



## Calendar

- **Nov. 8-10 — Love's Labour's Lost**  
Drama Lab Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- **Nov. 9 — 'Great & Rare Works' OCC Symphony**  
Robert B. Moore Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- **Nov. 12 — Women's Soccer vs Santiago Canyon**  
LeBard Stadium, 3 p.m.
- **Nov. 14 — Men's Basketball vs Moorpark**  
Peterson Gymnasium, 6 p.m.
- **Nov. 15 — Flu Shot Clinic**  
Student Health Center, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.
- **Nov. 15 & 16 — Love's Labour's Lost**  
Drama Lab Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- **Nov. 16 — Fall Choral Vocal Showcase**  
Robert B. Moore Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- **Nov. 17 — Love's Labour's Lost**  
Drama Lab Theatre, 2:30 p.m.
- **Nov. 17 — Love's Labour's Lost**  
Drama Lab Theatre, 2:30 p.m.
- **Nov. 20 — Piano Masterclass w/ Craig Richey**  
Music Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- **Nov. 21 — Joyful Pops**  
Music Recital Hall, 8 p.m.
- **Nov. 22 — Flu Shot Clinic**  
Student Health Center, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.
- **Nov. 25 — Mexica Archaeoastronomy: Between Space and Time**  
Planetarium, 11 a.m.
- **Nov. 25 — OCC Jazz Ensembles**  
Robert B. Moore Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- **Dec. 6 — Flu Shot Clinic**  
Student Health Center, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

## OCC to Receive Leadership Award for Commitment to Advancing Green Building

Orange Coast College has been named a 2019 Leadership Award recipient by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). OCC joins 19 organizations and individuals who are using green building and sustainable practices to improve quality of life for those around them. This year's recipients will be recognized at the USGBC Leadership Awards Ceremony taking place on Wednesday, Nov. 20, during the Greenbuild International Conference and Expo.

"Our Leadership Award recipients remind us that taking action - big or small - has the power to change lives and promote a higher living standard for us all," said Mahesh Ramanujam, president and CEO of USGBC. "Each of these awardees made commitments to improve our world through the power of green building. Their actions are an inspiration and show us that our collective efforts can lead to meaningful change that moves us closer to our vision of buildings, communities and cities that regenerate and sustain the health and vitality of all life."

In July of this year OCC's Recycling Center became the first facility in the world to achieve the three largest green building certifications, LEED Gold, Sustainable SITES Initiative v2, and TRUE Zero Waste, the process for which was mostly student led. In addition to meeting strict green building standards, the new Recycling Center includes planter beds, composting containers, and showers that encourage employees to commute by bicycle.

OCC celebrates a long history of environmental stewardship, both on campus and throughout the community, including installation of solar panels in parking lots, water bottle filling stations, green and food waste programs, electric charging stations, drought tolerant landscaping, bicycle repair stations, and energy efficient lighting.

"Sustainability is not something [OCC does], it's who we are. It's the fabric of this institution," says Environmental Sustainability Coordinator Mike Carey. "It's incredibly humbling to be recognized with some of the other recipients that are getting this award."

Orange Coast College President Angelica Suarez echoes this sentiment. "OCC is honored to be

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recognized for its sustainable practices” she says. “I want to thank Mike and the students who worked with him to achieve these certifications, as well as the many college partners who have contributed to making this recognition possible.”

The 2019 Leadership Award recipients represent some of the best of USGBC’s nearly 10,000 member organizations, a network of committed professionals with more than 204,800 LEED credentials and community of local leaders across the United States and throughout the world. With more than 99,800 commercial projects and more than 159 cities and communities currently participating in LEED, space in all 50 states and 176 countries and territories, the efforts of the award recipients stand out as exceptional examples of sustainability leadership among a strong and growing network of projects, companies and individuals.

