October 2020 Board Highlights

School of Arts and Humanities

- Andrew Winters, Philosophy Instructor, shared the following updates from his busy calendar:
- > The Philosophy Club is holding biweekly meetings:
 - https://www.facebook.com/ycphilosophy/?hc_ref=ARQSUXm1gZjZE7CG6nKISfH5 RM0HG1aBZIdoI9zYwzW3lui5Je6DPq6SULreRI3Cqz0&fref=nf&_tn_=kCH-R
- > Andrew is on the Board of Directors for the Prescott Area Arts and Humanities Council:
 - <u>https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Nonprofit-Organization/Prescott-Area-Arts-and-Humanities-Council-166658493990107/</u>
- Andrew will facilitate a series of four virtual presidential debate watch parties for Yavapai College and the local community. These will be in the form of webinars made available to the general community on YouTube and the YC community through Zoom.
- Laura Bloomenstein, Ceramics Instructor, reports her classes were unable to meet this Fall 2020 due to Covid 19 restrictions. However, she arranged a weekly zoom meeting (Covid Clay Chats) to be able to keep in touch with students.





Laura also has a web/blog site (Pandemic Pottery Posts) to post information and keep everyone in touch with each other, current events in ceramics and Yavapai College. Link to blog with posted excerpts of one meeting.

https://pandemicpotteryposts.wordpress.com/2020/08/26/8-20-20-covid-clay-chat-excerpts/

- Kris Waid-Jones, Associate Professor of 3D Visual Arts, says sculpture students are continuing to meet on a weekly bases to hold discussion groups, encourage continued engagement with sculpture and investigate emerging artists and unique techniques.
- Lauren McCrea, Art Professor and Graphic Designer, will virtually share her sabbatical experience, "Paper, Pulp and Paint" by visiting:

Facebook live interview: <u>www.facebook.com/prescottycartgallery</u> Friday Oct 23, 5-6pm

- Jim Natal, Director of the Literary Southwest, says the series began its twelfth year of highquality literary programming on Friday, September 25th with an online event featuring acclaimed novelist Lisa Ko, who joined the livestream from Brooklyn, NY. Ko's debut novel, *The Leavers*, was a finalist for the 2017 National Book Award, the 2018 Pen/Hemingway Award, and the 2017 Barnes and Noble Discover Great New Writers Award; it won the 2016 PEN/Bellweather Prize for socially engaged fiction. *The Leavers* also was named a best book of the year by NPR, *Entertainment Weekly, BuzzFeed*, and the *Los Angeles Times*, among others. Presented using both YouTube and Zoom platforms, this Literary Southwest event has garnered 150+ views to date and is available to watch on YouTube at: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W-LCNfiugk0</u>
- The English Department shares their list of English courses and instructors approved for Open Educational Resources for Fall 2020:

ENG 136 (32591)	Tina Luffman
ENG 102	Sandi Van Lieu
ENG 101	Karen Palmer
ENG 103	Karen Palmer
ENG 100 Lumen	Laura Cline
ENG 085	Tina Luffman
ENG 101 A Lumen	Nicole Dean
ENG 101 Lumen	Nicole Dean



School of Business and Computer Systems (BUCS)

Edmund Bushman, CSA Instructor and Department Chair for BUCS, reports in the Fall 2019 semester their division considered the adoption of the Open Educational Resource (OER) content for CSA 110 (Computer Information Systems) and CSA 126 (Microsoft Office) courses to combat the high cost of textbooks for students. In the Spring 2020 semester, after completion of the OER training, construction of the two courses began. CSA 110 was rolled out in the Summer 2020 semester, and CSA 126 started in Fall 2020 semester. The estimated savings to students so far, based on the cost of the textbook from the YC bookstore is \$43,730! Feedback from the students has been very positive on the OER content. Here is a list of the approved OER Business Courses and instructors for Fall 2020:

VGD 121	Ruth Alsobrook-Hurich
CSA 126 Lumen	Philip Reid
MGT 233 Lumen	Denise Woolsey
MGT 220 Lumen	Elissa Talley Seymour
MGT 112	Elissa Talley Seymour
MGT 113	Elissa Talley Seymour
CSA 110	Ed Bushman
BSA 130 Lumen	Terry Lovell
BSA 131 Lumen	Terry Lovell
MGT 120	Lauri Dreher

