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Let's put some perspective on the issue

"There is no question of the accreditation of MiraCosta College," said Interim President Hendrickson.

In a statement released by MCC’s Public Information Office on Wednesday, Cheryl Kyle, Marketing and Media Relations Coordinator, stated that the college established "talking points" so that faculty and staff can be prepared to address student questions.

"Loss of accreditation could be a consequence should the college choose to ignore the directives of the commission, but MiraCosta College has no intention of doing that. Faculty, staff and the board of trustees are responding immediately to the concerns identified by the commission and will comply within the timeline established by the commission," stated Kyle in the statement.

"It should be noted that in spite of the dislocating events of the recent past, the college as a whole has maintained an admirable resiliency and dedication to its core mission. There are commendable efforts being made throughout the learning environment at MiraCosta College. Scores of staff, faculty and administrators have prevailed in furthering the ability of the institution to meet its goals in trying circumstances, and there remains a strong belief in the goodness of the enterprise and the importance of carrying out the community college mission," stated a confidential report prepared for The Accrediting Commission of Community and Junior Colleges Western Association of Schools and Colleges by the comprehensive evaluation visiting team.

Out of several accreditation standards, only one was cited as deficient. Two stated concerns of the committee are related to how the board of trustees can work together more effectively. The point of deficiency deals with the speed of the college’s implementation of Student Learning Outcomes. The commission would like MCC to evaluate and improve the success of students. The commission’s evaluation has not changed the accreditation status of MCC. Nothing has changed at the student level.

In addition to establishing a governing board development plan and improving participatory governance, President Hendrickson is addressing Student Learning Outcomes along with Interim Vice President, Pam Deegan. Dick Robertson, Vice President, Student Services, has been tasked with addressing the organization, training and responsibilities of the accreditation team. “All three recommendations are important and all three are getting equal attention. There is no question of the accreditation of MiraCosta College," said Interim President Hendrickson.

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At an open campus meeting last Tuesday, Interim President John Hendrickson addressed a report presented by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior colleges based on their most recent visit on September 17 and 18.

"Accreditation will not be withheld, interrupted or lost in any sense. MiraCosta College is an esteemed College, the very high quality of education and student support services at the college has never been questioned," said President John Hendrickson.

Photos by: Jason Thompson/ Staff Photographer
Chinese Club celebrates New Year

In Chinese tradition, the Rat is a protector and bearer of material prosperity. In Chinese zodiac tradition, the Chinese Club hosted the first event of the Chinese New Year Celebration last Tuesday on the San Elijo campus. The Chinese New Year Celebration was kicked off with a Lion Dance performed by students from the White Dragon Martial Arts School, headed by Sifu Ben Stanley, Chief Instructor. The Chinese Lion is a fantasy creature made up of various animals; a tiger, deer, rabbit, dragon, and a phoenix. It is said that the Lion Dance is a symbol of good luck and prosperity and is used as a blessing.

The colors and movement of the Lion Dance drew the attention of students and a few members of the community as well. “It’s different, and even a little like this ancient community,” said Althea Wojcik, Assistant Dean for Student Services. The San Elijo campus has had a hard time keeping night students involved in campus activities, but “with an event like this, it will help keep those students connected,” said Wojcik. Going to class and then just leaving,” said Sally Foster, Provost. More events will be taking place at the SCC in the future and “the brand new Student Center is a wonderful place to host events”, said Marcus Tutt, Chinese Club VP. The Chinese New Year Celebration was established in 2007, by Audrey Kuan, MCC Staff, and the 2007 Chinese Club.

Celebrations will continue throughout this week and next. All events are free.

The Rat is the first of the 12-year cycle of animals that appear in the Chinese zodiac in relation to the Chinese calendar. The celebratory event at MCC follows the same theme as the events portrayed in China during the New Year. Elements of Chinese culture are also connected into the program to enhance the educational benefit.

