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President's Corner: Happy New Year!

We had a great college flex day on Friday, January 17, 2020. I want to thank the professional development committee for all the planning and hard work that they put in to make a successful day. The morning was focused on equity and guided pathways. It was terrific to see the engagement of faculty, staff, and administrators in this transformative work. This process of dialogs, inquiry sessions, and exercises is the vanguard work of the college in re-imagining us for the next 50 years.

Beginning this new year, we have some new faces at CoA. I am delighted to welcome **Chungwai Chum** as the permanent Director of Business and Administrative Services and **Dominique Benavides** as our College Director of Research and Planning.

I want to thank **Candido Mejia, Blair Norton, Rick Greenspan, Eva Jennings, Rufino Ramos, John Taylor, and Don Miller** for their time and dedication in participating in the selection process of an architectural firm to build a new Auto/Diesel Building at CoA. The new building will replace the current buildings B and E. The State of California is funding half the cost of this new facility.

Continuing on the automotive theme, there is some terrific accreditation news. In addition to our institutional accreditation some disciplines have national/professional accreditation. The Automotive Technology discipline went through their re-certification process in Fall 2019 by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE). We were notified on January 23, 2020, that the CoA Automotive Technology program received the highest level of program recognition, Master Automobile Service Technology Accreditation. A round of congratulations should be extended to automotive technology faculty and professional for their time and hard work during the certification process and their daily dedication to student learning excellence.

During the week of January 13, 2020, CoA partnered in two emergency response trainings. The first was held on Wednesday, January 15, 2020, and involved PCCD Police Services, Alameda County Sheriff Department, Alameda Fire, and Alameda Police performing drills and mock scenario exercises on campus from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The second training took place on Thursday, January 16, 2020, and involved the Red Cross, Alameda Fire, City of Alameda, and CoA/PCCD staff. This training focused on the usage of CoA as a Red Cross evacuation site for west Alameda. These types of training allow CoA and partner agencies to prepare for health and safety response in our community/college.

Our community and individuals support CoA in a multitude of ways. I want to share about one individual giving to CoA. During the lunch break for the Alameda Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors retreat on January 10, 2020, I was chatting to **Dhruv Patel** (a local hotelier). Our conversation focused on the high cost of living in the area and the challenges that many community members, including students, face. The conversation led to me driving a few hours later to his hotel to load up my Honda Civic with cases of individual hygiene product (shampoo/soap), which will be given to students using our shower facilities. Many times, we focus on large gifts and grants, but we should not overlook the importance and impact of individual acts of kindness that provide much needed and practical support for our community.

Lastly, I want to acknowledge the outreach team, led by **Natalie Rodriguez**, who ensure CoA materials are distributed to the community. Below is a list of places CoA Spring 2020 outreach materials were distributed. If anyone would like to assist and deliver materials to local businesses and organization with PCCD boundaries (Alameda, Oakland, Berkeley, Emeryville, Albany, and Piedmont), please let us know. This is one tangible way to increase our visibility.

ALAMEDA

Libraries

Alameda Reads - Central Ave.

Webster Street

Happy Lashes

The Studio

Better Buy Liquors

Babar Shop

Ricky Tattoo

Jazeera Market

New Image

Park Street

KD Nails and Hair

My Angel Nails

Alameda Eyes

Diva Beauty Nails

TK Barbershop & Spa

Tomo's Organic Nails

Grocery Liquor Pit Stop

Market

The Churchward Pub

Video Factory

We Are Hair!

