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President's Corner: \$3 Million Federal Grant

We recently received some great news for our Aviation Maintenance Technology (AMT) program and for our Veterans' Resource Center.

On September 27, 2018, U.S. Secretary of Commerce **Wilbur Ross** announced in a press release that the Department's Economic Development Administration (EDA) is awarding a \$3 million grant to the Peralta Community College District for the renovation and expansion of CoA's Aviation Technology Maintenance (AMT) facility. This is great news for both the College and local employers. There is high demand for AMT graduates and the program plays a critical role regionally in providing qualified aircraft technicians for airlines, including United Airlines and Alaska Airlines. The EDA grant will allow the College to serve more students by building additional instructional space and modernizing existing AMT facilities. Special thanks to PCCD Trustees and Chancellor Laguerre for their support, and to AMT Department Chair **Hoi Ko**,

Aviation Site Supervisor **Ester Cheng**, Dean **Eva Jennings** and interim (former) Dean **Karen Engel** for their good work on the application process.

Veterans Resource Center Receives a \$100,000 Grant

The California Community Colleges Board of Governors recently approved \$8.5 million in grant funding to expand and bolster 29 California Community Colleges' Veterans Resource Centers. The grant funding was awarded directly to eligible colleges through a competitive process. Grant awards ranged from \$68,997 to \$200,000 depending on program size and need. The CoA Veterans Resource Center has been awarded a \$100,000 grant to bolster its program. CoA's

Veterans Resource Center opened its doors in November 2015. Currently, more than 90 of the 114 California community college campuses have a Veterans Resource Center. Special thanks to **La Shawn Brumfield**, Dean **Amy Lee**, and Vice President of Student Services **Tina Vasconcellos** for their work on writing and submitting the grant.

Sincerely,



Timothy Karas, Ed.D.
President



CoA President Karas, Alameda Mayor Trish Herrera Spencer, Alameda Chamber of Commerce President Michael McDonough, students, faculty, staff, and community members at the FabLab Grand Opening. Photo credit: Faiza Ali.

CoA FabLab Opening A Great Success

The CoA FabLab Grand Opening on Thursday, September 27, 2018, drew a crowd of enthusiastic participants. FabLab staff provided demonstrations of the lab's impressive equipment and capabilities. For more information about FabLab workshops or to reserve time on a particular piece of equipment go to: <https://coa.makernet.work/#/>



Congratulations to CTE Dean Eva Jennings

Congratulations to CoA Career and Technical Education (CTE) Dean **Eva Jennings** who has been elected as President of the California Community College Association for Occupational Education (CCCAOE) Board of Directors, 2018-19. CCCAOE has been a major advocate for strong workforce funding and other initiatives supporting excellence in career education teaching and learning. CoA and PCCD benefit from the experiences and knowledge gained by individuals, like Dean Jennings, who volunteer for leadership roles.

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Free Dental Radiographs Will Be Offered Starting Late November

CoA Dental Assisting (DA) program students will be offering free dental radiographs for any College faculty, staff, or students starting in late November on Wednesdays and Fridays only. Those interested in taking advantage of this free service may make an appointment by calling the DA department at (510) 748- 2262. No walk-ins please. The DA program can accept 24 patients this semester and another 72 patients starting in early January.

Submitted by Dental Assisting Instructor Juanita Tyree, jtyree@peralta.edu

Special Event Planned for Students Interested in Law School

CoA's Debate and Law Club and the Community Change and Urban Leadership Initiative have planned a special panel presentation titled Destination Law School. The event is open to students and the general public free of charge and will take place on Tuesday, October 23, 2018, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the F Building Pit at CoA. Destination Law School is a program that has been developed by the San Francisco Bar Association's Justice and Diversity Center especially for diverse pre-law and college students. Participants will learn how to prepare for the Law School Admission Test (LSAT), better understand specific areas of legal practice, learn about internship opportunities, and more. Cosponsors for the event include: University of San Francisco School of Law, University of California at Davis School of Law, Santa Clara University School of Law, Golden Gate University School of Law, and the College of Alameda Community Change and Urban Leadership Initiative.

