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ALERTU SYSTEM COMES TO CHABOT

Chabot and Las Positas Colleges have adopted the **AlertU system**, an emergency SMS text-messaging alert platform designed to help communicate critical information to students, faculty, and staff's mobile devices instantly. In the event of an emergency, Chabot students, staff, and faculty will be alerted in real-time important security information.

Although not the only way both colleges will convey time-critical information to employees and students during emergencies, AlertU will speed information to subscribers wherever they may be. The new system augments the existing emergency notification process. As evidenced in the wake of the shootings on the Virginia Tech campus in 2007, time is of the essence during emergencies. AlertU messages will advise recipients of an incident on campus and provide instructions on the precautions they need to take.

When both colleges become aware of a critical situation which has the potential of causing harm or imminent danger, vital information will be sent in a text message. The initial message may warn recipients of a critical incident and whether they should shelter in place or evacuate. Only authorized, assigned administrators will have access to this web-based notification system. They will send text messages to appropriate groups of employees depending on the incident's location and scope. The AlertU system will only be used in emergency situations when students, faculty, or staff are in danger and the District or College needs to communicate with them immediately.

To sign-up for this free service, the process is very simple. Go to the Chabot website at www.chabotcollege.edu/safety/alertU.asp, enter your mobile #, and press "go". Or, with your cell phone, text Chabot to

253788 (ALERTU). You will then receive a welcome text message: *Please join Chabot's Emergency Alert System. No Spam. Reply Y to sign up.* Reply Y, and you are enrolled on the AlertU system.

If you program "253788" into your phone contact list (address book) as "AlertU", you will be able to recognize these messages as critical alerts from Chabot College if and when they are sent out.

To protect the privacy of staff and students who sign on to the AlertU system, users will never receive any mobile spam, and no personal information will be shared with any one. No one outside Chabot College Administration will have access to the alerting system. The AlertU system will only be used in the event of an emergency or crisis. The service is free, but standard text message rates may apply. All staff and students are

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **Chabot Flea Market.** Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 20th, Lots A & B.
- **Spring Flex Day #2,** Friday, March 19th.
- **Spring Flex Day #3,** Wednesday, April 28th.

GLADIATOR EVENTS



SPRING 2010

MARCH

Board of Trustees Meeting, Tuesday, March 16, 6:30 p.m., District Office.

Flea Market, Saturday, March 20, 8-4 p.m., CC—Lot B.

Latino Education Summit, Saturday, March 27, 7:30 a.m. –2 p.m., Gymnasium.

APRIL

Puente Project Fundraiser & Mentor Recognition, Thursday, April 1, 6-8:30 p.m., Room 1232.

Annual Job Fair, Tuesday, April 13, 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Gymnasium.

Ultima, an original play by **Rachel LePell**, inspired by the book, *Bless Me Ultima*, by Rudolfo Anaya. Performance dates: April 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24, & 25. The show will begin at 8 p.m. —except April 25th, which will be a 2 p.m. matinee. Tickets: \$5 for program participants, \$10 general public. Purchase tickets at door (information #723-6830).

Flea Market, Saturday, April 17, 8-4 p.m., CC—Lot B.

Grad Fair, Tuesday, April 20th, 11-6 p.m., Balcony (Building 2300).

Transfer Night, Tuesday, April 20, 4-6 p.m., Cafeteria.

Board of Trustees Meeting, Tuesday, April 20, 6:30 p.m., District Office.

International Student Program's 11th Annual International Night, Thursday, April 22, 6 p.m., Cafeteria.

Annual Employee Anniversary Luncheon & Recognition Ceremony, Wednesday, April 28, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Cafeteria.

Language Arts Division Student Awards Program, Thursday, April 29, 3-4:30 p.m., Room 1232.

MAY

School of the Arts Awards Ceremony, Tuesday, May 4, 12-1 p.m., Room 1232.

Puente End of Year Event, Thursday, May 6, 6-8:30 p.m., Room 1232.

Mega Day, Saturday, May 8, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., New CSSC.

SBBC & Daraja Awards Ceremony, Saturday, May 8, 5-8 p.m., Off-campus—TBA.

Technology Education Recognition Night, Tuesday, May 11, 6-9 p.m., Cafeteria.

Transfer Recognition Ceremony, Wednesday, May 12, 6-8 p.m., Cafeteria.

EOPS/CARE/CALWORKS End of Year Event, Thursday, May 13, 6-8 p.m., LT.

ASCC Awards Banquet, Friday, May 14, 6-9 p.m., Cafeteria.

Flea Market, Saturday, May 15, 8-4 p.m., CC—Lot B.

Dental Hygiene Graduation, Friday, May 21, 6-9 p.m., LT.

Medical Assisting Class Graduation, Wednesday, May 26, 1 p.m., LT.

Nursing Pinning Ceremony, Wednesday, May 26, 7 p.m., PAC.

Chabot Commence 2010, Friday, May 28, 6 p.m., Grand Court.

