The Anthropology Department is pleased to announce that Adriana Sanchez Pillot is this year’s outstanding graduate in Anthropology for her academic excellence and for her social and civic engagement. Adriana is not only an outstanding student in Anthropology, she is also a passionate advocate for social justice and cultural awareness at, and outside of Chabot. She is the recipient of three scholarships this year.

Adriana has recently been accepted to the Anthropology program at UC Berkeley, UCLA and UC Santa Cruz. Adriana has decided to transfer to UC Berkeley in the fall.

Best wishes, Adriana. We will greatly miss your spunk and kindness to all things great and small.

The following are the Chabot College Student Health Center patient statistics.

**HEALTH CENTER STATS**

**April 2012**

Total days of operation: 16 days. Total patients seen: 1,049 patients. Number of patients seen by Nurse Practitioner: 350. Number of patients seen by Medical Assistant: 37. Number of walk-ins: 192. Average student per day: 56.

**EVENTS**

- National Sexual Assault Awareness Month, April 19th; 216 students attended.
- Participated in Spring Job Fair (184 students visited our booth).
- Continuing internship and training provider for Medical Assistant Program & Samuel Merritt University Family Nurse Practitioner Program.

**UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

- Health and Wellness Center Newsletter/Health Talk Seminar, Fall 2012.

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Building 1800 is Under Construction- Wood framing of the shell and core continues to make good progress and is nearing completion. A section of the roof framing is being replaced. Approximately 15 roof rafters with fire damage were discovered when the demolition occurred. A structural repair was designed by the engineer and approved by DSA. The fire damage is now being repaired. Seismic strengthening work is also underway with new shear walls and the stiffening of the roof diaphragm. B1800 will house new Math and Science classrooms and labs. The site between buildings 1700 and 1800 has been designed in coordination with faculty to serve as an outdoor classroom with botanical specimens not located elsewhere on campus.

Building 1200/PAC Plaza is Under Construction- The B1200/PAC/SOTA Plaza project is proceeding well. Interior framing is going up rapidly as well as the new roof framing for seismic strengthening and mechanical unit support. The concrete footings and slab have been placed for the new addition and the new exterior walls are being framed. The renovated building will house music performance spaces, practice rooms, and the Little Theater. The addition will house a new recording studio.

P.E. Complex Renovation is Progressing- The renovation to the existing P.E. Complex is moving forward. Instructors have been temporarily relocated to the new Instructional Office Building while Building 2600 is being renovated. Building 2600 finishes are nearly complete and the new furniture for the faculty offices has been ordered. Extensive work is also underway in buildings 2800 and 2900. Construction crews are focusing on the renovation of Building 2800 so that the Team Locker Rooms will be finished before football season. Work on the Gymnasium has started. Measure B has leased off-site courts as swing space for basketball programs while construction is underway.

New Traffic Signal- A new traffic signal has been erected on Hesperian Boulevard at the southern exit of Campus Drive. The poles and mast arms are up. The next step is to tie the traffic signal into the City of Hayward controls system with fiber optic cable. The cable is on order.

MAY EVENTS

Puente Project, Wednesday, May 16th, 7 p.m., Room 722.
Chabot Salsa Concert Featuring Percussionist/Vocalist Edgardo Cambón, Wednesday, May 16th, 7:30 p.m., PAC.
Dental Hygiene Recognition Night, Thursday, May 17th, 6 p.m., PAC.

ASPIRE/EXCEL, Thursday, May 17th, 6 p.m., Room 722.
Striving Black Brothers Coalition Awards & Scholarship Dinner/Gala, Friday, May 18th, 6 p.m., Room 722.
Medical Assisting Program Graduation, Monday, May 21st, 1 p.m., Room 722.
Educational Talent Search, Tuesday, May 22nd, 6 p.m., Room 722.
Daraja Program, Thursday, May 24th, 6 p.m., Room 722.
Nursing Pinning Ceremony, Thursday, May 24th, 7 p.m., PAC.
Chabot Commencement 2012, Saturday, May 26th, 10 a.m., Grand Court.
On Monday, May 7th, the technology programs of Chabot (Automotive, BMW, Electronic Systems Technology, Fire Technology, Machine Tool Technology, and Welding) hosted an open house to showcase our newly-remodeled facilities, instructional equipment, and to provide opportunities for guests to see and experience what our students do every day. Over one hundred visitors included perspective students, community members, employers, industry partners, current Chabot students, staff and faculty, and representatives of our Board of Trustees, President Isobel Dvorsky and Dr. Hal Gin.

Everyone enjoyed refreshments provided by Naomi Parke and her team from Fresh & Natural Catering prior to beginning their tour. Visitors not only had the opportunity to see what goes on in the various disciplines, but to interact with current students and faculty, experience various demonstrations, or even put out a fire.

Upon completing their tour, guests were entered into a raffle with items provided by some of our industry partners (SnapOn Tools, MATCO Tools, and Fire Academy).

