FOCUS ON SPRING STUDENT EVENTS

It's almost the end of the academic year and with Chabot's 49th annual Commencement ceremony just around the corner, some students will be looking for jobs or looking for colleges to transfer to next year. Not quite ready to transfer but interested in checking out future college programs, or just looking for off-campus employment, the following list of on-campus and off-campus events will help students prepare to transfer or work.

Thank you to Terrance Thompson for coordinating the following student events.

APRIL

CHABOT COLLEGE SPRING JOB FAIR
Tuesday, April 12th, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Chabot Gymnasium. In partnership with Assembly Member Mary Hayashi and Chris Parman, over 40 employers and 1,000 job seekers, both Chabot students and members of the community will be attending this free event. Come prepared with copies of your resume, a list of references, and be ready to speak with potential employers.

AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL PURSUITS AWARDS
Sunday, April 17th, 3 to 5 p.m., Chabot’s Reed Buffetton Visual & Performing Arts Center. Ms. Bobbi Brooks, along with SACREA, will host this event to honor African American middle and high school students. There will be 1,300 students, families, and educators from the Hayward Unified School District on campus. They allow a two-minute commercial for promotions and marketing of our programs. They will show the short DVD “Door #1” which highlights Chabot College and our programs.

EDUCATION SUMMIT
Saturday, April 30th, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Cal State University, East Bay. This is the fifth year of our partnership with this event, and was at one time two separate events (African American Ed Summit and Latino Ed Summit). Two workshops will be led by Art Barboza and Sandra Genera, twelve volunteers from the Striving Black Brothers, Ebony Sisters, and Peer Advisors. There will be resource tabling which will be complete on-the-spot applications. Dr. Barberena will speak along with CSUEB President, Dr. Mo Qayoumi, and a host of politicians, celebrities, and local TV personalities.

MAY

TRANSFER NIGHT
Wednesday, May 4th, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Chabot Cafeteria. We expect over 40 universities and colleges to participate. In conjunction with the Chabot Bookstore’s Grad Fair, coordinated by Kathleen Kaser, this will be a combined event.

TRANSFER CELEBRATION
Tuesday, May 10th, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Chabot Events Center (Room 722). This event will celebrate our students who will be transferring this year. Our students and their families will be able to celebrate their accomplishments at this yearly event. Christine Acacio, lead coordinator for this event, invites all staff to attend this evening of recognition.

SWALLOWS EVENTS
Chabot’s 9th Annual Art, Music, Poetry, & Photo Contest. Deadline is April 15th.

Celebrating RETURN OF THE SWALLOWS TO CHABOT, Tuesday, April 26th, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Cesar E. Chavez Plaza.
Chabot College is fortunate to have many excellent teachers whose dedication to the craft of teaching and learning breathes life into the campus and inspires students to achieve beyond what they believed possible. Each spring we recognize one faculty member from each division for their invaluable contributions to both students and to the college. The award includes attendance at the California Great Teachers Seminar, paid for by Title III funds.

The process to receive the award is the following: each dean is asked to make nominations within his/her division by describing how the nominees demonstrate excellence in: (1) exhibiting personal qualities that promote student learning; (2) preparing outstanding teaching materials; (3) employing especially effective teaching strategies; and (4) overall dedication to teaching.

These descriptions explain the many facets of excellent teaching: from carefully crafted presentations to hands-on activities, from small group discussions and presentations to one-on-one personalized conversations. Whatever the presentation method, the descriptions present teaching that incites curiosity in students and that engages them thoroughly in the process of learning.

This year’s Great Teacher’s Award recipients are:

- **Jan Novak, Applied Technology & Business.**
- **ValJean Dale, Psychology & Counseling.**
- **Kent Uchiyama, Language Arts.**
- **Connie Telles, Health, PE, & Athletics.**
- **Patricia Wu, Math & Science.**
- **Eric Schultz, SOTA.**
- **Michael Thompson, Social Sciences.**

Congratulations Jan, ValJean, Kent, Connie, Patricia, Eric, and Michael! Thank you for your dedication to our students and to our college.
Why would the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) spend three days at Chabot? It was all part of a very busy week for Wayne Phillips and the rest of the faculty who provide for high-skill, high-wage training through our revitalized Electronics Systems Technology (ESYS) Program.

