

## Keynote speaker to focus on women's leadership in colleges

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Professor Angela Hoppe-Nagao is a woman who accomplishes juggling a job, motherhood and pursuing a doctorate in education. In March, she will add conference keynote speaker to her accomplishments as well.

The local chapter of American Association for Women in Community Colleges will be holding a Women Hold Up Half the Sky annual conference in March 2014 and Professor Hoppe-Nagao will be the keynote speaker at the conference.

The AAWCC is a network of women and men in Orange and Los Angeles counties community colleges.

The conferences have been going on for over 20 years and it includes students, staff, faculty and board members.

It was created in 1973 to promote leadership for women in education and to help them pursue career opportunities and learn how to be strong role models and community members.

Miriam Tolson is the current Secretary of the Faculty Senate and represents Cerritos College in the committee of different members from different colleges for the AAWCC local chapter. She has worked at Cerritos College for 18 years and has been involved with the AAWCC for 14 years.

Tolson contacted Hoppe-Nagao and asked her to be the keynote speaker at the event.

"When she contacted me and asked me to do this, I think I was honored, super excited, and then the thought went through my mind 'why me?'"

"I know that there are so many people that have amazing life stories and experience who would be wonderful for this type of event. But even though I go 'why me?', I think I'm not going to let that stop me and I'm going to go forth and do the best keynote speech I possibly can for this wonderful organization," she said.

"I was really honored," Hoppe-Nagao said, "I don't know that I'm deserving to be the keynote speaker but it's an opportunity that I really

look forward to."

Hoppe-Nagao has a history in the community.

She is a graduate of Cerritos College, Cal State Fullerton and has been a part of the Cerritos College faculty since 1995.

She has also served as department chair and vice president of the Faculty Senate for three years and is currently pursuing a doctorate in Community College Educational Leadership at Cal State Fullerton.

Tolson believes Hoppe-Nagao is a perfect choice for the keynote speech.

"She is a dynamic woman and speaker skilled in conflict-resolution. She's very empowering and educated and very wise. She juggles a lot. She's a young mother, she's a professor and pursuing a higher education for herself," Tolson said.

"She's a perfect role model for any woman and she has a history at Cerritos, not only as a faculty member," Tolson said, "but she's also been a student here as well and a community member so we can all relate to her somehow or another."

Hoppe-Nagao plans to share her own story in the community college journey and plans on talking about the importance of cultural intelligence.

"I want to talk to these leaders at this event about how we as educators can use culture to engage our culturally diverse student population and help promote their success," she said.

The conference will be held in the Hilton Hotel in Costa Mesa.

Tolson says it will be taking a different spin and will merge with a global women's conference.

There will be over 100 speakers and will have an amalgam of small and corporate vendors.

Tolson encourages students and faculty members who may be interested to go to contact ASCC to help estimate the funds that are required for the conference.



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**Going the Distance:** Coach Jensen, Adviser of Kinesiology club, prepares for a punt. Jensen helped organize the club event.



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**Kick-Off:** Marine Biology major Brandon Romero winds up for the kick-off. Romero is a place kicker for the football team.

## Students punt, pass and kick way to victory

### Kinesiology Club hosts event to get students active on campus

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"We wanted to bring the school together and thought kicking a ball as far as you can is good competition," said club adviser Coach Deborah Jensen.

The Cerritos College Kinesiology Club held the first Punt, Pass and Kick contest on campus.

The event had no rules other than to stay behind the limit line (when kicking or throwing the football) and waiting for your turn to compete.

"The idea of the event was to get out and move around because most people don't have a physical education class and can use some

exercise," Viviana Gallaga, a kinesiology major and president of the club said.

The event went on from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and cost \$2 to enter.

The game consisted of receivers down the field that would measure where the football would land.

Whoever had the farthest punt, pass or kick won.

One of the participants in the event was Brandon Romero, a marine biology major and place kicker for the Cerritos College football team.

He mentioned how he was approached on campus and how anyone is able to join the event, but Romero had a special reason,

"I'm a kicker and my team was calling me out to do this, so might as well."

"This guy came up to me and told me about the event (Punt, Pass and Kick contest) and handed me a flier."

The turnout for the event may not have been what was expected, according to Jensen.

Kinesiology means "the study of moving anatomy."

"The major is very broad, it can cover a physical education teacher, physical therapy, coaching and even go into nursing." As the major has progressed, the spectrum has broadened out a lot," Jensen said.

"Part of this club is that we want the students to learn how to run events properly and that's part of the focus to learn how to run activities.

Other than discussing kinesiology topics, the focus of our club is to gain leadership experience and learn to work in a community."

Participant Betty Martin, Nursing major, shared, "I was having a lot of fun. I wasn't here to compete. I wanted to support the club."

"The event was more than just a

fundraiser for the club, but also provided great exercise."

The event helped Martin through physical fitness, reminding her of abilities she forgot she had.

"This helps keep me (to get) in shape and use the skills I forgot I had deep down inside."

The true idea of the game is supposed to be run by relay teams having three people making up one team.

The turnout wasn't what the club hoped for, which called for improvisation and most participants receiving rewards.

Child Development major Xitlaly Salcedo was the score keeper of the event, and said, "It was pretty close. Actually, the guys were pretty competitive. (I) would definitely want to do it again. It was really fun."

The second contest will be held in spring 2014.



PHOTO BY: DANIEL GREEN/TM  
**Hips Don't Lie:** Ariel Hughes performs at the Talent for a Cause show hosted by the Child Development Club. Hughes performed a belly dance for the crowd.

## Child Development Club shows their talent

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The Child Development Club hosted its first talent show in order to raise toys and money for children who wouldn't be able to receive gifts at Christmas this year.

The goal of the show was to bring people from all around campus together to help out children and families who could be struggling during the holiday season.

The event took place in the Student Center last Tuesday.

"Admission (to the event) is free, but we're asking for unwrapped toys to go to the Children's Hospital of Los Angeles. We're also having a bake sale. All of the proceeds from our bake sale will go to adopting a family for Christmas through the department of Social Services," said Suleyma Castillo, a co-president of the Child Development Club said.

The baked sale took place when the doors

opened for the event and continued through the whole show, featuring a variety of goodies such as horchata, cookies, nachos and popcorn.

Different clubs from Cerritos College participated in the event such as the Karbakada Club, which performed a Disney melody, and the Dynamic Dance Club, which put on a variety of different dances.

Also children from the Child Development Center sang and danced to different songs like Michael Jackson's "Thriller," the "Little Mermaid's" "Part of your World" and ended the show with a group dance of the "Cha Cha Slide."

There were also acts from people outside the campus like a magician known as "The Great Omar" and a band called "Mommy and Her Singing Sensations," which consisted of a mother and her two daughters that sang and played guitar to "Ho Hey" by the Lumineers.

When asked about how the show went, other co-president, Jovanna Ledesma said, "I think it went great. The performances were awesome and I enjoyed everybody."

Ledesma also went on to say that the turnout was great and that she was surprised. "We got a lot of support from everyone."

The show had no winners nor losers because the idea was to raise money for charity and for everyone to have a good time.

A basket full of goodies was given out at the end to a winner of the raffle of which the club sold tickets for before hand.

The princess court of the city of Downey awarded the basket to the winner.

"It was a good crowd. We didn't expect as many people to show up and it turned out to be a big crowd. We are very happy and pleased and thank everybody for coming out," said Broderick Woods, president of the Dynamic Dance Club, who helped co-MC the event, said.

The Child Development Club was able to raise \$390 along with three large industrial size bags filled with toys.

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