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FROM THE LIBERAL ARTS DEPARTMENT ...

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

By Cynthia S. Becerra, Associate Dean, Chair
Contributing Writer: Dr. Richard Chabot, Community
Studies Program Coordinator

Looking for a great course this Winter Quarter with an important objective—to advance your writing—, then consider the following: ENGL101 Written Communications, ENGL102 Advanced Written Communications or ENGL103 Intensive Grammar. However, if you are a bachelor’s student with the necessary prerequisites, take either ENGL201 Report Writing or ENGL202 Critical Thinking and Writing. Or as a college alumna said during an advisory meeting, “Take both. They will help you be better prepared for law school.” As a former court reporter and now a practicing attorney, she should know.



In the natural sciences SCI120 Human Biology, taught by Professor Crystal Hootman, students will not only be introduced to genetics but also have an opportunity to explore in the lab, SCI121, the anatomy of a pig. Sounds fun!

With seven online courses being offered, students can learn from their own homes by just a few clicks. As many of you know, the online environment provides another way for students to learn and complete a major requirement. But don’t be deceived—online courses are just—if not—as demanding as face-to-face instruction. If you are planning to take your first online class, choose an instructor whom you are familiar with and/or a subject area that you excel in. Many have enjoyed Dr. Chabot’s PS105 Modern World Issues class because of the diverse ways in which he delivers the material. Just ask him.

Many students and alumni have noted the incredible value of taking Dr. Perkner’s HIST210 Supreme Court in American Life, an upper-division social science course, which will be taught online. Focusing on the impact of major cases on our lives, the course includes landmark decisions as well as an opportunity to explore the judicial process. In addition, LIT202 Major Figures of American

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Literature is being offered for the advanced student. An upper-division humanities course, it is being taught by long-term adjunct Professor Carly Moreno on Thursday night.

Don't forget to complete your math requirement as soon as possible. MATH100 College Math is available day or night in Winter Quarter. Professor Baker is teaching it during the day (1 MWF), and Professor Walton is teaching Wednesday night. Once you complete MATH100, you could be finished with your math requirement, depending on your program. Wow! Wouldn't that be a relief?

Please see your advisor to register for Winter Quarter to be sure to be on track for graduation.

Happy holidays!



FROM THE COMMUNITY STUDIES PROGRAM ...

The students of CS101, in conjunction with the Humphreys College Academic Council, hope you will join them in giving the homeless of Stockton



Warm Feet

Yes, warm feet is all it takes to make someone smile. Homeless, broke, and getting by one day at a time. For all our problems and pressing needs, most of us can be thankful for having a warm home at night and clean socks in the morning. Such basic necessities make all the difference in getting through the day, and that's all we're asking from you. Not a large donation, not even a full hour of your time, just a pair of thick, warm socks. They're often referred to as "white gold" by those on the street, the means to keep feet warm when there's frost in the air but no shelter to duck into. Won't it be nice to know at the end of the year that in some small way you gave someone the gift of warmth and, if only briefly, the joy of a smile?



Buy a pair (or more) and *drop them* by your friendly Humphreys College receptionist, professor, or librarian today. The socks will be collected together and donated to the St. Mary's Interfaith Dining Room and Community Services in downtown Stockton. And if you happen to have a pair of shoes in your closet that will no longer be worn, bring those in as well. Let's make this Christmas the warmest ever!



For more information contact Richard Chabot at 235-2930.

FROM THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ...

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

By Shana Brucia, Chair

Criminal Justice Program



The Criminal Justice Program offers an Associate in Arts and a Bachelor of Science Degree with several concentrations. The two most popular concentrations are Law Enforcement and Corrections and Probation/Parole. We offer up to 44 quarter units towards the degree for those who possess a Basic California Post Certificate and/ or AOT Classes.

Probation Officer Core Course (Probation Academy)

The Probation Academy is available at Humphreys College to both students and probation agency hires. During the Winter Quarter 2015, the Probation Academy will be offered to the Humphreys College students. The Academy begins on Thursday, January 8, through Friday, June 26, 2015. Classes are held every Thursday night from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and every Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Lecture Hall – Room 413.

Probation Officer Core Course will consist of two-parts taught over two quarters. It will be an intensive course (212.0 hours) designed on the STC Probation Academy Model. Testing will be written and practical. Hands-on training for report writing and oral interview skills will be covered along with juvenile and adult criminal justice systems and processes, legal foundations for probation and terminology, restitutions, fines and other payment, case information and management, record keeping, court reports and presentations, codes, statutes and case law, indicators of psychological problems, gang affiliation, indicators, interviewing, and counseling.

