

President's Report to the SMCCCD Board of Trustees

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Hall Of Fame Honors CSM's Athletic Legacy

On September 23-24, the college will celebrate nearly 90 years of its sports legacy with the induction of the inaugural class of honorees into CSM's Athletic Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame is designed to honor the many athletes who achieved excellence in competition, coaches who made a difference in the lives of their athletes, and contributors who have helped to build and maintain the college's rich athletic heritage. The two-day event begins on Friday, September 23 at 4 pm with a ribbon cutting ceremony to dedicate the Hall of Fame Plaza, located outside of the Gymnasium (Building 8), at the mall level. This will be followed by a no-host cocktail hour and a silent auction at 4:45 pm and the induction dinner starting at 6 pm, all held in the Bayview Dining Hall in College Center. Hal Ramey KCBS sports director, afternoon sports anchor and CSM alum, will serve as Master of Ceremonies for the induction ceremony. Sixteen former athletes and/or coaches will be formally inducted into the Hall, including five that will be honored posthumously*. John Madden, former professional football coach, analyst and broadcaster, will be unable to attend but has accepted the invitation to be inducted. This year's roster of inductees will include:

Jack Avina - Basketball Coach

Ray Balsley* - Basketball/Golf Coach

Neal Dahlen - Football Coach

Bill Dickey - Football Coach/Administrator

Jenny Freeman - Student/Athlete Softball

Herb Hudson* -Coach/Administrator

Nicole Carroll-Lewis - Student/Athlete Track

Tom Martinez – Football, Softball, Basketball Coach

Murius McFadden* - Coach/Administrator

John Noce - Baseball Coach

Bill Ring - Student/Athlete Football

Bob Rush - Coach, Track & Field, Cross Country

Ted Tollner - Football Coach

Bill Walsh* - Student/Athlete Football

Archie Williams* - Student/Athlete Track



The accomplishments of this group are indeed impressive as there are 13 Super Bowl rings and an Olympic gold medal earned by the honorees.

The Hall of Fame inductees will be introduced and honored at CSM's home football game on Saturday, September 24 against West Valley at 1pm. More information on the Hall of Fame is available at collegeofsanmateo.edu/halloffame.



New Students Receive Warm CSM Welcome

On Friday, August 12, more than 200 new CSM students and their families attended Welcome Day. The event began with a welcome by President Michael Claire, Vice President of Student Services Jennifer Hughes, and Student Body President Paige Kupperberg. After a pancake breakfast in College Center, students were given a brief presentation with start of the semester tips. Members of some of CSM's student clubs, including Alpha Gamma Sigma, Phi Theta Kappa, and Psychology Club were also on hand to provide information and campus tours. Welcome Day was coordinated by **Aaron Schaefer and Fauzi Hamadeh** of the Office of Student Life & Leadership Development.



Student Senate Attends Summer Retreat



During the summer, members of the 2011/12 Student Senate participated in a three-day leadership and development retreat held at Alliance Redwoods Conference Grounds in Occidental. Developed by the CSM Office of Student Life & Leadership Development, the conference provided training in personal development, leadership styles, interpersonal communication, and social change. To gain insight into their personalities and leadership styles they took the Myers-Briggs Indicator test. Students also clarified their own personal values, learned about ethical leadership and decision-making, and collaborated in developing group values. Finally, the members of student government participated in a ropes course that highlighted the importance of teamwork, communication, and collaboration.

Members of CSM's student government for 2011/12 are: Paige Kupperberg, President; Daniella Medeiro, Vice President; Regina Ramos, Secretary; Nioratra Benyasri, Finance Director; Hayley Sharpe, Vice Chair; Senators Paola Alunni, Losili Alusa, Kat Alvarado, Brittany Arthur, Nicholas Carlozzi, Julie Anne Crews, Shine Gao, Bailey



Girard, Niko Larot, Melanie Medeiro, Carlos Mesquita, Michael Norton, Allie Patawaran, Matt Schmeeckle, Epine Siaopo, Jeff Stanley, Christopher Tran, and Emmeline Wong; and Associate Senators Ahmad Albawayah, Cecile Basnage, Jeff Gonzalez, Sashka Leahy, Tryn Miller, Doug Robinson, and Nick Vasquez. (Article and photos contributed by Fauzi Hamadeh)



Operation Welcome Mat Creates Smooth Start For Fall Semester



CSM's Operation Welcome Mat (OWM) has just wrapped up another successful week of activity assisting students in finding their way around campus. A cadre of volunteers comprised of staff members and student ambassadors, wearing easily identifiable blue shirts, were deployed at various strategic locations in the throughout the day and evening to guide students and answer questions. OWM was coordinated by **Alex Guiriba** of the Community Relations and Marketing Office.



(Photo credits: Alex Guiriba)

Baseball Players Score Big in University Transfer



While CSM's baseball team posted an impressive 2010-11 season which ended in the Super Regional Tournament, even more notable are transfer and scholarship numbers for the student athletes. From last year's team, 10 bulldog players were recruited by universities with seven receiving scholarships:

Nate Bobrowski – St. Edwards College *

Devin Bradley – Coastal Carolina University *

Doug Caldwell - St Mary's College *

Josh Fredendall - University of Washington *

Joe Goldenberg - University of Hawaii

Riley Goulding - University of Texas Pan American *

Griffin Kirsch - University of Nevada Reno

Justin Maffei - University of San Francisco *

Zach Sanford - Sonoma State University *

Sean Walters - Sonoma State University

* scholarship

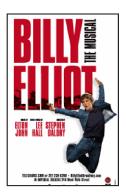
(Photo source: CSM Athletics website)



Kudos

~ Professor of Music **Mike Galisatus** performed with his jazz quartet and vocalist Rhonda Benin at a community open house sponsored by the Friends of the Millbrae Library. Galisatus, a trumpeter, has recorded with Pete Escovedo and Queen Ida and has performed with many noted artists including Natalie Cole, Gladys Knight, Kenny Loggins, Johnny Mathis and Mel Torme. He is a guest conductor throughout the state and is currently serving as president of the Bay Section of the California Association for Music Education.

