OUR CORE VALUES

At Cerro Coso Community College, we value:

Above all, our students and their learning and success in all areas of endeavor;

Creativity and the implementation of best practices in a rapidly changing world;

Accountability to our students for their learning experience, our communities for good stewardship of public funds, and to each other through the participatory governance process;

Diversity in students, our communities, our environment and our programs and services;

Our communities and the partnerships and relationships we build with them; and

Our faculty and staff who turn the wheels of learning.
PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of Cerro Coso Community College:

We are delighted to share with you our 2012 Community Report for Cerro Coso Community College. This report provides us with an opportunity to reflect on the past as we anticipate and plan for our future. It also provides us with an opportunity to thank our many donors, communities, and partners who make our work possible.

Following our Accreditation Self Evaluation in the fall of 2012 the College Council of Cerro Coso Community College (CCCC) began its review of the College’s Strategic Plan taking into account the external realities that provide us with new opportunities and challenges. College Council is the recommending body responsible for setting the mission, vision, and long term direction of the institution, and through the collaborative process all constituent groups have the chance to provide feedback during the planning and review process at the college.

The 2012-2015 Strategic Plan represents our College’s commitment to serving the students who reside in the many rural communities in our service area and being their first choice in meeting their educational and training goals.

Sustained enrollment growth will require us to be creative in expanding access and outreach to all sections of our service area. In higher education, success is measured in part by the number of degrees and certificates awarded to students who complete programs of study. Students who make progress toward meeting their goals will be rewarded with priority enrollment, and the college will adjust course offerings according to the needs of students based on their education plans.

While the challenges have been many, Cerro Coso is pleased to share with you our progress in 2012 and plans to ensure the future success of our students. They are what keep us going; they are the shining stars that keep us focused in the midst of many battles.

Thank you for your continued support of Cerro Coso Community College and our goal to educate, innovate, inspire, and serve.
OUR MISSION

The mission of Cerro Coso Community College is to provide outstanding educational programs in the communities and rural areas we serve. We demonstrate a conscious effort to produce and support student success and achievement through traditional and distance delivery.

To accomplish this mission we provide:

- Transfer and career technical education
- Remedial instruction
- Learning opportunities to develop ethical and effective citizenry
- Comprehensive support services
- Continuing education that is compatible with the institutions primary mission

ABOUT CERRO COSO

Established in 1973 as a separate college within the Kern Community College District, Cerro Coso Community College has five instructional sites (Eastern Sierra Center Bishop & Mammoth, Indian Wells Valley, Kern River Valley, East Kern, and CC Online), which together form the largest geographical service area of any community college in California and serves a rural population of approximately 85,000 over a three county region of eastern California. A leader in online education, Cerro Coso has been offering online classes since 1998 and offers 13 Associate degrees entirely online.

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2011-2012 Student Awards

Department Awards

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JULIA M. EARLY

**Child Development**  
ELLEN M. LIEBERMAN

**Digital Media Arts**  
DANIELLE T. ALMARAZ

**English**  
ANNA C. MOSCHITTO

**Health Careers**  
ASHLEY D. HEATH

**Humanities/Language**  
MATTHEW J. MANGUM

**Industrial Arts**  
LOGAN K. SMITH

**Mathematics**  
DAVID W. GERMAN

**Science & Engineering**  
DAVID E. SANTIAGO

**Social Sciences**  
DANIEL H. LATHROP

**Visual & Performing Arts**  
AMBER J. RICKER

**Site Student of the Year**

Eastern Sierra College Center  
LANE P. JACOBSON

East Kern  
PAMELA P. GIDDENS

Kern River Valley  
TRENTON G. JEWETT

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**GOAL #2**

Provide a quality learning environment which enhances student engagement.

2012 Student Activities in Review

- Special Services Club—Holiday food baskets
- KRV students glean potatoes for local food bank
- Masquerade Ball
- Special Services Welcome Back
- A Treasure Map to Leadership ASCC Workshop
- KRV Float in the Whiskey Flat Days Parade
- Wherever There is a Fight exhibit in the Library
- Spring Blood Drive
- Phi Theta Kappa Induction Ceremony
- Spring Awards Ceremony
- Athletic Awards Ceremony
- Honors Luncheon
- What Dreams May Come Special Services Awards Ceremony
- 9/11 and Constitution Day Celebration
- City Council Candidates Forum
- Drug and Alcohol Awareness Day
- Disability Awareness Day
- Halloween Freight
- Men of Worth Concert
- Recovering Skinhead Frank Meeink Lecture
- Special Services Holiday Party
- Student Leadership Training

Top Performers present at Research Conference

Three CCC Honors Program students presented their research at the Annual Honors Transfer Council of California (HTCC) Research Conference at UC Irvine in March. Megan Hyatt’s poster presentation entitled “Free Speech Rights versus Property Rights” examined how conflicts between free speech rights and property rights are resolved on college campuses. David Santiago gave an oral presentation on “The effects of Urbanization and Irrigation on the Prevalence of Coccidioides Species in Endemic Areas that investigated the prevalence of Coccidioides species in traditional high irrigation landscapes versus xeriscape landscapes in Endemic areas through the use of Competitive PCR analysis. Anna Moschitto gave an oral presentation on “Paradoxical Paradise,” explaining that in Paradise Lost, John Milton’s language emphasizes otherwise ineffable ideas about Satan and the Son, whose contradictory natures are necessary for their roles in the poem.

