

September 2020 Board Highlights

School of Arts and Humanities

This month's issue of Sedona Monthly magazine features an in-depth interview with Yavapai College Verde Art Gallery Manager **Kelley E. Foy**. The editor discusses Kelley's expansive career as a multi-media artist and entrepreneur, including her furniture-design company, ceramic work, and farm-to-table restaurant ventures. Copies of the magazines are available Sedona Chamber of Commerce and retail stores, resorts, and restaurants throughout the Verde Valley.



For most of us, performing one job well is enough of a challenge. But most of us are not Jerome (and sometimes Phoenix) resident Kelley E. Foy. She's held many job titles. She's a furniture maker, ceramicist, former restaurateur and a "gelato chef" at Merkin Vineyards. She also curates gallery shows at Yavapai College. But to her, this is not overwhelming. "I consider myself a maker. It's really about creating objects," says Kelley. "If I feel like I want to create something, then I'm inspired by a particular material or it's based on utility or the necessity of making useful space beautiful. There's just so many opportunities when you're working with different materials." See Kelley's works online at kelleyefoy.com and her ceramics in-person at Pura Vida Gallery in Jerome.

Andrew Winters, Professor of Philosophy published a paper:

<http://www.philosophyoflife.org/jpl202003.pdf> The American Association of Philosophy Teachers program review committee selected Dr. Winters to present "*Using Dual N-Back Approaches for Logic Course Design*" for inclusion in the 2020 AAPT Workshop-Conference at Otterbein University in Westerville, Ohio last July.

Tina Luffman, English Professor, wrote a grant to create a Zoom Room on the Verde Valley Campus. Due to the great work of the ITS Staff, especially **Tom Aldridge**, we have two! Tina also created an Open Education Resource (OER) Reading class, ENG085, which is being taught for the first time this fall, and an OER Technical Writing class, ENG136 which was taught over the summer session.

Karen Palmer, English Professor, created four OER textbooks over the summer, including the writing guide, which she co-authored with **Professor Sandi Van Lieu**.



[The Worry Free Writer](#) (ENG 101 & 102)

[Diving into Rhetoric](#) (ENG 210)

[Say Her Name](#) (ENG 237)

[The RoughWriter's Guide](#) (Writing Handbook)

In addition, **Karen Palmer** worked with **Professor Suzanne Waldenberger** and other faculty members including OLLI and members of the community to host eight weeks of Shakespeare on Stage this summer via ZOOM.

Joshua Harper, Associate Professor of Choral Music, completed his Doctorate (D.Mus.) from the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, graduating virtually in May. His dissertation is now published online through IUScholarWorks. In July, **Joshua** attended the National Chorus America Conference where he attended many sessions on how to make the most of Choral Music in the time of COVID-19.

Nanette Hofer, Professor of Musical Theater & “On Hold” YC Director of CHICAGO, took part in an intensive Broadway Teacher’s Workshop this summer. All Workshop leaders were working Broadway directors, actors, choreographers, designers and writers. Sessions featured professional Broadway artists such as the current Musical Director of the smash hit *Hamilton* to Legendary Broadway stars, Chita Rivera, Billy Porter and Patti Lapone, who shared their experiences from college students to emerging professional artists. Sessions focused on how instructors can encourage and challenge their students to use this time during COVID to focus on scholarly work while keeping their performing skills sharp. The workshop focused particularly on how to teach artists by using best practices with online platforms. Nanette expressed gratitude for the College support to help her become a better teacher in this new world of online teaching of Performing Arts students at Yavapai College.

School of Business and Computer Systems

Terry Lovell, Professor of Business, completed the OER Course and had BSA130 and BSA 131 certified as Z Courses. The cost of textbooks went from \$200 and \$375 per student to FREE! That is a savings of \$8,625 in BSA 130 and \$11,400 in BSA 131 for a total savings of \$20,025 to YC Students this fall term!

