Spring semester begins early

Andrea Abbott
Copy Editor

The 2013 Spring Semester at MiraCosta College will begin on Monday, Jan. 14, a week earlier than the previous year, in order to make up for the Mondays lost due to holidays. Furthermore, the Monday before Memorial Day is now included in the semester.

According to Al Taccone, the head of Career and Technical Education, and International Languages, in past years the college added five minutes to every class to make up for the delayed time. However, this process sometimes made classes too close together, which made it difficult for students to get from class to class on time. Some students also did not always have classes on Mondays or did not have a full schedule, so the addition of minutes was unnecessary for them. Changing the week of the new spring semester is an alternative to deal with this issue.

Although the spring semester starts earlier, it does not affect the break before the fall semester—they’re still a month apart. In fact, the college’s fall semester ends earlier than some other schools (the last final exam is on Monday, Dec. 17).

“The summer session is scheduled to start after the high school graduations, so students will have a longer break than usual between spring and summer in 2013—a month rather than the two or six it has been the past few years (for 8-week classes; the 6-week classes follow the same schedule as usual),” Penny Skemp, a member of the Academic Affairs Committee said. The new schedule will apply to this year and the next, but will not apply to following years. “This is only a problem when the state requires two mandated Monday holidays in one semester,” Skemp said. “We had to change the calendar to schedule for missed instructional time due to those mandated holidays. This is an issue for 2013-14, but not for every year.”

When making calendar changes, the Academic Affairs Committee considers what is in the best interests of the students and the faculty. The committee consists of 15 faculty, three administrators, two classified staff, and one student in order to represent the different voices and perspectives on campus. “Student participation in the governance process has been very helpful,” Skemp said. “Our student representative last year brought an important perspective to all discussions, and I think better decisions were made because of her input.”

For more information on the Academic Calendars, visit www.miracosta.edu/calendars.

Bookstore trades Scantron forms for canned food

Justin Morris
Editor in Chief

From Oct. 15 to Oct. 31 the MCC Food Pantry is requesting canned food, $5 grocery store gift cards, and cash donations as part of a Halloween-themed food drive for needy students. The college bookstore is participating in the food drive, “Scare Away Hunger.”

“Basically students who come in to purchase a canned food from the Scare Away Hunger drive that’s going on will be presented with one of the Scantron forms. We just want to make sure that we’re taking part and helping the campus partner with where we see that there’s a need for students. Students are impacted a lot by the economy, and we want to be pro-active in helping students,” MCC bookstore manager Pamela Lovested stated.

Soft-packaged or expired canned food will not be accepted. Students interested in donating canned food can also drop them off at the Service Learning and Volunteer Center in Room 3306 or in orange-and-brown bins that will be set up around campus from Oct. 15 to Oct. 31.

“The food pantry is run through volunteer efforts. We have student volunteers who check expiration dates and organize and stock the pantry. If somebody wants to help, they could donate or they could do a canned food drive with their family, their friends, or with their church. It doesn’t take a lot. A student could bring just a can of tuna to school and we would be delighted with that,” Service Learning Coordinator Carol Wilkinson stated.

The food pantry, which runs entirely on donations and receives no government or local agency support, was started six years ago by a group of students, faculty, and staff members concerned about the prevalence of needy students at MCC. The MCC Food Pantry provides short-term assistance to students at the college and refers students who require long-term assistance to community organizations that can provide that kind of aid.

“The stories that we hear are really heartbreaking. We have students who are sacrificing so much to be in school, and sometimes one of the things they’re sacrificing is eating. And that’s really sad. We want to be able to help students who just need that little bit of support. We can do long-term assistance, but we can help students find other sources of support,” Wilkinson said.

Food that the pantry prefers include canned fruit, chili, tuna, as well as peanut butter and soups. “A lot of students are living out of their cars, or they’re living on the streets. So getting a pot and a can and heating it up works for some, but not for everyone. We prefer the kind of soup where you can eat it from the can. Students can take that to the cafeteria and heat it up,” Wilkinson stated.