## OCC Recognized by Constitutional Rights Foundation of OC for Career Forum

Orange Coast College received the “Community Partner of the Year” award at the Constitutional Rights Foundation of Orange County annual awards dinner on Oct. 29 in recognition of a high school outreach event the College co-sponsors with CRF-OC.

Each spring, OCC co-sponsors a “Career Forum” on campus that provides an opportunity for approximately 1,000 high school students to learn about career opportunities/options they can pursue through seminars staffed by current professionals in the field as well as OCC faculty. Many of these seminars are linked to specific certificate programs offered on OCC’s campus, with faculty and alumni as speakers.



Many of the students come from underserved backgrounds, including from the juvenile justice system, foster youth system, homelessness, and more.

OCC’s Student Equity program provides the funding for lunch for the students and bus scholarships to ensure they have transportation to campus. The College’s Student Services offices also provide a “resource fair” during lunchtime to connect with the students on applying, financial aid, EOPS, Guardian Scholars, etc.

OCC President, Dr. Angelica Suarez, was on hand to receive the award from CRF-OC Secretary of the Board Eric Pezold, Esq.



## STEM Night Brings Thousands of School-Aged Children to OCC for Night of Family Fun

OCC’s Community STEM Night (formerly Science Night) welcomed elementary-aged children and their families to campus on Oct. 25 to engage in fun hands-on educational activities including robot battles, chemistry experiments, life-saving demonstrations, marine life exhibits, and more.

Students from the Newport Mesa, Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach and Westminster school districts were invited to participate in OCC’s STEM Night, and all those in attendance were treated to a free hot dog dinner and given a chance to catch a show in OCC’s new Planetarium. This is the 20<sup>th</sup> year that OCC has hosted the science-themed event, which relies heavily on student volunteers. Participating departments included Allied Health, Biology, Chemistry, Geology, Technology, Horticulture, Physics, and Consumer and Health Sciences.





will include the Chicano/Latino experience in higher education, ethnic groups in the United States and an overview of the American government. Students will benefit from their shared experience and support from their peers and instructors. For more information, contact counselor Eric Cuellar at [ecuellar@occ.cccd.edu](mailto:ecuellar@occ.cccd.edu)

## Thanksgiving Catering Orders Due by Nov. 20 for Pick-Up Nov. 27

Orange Coast College's food services area can make your Thanksgiving holiday delicious with pre-cooked turkeys and hams, stuffing, pies, mashed potatoes and more, but you need to place your order by

Wednesday, Nov. 20.

In addition to its annual baked goods sale, OCC's catering service can cook up your entire Thanksgiving feast, whether you want all the fixings or just a turkey or a ham. Home-style biscuits or dinner rolls are \$6 a dozen, and corn bread that serves six to eight persons also is \$6. Hand-crafted pies are \$14 each (or \$17 for pecan pie), plus a \$2 refundable deposit for each pie tin. Pies include double crust apple, pumpkin, pecan, lemon meringue, and chocolate satin.

Quick breads also are on the menu for \$7 per loaf: options include banana nut, pumpkin chocolate swirl, cranberry orange walnut, lemon poppy seed or cinnamon spice with streusel topping.

If you want to leave all of the cooking to OCC Catering, order a turkey feast that will serve 6-8 guests for \$145. The feast includes a whole roasted turkey and all of the trimmings, including a gorgonzola pecan and field greens salad, fresh mashed potatoes, chef's vegetables, turkey gravy, portabella sage stuffing, cranberry chutney, fire-roasted yams and a whole pumpkin pie.

You can also opt for a roast turkey feast with a spiral ham for \$185.

Order individual turkeys for \$60 or a bone-in spiral ham for \$50.

Feasts can be picked up hot or ready to re-heat (three hours). Order forms can be picked up in OCC's Student Center, at the Cafeteria cashier counter.