A common topic brought up by all of our guests was that they had no idea just how much we do here at Chabot, and how we provide opportunities for high-paying, high-demand, careers and on-going job training. Thank you to everyone involved with this successful event and look forward to the video presentation done by Sujoy Sarkar and his team.
Dental Hygiene- The Dental Hygiene Class of 2012 participated in the Remote Area Medical Event at the Oakland Coliseum on March 24th and 25th. The Dental Hygiene students provided free cleanings to over 200 patients.

Congratulations to Chabot’s College’s Dental Hygiene Class of 2012 for a 100% pass rate on the National Dental Hygiene Board Exam!

Engineering- Chabot Alum, Dr. K.H. Nam, has earned publication in one of the most prestigious journals called NATURE. His article titled “Patterning By Controlled Cracking”, was published by Macmillan Publishers Limited. Dr. Nam transferred from Chabot to U.C. Berkeley where he earned a Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering. Upon graduation, he accepted an assistant professorship at a Korean University where he engaged in research and teaching.

Student Research Symposium- On May 10th, seven students presented their original research in the second pilot of a Chabot Undergraduate Student Research Symposium. Outreach librarian Pedro Reynoso helped to integrate information literacy skills into one of Sara Parker’s Introduction to American Government courses.


Business Student Awards and Outreach Ceremony- The Business Department hosted its first Business Student Awards and Outreach Ceremony on May 2nd. The award recipients and their guests enjoyed a barbeque and music by Robbie Currie and The Bit and Spur Band. The energy was high, and the room was filled with proud students, friends and families, and a very proud faculty. President Sperling and Dean Shimada stopped by to join in the festivities. Dean Clark’s opening remarks emphasized the hard work, high standards, and dedication required to be honored this year, and thanked the friends and family for their support. The event was a huge success, and we hope to make it an annual tradition.

The following students received the Faculty Award for Excellence: Christopher Wallace and Moy Wong, Accounting Student; Robbie Currie and Demaster Survine, Business Student; Paola Didone, International Student; Michelle Blumstein and Sri Yeung, Learning Assistant; Naomi Miller, Marketing/Retail Management Student; Jacqueline Lezama and Marcie San Vicente, Non-traditional Student; Dawn Giacalone and Kristin Londo, Online Student; Chris Dodge, Public Service; Jenelle Dent, Real Estate Student; Thein Chau and Keith Jolly, Transfer Student; Anthony Draper and Christine Natividad, Tutor; and Lan Tran, TACTYC Scholarship Recipient. Students in specific courses were also recognized for their outstanding achievements. Congratulations to all!

Business Program- The winner of Chabot’s first Business Pitch Competition for our Entrepreneurship students is Shannon Bastian-Tujague (in photo). Shannon’s idea for an inexpensive and easy-to-use “hair-catcher” for shower and tub drains was voted the most helpful for potential users, the most commercially viable, and the best presented concept from among the eleven Entrepreneurship students invited to compete.

For her efforts, Shannon was awarded $1,000 and a brand new iPod Touch (courtesy of St. Mary’s College). Her award was presented by Isobel Dvorsky, President of the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District’s Board of Trustees.

Josh Perkins was our second place winner, with an incredibly innovative idea to provide booths in malls or retail stores for people without debit or credit cards to order products.
The booths would take cash and order the products online for those consumers. Josh won $500 in cash and a $200 book scholarship from Cengage Learning. Josh is shown in the photo to the left after Board President Isobel Dvorsky presented him with his $500 award check.

Michael Shaddle won the third place prize of $250 and a $150 book scholarship from Pearson Education. Michael is a veteran, and his wife and co-creator of his business concept has multiple sclerosis. Their business concept of a customized online health and exercise program is already in the start-up phase.

We are so grateful to our judges: Our own Susan Sperling, President of Chabot; Rick Ohlrich, Director of the Alameda County Small Business Development Center; Alex Kramer, Director of the Business and Entrepreneurship Center; James Quadra, an attorney and venture capitalist; and Allan Graves, an entrepreneur and an instructor in our Entrepreneurship program. The students were invited by, and extensively coached in a dozen business pitch boot camp sessions by Miguel Colon, who is an entrepreneur, former Chabot student, and the primary instructor for our Entrepreneurship classes.

The competition was made possible by the many sponsors of our new Entrepreneurship program. Those include the Business and Entrepreneurship Center, the Alameda County Small Business Development Center, the California Community Colleges State Chancellor’s Office, the National Society of Hispanic MBAs, Mi Pueblo, Cengage Learning, and Pearson Education.

All contestants received Mi Pueblo gift bags and a copy of the late Steve Jobs biography. Congratulations to all!

