



OREGON COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE

President's Report
Birgitte Ryslinge
March 2016

Our All Oregon Academic Team Scholars



I am delighted to announce our 2016 Oregon Coast Community All Oregon Academic Team Scholars

- Miguel Angel Gaspar Marquez
- Tomy Perez Torres

Each year, each community college in Oregon nominates two student scholars to be recognized as part of the All-Oregon Academic Team (AOAT). AOAT students are honored at a luncheon in Salem and welcomed by the governor at the Capitol. They receive a \$1000 transfer scholarship from their transfer institution, which for both of them is Oregon State University in Corvallis. AOAT scholars also become eligible for other scholarship opportunities and both Miguel and Tomy have received some additional awards. The All-Oregon Academic Team recognizes high achieving two-year college students who have demonstrated academic excellence and intellectual rigor along with leadership ability and service that extends their education beyond the classroom to benefit society.

Student Government

Due to an oversight, 2015-16 leadership positions in Student Government were not included in the President’s report in the Fall. I thank these students for their service, along with Will Quillian for serving as faculty advisor to Associated Student Government

<p><u>Officers</u> President: Jonathan Kosydar Vice President: Mariah Colmenero Treasurer: Tomy Torres Secretary: Desiree Morgan PR: Emily Rosinbaum</p>	<p><u>Volunteers</u> Josh Beard Josh Gonzales Parker Thayer Don Chappel David Martinez Miguel Gaspar</p>
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Below are some accomplishments of these student leaders:

- Supported student services with the welcome back barbeque.
- Facilitated the Safety and Security Forum for students and faculty members.
- Silent auction and BBQ to celebrate Dia de los Muertos and to raise \$233 for the Susan Archuleta Scholarship.
- Helped raised hygiene supplies for the youth homeless of Lincoln County with the SNO organization.
- Beach cleanup in partnership with the Surf Rider Organization (picked up about hundred pounds of trash/plastic).
- Student forum to offer support and educate student population about our college.
- Supported Sci-fi club with weekly movie and video game nights.

Job Fair

Plans for the second annual Job Fair at the Newport Campus are well underway. So far, eleven employers have signed up, representing some of the largest employers in Lincoln County. The Job Fair is April 6, from 10:00 to 2:00 PM, and is already being promoted widely among our students but also the larger community. Thank you to Jody Becker for her leadership in organizing this year’s event.

Fond Farewell

This month we say goodbye to Barbara Kessel, who will soon be starting a new position at OSU. Barbara will be the Health Professions Advisor for the Department of Microbiology. We are deeply appreciative of Barbara for her six years of service to OCCC. In addition to her advising responsibilities Barbara has been the lead on Oregon Transfer Day, Welcome Week, and the first OCCC Job Fair last year. She has served on a variety of committees including the Transfer Advisory Board, Safety, Math Maniacs, Nursing Advisory Board, WAVES Editorial Board and the Williams Lecture Series. Barbara is also the OCCC representative in the Chamber of Commerce/OCCC Leadership Lincoln partnership. Finally but certainly not least, Barbara has made a difference in the lives of so many OCCC students, as she has lent her sage advice on how to follow their own dreams.

Community Education

The Spring 2016 Catch the Wave publication was distributed almost two weeks ago, mailed to every address in Lincoln County. Inside are found the complete list of credit offerings for the term, along with descriptions, photos and details promoting the term's lineup of Community Education and Small Business Classes. New Community Ed offerings this term include a self-publishing workshop led by Steve Sparks of Depoe Bay, an expanded Oregon shellfish harvesting class (now including clams and mussels), the first non-credit Spanish class to be offered at the North Center and a new "Seatauqua" course on kelp, which will feature its use in artwork as well as very locavore cuisine.

OCCC Advancement (Foundation)

Lucinda Taylor is our new Director of Advancement, and in this role serves as the Director of the OCCC Foundation and also provides leadership for "College Advancement." Advancement is a strategic, integrated method of managing relationships to increase understanding and support among an educational institution's key constituents, including alumni and friends, government policy makers, the media, members of the community and philanthropic entities of all types. At OCCC, where all of our administrative leaders wear multiple hats, we have also included in this function the coordination of grants, and working in partnership with Dave Price and myself to coordinate and lead marketing efforts. These are big shoes to fill, and Lucinda has quickly immersed herself in learning about the College and community in order to develop relationships and understand how best to support students and the College. Lucinda has also quickly stepped into the organizational aspects of the Foundation office. She led the process to complete the pilot Spring scholarship awards, with the following results: The OCCC Foundation awarded 15 scholarships to 13 individuals, including \$500 in Student Nursing Organization scholarships and \$4,950 in OCCC general scholarships.

