



BOARD REPORT

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New Cerro Coso website to be featured on Microsoft Website and Newsletter

Cerro Coso's website, www.cerrocoso.edu, was showcased in the December 2002 issue of *Microsoft FrontPage FanZine*, a newsletter designed for users of the FrontPage web development software. The site will also be featured in the FrontPage Gallery in the Community portion of the Microsoft FrontPage website. The primary team involved in developing the new website is Ken Bergevin, Director of Learning Support Services, Cori Ratliff, Instructional Design Specialist, and Darrin Wilson, Network Administrator.

The article included information relating to the goals, requirements, and design issues of the site. It also featured information regarding problem solving and how FrontPage was utilized to accomplish the redesign. The article also highlight the outstanding features of our website, the steps involved in project design,

implementation, and testing; and the tasks involved in maintaining the project updates, maintenance, and monitoring of a large community college website.

GREAT FRONTPAGE-BASED WEB SITES

Cerro Coso Community College offers online classes and other educational opportunities for teachers and students in the desert, mountain, and valley communities of Eastern California. They recently decided to redesign their Web site, launching an entirely new look and feel and making site maintenance easier to manage. FrontPage has been their primary development tool since 1997. CCCC wanted to make better use of the latest features in FrontPage 2002 to enhance the CCCC Web site so that it would more accurately reflect educational trends as well as meet community needs and expectations. Check it out at <http://www.microsoft.com/frontpage/evaluation/gallery/cerrocoso.htm>

Student of the Semester



In December, Amber Hanson was announced as Cerro Coso Alumni Association "Student of the Semester" for fall 2002. A special luncheon was held to recognize Ms. Hanson as an outstanding student. Ms. Hanson attends the IWV campus.

Two full-time faculty members, Christine Swiridoff and Jim Manion, nominated Ms. Hanson for the award. Amber has been a student at Cerro Coso since the spring of 2000. She has maintained a GPA of 3.91 taking on a tough academic schedule in preparation for the teaching profession by transferring to a four-year institution in fall 2003.

Amber graduated from Mesquite High School in early spring 2000, three months early, where she received many honors and awards, including being the valedictorian. She received a Fire Mountain Foun-

dation Scholarship, Associated Students Scholarship, and Gilbert Plain Scholarship, all in 2001. In 2002, she again received the Gilbert Plain Scholarship, along with the Lorraine McClung Scholarship.

But it was not primarily for these obviously outstanding academic achievements that Amber was nominated for this award. She was nominated for the cheerful and steadfast way in which Amber has applied herself to the challenges and opportunities of Cerro Coso that make her truly outstanding. She currently holds four part-time jobs, totaling to well over the equivalent of one full-time job, in order to support herself and her 3-year old daughter, Anna Marie. In addition, she is a Teacher's Aide for an online program and a private tutor for non-Cerro Coso students.

Local Educator Selected to Attend Prestigious Institute



Patricia A. Knapik, Vice President of Student Learning of Cerro Coso

Community College was selected as one of only thirty-eight community college leaders to attend the prestigious Executive Leadership Institute sponsored by the League for Innovation in the Community College in cooperation with the University of Texas at Austin and the Institute for Community College Development at Cornell University. A national panel selected the thirty-eight participants from a pool of approximately 100 applicants holding senior-level positions of leadership in Community Colleges.

Jerry Sue Thornton, Board President of the League for Innovation, said, "the Review panel was extremely impressed with the quality of the applicants, which speaks well for the future vitality of the Community College."

The purpose of the institute (held in Tempe Arizona, December 8-13, 2002) is to provide an opportunity for potential community college presidents or those in transition to review their abilities and interests, to refine their skills, and to participate in discussions on leadership with outstanding community college leaders in North America.

The faculty of the institute was drawn from among outstanding community college leaders across North America. Faculty members include community college chief executive officers, experts in leadership development, trustees of community colleges, presidential search

consultants, and other prominent figures—including members of the League for Innovation Board of Directors.

The League is an international association dedicated to catalyzing the potential of the community college movement. The League hosts conferences and institutes, develops Web resources, conducts research, produces publications, provides services, and leads projects and initiatives with member colleges, corporate partners, and other agencies in a continuing effort to make a positive difference for students and communities.

Cerro Coso Hosts Performances of the Nutcracker Ballet



Cerro Coso hosted two performances of the Nutcracker Ballet, Saturday, December 14 at 8:00 PM and Sunday, December 15 at 2:00 PM in the Cerro Coso Lecture Center.

The cast includes children and adults from many communities in the Kern and Antelope Valley counties.