March in March Rally - Several Chabot faculty and students attended the “March in March” in Sacramento on March 5th. The March was organized in order for students, staff, faculty and concerned citizens generally to show support for public higher education and to protest budget cuts to California’s colleges at the community, CSU, and UC levels. Among those faculty members involved in Title III-sponsored FIGs who attended the March, along with many of their students, were Ms. Felicia Tripp (Counseling), who played a primary role in planning Chabot students’ participation in the event; Ms. Christine Warda (Communication Studies); Ms. Kathy Kelley (Early Childhood Development); Ms. Begoña Cirera (Nutrition and Health); and Ms. Carmen Johnston (English). As Johnston, who is also the Change it Now! (CIN) FIG coordinator, explains, “Because our FIG’s focus is developing a learning community focused on Social Justice, students in the Change It Now! program are expected and encouraged to participate in social justice activities on campus and beyond. We’ve talked in class not only about the budget cuts but the role classism plays in limiting opportunities for poor and working class people. CIN students understand the value of their voices, and the March in March was a great way for them to practice using them.”

Johnston believes her FIG experience had a significant impact on her and her students’ participation in the March: “Our FIG is committed to social justice issues, so the FIG affected our experience. At least half of the class came to the march. Students all spoke about how powerful the event was for them and how inspired they felt afterwards. It was a great bonding experience for many of them, too.” Johnston’s comments are echoed by Ms. Louise Young, one of Christine Warda’s students, who sums up her experience of the March, the first demonstration she had ever attended: “We were letting our legislators know that education is important and valuable. Education is a means of investing in the future. We were saying, ‘Don’t deprive us of what is rightfully ours.’”

Creating Engagement in the Classroom Faculty Inquiry Group - In the high speed, multi-media culture that pulls the mind away every few minutes, we are competing for the attention of our students, and engaging them in learning is an ongoing challenge. Keeping students engaged doesn’t necessarily mean we have to keep them entertained; it means we have to keep them thinking. Engagement lies at the junction of motivation and active learning; how do we enhance both within the context of our discipline and our classroom in order to have students emerge as passionate, creative, and critical thinkers? A Faculty Inquiry Group focusing on Creating Engagement in the Classroom will begin in Fall 2012. This FIG will investigate each participant’s disciplinary ways of thinking in order to determine how best to actively involve students in
learning within that specific classroom.

FIG members will be following an investigative process similar to that outlined in Decoding the Disciplines: Identification of a bottleneck to learning in the course; Determining how an expert works through this bottleneck; Planning how to model the “expert” method to students; Designing assessments of student progress; Designing activities to guide students through the process and provide feedback on their progress; Build in incentives to motivate learners; Record learning pre/post discuss changes in student learning.

Participants will receive a stipend of $750 in both Fall 2012 and Spring 2013 semesters.

Do you wish students were more involved or committed to your class? If you want to discover and experiment with new or different ways to organize and deliver the material for your class and are interested in joining this FIG, please contact Center for Teaching and Learning Coordinator Jennifer Lange at jlange@chabotcollege.edu.

News From Michael Russom, Instructor- Michael is happy to report that he is one of five members of the Parkmerced Action Coalition (Pmac) being honored (along with two other organizations) by the progressive San Francisco Tomorrow group, as “Unsung Bay Area Heroes.” This is the second time the group has been feted for trying to stop the wanton demolition of 1,538 lovely garden courtyard apartments with landscape design by Thomas Dolliver Church, godfather of modern landscape architecture.

Michael stated, “I have spent several years fighting plans by developer Fortress Investment Group hedge fund whose CEO Daniel Mudd bought 75% of Parkmerced to get rid of the biggest collection of rent controlled working class housing west of the Mississippi. Mudd is now being tried for corruption when, as CEO of Fannie Mae, he drove it into the ground and forced the biggest (hundreds of billions) taxpayer bailout of the financial meltdown. He is accused of keeping two sets of books, and the City of San Francisco wants to trust him to keep rent control, while destroying the best place to raise kids in all of San Francisco, replacing homes with 40 high-rises. I have fought this in City Hall at many meetings and it is nice to be honored for this work by SFT, who has supported us at Pmac with encouragement and financial support. I will be speaking briefly to share that I was able to present our case to the San Francisco Sierra Club with our Attorney Stuart Flashman, and won an 8-3 vote to endorse our attempt to stop this wanton destruction.”

P.E. & Athletics News- Student athlete Ron Taylor, in the photo below, is going 23-10.75 in the men's long jump to finish second at the Northern California Community Track & Field Championships at College of San Mateo.

Student athlete Scott Trummer, shown in the photo to the left, is in the Men's 3000 meter steeplechase. Scott finished second in 9:30.65 at the NorCal Finals for Chabot.

HEALTH CENTER STATS

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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

♦ TB screening and immunization update.

♦ Continue collaboration with Counseling, Campus Safety, and Office of Student Services RE: Crisis Intervention Response Team Committee.

CAMPUS COMMITTEES

♦ Health and Safety Co-Chair.

♦ Student Services Administrator/Student Services Council Committee.

♦ Mental Health Services Advisor.

♦ Medical Assistant Program Advisor.

♦ Member, District Emergency Respond Team/Pandemic Awareness.