

President's Report to the SMCCCD Board of Trustees

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Summer Olympics 2012 at the Mary Meta Lazarus Child Development Center



While the rest of the world was waiting for the start of the Olympics in London, the children, families and staff at the Mary Meta Lazarus Child Development Center have been participating in an Olympics of their own. They have been engaging in an array of athletic events, including track and field, long jump, hurdles, soccer, gymnastics, and cycling. As a culminating activity, the staff planned an Olympic Medal Ceremony for the children and families. Summer Olympics at the Child Development Center has tied directly into a motor education program staff has implemented throughout the past year that



has also included activities such as weekly family yoga sessions and boot camp for children and parents. This motor education series is part of a comprehensive health and nutrition program called *Healthy Eats, Active Feet*. Sequoia Healthcare District's Healthy Schools Initiative first funded the Child Development Center's *Healthy Eats, Active Feet* program in fall 2011.

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Children were born to move! However, their active play alone does not ensure they will acquire the key physical skills necessary to build the confidence and competence to continue being physically active and proficient throughout childhood and adult life. It is through an intentionally planned motor education program, like the one included in *Healthy Eats, Active Feet*, that children and families become empowered and enabled to experience the joy of efficient movement, the health benefits of regular physical activity and ultimately, a lifetime as competent movers.



Positive evaluation findings have clearly demonstrated the program's value in promoting healthy lifestyle habits, in the areas of good nutrition and regular physical activity, that will contribute to the long-term health and well being of the children and families enrolled. As a result, we are excited to announce the Sequoia Healthcare District will continue to fund *Healthy Eats, Active Feet* in 2012-13. (*Photo credits: Jane Wong and CSM Child Development Center*)

Story contributed by Louise Piper, coordinator, Child Development Center

CSM Athletes Who Became Olympians



Note: this is a partial list (Photo source: Olympics.org)
Greg Buckingham, swimming (200 meters), silver medalist (Mexico, 1968)
Nicole Carroll-Lewis, javelin (Atlanta, 1996)
Billie Pat Daniels, women's pentathlon (Rome, 1960; Toyko,1964; Mexico City, 1968)
Steve Hamann, water polo, silver medalist (Los Angeles, 1984)
Gregg Tafralis, shot put (Seoul, 1988)
Berny Wagner, assistant track coach (Montreal, 1976)
Archie Williams, track (400 meters), gold medalist (Berlin, 1936)

CSM's Athletics Hall of Fame Honors 90 Years of Sports

On Friday, September 14, CSM will induct an elite class of 16 former players and coaches into the college's Athletics Hall of Fame. The list of inductees covers a wide range of success and sports. This year's honorees include:

Student Athletes

Norm Angelini, baseball Stacy Bergstedt, softball Greg Buckingham, swimming Chris Diehl, track and field Jeff Fishback, track and field Cindy Galarza, basketball Steve Hamann, water polo Ed Kertel, football Frank Pignataro, baseball Tom Scott, football



Coaches

Oliver "Tex" Byrd, track and field Rich Donner, swimming and water polo Mike Lewis, track and field Steve Shafer, football Jack Thur, football Berny Wagner, track and field/cross country

The 2012 class is highlighted by the induction of former track and field coach, Oliver "Tex" Byrd, founder of the National Junior College Athletic Association 75 years ago while he was at CSM. Joining Byrd is his successor Berny Wagner. The list also includes former CSM head football coaches Steve Shafer and Jack Thur. Shafer earned a Super Bowl ring with the Baltimore Ravens in 2001 while Thur spent more than three decades coaching at CSM. Student athlete Greg Buckingham was a premier swimmer for Coach Rich Donner (also an inductee) at CSM; he transferred to Stanford where he made major contributions to the university's swim program and its rise to national prominence; Buckingham was an Olympic medalist in the 1968 games. Chris Diehl made the list as a two-time state champion in the heptathlon.