“We have such a small food pantry here, and it’s so difficult to keep it stocked, and it’s really important that we get the students on campus involved, not just giving donations, but also making them aware that it exists. Because so many students don’t know that we have an emergency food pantry to help them out,” student Amanda Cordova said.
Fall fairs are coming to MCC

Justin Morris
Editor in Chief

Study Abroad Expo

The San Elijo Campus will host this year’s Study Abroad Expo on Oct. 25 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (during College Hour) on the sidewalk in front of the Student Center.

For students who are looking for something beyond what Mirafesta offers for study abroad, it’s an opportunity to look at other vendors and see what’s out there. We want to give students as many opportunities as possible to fulfill their study abroad ambitions or goals,” Student Services Coordinator Melanie Haynie stated.

The vendors in attendance include travel magazines, representatives from colleges and universities abroad, and vendors that provide study abroad programs to a variety of countries such as Australia, Japan, and Brazil. There will also be a “Semester At Sea” study abroad program that will tour 15 different countries on a cruise ship. The “Jammint Z90” radio station will also attend.

All students that come to the event will receive a “passport,” which they can stamp for every vendor they talk to. Students that collect 10 stamps can enter a prize drawing, which offers gift certificates to Spain, travel accessories, and online language class vouchers offered by BridgeAbroad.

The college offers its own study abroad programs to London and Spain. Courses offered through these programs tend to be humanities and humanities classes, and generally do not require prerequisites. Major-specific classes, math classes, and science classes are not offered. Students who are interested in studying abroad can receive financial aid packages for their trip if they qualify for financial aid through FAFSA.

“With our goal with study abroad is not just to get them into a foreign country and immersed in a foreign culture, but also to complete their educational goals at the same time. We want it to be useful on many fronts,” Haynie said.

Career and Major Fair

The Career Center will present a “Career and Major Fair” on Oct. 25 from 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. (during College Hour) by the Hub Fountain on the Oceanside Campus, in collaboration with the Counseling and Transfer Centers. The “Career and Major Fair” is a networking event that allows students to meet with faculty representatives from public and private universities around San Diego County (such as CSUSM and UCSD), and local employers.

“This is an opportunity for students who are thinking about a major to talk to professionals in the field and find out how they arrived at their career, what advice they would give them, and what the employment outlook is,” Career Center Coordinator Kit Hudnutt stated.

The “Career and Major Fair” will host 120 to 150 professionals representing the diverse array of majors at MCC, from fields like photography and communications to finance and child development.

“If you have no idea what you want to do, there’s just a wealth of resources and information here to talk to professionals in the field. The focus isn’t ‘get a job,’ although a conversation with one of the employers may result in a job offer. The focus is to network and meet professionals in the field, and to help advise students to better meet their goals. It’s a place for students to explore,” Hudnutt said.

The “Career and Major Fair” started in 2008 and occurs every other year. ASG provides lunch and Student Ambassadors contribute by bringing employers and university guests to their tables. In addition, some faculty will award students extra credit for attending the “Career and Major Fair”.

Make a Difference Day

On Oct. 20 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. the Service Learning and Volunteer Center will participate in “Make A Difference Day,” a national day of community service, by contributing to both Operation H.O.P.E. (Homless Outreach Providing Encouragement) and North County Community Services. Operation H.O.P.E. is a community outreach program that provides shelter to needy families and individual women, and North County Community Services runs a community garden that donates fruits and vegetables to five local low-income preschools.

“Make A Difference Day is just a really cool opportunity for the community to get together and help everyone that they can. It’s that kind of great feeling that it’s an annual thing that they do across the nation, that everyone is helping their community at the same time. It really shows that just a few hours of your time can make a huge difference in the lives of others,” student Amanda Cordova said.

From 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. the Service Learning and Volunteer Center will assist Operation H.O.P.E. “They operate during the winter, so we’re going to help them prepare for their Dec. 1 opening. We’re going to be helping with construction projects, cleaning projects, and anything else they need to get their doors open,” Service Learning Coordinator Carol Wilkinson stated.

