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CSM Receives Gift of Rare Sports Memorabilia

Dean Andreas Wolf reports that he recently had the pleasure of meeting John Moore Jr. who presented the college with some historic athletic memorabilia. His father, Johnny Moore, played shortstop in 1929 for the San Mateo Junior College Bulldogs, the year the team captured the California Coast Conference Championship. John Moore Jr. gave the college his father’s glove and a baseball autographed by the entire team (and coated to preserve the signatures), including CSM Baseball Coach Harold Taggart. Moore found a team photo in CSM’s online archives showing his father (sitting next to Coach Taggart) holding the glove. He said, “I never quite understood the significance of the ball until recently but I did know about dad’s glove—he would use it when we played catch together.” The ball and glove will be on display in the President’s Office.
A Celebration of Faculty

On November 5, CSM honored 33 faculty members at the annual Faculty Service Awards & Ice Cream Social held on the terrace of College Center. The event celebrated full- and part-time faculty who have completed 10, 20, 30 and 40 years of service to the college district. The deans made individual presentations about each of their faculty honorees followed by congratulations and awards given by Mike Claire, Sandra Comerford, Jennifer Hughes and Jan Roecks. CSM’s managers assisted with scooping and serving up ice cream sundaes for all the attendees.

10 years
Lorrita Ford
Kristi Ridgway
Brandon Smith
Maribeck Boosalis-Oler
Christine Baird
Gerald Pera
Geoffrey Balton
Philip Constantino
Amanda Anderson
Bryan Baker
Lin Bowie
Yin Mei Lawrence
Walter Schulze
Randy Wright
Nicole Borg
Noah Buchanan
Theresa Harris
Brent Hipsher
Doug Fry

20 years
Rosemary Nurre
David Laderman
Karen Reed
Chris Bobrowski
Minu Mathur
Bryce Martens
Timothy Gilmartin
Yaping Li
Madeleine Murphy
Nayeerah Rezaie
Roxana Rugliancich

30 years
Lyle Gomes
Roberta Reynolds

40 years
Anne Dinelli
A Celebration of Faculty

Photos by CSM Community Relations and Marketing
CSM’s Health Fair—designed to promote health and wellness throughout the college community—was a big success. The Fair brought together 26 off-campus health care professionals and agencies and a dozen departments from the college and attracted more than 400 students, faculty and staff. Some of services and assessments that were offered included free flu shots and blood sugar screenings conducted by CSM nursing students; dental screenings performed by CSM dental assisting students, mini massages offered by chiropractors, and STD testing and tuberculosis testing provided by San Mateo County Health Services. In addition, various service agencies participated: Rape Trauma Services, CORA (Community Overcoming Relationship Abuse), Pyramid Alternatives, Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention Center. CSM’s Health Center provided complimentary healthy snacks to all who attended. The team behind the successful event included Sharon Bartels, health services director; Gloria D’Ambra, staff assistant and students Allison Friedlander and Candice Lee James.
The 4th Annual CSM Student Leadership Conference was held on October 24–26 at the Monte Toyon Conference Center in Aptos. The conference, which is open to any CSM student, had 28 attendees who took part in workshops focusing on leadership development, communication skills, conflict resolution, and teambuilding. Students participated in lectures, small group activities, and interactive projects that reinforced and provided hands-on experience of the different theories and skills being taught. Aaron Schaefer, student life & leadership manager, and Fauzi Hamadeh, student life & leadership assistant, provided the training. The conference was made possible by support from the Associated Students of CSM. (Article and photo contributed by Fauzi Hamadeh)
Astronomy Department
Hosts Eclipse Viewing Party

CSM’s rooftop observatory of Building 36 provided an extraordinary viewing opportunity of the partial solar eclipse on October 23. The weather cooperated, and over 250 people enjoyed viewing the eclipse through the Astronomy Department’s facilities and snapping many pictures using their phones.

