## Orange Coast College UPDATE

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# Coast Unveils Promise Program Guaranteeing One Year of Free College for All Students

orange Coast College has launched a College Promise program that offers all students free tuition for one year, beginning in Fall 2018.

The program — dubbed the "Pirates'



OCC's Pirates' Promise follows an initiative signed into law last year by California Governor Jerry Brown called the California College Promise Program, which allows community colleges to provide tuition-free education to students. OCC's program will cover the \$46 per unit enrollment fee for all first-time students who qualify — students will still be responsible for the cost of textbooks and supplies, and the College's health fee (\$20) and service charge (\$21). Qualifying students who have already paid their tuition can apply to receive a reimbursement.

"We recognize the financial challenges our students face and are excited to offer free tuition to qualifying students," says Vice President of Student Services Madjid Niroumand. "It is wonderful to be able to serve our community and our students by providing access to free education, helping them offset their educational costs, and supporting them in completing their academic program in a timely manner."

More information about Orange Coast College's Pirates' Promise can be found at www.orangecoastcollege.edu/pirates-promise



#### Multicultural Center Hosting Langston Hughes Concert Performance

PIRATES' PROMISE PROGRAM

Orange Coast College has invited Ron McCurdy to perform in a multimedia concert of Langston Hughes' jazz poem suite "Ask Your Mama: 12 Moods for Jazz" on Tuesday, Sept. 18 at 7 p.m.

The event is part of OCC's yearlong 70th Anniversary commemoration, and will include topical images of "Ask Your Mama's" people, places, and events to recreate a moment in our cultural history, bridging

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#### Calendar

- Sept. 11— Pirate Involvement Fest OCC Quad, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Sept. 12 Women's Volleyball vs Citrus Peterson Gymnasium, 2 p.m.
- Sept. 13 Student Health Fair OCC Quad. 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Sept. 18 "Ask Your Mama: 12 Moods for Jazz" Robert B. Moore Theatre, 7 p.m.
- Sept. 18 Women's Soccer vs Irvine Valley
  OCC Soccer fields, 3 p.m.
- Sept. 21 Men's Soccer vs Golden West OCC soccer fields, 3 p.m.
- Sept. 22 70th Anniversary Night, Football vs El Camino LeBard Stadium, 5 p.m.
- Sept. 27 "Elizabeth
  Turk: ThinkLab LIVE .002"
  Reception
  The Doyle Arts Pavilion,
  5-8 p.m.
- Sept. 29 "Elizabeth Turk: ThinkLab LIVE .002" Artist Talk The Doyle Arts Pavilion, 1 p.m.
- Sept. 30 Orange County Children's Book Festival

OCC Campus, 9:30 a.m. until 4 p.m.



the Harlem Renaissance, the post-World War II beat writer's coffeehouse, and the Black Arts performance scene of the 1960s. The performance is co-sponsored by OCC's Multicultural Center, Student Equity Program and Umoja.

Ron McCurdy is a professor of music at University of Southern California, where he previously served as the Director of the Thelonious Monk Institute of Jazz at USC. McCurdy is a consultant to the Grammy Foundation educational programs, and has been a consultant for major corporations, including Disney and Yamaha.

The public is invited to attend the performance, and admission is free. For questions or additional information, contact Associate Dean of the Global Engagement Center Nathan Jensen at (714) 432-5909

#### OCC Commemorates 70th Anniversary with Re-Dedication of Football Facilities

Orange Coast College will kick off its Fall 2018 semester with a re-dedication of its football stadium facilities at a home football game on Saturday, Sept. 22 at 5 p.m. in honor of the College's 70th anniversary.

The Coast football team will compete against El Camino College that evening at 6 p.m. There will be a reception for all student athletes, as well as the families and friends of those









for whom the football facilities are named, including the Jim Carnett Press Box, Harry LeBard Stadium, Dick Tucker Field, and Doc Mason Fieldhouse. A re-dedication ceremony for the facilities will be held during the game's halftime.

Orange Coast College's football team was one of the first athletic teams formed during the College's founding in 1948. In its seven-decade history, the football program has racked up several conference and state championships, including a trip to the Junior Rose Bowl in 1963 in which the Pirates beat Northeastern Oklahoma, 21-0.

All members of the campus community are invited to attend the reception and game. For more information contact OCC's Foundation office at (714) 432-5749.

#### Memorial for Dick Tucker Slated for Sept. 15

ick Tucker, Orange Coast College's most successful football

coach who helped guide the Pirates to a pair of national championships in 1963 and 1975, died on July 26 at the age of 92.

Also, Dick's wife, Phillippa Tucker, also passed away on July 26 at the age of 90. The couple were married for 68 years.