Lauri Dreher, Professor of Business, represents Yavapai College as a member of the [Western Association of Food Chains](#) in which the “*WAFC’s vision is to be the recognized leader in identifying and facilitating food industry related educational programming that helps food industry associates become leaders within the industry. While not entirely constrained geographically, the focus for these efforts remains rooted in the 14 Western United States. The mission of the WAFC is to help the industry attract, retain and advance high potential food industry associates through exposure to educational programs and leadership opportunities.*”

Yavapai College is an approved participating college that offers the below Industry-Endorsed Retail Management Certificate curriculum. Retailers across the nation use attainment of this certificate as a means of promotions and pay raises for their employees AND retailers pay for their employees to attain the Retail Management Certificate (RMC). Yavapai College is the ONLY College in Arizona that offers all 8 RMC courses 100% online,



100% OER, and all 8-week classes. YC also has the LOWEST per credit cost compared to the other Arizona schools who offer the RMC.

MGT120 Supervision Techniques
MGT140 Organizational Behavior
MGT220 Principles of Management
MGT223 Human Resource Management
MGT230 Principles of Marketing
MGT233 Business Communications
BSA130 Business Financial Application
CSA126 Microsoft Office
MGT229 Strategic Management

At the request of Fry's Food Stores, Lauri enlisted JJ McCormack's student intern team to create the below video for Fry's Food Stores to use as marketing the RMC from Yavapai College to their employees. We are currently in the editing stage for another video for Safeway stores.

https://v5.yc.edu/media/marketing/fasttrack2020_1.mp4

School of Career and Technical Education

Robert Smith, Welding Instructor, successfully tested and renewed his CWI (Certified Welding Inspector), which allows YC to continue to test welding students for AWS licensure.

Yavapai College was accepted into a new national drone initiative. The purpose of the UAS-CTI program is to create long-term relationships with institutions of higher education that focus on preparing candidates for careers in all aspects of UAS. The UAS-CTI program's goal is to collaborate with schools to deliver up-to-date UAS training that matches the requirements of the National Airspace System (NAS) and helps provide qualified applicants for careers involving UAS.

Justin Brereton, Agriculture Instructor, reports having the largest summer horticulture class ever due to a growing interest in gardening and plants as a result of people being home during the COVID. Brereton also recommends you stay tuned, as they expect thousands of pumpkins to be available soon, with the Fall Harvest Fest cancelled.

Helen Haxton-Stephenson, YCPAC Managing Director of Operations and Film and Media Arts (a CTEC program) reports over 400 people have participated in the Social Distancing Dinner Theater this summer!

School of Health and Wellness

Marylou Mercado, Director of Nursing shared the following pictures of Verde Nursing Students using the newly renovated Building L for skills lab. They love it!





Stephanie Scovill, Professor of Nursing, shared the following highlights from her summer:

- Stephanie wrote a grant for CARES Act funding for remote video/camera capabilities for the NSG143 and NSG153 Skills faculty; 3 iPads, with arms so procedures can be demonstrated remotely more effectively. She also wrote a grant for CARES Act funding for outside vendor resources for students for simulation, including medication administration, case studies/prioritizing, application of skills in a virtual simulation setting in a variety of patient care specialties.
- The Nursing skills team collaborated to optimize student face to face time, while keeping it safe, physically distanced, and enabling contact tracing should a case of COVID-19 occur. This is a delicate ballet on the Prescott campus, and the students are doing a great job.



- Nursing is working to cover deployment of one of our own, in the USAF reserves.
(Rachel Whisenand)

Josh Schmidt, PHE Instructor, shared the following summer accomplishments and action-packed photo:

- Josh taught a swift water rescue class on the Colorado River for Yavapai County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue Team (100% volunteers).
- Recertified in Helicopter Short Haul with the Department of Public Safety. (100% volunteer)
- Completed the EMS 132 Emergency Medical Technician Class. Josh was a former EMT but needed to recertify. This was a 10 credit class.
- Recertified Rescue 3 International Rope Rescue in both operation level and technician level. This is a 60 hour course.
- Recertified in Firearms Arizona Peace Officer Standards with YC PD and Yavapai County Sheriff's Office. This has to be completed every year. (100% volunteer)
- Participated on an average of 25 Search and Rescue Team calls. The team is made up of 100% volunteers which includes several full time YC Faculty and about a dozen former and current YC students!



