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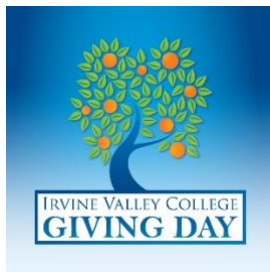
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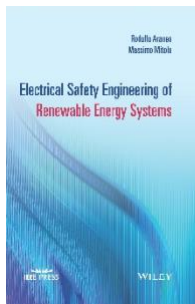
SUBJECT: **President's Report for the November 19, 2021 Board of Trustees Meeting**

IVC Giving Day Nets More Than \$40,000 for Student Scholarships and Programs



On Thursday, October 21, the IVC Foundation raised \$41,113 on its second annual Giving Day. The event was timed to mark the 36th anniversary of the founding of IVC. An innovative social media campaign was paired with postcards and other marketing efforts. Lasers past and present, including alumni, students, parents, friends, neighbors, faculty, and staff, were invited to come together to give back. PRO IVC matched donations with an additional \$1 for every \$2 donated, up to \$10,000. All financial support during Giving Day translated directly into IVC student scholarships and programs.

IVC Professor Publishes New Textbook



IVC Physics and Electrical Engineering Professor Massimo Mitolo, PhD co-authored the textbook *Electrical Safety Engineering of Renewable Energy Systems* with Associate Professor Rodolfo Araneo, PhD, who teaches in the Department of Electrical Engineering at the Sapienza University of Rome. The textbook, published by Wiley and the IEEE Press, is a reference for designing and developing electrical systems connected to renewable energies, including photovoltaic, wind, and cogeneration systems. It proposes a safety-by-design approach missing in current literature. Designed as an accessible resource, the textbook was written both for students and for professional electrical engineers.

IVC Launches QLess Virtual Check-In System



The Irvine Valley College Office of Student Services has launched a new partnership with QLess, a virtual check-in system. Students using QLess no longer need to stand in a physical line for key student services. They can add themselves to the virtual line from anywhere using an app, text messaging system, or department website and then wait in the location of their choice. Students receive regular updates and notifications as they move to the head of the virtual line. Students currently can use QLess at the following IVC departments: Admissions and Records, Career Center, Counseling Center, Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS), Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS), Financial Aid, the International Student Program, and the Transfer Center. Special thanks to Director of Technology Services Nick Wilkening and Dean of Enrollment Services Corey Rodgers and their teams for launching this effort.

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IVC Professor Debuts New Two-Person Art Exhibit

La Maestra
October 15 - November 15, 2021



IVC Professor of English and Puente Program co-coordinator Lisa Alvarez partnered with artist Juliana Rico for a two-person show, *La Maestra*, at CREAR Studio in Santa Ana. The show opened on October 16. The gallery is directed and curated by former IVC student Sarah Rafael Garcia, who was a student in Alvarez' first class she ever taught at IVC nearly 30 years ago. The show contains two pieces Alvarez made to mark the disappearance of 43 Mexican students seven years ago in Ayotzinapa. The case has never been solved. One piece is a skirt Alvarez made with posters of the missing, which she has worn for several years at Santa Ana's Day of the Dead celebration.

State Senator Visits IVC

On Wednesday, November 3, California Senator David Min (37th State Senate District) visited IVC for a one-hour tour. He was accompanied by his District Representative Matt Kern. Senator Min visited numerous locations on a campus tour with IVC President Dr. John Hernandez, district board members, and campus leadership. IVC updated the senator on IVC's pandemic response and IVC's #1 transfer rate; student, staff and faculty successes and accomplishments; upcoming facilities development; veterans resources; health and wellness information; and student and support services.

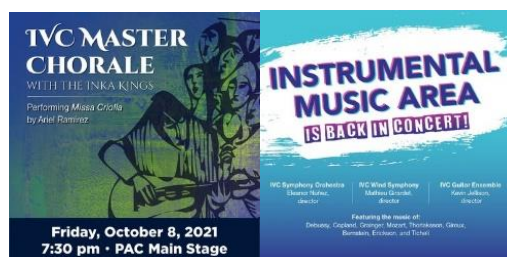
Filipino American History Month Commemorated at IVC



Filipino American History Month (FAHM) is a celebration and recognition during the month of October of the many achievements and contributions of the Filipino American community. IVC students, faculty, and staff honored FAHM with a series of special events and social media posts. On Wednesday, October 20, Filipino American faculty and staff at IVC held a virtual panel discussion on What FAHM

Means to Me. On Monday, October 25, IVC Readers Theater held a virtual performance reading of the book *Journey for Justice: The Life of Larry Itliong* by Dawn Mabalon and Gayle Romasanta.

