



**President's Information Report
March 2017**

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

Palette to Palate	April 28, 2017
Student Awards Ceremony	May 10, 2017
Nursing Pinning Ceremony	May 11, 2017
Commencement	May 12, 2017

AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS:

The "Coconino Community College: 25th Anniversary Reading" was nominated for a Viola award in Excellence in Storytelling and hosted a table at the March 4, 2017 Viola Awards. Although CCC did not win, the event helped promote the College's programs to the arts community in Flagstaff.

Aaron Tabor, Biology Faculty Member, was nominated for the Flagstaff STEM City Faculty of the Year.

Jeff Jones was re-elected to the Northland Preparatory Academy Board and elected to the Flagstaff STEM City Board.

Recently, students in the Adult Education Program won awards and were recognized for their outstanding work during a statewide competition. Arizona Adult Literacy Week is an annual, statewide event celebrating adult literacy and lifelong learning in Arizona communities. The purpose is to increase awareness of the importance of adult literacy including its bottom-line impact on Arizona's quality of life and economic recovery through creating an educated citizenry. Adult learners from all over Arizona were invited to participate and were asked to create digital media based projects on a choice of themes, including, "Advocating for a Better World", "Advocating for Public Libraries", and "Advocating for College & Career Readiness". Students conveyed these topics in a variety of ways, including essays, digital presentations, newsletters, and digital arts. Winners were announced just days before the awards ceremony was held in Tempe, Arizona. After learning that 4 of our CCC adult education English language students won awards, the Adult Education program streamed the awards ceremony to the Fourth Street campus and invited the CCC community. The Adult Education program was excited to see the students gain recognition and earn these awards.

Neil Gallegos, CCC student, received the Coconino Hispanic Advisory Council (CHAC) Cesar E. Chavez student award on March 31, 2017 at the annual CHAC Community Recognition Breakfast. This award recognizes a Hispanic student in the community who has a demonstrated record of contributing to the community in positive ways.

Coconino Community College student Alexandra Greer has been selected as a 2017 Phi Theta Kappa Guistwhite Scholar. Greer was one of 15 recipients of a medallion and a \$5,000 scholarship. The recipients were selected by a panel of independent judges from more than 1,800 applicants. Guistwhite Scholars are chosen based on academic achievement, leadership accomplishment and engagement in PTK programs.

CCC IN THE NEWS:

March 1, 2017	Page Lake Powell Chronicle	CCC raises tuition
March 5, 2017	Arizona Daily Sun	STEM: Teaching critical thinking for the new age
March 12, 2017	Arizona Daily Sun	Six-figure earners increasing at NAU
March 14, 2017	Arizona Daily Sun	Budding bio scientists devise flu tracking, prediction systems
March 16, 2017	Arizona Daily Sun	Community Brief: Event to raise money for CCC Fine Arts
March 16, 2017	Nogales International	College district board extends CEO's contract two more years
March 18, 2017	Arizona Daily Sun	Two CCC students chosen for All-Arizona Academic Team
March 22, 2017	Page Lake Powell Chronicle	District considering bond issue
March 24, 2017	Arizona Daily Sun	Altercation in Flagstaff follows Arizona's loss in Sweet Sixteen
March 29, 2017	Arizona Daily Sun	'Ban the box' aims to increase chances for felons
March 29, 2017	Arizona Daily Sun	She's shipping out to the Naval Academy
March 31, 2017	Arizona Daily Sun	Community Brief: CCC student wins \$5,000 scholarship
March 31, 2017	Arizona Education News Service	Arizona native advances toward dreams at North Dakota Medical School

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS:

Melinda McKinney, Maxie Inigo, Kate Kozak, Girija Dasmahapatra, Lisa Dorskocil, and Doug Freidman, Science and Math faculty members, along with their students, had a very large presence at Flagstaff's Annual STEM Night in the NAU Walkup Skydome. Their demonstration tables were unique and very well attended.

During the week of February 27, 2017, Doug Friedman, Science faculty member, traveled to Washington, D.C. to participate in a day of advocacy on Capitol Hill. Representing the National Fragile X Foundation, Doug met with staff in the offices of Senators John McCain and Jeff Flake and Representative Tom O'Halleran. Doug undertook this endeavor on behalf of people who, like his son Grady (6), live with the genetic developmental disability Fragile X Syndrome. Along with over a hundred other parents, siblings, and self-advocates from more than 30 states, Doug was there to promote continued research funding and legislation written to help improve the lives of people with disabilities. While the events of the trip were fast-paced and exhausting, Doug returned home with a tremendous sense of fulfillment and empowerment. This was the 17th annual Fragile X Advocacy Day, but Doug was the first person ever from Arizona to participate in the event.

