

THIS WEEK

Continuing

- » 19th Annual Student Juried Photography Exhibition continues through May 14.

8 • Friday

- » “People in Motion” dance concert, Theater, 8 p.m.

9 • Saturday

- » Cypress College Piano Competition 2009, FA 2nd & 3rd floors, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.
- » Cypress College Piano Awards Concert, FA 304, 2-5 p.m.
- » “People in Motion” dance concert, Theater, 8 p.m.

10 • Sunday

- » “People in Motion” dance concert, Theater, 4 p.m.

11 • Monday

- » Scholarship Awards, Theater, 1 p.m.

12 • Tuesday

- » NOCCCD Board of Trustees meeting, Anaheim Campus, 5:30 p.m.

14 • Thursday

- » Academic Senate meeting, CCCPLX-419, 3-5 p.m.

16 • Saturday

- » “Voices 2009” presented by the Cypress Masterworks Chorale, Theater, 7 p.m.

17 • Sunday

- » “Voices 2009” presented by the Cypress Masterworks Chorale, Theater, 4 p.m.

THEY SAID IT

“A successful team beats with one heart.”

– Unknown

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Core Values:

Excellence

Integrity

Collegiality

Inclusiveness

Employees Recognized for Service to Students at Year-End Event

► Cypress College employees were thanked for their contributions to the college’s students at the end of another successful academic year.

Cypress College’s End-of-the-Year Celebration is an annual tradition and an opportunity to gather as a college community in an informal setting to celebrate the completion of another successful academic year, and recognize the contributions of time and talent of a number of colleagues.

The program consists of three segments:

- 1) Recognizing those who have reached (or will reach by December of 2007) their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 30th, 35th,

and 40th year with the North Orange County Community College District.

- 2) Honoring nine Cypress College employees who have shared 25 years of their lives with this college community and one who has 40 years of service; and
- 3) Recognizing Cypress College and SCE retirees who will be leaving us at the end of this academic year and those who have already left during this past year

5 YEARS WITH NOCCCD: Arturo Almaraz; Anna Andersen (SCE); Gonzalo Arenas; Jesus Caloretti; Christopher Carmichael; Brian Dean; Nina Demarkey; Sonia Duran; Philip Dykstra; Gregory Eng; Karla Fajardo; Akiko Gotoh; Richard Hock; Steven Marshall ; Renee

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Chelsea Oldfield, a 4.0 Student and Two-Sport Athlete is Named Outstanding Graduate for 2009



Chelsea Oldfield

Chelsea Oldfield, a 4.0 student and a member of both the women’s basketball and volleyball teams, has been selected as Cypress College’s Outstanding Graduate for 2009. Oldfield, a resident of Bellflower, is a Liberal Arts major who will continue her education in the fall at Azusa Pacific University, where she will study nursing.

A history of success, is not new to Oldfield: she is a graduate of Calvary Chapel Downey High School, where she also earned a 4.0 GPA and was salutatorian for the graduating class of 2007.

“Our new motto this year for the Lady Chargers women’s basketball team is ‘Our Best, Nothing Less,’” Oldfield wrote in an essay that was submitted as part of the nomination process for Graduate of the Year. “It has always been my aspiration to give my all in whatever I do whether it is on the court, in the classroom, or at home.”

At Calvary Chapel, Oldfield said she was encouraged to apply to universities such as USC and those in the Cal State and University of California systems.

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Athletics Teams Making Post-Season Runs; Baseball, Softball at Home this Weekend

Cypress College’s baseball and softball teams — two of those competing in post-season contests — will host playoff games on campus beginning today. A golfer and two members of the tennis team are competing for state titles.

The softball team hosts a second-round regional playoff series on

Saturday and Sunday versus L.A. Mission College, while the baseball team is home to Allan Hancock today and tomorrow.

Meanwhile, freshman golfer Scott Sexton has qualified for the State Championships, which take place on Monday in Murrieta, and

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EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED: End-of-the-Year Celebration Event was Held Tuesday to Honor Service to Students

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Myles (SCE); Amelia Mosley; Jose Recinos; Molly Schulp; Teresa Sestito; Craig Tomooka; Monica Torres (SCE); Kimberly Tran; and Cathy Wells.

10 YEARS WITH NOCCCD: Melisa Barrios; Glenn Bower; Penny Chin; James Dedic; Veronica Del Campo; Joseph Gallo; Marylou Garibaldi; David Gill; Janet Gout (SCE); Jolena Grande; Carol Green; Paul Hamblin; Lydia Jewell; Susan Klein; Renay Laguana-Ferri; Ruben Martinez; Debra McPherson; Deborah Michelle; Alex Mintzer; Hoan Nguyen; Joyce Patti; Kevin Peery; Soni Schneider; Daniel Snook; Brinda Subramaniam; Frances Wahl; Susan Weil; and Gary Zager.

