President’s Weekly Briefing—November 21, 2012

I would like to wish you and your loved ones a very happy and safe Thanksgiving holiday. In the spirit of the season, I want to thank each of you for the many contributions that you make to our students and community every semester. The college will be closed for the holiday from November 22 to November 25.

Meet the Final Candidates of VP for Student Services

Next week we will welcome two finalists for the position of Vice President of Student Services. There will be an opportunity for you to meet each candidate, ask questions, and provide your feedback. Due to tight scheduling, it won’t be possible to hold candidate forums at both campuses. I hope you will consider joining me here at Kentfield as we welcome these two candidates.

November 26, 1:30 p.m., Student Services Building, Deedy Staff Lounge

Dr. Ofelia R. Arellano

Dr. Arellano currently serves as Vice President for Continuing Education at Santa Barbara City College. She previously held the positions of Dean of the Petaluma Campus for Santa Rosa Junior College, Dean of Students for InterAmerican College, and Provost for Southwestern Community College. She earned a PhD and an MA in Counseling Psychology, a BA in Psychology, and an AA in General Studies.

November 30, 1:30 p.m., Student Services Building, Deedy Staff Lounge

Mr. Jonathan Eldridge

Mr. Eldridge currently serves as Vice President for Student Affairs at Southern Oregon University. He previously held the positions of Dean of Students and Director of Residence Life/Coordinator of Judicial Affairs for Lewis & Clark College. He earned an MS in Student Affairs in Higher Education and a BA in History.

Open Forums with the Superintendent/President

Join me for an open forum at the Indian Valley Campus on Thursday, December 13, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Building 17, room 100. A second open forum will be held later that day at the Kentfield Campus from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Student Services Building, Deedy Staff Lounge. Faculty, staff, and students are encouraged to attend and discuss their ideas, questions, and any other subjects of interest.
Kudos
Thank you to everyone who participated in this year’s Harvest Day Lunch at the Indian Valley Campus held on Wednesday, November 14. Approximately 225 individuals were served a full turkey lunch with all the trimmings. Thank you to Fresh & Natural Café and Suzie, their manager—they outdid themselves; to our custodial staff for the setup and cleanup afterwards; to the IVC staff for their assistance, and to our emeritus folks at ESCOM for their continued support. I would especially like to thank the ASCOM leadership of Lance Reyes, ASCOM president, Alex Zavala, vice president, and Dawn McIntosh, IVC senator, for their assistance. Finally, thank you to Vickie Lamke and the Student Affairs office for spearheading this event. More than two barrels of canned food were collected and $200 was raised for the Marin Food Bank on behalf of College of Marin.

Fall 2012 Season Music Calendar

Chamber Music Recital
Jessica Ivry, director

Friday, November 30, 7:30 p.m.
College of Marin, Kentfield Campus
Lefort Recital Hall (PA 72)
Suggested donation $5, free parking

Small ensembles of trios and quartets will be performed by our college chamber music students. Our musical selection includes favorites from Bach and Dvorak to clarinet trios by Clara Schumann and Robert Kahn.

COM Symphony Orchestra
Tara Flandreau, director
Joanna Pinckney, viola soloist

Saturday, December 1, 4 p.m.
Unity in Marin
600 Palm Drive, Novato

Saturday, December 7, 8 p.m.
College of Marin, Kentfield Campus
Performing Arts Theatre
Donation suggested, free parking

(Program description on next page)
Our program features true Classic, faux Classic, and classic Modern music. We perform two firsts: the always fresh and surprising First Symphony of the brash young Beethoven, shocking in its time for its extreme dynamics, and the charming Suite No. 1 by Igor Stravinsky. Concertmaster Joanna Pinckney will perform the Casadesus Concerto for Viola in B minor—a work identified as being by Handel for many years, and orchestrated by Casadesus, when it was actually written by him in the style of the master. To feature our flute section and principal trumpet, we will perform the enigmatic Unanswered Question by Charles Ives.

**Symphonic Band Concert**
**Douglas Delaney**, director

Sunday, December 2, 7:30 p.m.
College of Marin, Kentfield Campus
Performing Arts Theatre
Donation suggested, parking $3

Two tributes to music from the movies are on this program. John Williams has been influenced by the music of Dimitri Shostakovich as will be recognized with the relationship of Parade of the Ewoks and March from the Love of Three Oranges. Music from Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets is one of Williams’ best scores and the exciting Fiesta del Pacifico by Roger Nixon featuring our expanded percussion section will be performed. Tribute to Duke Ellington and a delightful work, Largo Al Factotum by Rossini, featuring euphonium player Adrian Quince complete an exciting evening.