Middle College Fund Raiser
Supports Impoverished Women

Middle College students, led by members of The Middle College Effect and teachers Michael Clardy and Greg Lance, held a screening of the documentary Half the Sky to raise awareness about issues that women confront around the world. Juniors Kristan Hilby, Kilisitina Petelo and Katie Huddleston and senior Angie Marsland spoke during short breaks in the film about their own experiences as young women and how learning about the issues that women in the developing world face have led them to feel both empathy and solidarity with them. Students carried out marketing campaigns through social media and direct interaction with students and professors at CSM. A version of Katie Huddleston’s speech was published in the San Jose Mercury News on October 13, 2014 and can be found at the end of this report.
A wide range of high school students, college students and professors and members of the community attended the screening. The students raised more than $2,000 to provide microloans for impoverished women in Guatemala. The women are starting or growing their very small businesses in order to keep their children in school, support their family and benefit their community. The effort was part of an ongoing collaboration between The Middle College/Hillsdale Effect, San Mateo Rotary Club and the non-profit Namaste-Direct. (Article contributed by Greg Quigley)

### Honors Project Showcases Student Research

On Thursday November 6, CSM’s Honors Project held its traditional fall mixer, in College Heights Conference Room. About 40 people were in attendance—current Honors Project students, prospective students, staff, administrators and faculty, all mingling with delight about participating in the Honors Project. CSM music student Justin Palaad furnished smooth jazz guitar as the musical backdrop for the event.

Going into its third year, the Honors Project now enjoys major institutional support as part of CSM’s new Academic Support and Learning Technologies Division. The division dean, Jennifer Taylor-Mendoza, made a few gracious comments and David Laderman, program coordinator of the Honors Project, specially thanked Fi Tovo, interim program services coordinator in the Learning Center, who has been a vital asset to the program.

The highlight of the mixer was the Honors Project students. Several described their research topics, which ranged from globalization effects, to the political economy of the Internet, to historical critique of gang violence, to the relationship between artistic eloquence and physics. Also present were members of a new student club associated with the Honors Project—the Writers’ Project. Lead by many seasoned Honors Project students, the club seeks to encourage and facilitate student writing, across the curriculum but also across the district: they are inviting submissions from all three colleges for an academic literary journal they aim to publish. (Article contributed by David Laderman)

### Kudos

- Two articles written by Assistant Professor of ESL Lisa Melnick earned Honorable Mention in the 2014 Plaridel Awards held on October 2. The Plaridel Awards honor excellence in Filipino American journalism and are presented by the Philippine-American Press Club. Her articles, “Celestino’s Crusades” won for Best In-Depth/Investigative Story and “Just Because” received a Best Personal Essay honor. Both have been reposted on Positively Filipino- Online Magazine for Filipinos in the Diaspora.

Photo courtesy of Lisa Melnick
The editors and staff of The Labyrinth, CSM's Honors Project newsletter, have won “First Place” for student-published newsletters in the 2014 contest sponsored by the National Collegiate Honors Council (NCHC), which held its annual conference November 5-10 in Denver. The judges based their decision on its excellent writing, design, photography, and general strength of purpose. Dee Dee Pickard, the editor-in-chief, deserves special credit for her tireless work in producing three issues in just one semester, the spring of 2014, enough to qualify for this important national award. Additional student writers and editors deserving congratulations are Laila Talpur, Samantha Trump, Elena Roldan, Melissa Khoo, Ivonne Fajardo, Robert Cecchi, Hanna Haddad, Linda Olmos and others. Professor of English Tim Maxwell was advisor to the The Labyrinth and The Project Club. He gave two presentations on CSM’s Honors Project at the NCHC conference, addressing the program’s community-building design and new interdisciplinary courses.

The Honors Project was also represented at the Bay Honors Consortium Conference at Mills College, October 25. Program Coordinator David Laderman helped organize the event, and presented on a panel.

CSM alum Julian Edelman, NFL wide receiver with the New England Patriots, recently set a franchise record when he returned a punt for 84 yards for a touchdown in a win (43-21) over the Denver Broncos on November 2. Patriots Coach Bill Belichick, commented, “Huge play in the game.” Edelman also caught nine passes for 89 yards, including a five-yard touchdown to put the Patriots ahead just minutes before his punt return. He was a standout quarterback at Woodside High School, CSM and Kent State University.

