Community College League of California Annual Conference
Several of you joined me last week at the CCLC’s Annual Conference in Los Angeles. It was great to hear from Brice Harris, the new State Chancellor, regarding his commitment to improve student success for California’s community colleges and create flexibility for colleges and districts to better meet the needs of students and our communities. At the conference, I was invited to attend a brainstorming event with several former community college leaders and advocates. The session focused on the future (which was right up my alley) and where our colleges need to be to serve the students of the future. I have noticed that many of our counterparts are focused on planning and preparing for the future student and “the future” is a big part of statewide conversations and am happy to be a part of those conversations and represent Coast Colleges.

District Site Employee of the Year Luncheon
The District-site executive team joined me at the annual Employee of the Year luncheon. The 2012 nominees were invited to attend along with the Employee of the Year, Kahn Raddavong. I would like to once again congratulate the nominees and Kahn for being recognized for their exceptional contributions to Coast.

Board Presidents’ Meeting
I would like to thank Board President Moreno for hosting the Board Presidents from throughout the Coast District at a meeting this week. This group of elected K-12 board members have been meeting this year to discuss common issues and solutions. They have authored press releases and opinion editorials that highlight the needs of our educational institutions. This group, led by Jim, have been successful in raising awareness of critical issues to our community members. It was evident in the recent election that despite projections, our community supports education. The heightened awareness of our needs was an important piece of the election successes.

Accreditation Self Study
I would like to thank the many members of the college teams that have been working for months on the accreditation self study reports. These reports are integral to the accreditation process and require a great deal of time and commitment to complete. I would also like to acknowledge the Board for its lively and important discussion at this week’s board meeting regarding the report and its subsequent approval of the certification. As we move forward with the accreditation process, I look forward to the active exchange between all members of the Coast Team.

Board Meeting Reminders
December 12 - Regular/Organization Meeting
January 16 - Regular Meeting
February 6 - Regular Meeting

Chancellor’s Calendar
Week of November 26, 2012
Monday - Board of Trustees Retreat
Tuesday - Wednesday In the office
Thursday - Friday AACC, Washington, D.C.
Thanksgiving
It is the time of year that we stop to count our blessings and we are certainly blessed here at Coast. On a personal note, I am hopeful that each of you will reach out to someone that may find themselves alone this holiday season -- invite a colleague to dinner or to Black Friday shopping. I am thankful to be a part of the Coast Team and wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Giving thanks for all that you do
It's a short week this week as we break for the Thanksgiving holiday to celebrate with friends and loved ones. With the hustle of the holidays quickly approaching, I want to take the time to thank you for your service to our students. We are part of their extended family: encouraging and supporting their educational and career goals and taking pride in their accomplishments. Have a wonderful and rejuvenating Thanksgiving weekend!

Classified Senate raises nearly $500
The Coastline Community College Fall Festival event took place on October 31 and raised $466 for Classified Senate activities and scholarships. Several Coastliners attended in costume and participated in games and a costume contest. Taco plate lunches were sold as well as homemade baked goods, and attendees also had the opportunity to purchase raffle tickets for a chance to win one of 11 gift baskets. “We are so grateful for all of the support from our colleagues and outside businesses that came out to the event,” said Vice President of Coastline's Classified Senate, Liz Caluag.

Paralegal Studies Orientation scheduled for December 1
Steven Barnes, Paralegal Studies Program Coordinator, would like to inform Coastliners of the upcoming Paralegal Studies Orientation scheduled for December 1. This informative session is open to the public, including any Coastline student who has an interest in the Paralegal field. For details, please see the attached flyer (following page). Faculty and staff, please pass along this information to your students!
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
Wednesday, November 21, 2012

Explore a career in the legal field at upcoming Paralegal info session

(ORANGE COUNTY, CA)—If you are interested in working in a law office or just have a passion for the legal field, Coastline Community College invites you to attend a special Paralegal Studies Program Orientation on Saturday, December 1. During this meeting, program director Stephen Barnes will offer an overview of the paralegal field and describe the courses, training, and credentials required to succeed in this profession.

"Paralegals perform a variety of tasks under the supervision of a lawyer," said Barnes, "they conduct research, hold client interviews, and spend their time drafting and analyzing legal documents."

Coastline’s Paralegal Program can prepare students for this line of work through a variety of paralegal courses including Civil Litigation, Criminal Litigation, Legal Procedures, Family Law, and Conflict Analysis and Resolution.

"These courses all lead to a Certificate of Achievement in Paralegal Studies from Coastline’s ABA approved program and can also count towards an associate degree with an emphasis in Paralegal Studies," added Barnes.

The informational Paralegal Studies Program Orientation is free and open to the public, and attendees have no obligation to sign up for a course or program. It will be held on December 1, 2012, from 10 a.m. to Noon at Coastline’s Costa Mesa campus located at 2990 Mesa Verde Drive East (Room 5). For more information, e-mail sbarnes@coastline.edu or call (714) 241-6213.