Special Services Changes Name

Special Services changed its name to ACCESS Programs
Students attend Leadership Workshops on Campus

It may look like these students are playing with Legos, but they are really learning to become good leaders. The students are learning how to motivate others through mission, vision, goals, and direction. Believing that good leaders are made, not born, students were divided into two teams and given the goal of “building a strong wall” out of Legos. The objective was for team members to recognize healthy and unhealthy competition, the importance of good communication skills, and how collaboration can create more wins for everyone. Through a series of leadership workshops offered by the ASCC, students were given an opportunity to explore the characteristics of good leaders, the role of a good leader, and effective leadership skills.

Honors Program Celebrates Students Achievement

The Cerro Coso Honors Program celebrated its 2012 graduates: David Santiago, Kyle Smith, Tammy Kinnan, Benjamin Cox, and George Eckert. The graduates, their families, Cerro Coso faculty, and fellow Honors Program students attended a luncheon to recognize these outstanding students. Two $500 Faculty Honors Scholarships were awarded to David Santiago and Tammy Kinnan, and a $1,000 President’s Honors Scholarship went to graduating Burroughs High School student Zachary Bell for exceptional academic performance.

"Vision without action is a dream. Action without vision is aimless. Vision with action will achieve." —AUTHOR UNKNOWN

Phi Theta Kappa Inducts 60 New Members

Sixty students were inducted into the Beta Kappa Chi chapter of Phi Theta Kappa International Honors Society at Cerro Coso Community College for the 2012-2013 academic year.

2012-2013 SGCC Officers

President
GIANNA JAMES

Vice President
MARISSA JAMES

Secretary
MICHAEL LELIS

Student Trustee
ANGELO SANCHEZ

Special Services Club

The Special Services Club at Cerro Coso demonstrated the true spirit of the season throughout the month of December, bringing students and staff together in the spirit of giving. The Club collected non-perishable food items to help fill 12 holiday food baskets for students in need. Countless students and staff members played a very special role in bringing joy into the lives of many during the holiday season.

7,954 degrees and certificates conferred since 1973
(Does not include transfer students who did not apply for graduation)
2012 Degrees Conferred

- Associate in Arts: 159
- Associate in Science: 62
- Certificate of Achievement: 55
- Job Skills Certificate: 8

Ethnicity

- White: 55.1%
- Hispanic/Latino: 26.8%
- African American: 5.2%
- Asian/Filipino/Pacific Islander: 3.7%
- American Indian: 2.6%
- Multi-Racial and Other: 5.6%

Age

- 10 or Older: 8.2%
- 19 Younger: 17.9%
- 20-24: 26.3%
- 25-29: 16.3%
- 30-39: 19.7%
- 40-49: 11.6%
- 50 or Older: 8.2%

Part Time vs. Full Time Students

- Full Time (12+ Units): 19.2%
- Less than Full Time: 80.8%

Gender

- Male: 861 (28.86%)
- Female: 2,122 (71.14%)

2012 Top Majors

- Undeclared: 1,008
- Nursing LVN: 371
- Administration of Justice: 367
- Business Administration: 271
- Child Development: 262
- Business: 164

Student Transfers

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Paul F. Meyers Visual Arts Center Dedication

Cerro Coso Community College held a dedication and ribbon cutting for the Paul F. Meyers Visual Arts Center at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, October 26, 2012. The facility, originally built in 1984, recently underwent a modernization and expansion project that almost doubled the size of the facility. The $3.2 million project was funded by the Safety, Repair, and Improvement District (SRID) Measure G Bond passed by voters on November 5, 2002. Construction began in the spring of 2009 and classes moved back into the facility in the spring of 2012.

On May 10, 2007 the Kern Community College District Board of Trustees approved naming the facility the Paul F. Meyers Visual Arts Center to honor Mr. Meyers for his dedication to education and devotion to Cerro Coso students. Mr. Meyers was employed at the college from 1973 until his retirement in 2006. During his tenure at the college he oversaw construction of four large gas kilns, the college art gallery, and a foundry for casting aluminum and bronze. He initiated a very active student art organization and wrote a grant to begin a High School Art Workshop which brought 60 to 70 talented students to the college for two days of intensive art workshop experience.

Mr. Meyers was the recipient of a Fulbright Research Fellowship to Nicaragua in 1982. He developed and offered the first online classes at Cerro Coso, designed and developed FrontPage online courses, and directed the California Virtual Campus Region 4 grant for six years.