An evening based, hybrid delivery format, with state-of-the-art equipment

Last week the FAA was here to review our revitalized ESYS program and how it can integrate into the approved FAA Technical Operations Collegiate Training Initiative (TO-CTI) electronic technician internship program. The TO-CTI program accepts up to three students a year from each participating school for paid part-time work and training at a local FAA Air Traffic Control facility before graduation, leading to a full-time position after graduation. Currently there are only two schools in California with qualified programs, and the Chabot ESYS program is in the process to be added to the list by this Fall.

The FAA-review examined course outlines, textbooks, online instruction content, and samples of student exams, assignments, and lab activities. They conducted individual interviews of the faculty and students. We were evaluated in five content areas: DC Theory, AC Theory, Solid State Devices, Computer and Communications Systems, and Math.

The ESYS A.S. Degree program met or exceeded all requirements for the first four content areas. The FAA requested additional examples of student work to demonstrate proficiency in math, and we are planning to host another FAA visit this summer to present the additional evidence to satisfy this last requirement.

The FAA team commended us on “reinventing” the delivery of electronics technology programs, and they were impressed with the quality and quantity of course content, less than two years since the program restart.

In addition to the FAA review last week, on Wednesday, March 23, we had industry representatives on campus for the ESYS Advisory Committee. The committee received a program update and a tour of the ESYS labs, including state-of-the-art industrial automation and communications trainers provided through Measure B funding.

The industry representatives were happy to see the return of an electronics technology program to Chabot, and provided suggestions for developing internship and training partnerships between the ESYS program and local industry.

The photos show ESYS in action, with students showing their completed fabrication projects, troubleshooting simulated production process assembly lines and electronic communications circuitry, and students configuring routers and switches in the Chabot CISCO Networking Academy.
The DELTA EPSILON CHI Business club held a regional conference for both high school and collegiate students at the Conference Center on campus on March 11th and 12th. Sixty one students attended including twenty-seven Chabot students from various disciplines and including Puente and Striving Black Brothers, twenty local DECA high school students, two high school advisors, three faculty members, and nine Business Advisory Board members who acted as mentors and judges.

On Friday, students were presented with a “real” business problem by our Business Advisors from Innervation Energy Solutions. The cases involved marketing, human resource management, and business strategy. They worked in groups (college together with high school students) to prepare a solution for presentation to Arran Blattel and Will Dinkle, principals of the firm. Students made presentations to business advisors on Saturday and received feedback on their proposals. The top four teams made their presentations to the group and two winners, Synergy Team and 2BLeaf, were named the winners by Innervation Energy Solutions.

This forum served as an excellent learning experience and begins our “Incubator” program to help small businesses in Alameda and Contra Costa counties with their business planning needs. Students rated the conference as excellent and are eager to begin working on their next assignment as part of the DECA Business Incubator program. We will next be working with Patrick Hart of Dualstar Marketing, and a Chabot graduate, who assisted with the conference! If you know any businesses that would like assistance, please contact DECA advisor Catherine Pinkas at 723-6862! We are eager to help!
In some ways it was a long time ago and in some ways it does not seem that long ago that I was a college student, financing my education through a scholarship awarded to me by Findlay College, in Findlay, Ohio, which is now the University of Findlay. That was the beginning of my career pathway. It was a tremendous surprise to me that Dr. Katherine Fell, the first woman President at Findlay, recently asked if she could visit me during her tour of California colleges and universities. She also asked for a tour of the campus, which we provided during her visit on March 22nd. We were most proud to show her the IOB, the CSSE, the new athletic facilities, and the overall campus lay-out, and well as discuss with her our programs and services. I am most grateful to Nathan Moore, Dale Wagoner, Sue Sperling, JoAnn Galliano, Howard Irvin, Matt Kritscher, Gerald Shimada, and Paulette Lino for their gracious attitude and warmth towards Dr. Fell and to Mr. David Ferguson, her assistant, as each one of them showed their facilities with pride and joy.