15 YEARS WITH NOCCCD: Monica Doman; Carol Harvey; and Chaolin Mao.

20 YEARS WITH NOCCCD: Joan Daniels; Betty Germanero; Stephen Gold; Ida Ho (SCE); Daniel Kawahara; John Marzolo; Gary Schillo; Robert Simpson; Vicki Sykes; Ambika Talwar; and Farid Zoudo.

30 YEARS WITH NOCCCD: Dean Day (SCE); and Hoang Nguyen.

35 YEARS WITH NOCCCD: James Arbogast; Virginia Derakhshanian; and Dan Stephens.

25-YEAR CYPRESS COLLEGE EMPLOYEES: Linda Cooper, Library; Phillip Grisotti, M&O; Jacqueline Ha, Financial Aid; Joe Martinez, M&O; Anna Marie Novisoff, Fine Arts; Anita Rogers, Production Center; Cathy San Roman, M&O; Charles Sherard, Career Technical Ed; and Donna Woo, Business/CIS.

40-YEAR CYPRESS COLLEGE EMPLOYEE: Allen Mottershead, Science/Engineering/Math

RETIREES AWARDS: Pamela Bettendorf; Jerry Burchfield; Michael Capsuto; Linda Cooper; Steve Gold; Jeanne Higgins; Peggy Miller; Noreen O'Brien; Tom Parisi; Robert Parelli; Charles Sherard; Vicki Sykes; and Carol Welsh.

[Photos from the event are available on the College's Flickr photo site.](#)

OUTSTANDING GRADUATE: Chelsea Oldfield, a Two-Sport Honor-Roll Student, is the Outstanding Graduate for 2009

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"I knew those places weren't for me; not yet at least," she said. "I didn't feel that I was ready to make that big of a transition. That is, until I came to Cypress College. I chose to come to Cypress because I knew that it would help me make a smooth transition between high school and a four-year university."

The college's strong reputation for its top-notch Nursing Program and meeting with basketball coach Margaret Mohr were factors in selecting Cypress College, Oldfield said.

Oldfield said she developed the desire to become a nurse while in junior high, when she helped provide care after her grandmother had a stroke, suffered renal failure and had Parkinson's disease, then was diagnosed with Alzheimer's.

At Azusa Pacific, Oldfield plans to participate in the Army ROTC Program with the desire to serve as a Second Lieutenant in the Army Nursing Corps upon graduation.

Mohr, who helped bring Oldfield to Cypress College, had praise for her guard.

"As an athlete, Chelsea is a coach's dream" Mohr wrote in a letter of recommendation. "She is hardworking, committed, and possesses infectious enthusiasm. She lifted the competitive fire of her teammates everyday and set the standard in drills, conditioning and game situations.

"Although it is easy to see that Chelsea is accomplished and there are many things to admire about her, what I admire most is the type of person she is," Mohr wrote. "She is a person of values and convictions."

Her biology instructor, Luke Latham, also offered accolades: "I have many students every semester who are smart, yes, who work hard in class to meet the course objectives, yes, but rarely do I have students working with Chelsea's trifecta of strong academic skills, stellar athletic skills, and with such good humor. She brightens a course, helps other students to achieve academic success, and challenges me to create a better learning environment for all students."

Oldfield simply appreciated what she gained here.

"Cypress College opened the doors for me to meet some of the greatest professors, administrators and coaches that I would have never had the privilege to meet elsewhere," Oldfield said. "There is no other place I could have received such a high-quality education and participate in two sports."

ATHLETICS: Softball and Baseball Teams Competing in Playoffs; Golfer, Two Tennis Players in State Championships

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two tennis players are involved in the California State Championship Tournament, which began on Thursday.

Tennis player Sam Tozer qualified in both singles and doubles. He, and doubles partner Deondre Moss, are competing in the state tournament at the Natomas Racquet Club in Sacramento.

The softball team advanced to the 2nd Round Regionals with victories last weekend against Mt. San Jacinto by scores of 4-0 and 12-3. Both of those games were also played on campus.

Softball hosts L.A. Mission on Saturday at 1 p.m. and Sunday at noon. If the two teams split, a third game would take place on Sunday as well. The winner of the weekend series will move on to the State Championships.

In the final week of the regular season, the baseball team capitalized with victories over Riverside (twice), Fullerton and Santa Ana to earn a share of the Orange Empire Conference championship.

The Chargers host the Regionals with games today (Friday, May 8) at 2 p.m. and tomorrow at 11 a.m.

Coach Scott Pickler this week was named co-coach of the year for the OEC, joining four other Cypress College coaches who earned similar honors this season. Brother Brad Pickler earned his fourth consecutive OEC coach of the year title this season. Margaret Mohr, Jeff Benito, and Larry Beidler also were coaches of the year in the Orange Empire Conference.

Nine members of the baseball team were also named to either first-team or second-team all star selections this week.

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