The Paul F. Meyers Visual Arts Center at Cerro Coso engages students in the creative process through the visual arts. Every semester, the facility houses a wide range of classes in painting, drawing, ceramics, and more for college students. Under the expert instruction of Professors Dick Benson and Lören Sandvik, art classes at the college continue to stimulate creativity and provide an avenue for satisfying self-discovery and expression. An open house, tours, and reception immediately followed the building dedication.

Student Trustee to the KCCD Board

Cerro Coso student Angelo Sanchez was appointed to serve as student trustee to the Kern Community College District (KCCD) Board of Trustees for the 2012-2013 academic year. As the student representative to the KCCD Board of Trustees, Mr. Sanchez is responsible for bringing an enhanced student perspective to the Board representing students from all three colleges within the district. Mr. Sanchez is a sophomore engineering major at Cerro Coso’s Ridgecrest campus and served as the Senior Student Senator last year. Once a self-professed introvert, Mr. Sanchez has discovered a zeal for leadership and a desire to understand the politics and issues that drive decisions that affect students district- and state-wide. He is thankful for the opportunity to serve students and for the exposure the student trustee position will provide. Mr. Sanchez plans to spend the next two years completing the requirements to transfer to California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo or California State University, Long Beach where he intends to earn a degree specializing in magnetics.

Spring 2012 President’s List recipient Thomas J. Higdon and President Jill Board.

Participation in the Student Government of Cerro Coso provides valuable experience that can have a positive effect on a student’s college years as well as their future professional and personal life.
Leadership Training

Twenty five Cerro Coso students, including 7 from the KRV campus, participated in two days of leadership training at the Ridgecrest campus in December to help them be better prepared as student workers, peer mentors, and student ambassadors. The program included expectations, responsibilities, work ethics and work standards, the importance of confidentiality in the workplace, and the many benefits of becoming student leaders. The students spent two days focusing on ways they can develop skills that can be of services to others, both on campus and in their communities.

Welcome Back Event Draws Crowd

If you feed them they will come! Forget concerts and sporting events—if you want to pack the CCCC Student Center, hold a “Welcome Back” event with free pizza, fun, and games. It was an afternoon of food and fun, and a time to share with students the various services and opportunities the ACCESS Programs offer to help them succeed.

Cerro Coso Honor Student

Kalie Weich scored in the 94th percentile on the American Chemical Society’s Standardized Organic Chemistry Exam. This test is given to thousands of Organic Chemistry students (mostly Chemistry and Chemical Engineering Majors) each year. Kalie’s score puts her in the top 6% off all students who have taken this exam. Kalie transferred to UC Davis in the fall of 2012 majoring in Biology/Animal Science.

ASCC Changes Name

The Associated Students of Cerro Coso (ASCC) changed their name to the Student Government of Cerro Coso (SGCC) in the Fall of 2012.
Cerro Coso Athletic Programs

Cerro Coso athletic programs emphasize and reinforce the college’s mission to produce and support student success and achievement. Our student athletes have the chance to compete against top opponents, get great exposure to college athletic recruiters, and work with talented coaches.

Cerro Coso Community College is a member of the Foothill Conference.

Cerro Coso Brings Back Women’s Volleyball

Back by popular demand the Coyotes have added Women's Volleyball to the fall 2012-13 sports lineup as an organized school activity.

A casualty of previous budget cuts, the college’s athletics program courted a women’s volleyball team that opened the season in August. Another women’s sports team will assist the college in meeting Title IX Gender Equity laws.

With help from donations and volunteer work, both from individuals and businesses, the sport was funded by the Cerro Coso Community College Athletics Boosters.

With the tough economy, bringing back and running a new program takes a community effort with everyone working towards a common goal. The hard work and dedication of the Coyote Boosters to athletics has paid off.

Former Burroughs High School Volleyball Coach Kim Young was hired part-time to coach the team.

Cerro Coso Celebrates Your Success!

“For me college was a vehicle to play sports,” said former Cerro Coso Baseball Player Brandon Tanner. Now the Vice President of Sales and Marketing for IT-Lifeline, Brandon gives a lot of credit for his success in business to his college years and playing baseball. Recognized as one of the top 20 under 40 in the Inland Northwest for his business and community contributions, Brandon says he applies everything he learned while playing sports and going to school: mental toughness, work ethic, risk taking, goal setting, and dedication to his work. “Enjoy it while you can,” says Brandon, “the time, ability, and energy to do both is fleeting.”

A 1995 graduate of Cerro Coso Community College, Brandon earned a baseball scholarship to Whitworth University in Spokane, Washington. As a project for a marketing class at Whitworth, Brandon and a friend, Sam Fleming, decided to follow their dreams and start a business. Knowing that 50% of businesses fail in the first five years, in 1997 they set out to help by designing websites and software for businesses. Through hard work and determination their company, APerfectWeb, grew to do business with corporations like Microsoft and America’s PowerSports before it was acquired by NextIT.

