

# REPORT TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES SUPERINTENDENT/PRESIDENT – KEVIN TRUTNA, Ed.D. NOVEMBER 13, 2014

# 1. STUDENT AND EMPLOYEE ACHIEVEMENTS

Great news. The FRC Alpha Psi Zeta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa now has 23 members. This turnout has exceeded **Katie Desmond's** first semester expectations and it is a tribute to both her hard work and the referrals from everyone at FRC. An induction ceremony will be held later in the semester.

**Jerry Hoover** recently presented at the *Police Trainers and Users Group Conference* in Las Vegas on October 14-17, 2014. The conference was hosted by MdE Inc., a nationwide computer and software service provider for police agencies. The host is working with police agencies to efficiently use what they have and how to integrate training software with field training programs. Conference attendees are police trainers and managers from throughout the nation. After the presentation, Jerry received numerous requests from the attendees for information on how to develop post-academy training programs. He also attended presentation panels that relate to recruiting new officers and the state of art requirements in education and training.

Former student, **Sergio Madrigal**, went straight from FRC to an American medical school in Mexico a few years ago. Sergio called last week to let some of his former teachers know that he graduated, has been doing his internship in New Jersey, and is coming to extend his internship in Reno.

The Women's soccer team secured back-to-back GVC titles and extended their GVC record to 7 titles overall. Although we will not know for certain until November 18<sup>th</sup>, it is likely that FRC will host a playoff game for the first time in FRC women's history.

**Sara Frigo** wants to pass along huge kudos to all staff members at the Child Development Center for their response to a recent incident that happened near the playground. An altercation occurred off campus and the initiator followed the student onto campus, creating an altercation where his car nearly backed into the CDC fence where children played in the yard just feet away from the incident. The CDC staff managed to coral 27 children aged 2 - 5 years old into their respective classrooms in minutes after the altercation looked like it might escalate. They did everything so smoothly, most of the children were not aware of the situation. **Nick Boyd** and the CHP arrived quickly on the scene thanks to a strong partnership and further escalation was stopped.

**Mike Welser** and **Darryl Swarm** collaborated to produce the following library display in support of the Book in Common - *The Book Thief*. The following items are on display through the month of November in the LRC.





The Smokey the Bear/FRC partnership made the US Forest Services Chiefs National newsletter.



Women in fire saluted at local football game

Smokey flipped the coin to start a football game as the Plumas National Forest joined Feather River College in a salute to Women in Fire. Women firefighters were on hand to answer questions about careers in wildland fire management and share the Forest Service fire prevention message. The event kicked off a series of classes, special events and other recruitment efforts between the Forest and the college.

**Linda Hale** received correspondence from an ISP Art 116 - Drawing student who expressed how much the class helped him in various ways. The student attached a short note along with his "pre-instruction" and "post-instruction" drawing of his hand showing the progress that he had made in the class.





**Terry Baumgartner** writes that the FRC baseball team is ranked #5 in the Northern California pre-season community college poll.

# 2. SUPERINTENDENT/PRESIDENT PREVIOUS MONTH'S ACTIVITIES REPRESENTING FRCCD

- a) October 20 NorCal CEO conference call
- b) October 21 –meeting with Trustee McNett
- c) October 21 m/w soccer games at Butte College
- d) October 23-24 led ACCJC follow-up site visit to Salvation Army Crestmont College for Officer Training, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA
- e) October 27 Quincy Rotary meeting
- f) October 28 m/w soccer games at Lassen College
- g) October 29 volleyball game vs. Butte College
- h) October 30 Central Plumas Recreation and Park District Board meeting
- i) October 30 FRC Foundation Executive Board meeting
- j) November 3 men's basketball vs. Simpson College
- k) November 4 m/w soccer games vs. Butte College and Grace Holland banner dedication
- I) November 5 meeting with Greg Williams, Executive Director Sierra Buttes Trail Stewardship
- m) November 7 Rafael Blanco art exhibit at Plumas Arts Council
- n) November 11 meeting with Trustee West
- o) November 12 volleyball game vs. Shasta College
- p) November 13 Quincy Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meeting