Tucker, a member of OCC's Physical Education and Athletics Division staff for 33 years, led the Pirates



to four conference titles and compiled a 129-102-5 record over his 24-year coaching career (1962-1985). In addition to his coaching responsibilities for the football and men's golf programs at OCC, Tucker was the school's Athletic Director for more than a decade.

The 1963 OCC football team helped put the college on the global map as the Pirates rose from obscurity to go 10-0 and defeated Northwestern Oklahoma A&M, 21-0, in the Junior Rose Bowl in Pasadena in front of 44,044 fans to win the school's first-ever national championship.

Tucker's 1975 team, one of the most dominant squads in all of California Community College football, rolled to an 11-0 record and defeated Rio Hondo in the Avocado Bowl to give the Pirates their second national title.

In addition to those two historic seasons, Tucker helped guide the Pirates to two more conference titles in 1971 and again in 1974 and hundreds of his former players went on to great success, both on and off the football field.

He was inducted into the Orange County Sports Hall of Fame in the 1990s, and into the California Community College

Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame in March of 2004. Tucker was then inducted into the OCC Athletics Hall of Fame in 2007 as well as the California Community College Athletic Association's Hall of Fame in 2018.

Before joining OCC's staff in 1962, Tucker was head coach at Brea-Olinda High for 11 years. He won eight league championships at Brea and two CIF titles.

In 2016, the LeBard Stadium field was renamed Dick Tucker Field, honoring the man who made such a difference to his players, his teams and to all he associated with at Orange Coast College.

"When I first heard about the honor, I was surprised beyond belief," Tucker said prior to the Sept. 17, 2016 home opener against Ventura. "It is such a nice gesture and I really appreciate all of the people who ran with this idea and made it possible. I put a lot of wonderful years into Orange Coast College and I wouldn't change a thing. Again, I am so appreciative of everyone who helped make this happen."

Dick and Phillippa are survived by their sons, Travis, Rhett and Clay.

A memorial service for Dick and Phillippa Tucker will be held on Saturday, September 15 at 5 p.m., in the OCC Fitness Center Gym (north end of football stadium near Monitor and Fairview) and befollowed immediately after by a reception on the Fitness Center Patio overlooking Dick Tucker Field.

The Tucker Family has asked that in lieu of flowers donations be made for a scholarship established in memory of Coach Tucker.

#### The Working Mind of Artist Elizabeth Turk Opens at The Doyle Sep. 6

n a month-long, live exhibition, the creative process is explored as Santa Ana-based artist Elizabeth Turk, a 2010 MacArthur "Genius" Fellowship awardee, stations her working studio at The Doyle at Orange Coast College.

In the exhibition "ThinkLab LIVE .002: Extinct Bird Cages," Turk explores the extinction of birds in the Americas. Members of the public are invited to engage the artist as she reveals the conceptual choices for this work during its progression on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from noon until 4 p.m. from Sept. 6 until Oct. 4.

The exhibition is curated by The Doyle's director Tyler Stallings, and a reception for the artist will take place on Thursday, Sept. 27 from 5–8 p.m. An artist talk is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 29, at 1 p.m. Admission for both events is free.

In "ThinkLab LIVE .002: Extinct Bird Cages" Turk's aim is the creation of a cage large enough for humans. This cage is fabricated from a lattice of metal cut silhouettes of specific extinct birds. "Metaphorically, it will be a cage of shadows through a combination of human and bird silhouettes," she says. The exhibition is the first stage of a large-scale, outdoor installation, destined for the Catalina Island Museum

in early 2019, that will connect geographical dots between Orange and Los Angeles counties.

"Turk's approach to her periodic 'ThinkLab LIVE' exhibitions is one of experimentation, exploring concepts outside her more well-known marble sculptures in which she reduces hundreds



of pounds of marble to evocative, iconic, organic forms such as mobius cages, ribbons, and collars that have seemingly evolved from nature but really are from the mind of Elizabeth Turk," says Stallings.

Turk worked with OCC dance department students in the Spring 2018 semester, while working on her exhibition for The Doyle, in order to help develop the choreography for an upcoming participatory performance event on Nov. 3, "Shoreline Project." The performance — hosted by the Laguna Art Museum — is part of the "Art & Nature Festival."

### OCC Annual Health Fair Will Focus on Suicide Prevention

In honor of September's National Suicide Prevention month, Orange Coast College will host a health fair themed after the psychology of "Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs" on Thursday, Sept. 13 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the Quad.

Students will learn about the different tiers of human needs and can connect with community agencies and on-campus services that provide assistant in fulfilling these needs, such as access to fresh food, housing referrals, veterans support and healthcare. The event is being co-sponsored by the OCC Student Health Center, Veterans Services, Student Equity program, and the OC Healthcare Agency Drop Zone.