Brandon also worked with SprayCool transitioning a product developed for the military into the public sector. He then joined IT-Lifeline, Inc. of Spokane, Washington. IT-Lifeline provides a full range of cloud-based information protection for disaster recovery primarily in the financial and healthcare industries.

Brandon and his wife Deyla live in Spokane, Washington with their two daughters, Trinity (8) and Taryn (5). Learning to take risks, experiencing success and winning, and learning to deal with disappointments all contributed to the success of this former Cerro Coso athlete.

Brandon holds a Bachelor’s degree in Business from Whitworth University.
### Volleyball

**Head Coach**  
KIM YOUNG

**Assistant Coach**  
STACY IRELAND

**Interim Athletic Director**  
KIM KELLY-SCHWARTZ

**VP Student Services**  
HEATHER OSTASH

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### Baseball

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JON HOLMES

**Assistant Coach**  
JOE HAUGHABOO

**Interim Athletic Director**  
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CHRISS RUFFIN

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2012 Athletic Award Winners

Baseball All League 1st Team
ROMAN EASLER     NICK MEYERS
RAUL JIMENEZ    MIGUEL ORTIZ

Baseball Honorable Mention
SAM FAIRCHILD

Basketball 1st Team
TAYLOR BOSKE

CCCC Foundation, Inc.
Academic Achievement Award
MATT VALLET (Baseball)

Coaches Award
LATASHA JOHNSON (Basketball)
ALDO MORA (Baseball)

Defensive Player of the Year
SIERRA LEVERETTE (Basketball)
MATT VALLET (Baseball)

Honorable Mention
LACHELLE JAMES

Most Improved
AMANDI SILVA (Basketball)

Most Valuable Pitcher
MIGUEL ORTIZ (Baseball)

Most Valuable Player
TAYLOR BOSKE (Basketball)
ADAM NEUBAUR (Baseball)

Offensive Player of the Year
TAYLOR BOSKE (Basketball)
ROMAN EASLER (Baseball)

Rookie of the Year
ROMAN EASLER (Baseball)

Community Spirit

Cerro Coso athletes demonstrate community spirit by assisting with:
- Coyotes in the Classroom
- Junior Olympics
- I’m Going to College
- Kids Camps
- College Preview Day and
- Career Exploration

2012 Celebrity Sports Dinner Guest of Honor

Former NFL player Joseph Tuipala was the guest of honor at the 2012 Celebrity Sports Dinner hosted by the CCCC Athletic Boosters. A pinnacle event for local sports fans, Tuipala, a 1994 graduate of Burroughs High School, went on to play for the New Orleans Saints in 1999 and the Jacksonville Jaguars from 2001 to 2003. “Education, Education, Education,” said Tuipala to a crowd of 150. “Without an education there isn’t much of a life. Without an education there is no game. Education is the key to competing in the game of life.”
KRV campus joins efforts to feed the hungry

Dr. Johnson, Director of the KRV/EK campuses saw an opportunity to reach out into the community and glean leftover potatoes to help local food banks. “Our food banks are hard pressed to feed the valley’s hungry, yet thousands of potatoes are left behind to rot, because they are deemed too small for market,” said Johnson. A plan was put in motion to organize a variety of groups including the Rotary Club of KRV, KRV Garden Club, and Associated Students of Cerro Coso to pick up potatoes that would otherwise be left to waste for shelters and food pantries in the Kern River Valley area. Over 170 volunteers joined in the efforts and harvested more than 3,000 lbs. of potatoes and distributed 1,500 lbs. of carrots donated by Bolthouse Farms in ten gleaning sessions. Potatoes went to food banks, families, friends, relatives, shut-ins, and some to those who gleaned them.

Success of “Business Office Boot Camp” Result of a Community Collaboration

In an effort to meet a community demand for a workforce trained in basic office skills, Cerro Coso partnered with local non-profit and Tribal organizations, as well as a number of Eastern Sierra businesses, to develop a summer Business Office Boot Camp in Bishop. The courses were designed to equip students with the skills needed to function effectively and efficiently in an office environment. Students attended classes Monday through Thursday, and were given an opportunity to work as local business interns on Fridays. They gained experience, developed skills, made connections, strengthened their resumes, learned about a field, and enhanced the local workforce. The program allowed students to take all but 6 units of the requirements for the Business Office Technology Office Clerk Certificate in just 10 weeks. The Owens Valley Career Development Center (OVCDC) donated classroom space in its Computer Lab and facilitated grant funding from the Native American Career and Technical Education Program (NACTEP) for eligible Native American Students. Scholarships for tuition and books were also provided by the Eastern Sierra and Mammoth Lakes Foundations. Each organization contributed a total of five scholarships of up to $1,000 each for Inyo and Mono County residents. This, in combination with California financial aid programs, such as the Pell Grant and the Board of Governors Fee Waiver, allowed for the program to be fully funded for nearly everyone who enrolled. A portion of instructional costs were also covered by NACTEP grant funding. Eastern Sierra businesses played an integral part by offering internship opportunities that benefited both students and the businesses. “In these difficult economic times, our community requires an integrated package of knowledge, skills, and services that no single agency or institution can provide. By collaborating on the Summer Business Office Boot Camp, we are all a little closer to achieving our goals,” stated Deanna Campbell, Director of Cerro Coso’s Eastern Sierra College Center in Bishop and Mammoth Lakes.