From 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. the volunteers will help plant fruits and vegetables for the North County Community Services garden located on North River Road in Oceanside.

“We’re hoping to have a hundred volunteers for the day, and right now we have about ten, and in only 12 days away. So this is our big push right now,” Wilkinson said.

Any student, staff member, or faculty interested in participating should sign up at the Service Learning and Volunteer center office in Room 3306.
Roll over and go to sleep already

Bree Wethey
Staff Writer

When one goes to school, full-time at college in particular, it seems one must make a very important and very difficult decision. Time only allows us to do so much, so they say we must choose two out of three things that make up our lives as college students: Good grades, a social life, or sleep. Yep, you have to give up one to succeed in the others, and if you can accomplish all of these with precision, you are really something else. (No, really, you’re probably not human.) Or you could compromise and just be satisfactory in all of them like me. Students really want good grades (why else are you in college?), and want to at least have some fun during college, have friends and go to parties (again, why else are you in college?), so what I’ve noticed is that for a lot of students, they are really lacking in the sleep department and are addicted to coffee and the like. This can’t be the healthiest lifestyle.

According to WebMD, teenagers need about nine hours of sleep, while adults need about seven to eight on average. And then there are those fortunate ones that only need five or six. But for the majority of us, it is imperative to get a decent seven to eight hours of sleep in order to get good grades, as well as have a steady social life. So what is a student to do?

There are actually many people that get around this. It is the ones who stay very focused and motivated throughout the whole year, every year. Time management is key when it comes to doing well in all three areas; that and study groups or tutoring (which we have offered here at MiraCosta for free).

If you are one that skips sleep, or think that this lifestyle causes no detriment to your well-being, you should probably rethink this a little bit. Once in a while, it is perfectly understandable to stay up until 4 a.m. when you have to get up at 8 a.m. so that you can finish an essay (even though good time management should prevent this from happening), but you should by no means do this on a regular basis. It affects your mood, attitude, health and possibly even your lifespan in the long run. WebMD states that “too little sleep may cause memory problems, depression, a weakening of your immune system, and an increased perception of pain.” Also, lack of sleep can cause trouble with keeping your eyes focused and driver fatigue, which accounts for “an estimated 55,000 motor vehicle accidents and 1,500 deaths each year” according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

We saw Obama get up there and say a few too many “uhhs” and “ums,” look generally tired, but spoke without any major gaffes. And then we had energetic Mitt who pontificated with extra pizzazz, was combative, and pitched policies that were centrist rather than the conservative ones we’ve been hearing about. What was even more interesting, however, was the media’s reaction to the debate. Conservatives and liberals alike acted as if Obama made terminal errors and Romney didn’t lie through his teeth. And according to the polls, many people are now considering Romney/Ryan ticket again because of this debate (attention spans are damn short). My question is, were they even listening to the actual arguments?

Romney can no longer be begged “the flip-Dopper,” has now become “the I actually have no position whatsoever.” He changes his mind on issues so frequently that you cannot even debate effectively against him (“where does he stand today?”). He has Feige’s ignorance and says he “never said that before.”

It was shocking to see that some people did not even care that his positions this week were completely different from what they were last week. But even more appalling was the fact that some people think he is now the stronger candidate just because he spoke more forcefully than Obama, the man who had real ideas and arguments, yet “looked a bit tired.” Of course Obama was tired, he is, after all still running this country. It’s ridiculous for the media to focus on Obama’s relative lack of intensity, when what really matters is who was telling the truth. We should not value fervor over substance when selecting the leaders of our country. At least Joe Biden, in the vice-presidential debate against Paul Ryan, was able to convey the administration’s policies in a way that Obama himself was not. Jabs were thrown by both sides, but in the end Biden was able to dominate the arena and prove once again that a Romney and Ryan administration would be devastating to this country.

