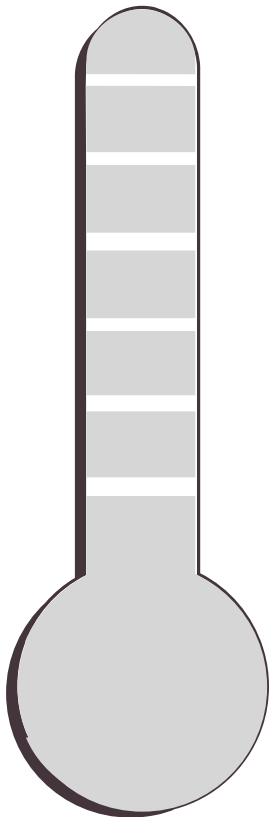


United Way Campaign under way at MCC



Have you ever read a bedtime story to an abused child living in a domestic violence shelter? Have you provided clothing and temporary shelter for a family whose house has just burned down, or delivered a meal to a homebound person? You can by giving to United Way.

Mesa Community College employees are encouraged to make a contribution to the annual United Way Campaign, which will run through the end of the October. The college's goal is increased employee participation.

United Way supports 500 health and human service organizations that help people of all ages. Contributions support a wide range of services, such as early childhood and youth activities, elderly services, and food and shelter programs.

The need for United Way services continues to grow, as local agencies supported through the program face restricted services because of rising costs and increased service demands.

"When you give to United Way, you become a partner in making our community stronger, safer, and healthier for all of us," said MCC President Larry Christiansen.

Gifts may be customized to support a specific charity, if an employee chooses. Payroll deduction is also available. Pledge forms have been distributed via campus mail, or you may contact Janet Felton at 461-7500.

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Intercampus Mail

Print recipient's name, department, and campus, along with a date, clearly.

Outgoing Mail

Print your department name or mail code in the upper left corner.

Personal Mail

Affix proper postage. The mail room will not apply postage to any mail not related to MCC.

Bulk Mail

- Separate pieces by the first three digits of the ZIP code. Use a sheet of paper to separate bundles.
- Apply the Non Profit indicia to the upper right-hand corner of each piece. The mail room has a Non Profit stamp that can be loaned out as needed.
- Include the total count of pieces.

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Red Mountain pilots assistant chairs



MCC's Red Mountain campus is piloting a new assistant chair structure to better serve its student population of more than 3,700 students. The idea behind this concept is that site-based decision making will contribute to more effective and efficient service to students as the campus continues to grow.

The faculty senate and department chairs are already developing the new structure and have identified the following assistant chairs:

- Gwen Argersinger – English
- Victor Cornell – Math
- James Giles – Physical Science and Music
- Dennis Wilson – Life Science
- Michael Wintz – Philosophy/Religious Studies and Design, Family and Consumer Science

Red Mountain's Jo Wilson, special assistant to the dean of instruction, described how the new positions will function: "The new assistant chairs will serve in the same capacity as department chairs," Jo explained. "They will deal with scheduling, logistical, and student issues onsite. They will work directly under the department chairs and, more important, they'll be in a position to take a leadership role in the planning process at Red Mountain."

Jo listed additional campus changes prompted by growth:

- Already underway are plans for a new Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL) at Red Mountain. Naomi Story, director of the CTL at MCC's Southern and Dobson campus, will meet with faculty to get the center up and running, possibly before the spring semester.
- Red Mountain's Acacia Village will soon have instructional support, a student area, and additional parking space.
- A conference room has been converted into classroom space.
- By January, portable buildings will be set up to provide four more classrooms.

In addition, employees are being hired to run the tutoring service, help in the science labs, and operate the computer lab. "We're growing with students, but we're also growing with the concept of how we provide service," Jo said.

Remodel at Grounds for Thought improves business



Grounds for Thought employees Jared and Brianne are the morning baristas on duty.

Grounds for Thought has been remodeling over the last two years with finishing touches culminating this summer. Rick Hansen, owner, wanted the area to be inviting and be a place where students can study and relax. The walls surrounding the coffee bar were painted to make the area more alive and swanky.

The renovation features a new coffee bar complete with bar stools, a canopy which also increased the spatial area for serving specialty drinks, additional tables and chairs, and a new colorful menu board to display their tasty treats is posted high on the wall for all to see.

The remodel includes a speaker system so that music can be played throughout the day. They've chosen to play Putumayo, music from around the world. Rick stated that since MCC has such a diverse population of students with various backgrounds and ethnicities, the music was a good fit for the environment. The CD's are available for purchase for \$12. Since the completion of the remodel Rick has noticed an increase in business. He serves more students this semester than in past semesters.