SURF 9.0 goes live too. Aside from easier navigation and an improved main menu, MCC faculty will be able to download rosters into Excel and email students directly from the roster. The enrollment count for classes will be easier to view, plus the weekly schedule will be more manageable. "SURF 9.0 has a format that is similar to many websites making it easier to locate services. The display of pages looks like you are shopping on the Internet," stated Lisa Level, PeopleSoft Functional Specialist.

Students and faculty have attended focus group events on the Oceanside and San Elijo campuses to test out the new SURF 9.0 system and offer their feedback. In order to make sure the system will operate successfully, focus group participants filled out a simple step-by-step questionnaire that gauged the new features from "Very Easy" to "Very Difficult". Testers were asked to sign in but none of the activities done during the test affected their actual account.

SURF 9.0 is now entering into it’s final stages of fine-tuning. Next month, Mac and PC users will reap the benefits of the hard work many individuals put into making the online enrollment system better than ever.

Schedule of Chinese New Year Events
February 21, noon Chinese New Year College Hall Center of Oceanide Campus Acupuncture Presentation by Daniel Haun, LAc
February 25, noon Club Room, Oceanide Lecture on History of Kung-fu by Mario Figueroa
February 26, noon-1 p.m. Azlan B, Oceanide Calligraphy Workshop by the MCC Chinese Club
February 27, 5-6 p.m. Club Room, Oceanide Chinese Movie Marathon February 29, 1-9 p.m. Little Theater (3601), 1 p.m. "Showdown of the Cotton Mill" (Directed by Wu Ma, 1978) 3:30 p.m. "To Live" (Directed by Yimou Zhang, 1994) 7 p.m. "Lust, Caution" (Directed by Ang Lee, 2007, Rated R)

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Black History Month

Are we just on autopilot here?

JAMAL JACKSON
Staff Writer

Black History Month. Martin Luther King, Malcolm X, Frederick Douglass, Rosa Parks, Nelson Mandela and Jackie Robinson. Is that it? Does the scope of all black history end after mentioning a half dozen blacks? Are we set on some sort of redundant autopilot that kicks in every February?

According to Einstein, the definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results. When it comes to black history month are we insane? The honorable Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is by far the most recognized and respected civil rights leader in the world. Without him many of the previous names mentioned probably would have not had the same impact as they did. However, there are hundreds of other influential African Americans who are rarely or never mentioned.

The Little Rock Nine, the first black teenagers to attend an all-white high school at Little Rock Central High School in Arkansas, are all living and some are residing and working in a school system, which rejected them. During a time when apartheid was rampant in Africa and segregation was still practiced in the United States, Haile Selassie, the last emperor of Ethiopia, abolished slavery and inspired the minds of Nelson Mandela, Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X. In the 1980s, the Edmonton Oilers were one of the best hockey teams in their time, headlined by Wayne Gretzky, but much of the success of that team was supported by the actions of goalie Grant Fuhr who stands ninth in all time wins and is a 2003 hockey hall of fame inductee. In 2006, the world witnessed the first individual Olympic gold medal hung around the neck of Shani Davis for 1000 meter speed skating.

These are just a few of the many other influential leaders who had profound effect on the African American community but don’t even get footnotes.

If Black History month, or any history month developed on ethnicity is designed to inform the public about pivotal figures who played influential roles, then Black History month still fails its purpose. If we are going to inform others about the history and achievements of African Americans in this country then let’s do that. If not, well, happy valentines month.

Student Speak

Question: What comes to mind when you think of black history month?

Appreciation of what they have been through, and what they look forward to.
-Sinjan Balabanoff

Unfortunately school has not focused on it like the civil war and we should learn more.
-Michelle Cotrupe

Is a celebration of all cultures since we all paid a price and all contributed to the success of each other.
-Chuck Adams

To recognize their impact on the U.S. How they are looked down on in society but the great things they have done.
-Chris Lopez

Remembering all the black people that did great things like Martin Luther King, Bob Marley, Jimi Hendrix, early inventions George Washington Carver invented Peanut Butter, like slavery is all done with. In remembrance of all the people who were enslaved.
-Brec Dorsey
Art

"Rotary and Malaung: Neo Pop Surrealism" Paintings by Martin Facey and Lek Namnath
Facey’s newest work explores the magic of seed germination, a metaphor for life formation as a visual process. Namnath’s work is an immersion in sight, sound and smell, which recalls her native Thailand and its rich flora and fauna.