The Week of the Young Child

The Cerro Coso Child Development Center celebrated The Week of the Young Child April 23-28, 2012 with various activities to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the childhood programs and services that meet those needs. The week’s activities included an art show and a parade of children through the campus, and culminated with Children’s Day at the Park in Ridgecrest. Every moment for a child is an opportunity to learn more about the world, social skills, critical thinking skills, and knowledge. The Cerro Coso CDC aims to make a child’s early years better learning years.

GOAL #3

Improve our response to community needs through transfer programs, area workforce development, quality student services, and provision of customized educational opportunities.
Operate at the level of continual quality improvement for strengthening institutional effectiveness.

Cerro Coso Honors Classified Staff

Classified employees play crucial roles in education. From the first moment a Cerro Coso student steps on campus and asks the receptionist where an office or classroom is located to the time they leave campus in the clean parking lot, every aspect of their educational experience is impacted by a classified school employee. From teaching vital skills to ensuring that schools are operating smoothly, classified staff members provide services critical to the everyday operation of the college. In honor of their invaluable contributions to Cerro Coso students, the Administration recognized their hard work and years of service with a “Staff Development Day and Appreciation Luncheon” on Thursday, May 31st. “Every year we take this opportunity to thank our classified staff for the positive difference and significant contribution they make to the success of our students at Cerro Coso Community College,” said President Jill Board. “In this era of less resources and declining budgets, we are asking all employees to do more with less and it is important that we show our staff how much we appreciate and care about them and the important role they have in student success.”

TAACCCT Grant helps Cerro Coso to train for new careers

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—JILL BOARD, President

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Winston Receives FACCC John McFarland Literary Achievement Award

The Faculty Association of California Community Colleges (FACCC) awarded Cerro Coso Math Professor Dr. Rachel Winston the John McFarland Literary Achievement Award during the Fourth Annual Advocacy & Policy Conference. The John McFarland Literary Achievement Award is given annually to an outstanding full- or part-time faculty member who contributes to the education of faculty and promotes faculty issues through FACCC publications.

Retirees Return to See Cerro Coso Progress

Five former Cerro Coso employees, June Frederickson (Administration), Sue Parker (Library), Ruth Gleason (Former Librarian), Ruth Maddox (English), and Carol Hewer (English), returned to the Ridgecrest campus for an update on the college and to tour the recently remodeled facilities. Former English Professor Ruth Maddox was in the area from Minnesota to visit with friends. “It’s amazing how much things can change in a period of 10 years,” said Hewer. “It almost makes you want to come back and work…almost,” added Frederickson with a smile. Their tour concluded with a personal greeting from President Jill Board.

Instructors of the Year

Full-Time Faculty
YIHFEN CHEN

Part-Time Faculty
MICHAELA VARGAS

Classified Staff of the Year

Academic Senate Staff of the Year
MARGARET MAULDIN

Classified Senate Staff of the Year
PAUL KUTTIG

2012 Staff Retirements Recognized

Administrative Assistant to the President
LOUISE FARMER - 1986-2012

Coach and Physical Education Professor
DICK ADAMS - 1994-2012

Counselor
GAYLE WHITLOCK - 1991-2012

Custodian
BART CINENSE - 1991-2012

Department Assistant
LINDA LACHER - 1983-2012

Director of Admissions and Records/Veterans Services
DAVE CORNELL - 2006-2012

Director of Financial Aid and Scholarships
JOANN SPILLER - 1986-2012

Executive Secretary
KATHY PARADISE-CLARK - 1996-2012

Program Manager
KRISTI LOWE - 1991-2012

Receptionist
MARY VAN BUSKIRK - 2007-2012

Administrative Assistant to the Dean of Career Technical Education, Angela Sellers, earned her Master’s Degree in Business Administration from the University of Phoenix in November of 2012. Angela is a 1998 graduate of Cerro Coso Community College with an Associate’s Degree in General Education, a 2004 graduate of the University of Phoenix with a Bachelor’s Degree in Business Administration, and a 2010 graduate of the KCCD Leadership Academy.
New Staff Members Welcomed