Submitted by Professor Robert J. Brem, CoA Community Change & Urban Leadership, rbrem@peralta.edu



Partnership with Food Shift Provides Free Meals for Students

Thanks to a generous grant from the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO), CoA's Office of Student Activities has partnered with Food Shift to provide a limited number of free vegetarian grab and go breakfast meals for students. The program serves meals Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. through October 30, 2018. Students must present a current student ID to participate.

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CoA's gym was full of enthusiastic students for Citywide College Night on Tuesday, October 2, 2018.

CoA Hosts Citywide College Night

On behalf of the Outreach Department and the entire planning committee, we would like to thank all involved in making the 28th Annual Citywide College Night a huge success!

On Tuesday, October 2, 2018, CoA hosted the 28th Annual Citywide College Night in the gym. The event is a joint effort of the Alameda Unified School District, College of Alameda, Diocese of Oakland, and St. Joseph Notre Dame High School. CoA was the only PCCD college at the event. Due to much higher than anticipated attendance we quickly ran out of event programs.

Thank you to **Vivian Virkilla** for once again hosting a wonderful transfer workshop on behalf of CoA. Thank you to **MaryBeth Benvenuto** for ensuring that our guests had free parking and were not ticketed during the event. Thank you to **Shuntel Nathaniel** for coordinating and executing our facilities request. Thank you to Coach **Linda Thompson** for allowing us to once again use the gym and arranging athletics activities outside of the gym during this time. Thank you to **Shawn Foster** for assisting with the public address (PA) system set-up and tear down; **Nickey Chao** for assisting with special supplies and materials; Financial Aid student workers **Alicia Lin** and **Shirley Shen**; and to **Michael Duensing** for assisting with setup.

And last, but certainly not least, a very special THANK YOU to our custodial team for their efficiency and smiles. This is a big event that requires a lot of set-up and tear-down time and our team executes this flawlessly.

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The Outreach Team is Complete!

Outreach would like to Welcome **Nakia Barefield** to the team! The Outreach Team is now composed of three Peer Outreach Advisors (student workers), **Nakia, Emily, and Erik. Ilse Gonzalez**, who was a long-time Peer Outreach Advisor, has recently been promoted to Outreach Staff Assistant.

The Outreach Office is located on the second floor of the library in Room L235, behind the elevator. We provide campus tours, DSPS campus tours, CoA overview presentations, information tables at events, and more! Feel free to learn more about our department by visiting <http://alameda.peralta.edu/outreach/>.

Past Events:

- September 29, Tabling at the 22nd Annual Back-to-School Shoe Giveaway
- October 2, Citywide College Night
- October 4, Presentation at a CoA Non-Credit Course
- October 6, Tabling at the Oakland Black Cowboy Parade & Festival
- October 8, Tabling at San Leandro Unified School District College Night
- October 9, Tabling at Oakland Unified School District College Night
- October 10, Presentation at Ralph Bunche Academy

Upcoming Events:

- October 12, Campus Tour for Leadership Public Schools (LPS) Oakland R&D Campus
- October 13, Tabling at the Downtown Alameda Classic Car Show
- October 16, Presentation at The Unity Council
- October 19, Presentation at ASPIRE Lionel Wilson College Preparatory Academy
- October 20, Tabling on behalf of PCCD at College Information Day at UC Berkeley
- October 24, Campus Tour for Oakland International High School
- October 26, DSPS Campus Tour

Submitted by Outreach Specialist Natalie Rodriguez. Photos by Peer Outreach Advisers, Emily Li and Erik Zavala.

Fall 2018 Wellness Workshops

Events are held in the F-building pit (unless otherwise noted) at noon. Feel free to bring & eat lunch



Wednesday, October 17th

Healthy Eating – Learn how to eat well and understand the difference between BMI, weight, and health.