## Classified Senate Halloween Decorating Contest Draws Enthusiastic Participation

OCC's Classified Senate organized its annual Halloween Decorating contest on Thursday, Oct. 31, with a spirited response from employees across campus. This year's first place prize went to the Human Resources department, which created an Alice in Wonderland theme complete with a tea party. Second place went to the Scholarship and Marketing and Public Relations offices, who combined forces to create a murder mystery "Who Killed Pete the Pirate" theme.

Other office themes included "The Jungle" in the College's Counseling offices, "Monster's Inc. - We Scare Because We Care" at the OCC Children's Center, "Witches" in Financial Aid, "The Nightmare Before Guided Pathways" in Student Equity.

The winners will receive a fully catered pizza party and gourmet donuts and a coffee bar for first and second place, respectively.

## CLEEO, Social Sciences Roll Out Learning Cohort

OCC's Counseling Latin@s for Equity and Engagement (CLEEO) Project and the College's Social Sciences Division are launching a learning cohort in Spring 2020 that will center on race, ethnicity and equity in America.

The cohort will bring together a group of students to enroll in the same cluster of classes that include counseling, ethnic studies, anthropology and political science courses. Curriculum

## Former Pirates, Burch and Smith, Finding Coaching Success at the Four-Year Level

Orange Coast College men's volleyball continues to leave a lasting legacy at the four-year level and over this past year, two former Pirates, Kevin Burch and McKay Smith, have landed full-time coaching positions at two of the top NCAA Division I programs in the nation.

Burch, a former libero and captain on the 2008 Pirate program that reached the finals CCCAA Men's Volleyball State Championships, was named the new head coach at Ohio State University. "Kevin is a volleyball savant," OCC head coach Travis Turner said of Burch. "His exceptionally high volleyball IQ and calm demeanor make him one of the most sought after young coaches in the country. He is much better coach than he was a player."

Following his time at OCC, Burch immediately to pursue his coaching dreams, landing a job as a volunteer assistant coach at Ohio State. From there, Burch has found championship success in all steps towards his journey back to Columbus, Ohio.

- 2016-17 - NCAA Men's National Champions - Ohio State (assistant coach)
- 2015-16 - NCAA Men's National Champions - Ohio State (assistant coach)
- 2014-15 - NCAA Women's National Champions - Penn State (director of operations)
- 2013-14 - NCAA D-III Men's National Champions - Springfield College (assistant coach)
- 2012-13 - NCAA Men's National Champions - UC Irvine (assistant coach)
- 2011-12 - NCAA D-III Men's National Champions - Springfield College (assistant coach)
- 2010-11 - NCAA Men's National Champions - Ohio State (volunteer assistant coach)

On May 21, Burch was officially named the ninth head coach in the history of the Buckeye program. Game 1 of the Burch regime begins on Saturday, Jan. 4 against North Greenville at OSU's Covelli Center.



Burch will be the recipient of the "2019 Bob Wetzel Award" at this year's 11th Annual OCC Men's Volleyball Showcase on December 13. The award is given annually to an NCAA or NAIA coach with roots in California Community College volleyball. Burch is the third honoree following legendary Pepperdine coach Marv Dunphy (2017) and Olympian Riley Salmon (2018).

Smith, an Orange Empire Conference MVP for the Pirates in 2011 and an assistant coach for the Pirates in 2016-17, has spent the past two seasons as a volunteer assistant for Long Beach State and was elevated to Assistant Coach on July 11. As a player, Smith helped the Pirates to a 16-3 record and a No. 3 ranking in the state before returning to OCC as an assistant coach.

After his one year at OCC, Smith went to Long Beach State, where he was a standout middle blocker and team captain for the 49ers. Following his collegiate career, Smith went on to play professionally for SKV Havirov in the Czech Republic from 2014-15.

In his two seasons on the OCC bench, Smith helped guide the Pirates to a 42-4 record and the 2017 CCCAA State Men's Volleyball title.

"McKay checks off all the boxes," Turner said of Smith. "He is wicked smart, tough as nails and does a great job of relating to the athletes. OCC does not win the 2017 state championship without McKay on the bench."