

COLLEGE of SAN MATEO

Office of the President • Executive Report to the Board of Trustees

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BOY SCOUTS SPRUCE UP CSM PAR COURSE

Over several summer weekends, the 18-station par course on campus was refurbished by a local Boy Scout Troop project under the supervision of its scoutmaster, **Hans Ullrich**, KCSM broadcast engineer. The work focused on the remaining stations and not replacement of those no longer in existence. The Scouts sanded and refinished all of the sign structures and support posts. In addition, they replaced many of the deteriorating boards, posts and hardware. **Steven Arms**, the troop project leader, did a fantastic job of devising the project plan, communicating it to the college administration and coordinating the work with the Facilities Department. The successful completion of this project will earn him scouting's highest rank, Eagle. According to Hans, only 5% of scouts earn this rank. The refurbished stations are now safer and aesthetically pleasing. Many thanks to Troop #44 of San Mateo!

CELEBRATING FACULTY WITH LONG-TERM SERVICE

On Tuesday, September 30, from 12:30-2pm, the college will host the annual Faculty Service Awards Reception honoring faculty with 10, 22, 30 and 40 years of service. This year, the college will celebrate 31 honorees:

10 years: Philip Alves, Jim Clifford, Machiko Conway, Jonathan Hofeld, Stanley Isaacs, Steven Isler, George Khoury, Joyce Luck, Ashok Malik, Siamack Moughadam, Sandra Raeber, Rudy Ramirez, Eugene Shender, Kevin Sinarle, Michelle Warner, Mary Katherine Wilson, Jing Wu

20 years: Thomas Chase, Robert Fisher, Michael Galisatus, Modesta Garcia, Andres Gonzales, Carol Hansen, Ann Longknife, Jane McAteer, Mohammad Roghani

30 years: Kitty Brown, Harry Collis, John Heinbockel, Janice Willis

40 years: Dean Chowenhill

The event will be held in the SoTL Center, Bldg. 12, 170. Refreshments will be served. The reception is sponsored by the President's Office. All members of the campus community are invited.

KARAOKE FOR VETS RAISES \$625

CSM staff and friends turned out to sing (or attempt to sing) at a karaoke fundraiser that netted \$625 for a veteran's scholarship. One hundred percent of the proceeds raised by the event will fund Welcome Home scholarships honoring CSM students who have served or are currently serving in the military. The fundraiser was sponsored by CSM's Classified Staff Planning Committee with assistance from the Veterans Club and held at the College Vista Clubhouse. Donations to support the scholarship are still being accepted. Please make checks payable to ClaSP Vets Scholarship and send to Mario Mihelcic in the Admissions Office.

KUDOS

★ The August 2008 issue of *Gentry* magazine included the second part of a feature story about CSM during the Coyote Point years (the first part was published in August 2007) written by historians **Michael Svanevik**, professor of history and **Shirley Burgett**. The "Academy" focuses primarily on 1947-1953 when the college was housed in former Maritime Academy buildings at the Coyote Point site. *Gentry* is an upscale magazine covering the mid-peninsula. The article can be viewed at <http://digimag.rrd.com/18Media/Peninsula200808>



★ **Jude Pittman** (left), associate professor of art, has a collection of her work on display at the Avenue 25 Gallery. Her show, "New Works: Paintings and Giclee Prints by Jude Pittman" is on display now through October 30. Giclee printing creates images generated from high resolution digital scans and printed with special light-fast inks onto various surfaces. Avenue 25 Gallery is located at 32W 25th Avenue in San Mateo.

★ **Michelle Brown** (right), associate professor of broadcasting and electronic media, has recently been accepted by the Academy of TV Arts and Sciences Foundation as a delegate to the annual Faculty Seminar to be held November 11-15 in Los Angeles. She is one of only 20 educators selected to participate in the seminar which will include discussions, presentations and interactions with major studios, production companies, networks and their top production and programming professionals. Participants will also have the opportunity to view behind-the-scenes television production.



★The Transfer Center sponsored another very successful Transfer Day event which included representatives from UC, CSU and many private universities in California and from out-of-state. Members of the Associated Students of CSM and Student Senate participated by offering opportunities for transfer bound students to get involved in campus life and student governance which would make them more competitive applicants when applying to highly impacted institutions. The day included free refreshments and raffle prizes. **Mike Mitchell** (right), transfer services coordinator, was in charge of the event.