School of Science and Engineering

Jeb Bevers, Professor of Biology, received thrilling news from former student, **Carissa Bond**, who transferred to the University of Arizona. Carissa is the proud recipient of National Science Foundation-funded scholarship, the "ASEMS" (Arizona Science, Engineering and Math Scholars Program) S-STEM Scholarship. This scholarship is oriented toward full-time STEM transfer students who meet rigorous academic criteria and have demonstrated success in previous STEM coursework. ASEMS will support Carissa with up to three years of financial awards and academic guidance. This includes program-specific advising and tutoring, career and academic preparation (prep for entering the workforce or graduate/professional school) and research opportunities such as internships and lab shadowing. Carissa writes to Professor Bevers...This scholarship is an incredible resource, made possible by your support and dedication of your time and energy - thank you so much. Your influence has helped to propel me forward to this point and I am so grateful to have your continued encouragement to allow me this opportunity.

Marie Hardman, Prescott Valley Allied Health Instructor, is thrilled to report we successfully graduated all 39 CNA students from Spring 2020 semester. Clinical sites were unable to accept our students due to the coronavirus outbreak. In order to meet the Arizona Board of Nursing 40 hour clinical requirement, YC Allied Health Faculty created a "Mock Long Term Care Facility" which included resident care plans, electronic charting, dining rooms, activity rooms plus Skilled/Rehab resident rooms at the Prescott Valley Center. The students completed four 10-hour shifts on various days throughout June. Eleven students from the CNA Spring 2020 YC Proper cohorts chose to go on and State Test for certification or licensure. First time pass rates were 100% for the written exams and 91% for the skills exams – well above the state averages.

The YC Medical Assistant program was recently ranked #1 in Arizona this year by Medical Assistant Advice, an online resource that ranks programs based on total number of students enrolled, graduation rates, average net price full time retention rate and admissions rate. They collect their data from the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) and College Navigator, both of which are hosted by the National Center of Education Statistics <https://www.medicalassistantadvice.com/Schools/Arizona/>

School of Social Sciences

Mike Ruddell, Professor of Anthropology, reports his former YC Student completed his M.A. in Anthropology last June at Northern Arizona University. Congratulations **Michael Kellett!**

Kathie Peterson, Professor of Communication, is writing a chapter in a book she is co-authoring with friends. The name of their book is **Eating Fandom: Intersections Between Fans and Food Cultures 1st Edition** by CarrieLynn D. Reinhard (Editor), Julie E. Largent (Editor), and Bertha Chin (Editor). In Chapter 15 they discuss, *For the Love of Beer: Craft Beer Fandom* by **Kathie Peterson** and Julie E. Largent. The following is a synopsis of the book:

This book considers the practices and techniques fans utilize to interact with different aspects and elements of food cultures. With attention to food cultures across nations, societies, cultures, and historical periods, the collected essays consider the rituals and



values of fan communities as reflections of their food culture, whether in relation to particular foods or types of food, those who produce them, or representations of them. Presenting various theoretical and methodological approaches, the anthology brings together a series of empirical studies to examine the intersection of two fields of cultural practice and will appeal to sociologists, geographers and scholars of cultural studies with interests in fan studies and food cultures.

Office of Instructional Support

- The First Year Full-Time Faculty @YC Orientation program was facilitated virtually by **Dean Stacey Hilton** over the course of Wednesday, August 5th and Thursday, August 6th, 2020. This orientation program provided valuable information to our first year full-time faculty. Presenters throughout Yavapai College shared information relevant for our new full-time faculty. Topics included a welcome by **President Lisa Rhine** and **Vice President for Instruction and Strategic Initiatives Diane Ryan**. Representatives from Human Resources, Faculty Senate, Peer Mentor Review, Student Affairs, Campus Safety, Library and Teaching and eLearning Support were all able to contribute valuable information during this orientation program.



The First Year Adjunct Faculty @YC Orientation program culminated virtually on Monday, August 10th, 2020 in the evening to a diverse group of adjunct faculty from all over the nation. Similar information was covered in a shorter timeframe, with more in depth trainings on each topic offered in one hour segments via Zoom during the fall 2020 semester.