Because this course is designed to provide practical hands-on training in police tactics and weapon usage, participants will engage in physically demanding classroom training exercises that may include the risk of injury. Prerequisites are English 101 and approval from the Criminal Justice Department Chair. Students will receive four units per quarter / total of 8 units for two quarters. The cost of this course is \$1397 for each quarter and a one-time material fee of approximately \$150.

Completion of the Probation Academy and a bachelor degree will make Humphreys College students eligible to become probation officers. Students must still pass a background, psychological, and medical check by the respective hiring agency.

Criminal Justice Club – Beta Alpha Sigma

The Criminal Justice Club - Beta Alpha Sigma had met for the second time on November 18, 2014, in the Rowena Walker Forum. We discussed our club objectives, gave updates on the fundraising campaign, conducted a latent fingerprint workshop, and voted on officers:

President:	Sophia Orozco
Vice-President:	Elizabeth Meza
Secretary:	Tejpaul Baniwal
Treasurer:	Thalia Guerrero
Sargent of Arms:	Brandon Godbey

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Beta Alpha Sigma Club's objectives are as follows:

1. "Improve criminal justice through educational activities,
2. Foster professionalism in law enforcement personnel and agencies,
3. Promote professional, academic, and public awareness of criminal justice issues;
4. Encourage the establishment and expansion of higher education and professional training in criminal justice;
5. Provide a unified voice for professionals in, and students of criminal justice; and
6. Promote high standards of ethical conduct, professional training, and higher education within the criminal justice field."

The Club is currently having two fundraisers to raise monies for student attendance at the 78th National American Criminal Association Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, March 22-27, 2015.

- ☒ **Fundraiser# 1:** Damsel in Defense Online. Because a violent crime occurs every 26 seconds, because one in three women experience domestic violence, because one in five women are survivors of rape, and because a child is abducted every 40 seconds, the Club is hosting an online fundraiser to Equip, Empower, and Educate people with personal protection products. Approximately 25% of the proceeds goes to Beta Alpha Sigma, and 10% goes to the education and protection of women and children nationwide. Fundraiser deadline date is **December 8, 2014**.

How to Shop:

- ☐ http address: mydamselpro.net/pro6295
- ☐ Click: "Shop Now – Buy Online"
- ☐ Choose: Humphreys College Beta Alpha Sigma
- ☐ Then: Start shopping



- ☒ **Fundraiser #2:** Raffle for basket that contains \$350 of Damsel in Defense products and Thirty-One products; 100% of all proceeds goes to Beta Alpha Sigma Club. Raffle tickets: \$5. Drawing will be held on **December 8, 2014**. You need not be present to win.

All students interested are encouraged to attend the next meeting on Wednesday, January 21, 2015, in the Lecture Hall – Room 413. Then guest speaker will be LT. Shad Canestrino from Lodi Police Department hosting a firearm seminar / workshop.

If you have any questions, please email shana.brucia@humphreys.edu or come by my office.

FROM THE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION DEPARTMENT...

WHAT'S AHEAD FOR ME AS AN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION MAJOR?

By Pam Wood, Chair



During the upcoming winter quarter, the department will again offer ECE 270, Professionalism in ECE. This course is recommended for ECE students who are nearing completion of their bachelor's degree program and are either pursuing or advancing in their career as EC professionals. This class will be offered on Thursday nights and taught by Dr. Beverly Clark.

In conjunction with ECE 270, our students will be presenting their professional portfolios near the end of the winter quarter. They will explain how they have met the ECE Program Outcomes through their coursework, work experience, and/or internships. Students will also receive information regarding the many

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professional opportunities that await them in the field of ECE. Students have reported that the professionalism course and putting together their portfolios has given them the opportunity to reassess what they have learned and has strengthened their professional confidence and competence.

We look forward to beginning 2015 with this important event that will benefit all ECE majors, whether they have just enrolled in our program or work already as classroom teachers or directors. Please watch for details in upcoming weeks!

FROM THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT...

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT A CAREER AT A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION?

By Jason K. Wolins, Chair

Did you think that nonprofit organizations just rely on volunteers? Not so fast, my friends!

Yes, many nonprofits use some volunteers. However, the nonprofit sector also hires paid employees.



An October 12, 2014, article in *The Sacramento Bee*, p. G6, entitled "Career opportunities abound in nonprofit sector," summarizes some nonprofit sector career options. Let's review some of what it presented.

According to the National Center for Charitable Statistics, there are over 1.4 million nonprofit organizations in the United States. So, there is a lot of variety, depending on your interests.

Although they do not have the goal of making a "profit," they still need revenue that exceeds expenses—and competent staffs.

And here is a bonus for you: You would not just be earning a living; you would be doing your share to make a difference for a cause.

In thinking about nonprofit careers, here are some common nonprofit organization job descriptions:

- **Executive Officer.** This is the executive director or president who reports to the board of directors.