Three current CSM baseball players have signed National Letters of Intent to play at the university level. Keone Cabinian, a right-handed pitcher and graduate of De LaSalle High School and Miles Mastrobuoni, a shortstop and graduate of Granada High School have both received scholarships to play for the Wolfpack of University of Nevada. Devin Mahoney, an infielder and left-handed pitcher from St. Mary’s High School will be playing for the University of St. Louis. The players earned a combined 3.31 GPA and each of the three received at least 85% of the total cost of college next year from their respective schools.

Ernesto Lacayo, former CSM football player has signed with the Wichita Force, a professional indoor football team that is a member of the Champions Indoor Football League. After two seasons at CSM, Lacayo played for Hastings College in Nebraska. While at Hastings, he broke every kicking record in the history of the school and was named an honorable mention All-American punter in his first season.
Middle College students celebrated Halloween on October 31 by entertaining the students at the Child Development Center. The students led games and helped with arts and crafts projects.

In Memoriam

Albert Teglia, a CSM alum and former Daly City councilman and mayor, died in Roseville at the age of 83. Mr. Teglia, obtained a degree in horticulture from CSM. Known as “Mr. Daly City,” he served on the City Council for 20 years; prior to that he was a trustee with Jefferson Union High School District. In later years, he worked as an assistant to Mary Griffin, supervisor for North San Mateo County, and as an advocate for families and children with the Human Services Agency in the County until his retirement in 2009.

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<td><strong>Annual Fall Dance Concert</strong></td>
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<td>Join CSM for an evening of dance featuring performances by students from CSM dance classes.</td>
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<td>A musical evening filled with piano music as well as an eclectic and entertaining mix of original student compositions.</td>
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<td>A showcase of new music by CSM students in the electronic music program. Performances cover a wide variety of musical styles.</td>
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<td><strong>Honors Project Forum</strong></td>
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<td>Friday, December 12 • 3–5 pm</td>
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<td>College Heights Conference Room</td>
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<td>Presentation and discussion of final projects by Honors Project students. Students will present their final projects in a robust and invigorating culmination of an entire semester’s worth of intellectual pursuit, inspired scholarship and creative collaboration.</td>
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<td><strong>Choreography Showcase</strong></td>
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<td>Dance 390, Dance Composition/Theory/Choreography has been working all semester to learn the foundations of dance choreography. They have made some beautiful dances! In this final performance they have refined their best work from the semester to make it truly show-worthy.</td>
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Student Success Story: Nabin Shrestha

UCLA, Applied Mathematics

It was a great transition coming from my native Nepal and adjusting to the higher education system in the United States. When I first arrived in the Bay Area, I was unsure about my life. My original intent in coming to the U.S. was to study computer science, but I changed my major several times. Attending College of San Mateo helped me adjust and make decisions—I finally decided to study mathematics.

My decision was influenced by my math instructor, Lena Feinman. She is an extraordinary teacher, mentor, boss and most importantly a mother figure for me. While I was in her linear algebra class, she asked if I would like to tutor at the Math Resource Center and later asked me to be a part of Supplemental Instruction (SI) Program and become a SI leader. I have learned greater skills and knowledge and gained a lot of confidence working with her. Serving as a tutor and an SI leader, I helped fellow students who were struggling with math; I found that very rewarding. My work experience gave me an opportunity to know the math faculty very well and meet a lot of people from different backgrounds and with varied knowledge and interests.

During my years at CSM, I also volunteered in the EOPS center as a math tutor, became a member of Alpha Gamma Sigma Honor Society, and an Inter-Club Council representative for Spark Math Club. Additionally, I participated in many activities offered through CSM’s Transfer Services including application workshops, university campus tours and counseling services.