Dr. Fell and Mr. Ferguson asked if we could facilitate the transfer of students from Chabot to the University of Findlay. My response was that we could, but only if they were provided with a strong financial aid package. It was heartening for me to find that 80% of the students enrolled at Findlay receive financial aid, either through scholarships, grants, work study or loans, with an average financial aid package of $20,000. In 2008, Findlay provided students with 28 million dollars in institutional financial aid. When my husband is around students he never misses a chance to encourage them to transfer to his Alma Matter, Grinnell College in Iowa. I’ll be giving him some competition proposing University of Findlay as a good possibility for students interested in a big change of scene.

Thank you very much to Chabot staff member, Nathaniel Clark, who kindly volunteered and took the photos of the visit that appear on this page.
Over the last two weeks, the Chabot College Forensics Team has been busy, first going to the State Championship Tournament and then to the Pi Kappa Delta National tournament in Portland. The team was gone ten out of twelve days over the last two weeks, but it was all worth it!! Congratulations to: Brad Bettridge, Eileen Zedd, Jake Hewitt, and Jessica Hollie: Bronze Medalists, Parliamentary Debate. Arturo Diaz, Bronze Medal, Poetry Interpretation. Congratulations to our state winner: Eileen Zedd, Gold Medalist and State Champion, Persuasive Speaking.

On to the National Tournament in Portland, Oregon. PKD does awards a little differently than most National Tournaments. Instead of Bronze/Silver/Gold, they give away "Excellent" and "Superior". In order to receive an "Excellent", you must be in the top third, and to receive a "Superior", you must be in the top 10%. Congratulations to our Superior Award Winners: Eileen Zedd: "Superior", Persuasive Speaking (4th overall in the Nation). Eileen was the Great Western Region representative for the PKD Showcase! Toan Nguyen: "Superior", Program Oral Interpretation of Literature (10th overall in the Nation).

Congratulations to Chabot English Instructor Zac Walsh whose short story was used in this program. Congratulations to: Fatima Ansary: "Excellent", Communication Analysis; Brad Bettridge: "Excellent", IPDA Debate (going 5-1 at the National Tournament); Eileen Zedd: "Excellent", Extemporaneous Speaking; Jessica Hollie, Jake Hewitt, and Katy DiNatale made up the remainder of the National Team, each receiving a "Good" recommendation in at least one of their events.

Overall, this earned Chabot College an "Excellent" Award amongst all Community Colleges at the National Tournament (6th place) and we finished 25th overall. Of the nine students who attended State and/or Nationals, six brought home at least one award.

The Chabot Forensics "Speak Up" is Thursday, April 28th at 6:30 p.m. in the Little Theater where you can see our State and National Award winners. Admission is free, but donations are highly encouraged.

HEALTH CENTER STATS FOR FEBRUARY

FEBRUARY 2011

● Total operation days: 18 days.
● Total patients seen: 1,102.
● Mental Health Counseling: 22.
● Average student per day: 61.
● Number of patients seen by Nurse Practitioner: 629.
● Number of walk-ins: 355.
● Mental Health Counseling: 22.

EVENTS

● Class presentation for International Students.
● February Wellness Program: emphasis on American Heart Month and Blood Pressure Screenings.

ACTIVITIES

● TB screening for health science program and District staff.

Collaborating with: Counseling, Campus Safety, & Office of Student Services regarding Crisis Intervention Response Team Committee.

