District Governing Board Highlights March 2024

Yavapai College Food Pantry

On March 20th, Greg Staley, the Transition to Work Coordinator from Bradshaw Mountain High School brought over 3 students to help put away the Saint Mary's Food Bank delivery. Abbie, Xander and Michael did such a great job we're going to have them back once a month. Student worker, Jadyn provided a campus tour when we finished and all three want to come to Yavapai College when they graduate!



Mr. Staley and Xander bringing food in from the dock.



Jadyn and Abbie put single serve meals in the freezer.



From left to right: Jadyn Ferris, YC student worker, Deb Chambers, Food Pantry Coordinator, Abbie, Mr. Staley, Michael, Xander (BMHS students).



The YC Food Pantry has recently been the lucky recipient of the generosity of the local Rotary Club. The club has donated funds as well as food. On March 20th, the club invited Deb Chambers, Food Pantry Coordinator and Jadyn Ferris, student worker, to speak to the club members about food insecurity on campus. Jadyn gave her perspective as a student experiencing food insecurity and also as a pantry worker who speaks to students everyday who are struggling with food insecurity. The club donated 137 pounds of food and provided a \$50 check.





Right: Current President, Laura Vanderberg.





Student food pantry worker and current Bachelor of Science student, Jadyn Ferris.

Recruitment

High School Visits:

YC's Recruitment Team, James Herrera and Santana Alvarado provided YC presentations and information to 2 Arizona High Schools, including Hopi Senior High School, Sedona High School for a Career Fair for over 450 students, and Avondale High School. The Recruitment Team also presented YC Degree and Certification Programs at 6 Prescott and Verde Valley area charter schools.



YC Tours and Visits

Recruitment coordinated and assisted with tours on all 6 YC campuses and centers. The team provided tours for **407** individuals during the month of March. Tours included individuals or families, YC Athletics, high school groups, and Early College. 40 students from Kingman High School and Vista Valley High School visited the Prescott Campus for a presentation and tour.





YC Internal/External Community Events

Recruitment did presentations with internal and local area community events, including DES, Prescott Women's Shelter, Cottonwood Rec Center, Verde Pecan Wine Festival, Prescott Valley Allied Health Expo, Prescott GED Classes, Prescott Campus Experience the Arts, Prescott Campus Strong Foundations Fair, and the L.E.A.D Conference. YC Recruitment Team will also have a table at the AZ Wranglers game at the end of the month.



Santana Alvarado, Recruitment Specialist





Student Engagement and Leadership (SEL)



SEL and Yavapai College will be hosting Yavapalooza, a Spring carnival event! The Prescott Campus will be offering an evening of fun for all ages, including food, bouncy houses, mini-games, live music, and more.

Admission is FREE for Children under 18 and YC Students, Staff, and Faculty (with a valid Yavapai College ID). Non-YC adults were charged \$2 at the gate. This event will be held on Friday, April 19, 2024, from 4 pm to 8 pm.

Proceeds will go towards fighting homelessness among YC Students.



YCSGA

SGA Executive Leader Results

The YCSGA Senate Governance Committee will be announcing the SGA Executive Leadership Board for 2024-2025 end of April



There will be a warm handoff for each position, along with get acquainted breakfast with Dr. Rhine, YC President, Rodney Jenkins, VP for Community Relations and Student Development, and Tania Sheldahl, AVP for Student Affairs.



Ruff's Closet

Ribbon Cutting for Ruff's Closet! On April 2nd Dr. Rhine joined the SGA Leadership team from 2022-22 and 2023-24 for the Grand Opening of

Ruff's Closet in building 3, room 125A. The closet is merchandised with business casual to professional clothing for both men and women. The hours of operation are M-F from 12 pm to 8 pm.





L.E.A.D. Conference - Day of Leadership

The SOL, SEL, and SGA are proudly supporting the L.E.A.D. Conference is scheduled for the 22nd of March, boasting 105 registered students and 30 enthusiastic YC volunteers. The conference is FREE to all current YC students enrolled in 6 or more credit hours and degree and/or certificate-seeking.

The conference is being sponsored by 17 diverse sponsors from the Jim and Linda Lee Performing Arts Center, numerous YC Departments/Divisions: Marketing, Facilities, I.T. Print/Mail Services, Student Affairs, Veteran Services, Division 3, Early College, REDC and our Eatery will be showcased at the Etiquette Lunch.

Dr. Marylou Mercado, a distinguished leader here at Yavapai College a Hispanic first-generation community college graduate, and the 2024 Woman of the Year by the Arizona Women in Higher Education (AWHE) will serve as the Keynote Speaker.

The conference will feature eight diverse sessions covering topics such as Habits of Effective Leaders, LinkedIn workshops and the Power of Believing, Building Connections, communicating with LEGOS, and Finding your Leadership Values,



Keynote Speaker, Dr. Marylou Mercado, Vice President of Workforce & Health Sciences



Residence Life



Drug & Alcohol Prevention









March 18th – 24th is

National Drug and Alcohol
Facts week. The team
placed information in YC
Residence Halls about drug
and alcohol misuse. We
will have a table in building
3 to provide further
education on drugs and
alcohol.









On March 6th, we collaborated with the Office of Residence Life on the "Stay-A-Float" night.

This event is geared towards providing students with information and support during midterms.

Along with study tips, students were given information on the effects of drugs and alcohol.