

## GROSSMONT BRIEFING

### Water Fair Returns

The Water Fair is back and better than ever. This two-day event will be held April 12-13 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Griffin Gate (Building 60), which is ready to be flooded with students and questions. The "One Theme, One Campus" water project lets students showcase their water-related issues in a campus-wide competition. Participating classes will have students break into groups handling certain topics relating to water.

To enter this competition, contestants need a presentation component—a poster, PowerPoint, video, model or all of the above. It's all up to the students and/or the instructors. Pre-defined categories include: Social Justice, Conservation, Human Health and Practical/Local Application. Winners will all be voted on by students, faculty and the surrounding community. So dip your toes in the Water Fair, and don't forget to vote. Have a splash!

—Ashley Stout

### Hyde Art Gallery

The Hyde Art Gallery has a new art exhibit "Under Pressure, Printmaking Today" that runs from April 5 to 28. The exhibit will spotlight 18 Grossmont students and features more than 40 works of art. A catalog of the exhibit will be for sale in the gallery. Stop by to support your fellow students' hard work.

While you're there, say hello to Alex DeCosta, the new Hyde Gallery technician. Originally from Baltimore, DeCosta has his BFA from The School of Visual Arts in New York and was an intern at the New York Foundation for the Arts before joining Sotheby's of New York.

—Alyssa Blackhurst

### Leadership Awards Ceremony

The 54th Associated Students of Grossmont College, Inc. and Inter-Club Council Annual Academic and Service Awards Ceremony will be held April 20 at 5:30 p.m. in Griffin Gate. This ceremony recognizes student leaders for their academic achievements by highlighting their academics, services and student life this year. The reception begins at 5 p.m.

—Alyssa Blackhurst

### Multicultural Conversations

The Student Affairs Office and The Foundation for Grossmont & Cuyamaca Colleges will host "Multicultural Conversations: Beyond the Check Box" April 13 from 2 to 3 p.m. in 31-373. Discussions will cover multiculturalism, class and gender, and students will have the opportunity to learn about their own identities and how it's influencing other students. This is a great way for students to understand other cultures and appreciate the community we live in. Admission is free to and snacks will be provided.

—Octavius Hunter

### Debate Heads To State

The Griffin Speech/ Debate Team won the fifth-place team award at the California Community College State Tournament held in Concord, California, last month. Xavier Daniels and James Jovanovich won the silver award in Duo Interpretation. Esau Cortez won the silver and bronze in International Parliamentary Debate and Impromptu Speaking respectively. Jovanovich also took the bronze in Prose Interpretation.

### Underwater Dreams

An inspirational two-part event will be held April 12 and 14. On Tuesday, April 12, there will be a free screening of "Underwater Dreams," a documentary about how the sons of undocumented Mexican immigrants built an underwater robot from materials purchased at Home Depot, defeating engineering powerhouse MIT in an international competition. Directed by Mary Mazzio and narrated by Michael Peña, this film officially premiered at the White House as part of National Robotics Week. The film will be shown in 26-220 at 6:30 p.m.

Two days later, a panel consisting of three of the men featured in the documentary – Lorenzo Santillan, Luis Aranda and Allan Cameron – will be speaking to Grossmont students, staff, and faculty in Griffin Gate at 6:30 p.m.

### Student Wins San Diego Film Award

Susan Davis, a media communications major at Grossmont, won a "Best Writing" award for her work in the film "Three Strikes" at the San Diego Film. The film, which was made during a 48-hour film project, also garnered a "Best Editing" award. The competition is a part of the Film Consortium San Diego. The award ceremony will be rebroadcast April 23 at 6 p.m. on Cox Cable Channel 4.



# GROSSMONT GIVES BACK

April is the month of service.

April is the Month of Service at Grossmont. For three Fridays, Student Affairs will lead three community service learning projects. To sign up or get more information, visit the Community Service Learning (CSL) website, listed under Campus Life on grossmont.edu.

#### April 15: Campus Beautification Project

**Health & Sciences Complex Lobby, Building 34 (8:30 a.m. to noon)**  
Did you know that Grossmont College is home to innovative and eco-savvy buildings and grounds? From new buildings and green spaces to our newest parking lot, our campus is committed to reducing its environmental impact. Volunteers will learn about the college's commitment to building a sustainable and environmentally friendly campus community and have the opportunity to get involved with one of the innovative design elements.

#### April 22: Earth Day Community Mural Volunteer Project

**Walker Preserve Trail, Santee (1 to 4 p.m.)**  
Have you considered the impact art and nature have on our communal wellbeing? This is your opportunity to get outdoors with members of our campus community to beautify a public space. In partnership with the city of Santee, volunteers will help create a scenic mural under the Magnolia Street underpass at the Walker Preserve Trail along the San Diego River.

#### April 29: Serving Meals to the Hungry

**Father Joe's Village (St. Vincent de Paul), San Diego (10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. or from 4 to 7 p.m.)**  
Did you know that San Diego is home to the fourth highest homeless population in the country and the third highest number of homeless veterans? St. Vincent de Paul, or Father Joe's Village, is the city's largest rehabilitation center for the homeless. This is your opportunity to help assist this valuable and essential program alongside your friends, classmates and instructors. Volunteers will help prepare and serve either lunch or dinner at the downtown facility.



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