Milestone Reached in New Website Implementation

Much work has been done in recent months on a renewal of the College’s outdated website. The new website will host a variety of advanced features that are not available on the current version, including a mobile option for students and prospective students accessing the site with mobile phones or tablets. Having a mobile friendly site will greatly improve access to information about our programs and services at a time when people are more frequently using mobile devices to access the Internet. The good news is that a critical milestone has been reached. The prototype of the revised website has been transferred to our web hosting vendor. Over the next few weeks there will be technical testing and coding updates to ensure correct site permissions. Once the technical vetting is complete, we will have departments and areas review the content. I appreciate everyone’s patience and conscientiousness on this important project.

Peralta Resource Conversation Topic: What are our needs as a learning community?

Last fall, Chancellor Laguerre committed to a discussion of Peralta Colleges’ resource needs to better serve students and engage faculty, staff, and administrators. You are invited to join this Resource Conversation on March 21, 2018, and help shape the discussion and planning process.
Topics will include:

- What are our resource needs?
- How can we quantify them?
- How can we assess priorities?

**College of Alameda Resource Conversation**
March 21, 2017
Room L237
9:30-10:30: Managers/Administrators
10:30-11:30: Classified Staff
11:30-12:30: Students
12:30-1:30: Faculty

Sincerely,

Timothy Karas, Ed.D.
President
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Winners of the 2017 College of Alameda Women’s Volleyball Are Announced at a Special Banquet

The winners of the 2017 College of Alameda Women’s Volleyball season were announced at an awards banquet on Friday, March 2, 2018, at La Penca Azul Restaurant in Alameda. Awards were presented by head coach Linda Thompson. The 2017 Cougar Women’s Volleyball Award Winners are: Rookie of the Year Emilie Davis, Setter of the Year Ameleah Ceron, Most Valuable Player Charmaine Key, Best Defense Deysi Arechiga, and Best Hitter Taeler Walker. Congratulations to all of you!

Submitted by Linda Thompson, Coach/Instructor, lthompson@peralta.edu

STEAM Division News

ADA Compliant Front Door Installed at the Science Annex

The Science Annex recently acquired a brand new, ADA compliant front door system. We are very grateful for the work coordinated by the PCCD engineering department. The COA Safety Committee has identified a number of opportunities for improving entrances. This is one that was particularly photogenic.

Welcome Chevonn Herbet!

Also, please join me in welcoming Chevonn Herbert as the new Administrative Staff for the Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics (STEAM) Division.

Chevonn is taking over the duties (and the desk) in the Instructional Division Office (D203) that were formerly shouldered by Charlene Maney-Spinola, who retired in early January.
In addition to supporting the STEAM Division, Chevonn is supporting the Zero Textbook Cost Degree Project and the FabLab Project. She can be reached at (510)748-2397. Chevonn has served the Peralta District for over 10 years, moving from Merritt College to the PCCD Admissions and Records Office and finally to COA in 2015. I am delighted that Chevonn has accepted this position among the STEAMin’ CoA clan!

**Kudos to Professor Silvester Henderson**

The Association of Community College Administrators (ACCCA) recently wrote Professor Silvester Henderson to thank him for his participation in the #Unheard Voices Panel at their annual conference on February, 23, 2018. Interim Vice Chancellor of Educational Services and Planning at San Mateo CCCD Kimberlee Messina wrote, “Your perspective as an African American male professor, who has been a longtime member of the California Community College system, was extremely valuable. I am confident that the audience of administrators took away valuable lessons and a renewed energy with them as they headed back to their campuses.” Thank you Professor Henderson!

Submitted by Ana McClanahan, Dean of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics

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Participants at the registration line for the Annual Black College Expo at the Oakland Marriott on Saturday, February 17, 2018.

**CoA Participates in the Annual Black College Expo**

On Saturday, February 17, 2018, College of Alameda was proudly represented at the annual Black College Expo. We shared a space with nearly 100 schools and educational organizations. In addition to providing valuable information, the event included entertainment, a scholarship presentation ceremony, and free giveaways. The line for registration ran out the doors and to the corner of the Oakland Marriott by 9:30 a.m. The event attracted over 1,000 participants. Those who approached our table were largely students interested in setting up campus tours and high school counselors interested in setting up Mobile CoA services at their sites. It was another outstanding day of community building for CoA Outreach staff.

