



President's Report to the SMCCCD Board of Trustees

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New Exhibit Showcases Environmental Awards



A stunning new LEED display exhibit is the latest addition to the Health & Wellness Building. The permanent exhibit, located on the second floor, contains all of the environmental commendations and awards the building has received. The Health and Wellness Building was awarded LEED gold certification by the United States Green Building Council and it was the recipient of the 2011 Sustainable San Mateo County Green Building Award for Non Residential. Commendations were presented by the House of Representatives (Congresswoman Jackie Speier), the California Assembly (Assemblyman Jerry Hill), the California Senate (Senator Leland Yee) and the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors. The exhibit also includes descriptions about the building's sustainable design, construction and resource conservation and management. In keeping with the sustainability theme, the display itself is constructed of recycled materials. (Photo credit: CSM Community Relations and Marketing)

Resource Center Welcomes Veterans

CSM's Veteran's Services recently hosted a "sneak preview" of the college's new Veterans Resource and Opportunity Center. Located in Central Hall (Building 16), the center will assist veterans in the transition from military to civilian life. Its features include a Skype room, several study areas with computers, office space, a lounge and a Zen room. It is currently open on a limited basis; a grand opening is scheduled for Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 11 am. (Photo credit: CSM Community Relations and Marketing)



Journalism Students Earn Top Honors at Professional Events



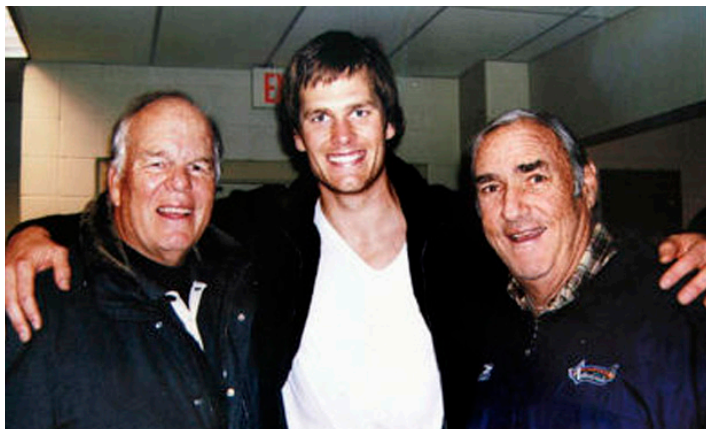
College of San Mateo journalism students captured highest honors for their newspaper and website, along with individual awards, at a regional conference in Sacramento, just days before the presentation of another honor for their coverage of the San Bruno pipeline fire.

During the annual Northern California Conference for the Journalism Association of Community Colleges, the student newspaper and website, *The San Matean*, were honored with General Excellence, the highest awards possible. The awards result from detailed assessments of the newspaper and website in numerous categories, including writing, editing, photography and graphics. Staff writer **Jeffrey Gonzalez** captured the first place award in the individual, on-the-spot contest for Opinion Writing and he also garnered a second place for Photo Illustration; **Kayla Figard**, editor of *The San Matean*, was honored with second place in the On-the-Spot News category; and **Yasmine Mahmoud**, managing editor of *The San Matean*, received an Honorable Mention in the On-the-Spot Copy Editing contest.

CSM journalism students were also honored by the Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) Conference, Northern California Chapter, with an Excellence in Journalism Award for their coverage of last year's San Bruno pipeline fire coverage. "This multimedia package, produced in the midst of a difficult-to-report disaster, demonstrates tenacity, accuracy and fairness," the SPJ judges wrote about *The San Matean's* entries. "The photographs and video captured the impact

of the moment, and the reporting was thorough and highly detailed.” The students who produced the coverage were **Margaret Baum, Alex Farr, Raymond Cheung, Mario Ayala, Tyler Huffman, Sylvia Vasquez, Jeffery Gonzalez, Bruno Manrique, Jason Pun, Roger Boucher, Khiry Crawford, Petero Qauqau and Shine Gao.** (Photo credit: David Sharpe)

NFL Today Show Featured Tom Brady’s Coach & Mentor Tom Martinez



As part of its Thanksgiving pre-game show, *NFL Today* presented a memorable story about **Tom Martinez** and the impact he has had on the career of New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady. The segment highlighted their close relationship that began over 20 years ago when Brady was a 12-year old middle school student. Over the years, Martinez’s role as passing coach has evolved into that of mentor and friend to the three-time Super Bowl champion and two-time NFL Most Valuable Player. According to Brady’s father, “Without Tom Martinez, Tom Brady would not have been the quarterback of the New England Patriots.” The story poignantly described how Brady is spending time with Martinez whose health continues to deteriorate. Martinez retired in 2007 after 32 years of service to the college district; he amassed more than 1,100 wins in football, basketball and softball, a record in California community colleges that remains today.