Bakersfield: Phillip Fernandez, Stephanie Gates, Natalia and Sasha Mallory, Jennifer Perry, and Pamela Wilson

Boron: Paul and Robert Keim

California City: Terri Black, Kiri and Shani Fledderjohn, Crystal and Loretta Warren, and Kimberly Wofford

Edwards: Nicholas Lindel

Mojave: Codi Babcock, Samantha DeRobles, Veronica and Felicia Hogan, Raquel Kelly, William Lange, Carina, Goerge and Kathryn Lara, Lourdes Ocequera, Caitlynn and Christopher Spangle

Palmdale: Joanna and Will Kreiger, Kimberly and Damian Rickman, and Lesley Stiver

Ridgecrest: Lainey Butler, Nocole Christman, Cortnie Day, Sarah Garcia, Rachel Layfield, Thomas Mattingly, Noel Maza, and Rachel Nielson

Rosemond: Taryn and T.J. Hermanson, Hannah and Haley McCully, Alex and Tabitha Newman, Tenina Pezzini, and Katrina Valenzuela

Tehachapi: Jana Lenker

The *Nutcracker*, a ballet in two acts, is based on Dumas' adaptation of E.T.A. Hoffman's story, *the Nutcracker and the Mouse King*. It was first produced in 1892 by the Maryinsky Theatre in St. Petersburg, Russia and has become one of the most popular and well-known ballets. It is performed by professional companies, worldwide, especially during the Christmas holiday season. Tchaikowsky wrote the music and the team of Petipa and Ivanov created the choreography. The first scene of the ballet is a Christmas party with games and dances and presents for all the guests. Drosselmeyer, a clock-and-toy-maker, has a special gift for Clara, a Nutcracker. Clara's

brother, Fritz, is rough and breaks the doll. The guests depart and the children go to bed, but Clara cannot sleep; she is thinking of her Nutcracker. She returns to the party room for her doll, but Drosselmeyer is also in the party room; he appears to enchant the room, causing the walls to disappear and the Christmas tree to grow. Enormous mice and life-size toy soldiers battle with gum-drop cannonballs, licorice rifles, and peppermint sticks. The Nutcracker and the Rat King engage in a desperate fight. Only Clara's courage saves the Nutcracker from defeat. The Nutcracker is transformed into a young Prince who invites Clara to go with him through the Forest of Fir Trees into the Kingdom of the Sweets.

In the second act, Clara and the Nutcracker enter the Kingdom of the Sweets. They are greeted by the Sugar Plum Fairy and her Cavalier. In Clara's honor, a great festival desserts, culminating the Grand Pas de Deux, danced by the Sugar Plum Fairy and her Cavalier, begins.

Lesley Stiver and Thomas Mattingly performed the roles of Sugar Plum Fairy and her Cavalier. William "Buzz" Lange performed the role of the mysterious Herr Dosslemeyer. Tenina Pezzini danced the part of Clara, the young girl who receives the marvelous Nutcracker. Damian Rickman, as the Nutcracker Prince, did battle with Phillip Fernandez, the Rat King. Pamela Wilson danced as the Snow Queen.

The production is the 9th presentation of the Nutcracker Ballet by Cerro Coso Community College. The production was funded by a grant provided from the Arts Council of Kern.

Beekley Collection Goes to ESCC Mammoth Lakes



The Beekley Collection – now a museum-size assemblage of ski paintings, posters, pins, magazine graphics and one of the world's outstanding ski libraries – will take up residence at Mammoth Lakes, CA. Agreement on the re-location of what is believed to be the largest private collection of ski books and art was reached in November by its owner, the Beekley Family Foundation, and the Mammoth Lakes Foundation. The Collection, which will be in a newly renovated hall on the college campus a couple of miles from the ski slopes, could open to the public as early as December 2003.

Mason Beekley, who died in August 2001, assembled the collection over a half century, eventually building a private museum in Connecticut, where viewing was by invitation only. In 1992, it led him to the idea of creating an association of people interested in preserving the sport's history. After starting the International Skiing History Association, Mr. Mason funded the launch of a history quarterly, *Skiing Heritage*. Mr. Mason became concerned about finding

a permanent home for his Collection about five years ago. By then he already had 2,000 books, and was well on his way to amassing a collection of 625 valuable ski posters, 2,400 ski pins, 77 pieces of sculpture, and 197 paintings of skiers and ski scenes. To locate a future home for them, he initially focused on Aspen, but no one there was prepared to commit to the expense of creating a building to house the Collection, and of a curator and the security needed to permit public viewing.



The Collection would be housed in a former college building, Edison Hall, given to the Dave McCoy-inspired Mammoth Lakes Foundation by the electricity utility, Southern California Edison. As a museum/gallery, the Beekley Collection in Edison Hall will be open to the public six or seven days a week. Renovations are underway, in hopes of opening the doors a year from now.