Accounting Technician II
BECKY ROCK

Administrative Assistant to the President
JENNIFER CURTIS

Business Instructor
FRANK TIMPONE

CDC Associate Teacher
JOLENE CROWELL

CDC Food Service Assistant
ALICE COLERICK

CDC Teacher
STACY BISHOP

Computer Information Systems Instructor
APRIL BROWNE

Custodian
CRAIG HERNANDEZ

Director of Distance Education
CHARLES OSTEEN

English Instructor
MELANIE JEFFREY

Graphic Designer
DEBORAH GREGORY

Health Careers Instructor
MATT WANTA

Human Resource Assistant
MELISSA BENSON

Learning Assistance Center Technician
JULI MAIKAI

Library Technician I
BECKY PARKER

PC Technician
PERRY NEWTON

Teaching Assistant
JOHN LINTN

Web Content Editor
SYLVIA SOTOMAYOR

Honoring Faculty

It was that time of year again! New books, new classes, new faces, and new challenges awaited Cerro Coso faculty and students at the beginning of the new semester. Faculty from all campuses gathered prior to the launch of the fall 2012 term to engage in broad-based dialogue regarding student success and best practices during flex day activities. The group took time out of their activities to introduce and welcome new faculty members and honor the years of service and dedication to students of many others. It was a great occasion to share funny stories, and to let the faculty know how much their efforts and commitment mean to the college.

Faculty Service Awards

Faculty members honored for their years of dedicated service to Cerro Coso Community College and students were:

DEAN BERNSTEN
SHANNON BLISS
STEVEN BUSBY
LISA DARTY
LUCILA GONZALEZ-CIRRE
JON HEATON
TOM HECK
MATT HIGHTOWER
JANIS JAMISON-NICHOLS
MARY O’NEAL
MARY PEOPLES
DEBRA RUNDSELL
LOREN SANDVIK
JOSEPH SLOVACEK
RACHEL WINSTON

“As the President I believe an institution can have the best planning and accountability structures in place, but without the right people it will not be effective. At Cerro Coso we hire great people.”

—JILL BOARD, President
O’Connor and Vasquez Receive Tenure

The KCCD Board of Trustees granted tenure to James O’Connor, Assistant Professor of Industrial Arts, and Laura Vasquez, Assistant Professor of English. Both faculty members have met the criteria for teaching excellence and are well deserving of the award. O’Connor earned both his journeyman and technical qualifications from Pacific Vocational College, British Columbia and British Columbia Institute of Technology. Vasquez holds a BA and MA from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.

GOAL #5
Increase the percentage of total resources allocated toward the successful achievement of student learning.

2011-2012 General Unrestricted Expenditures/Revenue

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Community Involvement

Cerro Coso staff and faculty participate in a variety of community events and activities to broaden their impact beyond the services provided at the college. The following list is only representational and does not list all events and activities for 2012:

- Kern River Valley Education and Cultural Foundation Annual Dinner and Fundraising celebration
- Kern River Valley Potato Gleaning Project
- National Science Foundation CREATE KidWind Competition
- KRV Whiskey Flat Days Parade
- Bishop Community Based Public Art Project
- American Cancer Society’s Coaches vs. Cancer
- KRV Concert Series
- Mammoth Fly Fishing Faire
- Houchin’s Blood Drive
- Career Days
- IWV Economic Outlook Conference
- Coyotes for a Cure – Relay for Life
- Desert Empire Fair
- Bishop Scientific Lecture Series
- Great California Shake Out
- Mammoth Food & Wine Festival
Coworkers Establish Scholarship in Memory of Pam Coward

Coworkers of former Cerro Coso employee Pamela Ann Coward established a scholarship in her honor. Pam was a Human Resources Assistant at the college for 10 years and lost her courageous fight with brain cancer. Well known for her strong sense of integrity and selflessness, Pam was committed and passionate about her work. She will long be remembered most lovingly for her compassion, strength, and devotion to her husband (Bill), family, friends, animals, and coworkers. “It was a difficult year when we lost Pam,” stated Cheryl Gates, CCCF Foundation President. This scholarship will be awarded annually to an outgoing Cerro Coso student who exhibits the leadership, initiative, and passion for education for which Pam was known.

“My ultimate goal is to be a pediatric surgeon, but I’m starting with the nursing program first” Jamie said. “This scholarship allows me to live at home, work, and save money while I complete all the pre-requisites. Thanks Mammoth Lakes Foundation!”

—JAMIE MORRIS, Class of 2012

Anton & Ruth Ozanian Family Scholarship
KAYLEE STUART

The Bernard Osher Foundation Scholarship
JANEA L’HOMMEDIEU
KIMBERLY WORD
LACIE PENA
KYRA GILL
MICHELLE ALEXANDER
PARVEEN MAJEED
CHRIS WALL
RUNDA MOHAMED-OSMAN
ELIZABETH HERNANDEZ
KIMBERLY ANGEL
JACKLYN WALLACE
NICKIE ROTHWELL

Bill Moore Memorial Scholarship
EVAN SMITH
ZACHARY BELL

Dallas E. Tirk Memorial Scholarship
EVAN SMITH

Dorothy P. Leet Memorial Scholarship
KIMBERLY ANGEL

Fire Mountain Foundation Scholarship
ARMANDO CONTRERAS
SARAH FORD

“Student success is our primary focus and we continue to strategically evaluate and align our offerings and processes to increase student completion rates. We’ve been very successful at improving our completion rates even though we have seen a $50 million reduction in our budget.”