## 3. PROGRAM FOCUS - ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

On Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, the Introduction to Wildlife class had their second opportunity to collar deer. Students used another method this time: using darts to temporarily immobilize the deer. Recall that the October 21<sup>st</sup> class effort involved baiting with apples and luring deer into a drive net, where students wrangled the deer to the ground – kicking and screaming is no understatement – then "processed" them by drawing blood, collecting ecto-parasite and hair samples, recording vital statistics, taking measurements, and attaching ear tags and the GPS/VHF collar to one doe.

This attempt was no disappointment. **Terri Weist** and **Josh Bush**, two CA Department of Fish & Wildlife biologist partners with FRC, each darted a deer around 3:30 pm - one small buck and one large doe. This method gave the students time to "process" both



Standing: Jimmy Exline, Jamie Buchanan, Catharine Rees, Cody Najera, Garrett Lauricella, Garren Childers, Suzanne Filippini, Kathleen Morrison Kneeling: Justin Whitney, Sarah Harvey Laying: Unconscious Deer

animals in a much more relaxed way. They collared the doe, and after an hour, Terri administered the reversal drug. It took until nearly 7:00 pm for both deer to get up and stumble away. Students monitored the recovery to make sure the deer were moving around and not too vulnerable before heading home for the night. Keep your eye out for the deer with collars around campus! The Environmental Studies classes will monitor their movement and the collars are programmed to drop off on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.





Garrett Lauricella hams it up with the little buck.

(LEFT) Garren Childers, Jamie Buchanan, Justin Whitney, Jimmy Exline, and Catharine Rees (L to R) carry the approximately 130 pound doe out of the forest for processing. Note the dart in her hind-quarter.



Bridget Tracy (back) and Denali Hill help clear the new trail access into Dellinger's Pond

Dellinger's Pond – FRC owns a parcel of land just north of Bucks Lake Road that many folks may not know about. It is at least 5 acres, has wonderful wetland habitat, and was given to the college by the Dellinger family about the same year FRC was established. The Environmental Studies faculty have been coordinating with Nick Boyd, and over the last couple weeks; Nick dedicated several days of crew member time to clear overgrown vegetation that has prevented access (thanks Bill, Cody, Wes, Adam, Owen, and John!). The Student Environmental

Association pitched in one afternoon and got to see the educational potential of this great property. Alan Burfeind, Denali Hill, Bridget Tracy, Darrel Jury, and



Bridget Tracy, Darla DeRuiter, and Denali Hill after a satisfying afternoon of hands-on work.

**Darla DeRuiter** couldn't make the same kind of progress as Nick's crew could with their chainsaws, heavy machinery, and chipper, but it felt great to pitch in!

**Hannah Hepner**, the Quincy Farmers Market Manager, received a grant to bring the *Lexicons of Sustainability* "Pop-Up" poster show to Quincy. FRC is pleased to host the show from November 3-18<sup>th</sup>. Twenty-two eyecatching posters, mostly focusing on our food systems, are hung in the LRC and on display. Please check out the posters, consider their messages, and spread the word about the project.

### 4. OUTREACH ACTIVITIES UPDATE - CARLIE McCARTHY

Last month, FRC held the second annual *Friday in the Fall* preview day. Registration doubled from last year and as nearly 100 prospective students and their families toured campus. The visitors started off with a BBQ lunch at the Eagle's Perch, then toured campus while getting an overview from many faculty and staff about the academic programs and student services available at FRC. Visitors also got to observe an equine class and tour the dorms. The prospective students and their families were encouraged to watch the soccer game, attend the rodeo, and visit Quincy downtown shops and restaurants. Many families spent the night in local motels as well. Statistics are showing that people who signed up for *Friday in the Fall* heard about the event from our website or an FRC staff member.

