



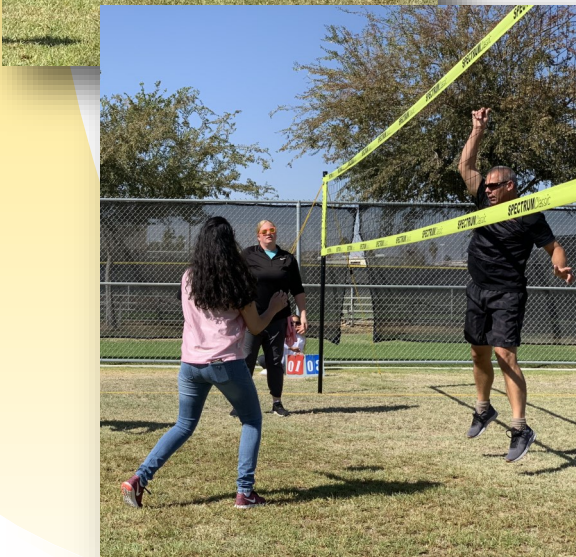
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## SUPERINTENDENT'S CAMPUS UPDATE



**Staff Potluck**  
Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>  
11:30 a.m. Cougar Room



# RAISING AWARENESS

## ASB and Athletics Work to Educate and Support

**Taft College** students and staff have long standing traditions in promoting awareness and education in the fight against cancer, specifically breast cancer. Many on campus have been diagnosed with breast cancer and the Cougar tradition to fight back remains strong.

The Associated Student Organization and Athletic department have hosted events like the Pretty in Pink contest and the Iron Man volleyball game. While promoting health and humor, the staff and students have used the opportunities to educate those in

prevention and detection as well as the urge to be an active partner in one's own health. Display tables were staffed by students during the awareness week. Educational items were available and those who wished could make donations towards charitable breast cancer resources.

Library staff held the annual wall of support for cancer survivors, caregivers and the ones lost to the disease. Butterflies honoring those involved in the fight brought color to the library walls.

We are proud of the effort shown by the Cougar family and thank you for your consistent fight against this devastating disease!





# TIL Students Make a Busy, Productive Start

**Transition to Independent Living (TIL)** students started August 1st for intercession and regular workshops began on August 20th. First year students live on campus in dorms; second year students live off campus in rental housing with roommates. Students attend workshops in the morning covering Career Education, Conflict Resolution, Interpersonal Relationships, Meal Preparation, Personal Advocacy, Personal Finance, Personal Planning, Personal Safety, and Wellness. Students also participate in Transition Planning and a Community Service project workshop. In the afternoons, students participate in functional skills training and are assessed in Communication, Housekeeping, Household Safety & Maintenance, Laundry, Personal Care, Pedestrian Safety, and Transportation and Mobility. All students work 6 hours a week as student interns, some on campus, others in the community. The program students and staff also host an annual Halloween bash for community children.



The Program works with Regional Centers throughout the state who fund and monitor service provided. The Regional Centers also provides case management services for the students. At this time, TIL is serving a full compliment of fifty two students. TIL accepts applications year round and currently has one student confirmed to start in the 19-20 school year with nine second interviews scheduled at this time.



## Ghouls Vs. Goblins



# 2018

\*\*\* *Winter Extravaganza*

Friday, December 14 @ 11:30

TC Promise Basket to Fill For Donation Available in President's Office

# TC Bookstore Happenings

*From Classroom to Holidays to Charitable Events—Bookstore Staff Ready to Help!*

## Faculty Regalia

Oak Hall Cap & Gown and the Taft College Bookstore are offering faculty a 10% discount on all regalia purchases through November 30, 2018. If you have any questions please call the Taft College Bookstore at 763-7731.

## Child Development Center Book Drive

The Taft College Bookstore and Child Development Center are partnering together to collect books for the center during the month of December. Children bargain books are available for purchase at the bookstore. Drop off bins are located in the lobby of the Taft College Child Development Center and the Taft College Bookstore.

## Holiday Open House

The Taft College Bookstore is hosting their 7th Annual Holiday Open House on December 6, 2018, and you are invited! 25% off TC clothing and gift items for all students, alumni, family and friends of Taft College. Get an additional 10% off your purchase when you bring the open house coupon! Free gift wrapping will be available, so bring your gifts with you! Donations for the Keali'i Pearl Memorial Scholarship are being accepted. Refreshments served from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. **DON'T FORGET YOUR COUPON!**

## Textbook Buyback

The in-store Taft College Bookstore textbook buyback is December 11th through December 13th from 8:30am - 4:30pm.