• The Fast-Track Management Program Instructors fully adopted the Yavapai College OER Initiative and aligned the course learning outcomes for 13 courses to OER course materials. All the below Management Certificate courses are now OER, as well as the 3 Fundamentals of Leadership Certificate courses:



Management Certificate

Core Requirements: (15 credits)

- MGT140 Organizational Behavior
- MGT220 Principles of Management
- MGT223 Human Resource Management
 MGT230 Principles of Marketing
- MGT230 Principles of Marketing
 MGT233 Business Communications

Organizational Management Track: (9 credits)

- MGT120 Supervision Techniques
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 MGT132 Ethics in Business
- MGT229 Strategic Management

Retail Management Track: (9 credits) (Endorsed by: Western Association of Food Chains and Food Marketing Institute)

- BSA130 Business Financial Applications
- CSA126 Microsoft Office
- MGT229 Strategic Management or –
- BSA296 Internship



- Tonya Nolan and Elissa Talley-Seymour, Management Faculty members, have done amazing work writing curriculum for a new Strategic Leadership Certificate consisting of three 3-credit upper-level courses that meet industry demands for employees with the higher-level essential workplace leadership aptitude. This advanced certificate is a perfect complement and progression of the 3-course, 1-credit Fundamentals of Leadership Certificate already offered by Yavapai College.
- Lauri L. Dreher, Fast-Track Management Program Director, reports Academics and Student Engagement had a successful partnership for the September 25th Students of Leadership (SOL) Workshop. They engaged 31 SOL participants while conveying the essence of developing a Motivational Leadership style. This included benefits for, not only creating a motivated and productive work environment, but also helping people believe in themselves, and giving people confidence to achieve goals, and focus on other peoples' strengths and not weaknesses.
- Lauri L. Dreher also wants to thank the Prescott and Verde Valley YC Marketing
 personnel for creating two amazing promotional videos for the Retail Management
 Certificate (RMC). JJ McCormick, Prescott Public Information Officer, led her Student
 Intern Marketing Team in the creation of a Retail Management Certificate (RMC)
 promotional video requested by Fry's Food Stores headquarters for internal use at
 employee-centered events and activities. Cynthia Heneage, Verde Valley Public
 Information Officer, displayed her expertise in the creation of an employee/YC RMC
 student testimonial promotional video for Safeway. Cynthia transformed over 30 minutes
 of employee/student interview video into a 3-minute masterpiece highlighting the
 enormous benefits that come with completing the Retail Management Certificate at
 Yavapai College.
- The College Honors Program (CHP) has embraced the online learning environments and taken on several online service projects:
 - CHP has launched virtual tutoring for K-12 students. 22 honor students provide 1-hour tutoring slots each week. Those being tutored range from 3rd -12th grade and come from public and private schools from throughout Yavapai County. While math is the most popular subject, students are also benefiting from CHP's knowledge in History, Science and English. This innovative and far-reaching community service project is CHP's way to give back to the community in a safe and effective manor while helping local students during these challenging educational times.
 - The Dollar for Scholars Fun Run just completed its 3rd year, by going viral. Through the virtual environment, students created a Just Giving campaign. CHP/PTK students created individual fundraising pages and committed to completing an activity during the month-long campaign. This year's event raised \$5027.00 from 81 donors. Contributions ranged from \$1.00-\$500.00. Proceeds from the virtual fundraiser help to fund student scholarships.
 - For its 2020 theme, College Honors Program is tackling the timely topic of <u>Race in America</u>. Students are reading and discussing 2 books – So You



Want to Talk About Race and *Between the World and Me*. CHP will also welcome guest speakers, **Professors Laura Cline and Dr. Jennifer Jacobson**.

School of Career and Technical Education

• **Robert Smith,** Welding instructor, reports that the welding fabrication class is making new benches for the welding booths and gas welding stations. The student designed benches include skills in computerized plasma cutting (Note YC Logo), MIG welding, painting, design, and overall fabrication. This project will save the college several thousand dollars in replacing stool costs.



• **Marnee Zazueta**, YC Agriculture instructor, holds a catfish grown in the hatchery as part of a program Aquaculture students are doing with the USGS and AZ Game and Fish. This program will determine whether Catfish are predators of Chub, which are an endangered species in Arizona. The catfish are used in predatory experiments. The theory: hypothesis is that as the chub are spawned in captivity over many generations (without predators), the natural instinct of self-preservation can/will be lost. YC will receive new chub for tank 2 this week and will harvest tank 1 at that time. The unique situation YC students found is many chub in tank 1 WITH the catfish. So the experiment is expanding to compare instincts of both the chub who survived with the catfish with those without.