There are two more debates between Obama and Romney, and still just a bit more time before Election Day. So much for GDP growth, unemployment, budget deficits. Just always keep in mind that motivation and proficient time organization skills can get you through college and ensure that you also have time for sleep and can lead a balanced and healthy lifestyle.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,

I noticed the cover story on your October 1st, 2012 issue titled, “MCC named military-friendly college,” and was a bit taken aback at the title. So naturally I picked up a copy and began reading and discovered that MCC was actually #1 on WebMD’s list of “2013 Military Friendly Schools.” This too surprised me so I went on their website to investigate and found the list of ‘military friendly schools’ and found the list of over 1,000+ schools on the list.

I wondered why the Chariot would even bother writing an article highlighting an award given out to any school, even though the article is the fall, because I’m pretty sure that doesn’t qualify a school as being “Military Friendly.”

Here’s what I think makes a school not “Military Friendly.”

When the Veterans Services office is understaffed and seven weeks behind schedule in processing GI Bill paperwork.

When after the seven week waiting period the MCC Veterans Services staff informs me that they can’t process my paperwork because I’m missing an official transcript from another school.

When after the transcript arrives I am told I’ll have to wait one more week before they can send it to the VA, where they will need to approve it.

When after already waiting over 9 weeks to receive my GI Bill benefits I receive an email from the Veterans Services office informing me that one of my classes is not covered under my education plan.

However, the deadline to drop has passed so I am stuck having to pay the bill for this class which I otherwise could have dropped earlier in the semester. With those less credits I will be receiving a significantly reduced amount of financial support.

Also included in the email are convenient ways for me to pay. One is with a credit card, which I have been living off of since late August and nearly maxed out. This wouldn’t be so much of a problem, however I can’t find a full-time job considering the time I am devoting to school. I also know I am not the only one going through this situation with MCC.

The GI Bill is supposed to let veterans go to school full-time without having to worry about simultaneously working full-time. I think the staff at the MCC Veterans Office is doing a fine job, but being seven weeks behind means they are overworked and understaffed.

I’ve had to sell jewelry just to put gas in my car so could make it to school and I’ve just applied for a student loan because I have no other option. The Chariot cover article highlighting an award given out to over a thousand different colleges and praising MCC is a slap in the face.

Jack Walsh
In many cases, more is better. However, it does not always work that way. Here, I thought I would give myself a break, but instead, I ended up disappointed.

The storyline of “Frozen vs. Jason” starts off with Freddy Krueger duping Jason Voorhees into going to Springwood and murdering the teens in Elm Street. The reason behind this is because Freddy only gets his powers to invade dreams if teens remember him. Since the parents erased all traces of him, that makes him completely powerless. Once Jason kills the teens on Elm Street, the parents and children will fear Freddy thus restoring him to his former fear and glory. Not a bad start, but after that, the plot just plummets.

There is little to no interaction between Freddy and Jason aside from the beginning, and the fight scenes. The first fight starts around fifty minutes into the film lasting only about five minutes, and the next fight begins twenty minutes later and again lasts for about six minutes. So, the two antagonists only fight for eleven minutes in a film that is an hour and forty minutes long.

The fights themselves are plagued with many unnecessary special effects, which make them almost unbarbarous to watch. The bad special effects also extend throughout the rest of the film. They tried to include a rain scene, yet it’s badly layered onto the film. It seems to me that every special effect they used was pre-planned. A Maker type filter. Basically, this shows that little to no effort was put into this. The dialogue and the acting throughout the movie seem forced, and sadly, Robert Patrick (and Freddy’s) actor greatly disappoints. Normally he plays Freddy and manages to give convincing cynicism, and raise the hairs on my back. This time however, it seems like he just gave up on playing a scary and demented serial killer.

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Arlie Langager loves the sound of music

"Music is something I love to participate in and love to do. I participate in the South Coast Chamber Choir—a professional choir (of about 18 people) based in San Diego. We perform a couple times a year for non-profit 501C organizations," stated Professor Langager. "One focus of the program is to challenge the choral professors singing and teaching in the San Diego County. The music the choir performs is to introduce the best chamber choir repertoire in the area."

