



## AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATED WITH VARIOUS ACTIVITIES:



### OUTREACH TEAM PARTICIPATES AT LOCAL CONFERENCES

Student Success Coach Sasha Fisher and student ambassadors shared information with students at the Fresno County Office of Education “African American Student Leadership” conference on February 5. In addition, Sasha participated and spoke at the Clovis Unified School District “African American Student Leadership” conference at Clovis North High School on February 12. High school and middle school students were encouraged and excited to learn about the various programs and services available at CCC, including the new Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) transfer guarantee program. Daniel Avila, a Leon S. Peters Honors student, is CCC’s first student to utilize the HBCU program and transferred to Texas Southern University. Daniel is featured in this [CCC video](#)

### NATIONAL SPEAKER DR. CHIKE AKUA WILL PRESENT “WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE BLACK?” ON FEBRUARY 25

Dr. Chike Akua is one of the most sought after speakers at colleges, universities and educational conferences. He has been called “an educational revolutionary” and is recognized as a leading authority on culturally relevant educational materials and instructional approaches. He has lectured and given keynote addresses at a number of colleges, universities and educational conferences around the country. [This event](#) is free and open to the public.



### BLACK STUDENT UNION (BSU) HOLDS INAUGURAL “READ IN”

On February 13 the BSU was excited to hold the “Read In” as their first event. Students and instructors participated by selecting and reading their favorite passages from African American authors. BSU President Jacqueline Sanders, along with her team, worked hard to establish the BSU last semester and many students continue to join the new club. Other BSU activities included a “Soul Food Pot Luck” on February 21 and a trivia contest to share information about unsung African American heroes. Athena Gibbs and Von Torres are doing a great job serving as the faculty advisors for the BSU club.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO CCC’S NOMINEE PASTOR PAUL BINION FOR BEING SELECTED AS A “WALL OF HONOR” RECIPIENT

Pastor Binion is a community leader who supports and promotes SCCC and its colleges.

Since 1977, Pastor Paul Binion has stood at the helm of one of Fresno’s most vibrant churches, the Westside Church of God, and the wonderful congregation that he serves. Pastor Binion is an advisor to numerous organizations, ministries, fellowships, individuals, and leaders in our city and throughout the valley. Pastor Binion founded and is the chairman of a new entity, the Southwest Fresno Development Corporation. Its mission is to create economic development opportunities in West Fresno, particularly in the areas of affordable housing and small business development. He currently serves on the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office African American Advisory Board.



## CCC HONORED TO HOST THE FIRST CHANCELLOR'S CIRCLE VISIT FOR 2019

Our hardworking and talented team in the Child Development Center (CDC) did a fabulous job showcasing the center and providing a wonderful tour on February 6. Guests enjoyed a delicious dessert made by the CDC children. View the fabulous [photos](#).

## CCC ASG HOSTED THE SSCCC REGION V MEETING

On February 22 the Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC) held its Region V meeting at Clovis Community College. The group meets monthly and discusses issues and legislation that are important to Central Valley community college students. Region V is made up of twelve colleges ranging geographically from San Joaquin Delta College to Bakersfield College.

## VISION FOR SUCCESS



The Clovis Community College's Strategic Goals and Guided Pathways planning align with the Vision for Success. The college has developed student success and completion goals and they are being reviewed by campus constituent groups. The college hosted a campus Town

Hall on February 21. In addition, our Office of Institutional Research has been presenting and gathering feedback from these groups to ensure campus-wide inclusion, participation, and support for our college goals.

## CRUSH ATHLETICS



Student athlete Halle Sembritzki from the women's soccer team was selected as the Central Valley Conference Scholar-Athlete Nominee for the CCCAA Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award. She was selected as one of the members of the 2018 CCCAA Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll. She will receive the award on March 27 at the award luncheon in Concord. Halle is a sophomore and a pre-nursing major.

The Crush swim and dive team won 14 events at the Central Valley Conference Kick-Off Invitational hosted by College of the Sequoias on February 8. The meet was attended by Fresno City College, Merced College, College of the Sequoias, and Clovis Community College. Successful results are expected at the home invitational jointly hosted between Fresno City College and Clovis Community College on February 22 and 23 at Clovis North High School. Keep up with the news, meets and results at [gocloviscrush.com](http://gocloviscrush.com).

## UNITE'S ARRIVE ALIVE TOUR® VISITS CCC ON FEBRUARY 12

UNITE's Arrive Alive Tour uses a high-tech simulator, impact video, and a number of other resources to educate students about the dangers of texting while driving and intoxicated driving. The simulator allows participants to experience the potential consequences of distracted and impaired driving in a controlled environment.

## THANK YOU SSCCD TRUSTEES FOR ADVOCATING FOR PROP. 51 FUNDS FOR CCC

Trustees Bobby Kahn, John Leal and Eric Payne recently attended the Community College League of California (CCLC) conference in Sacramento and had the opportunity to share CCC's concerns with local elected officials. In addition, Trustee Debbie Ikeda recently met with Assemblyman Jim Patterson and he was very supportive and currently working on the college's behalf to get the \$20M added to the May Revision of the Governor's 2019-2020 State Budget.

## UPCOMING CCC EVENTS