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- **RHC Baseball Team** - The American Baseball Congress is an organization that provides a Community College Ranking System throughout the Baseball Season. In their preseason rankings, Rio Hondo College was the Number 1 Ranked Team in Southern California, as well as the Number 1 ranked Community College Baseball Team in the State. Congratulations Coach Salazar!

Announcements

- **Public Forums** - A key step in the presidential search process is the development of a Presidential Profile, a document which describes the qualities and characteristics we seek in a new institutional leader. The initial phase of our search will include open Public Forums at the College, during which we will solicit the input of the Rio Hondo College community in developing the Presidential Profile. We invite and encourage everyone to participate in the Public Forums.

Public Forums will take place on Thursday, November 8, 2012.

The times and locations are as follows:

11:15 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.

Board Room

If you are unable to attend the Public Forums, you can provide input on the development of the Presidential Profile directly to our ACCT Search Consultant: Dr. Jose Leyba at leyba.jose@gmail.com, 480-620-2480 (mobile).

- **Enrollment Management System** --- Interim Director of Information Technology Services Gary Van Voorhis and President Dreyfuss visited with Citrus College CEO and IT staff to learn more about the enrollment management system in place there which is

It is a great start to learn more about the enrollment management system in place there, which is an extension of the software currently owned by Rio Hondo College.

- **Athletic Hall of Fame** --- On Tuesday, former Dean of Athletics and Physical Education Ellie Bewley and President Dreyfuss met to discuss the celebration of the college's 50th anniversary and possible ways to include an athletic Hall of Fame in the event line up. We now have some leads as to past recognition awards given by the Division of Athletics and Physical Education over the years.
- **Inter-Club Council Halloween Celebration** --- On Wednesday, October 31, the Inter-Club Council sponsored a day of festivities for students to enjoy, including a costume competition, booth decoration contest, and inflatable interactive games. The lower quad was alive with opportunities for students to learn more about various clubs and the activities they sponsor.
- **Veterans Club Events** --- Students who are veterans and staff of the Veterans Service Center sponsored a drive to collect items to be distributed to homeless veterans at a regional "Stand Down" held over the weekend. On Thursday, the fifth annual Comedy Night was held in the Wray Theater. The event featured Comedian Benny Mena & Friends. The Veterans Club's annual fundraising event provides scholarships for Rio Hondo veteran students as well as benefit the nonprofit organizations Wounded Warrior Project and Stand Down.
- **Academic Services** - Drs. Pierson and Flores attended the California Community College Chief Instructional Officer's conference last week in San Diego.
- **Arts & Cultural Programs** - Works In Progress Dance Concert under the direction of Alyson Cartagena - Student showcase of new choreographic work. Student Choreographers Joel Carrillo, Chris Chavez, Alma del Viento, Sessaley Jauregui and Tiffany Ramirez will debut new pieces along with faculty Carol Mc Dowell and Director Alyson. Friday and Saturday 8:00 p.m., Sunday 2:00 p.m. November 9th and 10th, 2012 RHC Wray Theater \$5 donation recommended.

Join Rio Hondo's talented faculty, alumni and students Frank Accardo, Blanca De Los Santos, Philippe Lara, David Smith and Juan Sixto for an evening of exciting and stirring music of the guitar. Thursday, November 8th, 2012 RHC Campus Inn Theater, 7:30 p.m. Free and open to the public.

- **Communications & Languages** - On Tuesday (10/30) writers and editors from *El Paisano* hosted an educational exchange with their journalistic counterparts from Cerritos College's *Talonmarks*. This student-led endeavor explored a range of topics relevant to student media. Respective faculty advisors held a concurrent meeting and discussed AA-T degree development, among other items. A follow up exchange is planned for the spring and will take place at Cerritos College.
- **Student Success & Retention** - The *Office of Student Success and Retention* welcomed a new key member of its team on Monday, 10/29 as Barbara Salazar begins her duties as *Interim Assistant Dean of Student Success and Retention*.

- **Child Development Center** - Thanks to everyone who donated pumpkins, materials and time to the Pumpkin Festival held on Friday, November 2nd. Almost a hundred people enjoyed your contributions! The participants explored pumpkins, rolled pumpkins, painted with pumpkins, tossed rings over pumpkins and ate pumpkin. Because of the generosity of the Rio Hondo community and the parents at the center each child was able to take a pumpkin home and we will have pumpkins to continue exploring throughout the month of November.
- **Forensics Tournament Results - PCC** - On Saturday and Sunday, October 27th & 28th the Rio Hondo Forensics Speech and Debate team competed at the 2012 Watson-Lancer Tournament held at Pasadena City College. In attendance were over 300 students from 25 different colleges in California and Arizona, including Cal Lutheran, Chapman University and San Diego Mesa College. Rio Hondo was represented by twelve students (Vanessa Casares, Alfredo Gomez, Juan Guerreo, Bernice Hernandez, Madiline Kiphen, Yisella Mariscal, MICHAEL MORAN, Virginia Perez, Quirino Robles, Jessica Ruvalcaba, Ovidio Sanchez and Steven Villescas), four coaches (Libby Curiel, Adam Gonzalez, Steve Rohr and Grant Tovmasian) and guest judges, James Hiller and Nadia Elahi (English Part Time instructor). The Roadrunners made us proud once again by winning half of their debates, most narrowly breaking into out rounds. Kiphen took the honor of 7th best speaker of 78 novice debate speakers at the tournament. Kiphen was also a finalist in the largest individual event category at the tournament, Impromptu speaking.
- **Health Science & Nursing** - On October 31, 2012 the Health Science & Nursing Division – Simulation Lab hosted a “House of Horrors”. This event was developed to challenge our students to use their clinical reasoning and judgment skills in scenes that had multiple safety risks to the patients and the health care worker. Students visiting the “house of horrors” had to identify the key safety risks in various stations (7 stations total, over 50 identified risks) then based on each discipline the students had to further identify the NPSG and the QSEN that the risks identified, based on this they had to then developed a plan of what within their discipline they would do to correct and educate to resolve the issue. Over 45 students visited the lab, and was a great success. As the day progressed word of mouth spread and many faculty, administrators and staff from all around the came by to visit the simulation lab to view the “horrors” of patient safety. We thank you all for attending that the positive feedback. We look forward to doing this again next year with more challenges and more “horror”.



- **Public Forums** – Thursday, November 8, 2012 – 11:15 am and 1:00 p.m. – Board Room
- **Presidential Search Committee Meeting** – Thursday, November 8, 2012, 5:00 p.m..

Board Room

- **Special Board Meeting** – Friday, November 9, 2012, 4:30 p.m., Board Room
- **Regular Board Meeting** - Wednesday, November 14, 2012, 6:00 p.m., Board Room

Athletic Events week of Nov. 5-10

Women's Basketball

- Away November 9-11 / San Diego Mesa Tournament

Men's Soccer

- Home - November 6th @ 3pm vs Chaffey

Women's Soccer

- Home – November 6th @ 1pm vs Chaffey

Women's Volleyball

- Home – November 7 @ 5pm vs San Bernardino
- Home – November 9 @ 5:30 pm vs Mt. San Jacinto

Wrestling

- Away – November 7 @ 7pm Cerritos Dual

? Question(s) of the week

Have a specific question that you would like asked and feel others may want to know as well? Forward them to Sandy Sandello in the President's Office for inclusion in next week's e-Messenger.