Wednesday, October 24th

Identity and Systems of Oppression - How do our various identities interact with power, privilege, and intersecting systems of oppression? How do they change the ways in which we interact with and see others?

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Youth In Mind 4th Day Of Healing Event Attracts Over 100 Participants

On behalf of the many community partners who came together at College of Alameda on Saturday September 22, 2018, we want to show gratitude to the more than 100 members of the East Bay Community who were able to enjoy the Youth In Mind 4th Day Of Healing Event.

Participants took part in a variety of activities, including wellness circles, wellness recovery action planning, drumming, Latin dancing, restorative yoga, Capoeira, traditional healing, and community arts.

We were introduced to the various social services available in the East Bay designed to help people in various need of healing. Attendees enjoyed youth performances, were inspired by stories of resilience, won awesome wellness prizes, and expressed themselves at the open mic.

We at the Community Change & Urban Leadership Guided Pathway Initiative look forward to cosponsoring and hosting more events like this at CoA.

Our thanks to President Tim Karas and the CoA leadership team for their continued support for CCUL!

Submitted by Professor Robert J. Brem, CoA Community Change & Urban Leadership, rbrem@peralta.edu

FALL CONCERT

SERIES

IN THE QUAD (OR F-BUILDING, PIT RAIN LOCATION)

Upgrade your lunch hour.

Come listen to local Bay Area musicians. And enjoy a **free lunch!**

TUESDAY OCTOBER 16TH

Elaine Ryan

Lunch: Puerto Rican empanadas and other delights. By Mission Boricua.



TUESDAY NOVEMBER 6TH

Open Mic

Students, staff and faculty are invited to perform. Sign-up at <https://tinyurl.com/coaopenmic>

Lunch: Chicken and waffle cupcakes by Waffle Roost.



TUESDAY DECEMBER 4TH

The Singer and The Songwriter

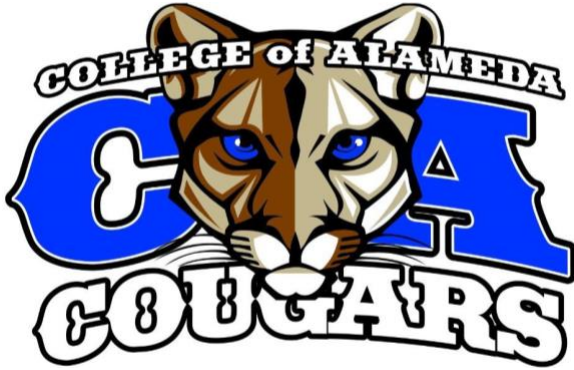
Lunch: An assortment of macaroni and cheese options. By Homeroom Mac + Cheese.



Office of Student Activities, 510-748-5296, F-217



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Cougars Volleyball Home Game Schedule

Wednesday, October 17, vs Yuba College

Wednesday, October 31, vs Contra Costa College

Like Us at www.facebook.com/AlamedaVolleyball

Save the Date – CoA’s Mid-Term Fall College Flex Day is Thursday October 25th, 2018

Our Mid-Term Fall College Flex day is Thursday October 25th, 2018. (There is no instruction on this date.) If you would like to facilitate a workshop or have professional development needs/ideas for the upcoming flex day, please email a brief description and advise us of any equipment/room requests to ssandhu@peralta.edu. We request that you submit your proposals/needs prior to Friday, September 28, 2018.

Thanks and we’re looking forward to your proposals,

Your Professional Development Committee

Submitted by Sabeen Sandhu, ssandhu@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: coasplash@peralta.edu.

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

The **deadline** to submit your news for the next *Splash* is **October 19.**



Upcoming Splash Fall 2018

Deadline/Publication Dates

Oct 19/Oct 25

Nov 2/ Nov 8

Nov 16/Nov 29

Dec 6/Dec 13