



- President's Corner: Flex Activities Offer a Focus on Technology, Innovation, and Education
- CoA Students' Artworks Are Now on Display
- Submit Your Nominations/RSVP for ASCOA Recognition Event
- New D.R.E.A.M. Club Presents: *Attending to Historical Wounds*
- CoA Sponsors Downtown Alameda's 24th Annual Classic Car Show
- Make Your Splash!
- Flex Day Professional Development Schedule



Today's Flex Day Activities Offer a Focus on Technology, Innovation, and Education

Our Flex Day activities kick-off with a keynote presentation by Apple's Higher Education Senior Account Manager **Shawn Vandergriff**. Shawn works directly with colleges like ours, providing strategy and business development for educational initiatives while demonstrating how technologies can be used for enhancing teaching and learning experiences at all levels. The morning's presentation will be followed by a working lunch and joint divisional meeting with Interim Vice President **Myron Jordon**, and Deans **Ana McClanahan**, **Lilia Celhay**, and **Eva Jennings**. There will be several important sessions this afternoon covering a range of topics: from Canvas to curriculum development, from health to writing, and more. I want to thank our colleagues who will be facilitating today's workshops, including **Sue Altenbach**, Walking for Health; **Jennifer Fowler**, Canvas 101 - The Transition to Peralta's New Learning Management System; **Carolyn**

Johnson, Faculty as Learners: Developing Thinking Communities; **Vinh Pham**, Curriculum Development 101, **Jay Rubin**, Writing Assignments for Non-Writing Classes: Good for Students, Better, (& Easy) for Instructors; and **Jeff Sanceri**, Canvas Open Office Hours. Additionally, I'd like to thank the members of CoA's Professional Development Committee, including Faculty representatives: **Sabeen Sandhu**, Chair, **Jane McKenna**, and **Carolyn Johnson**; classified staff representatives: **Marivic Lizardo**, **Selwyn Montgomery**, and **Shawn Foster**; administrators: **Toni Cook**, Dean of Special Programs and Grants, **Dr. Lilia Celhay**, Interim Dean of Instruction; and ex-officio committee members: **Cleavon Smith**, Interim District Staff Development Officer, and **Rochelle Olive**, Academic Senate President.

On another note, there are several recent College and community events worth reporting on, including several sporting events. First up was the CoA women's volleyball game against Solano College. Our Cougars played with great spirit and did an excellent job. PCCD Chancellor **Jowel Laguerre** also attended the game to see CoA compete against his former college.



I joined the Chancellor, PCCD Trustee **Linda Handy**, college presidents, and CoA faculty and staff for *Peralta Night* at Laney College, where the Laney Eagles battled and won against the Contra Costa College Comets. The final score was Eagles 21 and Comets 20.

On October 6, 2017, I attended the *Breakfast and Conversation with Congresswoman Barbara Lee* event at the Alameda Elks Lodge. CoA faculty members **Betty Jelks** and **Robert Brem**; Alameda **Mayor Trish Herrera Spencer**; and Alameda Council members also were at the event.

Here on campus, CoA was recently honored to host **Tom Epstein**, Vice-President of the California Community Colleges Board of Governors.

Mr. Epstein toured both Laney College and CoA to learn more about our individual colleges. He is in the process of visiting select colleges throughout the 114 California Community Colleges system. On campus he met with several College members, including Interim Vice-President of Instruction **Myron Jordan**, Academic Senate President **Rochelle Olive**, and Classified Council President **Shuntel Owens-Rogers**. I provided Mr. Epstein with a campus tour that included stops at automotive technology, diesel mechanics, and apparel design and merchandising. Mr. Epstein asked me to express his sincere thanks to the CoA community for your outstanding hospitality.

Sincerely,

Timothy Karas, Ed.D.
President



Submit Your Nominations/RSVP for ASCOA Faculty and Staff Recognition Event



The Associated Students of College of Alameda will hold their second annual Faculty and Staff Recognition Event on Wednesday, November 29, 2017, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. You can recognize the good work of your colleagues by participating in this year's nominations. The deadline to submit your nomination is the end of the day on Tuesday, October 31, 2017. The nomination form is available online: <http://ow.ly/jfoH30g6NrX>. Please RSVP for the event at <http://ow.ly/dum830g6O0B>. If you have any questions

about nominations or the event, email vpoascoa17@gmail.com

Katherine O'Brien, Katherine O'Brien, Vice President of ASCOA Operations, vpoascoa17@gmail.com

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.