Copy photo provided by Tom Martinez, Tom Brady Senior, Tom Brady, Tom Martinez. (Karen T. Borchers/Mercury News)

College Begins In-Depth Review of Transfer

As a kickoff to the college’s transfer initiative, the Institutional Planning Committee has sponsored two all-college study sessions on the topic of transfer. The sessions have included a presentation of transfer data, including student focus group information and student surveys. From the dialogue that resulted from the meetings, key areas of focus emerged; these areas will serve as starting points for identifying college efforts that would increase transfer opportunities for students.

Kudos

~ Congratulations to CSM cross-country athlete **Kelly Claire** for being honored as one of the top Academic All-State female student athletes for 2011-12. Kelly earned a 3.85 grade point average. (Photo provided by Mike Claire)



~ Former CSM quarterback Julian Edelman, currently playing for the New England Patriots is now the Patriots’ all-time leader in career yards per punt return with 12.4.

~ **Kathy Ross**, dean of business and technology, reports that graduates of CSM’s new Electrical Power Systems program are finding gainful employment in a wide spectrum of local companies. Of the 34 graduates, eight are working at the Tesla car company while others are employed at Lawrence Livermore Labs, AT&T, PG&E, Loral Space Systems, Lam Research, and several small green energy companies.

~ **Vince Rascon**, professor emeritus of art, has an exhibit of his work, “Vicente Rascon Retrospective” featured in the Coastal Arts League Museum in Half Moon Bay. The exhibit included paintings and etchings that Rascon created over the past 40 years. Rascon also presented a lecture in Spanish, “Una conversación con el Gran Artista.” While at CSM, he taught ceramics, glass blowing, drawing and etching from 1963 to 1988.

~ **John Lucchesi**, adjunct faculty member in architecture, has been selected secretary of the San Mateo County Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. He has taught at CSM since 1986.

~ DSPS held an Assistive Technology Equipment Scholarship fundraiser which generated \$1,295 in donations and exceeded its goal of \$1,000. In addition, the program will receive \$1,000 in matching funds plus five SmartPens donated by the Student Academic Enhancement Committee and Associated Students of CSM.

~ The EOPS Club invited the campus community to “move and groove for a good cause” by hosting a Zumbathon fundraiser for the EOPS Program and Club. Participants in this “ultimate Zumba fitness party” had a great time moving to the exotic rhythms of high-energy Latin and international beats. The Zumbathon was led by Jojn Vehikite, program services coordinator in EOPS and a licensed Zumba instructor, along with other Bay Area Zumba instructors. Approximately \$600 in contributions was collected from the event.

~ The ASCSM and Office of Student Life teamed up to sponsor the 2nd Annual Holiday Angels Toy Drive. Between November 10 and December 7, they collected new, unwrapped toys that will be presented as gifts to the children of families in need who are enrolled in the Child Development Center, EOPS and CARE. In addition, CalWORKs, is joining all of the previously mentioned programs in sponsoring a holiday basket drive. The group is collecting items and gift certificates to fill baskets, stockings, boxes and bags, each worth \$75 and distributed to thirty CSM students and families.

Sports Update

Football News



(Photo credit: CSM Community Relations and Marketing)

CSM capped off a successful football season by winning the Bothman Bulldog Bowl in record-breaking fashion—by defeating Diablo Valley College 62-24. It’s not surprising that the Bulldogs broke numerous records including number of points scores (62), yards rushing (422) and yards of total offense (581). The Bulldogs concluded the season at 8-3 for the second year in a row. It was also CSM’s sixth straight bowl victory.

The following CSM football players have been named 1st Team, All-Conference Players:

Hoko Fanaika (Florin High School)
Jerrell Brown (Hillsdale High School)
Barrett Wangara (Capuchino High School)
Justin Sagote (Wilcox High School)
Tevita Lataimua (Mills High School)
Alex Hubbard (Fairfield High School)
Nate Jackson (Terra Nova High School)

Baseball News

Two CSM baseball players accepted scholarship offers from universities during the November early-signing period. Pitcher **Clay Bauer** has signed with Oregon State University. He was selected in the 48th round of the 2011 Major League Baseball First-year Player Draft by the Colorado Rockies but did not sign. At CSM, Bauer was named Coast Golden Gate Conference Co-Pitcher of the Year and All-Northern California in his freshman year. Shortstop **Mike Kathan** has signed a letter of intent with University of San Francisco.

CSM Head Baseball Coach **Doug Williams** was a participant on a panel on the college recruitment process, hosted by Serra High School. The panel consisted of five college and university coaches representing different levels of baseball programs (NCAA, Division 1, Division 2, NAIA and CCAA) as well as a professional coach and two professional players. (Photo source: CSM Athletics website)

