



**President's Information Report
October, November, and December 2020**

AWARDS AND HONORS:

Dr. Matthew Hernando was interviewed about his book with *The Civil War Institute* at Gettysburg College. <https://www.gettysburg.edu/civil-war-institute/>

Dr. Aaron Rizzieri (philosophy faculty) had an article entitled, "How to Make the Problem of Divine Hiddenness Worse" accepted for publication by the *International Journal for the Philosophy of Religion*. The problem of divine hiddenness concerns the fact that most people have not been monotheists. This is unexpected on the assumption that theism is true, and therefore grounds a family of objections to theism. Dr. Rizzieri develops three novel versions of the argument from hiddenness.

After ten years of research and writing, **Alan Petersen** published the *Gunnar Widforss Catalogue Raisonné* with more than 1,200 examples of the Swedish American painter's works. Widforss is best known for his paintings of the Grand Canyon. www.gunnarwidforss.org

With great thanks to **Sarah Benton**, CCC is the only facility in the region currently offering the national American Sign Language (ASL) interpreting performance test. Candidates have come to the Lone Tree campus from across the region, completing their assessment while following all campus safety protocols. Each testing session generates a small stipend for the College while providing a valuable service to those who rely on qualified interpreters. Sarah Benton serves as a test proctor.

Dietrich Sauer was asked to serve a second term to serve on the City of Flagstaff's Personnel Board. This Board hears employee termination appeals and makes a final recommendation to the City of Flagstaff.

Kay Leum, Executive Director of Extended Learning, will serve another three-year term on the CAVIAT (Coconino Association for Vocations, Industry and Technology) Board representing Page School District.

Cindy Scott, SBDC Business Analyst, has been selected to serve on the Page Lake Powell Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, taking the seat recently vacated by Kay Leum, who completed serving a two-year term.

COMMUNITY AND PARTNERSHIPS:

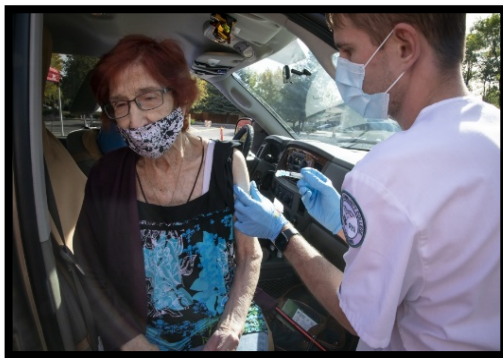


The Coconino County Detention Academy program held its Fall 2020 Graduation at the Fort Tuthill Amphitheater with nine successful graduates. The Administration of Justice program partners with Coconino County to make this program possible.

Extended Learning completed the Tour Guide Training Series at the end of October. The six sessions drew fifteen students from all over Coconino County and was a partnership with CCC and National Park Express, a tour company in the Grand Circle area. The topics focused on service, general knowledge, safety, history, and geology. Extended Learning is planning a reprise of the training.

The Construction Management Program and Findlay Honda Flagstaff have joined together to form an automotive program. The Automotive Basics course will be offered in Spring 2021 at Findlay Automotive Flagstaff. The instructor is a certified automotive technician employed by Findlay Honda Flagstaff. The article in the Arizona Daily Sun resulted in a strong community reception:

- "I'm so excited you and your team got the Auto Program up and running! ... Thank you so very much for all you accomplish and your spirit of community."
- "This is fantastic and very much needed in our country. About 15 years ago, I taught brakes and an engine rebuild class for CCC at Flagstaff High. I started out in the high school auto shop and went into an automotive apprenticeship program with the City of Phoenix and retired as the Fleet Administrator for the Arizona Department of Public Safety. (Highway Patrol). Thank you for getting this program in Flagstaff. "



Faculty and students from the **Nursing program** partnered with the Coconino County Department of Health and Human Services for their annual flu vaccination program. Every other Saturday in October, CCC students helped deliver the vaccinations and had a chance to serve the community.

Kathy and Donald McMullin established the Sean Roarke McMullin Memorial Scholarship to honor their son, Sean. The \$1,000 CCC scholarship will be offered to one student each year who shares Sean's



interest in solar energy. Qualifying students must be enrolled in a Construction Management degree or certificate program for Environmental Technology: Alternative Energy.

FYI:



The **Computer Information Systems (CIS) Faculty** met weekly from September through December to rework the core CIS curriculum and respond to current workforce needs. As a result, CCC will begin offering an Amazon Web Services Cloud Computing Certificate beginning Spring 2021 and a Google IT Certificate in Summer 2021.

In October, the **Emergency Medical Sciences and Fire Science programs** provided Extrication Training with the newly purchased extrication equipment funded through Perkins grant funding. This equipment will support essential regional training opportunities for Coconino County. Dr. David Cain collaborated with EMS Coordinator David Manning and Fire Science Coordinator Marc Goldberg to provide solar-powered options for the mobile unit.



The **American Sign Language** course Introduction to the Deaf Community will be offered for the first time in Spring 2021. This class is incredibly unique because it will be taught in American Sign Language by a Deaf faculty member with spoken English interpreters for students who do not have ASL fluency. This course is an Arizona General Education (AGEC) offering in the Social and Behavioral Science category and is part of the Associate of Arts in ASL and Interpreting Studies.