Those of you who are regulars to the infamous coffee brewery might recognize the barista's on

duty. Jared and Brianne work the morning shift, Tinina and Danny the afternoon, with Rachel working the midday shift. The owners of this family-owned business hail from Seattle. If you haven't been to the coffee place in a while, stop by and order up something that's sure to kick start your day!

Fast Facts

- Grounds for Thought has been at MCC since 1995
- Serves approximately 500 drinks a day
- They have coffee bars at Phoenix College and Glendale Community College
- Hot chocolate is a very popular drink (it's made with Hershey's syrup, whole milk, and chocolate shavings)
- Most requested drink – Café mocha

Hours

Monday–Thursday 6:30 AM–9 PM
Friday 6:30 AM–4 PM

Vienna Beef Cart

Grounds for Thought also manages the Vienna beef cart that's located in the Student Services Courtyard. If you're looking for a quick bite to eat you can stop by and grab a hot dog or veggie dog, chips, soda, cookies, and other snacks. The cart is open from 9 AM to 7:15 PM.



Proper labeling speeds mail delivery

Employees can avoid delays in mail delivery by properly addressing and labeling mail pieces. The MCC mail room often handles mail that does not include adequate information for delivery.

Intercampus mail may be delayed – or may be undeliverable – when a department name is not included.

“No one knows where it goes,” said Todd Salvo, Site Supervisor for the Copy Center/Mail Room. “Then it just kind of floats around in limbo.” Mail room staff send unidentified pieces to Human Resources, but sometimes the intended recipient still cannot be located.

Another common problem is packages that are delivered to the mail room to be metered, but with no department or mail code indicated. “We don't know who to charge it to,” said Todd.

Proper labeling will result in prompt delivery of both Intercampus and outgoing mail.

“We want to try to make sure we're as efficient as possible,” Todd said.

The following instructions should be followed when preparing pieces for mailing:

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October 11: Latino Town Hall

Mesa's Second Annual Latino Town Hall, planned and hosted by the Mesa Association of Hispanic Citizens (MAHC), is scheduled for Saturday, October 11, in the Kirk Student Center at MCC. The theme for the 2003 Latino Town Hall is “Building a Legacy of Latino Empowerment.”

MAHC board member Maria Mancinas recognizes the value of this event in promoting active citizen involvement. “The purpose of

MAHC is to provide Hispanics who live or work in Mesa with a forum where issues of community concern may be identified and addressed,” she said. “The Latino Town Hall provides a platform to all of the stakeholders in the community to have their voices heard.”

Four tracks will provide a springboard for discussion of critical community issues:

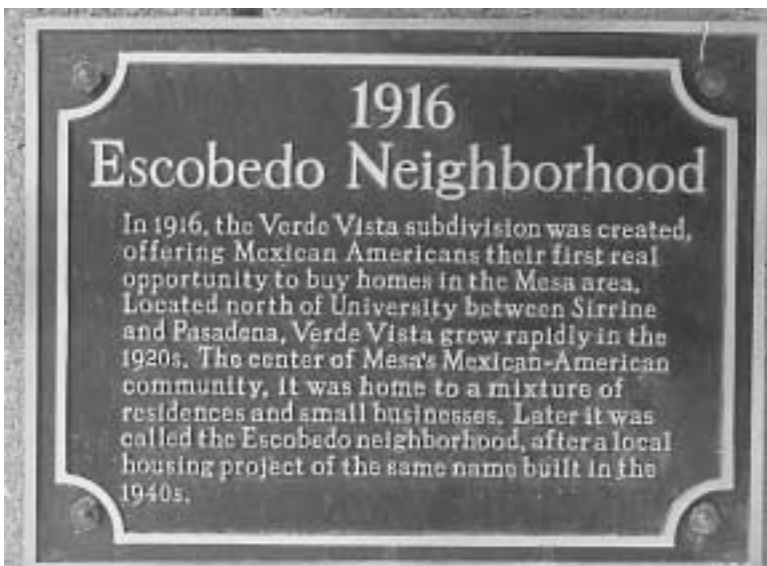
- Education
- Economic Development
- Leadership
- Youth (30 teens have been invited to this special session to represent high schools in Mesa Public Schools)

Saturday's event begins at 8 AM and concludes at 3 PM. Morning speakers include the Honorable Terry Goddard, Arizona attorney general, and Alfredo Gutierrez, activist and former state legislator. Afternoon track session leaders are Phil Austin (Economic Development), Gloria Chavez (Education), Teresa Brice-Heames (Leadership), and Ken Salas (Youth).

