

**This Week at the District**

**Chancellor's Cabinet**

The Chancellor's Cabinet met this week and discussed the agenda for the upcoming retreat. The retreat will focus on revisioning efforts and broad perspectives on where we are and where we would like to be as a District. I commend the Chancellor's Cabinet members for their input and participation and look forward to the retreat.

**Council of College and Military Educators**

I had the privilege of serving as a panelist at the Council of College and Military Educators conference this week. The panel discussion was intended to provide college administrators with a greater understanding of the complexities of educating active military personnel and returning Veterans. I was proud to represent the programs and services offered at all of our Coast Colleges and discussed issues such as cost containment for students and institutions, unique programs and services needed for military students and the impact of federal and state policies on the ability of institutions to serve our military students. I was also able to discuss some of the pressing issues faced by our military students, such as textbook costs and VA benefits.

**State Chancellor's Office Advisory Committee on College & Career Readiness and the Common Core Charter and Overview**

As a member of the Advisory Committee on College & Career Readiness, I participated in the committee meeting in Sacramento. The committee has been charged with the implementation of the Student Success Task Force recommendation 1.1 and provides a forum for representatives from California Community Colleges key stakeholder groups to understand national and state efforts to implement the new Common Core State Standards and accompanying K-12 assessments planned for 2014-15 and to provide input on CCC alignment with K-12, definitions of college and career readiness, and transition of the Early Assessment Program. The committee is working toward a close collaboration with the State Board of Education and Superintendent of Public Instruction to define standards for college and career readiness as California implements the K-12 Common Core State Standards and works with the national SMARTER Balanced Assessment Consortium to determine the appropriate means for assessing students against these standards.

**Board Meeting Reminders**

**March 6** – Regular Meeting

**March 20** – Study Session

**April 3** – Regular Meeting

**Chancellor's Calendar**

**Week of March 4, 2013**

Monday - Wednesday  
In the Office

Thursday - Friday  
AACC 21<sup>st</sup> Century  
Initiative Implementation Team  
Meeting

### Congratulations to Academic OCC Students

Two Orange Coast College students will be honored in Sacramento next week at the Phi Theta Kappa All-State Community College Academic Team recognition ceremonies, during which scholarships and special recognitions are presented to All-State Community College Academic Team winners. Both **Phillippe Ly** and **Anita Schwab** will be acknowledged and take their place on the prestigious 1st Team. Please note that OCC is the only Orange County community college to earn two spots on this team. Congratulations to Phillippe and Anita on their impressive academic achievements.

### OC Workforce Investment Board

**Dr. Lori Adrian** has been selected to serve on the Orange County Workforce Investment Board. In partnership with the Orange County Board of Supervisors, the OCWIB oversees Orange County's workforce development activities and establishes programs in response to the workforce needs of Orange County. With Coastline's leadership of the OC One Stop Centers, Dr. Adrian's appointment to the WIB Board will serve the Coast District well as we strive toward being responsive to the workforce needs of our community. I know that you join me in congratulating Dr. Adrian!

Sincerely,





## 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Senior Day Attracts Prospective Students

Thursday, February 28, 2013



Seniors from high schools throughout Orange County – and some students from more of a distance – flooded OCC's campus Tuesday for the 30th annual Senior Day.

Students filled the Robert B. Moore Theatre for three preview sessions, and students also had an opportunity to tour campus facilities, including the Fitness Center, Allied Health, Theatre Arts/Costume, Film & Video, Photography, Marine Science Aquarium, Culinary Arts, Fashion, Interior Design, Early Childhood, Manufacturing Technology, the Library and the Recycling Center.

Student leaders who served up hot dogs for the event estimated that nearly 3,000 visitors enjoyed lunch. A slideshow of Senior Day activities can be found at <http://www.photos.occ.cccd.edu/SeniorDay2013>.

Senior Day t-shirts are available in the EOPS Office on the 4th floor of Watson Hall for \$5. All proceeds will benefit EOPS/CARE scholarships. For more information, contact Shannon O'Neal at (714) 432-5817 or ext. 26264, or by email at [soneal@occ.cccd.edu](mailto:soneal@occ.cccd.edu).