Responsibilities include strategy and operations—staff, expansion, programs, daily mission, being a coach of the management team, acting as the liaison between the board and employees.

- **Chief Financial Officer.** The CFO. Your duties may differ depending on the size of your nonprofit.

For large organizations, CFO tasks may be somewhat narrow, such as financial reporting and meeting government contract requirements.

For smaller firms, CFOs may have broader assignments than just financial and investment activities—they also could be involved in functional and problem-solving pursuits.

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- **Fundraiser.** They bring in the money that allows a nonprofit to operate and support its cause.

Depending on an organization's size, there could be either overall, umbrella, fundraisers or various fundraiser niches.

Here are a few niche examples:

- Annual funds
- Alumni affairs
- Direct marketing
- Grant seeking
- Donor relations

- **Public Relations Specialist.** PR people are marketing professionals who work either with senior management or independently to develop a communication plan for a nonprofit.

Here are a few examples of some PR specialist job duties:

- Develop a nonprofit's core messages and ensure consistency across various media
- Respond to inquiries about a nonprofit
- When a crisis occurs, downplay the negative and accentuate the positive

- **Administrative Staff.** These are the "various and sundry" roles in nonprofit organizations. Depending on a nonprofit's size, they could be distinct or, in smaller organizations, overlap.

Some examples:

- Accounting and finance professionals
- Office administrators
- Human resources staff
- Information systems and technology workers
- Marketing staff

Do our Business Department majors and concentrations apply to working at nonprofits? Yes!

Nonprofits may or may not pay as well as private, for-profit firms. It may depend on size. However, you're going to get a big, unique reward: You're working for a cause!



FROM THE COURT REPORTING DEPARTMENT...

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

By Kay Reindl, Chair

DYAN DELGADO RECOGNIZED AT CSR RECEPTION



Jo Ellen Seeley-Volf and
Dyan Delgado

Dyan Delgado was recently recognized at a Court Reporting reception. She qualified to take the November California Certified Shorthand Reporters examination. Dyan has successfully passed the Professional Practice & Ethics written exam and will be taking the English exam soon. The dictation exam was scheduled for November 21, in Sacramento.

The guest speaker at the reception, Jo Ellen Seeley-Volf, is a CSR Sacramento professor and former court reporter. She combined her CSR background with her

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advanced education and professional speaking experience to motivate, inspire, and teach the students how to believe in their abilities and how to achieve their goals.

Norma Rease, CART reporter, and CR student, demonstrated her CART captioning onto a large flat screen during the presentation. This was a great opportunity for the students and faculty to experience firsthand how CART captioning can provide a valuable and rewarding service to hard-of-hearing persons.

The luncheon that followed included an assortment of gastronomical creations which were enjoyed by all. Thanks to all who contributed to making the event a success!

COURT REPORTING DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The Court Reporting Department is pleased to announce two scholarship recipients, Natasha Wentzel and Ann Breitler.

Natasha Wentzel was awarded the 2014 Court Reporting Department Scholarship for the second year in a row. The decision was based on her academic performance, dedication to program completion, and the adversities she has overcome to achieve her goals. In her essay, Natasha stated,

I am confident that court reporting will open many doors for me, such as providing me with the opportunity to help the hearing impaired, caption, and work in the courts to do my part for justice. The idea of creating a transcript that will become an integral part of justice seems so incredibly vital to the legal system, and I have always wanted to participate in this way.



Congratulations, Natasha!

Ann Breitler was awarded the 2014 George & Maria Stahl Scholarship based on her demonstrated excellence, meritorious progress, determination, and dedication to the goal of becoming a court reporter. In her essay where she compared her progression through the program to a recent hike in the Sierras, she wrote,

A few times, I have thought about how far I have come in the court reporting program, from 30 words per minute to 180 words per minute. No small task. Refining this skill is arduous. Then throw in life's many obstacles. But mostly my focus is forward, and my decision to finish has been made.



Congratulations, Ann!



COURT REPORTERS BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

Industry Update

When the Labor Wheel Turns

The buzz in the court reporting world today is a forecasted shortage of court reporters nationwide by 2018. The assertion is made based on the 2013-14 Court Reporting Industry Outlook Report conducted by Ducker Worldwide for the National Court Reporters Association.

The projected shortage is greatest in California. If there is no change to the current supply of court reporters, we are predicted to see a shortfall of 2,320 court reporters by 2018. The shortage will be mainly a result of decreased enrollment and school closures coupled with an aging workforce. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the median age of workers in all occupations combined is 42 years old. The median age of a court reporter is 51 years old. A full 70 percent of the court reporter population is 46 years or older.

One of the factors analyzed for the demand was gross domestic product (GDP), which is an indicator of legal activity. When the economy is down, there is more pressure on law firms and insurance companies to keep costs low. As the economy improves, it's reasonable to expect GDP growth to positively impact the need for court reporters.