CSM's Hall of Fame weekend will feature a Friday afternoon Hall of Fame Plaza ceremony, followed by a cocktail reception and banquet in the Bayview Dining Room in College Center. The celebration will continue with the Hall of Fame football game on Saturday afternoon, September 15, at 1 pm against Diablo Valley at College Heights Stadium and include special halftime ceremonies. Additional information is available at: collegeofsanmateo.edu/halloffame.

Stanford and Drumheller Appear in Leading Astronomy Magazine



Professor of Astronomy **Darryl Stanford** and Lab technician **Dean Drumheller** appear in a photo in the September 2012 issue of *Sky and Telescope* magazine. The photo accompanies an article about the discovery of meteor showers; the article mentions that Stanford and Drumheller are working with Dr. Peter Jenniskens, a meteor shower expert with the SETI Institute, on the CAMS (Cameras for Allsky Meteor Surveillance) Project. The project uses small security cameras in various locations to detect new meteoroid streams. A camera is located outside of CSM's Observatory and is shown in the image in the magazine. (*Photo credit: Sky and Telescope Magazine*)

Summer Bridge Academy Returns



During the summer, CSM's Learning Center kick started a renewed Summer Bridge Academy program. The program targeted incoming students who placed into basic skills math or English-level courses. The inaugural class attended the program for two weeks and received an extensive introduction to the college's support programs and services. The Summer Bridge students also received assistance and counseling that focused on college success strategies including time management, planning for academic success and navigating the CSM experience.

The Learning Center will continue the relationship with the 2012 Summer Bridge Academy participants throughout their time at CSM by providing ongoing opportunities for support, counseling, and social connections. Future plans for the program include increasing participation and the possibility of adding peer mentoring and supplemental instruction in basic skills areas. (*Photo credit: Jennifer Mendoza*)



Welcome! This President's Lecture Series showcases five Lisa Suguitan Melnick CSM faculty members who have written-and continue to write—in diverse genres. Discussing with you their writing process, they will cover such topics as

- becoming a writer (never too late)
- ~ finding ways to conquer writer's block and laziness using backstories of characters to add complexity to a novel
- journaling as a valuable practice setting small tasks every day.

Jay Lehmann, Professor of Mathematics

Writing Experience: Horror novel for middle grade stu-dents; young adult crime novel; math textbooks (published) Quote: "...knowing the story wasn't necessary for me to be-gin work. I had located the fossil. The rest, I knew, would consist of careful excavation." —Stephen King, On Writing

Joyce Luck, Assistant Professor of English Writing Experience: Biography (published); short story (pub-lished); reviews and interviews (published) for numerous magazines; memoir; regular contributor to online magazines

Ouote: "Consistency is key.... Don't wait for inspiration."

Assistant Professor of ESL and Kinesiology Writing Experience: Young adult fiction chapter book biography; creative pieces (published) ative non-fiction sketches: essav/memoi Quote: "The writing process takes practice. And the prac-tice is, in itself, a practice."

Autumn Newman, Assistant Professor of English Writing Experience: Poetry (published); has taught cre-ative writing and conducted workshops on formal poetics Quote: "His fervor for the written word was an inter ing of solemn respect and gossipy irreverence Garcia Marquez, One Hundred Years of Solitude —Gabrie

Roberta Reynolds, Professor of English Writing Experience: Poetry (published); memoir, novel; readings at bookstores, libraries, public occasions, memo-rials and weddings; has edited poetry and fiction; Faculty Advisor for CSM's Creative Writing Contest Quote: "Like fine roses, words that flow need tending, hard work beneath their surface.