Salon One

Sunbody

OAKLAND

Libraries

West Oakland Branch Oakland

Public Library

Eastmont Branch Oakland

Public Library Oakland Public
Library

Other

BOSS Programs

FA YUAN Buddhist Center of
America

Joanna Beauty Salon

East Oakland Pride Elementary
School

Elmhurst United Middle
School

Trans Pacific Center

Sincerely,

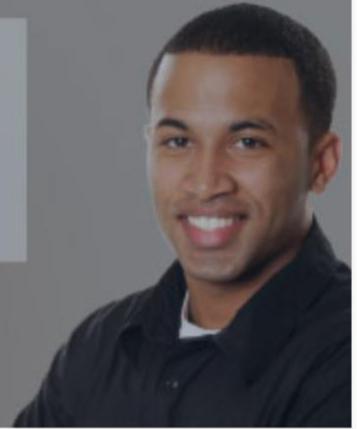


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President

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Library



College of Alameda

Library

- Library Catalog
- Article Databases
- Library Services & Staff
- Library Handouts
- Print Periodical List
- Other Libraries
- Guide to Websites

CoA Library

The College of Alameda Library is located on the first floor of the L-Building. Our helpful, knowledgeable librarians can assist you in finding the information you need, or you can take a Library course to learn how to do your own research. You can even "Chat with a Librarian" and ask your questions online.

Chat with Librarian

Article Databases

Library Catalog

The CoA Library Has a Brand-New Catalog!

The CoA Library has successfully adopted a new online catalog that is used by nearly all California Community College Libraries and California State University Libraries. This new catalog, referred to as OneSearch, gives our students transferring to the CSU system an advantage by familiarizing them with the widely-used search platform. To search OneSearch, start at the CoA Library [webpage](#) and click on the Library Catalog button For help using OneSearch, please contact the Reference Desk: (510) 748-2366).

Submitted by Jane McKenna, Head Librarian, Access Services Librarian, and LIS85 Instructor

Athletics News

CoA Sophomore **Kameron Malbrough** scored a game-high 20 points and **Markus Gilbert** added 16 points in the Wednesday, January 15, 2020, home loss against No. 5 Solano College. On Friday, January 17, 2020, the Cougars lost to Peralta RIVAL Merritt College, 74-81. **Gilbert** scored 22 points and **Dewayne Johnson** scored 15 points. In the Bay Valley Conference, the Cougars dropped to 5th place with a 2-5 conference record and the overall record 9-10. For the 2020 Men's Basketball Schedule click [here](#).

GO COUGARS!!

Submitted by Linda Thompson, M.A., Athletic Director/Head Coach-Women's Volleyball, Department Chair, Co-Chair, S.T.E.A.M



Portrait commemorating Olga's fifth anniversary at CoA by artist and CoA English Instructor Jay Rubin.

Special Recognition of Our Colleague: Olga Fish

Business Instructor **Olga Fish** has been teaching at CoA since January 2015. Congratulations Olga on your fifth anniversary! Look for future portraits of our colleagues in this new special recognition section of *Splash*.

Submitted by Artist Jay Rubin, CoA English Contract Faculty



CoA Spring Semester 2020 Health Services Schedule

Location: F Building, F105A &116, Phone: (510) 748-5280

Medical Health Staff and Office Hours

Keyona Boykin, RN
Monday, 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

Maurice Judge, RN
Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Tori Torbon, Nurse Practitioner
Wednesday, 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

Mental Health Staff and Office Hours Jacinda Marshall, PsyD & Mental Health Team

Mondays, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Tuesdays, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.
Wednesdays, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Thursdays, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Fridays, 9 a.m. -3:30 p.m.

Phone: (510) 748-2320
Email: COAmentalhealth@peralta.edu



Make Your *Splash!*

- Is there an upcoming event that we should all know about?
 - Do you know an outstanding student whose story you would like to share?
 - Did you attend an interesting workshop or conference?
 - Do you have special projects or field trips planned this semester?
- Have you or a colleague been honored with an award, or have you published an article, book, or chapter recently?
 - Is there a colleague that you'd like to recognize or a new staff member in your department that you'd like to welcome?

Send us your news, so that we may share it with the campus and the community in the next edition of *Splash!* It's easy –just send us a short article and a good photo or two, and we will take care of the rest. Do not forget to include the name of the writer, the photographer, and anyone who is pictured (if possible). Be sure to email your news and information to: coasplash@peralta.edu and be sure to include the word “Splash” in the subject line. Past issues of the *CoA Splash* are available at <https://alameda.peralta.edu/newsletter/coa-splash/>

The deadline for the next edition of Splash is Monday, February 17, 2020.