



# BCC Connections

Barstow Community College District

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**JUNE—AUGUST** SUMMER OUTREACH BEGINS

**JULY 3.** EOPS/DSPS STUDENTS CAN REGISTER FOR CLASSES

**JULY 4.** FOURTH OF JULY HOLIDAY. CAMPUS CLOSED

**AUGUST 14.** FALL CLASSES BEGIN

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## SUMMER HOURS

As a reminder, the college is operating on a 4-10 work schedule Monday thru Thursday, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. Closed Fridays.

## PROPOSED STATE BUDGET TO LOWER FEES

A proposed California Community College budget is the largest in the history of the California Community College system. If passed, the budget would provide funding in the amount of \$969 million for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. It would decrease the tuition fee from \$26 per unit, to \$20 per unit effective January 1, 2007, permitting budget approval.

The proposed budget means a great deal to Barstow Community College and the community that it serves. The decreased per unit fee will help students financially and has the ability to increase the number of students that the California Community Colleges serve,

as well as the amount of services that the college provides to its students. The proposed budget calls for increases in the student support services offered. This includes the EOPS (Extended Opportunity Programs and Services) program and the CARE (Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education) program. The CalWORKs program stands to benefit as well.

Stay tuned for additional information as it becomes available and the impact that the new budget will have on Barstow Community College.

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## IN-SERVICE WILL INFUSE STAFF, FACULTY WITH NEW INSIGHTS

Barstow Community College staff and faculty are set to return to campus this summer to revel and learn how to become more effective individuals. The in-service at the college this year will consist of many activities and chances for the staff and faculty to prepare for the new academic year, as well as getting acquainted with each other after the long summer break.

The in-service will commence on August 11 with a morning session that includes the presentation of service awards presented to outstanding staff and faculty. The president of Barstow Community College, Dr. Clifford Brock, will present his state of the college address. Last year's address highlighted the growth coming to Barstow and the accomplishments of the college. This year should prove no different, as Barstow is still experiencing growth and the college is growing as well. A break-out session titled; "Learning Styles in The Workplace" will follow. A catered lunch will be provided for staff and faculty after the sessions.

The afternoon is filled with events as well, with another

break-out session titled; "Emotion Intelligence in The Workplace". Many other events are scheduled and will continue into the evening for the staff and faculty. These in-services are designed to inform and help the staff and faculty serve the students of Barstow Community College better.



**Staff and faculty engage in active participation at the 2005 in-service.**

## SUMMER OUTREACH PROGRAM IN FULL SWING AT BCC

*First in a series of stories about outreach activities at Barstow Community College.*

The Summer Outreach Program is well underway at Barstow Community College. The program is now in its sixth year(?) and has undergone many changes since then to improve the efficiency of this exceptional program.

Laura Mitchell is a third year member of the outreach team and said that the program has changed substantially this year. "We are in different teams this year, with Student Life and Development Supervisor Joann Garcia in charge of the local high schools," she said. The outreach program is designed to help high school graduates from Barstow, Central, and Silver Valley high schools enroll in college and further their educational goals.

High school students are not the only ones who are receiving help says Mitchell, "Lefty Olguin, Assistant Dean of Student Services, is heading the community portion of the program with his group of outreach counselors," she said.

Jesús Aguayo has been contacting local business for the program, "We have been meeting with local businesses like BNSF and Goldstone. We have met with every business in Barstow and Lenwood that we can," he said. Schedules and other information about the college and its programs have been distributed to these businesses so that interested employees can take advantage of the Outreach Program.

Personal contact is an important tool of the Outreach Program and is key to its ultimate success. Next week the outreach counselors will be conducting house visits for those who may not be able to make it to the campus. This personal touch alone can make the difference and help a potential student decide to further their education. The Outreach Program is all encompassing and covers the whole registration process for the students. This includes help with the financial aid process and if necessary, a meeting with the EOPS (Extended Opportunity Programs and Services) counselors.

The idea of the Outreach Program is to help the students through the whole registration process and to provide the support necessary while making their educational decisions. Keeping track of the progress over the course of the program can prove to be daunting. Mercedes is an outreach counselor who is responsible for recording the progress of each and every individual that the outreach team is working with. It is a long process she said, "I keep track of the validation process of each individual, if they signed up for workshops and how they are progressing through the program," she said.

The Outreach Program takes the cooperation of each and every member involved for the program to run smoothly and effectively. The outreach counselors are located in room B-4 this summer and are there to help you get a head start on your education.

*Stay tuned for a continuation about the Outreach Program at Barstow Community College*

## DR. ROBERT STINSON JOINS BCC FAMILY



Dr. Robert Stinson will be joining us this fall as a full time Biology Instructor. Dr. Stinson is currently an Instructor in the Department of Biology at the Community College of Southern Nevada where he teaches Anatomy, Physiology and Microbiology. While at Bainbridge College he taught Biology, Microbiology, Environmental Biology, Anatomy and Physiology. He also served as an Instructor of Biology for South Texas College in Texas.

Dr. Stinson also worked 12 years for the Pilgrim's Pride Corporation as the Laboratory Director, where he directed the day to day operations of a poultry processing lab. Dr. Stinson received his Ph.D. from Mississippi State University in Bacteriology, Masters of Science in Biology from University of New Mexico and his Bachelors of Science in Biology from Missouri Southern State College.

## WORK CONTINUES ON CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS AT BCC



**M&O is putting the finishing touches on the meditation garden.**



**The interim performing arts building is nearing completion.**



**The new science co-lab is nearing completion.**