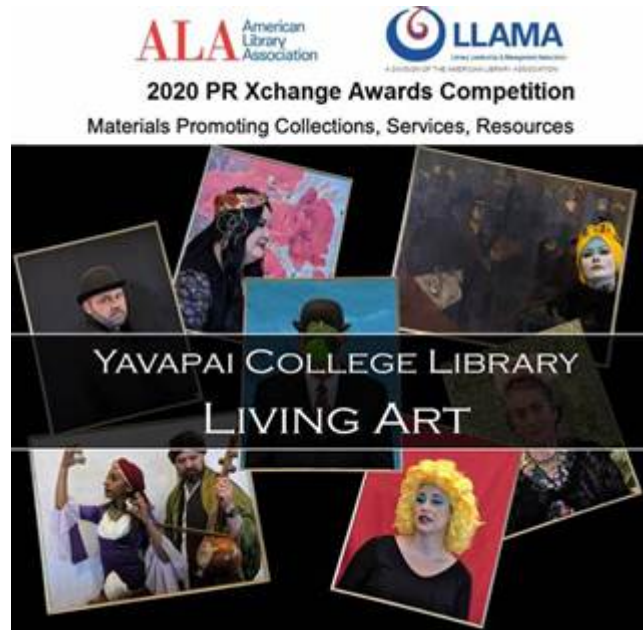
- **Teaching & eLearning Support (TeLS)** The Teaching & eLearning Support (TeLS) department provided districtwide support for the move to online learning in the wake of a pandemic. In addition, they steered the Open Educational Resources (OER) program to a successful launch this fall while continuing to offer professional development opportunities and course design skills to our faculty. The following is a result of the hard work from TeLS staff this summer,
 - Instructors are equipped to offer the vast majority of classes in a virtual environment.
 - Faculty participated in the May 2020 Summer Institute as well as an August 2020 Mini-Institute to learn best practices in online teaching.



- The Open Educational Resource (No-Cost OER) project launched successfully this fall, with more than 60 OER course sections being offered.
- Worked with several departments, including the Nursing program to add course design consistency and quality assurance to courses in the program.
- Worked with many faculty as part of Innovation grant awardees through the CARES Act.

- **Libraries**

- The American Library Association awarded our YC Library for the promotional video they created to celebrate National Art Day, titled “Living Art.”



- Prescott Library staff member **James Rider** was presented the YC Way Service Excellence Award by **College President Dr. Lisa Rhine**. Per his supervisor, Mr. Rider helped make the transition to our new, virtual world “go seamlessly by providing above-and-beyond technology support and creating vital tools we did not even know we needed.”



- Fun promotional video created to highlight e-materials available to online students.





- The library added new, online databases to support students and faculty.

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Prescott Campus & Verde Valley Campus

NEW! Databases

Gale Interactive Human Anatomy
Visualize and understand human anatomy by exploring virtual 3D models and dissections. Students can access more than 4,300 structures and over 13,500 identifiable landmarks in the human body. Available now.

Value Line
Explore investment research on companies, industries, markets, and economies. The Library's subscription includes coverage of 1,700 stocks in The Value Line Investment Survey Plus and 1,800 in the Small and Mid-Cap edition. Available July 1.

Ovid Nursing Essentials
Specialized curated medical collection containing full-text non-embargoed access to LWW titles and high-quality peer-reviewed journals. Available July 1.

- Verde Valley Campus Library launched e-newsletter to highlight new books and movies, and to keep the community up to date on the latest virtual book club discussions.

Sedona/Verde Valley

Tina Redd, Dean for the Verde Valley Campus and Sedona Center, shared the following instructional highlights and photos:

- We have 26 students in our new Spectrum “Compassionate Care in Behavioral Health” partnership.
- The 2020 grape harvest was a great success. Faculty and staff showed up to volunteer alongside Friends of the SWC at every pick. This year we harvested 33.75 tons of grapes. Last year we harvested 28.5 tons. The VEN program has solid enrollment and students are being prepared to produce new award-winning wines!
- Culinary is off to a great start despite COVID.



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A NEW PARTNERSHIP

Yavapai College and Spectrum Healthcare are partnering to offer educational programming in Compassionate Care in Behavioral Health.

This partnership offers: :

A four-course, 12-credit-hour online program exclusively designed for Spectrum Health Care employees with a series of four online college courses.

Fall Semester:

- COM 134 Interpersonal Communication
- PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology

Spring Semester:

- SOC 140 Sociology of Relationships & Family
- SOC 250 Social Problems

Courses start every 8 weeks

Classes will apply towards an Associate's Degree

Textbook/Class materials are free!

Tuition: \$285/class (for in state students)

Complete all four courses with a passing grade, and you will receive a \$500 bonus, plus a \$1.00/hour pay increase (NOTE: pay increase limited to non-degreed clinical staff only).

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