CAMPUS COMMITTEES

● Health and Safety Co-Chair.
● Preceptor to Nurse Practitioner student at Samuel Merritt University.
● Mental Health Program.
● Medical Advisor/Medical Assistant Program.
● Member, District Emergency Respond Team/Pandemic Awareness.
Steel Frame and Masonry are Complete for the New P.E. Facility- The steel frame is complete for the 16,560 square-foot Physical Education Strength and Fitness Center. The ribbed steel decking is being finished on the roof. The exterior masonry, a split-face concrete block with integral color, is moving rapidly and is nearly complete. The steel stairs have been delivered and the second floor concrete has been placed. The project is scheduled to be complete in July 2011.

B1400, Industrial Technology is Under Construction- Construction continues steadily on the renovation to B1400, the Industrial Technology Building. A concrete pour for the new masonry wall footing is complete and the masonry wall has started. The project consists of renovations to the machine shop area, the tool room, welding area, and labs. Two classrooms in Building 1600 are also part of the plan and will house the CNC (Computer Numeric Controls) Lab. This project is scheduled to be complete in August 2011.

B300 Classroom Renovation- Construction is proceeding rapidly on the renovation of Classroom Building 300. The renovation consists of improvements to classrooms, computer labs, the Chabot College IT offices and Media Services. Job trailers are in place and materials are being staged. The furniture order is being finalized. The project is scheduled to be complete in January 2012.

New Traffic Signal- The contract for a new traffic signal has been awarded and shop drawings are working their way through the approval process. The new signal, located on Hesperian Boulevard between Depot Road and Turner Court, will provide for a safe and controlled exit from Chabot College’s new Campus Drive. Actual excavations should begin after the rains.

Design Approvals are Underway- Chabot College currently has three projects at DSA working through the approval process: B1700 and B1800, Science and Math building renovations; B1200 and the SOTA plaza renovations; and the PE Complex, Buildings 2500 to 2900. We will have a busy bidding season as these projects are approved and released for bids.
Spring Theater - The Chabot Theater Department is very proud to announce that next month's production will be _The Grapes of Wrath_. Event dates are April 13, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22, and 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Little Theater. Tickets will cost $10 for students and seniors, and $15 for general admission.

The Theater Arts students that will be performing in _The Grapes of Wrath_ will include: Alex Skinner, Sam Chaires, Youssef Riahi, Robby Wagoner, Lucinda Jackson, Janelle Aguirre, Tara Simmers, Scott DeMerritt, Tony Azevedo, Tyler Gauthier, Eduardo DelaCruz, Jr., Vince Gabrielson, John Turman, Jaime Ramos, Kelvin Rama, Emilio Garcia-Sanchez, Patrick Sweet, Monica Bonilla, Sandra Harris, Nicole Torres, and Seveonno Palizzolo.

Kari McAllister, Chabot College Theater Manager, has recently been appointed by Congressman Pete Stark, District 18, to a two-year term as a delegate to the Democratic State Convention. Kari stated, "I look forward to engaging with, learning from, and carrying the message of inclusion and community to the caucus." Congratulations, Kari, on this wonderful appointment.

The Student Career Forum met on March 4th at the San Francisco Design Center. It had 156 interior design students from throughout California attend. Elena Durga, an interior design student from Chabot College, won first place and $500 in the bathroom design contest sponsored by NKBA Capital North Chapter. Elena won second place and $300 in the residential lighting contest sponsored by IFDA Northern California Chapter. She won third place and $200 in the kitchen contest sponsored by NKBA Northern Chapter. Congratulations, Elena!

Three of Chabot’s Dental Hygiene students were awarded scholarships from the Hayward Lion’s Club. This was part of a scholarship program established by the Lion’s Club in memoriam of Herman Eggheerts, a Hayward dentist and Lion’s Club member. The scholarships totaled $500. The scholarship winners were Janine Nelson, Christine Walser, and Noel Lam, all residents of Hayward. The three award recipients are shown in the photo below with the President of the Hayward Lion’s Club Leonard Leavitt. The three students are shown here with their scholarship awards and a representative from the Hayward Lion’s Club.

KCRH - Chabot's radio station, KCRH 89.9 FM, operated by the Mass Communications (MCOM) Department, is involved in a number of fundraising events. The MCOM Department has already raised over $1,800 for the Red Cross’ earthquake/tsunami relief efforts in Japan by putting on two “The Jam for Japan” concerts.

