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EDDIE EDWARDS JOINS FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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Eddie Edwards smiles as she is being sworn in as a newly installed board member of the Cerro Coso Community College Foundation by Solomon Rajaratnam, President. Edwards is very active in the Ridgecrest community giving of her time and talents on several committees and boards. Volunteering runs deep and support of higher education is near and dear to her heart, as she and her husband Willie are proud parents to two daughters presently attending college. Edwards serves as a branch head on the base. "I am quite excited to be able to participate and hopefully make a difference in the lives of Cerro Coso students by serving on the Foundation Board of Directors," stated Eddie Edwards.



CERRO COSO COLLEGE OFFERED BURGER SIERRA RETREAT PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP



Participants from last Fall's Burger Sierra Retreat Photography Workshop set up for motion studies outdoors.

Last fall, Cerro Coso College offered the very successful Burger Sierra Retreat Workshop. This popular Photography Workshop (CRN:50004, Art CO60) was offered again June 26-28 with an emphasis on summer colors. All levels of photographic skill were welcome, and both digital and traditional cameras were used. A variety of topics, from camera fundamentals to night photography, were covered and participants selected their topics of interest.

Located off Tioga Pass Road near the town of Lee Vining, the retreat was first homesteaded in the 1880's by Sarah Noyes. In the early 1900's, millionaire L. C. Brand bought the land and built the present lodge for hunting. It was purchased by the Burger family in 1949 and is currently designated a Bird and Animal Sanctuary. It is used primarily today for family and educational purposes. Accommodations are rustic, with 10 beds available in the lodge buildings and camping available anywhere on the grounds. Participants may drive in to the site.

CERRO COSO COLLEGE STUDENTS TRAVEL TO LOS ANGELES



First Row (l to r): Meghan Briggs, Rick Tobias, Rene Soto, Shyanne Evans, Krysten Coursey, Katherine Fox and Lucas Warkentin. Second Row: Chad Terry, Christian Sherman, Ila Johnson, AJ Fraser, Tom Lowe, Calvin Johnson, Travis Miles, Brittany Coble, Robin Moen, Becki Cornett, Rob Wilson, Chalen Wilson, Melinda Fogle Oliver (Instructor) and Chelsia Acevedo.

The Cerro Coso Community College, Theatre Arts Club capped off the spring semester with a two day trip to Los Angeles to learn more about the entertainment industry. The students began their trip with a private walking tour of the Sony Studios in Culver City. Then the students were off to the Pantages Theatre in Hollywood to take in a production of the award-winning 50's musical *Grease*. The second day began with a Combat Workshop conducted by stage and film fight choreographer Kenwa Newell. Next on the agenda was a private tour of the Kodak Theatre in Hollywood. After checking out the sights on Hollywood Boulevard, the students went shopping at Samuel French Bookstore, one of the world's largest suppliers of theatre and entertainment industry related books and scripts. Then it was off to Santa Monica's Third Street Promenade to check out the street performers. The trip concluded with a ComedySportz Improv Show in Hollywood. The trip was funded in part by the Cerro Coso Community College Theatre Arts Club, the Associated Students of Cerro Coso, and Walmart. The Theatre Arts Club will resume in the fall. Club activities include shows, fundraisers, community activities, and trips. The club is open to all students of Cerro Coso.



COLLEGE ANNOUNCES TOP PERFORMERS IN THEATRE ARTS

The Cerro Coso Community College, Theatre Arts Club recently held their Annual Awards Banquet. Theatre students in attendance voted for the best talent of the 2008/2009 school year in a variety of categories. The best male and female "Techie Award" went to Gavin Fielder and Robin Moen. The best male and female "Comedic Actor Award" went to Chad Terry and Krysten Coursey. Chad Terry and Christian Sherman won the award for best male and female "Dramatic Actor." The best "Student Director Award" went to Robin Moen.

Also at the banquet, the 2008/2009 Theatre Arts Club Officers received a plaque in recognition of their service. Officers for this school year included President, Katherine Fox; Vice President, Chad Terry; Treasurer, Christian Sherman; Secretary, Becki Cornett; and Representative, Brittany Coble.

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CERRO COSO HONOR STUDENTS PRESENT RESEARCH AT STATE CONFERENCE

Ian Chafin and Nathan McGuire, both members of Cerro Coso Community College's Honors Program, presented their research at the Annual Honors Transfer Council of California (HTCC) Research Conference at UC Irvine and their conference presentations will be published as part of the research conference.

Ian's presentation, entitled "Easy to Play, Hard to Feel," explores how modern distortion and tonal experimentation shape expression in rock music, a point which he demonstrated by playing two versions of "The Star Spangled Banner" on guitar.

Nathan's presentation, "Creatine: A Safe Supplement or a Fraudulent Marketing Scheme?" examines the questionable effectiveness, possible psychological impacts, and potential health risks of synthetic creatine consumption.

Dr. Christine Swiridoff, Cerro Coso's Honors Program Coordinator, accompanied the students to the conference. "Both Ian's and Nathan's presentations were wonderful and represented Cerro Coso well at the UC Irvine Undergraduate Research Conference. We are very proud of their accomplishments," Swiridoff said.

"The conference publications will also help both students once they transfer," Swiridoff continued. "Hopefully their research, conference presentations, and abstract publications will help open up more opportunities for internships or research at their future universities. As graduates of Cerro Coso's Honors Program and presenters at the HTCC conference, they stand a good chance to compete for these opportunities."



Top Performers (L to R) Gavin Fielder, Krysten Coursey, Chad Terry, Robin Moen, and Christian Sherman.



Officers (L to R) Katherine Fox, Chad Terry, Christian Sherman, Brittany Coble, and Becki Cornett



Ian Chafin and Nathan McGuire

FRANKLIN ROMERO, JR. DRAFTED BY MILWAUKEE BREWERS

Cerro Coso Community College Baseball Outfielder, Franklin Romero, Jr. was drafted by the Milwaukee Brewers in the second day of Major League Baseball's First Year Player Draft. Romero stated, "When my name was called, my heart just stopped for a minute. I didn't know what to do. I was out of my mind." And Cerro Coso's Athletic Director and Baseball Coach, Dick Adams stated that he was extremely excited for Romero and said that he had scouts looking at him for the entire 2009 season. Romero wasn't immediately sure where he would be assigned. The Brewers have two Rookie League affiliates: The Arizona League out of Phoenix and the advanced rookie league out of Helena, Montana.



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