**Advanced Voice Recital**
**Snowfall—Classical Christmas Selections**
**Linda Noble Brown**, instructor

Sunday, December 9, 2 p.m.
The Tamalpais Retirement Community
501 Via Casitas, Greenbrae
Free admission

Monday, December 17, 11:10 a.m.
College of Marin, Kentfield Campus
Lefort Recital Hall (PA 72)
Free admission, parking $3
Jazz Ensemble
Douglas Delaney, director

Sunday, December 9, 4 p.m.
College of Marin, Kentfield Campus
Performing Arts Theatre
Donation suggested, free parking

The Jazz Ensemble singers will perform a vocal group arrangement by Vicki Marinko of Joe Zawinul’s Birdland. The singers will also perform several great standards including Top Hat, White Tie, and Tails; The Very Thought of You; New York, New York; and Fascinating Rhythm as recorded by Ella Fitzgerald. Music by Bob Mintzer and Gordon Goodwin with an amazing arrangement for Count Basie’s I Left My Heart in San Francisco will end the program.

Concert Band Concert
Karla Avila, director

Wednesday, December 12, noon
College of Marin, Kentfield Campus
Performing Arts Theatre
Donation suggested, parking $3

Enjoy a lunchtime concert of favorite American classics celebrating the heyday of George Gershwin; Cole Porter, and Leonard Bernstein, along with other delightful, fun, and entertaining pieces by some of the greatest classic and modern-day composers including works by Felix Mendelssohn, Frank Ticheli, and more.

Marin Oratorio
Boyd Jarrell, director
Vespers of 1610—Claudio Monteverdi

Saturday, December 15, 8 p.m.
Sunday, December 16, 3 p.m.
College of Marin, Kentfield Campus
Performing Arts Theatre
Admission: $20 general, $15 students, staff, seniors, and alumni
College of Marin Box Office: (415) 485-9385

Marin Oratorio is pleased to be joined by the renowned Whole Noyse renaissance wind band to present Monteverdi’s monumental and daring Vespers of 1610. Monteverdi was part of the musical avant garde of the early 17th century, and in his Vespers he has created a cornerstone of the classical repertoire. Magnificent and sonorous, sensuous and rhythmically thrilling, Monteverdi weaves an elaborate tapestry of choral, solo, and instrumental pyrotechnics.
Maestro Boyd Jarrell will lead the chorus and cast of stellar vocal soloists accompanied by strings, organ, cornetti, sackbuts, recorders, curtal, and theorbo. This *Vespers* continues to radiate grandeur and opulence four centuries after its creation.

**Beginning Voice Class**  
**Emergence—First Open Recital**  
*Linda Noble Brown*, instructor

Monday, December 17, 2:10 p.m.  
College of Marin, Kentfield Campus  
Lefort Recital Hall (PA 72)  
Free admission, parking $3

**College Chorus and Chamber Singers—Winter Concert**  
*Boyd Jarrell*, director  
*Jeffrey Paul*, accompanist

Tuesday, December 18, 7:30 p.m.  
College of Marin, Kentfield Campus  
Performing Arts Theatre  
Donation suggested, parking $3

The College of Marin Chamber Singers and College Chorus will share the stage with music from renaissance to modern. Early American mountain ballads and hymns will be sung along with Spanish carols and winter holiday music. Chamber Singers will perform three settings of music for the Magi, featuring Healey Willan’s haunting setting of A.E. Houseman’s *The Three Kings*. Join us for a memorable winter evening.

**College Holiday Party—Mark Your Calendars!**  
You are invited to the College of Marin Holiday Party. Enjoy the company of your colleagues, hors d’oeuvres, and a no-host bar on Wednesday, December 19, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Woodlands Café, 799 College Avenue. A celebratory toast will be held at 4 p.m. Be sure to come early as the restaurant reopens to the public at 5 p.m. RSVP to *Kathy Joyner* or *Kelley Litz*, or call ext. 7502 or 7508. I look forward to seeing you there.
COM Office 2010 Migration
Upgrade Your Computer to Office 2010 and Attend a Workshop
In accordance with the Technology Plan, the college is in the process of migrating faculty and staff office computers to Microsoft Office 2010. Although Office 2010 is similar to Office 2007, many people benefit from attending training as some features have changed or moved.

Workshops are open to all faculty and staff. This workshop meets Objective II.C.3 of the 2012-2017 Technology Plan.

To Upgrade Your Computer to Office 2010:
Submit a TechStream to IT requesting that Office 2010 be installed on your office computer.

To Register for the “What’s New in Office 2010” Workshop:
Email Kathleen Kirkpatrick with "Office 2010 Training" in your subject line.