—KCCD Chancellor Sandra Serrano

2012 Scholarship Recipients

Frank Dickey Memorial Scholarship
MARISSA JAMES
GIANNA JAMES

H.P. Leet Memorial Scholarship Fund
KAYLEE STUART

John “Jack” Richer Memorial Scholarship
RUNDA MOHAMED-OSMAN

June Wasserman Scholarship
RUNDA MOHAMED-OSMAN

Kielman Family Scholarship
NICKIE ROTHWELL

Myrlean “Speed” Handeland Family Scholarship
JACKLYN WALLACE
JANEA L’HOMMEDIEU

SCE Scholarship
REX WINTERS

Senator Walter Stiern Memorial Scholarship
MELISSA HELM

Steven Paul Brown Memorial Scholarship
MELISSA HELM

Ted Bachman Memorial Health Careers Scholarship
ARMANDO CONTRERAS

Vivian Boultinghouse Memorial Scholarship
GARRET HOMER

“The Eastern Sierra Foundation Scholarship has helped me go to college. I wouldn’t have been able to attend college without it. It has also helped me, tremendously, with the cost of books.”

—MARISSA DIENER, ESCC Bishop Campus
The Ridgecrest Regional Hospital Pink Ladies Auxiliary has awarded five $750 scholarships to students seeking careers in nursing. The recipients included two Cerro Coso Community College graduates: Heather Sinton ('09) and Jennifer Melchor ('09) now completing the Registered Nursing Program through Bakersfield College, and three Licensed Vocational Nursing students on track to graduate in May 2012: Ashley Heath, Sher Davis, and Michelle Korensky.

Bishop Engaging Community on Campus

The Eastern Sierra College Center underwent quite a makeover this summer to increase energy savings, generate facility rental income, enhance student support services, and create faculty-staff-student-community engagement. The new Bishop Community Room is one vehicle to achieve all four of these goals. The Bishop Community Room’s “ribbon cutting,” occurred during the first in a series of free, public, scientific lectures entitled “Exploring the Universe from the South Pole,” presented by Professor John Carlstrom of the University of Chicago. Professor Carlstrom’s work focuses on understanding the origin, evolution, and make-up of the Universe. His passion for science has driven him to work in the coldest, driest desert on the planet, the high Antarctic plateau, where he is currently leading the 10-meter South Pole Telescope (SPT) project at the National Science Foundation’s Amundsen-Scott South Pole Research Station. The lecture series is co-sponsored by Owens Valley Radio Observatory and Cerro Coso Community College. Lauren Springman, Cerro Coso Sociology/Anthropology faculty and the lecture series faculty sponsor, suggested that the event’s success was largely due to the open and welcoming nature of the new venue. “The space felt so inviting that a number of people remained after the lecture to speak with the scientists. With seating for up to one hundred and fifty people and a beautiful view of the Inyo Range,” commented Springman, “the Bishop Community Room is sure to be an ideal spot for future receptions, training sessions, movies, performances, and lectures.” Creation of this rental space, along with so many other positive components of the summer facility rearrangement, truly showcases ESCC’s commitment to the local community, as well as to the financial future of the center itself.

Together Creating A Better Future...

Donald M. Slager-Sunset Foundation - $35,000
Trade Adjustment Assistance Act—Department of Labor Grant - $1.5 Million
California Education Policy Fund Grant - $600,000
Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Co-Op Grant - $372,000
National Science Foundation CREATE Grant - $700,000
Owens Valley Career Development Center provides education and career opportunities for Native Americans.

KRV Concert Series a Big Hit

Music takes on a different sound outside as it becomes part of the natural landscape instead of bouncing off walls. The KRV Education and Cultural Foundation sponsored a series of concerts throughout the month of August to raise money for textbook scholarships for Cerro Coso students at the KRV outreach. The concerts were free to the public with an opportunity to donate. Summertime just brings out the music in people and the KRV Education and Cultural Foundation was thrilled with the turn out for their River Rhythms Concerts. Expecting a turnout of about 100, the organizers were delighted to see the grassy lawn of the park scattered with blankets and chairs while over 300 people kicked back, relaxed, and enjoyed a variety of local musical talents. Cerro Coso President, Jill Board encouraged the staff and students to “get out of the heat and into the coolness of the Kern River area each Friday night through August to support the Foundation’s efforts in support of Cerro Coso students.”
Denim And Diamonds Raises More Than $20,000

With a little bit of glitter and a lot of glitz, the CCCC Foundation’s annual Denim and Diamonds fundraiser made over $20,000 in support of Cerro Coso Community College students, programs, and facilities. The entire affair was a roaring success. More than 200 people shined their boots and put on the bling to enjoy an evening of great food provided by Casey’s Steaks and BBQ, drinks by Casa Corona, and great conversation and fun as they spent an exciting evening raising their bids for a good cause. Event sponsors for the evening were Dr. Bobby Miller, Frey’s Gun Shop, H & R Block, Jacobs Technology, Ridgecrest Regional Hospital, and New Directions Technologies Inc. (NDTI). New friends were made and new alliances were forged that night. To our sponsors, donors and guests, a hearty thank you for a very successful fundraising event!