Langager is the chair of the auditions committee on the Musical Merit Foundation. The program holds a yearly competition for students, instrumentalists and vocalists. The MMF gives qualified students cash awards. Langager not only judges

In addition to teaching Administration of Justice at MCC, Professor Patrick Connolly is an attorney, U.S. Army veteran, and former F.B.I. agent. After exiting the armed forces, Connolly graduated from American University (in Washington D.C.) with a B.S. in government and economics. He then attended University of Maryland School of Law and interned in a state attorney's office and was consequently hired as a prosecutor for Howard County. Connolly decided to put in an application to the F.B.I. and became an agent a year later. Over the course of his 23-year career in the F.B.I., Connolly handled hostage negotiation, crisis intervention, and drug-related corruption (among F.B.I. agents and police officers).

"I worked on about practically every violation of law that the F.B.I. does, from organized crime to violent crime, white-collar crime, civil rights, and environmental law," Connolly stated.

Connolly also inspected F.B.I. offices and oversaw the organization’s operations in Guantanamo Bay. When he moved to San Diego County, Connolly opened an F.B.I. Resident Agency in Carlsbad, coordinated the 75 agencies that comprise the Joint Task Force and set up command posts in response to the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

Eventually, Connolly found his way to MCC, where he teaches Administration of Justice. "I consider the Administration of Justice program to have one foot in the career and technical education arena, but equally and perhaps even more in the transfer arena. We want people to get the degrees in psychology and anthropology and sociology as well. You’ve got to have the skills, but you also have to have an appreciation for how people tick, how people interact in a group. We try to not just give you the dry theory, but how it actually works in the real world," Connolly said.

Matthew Taylor rocks

"I own and operate a gem mine that’s near the Idle Wild, Southern California. I’m involved in hard rock mining and I’m trying to put out a new theory of how rock deposits form: magma is in fact a gel and the crystals are forming in a gel." Ever since childhood, Taylor has had an interest in geology. Now he owns a lab at his house and possesses a blasting license. "I was involved with the U.S geologist survey [as well, and] we were looking at dating rocks from Japan, Mexico and California." This semester, students are fortunate enough to have the opportunity to take Geology and Oceanography with Professor Taylor.

Taylor’s hobbies include playing jazz and bird feeding. "I play the saxophone and flute, and I perform at Palomar and go to Europe regularly, I have a house over there." Diversely, Taylor spends 100$ a month on bird seeds. "Now I’m really into birding. The bird is a flying dinosaur."
The Honors Scholar Program held its 3rd annual Beach Bash on Friday night at the Oceanside Harbor Beach. Normally, the Beach Bash is the kick-off event each year for the program, but this year it was moved so students could have more time to get to know one another by first participating in their Honors classes. This party’s theme was “Light up the Night.” Over 300 glow-sticks were strung around trees, and there were beach umbrellas and a cabana. Additionally, two blazing fire pits were used for roasting marshmallows and to keep away the cool October weather. One of the most impressive views of the night was watching students bedecked with glow sticks playing at the water’s edge with a glow-in-the-dark football and frisbee.

The goal for the event was to encourage Honors students to foster new friendships and to take a well-deserved breather before midterms. The Honors Navigators, student leaders of the most impressive views of the night was watching students bedecked with glow sticks playing at the water’s edge with a glow-in-the-dark football and frisbee.

The goal for the event was to encourage Honors students to foster new friendships and to take a well-deserved breather before midterms. The Honors Navigators, student leaders currently attending UCSD and UCI also came to the event and shared some of the stress that is a normal part of a student’s lives. Jillian Walsh summed up the evening exclaiming that the “Light up the Night” Beach Bash “was a fantastic and fun way to meet more people in the program and a perfect start to the weekend!”

