

COLORADO NORTHWESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

"The mission of Colorado Northwestern Community College is to enhance people's lives by providing accessible, affordable, quality education"

SBCCOE Board Meeting
President's Report
Lisa Jones, Ph.D.- President
December 14, 2022



Figure 1-Dual focus picture of Rangely and Craig Campuses

I Strategic Planning and HLC

The College developed the five priorities and goals that will serve as the foundation in building its 2023-28 strategic plan. These priorities and goals were approved by Cabinet, Extended Cabinet, the RJCD and MCAJCD Boards and its Advisory Council. The President presented these priorities and goals to Rangely's Town Council on October 25 and to the Craig City Council on November 8, 2022. The College's existing Mission and Vision were reaffirmed by the Cabinet, Extended Cabinet, both taxing Board's and its advisory council. Feedback on both were gathered by employees and students to provides some of the information used by college employees to craft plan objectives. The Strategic Plan guiding document was approved by Cabinet on December 5, 2022. It is being prepared for review by the Chancellor and appropriate members of his team and for review and distribution at Spring Convocation on January 5 and 6, 2023.

The HLC visiting team arrived on campus on October 24 and 25, 2022 for their review to determine whether CNCC will receive its ten-year reaccreditation. The visit went very well and the team were highly complimentary in several areas including the support and pride expressed by Chancellor Garcia, Board Member Askew and Board Chair Heath. CNCC received its draft review from the visiting on November 26, 2002 which, again was very positive. After finding few errors of fact, the draft was sent back to HLC. We anticipate receiving the final and HLC approved report by mid-January. We will then publicly announce to the Board and others...and we will celebrate wildly.

II CNCC In the Community

CNCC is participating in a number of community activities to bring in the holiday season. The college participated in the Craig Parade of Lights over the Thanksgiving weekend.



The college will be participating in the Rangley Parade on Saturday, December 10th and will be inviting the community for hot cocoa, ornament decorating, pictures with Santa, caroling and a tour of the fully decorated campus on December 16, 2022. Pictures of the above two events to come.

III CNCC Students Doing Well by Doing Good

The month of October has been a busy one for CNCC and its students. As important as preparing students for tomorrow's workforce is preparing students to live a well-rounded and fulfilling live. We provide students with numerous opportunities to take what they learn in the classroom and apply it in the community. This includes everything from leadership, project management, and communications skills to program-based knowledge obtained in aviation, dental hygiene, and science courses. We are proud of our faculty and campus life staff for ensuring each student receives practical experience in meaningful ways prior to embarking on their careers, and to our amazing students for embracing the challenge, knowing it will enhance their lives. Here are some of the activities in which our students have engaged:

The CNCC National Intercollegiate Flying Association (NIFA) team through our Aviation Program
wrapped up its participation in the Region One Safety Convention. Our students placed in every event
of the competition with Marissa Coney, our top competitor and team co-captain finishing first place
in the ground trainer event, beating out 70 other competitors including those from the United States
Air Force Academy.







Our soccer and volleyball teams wrapped up their seasons this month, with strong showings this Fall.
 Our Rodeo team debuted at home in Craig, Co hosting the Spartan Showdown at the Moffat County Fairgrounds and presented by Utah Gas Corporation. This event brought out hundreds of competitors and spectators during the weekend ending October 1, 2022.







 The CNCC Student Government Association (SGS) organized a campus clean up in Rangely on October 21, 2022 and attracted student athletes, SGA members and employees to participate in giving back to the College. On October 28, 2022, they served chili at a local Church. On Monday, October 31, 2022, the Student Government Association went to Rangely Elementary School to hand out candy to the children.













 Colorado Northwestern's Dental Hygiene students visited New Horizon's residents in Craig on October 13, 2022. The five, second year students trained the New Horizon's staff on how to help residents improve their oral health. This visit has become an annual community activity for dental hygiene students who also visit schools to help youth strengthen their teeth and gums.



• Colorado Northwestern's Environmental Science Class spent time on October 7, 2022, helping plant willow trees along the banks of the Rio Blanco River. The trees will help strengthen the riverbanks and reduce erosion as well as provide shelter for local wildlife. This project allows students to apply the things they are learning in the real world.







On October 14, 2022 Science faculty member and several students joined forces with local 4-H
members to make and distribute seedballs on the White River outside of Rangely, Colorado.
The balls are a mixture of clay, potting soil, and several species of native plant seeds. This was
to help reinvigorate plant growth in an area that was cleared of Russian Olives earlier this
year.







• Colorado Northwestern's cosmetology students focused on the beauty within by spending time helping in the soup kitchen at St. Michael's Church in Craig Colorado. One individual was quoted as saying that they were lucky to have such wonderful students who understand the



value of community and the importance of helping others.



As we move into the season of sharing, giving and being grateful for what we have but more importantly our health, happiness, family and friends, our students have already turned their attention to celebrating veterans and their families, collecting clothes, and food and identifying how best to help in the community.

We look forward to sharing these activities with you along with the many other great things happening here at Colorado Northwestern Community College.

 Hailey Long-CNCC basketball player names as SWAC Conference Player of the Week for two weeks in a row. This honor is given to a player who is an excellent student, volunteers actively in the community, is an outstanding leader and an exceptional athlete. Hailey averages double digits in points but also assists team mates in scoring and technical skill development.

