SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS CEREMONY VIDEO PREMIERED ON SEPTEMBER 10
This year's event was a virtual video that premiered on YouTube highlighting our hard-working scholarship recipients. It was amazing to view the interactive comments between donors and students in the YouTube chat section. A big CRUSH congratulations to all the students who earned scholarships. Thank you to our generous donors for making a difference and for helping our students reach their educational goals. Another BIG thank you to our Digital Media & Graphic Designer Jason Mendez for creating this heartfelt video. This year, 160 scholarships were awarded totaling $97,005.00. The number of scholarships continues to rise each year, thanks to the generous donors of the “Clovis Crush Giving Day” fundraising event. Watch the Scholarship Video.

NEW CCC BUILDING UPDATE
Great news! The State Chancellor’s Office approved the process for SCCCD to proceed with the bidding process for the new Applied Technology Phase 1 project! This project is funded using 50% state (CA-Prop 51) and 50% Measure C funding. We will present the project for board approval. Based on board approval, Vice Chancellor Miktarian and her team will release the project out to bid with a recommendation to award by January 2022. The construction of the new building is anticipated to start in spring of 2022 and completion of the project in fall of 2023.

DR. MICHELE SELVANS SECURED GRANT AND IS A CO-AUTHOR OF PUBLISHED ARTICLE
The college was recently awarded the NSF (National Science Foundation) Improving Undergraduate STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) Education grant. Geology Instructor Dr. Michelle Selvans, served as a co-principal investigator, alongside Fresno State colleagues to apply for the grant last spring. Their project title is “GP-UP: Building Opportunities through Networks of Discovery in the Geosciences (GEOBOND).”

In addition, Dr. Selvans is a co-author on “Mercury’s Crustal Thickness and Contractional Strain.”

The article was published August 30 in the journal Geophysical Research Letters. The first author, Thomas R. Watters, is at the Smithsonian/National Air and Space Museum (NASM), and Dr. Selvans worked on this research with him when she was a Postdoctoral Fellow at NASM, and as a Research Affiliate since then. Congratulations Dr. Selvans!

OUT AND ABOUT AT THE AUGUST NEGOCIANTES UNIDOS EVENT
On August 25, Emilee Slater, Director of Outreach, and President Dr. Bennett attended the August Negociantes Unidos event hosted by the Fresno Area Hispanic Foundation. The keynote speaker was President of CSU Fresno, Dr. Saúl Jiménez-Sandoval, who shared with us his plans for the 2021-2022 school year and projects happening at Fresno State.

Note: We wore face masks throughout the event. Took them off long enough to snap this photo!
KARA ALLEN, ADJUNCT CHILD DEVELOPMENT INSTRUCTOR, AUTHORS NEW CHILDREN’S BOOK
Kara Allen’s book, “Forever Home: A Dog’s Tale,” is a delightful story about learning to embrace the things that make us unique. The book takes readers on a journey of a sweet little puppy who differs from his brothers and sisters and discovers whether he will find his forever home despite his distinct appearance. As Ms. Allen said, “After all, wouldn’t the world be a very boring place if we were all exactly the same?” Thank you ABC30 for the highlighting Ms. Allen’s recent book signing event. Email Ms. Allen if you are interested in purchasing a copy of the book at karaallen5@yahoo.com

CLASSIFIED SENATE RAISED NEARLY $200 FOR SCHOLARSHIPS
The Classified Senate partnered with Chipotle Restaurant for a fundraiser on September 14. Employees, students, and friends either picked-up food or ate in-person to support the fundraiser. Funds will be used for Classified Senate Scholarships.

A VARIETY OF VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON EVENTS HELD FOR STUDENTS
Many events continue to be planned for the fall semester. Recent events and activities included:

- Patriot Day (watch the ceremony on the CCC Facebook Page)
- Constitution Day Jeopardy
- Mexican Independence Day (Watch Mariachi Universal on the CCC Facebook Page).
  Thank you to KSEE24 for the media coverage.
- Central Valley Virtual Transfer Day & College Night
- Tutorial Center Write Night and Open Mic Night
- Hispanic Heritage Month: Guest Speaker Dr. Michael Benitez on September 28 speaking on “Examining Latinidad at the Crossroads of Race, Culture, and COVID-19”
- Psychological Services: Group Therapies & Support Groups via Zoom: Comfort in Chaos, Anxiety Toolbox, Adjusting During Covid

PARTNERSHIP WITH CARNEGIE MASSIVE OPEN ONLINE RESEARCH (C-MOOR) AND JOHN HOPKINS UNIVERSITY (JHU) PROVIDES STUDENTS ACCESS TO SCIENTIFIC DATA
Biology Instructor Dr. Rosa Alcazar spearheaded this wonderful collaboration that provides biology students access to real data, analytical tools, and an opportunity to develop a research project proposal. On September 16 and 23, C-MOOR hosted two “Science Talks” sessions highlighting genomics data science.

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