Other factors included in the analysis of demand are the level of crime as measured by crime statistics, the degree of tort reform each state has experienced, the level of penetration of digital recording and voicewriting into the court reporting industry, as well as rapid growth of nontraditional uses of court reporting such as CART and captioning services.

To determine the supply side or availability of court reporters for the market, the Industry Outlook Report looked at the number of license applications over the last five years as well as the number of schools and the number of enrollments.

The report indicates that supply and demand seem to be in balance at the time of the production of the report, but has forecasted varying degrees of shortage across the country in the coming four years. For more information regarding the full report, contact the National Court Reporters Association at www.ncra.org or 800-272-6272.

www.CourtReportersBoard.ca.gov

Examination Statistics

Written Exams

March 1, 2014 - June 30, 2014		Total	Pass	Overall %
English	Overall	61	41	67.2%
	First Timers	32	25	78.1%
Professional Practice	Overall	49	38	77.6%
	First Timers	35	29	82.9%
November 1, 2013 - February 28, 2014		Total	Pass	Overall %
English	Overall	91	55	60.4%
	First Timers	46	32	69.6%
Professional Practice	Overall	62	52	83.9%
	First Timers	44	40	90.9%

Dictation Exam

July 2014		Total	Pass	Overall %
Overall		142	35	24.6%
First Timers		50	26	52.0%
March 2014		Total	Pass	Overall %
Overall		122	24	19.7%
First Timers		33	15	45.5%

The Court Reporters Board of California Fall 2014 newsletter identifies a growing need for court reporters and displays the CSR Examination statistics for the 2013-2014 testing cycles.

FROM THE MODESTO CAMPUS ...

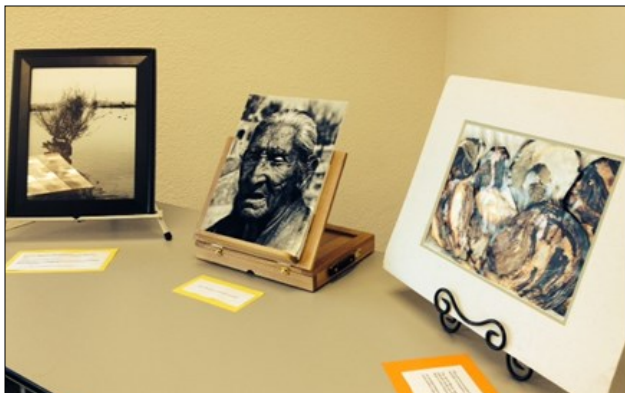
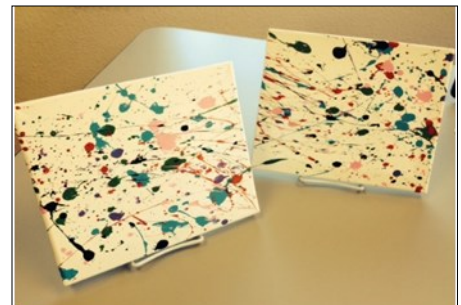
THE SECOND ANNUAL ART-A-PALOOZA

The second annual Art-a-Palooza was held at the Modesto Campus. Several students, staff, and faculty members participated. Submissions ranged from photography, paintings, and poems.



This piece was created by Cindy Astorga, a Liberal Arts B.A. major, at the Humphreys College Modesto Campus. This is her version of a famous original. When creating this piece, she only used her fingers and oil pastels.

These pieces were created by Isamar Garcia, a Liberal Arts B.A. major, at the Humphreys College Modesto Campus. This is splash box painting inspired by her favorite artist Ushio Shinoara. Isamar quote: "Art is important because it is the world's way of expressing itself."



Left to right: Black and white landscape photography by Bryan Salgado, Legal Studies A.A. at Modesto Campus. Photography by Jim Menard, adjunct faculty member at Modesto Campus. A piece by Miguel Sanchez, a Criminal Justice major at Modesto Campus; created with paper and oil it took three months to complete. Sanchez noted: "Art is important to society because art provides self-expression to every person who participates."

This poem was submitted by Dorothy Cook, a Business Administration and Legal Studies major at Modesto Campus. Cook states, "Art is important because it shows me different ways to look at things."



FROM THE LAURENCE DRIVON LAW SCHOOL ...

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

By L. Patrick Piggott, Dean

NEWSMAKERS



Our alumnus, Moises Zapien, was sworn in as President of the San Joaquin County Bar Association at the annual lunch on November 5. He also serves on the Stockton City Council and is very active providing legal services to the public.

Law school Instructor Mark Myles has been named County Counsel for San Joaquin County. He has served many years as Assistant Counsel and taught at Humphreys Drivon School of Law for over five years. He teaches Advanced Legal Writing and will continue to do so.