For more information visit the Astronomy Program website at tinyurl.com/mccastro.
Internships
It is not too early to begin looking for a spring internship. Applicants must have 12 units at the SEC campus and cover letter before being referred to interview. Attend our Writing Your Resume Workshop November 7th, or complete the online version using our templates at http://www.miracona.edu/careerworkshops.
Marketing Assistant Intern, Liberty Tax Service, Oceanside. Assist in marketing business to business and person to person. Assist in organizing events. Event Planning/Marketing Intern, New World Leadership Academy, Encinitas. Assist with outgoing event planning and execution and the development of public relations marketing plan to support event visibility.
Kinesiology Internships, ActiV Atlanthicum, Carlsbad. Seeking enthusiastic students interested in personal training and Sports Management. Submit graphics in Photoshop for website.
Job Opportunities
Database Management, Enterprise Recruiting, Vista, CA 10/15/10 FT, offer flex hours, must be good with computer database mgmt. Send resume johns@enterpriseconsulting.net.
Jr. Web Developer, San Diego, $12/ hr. PT, Proficiency in ASP.NET and Microsoft SQL server. Submit resume galmovarov@acapera.com.
Retail sales, Eastridge Group of Staffing, North County, $10/hr. PT, 2 years experience in a retail, customer service or sales. Email resume samirneze@eastridge.com.
Server/Food Prep, Harbor Fish Cafe, Carlsbad, $8/ hr. PT, mail or email resume 3179 Carlsbad Blvd, Carlsbad, CA 92008. fallbrookfishhouseyat.net.
Toys R Us Sales, Toys R Us, Escondido, $8-9/hr. PT, ability to lift up to 25 pounds, climb ladders up to 128 guest-service skills. Apply www.toysrusinc.com/careers.

Zamba Gold Instructor, YMCA, Oceanside, $15.60/hr. PT, One national certificate in personal training. One year experience of Zamba Gold. Apply to 48 MOTTINO HR 4701 Mesa Drive, Oceanside, CA 92056
Design Drawer, PFM Medical, Carlsbad, $18/hr, PL Childreng knowledge of Solid Works Software. Send resume jbrown@pfimedical.com.

Workshops this week
Job/Internship Search, every Mon., 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Interviewing Tips, Oct 17, 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Scholarship Info
Jack Kent Cooke (JKC) 2013-2014 TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP
For exceptional students with financial need. Awards up to $30,000 a year, up to 3 years, to complete a Bachelor’s degree. JKC scholars have distinguished themselves both in and out of the classroom, performing valuable community and public service, often while holding full-time jobs. Apply online at the JKC website: MiraCosta College Deadline to submit online application: November 1, 2012.

HAIKU $1,000 scholarship Write a HAIKU about cable TV for your chance to win $1,000. Apply online. Deadline: October 31, 2012.
disABIlEorPersian Scholarship Award Fall 2012 - $2,000 - scholarship awards to college students with disabilities! Write an essay with no more than 750 words, review the Scholarship Details and Register Online. Deadline: October 19, 2012.
Hispanic Scholarship Fund HSF Offers a list of Scholarships for community college students. Scholarships range from $1,000 to $5,000. Eligibility: Hispanic heritage, U.S. citizen, or legal permanent resident with a current permanent resident card or passport. One student (12 units), must apply for Federal Aid and be pursuing undergraduate or graduate degree. Apply online. Deadline: December 15, 2012.
Women’s Opportunity Awards Soroptimist, Inc.
An organization of business and professional women united through volunteer efforts to enable women to live their dreams, take control of their lives, and live according to their own values. Soroptimist’s Opportunity scholarships assists women who provide the primary source of financial support for their families by giving them the resources they need to improve their education, skills and employment prospects. Apply online or to an individual chapter. Deadline: December 15, 2012.
NEWH Sustainable HOSPITALITY design competition Showcase your talent to major design professionals and win a $5,000 scholarship. Apply online. Deadline: December 7, 2012.
ASC Scholars Award “Chemistry for Life” Minority scholarships for African American, Native American and Hispanic students planning to pursue full-time study in a chemically-related field with outstanding academic records and a desire to pursue a career in the chemical sciences can apply for an ACS Scholars Award. Deadlines: March 1 for fall semester; November 1 for spring semesterDeadlines: March 1 for fall; for spring November 1
College Intern Network Scholarship ATT Savings $1,000 scholarship. Write a 300-500 word article about what you think the Internet will look like in 10 years, post your article on your blog or website. Apply online. Deadline: November 30, 2012.
$10,000 CREATE-A-GREETING CARD Scholarship Contest Deadline January 16, 2013