Cerro Coso Child Development Programs



SCIENCE/MATH JAMBOREE

The South Kern (California City) Child Development Center staff teamed with Science/Math Activities class to present a Science/Math Jamboree at the Heather Street Child Development Center on December 12, 2002.

The evening jamboree was attended by thirty-five (35) children and twenty-five (25) adults who all participated in activities involving hands-on science and/or math activities.

This is the 3rd semester that the Child Development Center staff have worked with the activities class to stage the jamboree. The purpose of the jamboree is threefold:

Student Learning. Students participate through planning, preparing and presenting activities that reflect the knowledge and skills gained in their activities class while educating families about child development.

Family Participation. Families love the opportunity to explore the work of play with their children.

Marketing College Classes. Staff answers questions and makes families aware of classes offered at South Kern.

Twenty (20) Spring 2003 class schedules were distributed at the Jamboree.

The next Jamboree will be with the Physical/Recreational Activities class at the end of the Spring 2003 semester.

NAEYC CONFERENCE – NEW YORK CITY

Cerro Coso Child Development Centers sent Associate Teachers Mai Chinh and Rachel Leckliter; and Site Supervisor Maris Wagener to New York City to attend the annual National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) conference.

“NAEYC is the nation’s largest and most influential organization of early childhood educators and others dedicated to improving the quality of programs for children from birth through third grade. NAEYC Affiliate Groups work to improve professional practice and working conditions in early childhood education and to build public support for high quality early childhood programs.”

www.naeyc.org

The 2002 Annual Conference proved to be the largest NAEYC Conference ever with well over 30,000 participants in attendance. Sessions were presented on many issues affecting the early childhood field today, including diversity, pre-literacy, challenging behaviors, assessment and documentation, advocacy, leadership development, curriculum, and many others.

All felt the conference was a valuable and a rich professional development experience.

NEW CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS REPORT IWV Learning Resource Center

Ridgecrest



The following are the accomplishments at IWV Campus through December 16, 2002:

Structural steel erection is mostly complete, bolting of soffit angles and miscellaneous welding ongoing. Second floor metal deck has been tacked down. Floor columns have been grouted and most block outs have been poured. Entry slab has been poured. Site storm drain continues on the east side of the building.

Eastern Sierra College Center

Bishop



The following are the accomplishments at Eastern Sierra College Center- Bishop Campus through December 16, 2002:

The plumbing contractor is in the process of installing the pumps and piping associated with the main mechanical rooms and mechanical yard. The mechanical contractor is installing the main duct in the mechanical rooms. The electrical contractor is installing lighting and plug and switch finish. The EIFS work is continuing with about 50% of the finished coat in place. The metal roofing contractor has begun installing the metal roof panels. The parapet cap flashing is continuing as the finish is applied to the exterior walls. The cold-formed framer is complete and taping and texturing is continuing. Toilet finishing is underway in the restrooms. Interior tack-board continues being placed in some areas and ceiling grid is mostly complete. Painting throughout the building is underway and most of the exterior glazing is complete. The casework contractor has delivered the majority of the cabinets.

Mammoth Lakes



The following are the accomplishments at Eastern Sierra College Center- Mammoth Lakes Campus through December 16, 2002:

Cold-formed framing is nearing completion, with the exception of the ceiling in the Co-Lab room. Electrical and HVAC top out are continuing throughout the building. The roofing is also near complete and the cat-walks above the ceilings have been completed. The exterior siding is nearing completion and the soffits at the entry ways are having finishes applied. The interior door and window frames have been installed and grouted in place. The insulation on the exterior walls at the west end is in progress and the mounts for the future projectors have been installed in the ceilings joist.

Cerro Coso Holiday Luncheon

On Wednesday, December 18, Cerro Coso held a college-wide holiday potluck luncheon. Faculty and staff brought main dishes, salads and desserts. The large crowd was entertained by Ken Bergevin on the sax, Jill Board on the piano, and every



one sang holiday songs. Dennis Vanderwerf shared a wonderful story with the group. Pat Knapik provided kazoo's for all those who wanted to play — Lois Bozart was the first to audition for the kazoo band and played first chair. A fun and filling time was had by all!

| CCCC Special Events Calendar Dec 2002 - Jan 2003 | |
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| December 14, 2002 | The Nutcracker Ballet 8:00 PM Cerro Coso Lecture Center |
| December 15, 2002 | The Nutcracker Ballet 2:00PM Cerro Coso Lecture Center |
| Dec. 23-27, 2002 | College Closed to the Public |
| January 20, 2003 | Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday |
| January 21, 2003 | Spring Semester Begins |
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