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## President's Corner: Time Flies

This semester has flown by at a rapid pace. It's hard to believe that our students soon will be taking their final exams. This is a period that can be both joyful and stressful for them. Your efforts in supporting their academic success are especially appreciated. This also is the season that we endeavor to help others. To that end, the College, in partnership with the Alameda Fire Department, will have a Toys for Tots drop-off box on campus. The box will be located in the A building lobby until our holiday celebration on December 5, when the box will be moved to the F Building. If you are so inspired, unwrapped toys are much appreciated. This year, the program is especially in need of crafts, sports balls, and other items for the older children.

On another topic, I recently wrote an Opinion Editorial titled "Big Data Comes to College of Alameda," which was published in the *Oakland Post* on November 25, 2017. The editorial highlights how, increasingly, businesses and other organizations use "big data" systems to drive strategic decision making and product development. The editorial highlights "big data" related courses that will be taught at CoA in the

upcoming spring semester. If you are interested in reading more, the full text is available [here](#).

Speaking of data concepts, as the fall 2017 semester concludes, we are evaluating our current participatory governance structures and processes. If you haven't already participated, today is the last day to submit your responses to a [10-minute survey](#). The results of the survey will play an important part in developing effective mechanisms for working together on behalf of our students' success. Thank you for your participation. I look forward to seeing many of you at our holiday gathering on December 5, 2017, from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the F Building.

Sincerely,

Timothy Karas, Ed.D.

President



*College of Alameda student Mylla Truong speaks and is a panelist and Peer Outreach Advisor Dyonis answers questions about CoA at the Civic Leadership Conference at Laney College on Saturday, Oct. 21, 2017.*

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## Tabling, Tours, and Presentations: The Magic of Student Testimonials

The Outreach Department has been busy hosting and coordinating multiple efforts while simultaneously collaborating with District-wide outreach efforts. Recently, we have had the opportunity to participate in an OUSD Principal's Breakfast and the Civic Leadership Conference, both coordinated by PCCD. The Outreach Department also had the opportunity to present our marketing and outreach plan to the Strategic Enrollment Management Committee. The College received praise for incorporating student workers into its Outreach Team.

In recent weeks the Outreach Department also has presented College of Alameda Overviews to groups of potential students at both Millennium High School in Piedmont and the OYE College Workshop at the Unity Council in the Fruitvale District of Oakland. Peer Outreach Advisors **Dyonis** and **Erik** jumped right into answering questions from a student perspective. Student Outreach Team members provide highly valued expert testimony based on their first-hand experiences and knowledge of the College. We are looking forward to presenting to multiple advisory classes at Island High School in the upcoming weeks.

We have tabled at multiple events within the last two months. Two of our most exciting and rewarding events were the *Civic Leadership Conference*, hosted at Laney College, and the *Career Symposium* held at the King Estates Campus, which houses Rudsdale Continuation High School and Sojourner Truth Independent Study.

**Mylla Truong**, a member of our Student Government and MESA, spoke to a Laney College cafeteria full of students, parents, and other colleges and organizations as a panelist at the *Civic Pride Leadership Conference* on Saturday, October 21, 2017. Seeing one of our own students give a heartwarming and honest testimonial of her experience as a College of Alameda student genuinely made us proud. On Thursday, November 2, 2017, Peer Outreach Advisors **Ilse** and **Erik** joined Outreach Specialist **Natalie Rodriguez** at the Career Symposium on King Estates. Erik and Ilse shared their unique perspectives and experiences as CoA students and were so popular that they ran out of Outreach Department business cards requested by prospective CoA students! As an Alumna of Sojourner Truth, Ilse was able to connect with and inspire students on a personal level.

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Nov. 21 Tabling at Island High School College Fair  
 Nov. 28 Radio Interview with KRZZ 93.3 FM La Raza (To air Sunday Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>)  
 Nov. 30 Campus Tour with Alameda Community Learning Center  
 Nov. 30 Aviation Maintenance Technology Program OUSD Open House

**Outreach Upcoming Events:**

Dec. 4 Campus Tour for AUSD Students  
 Dec. 7 Presentation at Island High School  
 Dec. 11 Presentation at La Clinica de La Raza's Community Health Education Department  
 Dec. 14 Presentation at Island High School

