard-like conditions.

Ethan Morse, Fullerton College alumnus and former Student Trustee, and fellow Fullerton College grad **Matt Noren**, documented the nine-month training process of these dedicated soldiers. Their film, *The Unknowns*, debuts this weekend in select areas, and across the country throughout the summer.

Watch *The Unknowns* trailer above, and click [here](#) to find out how to purchase tickets!

SCE Debuts New Ned Doffoney "Courage Award"



SCE Interim Provost Valentina Purtell (left) and ESL Instructor Diana Rivers-Senghor with Student Nhan Le, who received the Eleanor Francis Reese Scholarship

Students' inspiring stories and achievements in the face of great adversity were highlighted throughout SCE's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon on May 12.

Over 20 scholarships were awarded at the ceremony, and students had an opportunity to enjoy lunch with their generous donors. Interim Provost Valentina Purtell also announced a new scholarship—the “Courage Award”—in honor of NOCCCD Chancellor Emeritus Dr. Ned Doffoney. Ms. Purtell explained that courage is seeing the impossible and going forward in spite of fear. For many SCE students, that fear comes in the form of financial challenges that could impede their academic success. The “Courage Award” will honor Dr. Doffoney's consistent efforts to help all students achieve their goals, and provide financial relief for their everyday necessities.

Human Resources Welcomes Arturo Ocampo

Arturo Ocampo joined the Human Resources department earlier this month and brings with him a wealth of knowledge, including: a law degree from UC Berkeley, experience in education and labor/employment law, over five years as a community college adjunct instructor, and 16 years of experience in equal employment opportunity (EEO) and diversity for higher education.

He previously served as the Assistant Provost for Diversity at the University of the Pacific, and as the Associate Vice President for Diversity, Educational Equity Inclusion and Ombud Services at CSU San Marcos.

In his new position as the District Director of Diversity and Compliance, Mr. Ocampo is responsible for EEO and compliance training, as well as the District's diversity initiatives.



Pat Ganer Celebrates 45 Years with Cypress College



Pat (left), with Board President Dr. Barbara Dunsheath and Interim Chancellor Fred Williams

Who comes to mind when you think of the “Matriarch of Cypress College?” The legendary **Pat Ganer**, that’s who. Pat began her life-long dedication to the College as “Student #428” in the original graduating class of 1968, and has been a Charger ever since.

She was honored Tuesday night by the Board of Trustees for her 45 years of dedicated service to Cypress College as Professor of Communication Studies.

“It certainly doesn’t feel like 45 years,” said Pat. “I’ve truly enjoyed every minute of it.”

Congratulations on achieving such an amazing and truly impressive milestone, Pat!

Results from our Unscientific Survey - How Do You Feel About All-Gender Bathrooms?

If you remember from our last edition of *inside/NOCCCD*, we asked you, our readers, to tell us how you felt about all-gender bathrooms.

Of the 96 respondents, **54 percent** support the change to all-gender, single-stall bathrooms on their campus. **72 percent** oppose all-gender, multi-stall bathrooms.

Thank you to all who participated!

Student Trustees Announced for 2016-17

Associated Students (AS) at Cypress College and Fullerton College held their annual elections for executive AS leadership and Student Trustee positions.

Congratulations to **Tanya Washington**, who will return as Cypress College's Student Trustee, and **Scott Begneski**, who will serve as the Student Trustee for Fullerton College!

Innovative Ideas Rewarded with Grant Funds

Congratulations to our 2016-17 NOCCCD Innovation Fund Grant recipients. In total, close to \$75,000 will be distributed to develop and implement the great ideas from the following individuals:

Sam Chamberlin and **Roman deJesus**, Fullerton College
COWABUNGA-STEM (Coastal Observing and Whale-watching Activities Bringing Underrepresented Next Generation Academics into STEM)

Olivia Veloz, Fullerton College
Fullerton College Student Diversity Success Initiative Laptop Loan Program

Sheila Nguyen, Cypress College
General Chemistry as Taught Using POGIL Based Instructional Strategies

Jay Seidel, Fullerton College
Inside Fullerton News Academy

Jolena Grande, Cypress College
OER (Open Education Resource) Curation and Adoption for the BDP (Baccalaureate Degree Pilot)

Click [here](#) for more information on their proposals.

District Governance Meeting Schedule for June
Meeting Agendas and Approved Minutes are Available [Here](#)

District Curriculum Coordinating Council (DCCC): June 7

Special meeting, 1:30 p.m., Room 100-B Anaheim Campus

Council on Budget and Facilities (CBF): June 13

Second Monday of the month, 2 p.m., Room 105 Anaheim Campus

**Videoconferencing of the meeting is available in Room 301 at Cypress College, and in the President's Conference Room A at Fullerton College.*

Technology Coordinating Council (TCC): June 14 (Retreat)

Institutional Effectiveness Coordinating Council (IECC): June 20

Third Monday of the month at 3:30 p.m., Room 100-B, Anaheim Campus



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