Alumnus Connor Shelton is engaged to Maria Alejo, the assistant to the Registrar at the law school. She is also a graduate of Humphreys College. Connor recently began working with the firm of Cassel Ginns, APC in Lodi, California. Keeping things in the family, his brother Parker now works for the other firm in the county that also does medical malpractice defense.

Zoey Merrill, a member of the Board of Trustees at ABLE school and an undergraduate instructor at Humphreys, will become a Deputy County Counsel in the new year. Zoey Merrill is also active in the legal community as a member of the Callahan Inn of Court and the Board of Governors of the County Bar Association.

CONGRATULATIONS

Four graduates of Humphreys College Laurence Drivon School of Law passed the July 2014 Bar Examination. The list includes two Humphreys undergraduate students: Emily Crim and Natalie Gulli. Emily was the first student admitted through the pathway program from Criminal Justice. In addition, Tamara Carter and Nicole Levie also passed. Tamara lives in Sacramento. Nicole is a Probation Officer in Stanislaus County.

NEW STUDENTS

The law school begins first-year classes three times a year. In the first week of November began our winter quarter; eight students joined us. They include six women. Eryn Cervantes is directly from Humphreys' undergraduate program. The new students include a banker, two teachers, three recent college graduates, a financial adviser, a correctional officer, and a paralegal. The next start will be in February 2015.



RECENT EVENTS

The new appointee to the California Supreme Court, Tino Cuellar, will take office in January. He first had to be approved by the voters and that happened in November. He had not visited Stockton in his legal career. On October 24, the Callahan Inn of Court hosted Tino Cuellar in our Courtroom. It was a special night and at least 14 of our law students were able to meet and talk with a Supreme Court Justice. Tino Cuellar is only 41 years old, a Professor at Stanford University.

On November 18, the San Joaquin County Public Defender, Peter Fox, attended our class for the students in Professional Training and made a presentation on the newly passed Proposition 47. This law reduces many

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already imposed sentences from felonies to misdemeanors and the defendants will need assistance making these motions. This will be one more task our Certified Law Students will provide. Our students are now continuously present in four courts to represent those who need representation and for whom the Public Defender does not have enough staff. It has been very rewarding for all of them. A Certified Law Student is authorized by the California Bar Association to represent clients in court as long as a supervising attorney is present or nearby. Our supervising attorney is Archie Bakerink.

FROM THE ABLE CHARTER SCHOOL ...

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOIN US AND WELCOME 6th TO ABLE! grade CHARTER!

Please join ABLE,
Humphreys College
and local dignitaries
as we celebrate the
grand opening of
ABLE's Middle
School Campus!



WHEN—December 10, 2014 5:30pm-7:00pm

WHERE—6504 N. Pacific Ave. Stockton, CA 95207

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (209) 478-1600



ACADEMIC COUNCIL EDUCATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS WORKSHOP ... TEACHING ENGLISH IN CHINA

In October, Dr. Cynthia Wagner Weick, Professor of Management in the Eberhardt School of Business at the University of the Pacific, shared her experiences teaching English in Dimen, China. Dr. Weick coordinates the Powell Scholars Program, and she along with current students in the program chose this project. The Program develops responsible leaders who excel academically and take the initiative to understand and serve their university, local and global communities.



Dimen is a village of 2,500 people of the Dong culture. The Dong are an ethnic minority in China. Dong is the original language with most of the villagers also speaking Mandarin. According to Dr. Weick, the children wanted to learn English so that they could communicate with the tourists and share their culture. The children started learning English in third grade (in school) but only a minimal amount. As a result, Dr. Weick and the Powell Scholars (students) went to Dimen to teach English for several weeks. Song and drumming are a strong part of the Dong culture, so they used this knowledge to introduce the English language. Dr. Weick and her students also created a short curriculum specific to these children.



*Dr. Cynthia Weick
(top right)*

*Dimen, China
(above)*

*Powell Scholars,
2013-2014
(left)*

FROM THE LIBRARY AND LEARNING CENTER ...

HOW TO SUCCEED IN COLLEGE: SIXTEEN WORKSHOPS OFFERED IN FALL QUARTER

- ❑ Both New Student Orientation sessions were hosted by Dean of Administration *Wilma Okamoto-Vaughn*, with Admission Counselors *Santa Lopez-Minatre* and *Julie Walker*. Additionally, *Santa Lopez-Minatre* offered two workshops titled “Your College Experience as a Challenge and an Opportunity.”
- ❑ “How to Search Online Databases” was the title of four sessions led by *Richard Hunt*. He demonstrated the most efficient ways of searching both types of databases available to Humphreys’ students and faculty: periodicals and books.
- ❑ *Stanislav Perkner* offered four sessions of the regular “Writing Clinic.” He covered the MLA/APA-style formatting, documentation, and writing of research-based papers.
- ❑ *Kerry Moquett* introduced students to “Creative Writing.” She focused on the main differences



between typical college-level assignments and fiction-based writing. Students had a chance to test their creative writing abilities.

