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Tsunami Educational Presentations and YCCD Relief Efforts

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MODESTO, CA – Educational teach-ins will take place at Columbia College on January 13 and Modesto Junior College on January 21, 2005. Both events are free and open to the public.

At Columbia College Dr. Jeff Tolhurst's will discuss the Sumatra-Andaman earthquake and how it created the devastating tsunami in South East Asia and the possibility of such an occurrence off our own shoreline. Dr. Tolhurst's presentation will be held in the community education classroom of the Manzanita Building at Columbia College on Thursday January 13th from 7:00-8:30 p.m. followed by a question and answer period.

At Modesto Junior College a panel of three experts consisting of Garry Hayes, MJC Geology Professor, Jim Money, American Red Cross, Stanislaus Chapter and James Clarke, MJC Public Health Professor will discuss the science behind the tsunami; the American Red Cross relief efforts and the health effects created by the tsunami. The presentation will be held in Forum 110 on MJC's East Campus on Friday January 21st from 7:00-8:30 p.m. followed by a question and answer period.

In addition to these presentations, the Yosemite Community College District (YCCD) is supporting the tsunami relief effort by accepting cash donations. All donations will be accepted through January 31, 2005 either through the Modesto Junior College Foundation, 435 College Avenue, Modesto, CA 95350, (209) 575-6217 or the Columbia College Foundation, 11600 Columbia College Drive, Sonora, CA 95370, (209) 588-5115. All donations should indicate that they are for American Red Cross Tsunami Relief Effort.

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