Admission is free but pre-registration is required. Sign language interpretation will be provided for keynote speaker Terry Goddard. Lunch is included. For more information, contact MAHC vice chair Teresa Brice-Heames: 898-3208. To register, call 223-0047.

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The Latino presence doubled in Mesa during the 1990s. According to the 1990 U.S. Census, 31,357 Latinos lived in Mesa, or 10.9 percent of the population. In 2000, there were 78,281 Latinos, or 19.7 percent of the population.



Downtown Mesa's Heritage Wall documents not only major events but also the various cultures that have contributed to the city's development and growth. Throughout Mesa's history, the Latino community has played a major role and promises to be an even greater influence in Mesa's future.



Students help design Jazzland Cyber Café



The much anticipated Cyber Café at the Southern and Dobson campus opened September 29, 2003. The high-energy campus destination has evolved in large part to student initiative.

MCC interior design students Bonnie Danielson, Monica Curiel, and LeaAnn Walker had the opportunity to work with Michael Fisk of DWL Architects as interns, which is a program requirement for a degree in interior design. The café has a very unique atmosphere with vibrant colors and an interesting piano bar theme. Michael came up with the concept of piano clouds to harmonize with the jazz theme. Piano clouds are acoustical tiles hanging from the ceiling in the shape of piano keys.

Bonnie, Monica, and LeaAnn used skills they acquired from their MCC interior design classes to select the furniture, accessories, and paint hues to unify the ambiance. "We have had a chance to see a project start with bare walls and develop from there. We have experienced programming, schematic design, design development, and specifying plus tracking furniture orders from dealerships. We have done space planning and used what we learned in our color design class again, and again, and again," stated Bonnie.

Michael provided the direction for the overall design but supported the students and allowed them wide latitude on his piano cloud theme. With Michael's help, the students integrated the piano cloud theme by designing the counter to resemble piano keys. Of course the café wouldn't be complete without a baby grand piano. The piano is a digital player piano but can also be played if patrons wish to create their own music and add to the energy of the café.

The café has wireless Internet connections and 12 stationary computers. Students and staff are welcome to come take a break in a cool, relaxing environment and listen to some jazz before they brave the heat again.



The cyber café is a place to read, relax, and refresh from the rigors of life. It's a place where students and employees can access email or chat rooms, or just hang out.

The café offers a wide selection in coffees, smoothies, tasty pastries, bagels, gourmet sandwiches, wraps, salads, and other snacks. Brian Sitterding, manager of Jazzland Cyber Café, wants the place to have a high end atmosphere but still attract students. The cyber café is comparable to "a full Starbucks and a Jamba Juice," stated Brian. The café will be open Monday through Thursday, 7 AM to 10 PM, Friday through Saturday, 7 AM to 5 PM, and is closed on Sunday. Come sip a cappuccino, tap your fingers to the beat, and let your soul soar in the piano clouds.

ARAMARK provides cafeteria service at MCC at Southern and Dobson

ARAMARK

This semester ARAMARK welcomes John Milburn as the new food services manager. John comes to MCC from Gateway Community College. John's "to do" list includes putting out a survey to patrons of the Thunderbird Café and getting more seating for the cafeteria. A new feature for the café is made to order deli sandwiches.

Fast Facts

- Serve about 1,500–2,000 people a day
- Most popular item sold is pizza. ARAMARK serves about 350–500 slices per day.
- Sales have increased 15% since last year.
- ARAMARK has been with the Maricopa County Community College District (MCCCD) since 1993.
- ARAMARK has contracts with over 1,400 colleges and companies nationwide including: the new Coyotes' Stadium, ASU concessions, and 14 professional football teams and other professional sports venues.

Thunderbird Café Hours

Monday–Thursday 7 AM–7 PM
Friday 7 AM–2 PM

Snackbar Hours

Monday–Friday 7 AM–1 PM

Jazzland Services at Red Mountain Campus

Jazzland Grill

Fast Facts

- Located in lower level of Mesquite building
- Daily specials
- Merchandise available for purchase
- Most popular item served is quesadillas

Grill hours

Monday–Thursday 7 AM–1:30 PM
5 PM–7:15 PM
Friday 7 AM–1:30 PM

New hot dog stand at Acacia Village!

A hot dog cart will soon be a regular feature in the center courtyard of Acacia Village. The cart is managed by Brian Sitterding of Jazzland. The cart will feature bagels and coffee in the morning and hot dogs, jumbo beef, and polish dogs in the afternoon. The cart will have an assortment of chips, fountain drinks, bottled water, and snacks.

Hours of operation

Monday–Thursday 7:45 AM–8:30 PM
Fridays 7:45 AM–1:15 PM