January 29 - February 21
Talks: Thursday, February 7, 7-9 p.m.
Reception: Thursday, February 21, 6-8 p.m.

Dance

Dance Studio Hour
San Elijo Campus Room 204 Thursday, April 10 at 7:30 p.m.
Free admission.
An informal presentation by students in MiraCosta’s dance classes, showcasing ballet, jazz, modern, tap, ballroom, commercial, Latin and world dance forms. A demonstration of Plates mat work will also be included.

Theater

Once Upon a Mattress
MiraCosta College Theater
February 29 and March 2 and 9 at 2 p.m.
General admission, $12; seniors/staff, $10.

Don’t book without this buddy

Reviews

Fast home made Mexican food

Tasty food, fast service, cleanliness and a friendly staff make up Colima’s Mexican Restaurant located at 308 Pier View Way in Oceanside. At first, I was disappointed to find the restaurant filled to the roof but that vanished quickly as I began savoring over the smells coming from their kitchen. Hosting a few booths and one order counter, the local hot spot is causal, with a jukebox playing Salo and a couple televisions airing telenovelas. Looking at their wide variety of Mexican dishes, from mole to ceviche, I settled for a combination of two enchiladas, accompanied with rice and beans. My order took about seven minutes to be filled and served. As I dug in, my taste buds were bombarded with fresh, tasting cheese and a chile sauce blended with a mixture of spices from the enchiladas. The rice was soft, with its hidden taste of tomato sauce and the refried beans were hot and creamy. The food was delicious and the prices phenomenal, starting from $7.

Don’t book without this buddy

El Toritos

El Torito’s is the perfect place to be on a Sunday morning, because that’s where brunch is served. Get there between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. and dine on an array of entrees that include cheese enchiladas, fajitas, pork ribs, seasoned vegetables, soups, salads, and desserts—the list goes on! I stopped at the omelet station where I chose the ingredients for my meal and watched the chef make it. I also watched them roll out fresh corn tortillas for those tasty tacos. Not only did I enjoy the food, I enjoyed the sights and sound. A Live Mariachi Band plays throughout the day. As far as the service goes they are on top of their game. I was never thirsty. My glass was always full. It isn’t like most buffets where they let your plates pile up on your table. As soon as you are done your plate was removed. At El Torito’s I enjoyed the food, the service, the sounds, and the cooking show! El Torito’s brunch is definitely the outside of the castle as well as the Pea fairytale. Kelly Kissinger, Technical Director and Master Carpenter, built a replica of the inside of a castle. Part of the stage rotates enabling the audience to view the outside of the castle as well as the inside room where 15 mattresses are stacked high.

Meet Me Asking For A Refund

I avoided writing this review for as long as I could. I’ve spent every second after viewing this movie trying to repress it that I think back and put into words how truly bad it was, took nothing short of a Herculean effort. To discuss any aspect of Meat the Spartans, a spoof on the hugely successful 300 and other things pop culture, in regards of thoughtful examination is an exercise in futility. It makes the worst segments of MadTV and VH1’s Best Week Ever seem like they were written by Oscar Wilde. If the government made an anti-anti-depressant, they would make you watch clips of this movie. Everyone in the cast should be ashamed of being in the movie, and a single thing that is good or right in the film in regards to sound, camera shots, jokes, acting, comedic timing, plot, production, direction, relevance,
Take a novel approach

Last week I said the novel was not dead and is not dying. This week I’ve compiled a list of books that I have found to be great. Defining “great” is almost impossible because it is a matter of opinion rather than concrete fact. Knowing that, compiling a list of the greatest novels is not an easy task. I’m putting myself on the Literati chopping block by offering what I think to be the ten greatest novels of all time. Some of the books on my list will come as an surprise, while others will tickle the capital L literature enthusiasts. However, this is my list, and as the cliché goes, I’m sticking to it.

