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Estrella Mountain CC announces mascot (and news briefs) April 2, 2008

Estrella Mountain Community College's student body, and its five student ambassadors Jennifer Alvarez, Cecily Davis, Christopher Esteen, Justine Garcia, and Lincoln Knight, are pleased to announce the selection of the college's first mascot: the Estrella Mountain

Spanning over a year, the process began with nominations from the student body, ranging from Killer Bees to Earthworms, and ultimately, the Estrella Mountain Lion. As part of its continued commitment to student learning and its evolution to a more student-centered Learning College, the selection process did not end there. Student ambassadors developed activities to educate students about types of lions, including facts about lions that are indigenous to Arizona, and especially the Estrella Mountain range, for which the college is named. Students also studied definitions of descriptive words

like 'regal,' 'powerful,' and 'aggressive,' so that the design of the mascot would reflect the exact qualities students wanted their lion to impart.

Students then voted on two mascot designs created by the college's graphic designer, Andrew Nolte, that best represented their concept. The mascot, which features a mountain lion bathed in dawn light crouching over purple mountains, will be used on campus promotional materials and will represent both academic and any future athletic teams throughout the college's future.

Women's History Month Culminates with Large Donation to New Life Center As part of the college's Women's History Month activities during the month of March, and the Women's Expo that took place on Wednesday, March 25, 2009, Estrella Mountain Community College hosted a silent auction that raised more than \$1,000 for the New Life Center in Goodyear. The money raised will benefit the Center which provides a temporary save haven for families fleeing

## 3 More Weeks to Get Your Car Raffle Ticket!

The 10th Annual Estrella Rotary Foundation's New Car Scholarship Fundraiser kicked off March 10, 2009 to benefit the scholarship programs of Estrella Mountain Community College and the Estrella Rotary Foundation. Only 1,750 tickets will be sold at \$30 each. The first prize winner will receive a pre-owned 2008 red Ford Mustang convertible; the second prize winner will receive \$1,000; and the third prize winner will receive \$500. Tickets can be purchased through April 24, 2009 by phone at 623-935-8777, or through April 26, 2009 online at www.driveforsuccess.org. The drawing will be held April 28, 2009.

Senior Saturday: Saturday, April 18, 2009 Estrella Mountain will host Senior Saturday on April 18, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for high school seniors and their parents. The event will be held in the Estrella Hall Community Room and students will be able to register for summer and fall classes, take placement tests, talk with college advisors, take campus tours, receive financial aid assistance, and meet with professors. Breakfast and lunch will be served and the event is free and open to all high school seniors and their families. Participants are encouraged to register in advance by calling 623-935-8888.

EMCC to Host Scholarship Golf Tournament: Saturday, April 18, 2009 Estrella Mountain Community College, in partnership with the Hispanic Leadership Forum del Oeste, will co-host a Scholarship Golf Tournament at the Wigwam Resort and Spa on Saturday, April 18, 2009. Estrella Mountain Community College and the Hispanic Leadership Forum del Oeste have a long-standing partnership that includes a dedicated focus on working with the community and West Valley high schools to address the issues of increased dropout rates of students and a statewide shortage of teachers. Individual tickets are \$125, with foursomes ranging from \$500-\$2,500. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 623-935-8050.

## Register Now for Summer Classes

Registration for summer classes at Estrella Mountain Community College is now open. The college offers a full range of academic course offerings designed to satisfy university requirements, including a wide variety of classes in liberal arts, math, science, technology, occupational education, and more. Develop your skills as a writer in CRW 150 "Introduction to Creative Writing," or expand your cultural understanding in Humanities courses such as HUM 120 "Cultural Viewpoints in the Arts," an introduction to the influence of culture and ethnicity on the artists; or HUM 214 "African-Americans in





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Film," a study of films featuring African-American performers and directors. Visit www.estrellamountain.edu for a full listing of available classes, or visit the college's Enrollment Services Center to register in person. For additional information, please call 623-935-8888.

Estrella Mountain Community College is on Thomas and Dysart Roads in Avondale and offers transfer-ready academic courses and job-specific occupational training to approximately 13,000 students annually. Estrella Mountain is part of the Maricopa County Community College District, one of the largest community college districts in the nation. For more information visit www.estrellamountain.edu or www.maricopa.edu.



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