Emcee Eric Jimenez congratulates Debra Gates on being crowned Queen of Diamonds while her husband Bud adjusts his crown after being voted the 2012 King of Denim.

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THANK YOU!!!
Over 300 Attend Star Party and BBQ

High above the city lights, perched on the hill, on the darkest night, the Cerro Coso Community College Dr. Alex Shlanta Observatory proved the perfect setting for a night of good food, great music, star gazing, and fundraising. The stars were shining bright with minimal light, providing an ideal venue for star gazing during the Annual Astronomical Barbecue and Star Party on Friday, September 14, 2012. Professional astronomers and enthusiasts from the college and local China Lake Astronomical Society were on hand to share their expertise and assist participants to explore the celestial bodies in the night sky. This year’s affair was dedicated to the memory of Carroll Evans, a valued supporter of the college and its observatory. Musical entertainment was provided by Harmonic Bonding and Unconditional Life. As the summer begins to wind down, the September skies are perfect for exploration. This signature event is fun and educational for the whole family. All proceeds will enhance Cerro Coso’s ability to provide the community with valuable services.

The CCCC Foundation Recognition

The CCCC Foundation recognizes the outstanding work and contributions of the following Foundations in support of Cerro Coso Community College students:

- Eastern Sierra Foundation – Bishop
- Mammoth Lakes Foundation
- Kern River Valley Education and Cultural Foundation
- Donald M. Slager – Sunset Foundation
Cerro Coso Athletics Boosters

The Cerro Coso Athletics Boosters (CCAB) are parents, coaches, and community members dedicated to supporting athletic programs at Cerro Coso Community College where strong athletics is the perfect complement to strong academics. The Boosters have made great strides in 2012 and with the community’s support has established a foundation that helps support all sports at the college.

It has been a busy year for the CCAB hosting a number of events raising more than $90,000 over the last two years.

The Boosters believe that the more sports the college can offer, the more opportunities for local and regional athletes to compete.

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2012 Distinguished Alumni Speaker Betty Spindler

A 1986 graduate of Cerro Coso and a distinguished ceramic artist, Betty Spindler's works appear in galleries throughout the United States and one of her pieces is on permanent display at the Smithsonian American Art Museum in Washington, D.C.

An advocate for Cerro Coso Community College, Spindler shared her inspiring story of triumph over a learning disability which led her to a successful and rewarding life. “I would not be where I am without the benefits of my education at Cerro Coso Community College,” said Spindler.

Diagnosed in college with a severe case of dyslexia, Spindler shared some of her childhood experiences and the challenges of school. “I had great success at Cerro Coso,” she said. Her personal experiences have helped shape a career of being an outspoken and avid supporter of education for those that only need alternative teaching approaches to succeed in school.

Two decades later, Spindler looks back on her struggles and triumphs, pointing the way forward for the millions with learning differences, and the educators who serve them.

Appointed by the Governor to the Commission for Disabled Students for one year, Spindler holds an Associate of Arts degree in Art from Cerro Coso, with distinction. She served as Student Trustee on the Kern Community College District Board of Trustees for one year, and a Student Trustee on the California Association of Community Colleges for two years. She also holds a Bachelor’s degree in Liberal Arts with a major in Art from the University of California Santa Cruz.

“I would not be where I am without the benefits of my education at Cerro Coso Community College”

Alumni Give a SHOUT OUT for Cerro Coso

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Since 1974 Cerro Coso Community College has conferred more than 7,954 degrees and certificates, leaving no shortage of alums. The Cerro Coso Community College Alumni Association seeks to reconnect with alums through its “Give a Shout Out” campaign.

Believing that great stories inspire others, the CCCC Alumni Association invites graduates to let others know how Cerro Coso Community College changed their life.

All alumni, regardless of career path, are invited to tell their Cerro Coso success story via the Alumni Association’s website at http://www.cerrocoso.edu/alumni.

The CCCC Alumni Association is recruiting additional members to serve on the Board of Directors who will bring diverse ideas and perspectives to best serve Cerro Coso students. Please contact the Alumni Office at the College for more information.

The CCCC Alumni Association keeping the Coyote Spirit STRONG!

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Join Today . . .

Your membership is also a vote for the value of a Cerro Coso education and enables the Alumni Association to do great things for our alumni, students, and alma mater.

The CCCC Alumni Association is an auxiliary organization under the Cerro Coso Community College Foundation.
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