Indian Valley Campus
Wednesday, November 28
10 a.m. to noon
Building 27, Room 125

Inky Fingers Holiday Print Sale
The Inky Fingers Holiday Print Sale sponsored by the College of Marin printmakers association will be held on Wednesday, November 28, from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building, studio 312. Etchings, relief prints, monotypes, and monoprints make wonderful holiday gifts. Come see the work produced in our printmaking classes and take home an original print. All proceeds benefit the college’s printmaking program. For more information, contact Tron Bykle at (415) 485-9487.

Hooked on Marin Speaker Series—Final Lecture
College of Marin along with Emeritus Students College of Marin (ESCOM); the Tamalpais Union High School District; and the towns of Larkspur, San Anselmo, and Corte Madera are pleased to present the final lecture of this series of moderated discussions centered around the Marin County experience and influence. Marin’s own Terry McGovern will moderate this session.

Marin County Rock ‘n’ Roll Music History
with Richie Unterberger and Dan Hicks

Wednesday, November 28, 7 p.m.
Corte Madera Community Center Hall
498 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera
Richie Unterberger is a rock historian, instructor, and award-winning author of nearly a dozen books about rock history, including a two-part history of 1960s folk-rock and volumes on the Beatles, Jimi Hendrix, and the Who. Dan Hicks is a longtime Marin County music legend and an American singer-songwriter who has been vital to the evolution of Bay Area sounds ranging from psychedelia to western swing.

In the 1960s and 1970s, the Bay Area's rock scene exploded, capturing the imagination of the world with music that endures and influences popular culture to this day. From the Grateful Dead and Janis Joplin to Dan Hicks and transplants like Van Morrison, many of the era's leading musicians lived and played in Marin County during this time, giving the region a lasting role in the sounds that revolutionized rock. Richie will present rare film clips and audiovisual material telling the story of the golden age of Marin County rock.

Admission is $15. Purchase tickets and get more information online.

The Mouse that Roared
By Christopher Sergel
Directed by Lisa Morse
Based on the book by Leonard Wibberley

November 29 Pay-What-You-Will Preview at 8 pm
November 30, December 1, 7, 8, 14, and 15 at 8 pm
Matinees on December 9 and 16 at 2 pm
Studio Theatre, Kentfield Campus

The tiny Alpine Duchy of Grand Fenwick has a problem: Their world famous wine, only export and source of income, is being undersold by a winery in San Rafael, California. Never fear—the Grand Duchess has a solution—the army, a rag tag band of medieval archers, will attack the United States. (After all, everyone knows that any country defeated in war by the U.S. ends up becoming very wealthy.) Only the unthinkable happens—the archers attack the U.S. ...and they win! Tickets are $20 for general admission; $15 seniors; $10 students, staff, and alumni.

Seasonal Flu Shots—Cost Reduced
Influenza (“flu”) is a contagious disease that can be spread by coughing, sneezing, and nasal secretions. For most people, the flu lasts only a few days and includes symptoms such as fever, chills, cough, sore throat, headache, muscle aches, and fatigue. By getting vaccinated you can protect yourself from influenza and may also avoid spreading influenza to others. The College of Marin Health Center will be offering seasonal flu shots. Price is $5 for students, $10 for COM employees, and $20 for community members.

Flu shots will be available at the Kentfield Campus, Health Services Portable. Call (415) 485-9458 for an appointment. Shots will be offered through November while supplies last.
The Health Center is not a Medicare provider and is not able to bill insurance plans. Anyone wishing to receive a shot must be 18 years of age or older. For more information call (415) 485-9458.

COM Citizens’ Oversight Committee Seeks Two Members

The College of Marin Measure C Bond Citizens’ Oversight Committee is seeking applications for two new members, including an active member of a bona fide taxpayer’s association and a currently enrolled College of Marin student who is active in student government or other college organization. New members will be appointed by the College of Marin Board of Trustees at its January 2013 meeting.

Qualified candidates must submit an application in order to be considered. Applications are due December 20, 2012. Application information is available by calling the College of Marin Superintendent/President’s Office at (415) 485-9502.

In accordance with California Education Code 15278(b), the College of Marin Board of Trustees passed a resolution on December 14, 2004, establishing an independent citizens’ oversight committee. The committee is responsible for ensuring that College of Marin’s Measure C Bond revenues are expended appropriately. College of Marin’s Measure C Bond was passed by voters in 2004.

A number of major facilities projects have been completed or are underway nearing completion, including the Diamond Physical Education Center, Indian Valley Campus Transportation Technology Center, Indian Valley Campus Main Building, and the Kentfield Campus Fine Arts Building. The college recently broke ground on a new Child Study Center in Kentfield, and will soon break ground for a new Academic Center, also in Kentfield.

Please note that committee members cannot be employees, officials, vendors, consultants, or contractors of the College of Marin.

Happy Thanksgiving,

David Wain Coon, EdD
Superintendent/President