IVC Performance Ensembles Return to Offering Live Concerts



IVC Music made its triumphant return to the Performing Arts Center in October. On Friday, October 8, the IVC Chorale joined the Inka Kings to perform *Missa Criolla* by Ariel Ramirez. An excerpt is [available](#) to watch on YouTube. On Sunday, October 10, patrons enjoyed a joint performance by the IVC Symphony Orchestra, Wind Symphony, and Guitar Ensemble. It marked the conducting debut of IVC's new Symphony Orchestra Conductor, Eleanor Núñez.

IVC Music Alumni Perform in Virtual Concert



On Saturday, October 23, IVC Music hosted several alumni in its 12th Annual IVC Music Alumni Concert. Past students joined IVC virtually from their respective locations to perform. Participating musicians included Jason Callaghan (trumpet/composition), Ioana Istrate (viola), Kaveh Karandish (piano/composition), Timothy Rantung (piano), Michael Salgado (tuba), Nicholas Sitton (voice/composition), and Wendy Wiebach (voice). They were joined by staff collaborative pianist Kate Lin.

IVC Hosts Halloween Festival and Día de los Muertos Celebration



On Thursday, October 28, the Offices of Student Life and Student Equity hosted a free Halloween festival and Día de los Muertos celebration in the Live Oak Terraces. The event included a Halloween costume contest, pumpkin decorating contest, sugar skull decorating, Halloween games, Día de los Muertos coloring pages, candy stations, a pumpkin toss, and an altar de ofrendas (offering altar). Students were invited to contribute a photograph of a loved one for the altar. View a photo gallery [here](#).

IVC Health and Wellness Center Holds Flu Vaccine Clinic



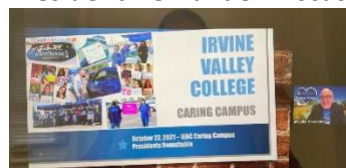
On Thursday, October 7, and Thursday, October 28, the IVC Health and Wellness Center held its latest walk-up flu vaccine clinics. Flu vaccines were free of charge for IVC faculty, staff, and students. Vaccines on October 7 were administered by HWC medical staff; Costco administered the October 28 vaccinations. A future onsite flu vaccine clinic is scheduled for December 1.

ELEVATE AAPI @ IVC Honored by City for Filipino American History Month



On Tuesday, October 26, ELEVATE AAPI @ Irvine Valley College was one of five groups presented with a proclamation from the City of Irvine for Filipino American History Month. IVC Communication Studies faculty member and former ELEVATE AAPI Project Director Eddie Tiongson, representing the program, joined the Filipino American Community of Orange County (TFAC-OC), the Filipino American Chamber of Commerce of Orange County (FACCOC), Filipino American Leaders and Innovators (FILAM), and the Filipino Outreach Group (FOG) of St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Irvine to receive a proclamation from Mayor Farrah Khan. All were commended for their efforts for the Filipino American community in Irvine and at large.

President Hernandez Discusses Caring Campus Initiative with College Presidents



On Friday, October 22, IVC President Dr. John Hernandez presented at Leading Culture Change - A Caring Campus Approach, an invitation-only virtual event for college presidents across the country. President Hernandez spoke about how he supported Caring Campus staff engagement in all aspects of student success to improve outcomes and

staff satisfaction. Caring Campus is a culture-changing effort embraced by senior leadership at college campuses across the United States. The result has been improved staff job satisfaction; better relations between staff, faculty, and leadership; and increased student connectedness.

IVC Participates in Great California ShakeOut

On Thursday, October 21, IVC student, faculty, and staff participated in the Great California ShakeOut, the state's annual earthquake drill. This year, due to the limited number of students and staff on campus, only those in IVC's Student Services Center and Library buildings participated in the drill. At 10:21 am, those present heard an alert to "drop, cover, and hold on." All students, faculty, and staff also were provided with links to a video series created by the Great California ShakeOut team about earthquake safety to educate themselves regardless of whether they were on campus that day.

IVC Nurse Increases Breast Cancer Awareness

On Wednesday, October 13, IVC Health and Wellness Center Nurse Practitioner Lauren Deats hosted an online education talk in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. About 1 in 8 U.S. women (about 13%) will develop invasive breast cancer over the course of their lifetime. Deats taught participants about breast cancer risks, warning signs and prevention. All students, staff and faculty were invited.

IVC Hosts Life After COVID-19 Student Support Group

On Tuesday, October 12, students were invited to a meeting of an online Life After COVID-19 support group. This support group provides a safe space for IVC students to process the life-changing events of the pandemic, learn coping skills, and practice communication skills and boundaries to navigate the many changes during this challenging time. The group meets monthly.

Upcoming Events

Fame: The Musical

November 4 to November 14

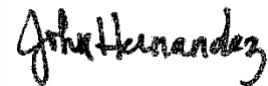
Ken Ludwig's 'Twas the Night Before Christmas

December 3 to December 12

IVC Fall Dance Concert: Resurgence

December 3 to December 4

Respectfully Submitted,



John C. Hernandez, PhD

President