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President's Corner: Congratulations to Our Speech Tournament Winners

ASTI students swept the top spots in this year's 4th Annual Civics Scholarship Program and Speech Tournament, held on April, 12, 2019, at CoA. All participating students gave impressive performances and from the rapt looks on the judges' faces, it was a tough decision. ASTI Student **Soela Ng** won the top prize of \$1000. Another talented ASTI scholar, **Elvis Obiorah**, earned the second-place prize of \$500. Five students were selected to compete in this year's speech tournament to tackle the topic: "What would motivate more young people to vote?". Participants were prepped by CoA Communication Professors **Jennifer Fowler** and **Shirley Brownfox**. The tournament was judged by local community leaders and elected officials, with Alameda County Superior Court Judge **Tara M. Flanagan** serving as a special guest judge. The event has become an

annual joint production of the League of Women Voters of Alameda (LWVA) in partnership with the College of Alameda (CoA) Communication Department. The LWVA will be holding a special fundraising event this Sunday to earn money for CoA scholarships, featuring two of our own special speakers. VPSS Dr. **Tina Vasconcellos** will introduce the 2019 LWVA scholarship recipients. Distinguished CoA Alumna and former AAUW Scholarship Winner, CoA 2017 Valedictorian, and UC Berkeley Student **Silver Alkhafaji** will provide the keynote address at the fundraiser, focusing on her personal challenges as a young Iraqi refugee and how education has given her new hope for the future. The event takes place on Sunday, April 28, 2019, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., at Girls Inc., 1724 Santa Clara Ave, Alameda. Tickets are \$25 payable to the Peralta Colleges Foundation. If you're interested, please RSVP by sending an email to alameda-ca@auw.net. More information about the fundraiser is available at <https://alameda-ca.auw.net>. Congratulations again to Soela and Elvis for their hard work preparing for and exceptional performances at this year's tournament!

Sincerely,



Timothy Karas, Ed.D.
President



Cougars Women's Volleyball Team Win Final Match

Thanks to the COA-FAS who showed to support the Cougar women's volleyball team as they outlasted the Hawks 3-2.

In the final spring non-traditional volleyball match, the Cougars were down the first two sets, but came back strong to win the next three sets with stellar offense and defense; beating the Hawks and winning the match 3-2.

Freshman setter, Jaylan Campbell dished out sets to all hitters; freshman middle hitter **Chiara Stiger** was key on hitting/blocking; and freshman hitter **Nia Sanchez** was a key on defending the net on the right-side. In the back row, **Kat Gacis** and **Camille Selna** led on defense.

Cougars 2019 Spring Non-Traditional line-up:

Camille Selna
Kalina Ugaitafa
Hosanna Vinoya
Deysi Arechiga

Jaylan Campbell
Chiara Stiger
Nia Sanchez
Emilie Davis

Kathleen Gacis
Clara Davis
Taylor Elliott

Again, thanks for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you at a game next fall season.

Submitted by Coach Linda Thompson, M.A., Head Volleyball Coach, Co-Chair S.T.E.A.M. - Department of Kinesiology/Health/Athletics



Guided Pathways Luncheon Series Continues on April 29, 2019

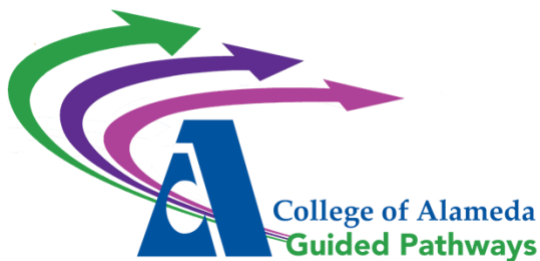
Come one, come all!! Invite students!! Let's gather as a community and break bread and talk Guided Pathways!

Guided Pathways Free Lunch series is a chance to gather as a campus community to learn, discuss and strategize ways to redesign our campus to create a better experience for our students.

The topic for this gathering is Equity:

- Drill down into some of our CoA completion data
- Learn and discuss our current Equity efforts on campus
- Discuss ways to broaden our commitment to equity campus wide.

Please come!



COA Guided Pathways Design Principles

All actions proposed by COA related to the Guided Pathways framework and aimed at improving to improve the success of our students will, in their design and implementation:

1. Engage student voice
2. Attack a lagging indicator
3. Be inquiry-driven and evidence-based
4. Address equity
5. Work across Instruction and Student Services

Submitted by the Guided Pathways Team, coaguidedpathways@peralta.edu



Drawing by COA English Instructor Jay Rubin

ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER AMERICAN HERITAGE LUNCHEON

w/ KEYNOTE SPEAKER TERISA SIAGATONU



Terisa Siagatonu is an award winning poet, arts educator, community organizer, and therapist from the Bay Area. In 2012 Terisa received President Obama's Champion of Change Award, for her activism as a spoken word poet/organizer in her Pacific Islander community.

Join us in celebrating the start of Asian Pacific American Heritage month. The luncheon will include a buffet-style meal and address by guest speaker Terisa Siagatonu.