Perkins/Programs of Study

Preston Webster from the Non Fiction Literacy Foundation has been presenting to career and technical education classes this month. Mr. Webster specializes in helping students learn how to comprehend and study nonfiction and technical literature.

The Perkins program purchased portable radios for Fire Science, injection trainers for Allied Health and Nursing, and a tablet computer for Career and Technical Education.

The Perkins Coordinator met with Grand Canyon High School on March 7, 2017 to finalize Grand Canyon High School's culinary program of study template.

Page Campus

March 2, 2017	Meeting with Page Fire Chief Jeff Reed to discuss issues surrounding EMS training.
March 4, 2017	Hosted Page Job Fair at the Page Campus.
March 7, 2017	Gave a customer service presentation and recruitment talk to 20 people at LeChee Chapter House for Carol Bighumb's "Adventurous Antelope Canyon" tour business.

- March 8, 2017 Visit with Ron Colby, Chief Operating Officer of Yamamoto Custom Baits, concerning course offerings, donations, and economic conditions in the Page area.
- March 14-16, 2017 Set up recruitment table at Page High School Parent-Teacher Conferences
- March 20, 2017 Attended community meeting at Page Unified High School District concerning their potential upcoming bond issue
- March 27-30, 2017 Classroom recruitment presentations to six Page High School Senior classes
- March 30, 2017 Attended Phi Theta Kappa Induction Ceremony at the Lone Tree Campus to support a Page student

Student Development

Presentations, Training and Meetings of Interest

- Veronica Hipolito presented at the Reach Higher National Convening, March 6-8, 2017. Reach Higher is an initiative started by former First Lady, Michele Obama to inspire all students in America to take charge of their future by completing their education past high school, whether at a professional training program, a community college or a four-year college or university.
- Veronica Hipolito, participated in the Arizona Chief Student Affairs Officers meeting on March 27, 2017.
- Student Development staff met with Terros Health to discuss opportunities for the coordination of crisis services for students on March 29, 2017.
- Veronica Hipolito met with Federico Murillo, Community Engagement Bureau Chief and Barbara Ball, Community Liaison with the Department of Economic Security, to discuss opportunities to connect students to services on March 29, 2017.

Title IX Compliance

- Student Development implemented Safe College online training for students to assist with Title IX compliance.

Community Engagement

- Veronica Hipolito and Michael Luna, Recruitment Coordinator, attended the Coconino County Hispanic Advisory Council (CHAC) Cesar Chavez Community Recognition Celebration, March 31, 2017.
- The United Way of Northern Arizona Employee Giving Campaign was facilitated throughout the months of February and March. This was a collaborative effort between Business Administrative Services, Instruction, and Student Development.

CCC2NAU

- As of March 27, 2017, 139 students have applied for the Fall 2017 cohort of CCC2NAU.
- 93 students have attended a Transition Workshop and intend to enroll at NAU in Fall 2017
- Kadie Radics and Kristy Russell revised and produced a new version of CCC2NAU's online Info Session which can be found at www.nau.edu/ccc2nau.

Tutoring

Learning Support Programs has restarted its popular writing workshop series "Write On." This series takes students through paper writing from concept to completion and is offered twice weekly.

Disability Resources

Disability Resources staff participated with other local employers in an Employment Encounter at Coconino High School on March 31, 2017. High school students from all over Northern Arizona attended the event and learned about what it takes to be employed, along with information about services provided at CCC

TRiO

TRiO students participated in college tours across the state to acquaint them with transfer opportunities.

Northern Arizona University Field Trip	March 1, 2017
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Arizona State University, Grand Canyon University & University of Arizona Overnight Field Trip	March 24-25, 2017

Testing Services

- Testing Services collaborated with the Math and English departments to successfully set new placement scores for the March 2016 revisions to the SAT exam. The new placement scores will be used to place students into summer and fall courses.
- On March 8, 2017, Testing Services, in collaboration with Registration, Testing, Security, Cashiering, and NAU, assisted 18 Upward Bound Students with placement testing, enrollment in to summer courses, CCC ID Cards, and bus passes.
- Testing Services partnered with Flagstaff High School on March 21, 2017 to test a group of special education students on the Accuplacer placement test and provide them with information on Disability Resources to assist these students with enrolling in the Fall 2017 semester.
- Testing Services collaborated with Registration to plan placement testing for the Dorrance Scholarship students during summer English classes.

Early Alert

The second Starfish Early Alert survey will be open from March 20 to April 3, 2017. Advisors and tutors have already made outreach phone calls to 127 students to encourage them to work with their instructors, connect them to resources, and provide advising to support their success.

