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

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

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.

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