Tuesday April 30, 2019
F - Building, Pit
12:00 P.M. to 1:00 p.m.



Office of Student Activities, 510-748-5296, F-217 Funded by Student Equity

You're Invited to the Asian & Pacific Islander American Luncheon!

In celebration of Asian & Pacific Islander American (APIA) Heritage Month in May, we invite you to our first event next week on Tuesday, April 30, 2019, from noon to 1 p.m., F-Building Pit, for a delicious buffet lunch and Keynote Address by renown Spoken Word Poet and Arts Educator **Terisa Siagatonu**. Please encourage your students to attend this **FREE** luncheon.

SPRING 2019 WELLNESS WORKSHOPS

All events take place at noon in the F-Building Pit. Feel free to bring your lunch.

Wednesday, May 1st

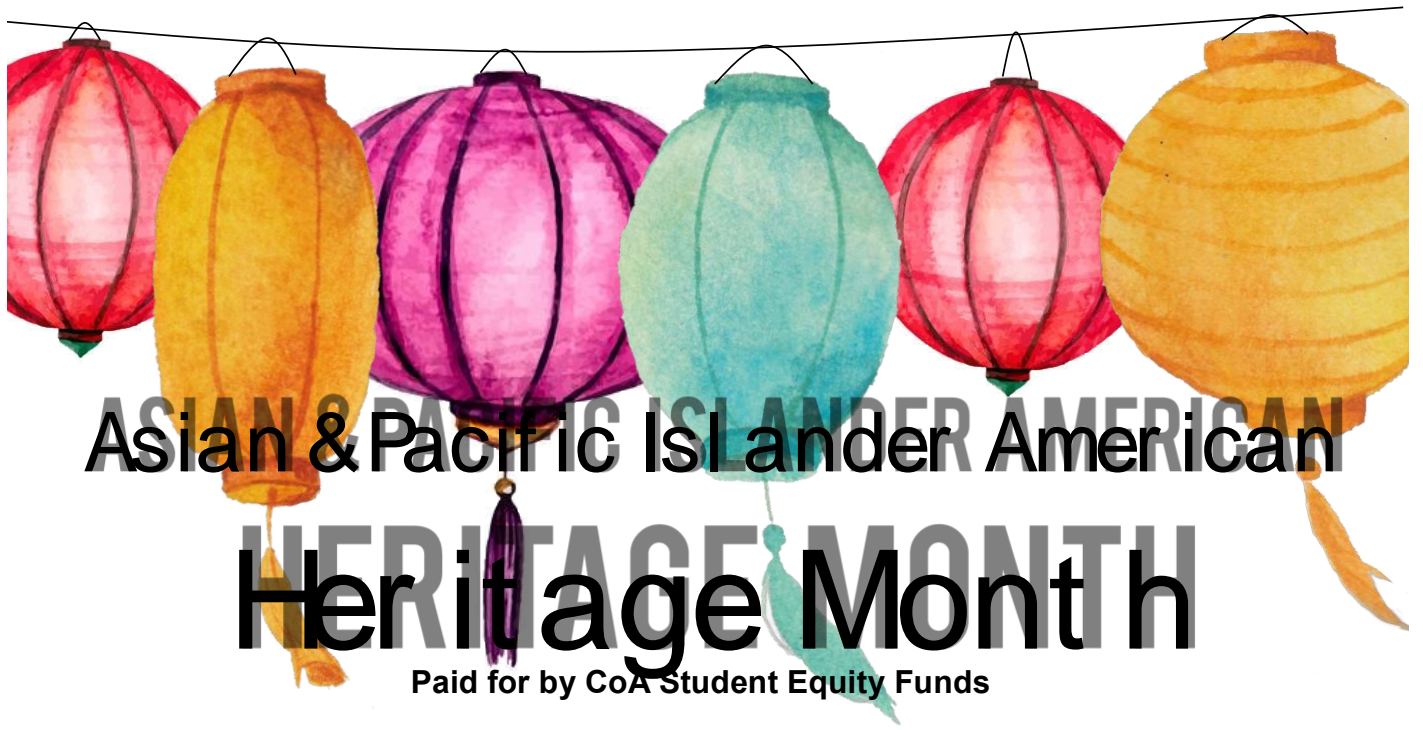
Rethinking Masculinity- All are welcome to explore the social constructs of gender and understand the impact gender norms and expectations.

Thursday, May 2nd

Substance Use and Misuse- Learn how to identify what's healthy, warning signs, and about various approaches to substance abuse treatment.

Tuesday, May 14th

Self-Care to Soothe Stress- As the semester moves towards final assignments and exams, how do you take care of yourself and relieve stress? Come share your strategies and learn some new tools for managing the pressure and concerns you have at this time of year.



ASIAN & PACIFIC ISLANDER AMERICAN Heritage Month

Paid for by CoA Student Equity Funds



APIA Luncheon with Special Guest Terisa Sagatou

Tuesday, April 30, 2019
Time: 12pm-1pm
Location: F-Building Pit



Roll-With-It: Make Your Own Spring Rolls!