CSM has been a safe haven and the perfect place for me to learn and grow. I believe attending CSM was the right decision for me. CSM is a place where both instructors and staff are ready to help students succeed. I have to admit that I would not been as successful had I not attended CSM. The college has prepared me for the bigger arena. It has prepared me to transfer to one of the best public universities in the United States: UCLA. I am thankful to CSM for providing such wonderful faculty and staff who are always ready to help students thrive and I am appreciative of the opportunities it has offered me in the transfer process.
“See a Movie, Save a Life”

(The following article was written by Katie Huddleston, a junior in CSM’s Middle College program; it was published in the San Jose Mercury News on 10/13.)

Growing up in the progressive Bay Area, I am possibly more aware of my privileged life than some, but I too often continue to live in a state of cognitive dissonance, not really sure what to do with that privilege.

As a typical junior in high school I pretty much have “privileged teen” written all over me. From my iPhone to my Lululemon leggings, I continue to place value on the nonessentials in my life even though I am aware they are nonessential. I snack throughout the day and eat as many meals as I want -- never doubting my food supply. I’ve lost more human contact through social media and technology than I have gained. I sometimes take my education for granted, not thinking about how valuable it is and how so many in the world do not have access to this fundamental right.

The fact that there are young girls in Pakistan denied their right to an education -- even shot to prevent it, like Nobel Peace Prize winner, Malala Yousafzai, is very foreign to me. The thousands of women suffering from fistula in the Congo aren’t women with whom I can directly connect my experiences. And the women in Guatemala working in fields to simply supply their families with a stable life are women who know a kind of truly hard work that I may never have to experience.

I am clearly more privileged than these women. I have obviously won in the geographic lottery. My privilege is luck. I will never know what it is like not to have that luck.

I know what it is to be doubted, though. By my mere identification as a female, I am forced to carry the burden of the various stereotypes that turn a blind eye to the equal abilities of a woman to a man. I live in a country where, while there are many doors open to me, a glass ceiling still means I may only make 77 cents to every dollar a man makes. I am criticized for my clothing choice while my male peers’ behavior is excused away with the attitude “boys will be boys.” Because I am a girl, my body is judged before my capabilities. So, while I really have no idea what it is like to live on two dollars a day, there is something I have in common with women in the developing world.

It is my awareness of my privilege, combined with my awareness of my shared experience with women around the world, that has led me to get involved in microfinance for women in Guatemala.
The College of San Mateo Middle College program is presenting our community with the chance to broaden their mindsets and educate themselves on severe issues facing our world today. Middle College has created a group called “The Middle College Effect,” which helps raise money to finance microloans for women’s small businesses in Guatemala.

Through the nonprofit organization Namaste Direct, we are able to send the money we raise from various fundraisers to specific women looking to strengthen and grow their very small businesses. Through the use of social collateral, in the place of regular loan collateral, groups of women are able to support each other in paying back their loans as their businesses grow and become more profitable.

NamasteDirect offers personalized business training so women are able to create a strong business plan, emerge from the vicious cycle of poverty and become contributing members of their community. This is real. This works. And this helps.

Here’s where you come in. The Middle College Effect is putting on a screening of the documentary, “Half the Sky,” portraying real life triumphs of women all over the world who have faced terrible injustices. Admission is $1. That’s $1 I could likely find in the seat of my car on my way in. That $1 that could contribute to the rescuing of an entire family much less fortunate than my own. That $1 helps that woman’s business flourish, helps her see her true potential and allows her to send her kids to school rather than pulling them out to help support the family financially. That $1 empowers her.

This is not just each individual’s issue. This is not just a women’s issue. This is our issue. Our world, our future. We cannot truly make progress until the potential and capabilities of half of our global population are recognized to their fullest. We can help these women hold up their half of the sky -- it is our sky too, after all. Malala Yousafzai has said, “Girls can be the future, if you give them the chance.” I have learned how I can use my privilege to give them, and all of us, that chance. I hope you will join me.

Half the Sky will screen at 7pm in the CSM Theater on Thursday, October 16. Admission is $1. Prizes donated by local businesses will be raffled off as well.