JUNE

Chabot College Foundation's A BLOOMING AFFAIRE ~ TRAVEL AROUND THE WORLD, Friday, June 4, 6 p.m., and Saturday, June 5, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Hayward City Hall Rotunda.

Flea Market, Saturday, June 19, 8-4 p.m., CC—Lot B.

EVENT LOCATION ABBREVIATIONS

PAC—Performing Arts Center

LT—Little Theater

CC—Chabot College

LPC—Las Positas College

DO—District Office

OSP—Alden E. Oliver Sport Park

Please send college event

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ALERTU SYSTEM



New emergency mobile alerting system at Chabot College

Sign up is simple:

Text CHABOT to 253788 (AlertU) and reply Y

Additionally, you can sign up via the web at <http://www.alertu.org/chabot>

Messages will only be sent by Chabot College in case of emergency. You must be subscribed to receive the mobile alerts. There is no cost to subscribe, however your standard message rates may apply. Learn more about this new system at Alertu.org.

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Emergency SMS Messaging



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encouraged to enroll in the AlertU Program, but any one who has an interest in receiving emergency messages from Chabot College can do so by entering their mobile number on the AlertU website and click on the subscribe button.

AlertU is approved on all major U.S. carriers including Alltel, Boost, Cellular One, AT&T, Dobson (now owned by Cellular One), Nextel (now owned by Sprint), T-Mobile, Sprint, Verizon, and Virgin. As long as subscribers have a text-messaging plan, they will be eligible to receive alerts. This may exclude pre-paid subscribers.

Subscribers should check with their carriers to ensure that text messaging is active on their cell phones. Receiving text messages via AlertU are voluntary. Therefore, any text messaging expenses are the responsibility of the recipient. Two-way messaging allows the subscribers to reply directly to the alert message they have received. This is useful when trying to obtain critical information within the emergency zone. The AlertU system permits the two-way messaging.

For subscribers wishing to unsubscribe to the service, text "stop" or "unsub" to the system, as required on all text messaging-based systems by mobile carriers. Subscribers can subscribe again by going to the AlertU website, or texting 253788.

Waterfall Mobile, headquartered in San Francisco and founded in 2005, is the operator of the AlertU technology platform, and has an agreement that they will never share or sell data of its users. Waterfall Mobile exceeds the highest standards set by the Mobile Marketing Association and mobile carriers when it comes to safeguarding individuals from spam. All personal data is hosted in an encrypted format in highly secure data centers. AlertU has been deployed by colleges nationwide, including the California Community College System.

Sergeant Ruben Pola, and Chabot's Campus Safety Director, stated, "The most comprehensive way in order to notify the greater campus community is by using AlertU. It is very important for everyone to sign up so that when we send out alerts, the greater college community is notified. Please take a few moments to sign up for this service. Your signing up is greatly appreciated, and thank you for doing so."

CHABOT IN THE NEWS

Theater Arts News



Rachel Le Pell, Theater Arts instructor, was recently invited to be guest director at the annual American College Theater Festival. Rachel, who traveled to Nevada in mid-

November, stated, "This is an honor for me and a feather in the cap of our college, since this conference includes several states around the nation." In addition, Chabot is sending 25 students to this conference, where 18 of them will compete in an acting competition, by invitation only. Congratulations to Rachel and Chabot's Theater Arts students.

The **Theater Arts Department** recently traveled to the University of Nevada, Reno to participate in the American College Theater Festival Regional Conference. While there, 26 students participated in various educational workshops for theater artists, ranging from how to make effective stage blood to improving their Shakespeare.

Monica Bonilla advanced to the semi-final round of the acting competition -- no small feat, since only the top three percent do so and we compete with students from large four-year schools, some of them being graduate students in acting as well. Monica's partner was **Vince Gabrielson**, a Theater Arts student.

Congratulations to **Dov Hassan** who was the group's coach. **Rachel LePell** guest directed a play, "Gone," while at the festival, and this play, written by Brian Gates of Denver, Colorado, was selected to go to Washington D.C. as a winner in its category. Rachel's staging of the play was recognized as helping the play win its competition.

Forensics Team News

Over the last two weekends, the **Chabot College Forensics team** has attended two tournaments— Santa Clara University and Las Positas College, recording phenomenal results at both!!

Chabot College Forensics took first place for Community Colleges at the Las Positas College Tournament, taking second to San Francisco State University. Of the 25 events Chabot entered, 18 of them took home an award. That is an amazing 72% of our entry, with the majority of awards coming at the varsity level!

Congratulations to:

Samantha Briggs: 1st Place, Novice Impromptu and 1st Place, Novice Extemporaneous Speaking.

Ricardo Ponce: 3rd Place, Varsity Duo; 3rd Place, Varsity Prose; 3rd Place Varsity Dramatic Interpretation (all of this combined made Ricky the 2nd Place Speaker for the Tournament and top Community College Speaker).

Steven Mireles and **Claudia Carvajal**: Semi-finalists, Parliamentary Debate.

Jessica Hollie: 2nd Place, Novice Extemporaneous Speaking.