• The YC construction program is building a new mock-up house frame inside CTEC to teach plumbing and electrical year around avoiding deterioration on the framework.



• Culinary Program **Chef Robert Barr** reports that the Sedona Culinary Institute did a Live Zoom, cooking segment on The Creation of Award Winning, Ultimate Mac-N-Cheese. Along with the hybrid courses happening in the Hospitality and Culinary Department. premier videos have been created for the online learner.



OLLI Members/Students : Complimentary Culinary Class

Coming to you on Thursday, September 24, at 5:00 pm

Learn to make every student's favorite pasta dish: MACARONI!

Taught by the Chef Instructors at the Sedona Culinary Institute.

To obtain a link, email ollisv@yc.edu.



• **Tom English,** Line worker Instructor, reports that the ELT 202 Field Training I Class is getting comfortable with climbing technique and being at new heights; in this case, a 30 foot pole.



School of Health and Wellness

• Selina Bliss, Nursing Professor, is one of three finalists for the 2020 March of Dimes Arizona Nurse of the Year Education category. Over 130 nurses are nominated for the 12 categories. The Distinguished Nurse of the Year Award recipient will be selected among top finalists in all categories by the Selection Committee. The individual must be a licensed nurse who has demonstrated expertise throughout their career in the area of patient care, community services, and advocacy. Their contribution to the profession is diverse, and sets a positive example for current and future nurses. Winners from each category as well as the Distinguished Nurse of the Year will be announced at the upcoming Awards Ceremony.

Lifelong Learning

- Community Education in Prescott and Sedona•Verde Valley, College for Kids, and EDventures are teaming for Fall Semester to share online course offerings for the first time. A combined total of 86 courses are scheduled for online learning this fall:
 - > Forty Adult classes to choose from all WebLive Instruction.
 - College for Kids is offering a 12-week Friday course for area charter school K-8 students beginning Oct. 23. Focus will be on STEM subjects for 4th through 8th graders. All coursework will be delivered via Zoom through a



partnership with FL-based science organization Science Eye. Scholarships are available. Apply online: <u>www.yc.edu/collegeforkids</u>

Four exciting virtual EDventures trips are sure to amaze you! The EDV videos are priced at \$15-\$25.

Here is a recent thank you from child and parent regarding the Kids class: Earth's Treasures, "I had a great time! - That's from Skyla. For me I just want to say thank you so much for the scholarship that enabled Skyla to participate in this course. The course supplies far exceeded our expectations. Earth Treasures is truly a treasure and such a quality program. This was the first virtual class that she looked forward to every day. It also inspired her to begin cataloging her collection of minerals and fossils. She now has cataloged over 50 items including extensive journal entries for each one!"

- Rebecca Means



- Geologist, educator, teacher, and author Wayne Ranney presented a special lecture for Yavapai College OLLI Sedona•Verde Valley members friends on September 3. "A Virtual River Trip Through the Grand Canyon" is an online interactive program with all proceeds benefitting OLLI. Next fundraising lecture occurs in November featuring Dr. Paul Friedman whose topic is Common Ground Post Presidential Election of 2020.
- OLLI members are engaging online!





• Our Book Exchange was a huge hit!



• Our Special Interest Groups are using Zoom. Pictured below is the Guitar Group:





- Prescott OLLI is focusing on Online Offerings and Membership engagement, we have instituted: a calling tree, a Facebook group, a weekly calendar of free online events to attend, expanded our Special Interest Groups, and instituted social events online. Example of our weekly calendar:
 - A highlight of the Prescott OLLI online class offerings was a talk by Vint Cerf, one of the literal Fathers of the Internet, who answered questions about the impact of Covid-19 on the internet, and the future of the internet. Over 80 OLLI members enrolled.
- Linda Shook, OLLI Sedona-Verde Valley Director and Sedona Center Associate Dean, graduate of the Verde Valley Leadership, Class of XIV, has been named to the VVL Board of Directors. Verde Valley Leadership, Inc., a non-profit corporation, provides personal and professional growth opportunities through development of leadership skills, community awareness and diverse, influential networks. Every year since the founding of VVL, Yavapai College has had a faculty/staff member participate and graduate.

