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### **President's Corner**

I am pleased to announce that six of our career education programs recently earned California Community College's **Strong Workforce Stars** recognition, at the Bronze and Silver Stars level, for success in helping students reach new heights in earning power and social mobility. Our award-winning programs include: Automotive Technology, Automotive Collision Repair, Aviation Power Plant Mechanics, Dental Assisting, Computer Information Systems, and Diesel Mechanics. Congratulations to all the faculty and staff in these programs for their outstanding work, and to Dean of Career and Workforce Education **Eva Jenkins** for her leadership. Read more about the awards in this edition of Splash.

College of Alameda will play an important role in the City of Alameda's first Mini Maker Faire this summer. The groundbreaking event will be held on July 8, 2018, at Alameda Point. CoA's FabLab team members are

an integral part of the planning group for this exciting new event. I was able to attend a preliminary planning meet-up hosted at Pineapple Sails in Alameda. A group of makers, civic leaders, and business organizations were also on hand to learn more about the upcoming Faire. The City will sponsor several more preparatory meet-up's prior to July to build audience participation and buzz about the event.

On April 12-13, 2018, I attended the Annual Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education (APAHE) conference with many others from CoA and the other Peralta Colleges. It was moving to see Laney President **Tammeil Gilkerson** receive an APAHE Award.

On another note, College of Alameda's participation in community activities is in high demand. In addition to the many wonderful events that our faculty and staff are taking part in, the Alameda Chamber of Commerce Government Relations and Economic Development Committee recently invited me to become a member. My first meeting was on April 4, 2018. Joining this committee will provide many new opportunities for me to highlight CoA's important role in workforce and economic development on the Island.

Sincerely,

Timothy Karas, Ed.D. President

# CoA's Career Education Programs Have Been Awarded Strong Workforce Stars

Several of our outstanding Career Education programs are being recognized by the state Chancellor's Office, Division of Workforce and Economic Development. **Strong Workforce Stars** is an annual

recognition for career education programs, also known as career technical education, that debuted in 2017 within the California Community Colleges system.



CoA's AUTOB and CIS (for the second year in a row), ATECH, AMT and DENTL received Bronze Workforce Stars, and DMECH received a Silver Workforce Star.

These programs were named Strong Workforce Stars because they demonstrate the following outcomes:

- An increase in earnings by 50% or more, based on a match to the state wage file, for students who were last enrolled in 2015-16
- Attainment of the regional living wage by 70% or more, based on a match to the state wage file, for students who were last enrolled in 2015-16
- 90% or more are employed in a job similar to their field of study, according to the CTE Outcomes Survey, for students who were last enrolled in 2014-15

BRONZE STARS (attained threshold outcomes on one metric)

- Automotive Technology: 118% increase in earnings
- Automotive Collision Repair: 241% increase in earnings
- Aviation Power Plant Mechanics: 191% increase in earnings
- · Dental Assistant: 100% of students are employed in a job similar to their field of study
- · Computer Information Systems: 51% increase in earnings

SILVER STARS (attained threshold outcomes on two metrics)

- · Diesel Mechanics: 71% increase in earnings, and
- 72% of students attained the regional living wage

**Strong Workforce Stars** is an output of the Strong Workforce Program, an annual recurring investment of \$200 million to spur career education in the nation's largest workforce development system of 114 colleges. The program's

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policy specifies that one-sixth of the dollars be allocated based on contribution to student success outcomes rather than the traditional approach of student enrollment, and **Strong Workforce Stars** is one way to measure that goal.

CONGRATULATIONS to our wonderful faculty and staff! This recognition highlights the benefits of Career Education and its impact on the lives of our students.

Submitted by Eva Denise Jennings, Dean of Career and Workforce Education, ejennings@peralta.edu



#### Kudos

Music Professor **Silvester Carl Henderson** has been elected to serve on the State Academic Senate Executive Committee. This is a first for CoA. Professor Henderson is a nationally recognized educator, musician, artist, and conductor of the Gospel Song. He earned a Bachelor of Music in Music Education Degree and a Master of Arts Degree from San Francisco State University and taught there from 1985 to 1994 as a Professor and Lecturer of Piano and Music Theory. Presently he serves as an adjunct faculty member in CoA's Music Department. Professor Henderson also is an Emeritus Professor/Lecturer of African American Studies and Music at

the University of California, Berkeley, where he served as the original director of the internationally acclaimed, Young Inspiration Gospel Choir from 1985 - 2005.

Submitted by Rochelle Olive, Academic Senate President, Accounting/Tax Instructor, Department Chair Business/Economics/HLTOC, rolive@peralta.edu



From Left: CoA FabLab Technician Miguel Vega, Alameda Chamber President Michael McDonough, CoA President Timothy Karas, and West End Business Association (WABA) Executive Director Linda Asbury take a look at some of the hightech equipment available in CoA's temporary FabLab classroom.