Steven Mireles: 2nd Place, Varsity Extemporaneous Speaking; 4th Place Varsity Impromptu.

Claudia Carvajal: 5th Place, Varsity Extemporaneous Speaking; 5th Place, Varsity Impromptu Speaking.

Toan Nguyen: 6th Place, Varsity Extemporaneous Speaking; 2nd Place, Varsity Impromptu; 4th Place Varsity Programmed Oral Interpretation.

Fatima Ansary: 3rd Place, with Ricardo Ponce, Varsity Duo Interpretation.

Arturo Diaz: 5th Place, Varsity Poetry; 4th Place, Novice Impromptu.

Dillon Harrison: 3rd Place, Varsity Programmed Oral Interpretation.

Titawny Cook: 6th Place, Varsity

Impromptu Speaking.

This is on top of the fantastic results at the Santa Clara University Invitational in January. At Santa Clara, a debate-only tournament, Chabot had two of its four teams advance at the Varsity level.

Congratulations to: **Steven Mireles** and **Claudia Carvajal** tied, 9th place, Varsity Parliamentary Debate. This should put them in the top 15% of ALL debate teams nationwide.

Joshua Pauselius and **Javier Kordi**, tied 5th Place, Varsity Parliamentary Debate, beating UC Berkeley in their first elimination round.

Chabot College Forensics has established itself as the best all-around Community College Forensics Program in Northern California.

The team will be traveling to Modesto for the Northern California Forensics Association Spring Championships. Then, the Forensics Team will be on to state and nationals. Congratulations to the Chabot College Forensics Team, and best of luck at the upcoming state and national championships!



Jason Ames, Speech Instructor, with a member of the Forensics team.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Parking Lot F to be Re-

stored: Now that the Villas have been removed from Parking Lot F the parking lot surface will be patched and restored. The restoration will include a new seal coat over the existing asphalt and new striping. This lot will be returned to staff and the temporary spots in Lot E that were allocated to staff to make up

for the loss in lot F will be returned to student parking. The additional 70 parking spots will be appreciated by the campus.



Parking lot where the "Villas" temporary offices used to be.

New Community and Student Services Center is Nearly

Complete: Chabot College anxiously awaits the opening of the new CSSC. The interiors are nearly complete and furniture begins arriving the first week of March. Shortly after that IT will be setting up the new computers. The actual move of staff and faculty belongings will happen over spring break.



Back of New CSSC Building.

New Project Design Underway:

Design has begun for our two newest projects: the remodel of the Performing Arts Center, Building 1200, and the partially state-funded remodel of Buildings 1700 and 1800. The School of the Arts is fully engaged in explaining to the architect what will be required to create a modern facility that suits the needs of the faculty and students. The Math/Science group has adjusted space allocations and is working to create a plan that helps unify the mission of the division. It will be exciting to see the progress in the coming months.



Front views of New CSSC Building still under construction. Photos courtesy of Isabel Braunstein



CHABOT COLLEGE FOUNDATION

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Spring is Marching Along! February was a whirlwind of outreach opportunities. We are working on a fundraising partnership with the New Haven Unified School District Education Foundation, met potential business community donors at the Castro Valley Chamber Business Exchange Night and San Leandro Chamber Business Faire, hosted Leadership San Leandro at Chabot for their Education Day, and attended the East Bay Women's Network Luncheon, Hayward Chamber Mixer, and Hayward Rotary Club meetings. We participated in the Chancellor's Circle luncheon at De Anza College and heard from Chancellor Jack Scott. There was also an opportunity to meet with other community college foundation directors and share challenges and success stories.

We will be assisting with some new campus program fundraisers this year to help bridge the funding gap. These include the Film Program, Forensics Team, Swim Team, and Political Science Department. Watch for details on a Speech Night and Alameda County Faire ticket sales.

Although cash is always our favorite form of donation, we recently were able to coordinate a donation of furnishings for two Nursing Program simulation rooms from Eden Medical Center. This equipment is valued at almost \$20,000 and will allow our students to practice their skills in a realistic setting on our campus.

The Blooming Affaire Committee held its first meeting on March 3rd and will be honoring Jack and Tammy Papazian as our Spring 2010 Gladiator of the Year Awardees. Jack and Tammy actually met at Chabot College and are both proud alums. Jack has been director of Leadership San Leandro for over 10 years and served as President of the San Leandro Chamber of Commerce. Tammy has served on the Foundation Board since 2004 and as Chair of the Blooming Affaire Committee for the past four years. She led the efforts to fund and register our Design Program with the National Kitchen and Bath Association. We once again expect to sell out this event and look forward to honoring the Papazians for their dedication to the community and Chabot College.

June 4th & 5th: A Blooming Affaire 2010...Around the World in 80 Days!



2010 Gladiator Honoree Tammy Papazian and 2010 Blooming Affaire Chair Phyllis Moroney.



2009 Blooming Affaire Table, "Out of Africa," designed by Tammy Papazian.



2009 Blooming Affaire Table, "Good Ship Lollipop," designed by Phyllis Moroney.