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Coastline Community College has an international reputation as one of the nation’s most innovative institutions. Founded in 1976, Coastline is committed to academic excellence by providing accessible, flexible, quality education to students within and beyond the traditional classroom. Classes are held at mini-campus located in Garden Grove, Newport Beach, and Westminster, as well as via the college’s renowned Distance Learning program. For more information on Coastline Community College, please visit www.coastline.edu.
PARALEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM ORIENTATION
DECEMBER 1, 2012
ABA APPROVED, ASSOCIATE DEGREE and CERTIFICATE PROGRAM
Stephen Barnes, Program Coordinator, sbarnes@coastline.edu

The Paralegal Studies program will be holding an orientation session from 10 am – 12 pm on December 1, 2012 at

Coastline’s Costa Mesa Learning Center Room #5
2990 Mesa Verde Drive East, Costa Mesa, CA 92626 (714) 241-6213

All prospective and incoming Paralegal students are recommended to attend. We will be discussing the requirements to obtain a Paralegal certificate from Coastline. We will also be discussing course selection, course sequencing, and answering any questions students may have regarding the program.

All paralegal Students are required to attend a Paralegal Orientation, counseling, or advising session prior to graduation. Counseling appointments may be scheduled after applying to the college by calling (714) 241-6162. Program advising appointments are available by contacting Program Director Stephen Barnes at: sbarnes@coastline.edu 714-241-6213 or 949-933-2558.
STATE GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE
Men's and Women's Water Polo CHAMPIONS!

Golden West men's water polo struck again, winning the 2012 CCCAA State Champions. This is the men's 22nd state title, and fourth state title in five years. The men also won their 16th consecutive Southern California Championship, and their 24th consecutive Orange Empire Championship.

Golden West's women's water polo team also walked away champions as they defeated Fullerton College 12-7 to be crowned 2012 State Champions. This is the women's seventh state championship, fifth Southern California Championship, and eighth Orange Empire Championship.

Schedules and up to date results are online:
www.gwcathletics.com

Prices and show times are online:
www.gwctheater.com

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Service Learning Projects

On October 27th, 40 Golden West College students once again volunteered their Saturday morning to benefit the low-income Oak View Community in Huntington Beach.

As another initiative to raise the community’s accessibility to higher learning and to solidify Golden West College’s commitment to the Oak View Community, a small number of volunteers took part in the Third Annual Family Halloween Spooktacular organized by the Oak View Family Resource Center. There the students created a booth intended to inform the community about the California Dream Act and energizing the youth’s interest in college. There the students had 96 children and their families promise to go to college and educated their families how the California Dream Act can help starting January 2013.

On November 10th the program prepared newly acquired transitional homes to help our at-risk veterans and their families provided by Veterans First of Orange County. In this endeavor the students will be painting three houses and yard work. On November 24th our students will learn about sustaining our local horticulture by removing non-native invasive plants with the help of the nonprofit Back to Natives Restoration at Santiago Nature Reserve of Santa Ana.

For more information about Service Projects, please email Fran Faraz at Ffarazdaghi@gwc.cccd.edu.

Coast Colleges host the 37th Annual Chican@/Latin@ College Day

“¡Adelante Estudiante!” – “Let Us Go Forward, Student!” was the theme.

On November 16, over 300 students from local high schools attended a day of inspiring speeches and informative workshops. The event’s theme was chosen to encourage students to continue forward, no matter what challenges they are facing.

Students enjoyed a continental breakfast before entering the gym for the general session. Gustavo Martinez and Hector Flores from the Mi Casa Club and Jessica Bravo from the Puente Club opened the presentation, followed by a welcome from event founder Dr. Américo López-Rodriguez, Spanish Professor.

Choyo Gomex, was the Keynote Speaker for the opening session. He gave an inspirational speech which shared the personal challenges that he overcame in pursuit of the American Dream and eventually earning a Bachelor’s Degree from Pepperdine and an MBA in Marketing from National University.

Students attended two large group sessions that focused on educational pathways and financial aid. The sessions were followed by 15 special topic workshops chosen by the students.

The event ended in the Student Center patio with lunch from Taco’s & Co., music, prizes, and information booths.

The Chicano/Latino Conference started in 1975 by GWC students and Spanish Professor Dr. Américo López-Rodriguez, in an effort to inspire and empower Hispanic students to pursue a higher education. The event has grown over the years and became a district-wide event in 2009.

GWC COLLEAGUE IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Huntington Beach Allied Arts Board honors Darrell Ebert

Darrell Ebert, Curator, GWC Community Gallery, and retired Art Professor has been selected for the Distinguished Arts Educator in Visual Arts award by the Allied Arts Board, an advisory board to the Huntington Beach City Council.

A celebration and presentation was held on Thursday, November 15, at the Hilton Waterfront Beach Resort. Dave Hudson, Dean, Arts & Letters, nominated Darrell and presented the award to him.