"As September is National Suicide Prevention Month and suicide being the second leading cause of death among college students, we aim to remind our students and campus community to care for themselves and others as whole individuals who have physical, emotional, social and intellectual needs," says Student Health Center health educator Janice Iglesias. "We hope that the fair will help cultivate a culture on campus that values an open conversation about mental health and encourages students to seek help."

Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs is a theory in psychology proposed by Abraham Maslow which is comprised of a five-tier model of human needs, with the most basic needs like food at the bottom, and growth only accessible once more primitive needs are met. Some agencies that will be on hand to speak

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with students are the Orange County Healthcare Agency Behavioral Health Services, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, the Salvation Army, the Mariposa Women and Family Center, and Casa de la Familia.

#### 12th Annual Pilates Guest Speaker Begins Sept. 11

OCC's dance department will host its 12th annual Pilates Guest Speaker Series for OCC students and the great community on the second and fourth Tuesdays of September and October, with the final workshop set to take place on Tuesday, Nov. 13. All lectures will take place on Tuesdays from 11:10 a.m. until 1:15 p.m. in the OCC Art Center, rooms 147 and 148.

"These workshops are designed for both teachers and students, and aim to introduce topics of interest to those in the field of Pilates and dance wellness," says Coast Pilates/dance conditioning program director Amelie Hunter. "Lectures address how Pilates and complementary therapies can improve the body's form and function, and can be sued for self-care. This year will bring a wide range of professionals to OCC to discuss diverse topics from strategies to your clients' progress to screening for prevention of dance injuries."

The schedule for lectures is as follows:

- Sept. 11 "Strategies for Progressing Your Clients," by Debra Stafford
- Sept. 25 "Screening for Prevention of Dance Injuries" by Diana Finn Sutcliff
- Oct. 9 "The Power of Myofascial Release" by Jana Jensen, RN, MSN
- Oct. 23 "Self-Care for Pilates Professionals" by Barbara Nelson
- Nov. 13 "Working with the Hyper-Mobile Body" by Donna Place

"Lectures will be given in small groups and will introduce students and teachers to therapies and exercise techniques that can be used to improve teaching skills, exercise results and injury prevention," says Hunter. "The lectures also will give participants a broader understanding of the many ways that Pilates can be incorporated for a healthy and joyful lifestyle."

Lectures are free to attend for OCC students and Pilates certificate alumnus, and are open to the community for \$20 per lecture, or \$80 for all five. Tickets may be purchased in advance through the OCC Bursar's Office at www.occtickets. com or by calling (714) 432-5880.

#### OCC Hosts Campus Forums

This fall, Orange Coast College will be conducting a series of campus forums in preparation for significant changes to our current processes and operations. Topics will include, but not limited to, California Assembly Bill 705, Guided Pathways, Budget Funding Model, and Strategic Planning.

In anticipation of the Accreditation Site Visit in Feb. 2019, the College continues its efforts in writing, fact-checking, cataloging of evidences, and editing the Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER). The campus community will also have an opportunity to review and provide feedback, through several forums, on Standard I—Mission/Academic Quality/Institutional Effectiveness; Standard II—Instructional and Support Programs and Services; Standard III—Resources (Human Resources, Facilities, Technology, and Financial); Standard IV—Decision Making/Chief Executive Officer, and Governing Board; and the Quality Focus Essay.

The first campus forum focusing on Assembly Bill 705 is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 13, 2:30-3:30 p.m., in the Student Center Lounge.

#### New-Look Pirates Ready for 2018

The Orange Coast College football team will face some of the toughest teams in Southern California throughout the 2018 season and for first-year head coach Bubba Gonzalez, that suits him just fine.

"We've been saying all summer long that if you want to get your program to that 'next level' you need to take on the best of the best and see where you measure up," Gonzalez said.



"For some of our players, this is a new lease on life and a new era here at Orange Coast and I'm excited to be a part of it. Our coaches are doing a great job of getting our players prepared to play and the guys are quickly picking up what we are trying to accomplish. I'm excited to see how we will be by the end of the season and hopefully we can sneak up on some people and compete week in and week out."

The numbers have been good for the Pirates in terms of athletes on the field and as the 2018 season approaches, Coast continues to improve day by day. "We've got some good athletes in key positions and the more they get on the field with each other and get comfortable with our system, you can see the team improving," Gonzalez said. "We are going to run a 'pro' style offense with a 3-4 defense and the key in both of those systems is execution and everyone doing their job. We need to continue to work hard and trust each other on that field with the mentality of 'I will do my job and you do your job.' It's been a very positive preseason and we are really focusing on lifting each other up, instead of tearing each other down. If someone makes a mistake, the team will not dogpile on him for it."