1. “Canterbury Tales” by Geoffrey Chaucer. Chaucer’s greatest work is also a work of satire. The collected poems and prose critique English life in the 14th century while seeming to praise each pilgrim. The Tales are also part of a movement of telling stories in English rather than in French or Latin. “The Knight’s Tale” is my favorite for its satirical stab at knights and the idea of chivalry.

2. “Ulysses” by James Joyce. “Ulysses” took me an entire school year to read when I was a sophomore in high school, and the level Joyce writes still enthralls me. The story of one day in Ireland told through the perspectives of people around Dublin, including an appearance by Stephen Dedalus, is the definition of a “perfect novel.”

3. “Gravity’s Rainbow” by Thomas Pynchon. “A screaming comes across the sky. It has happened before, but there is nothing to compare it to now.” Not only is that the greatest first sentence of a novel, it’s also the best first paragraph. Pynchon’s style, while complicated and dense, is not as difficult to read as “Ulysses.” Even though the book won a national Book Award and is a work of literary genius, it falls short of being a “perfect novel” by inches.

4. “A Modest Proposal” by Jonathan Swift. Not exactly a novel by definition, it is the first great work of satire behind Chaucer’s “Canterbury Tales.” The full title alone is the length of a paragraph and the idea of solving the overpopulation and food shortage problem in Ireland at the time of the writing by selling poverty-born children as food to the rich is a haunting look at the true nature of humanity.

5. “Cat’s Cradle” by Kurt Vonnegut. Most lists have “Slaughterhouse Five,” but the ice-nine of “Cat’s Cradle” is a direct reference to nuclear weapons and the effects just one nuclear bomb detonating can have on the world. If nuclear war is not a concern, read this book and think of ice-nine as a nuke. Having nightmares yet?

6. “Invisible Man” by Ralph Ellison. By far my favorite book about the social iniquities and how a young black man copes. Ellison’s prose is both violent and elegant in its intensity. Ellison writes with a raconteur’s passion, but tempered with the wisdom of a man many years older than he was when he wrote the story. The “Battle Royal” scene is a poignant description of the social injustices behind Chaucer’s “Canterbury Tales.”

7. “The Sound and the Fury” by William Faulkner. No list would be complete without Faulkner and the brilliant narratives of Benji, Quentin, Jason, and Dilsey. No one has captured the essence of place like Faulkner, nor has stream of consciousness been so masterfully done. No other book has touched me or inspired me so powerfully to be a writer like “The Sound and the Fury.”

8. “1984” by George Orwell. I wanted to put “Animal Farm” on the list as well, but “1984” goes beyond the Jones’ farm. The story of a dystopian totalitarian society is both a cautionary tale of where we could go and a beautifully haunting idea of what England could have become in the wake of World War Two. “1984” is more relevant today than ever, with lines such as “Big Brother is watching you” and the mantra of Air Strip One, “War is peace; freedom is slavery; ignorance is strength” could very well be the campaign slogan in the United States in the near future.


10. “Naked Lunch” by William S. Burroughs. Rounding out my top ten list is one of the few books that have stuck with me for the last 12 years, and the book that has influenced bands, writers, and culture. Part of the Beat Generation, Burroughs and “Naked Lunch” defined a time in America when life was not “The Donna Reed Show.” Drugs, sex, more drugs, and more sex float under the complicated satire Burroughs wrote about American life. Dr. Bennay, the quintessential quack doctor, Agent Lee, and Steely Dan make up a few of the many personifications of human vice at work in the novel. Almost unreadable in the terms of a traditional novel, it is also Burroughs’ most coherent work after “Junkie” and until the publication of the “Cities of the Red Night” trilogy in the 1980s.