## 12 Days of Christmas Sale

The Taft College Bookstore is having their annual 12 Days of Christmas Sale from December 3rd through December 18th where great deals are to be had for many of you favorite TC items, with different items featured each day. See the Taft College Bookstore website TV monitors for details!

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**729 Ash Street**

**and**

**Taft College Bookstore**

**515 Finley Drive**



Have a  
**Holly Jolly  
Buyback**

**Taft College  
Bookstore**

**December 11th - 13th  
Tuesday - Thursday**

**8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

Visit us @ [bookstore.taftcollege.edu](http://bookstore.taftcollege.edu)

Follow us on:  
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TaftCollegeBookstore>  
Instagram: [http://instagram.com/tc\\_bookstore](http://instagram.com/tc_bookstore)  
Twitter: <https://twitter.com/taftbookstore>

**Taft College Bookstore 7th Annual  
Holiday Open House**

**YOU ARE INVITED**  
to a special, *holiday shopping event* at the  
Taft College Bookstore for students, alumni, family, and friends.  
Lots of *gift ideas* in all price ranges, free gift wrapping all day  
with donations towards the Keali'i Pearl Memorial Scholarship

Free Stocking Stuffers with your Purchase!

**25% OFF TC CLOTHING & GIFT ITEMS  
FOR ALL STUDENTS, ALUMNI, FAMILY, & FRIENDS  
OF TAFT COLLEGE**

As our gift to you, bring this card in and receive an  
additional 10% off of your purchases.  
\*excludes textbooks, electronics, & sundries\*

Thursday, December 6th  
8:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.  
515 Finley Drive, Taft  
[bookstore.taftcollege.edu](http://bookstore.taftcollege.edu)



# Facilities Update

## **Student Center**

As many of you are aware, we have claimed default against the general contractor on the student center project and are pursuing remedies through the surety. The surety is currently calling for bids from prospective general contractors to complete the project. We are in the process of finalizing a full takeover agreement with the surety and are optimistic for positive outcomes in the future.

## **Other Campus Projects**

*S-4:* This is a project for installation of fume hoods in S-4. This project was awarded to Black Hall Construction and they are scheduled to start work in December.

*Prop 39 Projects:* The final Prop 39 energy efficiency lighting retrofit project covers the Tech Arts, Science and Administration buildings. The project is approximately 80% complete, and new LED lighting may be observed in those buildings.

*Deferred Maintenance:* Various deferred maintenance projects are in the works for 2018-2019. The Door Hardware Phase 2 project in the G Buildings is getting ready to begin, and the EMS repair project has been approved by the board.

*Gym Storage Building:* This is a project to update some of our gym facilities by replacing the current gym storage building. This project has been approved by the board and we will begin in the near future.



## **Cougar Employee Spotlight**

### **Leovi Valencia**

We are pleased to introduce and welcome Leovi Valencia as the new Business Office Payroll Technician. Leovi has served as a substitute Payroll Technician since July, and will become a full time employee beginning in November.

Leovi is a TC alumnus with her Associates Degree in Business & Technology, and is pursuing her Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration through the University of La Verne. Leovi and her family are long time Taft residents. She has a passion for Taft College and is committed to its role in the community.

Please feel free to direct any of your future payroll inquiries to Leovi's attention.

## **Employees and Students Stepping Up for California Fire Victims**

California community colleges have become a major resource in recent years to communities impacted by wildfires. Many have opened up as a temporary home or a command center, using facilities and staff to help when needed.

Taft College, centrally located, has not had fire close to home. Still, recent fires have devastated Cougar family and friends. Dr. Greg Golling, Mike Mayfield, Coach Vince Maiocco and Foundation staff are currently collecting resources to deliver to the Camp Fire affected communities. Golling and Maiocco have family directly impacted by the devastating fire and are working to organize a local effort. Taft College Foundation is also working to collect monetary donations that will assist the friends and family of Taft College that have lost much, or all, of their belongings. Please contact the Foundation if you wish to donate.

Taft College has a tradition of service and a heart for those in need. We thank each of you for your selfless efforts and your continuous generosity.