



President's Information Report January 2022

AWARDS AND HONORS:

Sarah Benton, American Sign Language Faculty, has been accepted by the AZ Department of Emergency and Military Affairs to join the Emergency Response Interpreter team. This team of specially-trained interpreters works with incident command teams on wildland fires, flooding, and other emergency management situations.

This January, **Cindy Scott**, CCC Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Director, was selected as the City of Page Economic Development Advisory Board Chair.

NOTABLE:

Marc Goldberg, **David Manning**, and **David Ramos** accompanied President Smith to present to the Arizona state legislature about the need for a public training facility and made an immediate request for fire science equipment to help with the growing fire personnel demands in northern Arizona. Coconino County Manager Steve Peru, Chair of the Board of Supervisors Matt Ryan, and Sheriff Jim Driscoll also testified about the need for a public safety facility in the County. A bill appropriating \$1M for the College was passed by the House Military Affairs and Public Safety Committee and the Appropriations Committee.

The 30th Anniversary Webpage is live on the website! www.coconino.edu/30th-anniversary

Biology faculty member **Kelly Trainor** is one of six contributing authors on a report published this January in the journal, *Biomedicines*. The report, titled "Small Hero with Great Powers: Vaccinia Virus E3 Protein and Evasion of the Type I IFN Response," reviews strategies that poxviruses use to evade both innate and adaptive immunity. Trainor partnered with the Biodesign Center for Immunotherapy and the School of Life Sciences at Arizona State University on the article.

Sarah Benton's American Sign Language (ASL) students collaborate with the Northern Arizona Adaptive Sports Association as community volunteers at Arizona Snowbowl. As a result, these ASL students can ski and sign with deaf and hard of hearing individuals participating in the adaptive ski/snowboard program.

Alan Cartwright, part-time ASL faculty, is hosting a spring semester Comet Signs ASL storytelling series entitled "Strange Animals." These weekly Zoom sessions are open to all levels of ASL students and the public.

In January, the ASL department hosted **Dr. Eyasu Tamane**, a Fulbright scholar from Ethiopia. Dr. Tamane joined ASL 202 via Zoom and presented a lecture entitled "An Overview of African Sign Languages." A second Fulbright lecture is planned for February.

PARTNERSHIPS:

In January, Nate Southerland, Lisa Blank, Alexis Knapp and Kay Leum visited with training staff at the Nestle Purina plant to discuss partnership opportunities and changing workforce needs. Discussions centered around providing noncredit training at the plant, including CPR and First Aid, and Nestle Purina's need for certificate and degree programs in Advanced Manufacturing.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND MEETINGS:

Here's a look at some of the events that took place in January:

- CCC Adult Education Orientation two-day in-person event
- Certified Apartment Maintenance Technician (CAMT) Course and Info Sessions, in-person and Zoom
- The first Comet Talk of the spring semester on Charlie Brown's America was held via Zoom

CCC IN THE NEWS:

Jan. 25, 2022, *Williams-Grand Canyon News*: "CCC, city of Williams partner for workforce training needs."

<https://www.williamsnews.com/news/2022/jan/25/coconino-community-college-city-williams-partner-w/>

Jan. 18, 2022, *Arizona Daily Sun*: "Small Business Development Center helps business find stride to thrive in Coconino County."

https://azdailysun.com/news/local/small-business-development-center-helps-business-find-stride-to-thrive-in-coconino-county/article_f886d0fb-ce79-5292-ad77-e65aac41878b.html

Jan. 11, 2022, *Navajo-Hopi Observer*: "CCC receives five-year, \$2.1 million grant to improve Native student success."

<https://www.nhnews.com/news/2022/jan/11/ccc-receives-five-year-21-mil-grant-improve-native/>

Jan. 1, 2022, *Flagstaff Business News*: "CCC brings back Caregiver program to meet community need."

<https://www.flagstaffbusinessnews.com/ccc-brings-back-caregiver-program-to-meet-community-need/>

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT:

Meetings of Interest

- 1/3/2022 COVID OSHA Mandate Meeting
- 1/4/2022 New Faculty Orientation
- 1/6/2022 Coconino County May Primary Property Tax Election
- 1/7/2022 All College Meeting
- 1/7/2022 Genterra Ground Lease Discussion
- 1/10/2022 David Borofsky, AACCT
- 1/10/2022 Primary Property Tax Strategy Session
- 1/11/2022 Education Study, NALA
- 1/12/2022 ECoNA Executive Board Meeting
- 1/12/2022 Genterra Ground Lease Discussion
- 1/12/2022 Museum of Northern Arizona and CCC Collaboration
- 1/13/2022 Northern Arizona Healthcare and CCC Healthcare Program
- 1/18/2022 Foundation Executive Committee
- 1/19/2022 District Governing Board Meeting
- 1/20/2022 Lunch with Education and Appropriations Committees
- 1/21/2022 Steve Peru, County Manager
- 1/21/2022 Preparation Meeting for Hearings on Public Safety Bill Hearings
- 1/24/2022 Hearing on HB 2011, Meetings with Legislators
- 1/25/2022 Meetings with Legislators, Richard Travis, CCC Lobbyist
- 1/26/2022 AC4 - Governor Ducey Meeting
- Meetings with Legislators
- Hearing on HB 2011
- 1/27/2022 AC4 Meeting
- 1/31/2022 P3 Student/Workforce Housing
- 1/31/2022 Creative Flagstaff and CCC Partnership

1/31/2022 Chamber of Commerce 30th Anniversary Photoshoot

1/31/2022 Coronavirus Team Meeting

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Upcoming Presidential Travel

None