As I said at the outset, not everyone (or anyone) will agree with my list. I hope the list will spark a dialogue, will inspire others to read great books and turn off “American Idol” for one night and get lost in a good book.
You have a voice now. Get involved!

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Planning/Budgeting Council (PBC), 1 p.m., Aztlán A & B, Student Center, Oceanside.
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship (IVCF) Leader meeting, 2 p.m., Temescal, Student Center, Oceanside.
MEChA Club Movie, 2 p.m., Club Room, Student Center, Oceanside.
Career Center Workshop: “Succeeding in the Workplace,” 3:30 p.m., Bldg. 3700, Oceanside.
Academic Senate Council (videoconference), 4:30 p.m., Room 1202, Oceanside.
DSS Student Life, 10 a.m., Temescal, Student Center, Oceanside.
Foster Youth Conference, 11 a.m., Aztlan A & B, Student Center, Oceanside.
MEChA Club Movie, 1:30 p.m., Aztlán B, Student Center, Oceanside.
Chinese Club, 3 p.m., Room 1202, Oceanside.
Chinese Academic Senate Council (videoconference), 1:30 p.m., Room 1202, Oceanside and Room 308, San Elijo.
Inter-Club Council Open House, 5 p.m., Conference Room B, Student Center, San Elijo.
MEChA Club, noon, Quetzalcoatl Room, Student Center, Oceanside.
IVCF Tabling, 11:30 a.m., Conference Room B, Student Center, Oceanside.
IVCF Leader meeting, 2 p.m., Aztlan A & B, Student Center, Oceanside.
Academic Senate Council (videoconference), 1:30 p.m., Bldg. 3700, Oceanside.
MEChA Club Movie, 1:30 p.m., Aztlán B, Student Center, Oceanside.
Chinese Club, 3 p.m., Room 1202, Oceanside.
County Coastal Career Center.
Volunteer Orientation Meeting, 1 p.m., Room 3B10, Electrical Technology.
MEChA Club Movie, 1:30 p.m., Aztlán B, Student Center, Oceanside.
Inter-Club Council Open House, 5 p.m., Conference Room B, Student Center, San Elijo.
Monday, February 18
All campuses closed for Washington’s Birthday.
Tuesday, February 19
LDS Student Alliance, 10 a.m., Temescal, Student Center, Oceanside.
Puente Club, noon, Temescal, Student Center, Oceanside.
MEChA Club, noon, Quetzalcoatl Room, Student Center, Oceanside.
MCC Governing Board, 3 p.m., Conference Room B, Student Center, San Elijo.
SEC Student Center Open House, 5 p.m., Conference Room B, Student Center, San Elijo.
Career Center Workshop: “Succeeding in the Workplace,” 5:30 p.m., Bldg. 3700 (check-in), Oceanside.
Wednesday, February 20
LDS Student Alliance, 8 a.m., Temescal, Student Center, Oceanside.
MiraCosta activity), 6 p.m., Room 1202, Oceanside.
Advance Registration, 9 a.m., Card Office, Oceanside.
Foster Youth Conference, 11 a.m., Room 1202, Oceanside.
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship (IVCF) Tabling, 11:30 a.m., Hub Plaza, Oceanside.
OC College Hour: Chinese New Year Celebration, featuring free food, music and martial arts demonstrations, noon, central lawn, Oceanside.
On February 20, the Jordan Club is hosting a movie night in the Club Room on the Oceanside campus at 2 p.m. in observation of Black History Month. The feature will be The Autobiography of Malcolm X starring Denzel Washington and directed by Spike Lee. Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlán (MEChA) is a student organization that promotes higher education, culture, and history. MEChA was founded on the principles of self-determination for the liberation of our people.

