

Oct. 5 — Women's Volleyball
vs Santiago Canyon
Peterson Gymnasium, 6 p.m.

Oct. 6 — OCC Symphony
Season Opener
Robert B. Moore Theatre,
7:30 p.m.

Oct. 13 — Football vs Golden
West
Dick Tucker Field, 6 p.m.

Oct. 16 — Women's Soccer vs
Fullerton
Soccer Complex, 3 p.m.

Oct. 19 — Men's Soccer vs
Irvine Valley College
Dick Tucker Field, 3 p.m.

Oct. 22–25 — The Box
presents Vans "O The Wall"
The Box Container,
10 a.m.–8 p.m.

Oct. 24 — Free Flu Clinic
Student Health Center,
10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Oct. 30 — Free Flu Clinic
Student Health Center,
10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Nov. 1 — Free Flu Clinic
Student Health Center, 10
a.m.–2 p.m.

Nov. 5–8 — The Box presents
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The Box Container,
10 a.m.–8 p.m.

Nov. 6 — Free Flu Clinic
Student Health Center,
10 a.m.–2 p.m.

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The District will immediately begin an internal search for an interim president, with a nationwide search for the permanent President beginning in October. It is expected that the permanent OCC president will begin in July of 2019.

OCC's New Campus Security Chief Jim Rudy Has Longtime Ties to College

Orange Coast College announced the hiring of Jim Rudy as its new Director of Campus Security in early September. Rudy — who had been serving as the interim director since July — has longtime ties to OCC, starting with his time as a student in the 1980s.


"I was an OCC Pirate and had an outstanding first-year college experience," he says. "The instructors were passionate about their course material and did their best to assist with students in their academic success. I will always remember Professor [Tom] Garrison showing up on the last day of class in snorkel gear. His passion for the Marine Science's inspired me to have an interest in the topic and to complete my college degree."

After leaving Coast in the 80s, Rudy attended the Orange County Sheriff's Academy, later returning as an instructor. He spent more than 30 years with the Orange County Sheriff's Department, from 1985 until 2017, serving as the chief of police services, executive aide to sheriff, and captain/division commander, among other roles.

During his short time as interim director of OCC's security operations, Rudy found a welcoming environment that spurred his decision to stay on permanently.

As the College contends with several construction projects — the OCC Planetarium is near completion, while the site of a new Student Union is currently being graded, and construction on student dormitories and a new Aquatic Center will soon begin — Rudy is focused on campus parking, and easing congestion around campus.

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Many students from OCC's Fashion department were involved in the development of The Box; everything from designing the logo to booking local brands was undertaken by fashion students as part of a laboratory type class.



OCC Symphony, Choral Ensemble Will Open Season with Mozart, Reger



“This year’s festival highlighted kindness; getting along in school amongst peers; loving and discovering the fun in math; and how doing well in school can take you out of this world,” says Executive Director Pat Burns.

Several stages were located throughout campus, including a S.T.E.M. stage, Entertainment Stage, Illustrator stage, Early Reader/Middle Grade/Teen Stage, and an Animal and Nature stage. Exhibitors also set up shop at the festival, including the Discovery Science Center, PBS SoCal, Lakeshore Learning, and the Orange County Department of Education. There also was a live animal petting zoo.

Constitution Day Activities Included Discussion of Voter Engagement

OCC’s annual Constitution Day took place on Sept. 17 in the Robert B. Moore Theatre. The event included an overview of the U.S. Constitution, as well as a discussion of recent voter engagement and an advocacy committee presentation, and was moderated by professors Rendell Drew and Brent Rudman, who teach political science and history, respectively.

Constitution Day is typically observed on Sept. 17 to honor the day the U.S. Constitution was signed in 1787. All institutions that receive federal funding are required to hold an event for Constitution Day, either on the day of the event, or in the week before or after.

Adopt-A-Family Fundraiser Prizes Include Hotel Stay, \$500 Gift Card

Orange Coast College’s annual Adopt-a-Family fundraising drive hosted by the school’s Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) is in full swing, and will include prizes like a two-night stay at a luxury Huntington Beach hotel and spa, and a \$500 gift card.

OCC’s EOPS program will hold an opportunity drawing on Thursday, Nov. 15 benefiting the Adopt-a-Family program, which starts on Sept. 24. All proceeds from the drawing go directly toward helping low income and single parent families during the holiday season.

“These single parents are full time students at OCC who are choosing to better their lives and the lives of their children with the attainment of an education,” says EOPS/CARE specialist Tracy Heelman. “We raise money to purchase food, supplies and gifts for these students and their children. In addition, some of the families are personally adopted by individuals, organizations, and other groups on and off campus.”

The top prize in the opportunity drawing this year is a two-night stay in an oceanfront room at the Huntington Beach Pasea Hotel and Spa, valued at \$1,600. The second prize is a \$500 Visa gift card, and third prize is a two-hour Du y boat

ride (valued at \$200) and a \$100 gift card. Additional prizes include gift cards to various restaurants and retail stores, event tickets to amusement parks, museums and movies, and more.

The cost of tickets is \$3 for one ticket, \$5 for two tickets, \$10 for five tickets, and \$20 for 15 tickets. The drawing will be held on Nov. 15 at 1 p.m. in front of the College’s Watson Hall building, located off Pirate Way and Fairview Road.

OCC’s Adopt-a-Family program provides support to students during the holiday season who are part of Cooperative Agencies and Resources for Education (CARE). CARE is an extension of EOPS and offers additional counseling and support to students who are single parents receiving aid from the county.

EOPS/CARE also is accepting cash and check donations, which can be dropped off in the EOPS office, on the 4th floor of Watson Hall.

Members of the community are invited to adopt a family this year. Each family completes a wish form, including information about family members. Donors participate anonymously.

For more information contact Tracy Heelman in OCC’s EOPS office at (714) 432-5173.

Trustee David Grant Receives USRowing Medal of Honor for 2018

Coast Community College District board trustee David Grant has been named as the recipient of the Medal of Honor from the USRowing organization, the governing body for the sport of rowing.

Trustee Grant was recognized for his “conspicuous service to, or accomplished extraordinary feats in, rowing” according to USRowing’s website. The Medal of Honor is the highest honor USRowing can bestow.

Grant led the Coast Crew team for 38 seasons, racking up 11 national titles along the way. The crew program — nicknamed the “Giant Killers” — regularly rows against four-year programs including those at UCLA, UCI, Harvard, and Penn State. During Grant’s tenure the Pirates became the first western crew to row in the People’s Republic of China. Grant’s crews also rowed in Ireland and Canada, and he later was invited to coach the U.S. rowing team at the 1984 Olympic Games.

Of the honor, Grant says: “There are no doubt countless other individuals in this great sport of rowing who are more deserving of this very generous surprise. There are few things in life more special than to be honored by one’s friends — and rowing colleagues are especially appreciated. I am very grateful.” (USRowing.org)