Lucinda is also supporting the Foundation Board in its efforts to seek new Board members who:

- Represent significant industry clusters, communities, and/or populations within the county
- Are committed to supporting the College's students, mission and strategic plan
- Are ready and willing to advocate within the community on behalf of the college as part of a fundraising board
- Can commit to one meeting per month through June and then 6 meetings per year thereafter for a three year term – meetings may be attended via teleconference or videoconference

If you are aware of any community members who may be a fit, please let Lucinda know. Suggestions for membership should be submitted to Birgitte or Lucinda.

Small Business Development Center

The Oregon Small Business Development Center Network recently completed their five year accreditation process with our national association, America's SBDC. Our local SBDC was an important part of the review, and hosted visits from a week long accreditation team visit by State Directors from Florida, San Antonio and Idaho. I am very pleased to announce that the Oregon SBDC Network (and by extension our SBDC) has been accredited without conditions. There were also a number of commendations and some very helpful recommendations contained in the report.

Our SBDC once again is an integral partner (along with the Lincoln City Chamber of Commerce, the Lincoln City Cultural Center, and the Lincoln City Visitor and Convention Bureau) in providing the third

annual Love Your Lincoln event. **Love Your Lincoln 3** (Friday April 22) is a fun, morning-long event designed to arm Lincoln City's front-line staff (as well as managers and business owners) with the latest news and updates from the many attractions that Lincoln City's visitors will be asking about throughout the spring and summer seasons. A featured speaker will touch on key fundamentals of excellent customer service, adding even more value to this fast-moving, entertaining and informative event. Watch for more details to come soon!

The OCCC Digital Media Marketing Studio is up and running at our Lincoln City site. Small businesses are encouraged to access the equipment and services for help with their marketing efforts. The studio is also home to new marketing and promotional work for the College. Contact Dave Price with questions or ideas.

Aquarium Science

The National Visiting Committee for AQS was completed Feb. 22-24. The preliminary report from the committee was very positive overall. The final report for this will be delivered soon and highlighted in a presentation to the Board of Education in April.

Five students have been sponsored for and will be attending two different industry related national conferences this month and next: the Regional Aquatics Workshop in New Orleans (March) and the Aquatic Animal Life Support Operators Symposium in Denver (April). Students will be delivering presentations and posters at these conferences. More on this will be shared in the April and May board reports.

Four students will be completing their aquarium science internships in the spring term with 14 students due to complete theirs in summer term. Not all students have been placed but all applications have been submitted. Spring internships so far include; SciAquarium in Greensboro, NC, Sitka Science Center, Sitka, AK, ODFW Salmon River Fish Hatchery, and Hatfield.

Student applications for fall admission are steadily coming in. So far 15 applications have been submitted with 5 students on a wait list from last year. The application deadline is the end of April.

There has been a lot of "growing" happening over in the Aquarium Science Building. Students have been successfully rearing a high number of multiple fish species and marine invertebrates. Some of these efforts are being included in school projects and in support of research projects. Clownfish, seahorses, sculpins, cichlids and corals are among the species with hundreds of offspring being reproduced and reared in AQS tanks – all driven by student interest!

Health and Human Services

Nursing: 35 students continue in the program. Senior students will start their senior experience preceptorships throughout healthcare facilities in Lincoln County during spring term.

Criminal Justice: We are offering a Co-Operative Education class in spring term, for five students. They will be doing internships in a variety of placements in Lincoln County, including Lincoln County Corrections and Probation and Parole.

High school Nursing Assistant Program: Five students will be graduating from the program at the end of the term. We had a celebration with members of the Lincoln County School District on Wednesday, March 16. The success of this program is directly attributable to the collaborative efforts of both LCSD and OCCC.