The Fourth Street Innovation Center gained a new look for its entrance thanks to Trevor Welker and Larry Hendricks. New pole banners are also in the works for all campuses:



CCC student, Corbin Felsted, was the first CCC student to receive college credit for an apprenticeship program with a local electrical company thanks to support from Ken Myers, Construction Management Lead Faculty. Once Corbin completes his CCC studies, he plans to transfer to NAU for a four-year degree in Construction Management.

After collectively reviewing and discussing the 2020 Staff Survey results, **Staff Council** has decided to focus our efforts on Communication and Training / Development. Teams have been formed to tackle these two areas and will both begin meeting in January. The goal of these teams is to research these areas and make appropriate recommendations for improvement.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND MEETINGS:

Despite the many challenges of COVID-19, people across the College worked to continue to provide special events and celebrations for CCC students. Some of the events held in October, November, and December included:

- Comet Talk: Understanding Homelessness
- Comet Cupboard (food pantry) Grab-n-Go Pick Up
- College Transfer Info Session
- Hispanic Heritage Presentation
- All-Arizona/USA Academic Team Scholarship Webinar
- Students First Celebration
- Federal Financial Aid Assistance Info Sessions
- Veterans Only English Class Info Session
- Nursing Program Info Sessions
- GED Prep Program Info Sessions
- Veteran's Day Recognition
- Native American Heritage Month Virtual Presentation
- Student and Workforce Housing in Page Virtual Meetings
- Comet Talk: The Art of Science
- Comet Talk: Preserve and Protects - Archeology's Role in National Parks
- Certified Apartment Maintenance Technician Course Virtual Info Sessions
- Art Exhibit at the Lone Tree Campus (open to students, faculty, and staff)

PARTICIPATION IN REGIONAL, STATE, AND NATIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION ORGANIZATIONS:

Tom Lehman has been presenting workshops and town halls for various educational societies in Boston, Utica, Australia, and New Zealand this fall, sharing ideas and activities with colleagues on teaching remotely and keeping students engaged.

Kate Kozak attended the AMATYC Annual Conference, presided over the AMATYC Executive Board fall meeting, and the delegate assembly meeting. The Delegate Assembly approved three AMATYC position statements on Equity in Mathematics, Professional Development for Faculty Teaching Developmental Mathematics, and Mathematics and Global Learning. Kate attended the Conference Board of the Mathematical and is currently involved in a review committee for the Dana Center to rewrite their introductory statistics course curriculum.

CCC has a new Fulbright Teaching and Learning Assistant, **Andres Correal, from Columbia**. He worked with Spanish Instructor Katie Schwartz virtually from Columbia for the fall term and will arrive in Flagstaff in time for the Spring term.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT:

Meetings of Interest

October 1, 2020	Phi Theta Kappa President's Advisor Board
October 2, 2020	CEO Summitt (NALA and their counterparts in Phoenix (GPL) and Tucson (SALC))
October 5-8, 2020	Association of Community College Trustees Virtual Conference
October 6, 2020	Arizona Capitol Times Forum - Morning Scoop: Reskilling and Recovery
October 8, 2020	NALA
October 4, 2020	All-College Webinar
October 5, 2020	Filming for Students First Celebration
October 13, 2020	ABOR Regent Ms. Lyndel Mansell
October 15, 2020	Foundation Board President
October 19, 2020	First P3 Planning Committee Meeting (now meets bi-weekly)
October 22, 2020	AC4 Strategic Retreat

DGB Meeting
 October 23, 2020 Students First Celebration (formerly Foundation Annual Meeting and Scholarship Breakfast)
 October 26, 2020 AC4
 October 29, 2020 All-College Meeting
 CCC Champions
 November 2, 2020 Foundation Executive Leadership Team
 November 5, 2020 Achieve60AZ State of Attainment Presentation
 AC4 Chief Academic Officers (Dr. Smith has taken over as the AC4 Liason for this group)
 November 6, 2020 Habitat for Humanity Partnership Meeting
 Detention Academy Graduation
 November 10, 2020 Arizona Commission on Post-Secondary Education
 November 12, 2020 NAU Economic Outlook Conference
 November 18, 2020 DGB Meeting
 November 19, 2020 AC4
 Expect More Arizona
 November 23, 2020 ECoNA
 November 24, 2020 LAUNCH Flagstaff
 November 30 and December 1, 2020 Page Master Planning Meetings (11 total)
 December 2, 2020 All-College Meeting
 December 3, 2020 AC4 Chief Academic Officers
 December 8, 2020 Recognition for Outgoing Coconino County Supervisors Art Babbit and Jim Parks
 December 10, 2020 Foundation Board Meeting
 NARHBA Foundation
 All-College Webinar
 December 15, 2020 Greater Flagstaff Chamber Meeting
 December 17, 2020 Foundation Executive Leadership Team
 December 21, 2020 Richard Travis, CCC Lobbyist

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Upcoming Presidential Travel

None at this time