**Scott Koeller** and **Carlie McCarthy** have attended over 15 college fairs and provided classroom presentations and attended senior parent night at QHS so far this fall. These events have also given them an opportunity to promote *Friday in the Fall* and share the other exciting things happening at FRC, including the availability of 10 CSU transfer degrees and acquiring additional student housing as this is one of our biggest selling features.

Scott, **Rafael Blanco**, ICT Program student **Justina Anderson**, and Carlie have been developing new rack cards to market our academic programs. We have seven ready to print and will continue to add more until we have a new card to promote each program. We are in the process of creating one for student housing as well. These double-sided, glossy cards are really sprucing up our image!

Carlie is working with **Juliet Beer** on final edits for our new viewbook. The viewbook contains several student testimonials, a list of all academic programs, student services, student life, athletics, housing, information about Quincy, a postcard to request more information and several pictures of our campus and students. The view book will be sent to printing this month and be ready for FRC promotion soon thereafter.

## 5. BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAM PROPOSAL AT FRC

Due to recent legislation, 15 community college districts can now compete to offer one bachelor's degree at every approved college district through a CCCCO grant program. The goal is to allow community colleges to offer four-year degrees in a limited manner that does not duplicate or compete with CSU/UC degrees, are technical in nature, and fill a regional workforce need. There is a short deadline to submit grant applications. Two degrees are currently being discussed at FRC for submission to the project: Equine & Ranch Management as well as Watershed Restoration.

Criteria from the CCCCO for inclusion into the pilot grant program includes the factors: evidence of workforce demand; evidence of local interest; eight year enrollment projections; evidence of lack of program duplication with UC/CSU; evidence of administrative, faculty, and student services capacity; evidence of funding sources; evidence of adequate facilities and instructional equipment; and evidence of institutional support.

Since both programs originate from the Professional/Technical Studies Division, they will be involved in the final recommendation, along with COI and the Academic Senate, for the one bachelor's degree submission from FRC for inclusion in the CCCCO grant application.

There are still unanswered questions from the Chancellor's Office that include open enrollment requirements, upper division requirements outside of the department offering the degree, apportionment funding, and impact to the enrollment cap target.

## 6. HOLLAND FAMILY THANK YOU NOTES

I am passing along these notes because it is you – the campus community – who deserve the recognition. It is your empathy, your dedication, your understanding, and your willingness to help out in a difficult situation that deserves to be recognized. These thank you notes are for the entire FRC family.

Dear Kevin,

We just wanted to thank you and

Your Staff again for your thoughfulness
and sympathy last week. This is such
a difficult time for everyone.

We so appreciate how the Feather River

community embraced Grace. She
surely did love Quincy!

Sincerely, Mark 4 Julie Holland.

Kevin,

How can we ever thank you for your Kindness and
Support? With your help and guidance, and the
orchestration of faculty and student meetings, our
healing process was able to begin.

Your care and consideration were admirable. We
appreciate all that you have done for our family.

Warmest regards,

Lawre and Julia

# 7. UPCOMING EVENTS

# **Board of Trustees 2015 meeting dates:**

January 15

February 19

March 19

April 16

May 21

June 18

July 16

August 20

September 10

October 15

November 19

December 10

# Women's Basketball home games:

November 20 vs. Gavilan College 6:00 pm

November 21 vs. Mendocino College 5:00 pm

December 1 vs. Sacramento City College 5:00 pm

January 7 vs. College of the Siskiyous 5:30 pm

January 17 vs. College of the Redwoods 1:00 pm

January 24 vs. Lassen College 5:30 pm

February 14 vs. Shasta College 5:30 pm

February 19 vs. Butte College 5:30 pm

# Men's Basketball home games:

January 7 vs. College of the Siskiyous 7:00 pm

January 17 vs. College of the Redwoods 3:00 pm

January 24 vs. Lassen College 7:00 pm

February 14 vs. Shasta College 7:00 pm

February 19 vs. Butte College 7:00 pm