HSF Offers a list of Scholarships for community college students. Scholarships range from $1,000 to $5,000. Eligibility: Hispanic
Aphrodite Asks YOU
Have you ever given or received mixed signals in a relationship?

“I think there’s always a hidden agenda for both parties in a relationship. Men want sex and women want money. I’m upfront about it. I try to be transparent.”
Steven Barker

“This guy was telling people I was easy and it made me mad. I knew he liked me so I acted like I wanted to date him. We planned this huge day together and he showed up but I blew him off and wouldn’t answer his texts or calls or Facebook messages. It’s not fair, people always play around with my feelings.”
Amelia Cruz

“I knew a girl who would say I was like her bro but then get super jealous when I talked to other girls. She’d try to make me do boyfriend stuff like put my arm around her. She even made me a big dinner on Valentine’s Day and yet still somehow didn’t wanna be with me. I’m still friends with her dumb ass, too.”
Drew Obeso

“I knew a girl and we’d hang out all the time. I took her out, bought her shit. She’d kiss and hug on me and say ‘Oh yeah, I like where this is going.’ Then out of nowhere she told me, ‘You know what? I just wanna be friends.'”
Kenny Obeso

“I don’t play around. I’m a serious person. I’m upfront when I’m not interested in a person so that they don’t get the wrong idea.”
Mecha Flores

“Sometimes it’s difficult not to give mixed signals if you’re unsure of how you feel. It’s important to be sure of yourself before you emotionally invest yourself in any kind of relationship.”
Sophia Broman

“You can innocently flirt with a person and not have it send a mixed message if boundaries in the relationship are clearly understood.”
Roger Collura

Have lunch with the president of the college
Dr. Francisco Rodriguez’s “Brown Bag Series” is an opportunity for students and members of the college community to meet with Dr. Rodriguez in an informal setting. Bring your lunches and questions, and join others as we talk about life at the college and get to know one another a little better.

Wednesday, October 17 • noon–1 p.m.
Oceanside Campus, Room 3601
1 Barnard Drive, Oceanside

Tuesday, October 23 • noon–1 p.m.
For veteran and active duty students
Oceanside Campus Veterans Center, Bldg. 3000
1 Barnard Drive, Oceanside

We have candy at the Chariot!
If you’re just interested in joining the newspaper, staff send us an email at mccchariot@yahoo.com

Parents on Campus
will sell bags of Halloween candy in the Oceanside cafeteria hallway
on:
Tuesday, October 23, 8-11:30 a.m. & 3-6:30 p.m.
Thursday, October 25, 8-11:30 a.m. & on the Fountain Plaza
at College Hour from 12:15-1:15 p.m.
Tuesday, October 30, 8-11:30 a.m. & 3-6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, October, 31 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
All proceeds go towards community events for the children of MCC students.

AVAILABLE POSITIONS

ASG Application For Election Commissioner
The Election Commission is responsible for carrying out the duties required by the MiraCosta College Associated Student Government Constitution and ASGMCC Election Bylaws.

Qualifications: Must be a currently enrolled MiraCosta College student who meets minimum qualifications and is in good standing with the college.

Application Deadline: 4:30pm on Friday, October 19, 2012

Pick up your application in the Student Activities Office or get it online on the ASG webpage http://www.miracosta.edu/governance/aszg/applications.html

If you have any questions feel free to call the ASG Advisor, Jim Gonzales, at 760.795.6899 or email at jgonzales@miracosta.edu