



November 2017

### It's hard to believe that the holidays are almost upon us.

With only six weeks left in the semester, we still have a lot going on here at Mesa.

#### Mesa to Host Board of Trustees on Nov 9

On Thursday, Nov 9, 2017, Mesa College will host SDCCD's Board of Trustee Meeting in MC 211. The Board Open Door Session will be from 3:30-4:00 p.m. and the first hour of the regular meeting (4:00 – 5:00p.m.), is dedicated to highlighting Mesa College programs, activities and initiatives. The theme for this year's meeting is #allin4students. We will be highlighting a series of programs that demonstrate how Mesa is #allin4students in ways that clarify the paths, help students enter the path, stay on the path and ensure learning. We will have presentations from faculty, staff and students, along with hands-on experiential booths. I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting.

#### **Announcing Intersession and Spring 2018**

Registration dates and information for Intersession and Spring 2018 classes are available now at <a href="https://www.sdmesa.edu/register">www.sdmesa.edu/register</a>.

Early registration includes: priority registration starting on Nov 13 for Military, Veterans, and DSPS students and registration by appointment starting on Nov 14. Registration opens for all students on Dec 11.







#### President's Breakfast

On Friday, Oct 6, I hosted the fall President's Community Breakfast, where I provided a "State of the College" address to elected officials, board members, alumni and community members. It was a fantastic morning with over 60 attendees, which focused on the success of our Promise Program, and included a special Q&A with a panel of Mesa Promise students.

#### Mesa Supports our DACA Students

Mesa hosted a very successful DACA Advocacy Week from Oct 13-20, with multiple advocacy events both on and off-campus, including students and staff panels, along with a resources fair. Every session was well attended by students, faculty and staff, and I was proud to hear how supported our Mesa students feel. Multiple students also visited elected officials to advocate on behalf of our DACA Students. I would like to thank administrators, faculty, staff and the students themselves for putting together such a meaningful week of activities for our campus.

#### **Design and Discovery Fashion Showcase**

On Wed, Oct 4 2017, Salk hosted a fashion show highlighting a unique collaboration between Salk scientists and Mesa College fashion students. Advanced students from Mesa College's Fashion Design Program displayed their garments at the Design and Discovery Fashion Showcase Studies as part of the Salk, "Women in Science" program at Salk.

Mesa College is planning our very own on-campus Design and Discovery Showcase—Meet the Designers event on November 30<sup>t</sup> from 5-7p.m. in the Math & Science building, with the designs on to display. Students, staff faculty and the community are invited. The event will be free, with a suggested donation of \$20.00 to support the Mesa College Fashion Program.

#### Coffee with a Cop

On Mon, Oct 9, the San Diego Community College District (SDCCD) Police Department invited students to join them for "Coffee with a Cop", an event held on campus at the Mesa Commons.

Over 200 cups of coffee were personally brewed and given to students by the officers along with cookies, and informational materials about events and available resources.









#### **Fine Arts Building Project**

Mesa College hosted a start-of-construction event for the future of Fine Arts Building, attended by nearly 100 administrators, staff, students, faculty, and partners. Guests were invited to sign or draw on one of two large canvases to symbolize their connection to the new facility. Once the building is open, the mementos will be put on short-term display. The Fine-Arts building is being constructed within the former I-300 Building. It will be four-stories with 26,500 square feet, positioned as a thriving hub for Fine Arts students, with modernized facilities and equipment for programs in drawing, painting, photography, sculpting and ceramics, and a new space for the highly-acclaimed Mesa Art Gallery.

#### Mesa College Celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month

Between September 20 and October 12, San Diego Mesa College - a designated <u>Hispanic Serving Institution</u> - presented over a dozen Hispanic Heritage month events. Hundreds of students attended a variety of the events, both on and off campus. Popular events included a hands-on experience with ancient Mayan ceramics, multiple films, and guest speaker Manuel J. Velez for the Campus Conexiones series.

#### Filipino American Heritage Month

On Oct 24, Sariling Atin: We Are Our Stories, an inaugural literary reading, was held to celebrate Filipino American History Month.

The first event of its kind at Mesa, it featured local Filipino American writers, including City College English instructor Ella deCastro Baron, Mesa Assistant Professor of English Jennifer Derilo, and former Mesa student and former Miramar College English instructor Jason Magabo Perez, who read from his recently published book, *This Is for the Mostless*. Themes included surrounding illness, dislocation, resilience, and belonging. Poet Hari Alluri, Edward Aparis and Jon Briones also shared on family, loss, diaspora, and struggle while still maintaining threads of hope and humor. It was a moving, and sometimes comical, showcase emceed by counselor Gabriel Adona.









### Sariling Atin: We Are Our Stories.

Join us in celebrating our diversity Filipino American Heritage Month







# Mesa 2 Upcoming Events

Veterans Celebration Week: November 7 – 9.

**Flag Dedication Fundraiser,** ASG is donating 500 American lawn flags that will be available for <u>purchase</u>.

Veterans Appreciation Wall, faculty, staff and students can share photos of the Veterans in their lives.

**Veterans BBQ,** Tue, Nov 7, 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. in Mesa Commons Breezeway.

Chicano/Latino Heritage Event: Muralist Carlos Callejo, Tuesday, Nov 7, 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in LRC 435.

**Teach In:** Tues, Nov 14, from 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. in Mesa Commons Promenade. Hate speech vs free speech.

**International Education Week:** Nov 14-16. Learn about different cultures by attending performances, workshops, and other events.

Giving Tuesday: Tues, Nov 28. Join Mesa for "Giving Tuesday" and help support The Stand.

**Scholarship Applications Open:** Scholarship applications will be available first week of December. The deadline to turn in your scholarship application materials is Friday, Feb. 23, 2018.



On Saturday Nov 11 at 6:00pm, our Mesa Olympians (8-1, 4-0 in conference) will face Southwestern College (7-2, 4-0 in conference) for the American Mountain League Conference Championship!!

The game is scheduled for a 6:00 p.m. kickoff at Mesa College. The last time Mesa Football won a conference championship was in 2008, and it has been almost 30 years since the team has achieved 8 wins. The Olympians hope to get their 9th win on Saturday which would put them in the American Conference Bowl Championship Game if they beat Southwestern College. This contest pits the #1 Mesa Olympians vs. #2 Southwestern Jaguars. Please come out and support the Mesa Football team this Saturday!

Men's/Women's Water Polo – PCAC Championships: Fri- Sat, Nov 3-4

Women's Soccer VS Cuyamaca College: Fri, Nov 3
Football VS Mt San Jacinto College: Sat, Nov 4
Women's Soccer VS City College: Tues, Nov 7

Men's Soccer VS Imperial Valley College: Fri, Nov 10

Women's Soccer VS Imperial Valley: Fri, Nov 10 Football VS Southwestern College: Sat, Nov 11 Men's Basketball VS Saddleback: Sat, Nov 18

For Athletics information, visit <a href="www.gomesa.com">www.gomesa.com</a> or contact Samantha Seiders at <a href="mailto:seiders@sdccd.edu">sseiders@sdccd.edu</a>.







New Hires/Promotions at Mesa	Congratulations!
Charlie Lieu	College Tech Analyst
Manuel Jacobo	Administrative Tech/DSPS
Paul Palomares	Network Specialist















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