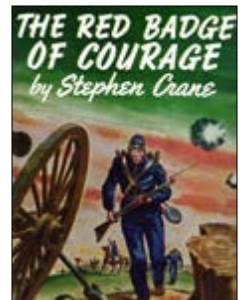
- ❑ Two topics addressed current political issues. *Jason Wolins* analyzed the language of numerous political advertisements published before the recent elections. Most of them were deliberately misleading. He linked this discouraging phenomenon to declining voter turnout and discussed its legal aspects.
- ❑ *Stanislav Perkner* turned students’ attention to global issues—“beyond the daily news.” His presentation explained the emerging concept of the Eurasian Union as promulgated by Russian President Vladimir Putin.
- ❑ The final session offered an opportunity to meet *Shana Brucia*, new chair of the Criminal Justice Department. The conversation was moderated by *Julia Hayhurst*.



AUTHORS’ SPOTLIGHT VETERANS DAY

On November 11th, we as a nation celebrate Veterans Day. We do not “Mondayize” the holiday or recognize it on a different day for convenience, but on that specific day. It is important to us as Americans to come together on that date to acknowledge the men and women who have served our country as members of the armed forces. Having a father who served in the Korean War and a husband who served in the Vietnam War, I have heard many descriptions of their experiences and even have done some research through the Korean War Project to find my father’s Army buddy who had been wounded along with him. Probably, many of you are like me; you have a relative or close friend who has related the challenges of the battlefield with you. However, sometimes it is hard to empathize with them and to comprehend the intensity of those life-or-death moments. To appreciate more the experiences of those who have put aside their lives for me—and you, let us turn to literature to grasp a better appreciation for those who have served our country.

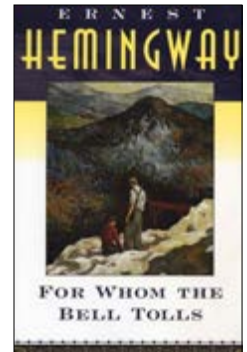
The Civil War (1861-1865) is still considered the most brutal war of our history. With over 620,000 casualties, it devastated our young country. Stephen Crane (1871-1900), a 19th century American author, captured the psychological angst of those who fought in that war with his novel *The Red Badge of Courage* (1895). Although never in a war and born after the Civil War, the author is credited with a realistic portrayal from a third-person limited omniscient point of view.



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Ernest Hemingway (1899-1961) is one of our best-known authors who influenced our perceptions of war in his novels *A Farewell to Arms* (1929) and *For Whom the Bell Tolls* (1940). Having served as an ambulance driver in World War I and also wounded while doing so, he encapsulated both the personal and universal terrors in his works, including often anthologized short stories like "Soldier's Home." From the beginning, Hemingway was the war-time journalist who clarified his experiences for American readers; in fact, in 1947 he was awarded the Bronze Star in World War II for his courage in depicting a realistic image of the front lines, as noted in the commendation: ". . .through his talent of expression, Mr. Hemingway enabled readers to obtain a vivid picture of the difficulties and triumphs of the front-line soldier and his organization in combat."

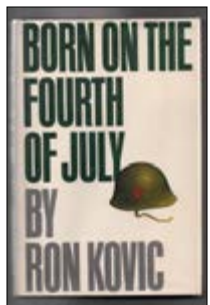


Developed into a mini-series called *War and Remembrance* (1988-1989), the war-time novel of the same title by Herman Wouk (1915-) integrates the historical events of World War II into the stressful familial relationships among the Henrys and the Jastrows. Wouk's work recognizes the toll that war takes on families and relationships as well as the often exaggerated romance of its genre by its popularity. However, it is Joseph Heller's *Catch-22* (1961) that has been heralded as the greatest work of the 20th century. This satirical novel describes the events of a fictional U.S. Army Airforce bombardier Captain John Yossarian and his squadron. Classified as absurdist yet historical fiction, it utilizes omniscient narration through several characters' points of view so that events are repeated from various lenses as the squadron tries to keep their sanity.

Many of you are probably familiar with *M*A*S*H* (1972-1983) as a television series, which starred Alan Alda as Captain Hawkeye Pierce, a surgeon in a Mobile Army Surgical Hospital (M.A.S.H.) unit. Believe or not, my father was treated by one of those units when he was wounded by a bomb in the Korean War (1950-1953). In fact, most in my family contend that his life was saved as a result because these units were so close to the front lines and able to treat the wounded quickly. Before it was a television series, it was a book, *MASH: A Novel about Three Army Doctors* (1968), by Richard Hooker, the pen name for Dr. H. Richard Hornberger (1924-1997) and his co-writer W. C. Heinz (1915-2008). Dr. Hornberger, in fact, had been one of those surgeons assigned to the 8055 M.A.S.H. during the Korean War. Providing insight into surviving the stress of war, the authors incorporated humor into the thematic content of their works and juxtaposed the "mass of casualties" with the cathartic pranks of doctors and nurses under such dire circumstances.