Student Transition & Academic Readiness Training (START) Workshops

March 1, 2017	Financial Aid & FAFSA Completion Workshop
March 23, 2017	Spring University & College Transfer Fair with approximately 200 students in attendance Participants included: Grand Canyon University, Dixie State, Northern Arizona University – Yavapai, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, University of Arizona, Prescott College, Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising (FIDM), AZ Transfer, CCC2NAU and Earn 2 Learn
March 27, 2017	Write-On Workshop
March 28, 2017	Create Your Professional Resume Write-On Workshop

Student Activities

March 2, 2017	Navajo Taco Sale
Tuesdays (ongoing)	Associated Student Body Student Meeting
March 9, 2017	Phi Theta Kappa Blood Drive
March 28, 2017	Women's Herstory Panel

Student Outreach & Recruitment

March 1, 2017	Kingman and Lee Williams High School Visits
March 2, 2017	Colorado River College and Career Expo
March 6, 2017	Grey Hills Academy, Tuba City High School, and Diné College Visit
March 7, 2017	Coconino and Flagstaff High School Visit
March 9, 2017	Ponderosa High School Campus Tour
March 10, 2017	Payson High School Career and College Day
March 20, 2017	Williams High School Campus Tour

March 21, 2017	Holbrook and Winslow High School Visits
March 22, 2017	Sedona Red Rock, Mingus High School, and Kinlani Dorm Visits
March 29, 2017	Mingus Union High School Visit
March 30, 2017	Sedona Red Rock Career Fair

HUMAN RESOURCES:

Human Resources has a goal to save employees \$50 per month through local and national partnerships with businesses to offer discounts to CCC employees. Dietrich Sauer, Executive Director of Human Resources, is collaborating with Scott Talboom, Executive Director of Institutional Advancement and the current alumni discount program to accomplish this. Discounts include the major cell-phone carriers, Apple and Dell Computers, and local flagstaff businesses.

INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT:

Marketing and PR

Marketing and PR are researching new ways to reach CCC students with electronic media. Ideas being explored include web based marketing, targeted marketing based on student searches, app advertising and much more. Marketing plans to shift some funds from traditional mediums to electronic methods that are more relevant to our student population.

The Signature Art Piece for Palette to Palate has been selected. Restaurants have been committing to participate and artwork donations for the live and silent auction have been arriving daily. This event is a great example of collaboration between the Art Faculty, students and staff.

The PR Coordinator accompanied an Administration of Justice faculty member and his class on a field trip to Phoenix to get an in depth look at the Arizona Law Enforcement Academy. A photo essay of the day is available online at <https://www.flickr.com/photos/coconinocc/sets/72157681908640485/>.

Foundation

The selection process for Fall 2017 scholarships has started. The Foundation would like to offer special thanks to the IT and Financial Aid departments for their help in this process.

Professional Development

The Marketing and Events Coordinator and Executive Director of Institutional Advancement attended a half day presentation sponsored by Gannett Media regarding electronic media advertising best practices. The Executive Director of Institutional Advancement attended the National Council of Marketing and Public Relations for community colleges. Many of the breakout sessions focused on electronic advertising best practices.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT:

Foundation for Student Success Grant

As part of the Foundation for Student Success Grant, four CCC faculty and staff members travelled to Santa Fe College in Gainesville, Florida from March 26, 2017 to March 30, 2017. The group included Lisa Duskocil, Anthropology Faculty Member; Brian Francis, Director of Advising and Career Development; Maya Lanzetta, Math Faculty Member; and Sonia Tris, Assistant Registrar and Curriculum and Articulation Services Coordinator. During this trip, Santa Fe College shared a number of ways that have helped them become one of the top community colleges in the state.

Meetings of Interest

March 2, 2017	NALA Education Committee Jeff Reid, Page Fire Chief
March 3, 2017	Budget Hearing

March 6, 2017	Goodwill Board Meeting
March 7, 2017	Title III Grant Meeting
March 8, 2017	AC4
March 9, 2017	AC4 All Arizona Academic Team Luncheon
March 10, 2017	Wanda Costen, CCC Employee Development Day
March 13-17, 2017	Spring Break
March 20, 2017	Tour of Joy Cone Factory
March 21, 2017	SBDC Shooting of Palette to Palate Video
March 22, 2017	NAU Strategic Plan Conference Call DGB Meeting
March 23, 2017	Foundation for Student Success – Planning meeting for those involved with the grant
March 24, 2017	ECoNA Housing Consultant Daniel Werwath Presentation from ECoNA on Housing Survey Phi Theta Kappa Officer meeting
March 27, 2017	SBDC
March 28, 2017	Women’s History Month Event – Panelist for Herstory event hosted by Student Services SBDC Conference Call Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors
March 31, 2017	Travel to Higher Learning Commission Conference

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Upcoming Presidential Travel

AACC Conference April 22-25, 2017