President’s Monday Briefing – April 19, 2010

At COM’s Diamond PE Center Going Green Means Earning LEED Gold

College of Marin officials learned last week that the newly modernized Irwin P. Diamond Physical Education Center has earned LEED Gold.

The “greenness” of a building is evaluated by the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) Building Rating System developed by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). LEED certification is determined by a credit system, with credits given for each environmentally sound construction or operational process. The newly refurbished Diamond PE Center earned a high gold designation receiving 47 total LEED credits. The range of credits needed for gold certification is from 39 to 51.

The Diamond Physical Education Center earned high points for optimizing energy performance in the new facility, which is now generating about 50 percent of its own electricity from a photovoltaic array, using solar thermal power to heat water, and includes other energy saving features in its new mechanical systems.

COM earned additional LEED credits for a number of environmentally friendly features, including:

- Light pollution reduction;
- Water efficient landscaping;
- Water use reduction;
- Construction waste management for diverting 3,579 tons of construction waste from landfills to receiving agencies for recycling;
- Using 11 percent recycled materials in construction; and
- Innovation in design for instituting a comprehensive transportation management plan.

Achieving a high LEED designation is no small feat. Much praise for achieving LEED gold for the new center goes to the design, construction, and management teams that completed the project, including Kwan Henmi Architecture, San Francisco, CA; Alten Construction, Richmond, CA; Swinerton Management & Consulting, San Francisco, CA; and COM’s own Director of Modernization V-Anne Chernock.

The faculty, staff and students contributed their time and ideas during the design process and also deserve a share of the credit for their patience and good work. This is a tremendous accomplishment for all involved and a great testament to the leadership and vision of our Board of Trustees who made green building a high priority. Congratulations to all!
Board of Trustees Member Elected As New President of APAHE
I would like to congratulate Carole Hayashino on her appointment as the new president of Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education (APAHE). For the past 20 years APAHE has been the leading national organization addressing issues as they relate to Asian Pacific Americans such as student admissions, faculty tenure, under-representation in hiring and promotion, affirmative action, and Asian American Studies.

Kudos
The Registered Nursing Program is pleased to announce the continuing approval of their program by the Board of Registered Nursing at the Nursing Education and Licensing Committee on February 25, 2010. Every eight years the nursing education faculty and the program director complete a self study which is a rigorous review process to ensure that the program is in compliance with state or California Board rules and regulations. Two board consultants visited the school and clinical facilities and spoke with students, faculty, and college administrators to validate the self evaluation.

Educational Excellence Innovation Fund is now Accepting Proposals
The Educational Excellence Innovation Fund provides seed money that encourages College of Marin’s faculty and staff to dream out loud. Proposals should be submitted to the Superintendent/President’s Office by May 7, 2010. Awards will be announced in June. Faculty Proposals submitted to the Superintendent/President’s Office will be forwarded to U.D.W.C. per Article 8.3 of the UPM contract. Please contact Melinda Molloy in the President’s Office for more information at melinda.molloy@marin.edu.

Upcoming
Earth Day Marin at College of Marin
Join the festivities at the Kentfield Campus on Saturday, April 24, 2010, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. for Earth Day Marin at College of Marin. This is a free, family-friendly outdoor festival celebrating the 40th anniversary of Earth Day featuring music, food, kid fun, forums, animation and more. Hear BCH and the Jawdroppers, Terry Garthwaite, Oona Garthwaite, Three At Last, Let’s Go Green, Dr. Elmo and Wild Blue, and the Donna Eagle Band. See Senator Mark Leno, Eric Corey Freed, Supervisor Charles McGlashan, Annie Speigelman, Carrie Bachelder, Kif Scheuer, and Bill Petrocelli.

There will be a Know Your Local Food System Forum at 2 p.m. presented by Good Earth Natural Foods and UncleMindee.com. There will also be additional forums on green careers, green building and transportation. Local chefs will be on site, and there will be plenty of kid’s activities, animation, eco-aerobics, hands-on fun, and exhibition booths. Don’t miss the Iron Chef Competition featuring Whole Foods chefs. Food by Good Earth Natural Foods and Lydia’s Lovin’ Foods.