The Vietnam War, however fraught with its unpopularity, remains an enigma, in general, to the literary public because in the minds of many veterans, including my husband's, their actions were never sanctioned by the American public. In fact, many still regard themselves as misfits because they were never welcomed back into their country with a heroes' welcome along with public support, which often fostered psychological and economic healing for servicemen and women. Most were told, as was my husband, not to wear their uniforms when they flew home because they would be cursed at in the airports and even spit upon by the not-so-admiring public. Therefore, most Vietnam Vets are unwilling to share their stories let alone articulate them in print for fear of further ostracization and public condemnation. But Ron Kovic, author of *Born on the 4th of July* (1976), a Marine, captures in his novel the brutality of the war and the difficulty of re-entering his American life as a paralyzed veteran. In an excerpt entitled "On Patrol," he chronicles the events of a single military action, resulting in civilian casualties, and its effects on the character Sergeant Molina, as exemplified in the following: "Forgive us for what we've done."



Molina's cry for forgiveness magnifies the feeling of helplessness and the ultimate challenge for anyone who has served in combat. I have heard it from many a soldier, including my father and my husband, even though the soldier's actions can be seen as his/her duties "to defend and serve." As I stated before, I will never fully understand the veterans' experiences, but I feel that I owe them at least the responsibility to try. Ultimately, literature provides the rest of us the opportunity to do so.

~ Cynthia Becerra

College Calendar 2014-2015

FALL QUARTER 2014 (September 29, 2014 - December 12, 2014)

Quarter begins.....	Monday, September 29, 2014
Last day to enroll or withdraw without academic notation on transcript	Friday, October 10, 2014
Last day to withdraw with partial refund	Friday, November 7, 2014
Last day to withdraw	Friday, November 14, 2014
Veterans Day holiday – campus closed.....	Tuesday, November 11, 2014
Thanksgiving – campus closed	Thursday, Friday, November 27, 28, 2014
Final Exams	Week of December 8, 2014
Quarter Ends.....	Friday, December 12, 2014
Winter Recess - no classes	December 13, 2014 - January 4, 2015
Christmas holiday – campus closed	Thursday, December 25, 2014
New Year's holiday – campus closed	Thursday, January 1, 2015
<i>Campus closed: Veterans Day, November 11; Thanksgiving, November 27, 28, 29, 30; Christmas, December 13, 14, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28; New Year's Day, January 1; Weekend, January 3, 4</i>	

WINTER QUARTER 2015 (January 5, 2015 - March 20, 2015)

Quarter begins.....	Monday, January 5, 2015
Last day to enroll or withdraw without academic notation on transcript	Friday, January 16, 2015
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – campus closed	Monday, January 19, 2015
Last day to withdraw with partial refund	Friday, February 13, 2015
Last day to withdraw	Friday, February 20, 2015
Presidents' Day – campus closed.....	Monday, February 16, 2015
Final exams	Week of March 16, 2015
Quarter ends.....	Friday, March 20, 2015
Good Friday – campus closed.....	Friday, April 3, 2015
Spring recess - no classes.....	March 21 – April 5, 2015
<i>Campus closed: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, January 17, 18, 19; Presidents' Day, February 14, 15, 16; Good Friday, April 3, 4, 5; Weekends, March 21, 22 and March 28, 29</i>	

SPRING QUARTER 2015 (April 6, 2015 - June 19, 2015)

Quarter begins.....	Monday, April 6, 2015
Last day to enroll or withdraw without academic notation on transcript	Friday, April 17, 2015
Last day to withdraw with partial refund	Friday, May 15, 2015
Last day to withdraw	Friday, May 22, 2015
Memorial Day – campus closed	Monday, May 25, 2015
Final exams	Week of June 15, 2015
Quarter ends.....	Friday, June 19, 2015
Commencement	Saturday, June 20, 2015
Independence Day – campus closed	Friday, July 3, 2015
Summer recess - no classes.....	June 20 – July 5, 2015
<i>Campus closed: Memorial Day, May 23, 24, 25; Independence Day, July 3, 4, 5; Weekends, June 20, 21 and June 27, 28</i>	

SUMMER QUARTER 2015 (July 6, 2015 - September 18, 2015)

Quarter begins.....	Monday July 6, 2015
Last day to enroll or withdraw without academic notation on transcript	Friday, July 17, 2015
Last day to withdraw with partial refund	Friday, August 14, 2015
Last day to withdraw	Friday, August 21, 2015
Labor Day – campus closed	Monday, September 7, 2015
Final exams	Week of September 14, 2015
Quarter ends.....	Friday, September 18, 2015
Fall recess - no classes	September 19, 2015 – October 4, 2015
<i>Campus closed: Labor Day, September 5, 6, 7</i>	

IN CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF DR. BARBARA COULIBALY

On September 6th of this year, Dr. Barbara Coulibaly lost her brave battle with cancer. She leaves behind her son and daughter and two grandchildren. Born in New Orleans, LA, she earned her doctorate in Education from Union Graduate School and taught in the College's Graduate Studies and Early Childhood Education programs.