Library and Office of Instructional Support

• The YC Library now offers online registration for library cards:



It's a thing: contactless access to countywide library card

Yavapai College Library is happy to announce contactless, online library card registration. In just four easy steps, students and the community can obtain a library card that will allow them to check out material from any of the 43plus libraries in the Yavapai Library Network. Click <u>here</u> to get it done!



Yavapai LIBRARY Newsletter COLLEGE LIBRARY Newsletter September 2020



This year has brought a lot of firsts for many of us, so why not the first Library Newsletter?! Our hope is to update you regarding all the creative and useful projects the library's been working on district-wide (as well as historical factoids about the college) via this newsletter twice a semester. We hope reading these will be fun and informative, so if you see something you like, please let us know. And if you see something you do not like, as we say in the library, "Shhh!"

-Mike Byrnes, Library Director

Service Excellence



Our own James Rider, who is responsible for our Technology and E-resources support, won the YC Way Service Excellence Award James was nominated due to his history of service excellence, and his amazing work supporting staff during the Covid-19 closure. Congratulations!



Have you heard the BUZZ?

Do you enjoy discovering new authors and discussing books with an energetic group? Good news, the library has created a virtual book discussion, YC Library's Book Buzz. Join us every month and see what the buzz is all about!

So Shiny So New

Discover the latest releases from the comfort of your home! On our new arrivals webpage you can find what new books, DVDs, digital audiobooks and more which are ready for checkout. You can also sign up for our e-newsletters which include titles handpicked by our staff for your reading pleasure.



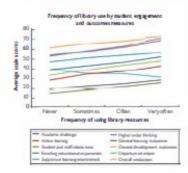


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Libraries are Important to Student Success

Even during Covid-19 restrictions, Yavapai College librarians are available via phone, email, chat, and Zoom to help our students, staff, and faculty find the resources they need. As stated by the Australian Council for Educational Research:



Librarians help students learn the best ways to access and use quality information and resources, help them to improve their study and research skills and explain how to use the latest technologies to enhance their learning.

The librarians at the Yavapai College Library are available and eager to help our students succeed!



 YC Library created and distributed video highlighting Constitution Day has been sent out. Volunteer students, faculty, and staff read sections of the Preamble to the Constitution. <u>https://www.facebook.com/YavapaiCollegeLibrary/videos/617293812491784</u>



- Verde Valley Campus Library continues to host a virtual book discussion, and this month it was led by Library Director, **Michael Byrnes**.
- The Library provided curbside pickup for the community, students, staff, and faculty. This pickup service has expanded from library materials to student IDs, textbooks, science kits, and YC Respect book club items, to name a few.
- Library staff have started to interview YC staff and faculty for the COVID-19 oral histories project in order to preserve the history of this pandemic on the Verde Valley Campus.
- Library staff designed and created the Verde Library Fall 2020 Collection of magnets, mirrors, and buttons. These will be used along with other promotional materials at curbside and when individuals sign up for library cards.





- Assessment Day 2020 was held on Friday, September 18th for all full-time faculty at Yavapai College. Yavapai College supports the assessment process by supporting an annual Assessment Day in September hosted by the Office of Instructional Support, the Office of Institutional Effectiveness and Research, and the following faculty committees: Student Learning Outcomes Assessment, Curriculum, and General Education. Activities during assessment day are designed as both professional development in the area of course and program assessment and a work session for faculty to engage in dialogue that allow them to discuss assessment results, complete reports, and to make assessment plans for the coming academic year.
- Yavapai College's annual renewal application was approved by the AZ State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (AZ SARA) Council On Tuesday, September 15th. The State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) is an agreement among member states, districts and territories that establishes comparable national standards for interstate offering of postsecondary distance education courses and programs. This means that Yavapai College has approval for offering distance education courses to students that live outside of Arizona in other SARA approved states.

YC Performing Arts Center

• YCPAC Operations Team and the Film & Media Arts Program are working together to film, edit and stream outdoor concerts for our community. Photo below shows our crew safely social distanced and filming at the Highland Nature Center.



• **Christopher Sheets,** FMA instructor, supported the Marketing Department/**Mike Grady** by editing this video for the college regarding our eight week course offerings: https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=1&v=zj1nZ6rqk84&feature=emb_logo