A third concert is in the works. MCOM student, Eddie Ballar and his band played music for four plus hours in the rain. The radio station is involved again this year with the American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life. The event’s Entertainment Chair is MCOM student Joshua Hewitt. KCRH is providing the music and has pledged to raise a minimum of $2,500 this year. Come show your support and enjoy the radio station students on May 21st and 22nd at Burrel Field in San Leandro. MCOM Department Chair, Professor Chad Mark Glen enthusiastically stated, "Not only do our MCOM student get involved and help out on campus; they give back to the community as well. They're an amazing group."

Sujoy Sarkar and the Chabot TV station, received two awards. One was from Assembly Member Mary Hayashi and the second was from the Indo-American Community Federation at their tenth annual Unity Dinner.

The recognition was for developing a video documentary on the sudden death of the son of founder Jeevan Zutshi, who died of heart failure at a young age due to an overdose of supplements that are available over the counter at any health store and fitness center. Jeeven wanted the community and the government to know about the dangers of supplements so that proper legislation can be passed to ensure that people know about the true dangers of supplements. The video was shown to the entire East Bay Area through both of Chabot’s Channels, KCTH 27 and KCMC 28. The host of the program was Jim Weider, former ABC 7 news personality.
Approximately forty Chabot instructors across disciplines have been trained in the central ideas and critical routines of Reading Apprenticeship. This is a research-based approach to academic literacy that focuses on making thinking and learning visible in classes across the curriculum. Reading Apprenticeship helps community college instructors engage, motivate, and empower students to develop the tools they need to improve their content-area learning.

A new cycle of professional development is planned for Fall 2011. Chabot Language Arts instructor Cindy Hicks and Life Sciences instructor Patricia Wu, both Regional Leaders in this approach, will co-facilitate the training at Chabot College. Participants will practice classroom routines that engage students in powerful ways of reading academic texts. Videos and texts from community college classrooms form the basis of this inquiry-based learning experience.

All Fall 2011 participants are strongly encouraged to join a Faculty Inquiry Group that will meet in Spring 2012. This FIG will provide essential support as instructors begin to implement Reading Apprenticeship meta-cognitive routines in their classrooms. This group will be mentored by Cindy Hicks.

All Chabot College regular and adjunct faculty are invited to sign up for this free, three-day seminar. Specific dates are to be announced. To sign-up and/or for additional information, please contact Jane Wolford, Chabot College Reading Apprenticeship Coordinator, at: jwolford@chabotcollege.edu.

**HEALTH CENTER STATS FOR MARCH**

**MARCH 2011**

- Total operation days: **19 days**.
- Total patients seen: **980**.
- Mental Health Counseling: **24**.
- Average student per day: **52**.
- Number of patients seen by Nurse Practitioner: **576**.
- Number of walk-ins: **319**.
- Mental Health Counseling: **24**.
- Triage Visit: **6**.

**EVENTS**

- Nutrition Awareness Month.
- Health Sciences Class presentation.

**ACTIVITIES**

- TB screening for health science program and District staff.
- Collaborating with: Counseling, Campus Safety, & Office of Student Services regarding Crisis Intervention Response Team Committee.
The College College Foundation has canceled Blooming Affaire for 2011. Instead, the Foundation will hold a “Volunteer Celebration” on Friday, May 20th in the Events Center to honor our community leaders and volunteers who have given so generously of their resources to our campus programs and students over our eight-year history. Faculty, staff, and students will provide entertainment and there will be many other surprises throughout the evening. Details will follow soon.

As the Foundation will not have staff after June 30th, 2011, we are asking all participants in the payroll deduction program to cancel their contribution. We are working with the 50+ programs that have funds held through the Foundation to find solutions to their fiduciary needs, as well as determining how our scholarships will be handled in the future. More information will be shared as we work through the process.

The Foundation Office will be closed from April 24th through April 29th.