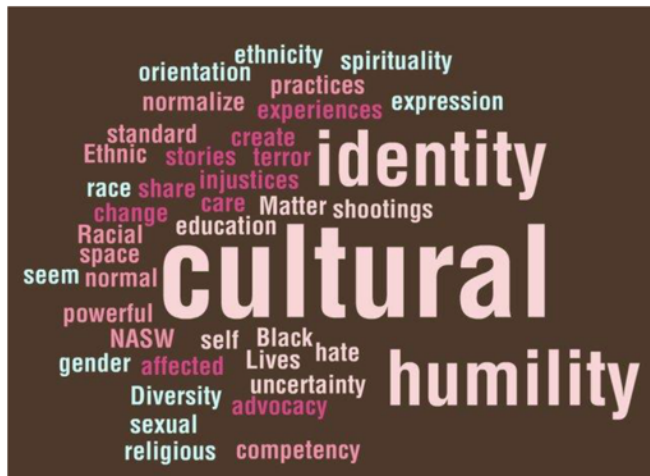
**Outreach Past Events:**

Oct. 27 Campus Tour with LPS Oakland  
 Nov. 1 UndocuAlly Workshop: Resources for Undocumented Families at COA and Beyond  
 Nov. 2 Career Symposium on King Estates Campus  
 Nov. 4 Tabling at Raza College Day at Chabot College  
 Nov. 9 Tabling at the Veteran's Job & Resource Center aboard the USS Hornet (in collaboration with the Veterans Resource Center)  
 Nov. 14 Presentation at Millennium High School  
 Nov. 15 Presentation at OYE College Workshop at the Unity Council  
 Nov. 17 Campus Tour with the CIL

*Submitted by Outreach Specialist Natalie Rodriguez. . Photos by Natalie Rodriguez and King Estates Staff.*

**COLLEGE WIDE EVENT  
 DECEMBER 1, 2017  
 8:30-4:00**

COA STUDENT CENTER 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR (PIT)  
*Breakfast & lunch will be served*



*Introduction to  
 Cultural Humility*

A full day institute where participants will be able to...

- ❖ Define cultural humility
- ❖ Articulate the difference between competence and humility
- ❖ Define cultural humility and its role within a larger equity-framework
- ❖ Practice culturally humble engagement, and application of the four core principles.

**COLLEGE WIDE  
 EVENT!**

MOVING FROM  
 EQUITY TO  
 LIBERATION...

JOIN US IN  
 CELEBRATING OUR  
 DIVERSITY AND  
 MOVING FROM  
 CULTURAL  
 COMPETENCY TO  
 HUMILITY!

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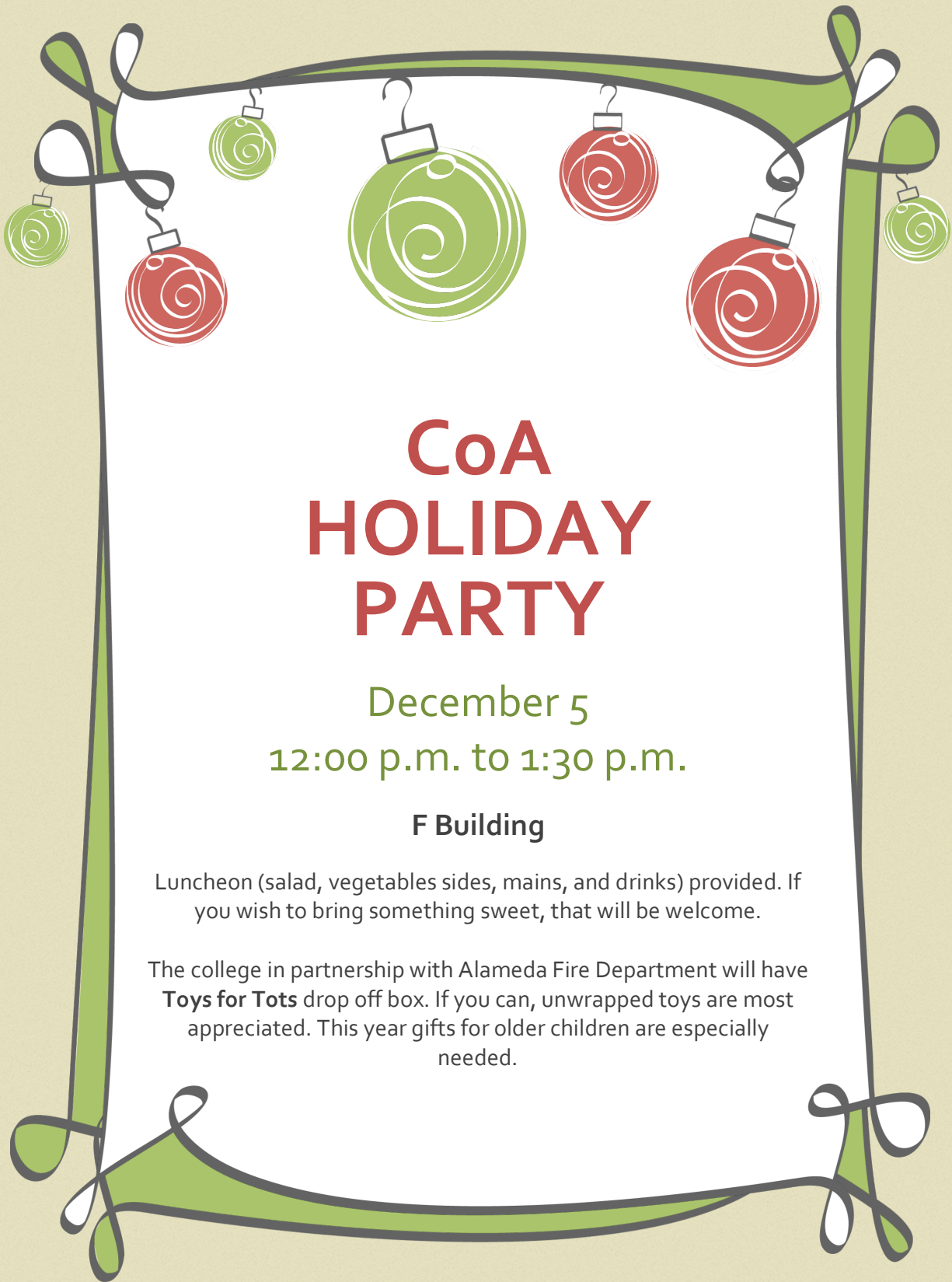
This session will be led by Dr. **Veronica Neal.**

