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## YCSA President's Welcome

Happy summer! I know that summer is not necessarily a quiet work time for everyone, but I hope that you are taking advantage of our 3-day weekends for some fun and relaxation.

Do any of these statements apply to you?

- “One of the benefits of working at Yavapai College is the people I get to work with.”
- “I enjoy the opportunity to work with others outside my department.”
- “I’d like the opportunity to add more leadership roles to my résumé.”

If so, then YOU should apply for YCSA Vice President or Secretary! With a new HR Director joining YC soon, this is a great opportunity to get involved, make a difference, and do good work with great people! We have EXTENDED the nomination due date until August 13, 2018. Please email Karen Leja ([Karen.leja@yc.edu](mailto:Karen.leja@yc.edu)) if you are interested or would like to nominate a colleague.

You might have heard...YC is turning 50 this fall! Many, many of our colleagues have been working for about 1½ years in preparation for this semester-long celebration and I want to thank everyone! I will be at all six celebration events and hope to be able to celebrate 50 years of life changing education with all of you across the county. The website (<http://50th.yc.edu/>) is being regularly updated with event information, so be sure to keep checking for details of all the fun that we will be having...and sharing with our whole community!



Lastly, August 13 is Fall Convocation Day...a chance to join together staff, faculty, and administrators in preparation for and celebration of the new school year. The YCSA meeting will be held from 11am-12:15pm in 3-119, and I would love to have standing room only.

Make it a great day,  
Lisa Schlegel

## YCSA Request for Nominations

Two YCSA board positions are up for election this summer. You may self-nominate or nominate a colleague. All full-time or regular part-time staff may be considered for these positions. Nominees are required to obtain the approval of their immediate supervisor prior to accepting the nomination.

Open positions for 2018-2020 are:

- ◆ **Vice President**  
The Vice President will preside at meetings in the absence of the President/Chairperson and will assist the President/Chairperson as needed. (2 year term)
- ◆ **Secretary**  
The Secretary will be responsible for taking and posting minutes, keeping records, and keeping the membership list current. (2 year term)

Participation as a YCSA officer allows you to: represent your peers providing input on what staff finds important; help brainstorm solutions to employee issues; work collaboratively with a creative and enthusiastic team; develop leadership skills; and most important — have fun.

## Calendar Reminders



July 26	End of Summer Session
Aug. 13	Convocation
Aug. 14-18	Faculty Activities Week
Aug. 20	Fall Semester Begins
Aug. 24-25	Prescott Campus 50 <sup>th</sup> Events
Aug. 25	Jay Leno ( <i>Performing Arts Center</i> )
Sept. 3	Labor Day – Campuses Closed
Sept. 15	Prescott Valley Campus 50 <sup>th</sup> Events
Sept. 29	CTEC 50 <sup>th</sup> Events
Oct. 20	Verde Valley Campus 50 <sup>th</sup> Events
Oct. 27	Chino Valley Center 50 <sup>th</sup> Events
Nov. 3	Sedona Center 50 <sup>th</sup> Events

# Celebrating Our Employees

Welcome to our new employees!

Name	Department
Rebecca Birch	Human Resources
Norma Ortega	Testing Center
Karen Ramirez	Facilities
Santiago Ledesma Latorre	CTEC Instructional Support
Dana McElligott	Student Services



Lock in your tuition and complete on time!

Student Development will be rolling out the First Year Academy (FYA) this fall. The FYA is the gate to a student’s academic pathway and success here at Yavapai College. FYA provides a foundational and transformative experience, which embodies Yavapai College values, and encourages first year college students to explore and engage topics for successful completion of that pathway.

## Wellness Update



Exciting news for YCT members! Starting July 1 and running through December 31, the YCT Wellness Program is kicking off its “Gym Reimbursement Program.” Tell me more you say? OK, happy to!

The YCT Wellness Program will refund you up to \$25 per month for the six months of this trial program. All you have to do is fill out the enrollment form (found on the YCT Wellness Program website: [www.yctwellness.com](http://www.yctwellness.com).) Next, get some type of receipt or proof of payment from your gym or fitness center by December 31. Include that along with your enrollment form and send both in to me by January 15, 2019. It’s that simple!

But wait — there’s more! If you pay as you go, for example at a local yoga or spin studio, keep your receipts between July and December (or have them do a printout for you) and you can submit those with your enrollment form.