A guiding light to many students, she was a positive influence on both their professional and personal lives. In fact, many of us witnessed her generous spirit. For example, it was not uncommon for Barbara to purchase diapers for a student who was not able to afford them for her baby or to help a student's family who had suffered a loss of a loved one or even a place to live.

On November 7th the Coulibaly family had a celebration of life to honor her in Galveston, Texas. It began at sunset and proceeded into the evening. In addition, the family has also requested that in lieu of flowers donations to the American Cancer Society through www.cancer.org in memory of Dr. Coulibaly are much appreciated.

Many students and alumni have offered to do more in recognition of Professor Coulibaly's contribution to Humphreys College. If you are interested in participating in such an endeavor, please contact Professor Cynthia S. Becerra at cbecerra@humphreys.edu or 209.235.2922.

COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

- ❑ **Dr. Robert Humphreys, Jr.**, is our new **Provost**. On October 14th, in the Community Hall, college President Robert Humphreys, Sr., hosted a meet-and-greet celebration for the new provost. Trustee Chair Ronald Guntert, Jr., acknowledged the Board's full support of the new provost in his introduction of Dr. Humphreys to the college community.



- ❑ Professor **Donna Roberts**, coordinator of teacher credentialing programs, took **first place** at **CSU, Stanislaus' Doctoral Research Competition** on Friday, November 21, for her research on supporting master's level success! The competition is designed for students who are "in progress" with their dissertation research. Once she completes her research, she will compete in the state-wide competition!

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- ❑ The **Office of Admissions** is hosting an **Information Meeting** scheduled for **Thursday, December 4, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.** at the Stockton and Modesto campuses. The topics of discussion will include review of all academic majors for the undergraduate and graduate degree programs. The application process, financial aid, entrance and educational requirements, transferability of credits, and other information will also be discussed. Please invite those whom you feel would be interested in attending Humphreys College. For more details, contact the Admissions Office at 209.478.0800 (Stockton) or 209.543.9411 (Modesto).
- ❑ The **Financial Aid and Admission Departments** will be hosting a series of **Cal Grant Workshops** in January and February of 2015. The **2015-16 FAFSA** and the **Grade Point Average Verification Form** must be submitted prior to the deadline of **March 2, 2015**. After January 1, students may pick up GPA Verification Forms from the Registrar, Financial Aid and Admission offices. Cal Grants are awarded to students who meet certain criteria to defray tuition costs for college. You may be eligible for up to \$8000 per academic year of free money (no repayment is required). Cal Grant workshops are designed to assist students to complete the application process accurately and in a timely manner. Specific dates and times for the Cal Grant workshops will be e-mailed and posted throughout both campuses. You may be entitled to free money for college; however, you must apply by the **deadline of March 2, 2015!!** Don't miss this incredible opportunity!!
- ❑ **Laurence Drivon School of Law** sponsors a **Law School Information Meeting** every 2nd Tuesday of the month in the Courtroom on the Stockton campus. The next scheduled meeting will be held on **Tuesday, December 9, at 7:00 p.m.** The law school meeting is designed to approach questions from prospective students regarding getting into Law School and the practice of law. Dean of Law, L. Patrick Piggott will be presenting the history of law and what it takes to be a successful attorney. The topics of discussion include the intricacies of the admission process, educational requirements, LSAT scores, financial aid, and other pertinent information. Please contact **Santa Lopez-Minatre** in admissions for further details — 478-0800, Ext. 3147.
- ❑ A Pumpkin & Gourd Sale was sponsored by the **Becerra Farm** to support the **Rowena Walker Scholarship**. The committee raised \$420 with all donations going to the scholarship fund. Thank you to the faculty, staff, and students for their support.

Pumpkin Gallery of Pictures





Happy Holidays

The Humphreys College Board of Trustees, faculty, and staff invite the students, alumni, and friends of the College to our traditional Christmas Reunion Buffet Luncheon.

**Thursday, December 11th at 12 noon
on the Stockton campus – Main building**

Enjoy this special opportunity to bring your family to the campus and visit with friends, former classmates and professors.



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