Medical Assistant Program: Students will be starting their preceptorships throughout the Samaritan Clinics in Lincoln County in spring term. EMT Program: 15 students will be completing the EMT program at the end of this term. OCCC will be hosting their state practical exam on April 16 at Central Campus.

Site Visits

Perkins Onsite Visit: OCCC hosted a Perkins site visit, with Luis Juarez, educational specialist from CCWD and Ed Woods from Chemeketa Community College/MWEC Consortium. The visit went very well and the following e-mail was received from Luis after the visit: *“It was a pleasure to visit with you and OCCC staff on Wednesday to hear about (and see) some of the Perkins/CTE work being done in your region. Both Ed and I enjoyed the tours of the Nursing and Aquarium Science programs and appreciated seeing the students “in action” in both program areas. I look forward to working with you and your staff moving forward. Please thank for me: President Ryslingle, Cindy, Jean, Chris, Lucinda, Lynn, and Ben for their support and participation. Also, please send a note of thanks to both Jessica and Julie for their comments and feedback around their OCCC Nursing work with Samaritan Hospital and the Lincoln County School District.*

Nursing Assistant Program: Debbie Buck, a representative for the Oregon State Board of Nursing, visited OCCC to evaluate our Nursing Assistant Program. She reviewed records and met with faculty and students. The accreditation visit went very well and the program has been approved for another two years. A full report of the evaluation will be sent at a later date.

Events

Senior Connections: A group of industry leaders in Lincoln County who deal with health care issues of older adults held a Health Career Fair at Central Campus on March 9th. This was well attended by the OCCC Community.

Second Year Nursing Students’ Education Fair was offered at the Central Campus on Thursday March 10 as part of the students’ senior project. It was well attended and provided an excellent example of student engagement at the college, as well as an opportunity for students who are considering these careers to view positive role models.

Oregon Pacific Area Health Education Center: will be putting on a Health Careers Fair at OCCC. This event will be open to Lincoln County High School students. OCCC has agreed to host this event, which will be on Friday April 15th from 9am-1pm.

President’s External Engagement Since Last Report

Lincoln County	Regional & State (& beyond)
Newport Rotary Yaquina Bay Economic Foundation Economic Development Alliance Lincoln County Aquarium Board Quarterly Meeting US Representative Kurt Schrader Leadership Roundtable	NorthWest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) Annual Workshops Designing Guided Pathways State Workshop STEM Hub Steering Committee Mid Valley Mid Coast Regional Achievement Collaborative Oregon Presidents Council Oregon Workforce Oversight Committee

OCCC Media Report February 17 to March 16 2016

OCCC chorus to perform last concert of the quarter

Newport News Times

March 11, 2016

On Wednesday, March 16, at 12:10 p.m. in the Central County Campus Commons, the **Oregon Coast Community College** chorus class will perform its final concert of winter quarter ...

TSUNAMI ANNIVERSARY: Reminder to stock supplies, walk your route

Lincoln City News Guard

March 9, 2016

Tsunami that inundated the coast of Japan. ... **Jim Kusz** teaches such a class at **Oregon Coast Community College**.

Add some porpoise to your life

Oregon Coast Today

March 8, 2016

Twice each year, visitors flock to the Oregon Coast to watch the migration of gray ... an introduction to various species that are found off the Oregon Coast. ... The free, three-hour class will feature talks from a trio of marine experts and give participants an introduction to various species that are found off the Oregon Coast. campus of **Oregon Coast Community College**

BUSINESS SURVEY: OCCC designing workshops, classes

Lincoln City News Guard

Feb 17, 2016

With the start of the new year, the **Oregon Coast Community College Small Business Development Center** is turning to businesses throughout Lincoln County to help create the lineup of workshops and classes the SBDC will offer in the months and years to come. Early results from the needs assessment suggest that workshops or roundtable discussions for business owners grappling with possible changes in Oregon's minimum wage are likely to find their way into the SBDC's lineup, as are classes on cloud-based accounting applications, business plans, and marketing.

Internet tools can help your business

Coos Bay World

March 7, 2016

Southwestern Oregon Community College's Small Business Development Center is offering three workshops in North Bend to help businesses be more successful online. In addition to her skills as a technology trainer, **Misty Lambrecht** is a graduate of the **Oregon Coast Community College's** Small Business Management program.

Social Media

OCCC FACEBOOK FANS: **2173**