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This event is presented by Marin County Bicycle Coalition, Marin Agricultural Land Trust, Next Generation, Hannah Doress Events, College of Marin Students for Social Responsibility, and MarinLink. Leading sponsors include Good Earth Natural Foods, Whole Foods Markets, Seventh Generation, Marin Community Foundation, County of Marin Board of Supervisors, Green Ideals Branding and Marketing, Revolutionary Green, Marin Magazine, Pacific Sun, Local Music Vibe, and IsBridge.com Access Database Development. For more information visit http://www.EarthDayMarin.org

Three of Our Own Will Present at Earth Day Marin
Adjunct Geography Professor Andy Peri and adjunct Social Sciences Professor Robert Ovetz, Ph.D. will be co-curating a one and a half hour environmental animation film screening and discussion as part of Earth Day Marin held April 24 at COM. The screening will take place in the Science Center, Room 101 at 1:30 p.m.

Director of Modernization V-Anne Chernock will be participating in a panel discussion on Building Green, highlighting Measure C. Panel will be moderated by Andres Edwards.

Green Transportation Talk on Earth Day
Adjunct Geography Professor and Marin County Bicycle Coalition (MCBC) Advocacy Coordinator Andy Peri will join MCBC Advocacy Director Deb Hubsmith in presenting "Caring for the Earth by Being Part of the Green Transportation Revolution" at Earth Day Marin on April 24 at COM in Science Center, Room 101 at noon.

Artist’s Reception
The current exhibition up at the College of Marin Emeritus Center, Splendor of Place by Kay Carlson, will feature an artist’s reception on Saturday, May 1, 2010, from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Student Services Building, Room 146. The exhibition runs through June 17 and is sponsored by Emeritus Students College of Marin.

College of Marin to Host Annual Spring Job Fair
The College of Marin Job Placement Center will host its annual spring job fair on Thursday, May 13, 2010, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Kentfield Campus in the Student Services Building cafeteria. This event is open to the public and is free of charge. A variety of employers from the Bay Area will be available at the event to answer questions and accept resumes.

The COM Job Placement Center establishes and maintains contacts with businesses in the community to provide students with job leads and internships in various fields. Assistance is available to current students, as well as COM alumni of any age and community members. The Job Placement Center is located at the Kentfield Campus in the Student Services Center, Room 206. For more information about the Job Fair please contact Carol Perez at (415) 485-9410.
Transportation Technology Education Complex
Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
Thursday, May 13, 2010
Tours and light refreshments from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony starts at 5:30 p.m.
Grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony will take place at Pomo Buildings 1 and 2 at the IVC Campus

Transfer Recognition Reception
The Transfer & Career Center will be hosting its 4th Annual Transfer Recognition Reception to honor and recognize our students who are transferring on to four-year universities. The event will be held Friday, May 14, 2010, in the Student Services Cafeteria at the Kentfield campus. The evening will begin with a reception at 5:30 p.m., followed by a ceremony to formally acknowledge our students. I would like to invite everyone who plays such a vital role in student success at the College of Marin to attend this event to honor our students as they make their transition from the college to attaining their educational and professional goals.

Come celebrate our students’ academic achievement. Please confirm your attendance by e-mailing Emy Bagtas at emy.bagtas@marin.edu, by Friday, May 7. For more information call (415) 485-9671.

Ongoing

College and University Representatives on Campus in April
The following college and university representatives will be on campus during the month of April. Talking with them is a great way to learn more about the different colleges and universities as well as getting answers to your questions. Appointments are required. Students may schedule an appointment at the Transfer Center in Student Services, Room 202, or contact (415) 485-9671.

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Fine Art Pin-Up Show
The Fine Arts Gallery currently has a show featuring student-submitted work done in a variety of different media. A reception for the artists will be held Wednesday, April 7, 2010, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The show will be up through April 22, 2010. Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Fridays from noon to 5 p.m.
Marin Art and Music Alliance Presents Free Concert Series
Come out and enjoy the sunshine! The Marin Art and Music Alliance (MAMA) and Associated Students College of Marin (ASCOM) are presenting a free spring concert series. Food is available for purchase beginning at noon. The music starts at 2 p.m. and wraps up at 4 p.m. All concerts take place on the lawn area in front of the Student Services Building. This event is open to the public.