Dr. Neal is an organizational equity and cultural humility specialist with close to three decades of experience as a diversity and social justice educator, trainer, coach and consultant. She holds certifications as a diversity professional, integral coach and community conflict mediator.

Veronica brings to her teaching and consulting practice the theories of justice-based leadership, cultural humility and multicultural education from her graduate studies as well as her practical experience coaching, organizing, facilitating, and teaching. Her focus is on developing cultural humility across the lifespan, peace and social justice praxis, equity change management, unconscious/unexamined bias and oppression transformation, and attitudinal healing.

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# CoA HOLIDAY PARTY

December 5  
12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

## F Building

Luncheon (salad, vegetables sides, mains, and drinks) provided. If you wish to bring something sweet, that will be welcome.

The college in partnership with Alameda Fire Department will have **Toys for Tots** drop off box. If you can, unwrapped toys are most appreciated. This year gifts for older children are especially needed.



SAVING OUR CHILDREN THROUGH THE ARTS  
**HOLIDAY VOCAL RECITAL**  
**URBAN MUSIC AND  
HIGHER EDUCATION**

College of Alameda Department of Music

December 7, 2017

10:30 A.M. to Noon

Building G, Room 119, located in CoA's Department of Music

555 Ralph Appezato Memorial Pkwy, Alameda, CA

FREE Admission

Join us for this special performance focusing on Urban Music and Higher Education, featuring College of Alameda Vocal Students, renown guest artist Hope Briggs, New York Metropolitan Opera Finalist, and motivational speaker Dr. James Lance Taylor, noted author and University of San Francisco Academic Scholar. Conducted by CoA Music Professors Glen Pearson, Dept. Chair, and Silvester Carl Henderson.

For more information call 510.748.2312 or 925.565.6107.

## Join Us on December 7 at 10:30 a.m. for a Special Holiday Vocal Recital

This uplifting musical and spoken word event will feature honored guests, including critically acclaimed Verdi Soprano **Hope Briggs** and noted Author, Professor, and University of San Francisco Professor Dr. **James Lance Taylor**.

A presentation of the College of Alameda Music Department, the concert will be conducted by CoA Music Professors **Glen Pearson**, department chair, and **Silvester Carl Henderson**.

**Hope Briggs** is known for the depth and beauty of her voluptuous voice. Ms. Briggs is hailed as “an artist of vocal sensitivity, theatrical wisdom and integrity.” Ms. Briggs is a Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions National Finalist, Metropolitan Opera International Vocal Competition Award Winner, and recipient of an Encouragement Award from the Licia Albanese Puccini Foundation. She also is featured performing the role of Emma Hyer, in the documentary film: *Voices for Freedom - The Hyers Sisters' Legacy*.

Our inspirational speaker, **Dr. James Lance Taylor**, is the author of the book *Black Nationalism in the United States: From Malcolm X to Barack Obama*, which earned the 2011 "Outstanding Academic Title" - Choice: Current Reviews for Academic Libraries (January 2012). He is the Immediate Past President of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists (NCOBPS), an important organization of African American, African, and Afro Caribbean political scientists in the United States. Professor Taylor is currently writing and researching a book with the working title, *Peoples Temple, Jim Jones, and California Black Politics*. He expects the book to be completed with a 2018-2019 publication. The book is a study of the Peoples Temple movement and African American political history in the state of California.

Submitted by Music Department Chair Glen Pearson and Music Professor Silvester Carl Henderson

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## La Nouveau Nut Holiday Dance Performance

**Date: Friday, December 8, 2017**  
**Time: 7:30 p.m.**  
**Place: COA Dance Studio: G-111**  
**Free Admission**

College of Alameda Dance students, under the direction of Professor **Danny Nguyen**, invite you to their holiday concert, "La Nouveau Nut". This year's performance casts a new twist on the traditional Nutcracker theme. Sugar Plum Fairies from Cuba, France, China, and Spain will join creative forces with Waltzing Flowers from the Mideast, Vietnam, Russia, and Haiti to create an evening of non-traditional whimsy and beauty. Please come and join in the fun!

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## 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](mailto:coasplash@peralta.edu). See past issues at: [alameda.peralta.edu/office-of-the-president/coa-splash-newsletters/](http://alameda.peralta.edu/office-of-the-president/coa-splash-newsletters/)

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



<b>Deadline</b>	<b>Publication Date</b>
<b>Mon., Dec.11, 10 a.m.</b>	<b>Thurs., Dec. 14</b>