~ College of San Mateo music instructor **Tim Devine** is currently performing with the orchestra of the national touring company of *Billy Elliot* at the Orpheum Theater in San Francisco. Tim has played music professionally for the past 23 years and has achieved an impressive list of musical theater successes that include playing for the pre-Broadway world premieres of



Lestat (featuring the music of Sir Elton John), The Mambo Kings and Lennon. He has also performed with the following national tours: In the Heights, Young Frankenstein, Dreamgirls, West Side Story, Shrek-The Musical, The Color Purple, Avenue Q, Chicago, and Hairspray; and the long-running, local cabaret show, Teatro Zinzanni. (Image source: unknown)

~ CSM alum **Edmar Castaneda** was featured in an article in the *San Jose Mercury News*, "Pan American Jazz from Edmar Castaneda," on July 22, 2011. A virtuoso on the

Colombian harp, Castaneda recently made his Northern California band leading debut at the Campbell Recital Hall, as part of the Stanford Jazz Festival. He has an upcoming album, "Double Portion" in which he alternates between Colombian and concert



harp, playing solo and duo with other Pan-American musicians. He has also collaborated with jazz greats Wynton Marsalis, John Scofield and John Patitucci. (Photo source: Edmar Castaneda, from NPR website)

~ Professor **Mohsen Janatpour** has a collection of his paintings on exhibit in the Peninsula Ballet Theatre's Arts Center, located at 1880 South Grant Street in San Mateo. Janatpour's work is influenced by the philosophies of his favorite poets, authors and artists: Rumi, Khayyam, da Vinci, Goya, Picasso, Klee and Magritte. He has created a visual composition he refers to as "symviso" (together viewing). A symvisio brings together three to five panels, each a unified composition that can stand on its own. The exhibit will remain on view through the end of August.



(Photo provided by Mohsen Janatpour)

- ~ Mike Wallace, Jr., who was an outstanding safety during the Bulldogs' 2010 season, has accepted a scholarship to play at Abilene Christian University (ACU) in Abilene, Texas. ACU has one of the nation's best Division II football programs.
- ~ **Ryan Beckwith**, former assistant track coach at CSM, has been hired as the new athletic director at Bakersfield College. While at CSM, Beckwith worked with sprinters and hurdlers. He is also currently in training for the 2012 Olympics in the decathlon. (*Photo source: Bakersfield College.com*)



~ **Beverley Madden**, director of community relations and marketing, has been appointed as the treasurer for Thrive (Alliance of Nonprofits of San Mateo County).



Student Success Story: Alex Quintana

College of San Mateo, Associate degree UC Santa Cruz, philosphy major

Alex Quintana arrived in the United States from his native Peru when he was nine years old. Upon graduation from Hillsdale High School, Alex was eligible to attend a university, but for economic reasons, decided to enroll at CSM and followed a transfer path to a university.

At CSM, he hit the ground running. Alex was a full time student, worked 25 hours a week in a local bakery to support his education and he quickly was immersed in college life.

Alex became an integral part of student government where he was able to bridge his passion and dedication to issues of social justice with the desire to stand up for the students he represented. He honed his leadership skills, serving as senator, finance director and vice president of the Associated Students and president of the Latinos Unidos Club. Through his hard work, he was one of the first students to raise political issues regarding underrepresented AB-540 students. Alex worked to increase the awareness of the Latino culture on campus through a variety of student-sponsored events. For his service to CSM, Alex received a number of scholarships and awards including the prestigious Allan R. Brown Student Service Award.

As a student representative on several college committees Alex proved to be an articulate and effective voice of the students. When CSM celebrated the grand opening of its flagship building, College Center, Alex was selected as the student speaker for the event. "Through leadership activities, CSM has helped me develop my principles and values, and advocate for the rights of the lost voices of underrepresented students," says Alex.

As a student in the EOPS program, Alex had access to support services to ensure his success in college. Members of the EOPS staff, especially **Sylvia Aguirre** and **Lorena del Mundo**, were supportive and provided guidance in recommending classes and resources that helped Alex work toward his educational goals. Through EOPS, Alex was inspired to assume an active role as a student of color and became a part of the "movimeiento" (movement) stand up for the rights of students of color and challenging injustice.

Student Activities Assistant **Fauzi Hamadeh** describes Alex as "a true success story." "When Alex joined student government, he was quiet and reserved. As he grew into a



leader and discovered his own potential, Alex became an outspoken voice for students. He has worked extensively on behalf of CSM's students, especially those who face challenges that would prevent them from succeeding in college. Working with faculty, staff, administrators, and other students, Alex has tackled the tough issues facing our students and our college. He has earned the respect of his peers and the campus community for his leadership, his integrity, and his dedication" says Hamadeh.

During the time he spent at CSM, Alex had the opportunity to "sample" various subjects as possible majors. While he originally planned to study law, he found inspiration in his philosophy professor, **Dave Danielson**, and the subject matter. "Philosophy opened up my eyes to a new understanding of the past and present, and possibilities for the future." In fall 2011, Alex transferred to UC Santa Cruz as a philosophy major with the goal of teaching at the college level. (*Photo credit: Community Relations and Marketing*)