House Party Boogie
April 22

Groovy Judy
May 6

Pool Boy Chuck Steed
April 29

The Bob Hill Band
May 13

7th Street Reggae Band
May 20

Performing Arts

Frederic Chopin & Robert Schumann
200th Birthday Benefit Concert
Friday, April 23, 7:30 p.m.
Lefort Recital Hall (FA 72), Kentfield
Saturday, April 24, 7:30 p.m.
St. Hilary Church, Tiburon
Admission: $10 at the door

College of Marin faculty members Boyd Jarrell, baritone, and Paul Smith, piano, are joined by Marin County violinist and conductor George Thomson in a concert celebrating the 200th birthday of Frederic Chopin and Robert Schumann. Works include Schumann’s violin sonata opus 121, piano preludes and Scherzo No. 2 of Chopin and Schumann’s song cycle Dichterliebe.

Piano Repertoire Concert
Paul Smith, director
Wednesday and Thursday, April 28 and 29, noon
Fine Arts Theatre
Donation suggested, parking $3

The Piano Repertoire and Interpretation class will present movements from 25 piano concertos in two 90-minute concerts. Performances will include masterpieces by Bach, Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Liszt, Chopin, Schumann, Grieg, Saint-Saens, McDowell, Rachmaninoff, Ravel, Poulenc, Gershwin, Prokofiev, Khachaturian, Shostakovich, Barber, and others.
Two Evenings of Chamber Music

Jessica Ivry, director
Friday and Saturday, April 30 and May 1, 7:30 p.m.
Lefort Recital Hall (FA 72)
Suggested donation: $7, free parking

College of Marin music students perform Beethoven’s *String Quartet, Op. 135*; Brahms’ *Two Songs* for mezzo-soprano, viola and piano; Mozart’s *Flute Quartet in D Major*; Dvořák’s *Piano Quintet*; and Schumann’s *Fairy Tales* in small ensembles. There will be a different program each evening. Call (415) 485-9460 for program details.

’59 Pink Thunderbird – Laundry & Bourbon and Lone Star

By James McClure
Directed by Jeffrey Bihr

April 30, May 1, 7, 8, 14, and 15 at 8 p.m.
May 9 and 16 at 2 p.m.
Studio Theatre
$15 general admission; $10 for students, seniors, COM employees and alumni

It’s a hot afternoon in Maynard, Texas, where the “girls” are folding laundry, sipping bourbon, and sharing local gossip. That same evening, a trio of Texas good-ole-boys are drinking beer and trading tall tales behind a local bar. The comic intertwining of the two scenarios make for a very funny, delightful evening of theatre.

Director Jeffrey Bihr last directed *Born Yesterday* for COM. In addition to his teaching duties here at College of Marin, he also teaches and performs at Stanford University as well as with other local companies such as American Conservatory Theatre, Berkeley Rep, and the Aurora Theatre.

COM Athletics

Men’s Baseball vs. Mendocino College
Tuesday, April 20, 2:30 p.m. in Kentfield

Men’s Baseball vs. Yuba College
Thursday, April 22, 2:30 p.m. in Marysville

Check College of Marin’s Facebook page for conference tournament updates

Women’s Softball vs. Los Medanos College (double header)
Tuesday, April 20, 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. in Pittsburg

Check College of Marin’s Facebook page for regional tournament updates

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Swimming and Diving – Bay Valley Conference Championships  
Thursday through Saturday, April 22 through 24, all day in Fairfield

Track and Field – April Harlan Anderson Invitational  
Friday, April 23, all day in Pleasant Hill

Results from Johnny Mathis Invitational Meet:  
Angelina Pilacelli broke her own COM pole vault record with a leap of 10’ 2’.  
Emmanuelle Orleans broke the COM shot put record with a toss of 37’ 5’’.

Have a great week,

Frances L. White, Ph.D.  
Superintendent/President