Wednesday, May 8, 2019
Time: 12pm-1pm
Location: F-Building Quad



Under Pressure? De-stress with Acupuncture/Acupressure

Sponsored by Health Services
Wednesday, May 15, 2019
Time: 11am-2pm
Location: F-Building Quad



Breathin' The Eddy Zheng Story (Film Screening & Discussion)

Thursday, May 9, 2019
Time: 11am-12:30 pm
Location: F-Building Pit

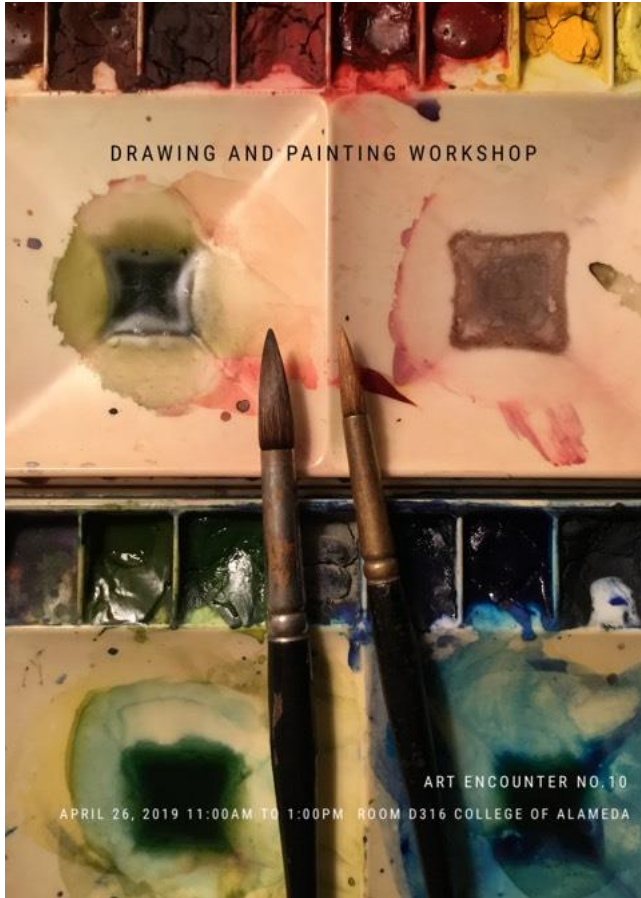


APIA Student Exhibition: Untold Stories

A multimedia feature of CoA APIA students (To be announced)

In honor of APIA heritage month, throughout the month of May, the library will be featuring books written by APIA authors. **CHECK IT OUT!**





Take an Art Break this Friday

On Friday, April 26, 2019, we continue our series of open creative sessions at CoA. All are welcome.

Thinking of Asian American Heritage this month, William Yokoyama's brushes are pictured in the flyer. Bill was a beloved instructor at the College of Alameda. His wife gave me the brushes after he passed away. Bill grew up in California and graduated from the College of Arts and Crafts. His family was in the internment of World War Two. Bill loved painting.

Submitted by Drew Burgess, Art Department

Curriculum Committee to Provide Training this Month

The Curriculum Committee will be providing a training in April. The agenda is still being developed and will be sent out prior to the date once it is finalized.

What: Curriculum Training: Topic (TBD)

When: April 30, 2019

Time: 1 to 3 p.m.

Where: A232

Submitted by Vinh Phan, Articulation Officer/ Curriculum Chair

**The College of Alameda Academic Senate
Cordially Invites You to Attend the**

2019 Emeritus Luncheon

Thursday, May 23rd, 11:00am – 2:00pm

at the

Pasta Pelican

Waterfront Restaurant & Lounge

2455 Mariner Square Drive · Alameda, CA 94501

Tickets are \$35.00

(Please make checks only payable to: College of Alameda Senate)

Buffet Lunch includes: Salmone di Aneto, Fettucine con Sugo Caldo,
Fettucine di Tequila, Salad, Bread, and Dessert
~ Cash Bar Available ~

RSV.P. by Monday, May 13, 2019 to

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Make Your *Splash!*

Do you know an outstanding student whose story you would like to share?
Did you attend an interesting workshop or conference?
Do you have unique projects planned for your students this semester?
Is there an upcoming event that we should all know about?
Have you or a colleague been honored with an award, or do have you published an article, book, or chapter recently?
Send us your news, so we can share it with the campus community in the *CoA Splash!*

It is easy – just send us a short article and a good photo or two, and we will take care of the rest. Do not forget to include the name of the writer, the photographer, and anyone who is pictured (if possible). Be sure to email your news and information to: coasplash@peralta.edu.

Past issues of the *CoA Splash* are available at <https://alameda.peralta.edu/newsletter/coa-splash/>

The following is the publication schedule for Spring 2019 Semester.

Deadline	Publication Date
May 3	May 9
May 17	May 23