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MEChA and Jordan Club

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Soccer club kicks up the fun

Beautiful, warm-day, brilliant, green grass, people shouting “duck, ball!” What does this all mean? The Soccer Club is back the swing of things. I strapped on my helmet and braved the impending flying balls at the soccer field to get a one on one with MiraCosta’s Soccer Club. Paulino Mendoza, one of the team’s staff supervisor’s is, ‘happy to get the word out about getting more members. “We welcome anyone who wants to play soccer,” Mendoza said. The club is more than willing to help teach new members how to play. The team meets every Friday all year round, except on holidays, at 3pm at the upper or lower soccer fields, depending on availability and play “until we can no longer see the ball,”

MEChA is offering scholarships to nursing students living in Carlsbad, Oceanside, San Marcos or Vista and currently attending MiraCosta College. The scholarships range from $1,000 to $5,000 yearly and can be used for tuition, books, supplies, lab fees, uniforms, transportation, childcare and computer accessories. The application deadline is March 13. The criteria for the scholarship is as follows:

2. Students must write an essay including background and career goals.
3. A letter of recommendation from an instructor must be submitted.

The Jordan Club is a Christian group sponsored by Gatlin Education that can lead to state financial assistance up to $6,000 over a two year period. These grants can be used to complete programs such as Pharmacy Technician, Clinical Medical Assistant and other course work offered in partnership with Garlin Education that can lead to state approved contact hours.

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For information contact MiraCosta Community Services at (760) 795-6820.

AS sets goals for spring

In January the Associated Students created a list of goals to be put into place by the end of the semester. The AS would like to raise the student awareness of the student government and campus clubs by at least 50 percent.

The Senate would also like to promote events on campus. The AS would hopes to increase the quality, quantity and overall student satisfaction of campus events. Additionally, they will undertake the creation of a functional organizational structure that will allow future senate members to promote goals in the coming years. The AS intends to accomplish these goals by making policies through to the end of the semester.

Tri-City hospital offers nursing scholarship

The scholarship committee at Tri-City Hospital is offering scholarships to nursing students living in Carlsbad, Oceanside, San Marcos or Vista and currently attending MiraCosta College. The scholarships range from $1,000 to $5,000 yearly and can be used for tuition, books, supplies, lab fees, uniforms, transportation, childcare and computer accessories. The application deadline is March 13. The criteria for the scholarship is as follows:

1. Students must have a 3.0 grade point average or above.
2. A letter of recommendation from an instructor must be submitted.
3. Students must write an essay including background and career goals.

MEChA and Jordan Club

On February 20, the Jordan Club will be distributing free appetizers and drinks to the public right outside the Oceanide campus library. The Jordan Club is a Christian group sponsored by North Coast Church. They are hosting this event to show God’s love through service. This event will take place between 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. If you would like any additional information please check out the church website at www.thejordan.com.

Financial aid offered to military families

For all of the military spouses the MCC Community Services Program is participating in the Military Spouse Career Advancement Account Demonstration Project to provide non-credit training programs to military spouses who apply at North County Coastal Career Center. This Demonstration Project is designed to provide highly skilled, well trained workers to employers in high demand industries.

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A completed MiraCosta College Fall 2008 Scholarship application must be submitted with the Tri-City Hospital Auxiliary 2008-2009 Nursing Scholarship application.

For information go to www.thejordan.com.
Get your Resume Ready! With graduation only a few months away, you should start thinking about getting your resume ready. You will want a resume that has a good chance of being read by prospective employers, so you need to invest time and energy not only in its content, but also in its look. If you’re creating your resume for the first time or in the process of revising it, come to a workshop and learn how to effectively use content and style to get your resume noticed. Resume workshops are held every Thursday from 12-3pm and every other Tuesday evening from 5:30-6:30pm. Internship Opportunities Engineering Intern, City of San Marcos. Four internship positions are available at $10-12/hr. Gain experience in the field of Civil Engineering. Assist engineers in land development, traffic and capital improvement projects, field investigations and other miscellaneous clerical and administrative tasks. Candidates must have completion of some low division mathematics and engineering courses, California Driver’s License. Sales/Marketing Intern, Viewbug.com, San Diego. 3 internship positions are available. Gain experience in an up and coming internet social network. Intern is responsible for communicating with current and possible future partners and affiliates. In charge of possible sponsorships and business development. Marketing of Viewbug.com and sales pitching. Candidates must have professional communication skills. Must be able to work under supervision, be organized and have basic computer knowledge.