# President's Roundtable Members Tour CoA's FabLab

At a recent meeting held at CoA, Members of the President's Roundtable, including Alameda Chamber of Commerce President **Michael McDonough** and West End Business Association (WABA) Executive Director **Linda Asbury**, enjoyed a private tour of CoA's temporary facilities in Room D-109, conducted by FabLab Technician **Miguel Vega**. In order to begin serving students, faculty, and staff during the construction of CoA's main FabLab, the equipment has in the interim moved into Room D-109. Open hours are Tuesday-

Thursday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The following machines are available for use now: Stratasys Mojo FDM 3D printer, Formlabs Form 2 SLA 3D printer, Roland GS-24 CAMM 1 desktop cutter, and Geo Knight & Co. DK20 clamshell heat press. Once the main CoA FabLab opens, users also will have access to a laser cutter, 3D printers, CNC routers, vinyl cutters, and electronics workstations. Stay tuned for a grand opening celebration and in the meanwhile feel free to stop by, check out the machines, and make something!





# CoA's Hands-on Aircraft Engine Display a Big Hit at Tinkerfest

Our Aviation Maintenance Technology Program, working with Bay Cities 99, an international organization for women pilots, donated an aircraft engine for the Tinkerfest hosted at Chabot Space and Science Center on Saturday, April 14, 2018.

Over 1,400 people come through the event to tinker with their families and friends and according to Bay Cities 99s organizer Christine Malcomson-Young "the Take Apart Aircraft Engine exhibit was one of the more popular stations both with kids and adults!"

This type of event provides fun experiences that educate and attract young people to STEAM curricular. Special thanks to Bay Cities 99 and Chabot Space and Science Center for inviting CoA be a part of this worthwhile event.

Submitted by Hoi Ko, Department Chair, Aviation Maintenance Technology (AMT) Program, <u>hko@peralta.edu</u>

# LAST CALL FOR CANVAS TRAINING!

All Peralta courses in Fall 2018 and beyond will be hosted on Canvas. Summer 2018 is the last term Moodle can be used. Join us for the final on-campus training opportunities before Summer break.

Title	Date & Time	Location
Moodle to Canvas Migration Clinic Learn how to migrate your class from Moodle to Canvas in a few easy steps.	Wednesday 5/9/18 3:00pm – 4:00pm	A228 College of Alameda
Weekly Drop-In Canvas Office Hours Get questions answered about anything from how to login to Canvas to using apps to support learning. Last day of office hours for the semester is Thursday 5/17/18.	Tuesday/Thursday 1:00pm – 3:00pm Wednesday 3:00pm – 5:00pm	A228 College of Alameda



## Spring 2018 Wellness Workshops

#### Thursday, May 3rd

Intro. To Mindfulness –What is mindfulness? Learn some basic breathing and relaxation strategies that you can use at home. Take part in a guided mindfulness exercise (if you choose).

#### Thursday May 17<sup>th</sup>

Self-Care - 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.

#### College of Alameda Department of Music "Saving Our Children Through the Musical Arts" Conducted by

Professor Glen Pearson, Department Chair Professor Silvester Henderson, Vocal/Choral Instructor

presents

Music & Science – The "Artistic" Quadrivium HOLIDAY VOCAL RECITAL featuring

"College of Alameda Vocal Students"

Special Guest Vocal Artist

Nuru Boone New York Carnegie Hall Student Performer



Special Motivational Speaker

Dr. Ameer Thompson Director of Caminos a Las Ciencias – "Pathways to Science" Saint Mary's College

College of Alameda, Music Area—Room G118 555 Ralph Appezzato Memorial Parkway Alameda, California 94501 ~ FREE CONCERT ~ Thursday, May 17, 2018 (10:30 am - 12:00 pm) For information contact Professor Silvester Henderson (925) 565-6107 or Professor Glen Pearson at (510) 748-2312

The mission of the College of Alameda is to serve the educational needs of its community by providing comprehensive and flexible programs and resources to empower students to achieve their goals.



## Art Students at College of Alameda Have New Works to See

If you are in the neighborhood stop in to in Room D316 and admire the beautiful work of our art students. Good times to visit are Monday and Wednesday from 9:00 to 11:50 a.m. or Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30 to 5:50 p.m.

Submitted by Drew Burgess, Fine Art Professor, dburgess@peralta.edu

## 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: <u>coasplash@peralta.edu</u>.

Please note Splash spring publication dates and deadline times. Mark your calendars and make your Splash!

**Deadline/Publication Date** May 4 / May 11 May 18/ May 24

Past issues of the *CoA Splash* are available at: <u>http://alameda.peralta.edu/office-of-the-president/coa-splash-newsletters/</u>

## Corrections

The April 12, 2018, edition of *Splash* had intersession misspelled as intercession in two headlines. The following correction has been made: CoA's new Four-Week Summer Session and Three-Week Online <u>Intersession</u> Offer Our Students Opportunities to Excel. The amended edition of *Splash* will be published online. Corrections are welcome and may be sent to coasplash@peralta.edu. Please include the words "*Splash* correction" in the subject line. Thank you!