# **President's Message**

May 2012

Well, here we are...two days before commencement, finals in full swing—where did the spring semester go?

All of us are feeling the effects of our busy and overscheduled lives right now, but because we are in the educating people business, we muster on knowing that a



short respite is ahead. I just wanted to leave us with a few short messages as many folks scatter for summer.

## The Year in Review

We have accomplished much together this year, and in my previous messages I have written about accreditation, SLO's, Institutional Effectiveness and other "Administrivia" that is important and necessary for the college to move forward and continue its excellent work. <u>THANK YOU</u> for spending so much time attending to these efforts, and I will leave those topics for fall when we reconvene for Convocation.

## Convocation

Speaking of Convocation, we will be merging the two breakfasts next year to have an "All College Breakfast". The food will be "continental" to assist in our belt-tightening efforts with budget, however, we will have the opportunity to be together as a college of the whole and experience the academic year's opening together. We will be having a "Goodbye to summer" BBQ for the classified staff in early August.

# **Buildings Galore**

The work of our Prop S/N crews will continue over the summer. The student services building will be almost finished by fall with a planned move-in November 2012. Other buildings are in various states of development, and you can find all the updates in the Prop S/N attachment on this email.

### Commencement

This promises to be a wonderful event this Saturday, with our tribute to Mesa Faculty member Arnie Robinson as distinguished alumni and of course the celebration of all of your hard work on behalf of our students. I look forward to seeing you there.

#### Thank You

Thanks for so graciously inviting me into the family of Mesa College. I am truly honored to be your President and look forward to working with you all for many years to come.