Pretty simple, right?! That’s the idea, to keep you motivated to workout and working on improving your wellness. Maybe this program can even help you make the decision to join that gym you’ve been thinking about. I hope you decide to take advantage of this trial program. If the response is positive we will hopefully be able to continue it in the future.

If you have any questions about this program, or any of the other programs the Wellness Program offers, don’t hesitate to contact Paula Tomitz: [paula.tomitz@yc.edu](mailto:paula.tomitz@yc.edu), 928-776-2238.

Students that are eligible for the First Year Academy, must be a U.S. citizen, qualify for in-state tuition, have new degree/certificate seeking student status at Yavapai College, and are enrolled as a full-time student (enrolled in 12 units or more). The program provides valuable tools, resources, and support for the student’s academic career including: FAFSA and scholarship application help, developing time management skills, improving study techniques, learning about college support resources and degree/career exploration.

First-year students that qualify for FYA program will receive the following benefits for the duration of the FYA program:

- 1 Lock in your tuition for two years
- 2 48 hours priority registration
- 3 Complete and/or graduate on time

If you know of a student that qualifies for First Year Academy, please have them apply for admissions at Yavapai College. If they apply for admissions today they can login to the YC website tomorrow to confirm their FYA membership.

Go to [www.yc.edu/fya](http://www.yc.edu/fya) for more info or contact [janice.soutee@yc.edu](mailto:janice.soutee@yc.edu).

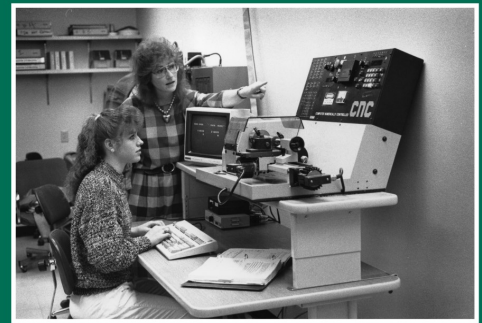




# Yavapai COLLEGE



**Celebrating 50 years: 1968 - 2018**



All of us at Yavapai College respect our rich, diverse history. This engrained sense of responsibility is essential to ensure that our communities' futures are ever brighter. Help us celebrate five decades of serving the residents of Yavapai County as your community college.

- Yavapai College President Dr. Penny Wills

## YAVAPAI COLLEGE 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY



**Aug. 25**  
Prescott Campus  
1100 E. Sheldon St., Prescott  
*Block party, live music, fun run and more*

**Oct. 20**  
Verde Valley Campus  
601 Black Hills Dr., Clarkdale  
*Live music, carnival, arts and more*

**Sept. 15**  
Prescott Valley Center  
6955 Panther Path, Prescott Valley  
*Health fair, exhibits and more*

**Oct. 27**  
Chino Valley Agribusiness Center  
2275 Old Home Manor Dr., Chino Valley  
*Hay rides, food trucks, corn maze and more*

**Sept. 29**  
Career & Technical Education Center  
220 Ruger Rd., Prescott  
*Carnival, drone races, tech games and more*

**Nov. 3**  
Sedona Center  
4215 Arts Village Dr., Sedona  
*Cooking classes, demonstrations, tastings and more*

**For details, go online to [50th.yc.edu](http://50th.yc.edu).**

# YCSA Committee Updates

## Newsletter

Our next newsletter will be published during the fall, tentatively in September. If you have any suggestions for articles or topics you would like to see covered in our next edition, please let us know!

Summer is the time to travel and many YC staff have been spending this summer doing just that. As a matter of fact, I'm getting ready to head out myself for a week long adventure in my RV. If you have travelled anywhere this summer and have a fun or exciting story to share, we would love to know! Please send me your stories (and photos) for our next newsletter.

The Newsletter Committee is looking for new members. You do not need to attend meetings in person; committee members can attend via zoom. Interested? Please email [katherine.anderson@yc.edu](mailto:katherine.anderson@yc.edu).

## Employee Benefits & Professional Development

Your YCSA Employee Benefits & Professional Development Committee is moving forward on collaborating with the Interim HR Director, Amanda Jung, who recently began working with the Yavapai College HR Department.

Amanda joined our last meeting on June 19 and gave a thorough overview of the progress being made in the HR Department. [Click here to read the minutes for details](#). Please also note that the minutes are in draft form as they will be approved by the committee at their next meeting.

## Social/Community Service

There are no committee updates at this time.



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## YCSA Committees 2018

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### Social/Community Service (SCS)

### Newsletter

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## YCSA Board 2018

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