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Past Outreach Events:
- February 14, Presentation at Coliseum College Prep
- February 15, Presentation at Alameda Community Learning Center
- February 17, Black College Expo
- February 27, Presentation at The Unity Council (STEP Seminar)
- February 28, Presentation at Fremont High School
- March 5, Tabling at James Logan High School
- March 6, Presentation at Sojourner Truth Independent Study & Rudsdale Continuation High School
- March 7, San Leandro High School Community College Fair
- March 8, Presentation at Castlemont High School

Upcoming Events:
- March 9, CTE Tour for High School Counselors (In collaboration with the CTE Department)
- March 9, Fit Friday Tabling at Dewey Academy
- March 12, Tabling and Presentation at Oakland High School
- March 13, Tabling and Presentation at Oakland High School
- March 14, Presentation at The Unity Council (OYE)
- March 14, Mobile CoA Application Assistance at Fremont High School
- March 15, Mobile CoA Application Assistance at Castlemont High School
- March 16, Tabling at Berkeley High School College Fair
- March 20, Mobile CoA Application Assistance at Dewey Academy
- March 20, Mobile CoA Application Assistance at Rudsdale High School
- March 21, Mobile CoA Orientation Assistance at Fremont High School
- March 22, Mobile CoA Application Assistance at San Leandro High School
- March 22, Community College Fair at De Anza High School
- March 22, Tabling at Fremont High School College Night
- March 23, Mobile CoA Orientation Assistance at Dewey Academy
- March 26, Mobile CoA Application Assistance at Oakland High School
- March 27, Mobile CoA Application Assistance at Island High School
- March 28, Mobile CoA Application Assistance at Oakland High School
- March 29, Mobile CoA Application Assistance at Skyline High School
- March 29, Mobile CoA Orientation Assistance at San Leandro High School
- March 29, Tabling at AUSD Career Fair (Represented by Blair Norton of Diesel Mechanics)
- March 30, DSPS Campus Tour

Submitted by Outreach Specialist Natalie Rodriguez. Photos by Natalie Rodriguez.

KRZZ Radio Interview of Students and Staff Available Online

In November 2017, KRZZ interviewed College of Alameda’s Natalie Rodriguez and students. Way to go Natalie for arranging the interview and highlighting some of the best that the College has to offer! The interview is now available online at: https://drive.google.com/open?id=1LFSDQmsdLJo4NXbS8yQgBcQueNnQ9HNo

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Free Film Screening of Dolores

Monday March 19, 2018, at noon, in the Student Center (F-building "Pit")

With intimate and unprecedented access, Peter Bratt’s Dolores tells the story of Dolores Huerta, among the most important, yet least-known, activists in American history. Co-founder of the first farmworkers union with Cesar Chavez, she tirelessly led the fight for racial and labor justice, becoming one of the most defiant feminists of the 20th century.

Film Run Time: Approximately 60 minutes
Film Screening followed by a group discussion. Light refreshments will be provided
View the trailer for Dolores

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**FabLab Update**

The CoA FabLab is under construction and scheduled to open later this Spring Semester. In order to begin serving students, faculty, and staff, the FabLab equipment has temporarily moved into Room D-109. Open hours are **Tuesday-Thursday, 11am-4pm**. Learn more about the CoA FabLab [here](https://goo.gl/forms/KvzPx89EoBrG4Whe2).

As part of the CCC Maker Initiative, we’ll be offering stipends to faculty who create new curriculum or augment existing curriculum that makes use of the CoA FabLab. If you’re interested, please fill out this form by March 15, 2018. (Shareable link: [https://goo.gl/forms/KvzPx89EoBrG4Whe2](https://goo.gl/forms/KvzPx89EoBrG4Whe2))

Also, feel free to stop by, check out the machines, and make something with us!

Submitted by Miguel Vega, CoA FabLab Technician, mvega@peralta.edu
Free fruits, veggies and bread

Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday
(When classes are in session)
12:30pm-2:30pm
F-Building

**Please bring your own reusable bag**
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Make Your Splash!

Do you know an outstanding student whose story you’d like to share? Did you attend an interesting workshop or conference? Do you have unique projects planned for your students this semester? Is there an upcoming event that we should all know about? Have you or a colleague been honored with an award or been published recently? Send us your news so we can share it with the campus community in the CoA Splash!

It’s easy – just send us a short article and a good photo or two, and we’ll take care of the rest. Don’t forget to include the name of the writer, the photographer, and anyone who’s pictured (if possible). Be sure to email your news and information to: coasplash@peralta.edu. See past issues at: alameda.peralta.edu/office-of-the-president/coa-splash-newsletters/
Please note *Splash* spring publication dates and deadline times. Mark your calendars and make your *Splash!*

**Deadline/Publication Date**

- March 16 / March 22
- March 30 / April 12
- April 19 / April 26
- May 4 / May 11
- May 18 / May 24

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