On Wednesday, October 10, The President's Lecture Series: Diverse Voices in Writing will showcase five CSM faculty members who have written - and continue to write - in diverse genres. Each will discuss their writing process and address the following topics: becoming a writer; finding ways to conquer writer's block; using backstories of characters to add complexity to a novel; journaling as a valuable practice; and setting small tasks every day. The participating faculty are:

Jay Lehmann, professor of mathematics

Genres: horror novel for middle grade students, young adult crime novel, math textbooks

Joyce Luck, assistant professor of English Genres: biography, short story, reviews and interviews, memoir

Lisa Suguitan Melnick, assistant professor of ESL and kinesiology

Genres: young adult fiction chapter books, biography, creative non-fiction sketches, essay/memoir

Autumn Newman, assistant professor of English Genres: poetry and creative writing

Roberta Reynolds, professor of English Genres: poetry, memoir, novel

The presentation runs from 11:10 am - 12 pm and will be held in the Theatre. The President's Lecture Series is sponsored by a generous grant from the Lane Family Charitable Trust.

College for Kids Wraps Up 20th Year



College for Kids celebrated its 20th year of fun and learning this summer. New classes that were added include: Create Your Own Web Page; Introduction to Game Development; Fun Environmental Science; Fencing Fun; Media Acting; Digital Painting; Watercolor Painting; Mission to Mars; Fun Kitchen Chemistry; Graphic Design and Animation; Digital Animation Film; and Dream Room Makeover.

Below are a few of the student and parent testimonials about College of Kids held at CSM:

"I love how the classes are fun and you're learning at the same time." Kyla Y.

"This is the best summer school ever!" Anthony M.

"I liked best that you get to learn many new things, experience college and see how it is like." Joshua C.

"My daughter enjoyed all of her classes and was excited every day to show me what she learned that day." N. Wong

"My child liked the College for Kids instructors. She wants to sign up for next year NOW!" M. Rock

(Photo source: Community Education)



Welcome Day for New Students



On Friday, August 17, CSM's Office of Student Life & Leadership will hold Welcome Day for new students and their families. The event kicks off with a complimentary pancake breakfast and will be followed by presentations about instructional programs and student services, a campus tour and visits to Financial Aid, Transfer Services, Office of Student Life and the Bookstore.

Kudos

~ Professor of Ethnic Studies **Frederick Gaines** has completed his Ed.D. in Educational Leadership at U.C. Davis. His dissertation project, "African American Male Community College Football Student-Athletes: An Exploration of Factors That Facilitate and/or Impede Academic Success," focused on student athletes in the "Writing in the End Zone" learning community. (Photo credit: Sean Arbabi)



~ **Gisel Martin**, office assistant in the Creative Arts & Social Science Division has completed a master's degree from University of San Francisco in international and multicultural education.

~ Professor of Nursing, **Janis Wisherop**, the Psychiatric Nursing course manager, has partnered with San Mateo County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services to give nursing students an opportunity to teach health topics that promote wellness to consumers of behavioral health services in the community.

~ **Valerie Tyler**, webmaster in the Community Relations and Marketing Department has been named co-chair of 133rd Audio Engineering Society (AES) Convention which

will be held October 26-29 at the Moscone Center. Since joining the AES in 1993, Tyler has served on a variety of Convention committees including workshops, special events, tutorials & master classes. For over 60 years, AES has been the largest gathering of audio professionals and enthusiasts in the world and attracts delegates



from over 100 countries. (Photo provided by: Valerie Tyler)

~ Former CSM alum **Dylan Hararah** was highlighted in an article in the *Daily Journal* (July 30, 2012), "CSM student Dylan Hararah is bringing Walls to Life." The former art student is creating public murals for businesses located in downtown San Mateo. So far, he has been commissioned by the B Street and Vine

Café to paint "Jazz Duet" on the restaurant's back wall in the B Street Parking Garage, and for the Swingin' Door, on 25th Avenue, he created "David Bowie and Winston Churchill," a mural which graces the entrance to the pub. Hararah has been finetuning his painting skills for several years; however, it was in art classes at CSM that he began to focus on a career as an artist. The article can be



viewed at <u>http://www.smdailyjournal.com/article_preview.</u> php?id=1752046&title=Bringing%20walls%20to%20life. (Photo source: Dylan Hararah website)