

March 2018

**PC Connection
for High School
Seniors**

April 16 2018
at Porterville HS,
Strathmor HS,
Harmony Magnet,
Burton Horizon,
Prospect Education
Center

**PC Connection
for High School
Seniors**

April 17 2018
at Monanche HS,
Granite Hills, HS
Cistrus HS,
Summit Charter,
Butterfield Charter

**C.H.A.P. Event
Multi-Cultural
Festival**

April 25, 2018
11:30 AM
In the Quad

**Elevator Pitch
Competition**

April 24, 2018
In the Theater

**Porterville College
Job Fair**

May 2, 2018

**RN Pinning
Ceremony**

May 10, 2018

**Porterville College
Commencement**

May 11, 2018

Food Drive a Success at Porterville College

On Monday, February 26, 2018

Porterville College Food Distribution was the best we've ever had!! There was an amazing turn out, totaling 225 families from the school and the local community.

We usually average about 150 families, so it was great to see so many more people being served fresh food. I wanted to give a huge thank you to everyone who volunteered. It really takes a large team of PC staff and students to accomplish what we have.

It means a lot to the Financial Aid Department to have people who give up so much of their personal time to help us out. I would

like to encourage everyone to come on out to the next Food Distribution to see what we are doing for our Community and Students. I also want to thank everyone at Porterville College who continue to share the vision in helping our students.

Please share with your students that we do have a Food Pantry available in the Financial Aid Office as well. We are consistently restocking our Pantry with new food items monthly. Encourage your students to come on by and take some food home with them. Let's continue the good work we are doing for our students and community!



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New Faces at Porterville College



Ramona Chiapa, Executive Director of the PC Foundation

Ramona is a Porterville native and proud alumnus of Porterville College. She is excited to be returning to her roots and becoming a part of the PC family. She has a bachelor's degree in Communication from the University of California Santa Barbara and a master's degree in Communication Management from the University of Southern California. Ramona's experience includes over a decade of non-profit management, non-profit board management, volunteer management, fundraising, event management, marketing, and public relations. Ramona is committed to community engagement and has served in various capacities on local boards and service clubs. She is the Past President of the Porterville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Public Relations Chair and Past President of the Porterville Breakfast Rotary Club, and an alumnus of the Leadership Porterville program. She credits her

ability to be involved in the community to the support and encouragement from her husband Brandon. Ramona looks forward to serving and representing Porterville College and the Porterville College Foundation.

Fun Fact About Ramona: She has dachshund-itis and is the proud pet parent to 5 miniature dachshunds. She is also an avid lover of all things Snoopy.



Velda Pena, Research Analyst

Velda comes to PC after spending 12 years with Taft College, the last three as a research analyst. While at Taft, she was part of the Banner implementation team and was the Banner Student A/R team lead. While at Taft, Velda was also an Accounting Services technician and CSEA President. Velda has a bachelor's degree in Business Administration and several years' experience working with data, data systems, compliance, and developing/producing reports. Velda looks forward to working with staff and doing work that makes a difference in the success of PC students. Velda and her husband Joe have three daughters: one a graduate of CSUB with an engineering degree, one about to graduate from CSUB as an art major, and one graduating from high school this year and wanting to pursue a career in nursing.

Fun Fact About Velda: Velda and three others recently visited a friend on the East Coast. During their visit, they were able to see all of the following in about 10 hours: Penn Station, Times Square, Rockefeller Center, Top of The Rock, Brooklyn Bridge, and Chinatown. Velda credits the subway system for their success.



Alex Schultz, Communications and Marketing Manager

Alex is a Porterville native and a proud Porterville College graduate. After graduating from PC, Alex transferred to the University of Colorado Boulder, where he earned a bachelor's degree in Journalism. He also holds a master's degree in Communication Management from the University of Denver. Prior to joining PC in a professional capacity, Alex was the marketing manager at the Community College of Aurora in Colorado. Alex and his wife of five years, Ashley, have an eight-month-old son, Ezra. At PC, Alex is most looking forward to working with students, faculty, and staff to tell prospective students why PC is a great place to come for a quality, affordable education.

Fun Fact About Alex: While it wasn't fun, Alex was bitten by a rattlesnake a few years ago in Colorado. During the recovery process, Alex quickly found out that antivenin is not cheap.

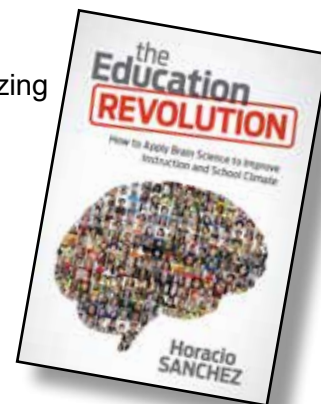
Porterville College Sponsored Equity Summit

Photo & story by Horacio Sanchez



Horacio Sanchez speaks to a good turnout from all college departments and local schools

February 9, 2018, an amazing day at the Equity Summit sponsored by Porterville College. After my keynote, there was a student panel, one of the themes from students was how helpful, kind, and genuinely concerned ALL of the staff is at the college. After spending a day with them, I have to agree.



Faculty Snapshot: Sarah Rector

Sarah Rector, new professor of music was presented in January at the annual Jazz Education Network conference in Dallas Texas.

Her topic was, Lillian Hardin Armstrong; The Matriarch of Jazz. It outlined her contributions to American music She has also been asked to present at her alma.



Thank You Foundation for the Mini-Grants!



Physics students using our new voltmeters and circuit boards



Beloved Adjunct Professor Passes Away

March 26, 2018, Edward Fred Kiwan, a professor and a resident of Porterville, died Monday, March 26 2018, at the age of 78.

Visitation was 3 - 7 p.m. Monday, April 2, at Myers Chapel.

Services were 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, at Porterville Church of the Nazarene. Interment will be in Hillcrest Memorial Park.

Ed will be greatly missed by students and faculty of Porterville College.



Anthropology Club Welcomes Ann Gibbons

March 2, 2018, Science magazine correspondent and writer Ann Gibbons visited Porterville College to give a presentation for CHAP as this year's Distinguished Speaker in Anthropology.

Aided by the students in the Anthropology Club, Anthropology Professor and CHAP Coordinator Robert Simpkins welcomed Ann while a mixture of students, faculty, and community members enjoyed her fascinating presentation on the latest research on human origins; the bookstore opened after her talk and she signed copies of her book *The First Human* as well.



Members of the Anthropology Club with Anthropology Professor and CHAP Coordinator Robert Simpkins and Science Writer and Journalist Ann Gibbons speaker on "Sole Survivor: The Story of Modern Human Origins".



SPRING 2018 WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

Presented by the JEC Center

Presented by Student Services

April

19 • Child Abuse

Computer Commons A • 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm • Lisa Hall, Campus Security Program Manager

24 • Major & Career Exploration -

Business & Information Systems

Computer Commons A • 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm • BillyJean Cabunoc

30 • Résumé Tips & Tricks

Computer Commons A • 9:00 am - 10:00 am • JEC Staff

May

1 • Resume Tips & Tricks

Computer Commons A • 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm • JEC Staff

2 • Job Fair

Gym • 9:00 am - 1:00 pm • Porterville College

April

17 • Time Management

Computer Commons A • 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm • Matt Bentley

19 • Test Anxiety

HC-2021 • 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm • Errin Arcos

24 • Student Services Information Update

TI-3 • 10:30 am - 11:30 am • Yolanda Vasquez

25 • Well Student

Computer Commons A • 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm • Ana Ceballos

26 • Student Services Information Update

TI-3 • 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm • Yolanda Vasquez



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