## OCC's Kolby Keo To Represent Students On CCCD Board

OCC student leader Kolby Keo is the newest member of Coast Community College District's Board of Trustees. He will represent students from all three campuses as a nonvoting member of the board.

Keo began his studies at OCC in the fall of 2011 and was soon elected to the Student Senate and served on various international and multicultural education committees. Most recently he was President of student government at OCC (SGOCC).

"It was a very tough decision to resign as SGOCC President," Keo said. "I could not hold both offices simultaneously, due to the conflict of interest clause in the board policies. I was torn about leaving my executive officers and leadership team behind. However, this is the best group of student leaders I have had the pleasure to work with, and was very confident when I made my decision to apply, that they would take up the reins and continue with a successful year."

Keo replaces Cody Joe Torre, who resigned as student trustee to enroll in Columbia University, where he began classes last week. Keo said he applied to become the student trustee on the CCCD Board of Trustees "hoping to take all that I had learned from my past leadership experiences, and serving a greater canvas of students, now the 60,000 plus students of the three colleges of the Coast Community College District."

He is no stranger to student government. When he was a student at Pacifica High School in Garden Grove, Keo was involved in student government for three years, and he was elected student body president his senior year. He continued his involvement in student government at Georgetown University in Washington, DC, where he served as freshman class president and as a commissioner on the Georgetown Student Activities Commission.

"To be honest, I stretched myself too thin," Keo admitted. "I also served in five other leadership positions at Georgetown while trying to be a full-time student ." The extracurricular activities proved to be too much pressure, and Kolby left Georgetown in the spring of 2011.

"I needed a fresh start and didn't want to take any time off from higher education," he explained. "After a summer of much personal reflection, I looked for a community college to enroll in."

After researching his options, he determined that OCC was "one of the best two-year institutions in the state. I was willing to make the 45-minute to 1-hour drive each morning to attend such a place, and am so thankful that I did." He is majoring in international politics.

Keo enrolled at OCC in fall of 2011. "I was enrolled in classes and would attend class, eat, then go home. I wanted something more. I wanted to serve and help shape and improve the campus." It didn't take long for Keo to step into a leadership role at OCC. In October 2011 he applied for a Senate position and was selected. He was elected student president the

following May.

Outside of OCC, Keo is also President and Chair of the Student Senate for California Community Colleges Region VIII. In his spare time, Keo volunteers as a soccer official and administrator for the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO). At the age of 18, he was the youngest individual to ever achieve the rank of AYSO National Referee.

Keo plans to transfer next year. He is looking at UCLA, UC Berkeley, UCI, UCSD, University of Pennsylvania, Cornell, Colombia and American universities.

## **Glen Profeta to Direct District's Project Endeavor**

Glen Profeta, Director of Applications and Infrastructure in OCC's Information Technology, is the new director for Project Endeavor, a district-wide effort to consolidate Exchange mail servers and SharePoint operations. Profeta made the move to District offices at the beginning of January.



Each of the District's sites—Orange Coast College, Golden West College, Coastline College and the District—currently have their own Exchange email servers. Profeta explained. "A centralized approach makes sense instead of four sites doing the same thing." There is also a desire to standardize a District-wide Intranet portal site for documents, content management, and collaboration. Currently OCC and Coastline have SharePoint.

The project will save the District and its three colleges money in software, hardware and staffing costs. Profeta hopes to have the foundation for the new system in place in time for the fall semester. Then he expects it will take a year or longer to fine tune the new operation and provide training for faculty and staff.

Each college will continue to have access to its own portal, but all faculty and staff members will also have access to a central District portal that will include document libraries, lists and calendars similar to those on the OCC portal.

Profeta joined OCC's IT staff 10 years ago. He was responsible for cleaning up the college's public website, setting up the OCC portal and handling internet and distance education services for the college. He also served a stint as the college's temporary IT director.

Before his arrival at Coast, Profeta was a network administrator at University of California, Irvine, for 11 years. He also worked as the director of operations at a computer consulting firm for five years.

The new Project Endeavor director has a master's degree in instructional design and technology from Cal State Fullerton. He earned undergraduate degrees in computer engineering and laser electro-optics at Oregon Tech.

A resident of Rancho Santa Margarita, Profeta has a son and two grandchildren who live Alaska.