Job Opportunities
Student Worker, San Diego Superior Court, San Diego, Vista, El Cajon, Kearny Mesa and South County. $8.77 to $18.54 hourly (depending on experience) Positions are available in Office/Clerical, Stores/Supplies, Postal Services, and Children’s waiting room attendant. Contact San Diego Superior Personal Office by telephone (619) 331-3390 or in person at 330 W. Broadway, Room 251, San Diego or mail completed application to: San Diego Superior court, Attention: Personnel, P.O. BOX 122724, San Diego, Ca 92112-2724. LEGOLAND California, Carlsbad. Competitive pay rates with opportunities for advancement. Positions available in Admissions, Attractions, Food and Beverage, Entertainment, Retail, Education and Professional and Technical Positions. Call the job line at: (760) 918-5454 or visit the website: www.LEGOLAND.com/jobs.

For more information on jobs, internships and career resources, stop by the Career Center, Bldg. 3700 on the Oceanside Campus, or call 760-795-0772.

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Math and Spanish tutor all levels, affordable prices. Group or individual. Please contact: Monica at 760-822-2673.

Artist/Sales people needed at local theme park. Contact Gabriel at (619) 739-3746.

Please note new regulation!
Completing CIS 100 will not satisfy the Computer Competency Requirement (CCR).

The University Transfer Center (UTC) will have a representative from CSUSM to see MiraCosta students on the following days: Monday, February 11; Tuesday, March 11; Tuesday, April 17. Please come to the (UTC) to pick up a flyer and make an appointment as they are necessary to speak with the representative.

ANSWERS TO YOUR TRANSFER QUESTIONS

Question: When can I transfer mid-year to a four-year university or college?
Answer: Many colleges and universities accept transfer students mid-year. However, some programs take transfers only during fall semester. In addition, depending on the number of students accepted in the fall, some universities can only accommodate small numbers of mid-year transfers or none at all. This is especially true for some UC campuses. In addition, students who may need financial aid and/or housing need to find out what will be available to them mid-year.

Question: Can I complete my 60 unit transfer requirement in the summer for a fall admission?
Answer: Most schools require you to complete 60 units by the end of spring term. However some schools will make an exception to this rule. Check with a counselor to determine the regulation for your transfer school.
Q: A few years back I walked in on my husband cheating on me. We have four children together which I have been raising by myself for the past few years. Recently he has been saying he wants to get back together. Should I? I haven’t seen him since that night. He says he wants the kids and me to come live with him.

A: If anything, let him come live with you to see if things will work out between the two of you. If he decides to suddenly slip into the sack with another chick or change his mind about the two of you, then you won’t have to go through the trouble of packing your things and leaving again. You can put him out. But think long and hard about it. “By age 45, two out of every five men and one out of every five women has had at least one affair,” said Dr. Scott Haltzman, Barrington Psychiatrist. Dr. Haltzman was only looking at people who cheated in marriages. He found that the adulterers were mainly looking for love and affection, not for sex. With that said, think about stepping in the same pile of crap twice. Me? I wouldn’t, but that is just speaking student to student.

Q: I’m dating this woman and we have a baby. We’re not married, but my girlfriend is constantly bugging me about having another kid. We already struggle pretty badly financially, and she isn’t a very good mother. I am afraid if I don’t want another kid soon she will leave me and take away my child. What should I do?

A: I would suggest being straight up with her. Maybe talk to her and explain the reasons why you don’t think it is a good idea to have another kid. Remember to back your argument with some facts. Ww W adopting.org dianesraps states the government recently calculated that raising a child from birth to 18 years of age costs about $160,140 for a middle class family. That doesn’t include the cost childcare if both of you are working parents. You should tell her to think logically or just think period! If you can’t afford it and she sucks at motherhood then maybe it isn’t a good idea to reproduce and pull your children into poverty.

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