CoA Students' Artworks Are Now on Display

College of Alameda art students have created great works this semester. Their drawings and paintings are on display in Room D316 and the 'Furnace Gallery'. As the catastrophic fires of our California leave us bewildered and tense, may you enjoy the creations of these talented students. May the Phoenix rise!

Class is in session and all are welcome:

Drawing— Monday and Wednesday, from 9:00 to 11:50AM

Painting—Tuesday and Thursday, from 3:00 to 5:50PM

Submitted by Drew Burgess, CoA Art Instructor & Curriculum Committee Chair, dburgess@peralta.edu



CoA Furnace Gallery Student Show Fall 2017



Attending to Historical Wounds guest speaker Watani Stiner

NEW D.R.E.A.M. Club Presents: *Attending to Historical Wounds*

Faculty, staff, and students are invited to CoA's NEW D.R.E.A.M. Club event titled: *Attending to Historical Wounds*, featuring guest speaker **Watani Stiner**. The event will take place at CoA on Monday, November 6, 2017, from noon to 1:00 p.m., in the F-Building (Pit Area).

Watani Stiner went to prison in 1969 after two Black Panthers were killed at UCLA by a member of another revolutionary Black Power group *Us*, of which Watani was a part. Five years later, he escaped from San Quentin and fled to South America where he lived in exile for twenty years and raised seven children. In 1995, concerned for his safety and welfare of his children, he voluntarily walked into the U.S Embassy in the country of Suriname and surrendered. Following 21 more years of incarceration, Watani was released in 2015, and continues to be a writer, activist, and revolutionary.

Submitted by Tracy King, M.A., CoA D.R.E.A.M Counselor/Coordinator, tmking@peralta.edu

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.

CoA Sponsors Downtown Alameda's 24th Annual Classic Car Show



CoA Diesel Mechanics Instructor Blair Norton poses with Alameda Mayor Trish Herrera Spencer and City Manager Jill Keimach.

Past Events:

- October 9, San Leandro USD College Night
- October 10, Oakland USD College Night
- October 12, Campus Tour with Rudsdale and Sojourner Truth High Schools
- October 14, Downtown Alameda's Classic Car Show
- October 19, Oakland USD Principals' Breakfast
- October 21, Civic Pride District Outreach Event
- October 23, Faculty & Staff UndocuAlly Training
- October 25, Campus Tour with YEP

Upcoming Events:

- October 27, Campus Tour with LPS Oakland
- November 1, UndocuAlly Workshop: Resources for Undocumented Families at CoA and Beyond
- November 2, Career Symposium on King Estates Campus
- November 4, Tabling Raza College Day at Chabot College

Submitted by Outreach Specialist Natalie Rodriguez. Photos by Denise Burgara, Outreach Staff Assistant and Janet Magleby of Downtown Alameda.

College of Alameda was a proud sponsor of Downtown Alameda's 24th Annual Classic Car Show on Saturday, October 14, 2017. The College was represented at the event by CoA Diesel Mechanics Program faculty and Outreach Department staff members. **Blair Norton**, Diesel Mechanics Instructor was there with his 1936 two-door, Ford Sedan on display. Outreach Staff Assistant **Denise Burgara**, and Peer Outreach Advisors **Mia, Erik, Ilse**, and **Emily** did a fantastic job talking with community members about CoA programs. Erik, a first-year Automotive Technology student, was especially happy to wear his auto technician coveralls and represent the CoA program at the show.

As usual, it was heartwarming to have former students and others tell us how happy they were to see their local community college participating in the event.



Peer Outreach Advisors Ilse, Erik, and Mia representing College of Alameda at Downtown Alameda's 24th Annual Classic Car Show.

Make Your Splash!

- Do you know an outstanding student whose story you'd 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 been published recently?

Send us your news so we can share it with the campus community in the *CoA Splash!* It's easy – just send us a short article and a good photo or two, and we'll take care of the rest. Don't forget to include the name of the writer, the photographer, and anyone who's pictured (if possible). Be sure to email your news and information to:

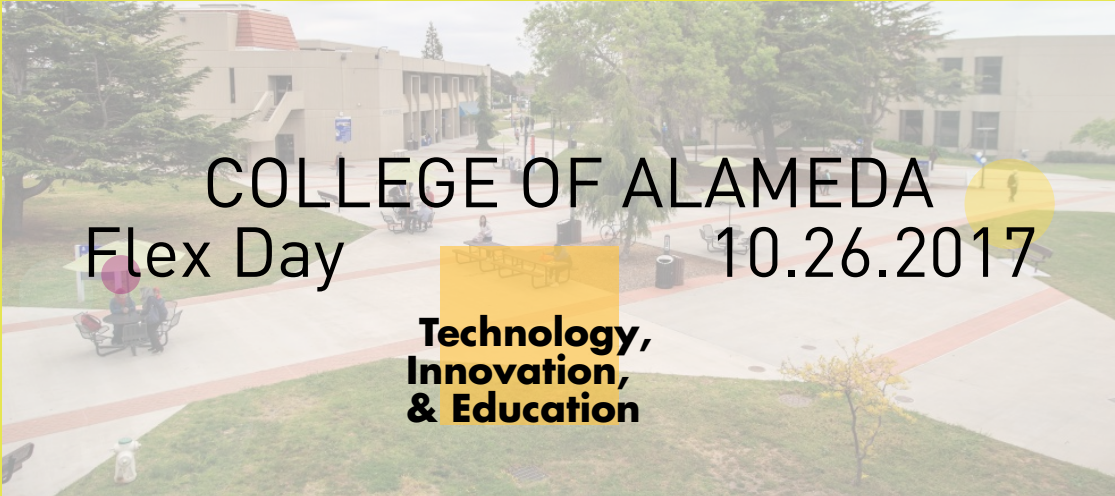
coasplash@peralta.edu. See past issues at: alameda.peralta.edu/office-of-the-president/coa-splash-newsletters/

The deadline to submit items for the Splash newsletter has moved to the Friday before the publication date. See below for deadlines and publication dates. Mark your calendars and make your Splash!



Deadline	Publication Date
Friday, Nov. 10	Thursday Nov. 16
Friday, Dec. 1	Thursday Dec. 7

Correction: the article titled Citywide College Night in the October 12, 2017, edition of *Splash*, inadvertently omitted recognizing CoA Instructor **Blair Norton** and his student for representing Diesel Mechanics at the event.



PROGRAM

Location: F Building

8:15 am - 9:00 am



Continental Breakfast & Flex Day Introduction
COA Professional Development Committee



9:00 am - 12:00 pm



Keynote Speaker
Shawn Vandergiff (Apple Computers)



12:00 pm - 1:00 pm



Working Lunch
Joint Divisional Meeting (Myron Jordan, Ana McClanahan, Lilia Celhay, & Eva Jennings)
LOCATION: F BUILDING



FACULTY WORKSHOPS 1:00 - 2:00 PM

Title: Walking for Health

Description: Why this simple form of activity can be your best health insurance. This workshop will cover health benefits, technique & safety tips, warm-ups and post-walk stretches, interval walking, and heart rate monitoring. Wear walking shoes, comfortable clothing, and a hat that provides sun protection.

Location: **G111**
Facilitator: Sue Altenbach

Title: Faculty as Learners: Developing Thinking Communities

Description: "The shifting demographics of faculty ranks, expansion of faculty work, and the press for accountability and revenue production place new demands on today's faculty. Collaborating with other faculty members is one option for easing workload demands and reinvigorating faculty members as they approach their teaching and research" (Eddy, P.L. and Garza Mitchell, R.L., 2012).

Join us as we seek to develop a cross-campus Faculty Thinking Community here at COA. You will learn more about Thinking Communities and help develop a focus for this community launch in Spring 2018.

Location: **C105**
Facilitator: Carolyn Johnson

CANVAS OPEN OFFICE HOURS



1:00 - 3:00 PM
IN A228 with
Jeff Sanceri

FACULTY WORKSHOPS 2:00 - 3:00 PM

Title: Curriculum Development 101

Description: Overview of the Curriculum Development Process

Location: **C109**
Facilitator: Vinh Pham

Title: Canvas 101 - The Transition to Peralta's New Learning Management System

Description: This session will introduce the process for transitioning to Canvas next year and provide a brief overview of the platform

Location: **D114**
Facilitator: Jennifer Fowler

Title: Writing Assignments for Non-Writing Classes: Good for Students, Better, (& Easy) for Instructors

Description: Frustrated by the disappointing quality of student writing in your classes? Has that caused you to avoid writing HW? You're not alone. Yet, studies show that student success improves with more writing, not less; even bad writing, even writing that no one reads. This workshop will answer questions about this surprising phenomenon and introduce ways to re-incorporate writing back into your classes, writing that will improve student success and help make teaching fun again.

Location: **C105**
Facilitator: Jay Rubin



Our Mission

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

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.