ALUMNI STARS



★CSM alum **Warren Furutani** (left) was elected in a special election to the 55th Assembly District in February 2008, representing the communities of Wilmington, Harbor City, Harbor Gateway, Carson and parts of Long Beach and Lakewood. Assemblyman Furutani recently authored Assembly Joint Resolution 65 which gave formal recognition to the important contributions of Filipino and Filipino Americans to the history and cultural heritage of California; it successfully passed both houses of the Legislature with strong bipartisan support. Furutani has been involved in public service for 35 years. He served three terms as a member of the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) Board of Trustees and is the only person to have been elected and reelected to the LACCD board and to the Los Angeles Unified School District Board. Furutani was the first Asian Pacific American ever elected to the high school district board. He attended CSM in the late 1960's and was an activist for equal rights, particularly in the area of education.

★**Don Hall** (right), a CSM graduate and artist, was the subject of an article in the *Turlock Journal*, featuring an exhibit of his work currently on display in the Turlock City Gallery. Hall received his AA degree in fine art and then transferred to the California College of Arts and Crafts in Oakland before completing his BA at California State University, Stanislaus. He also obtained a master's in fine art. Don has taught art in community colleges for more than 20 years, including Merced College, Delta College and currently at Modesto Junior College. His most recent exhibition includes paintings and drawings, however, he works mainly in clay. He creates ceramic sculptures and pottery in his studio and has recently begun writing articles for *Pottery Making Illustrated* magazine. His ceramics have been on exhibit at art shows around the State. He attended CSM in the 1960's.



MIDDLE COLLEGE VISITS STANFORD

To mark the beginning of the new academic year, CSM's Middle College High School students participated in a field trip to Stanford University to view outdoor art displays. Prior to the field trip, students spent two days addressing "What is art?" They worked in groups to discuss what forms of art were most meaningful to them. The field trip to Stanford allowed them to visit the Papua New Guinea Sculpture Garden and view sculptures around campus and outside the Cantor Art Center. This year, 58 students from the San Mateo Union High School District and the Cabrillo Unified School District are enrolled in the program.

CSM HOSTS TALKING ABOUT TEACHING FORUMS

CSM has recently launched its *Talking About Teaching Forums* for the fall semester. The first event featured a demonstration of “Civic Mirror,” a civic engagement, classroom simulation conducted by Regan Ross from Action-ed, based in Vancouver, BC. Civic Mirror, an innovative learning tool that accompanies classroom lectures and enhances the learning that takes place, offers students the opportunity to practice what they are taught by experiencing governing first hand. It encourages students to actively engage with one another as they create a new national government, elect a president, write a constitution, run an economy and accumulate or lose wealth while trying to support their families. This all takes place in the classroom, without leaving the campus! Political Science Instructor **Erin Scholnick** arranged the presentation.

Information about this innovative program and comments by many people throughout the world, including the prime minister of Canada, can be viewed at <http://civicmirror.com/>.

A second, recently held Talking About Teaching Forum was “CSM and Canada Scholars: Infusing Civic Knowledge and Responsibility into the Classroom.” It featured the following faculty members and topics:

Paul Roscelli, economics, Cañada: Economic Puzzles as a Teaching and Learning Tool

Michelle Brown, broadcasting and electronic Media, CSM: “Students’ Ethical Understanding and Assessment of GE-SLO #5 – Ethical Responsibility”

Anniqua Rana, ESL, Cañada: “The Impact of Supplemental Instruction on Students’ Learning”

Lucia Olson, English, CSM: “Students’ Understanding of Protest Literature”

Lezlee Ware, political science, Cañada: “The Democratic Process Inside and Outside the Classroom”

HEALTH CENTER INTRODUCES PROJECT EAGLE

CSM’s Health Center is sponsoring Project EAGLE, a new, grant funded peer education program designed to promote student health and wellness by reducing harmful effects of substance use. Project EAGLE utilizes an interactive empowerment and education-based approach to reduce the incidence of severe illness/injury or death due to substance use; educate students on co-morbid risks of substance use; identify social issues leading to substance use; promote resistance, resiliency, problem solving and stress management skills; and provide on and off campus health resources. At the request of faculty, project staff are making 15-30 minutes presentations to classes about the program.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ▶ September 24 – Diabetes Awareness Day, Fiesta de La Salud, featuring health information, food demonstrations and music.
- ▶ September 24 - DSPS Brown Bag Lunch Forum: DSPS 101
- ▶ September 25 – Accounting & Tax Networking Night – an event for accounting and tax students and members of the community interested in learning more about careers in accounting or tax.
- ▶ September 27 – Alumni Football Day, CSM Football Stadium, 1 pm kickoff
- ▶ October 2, 2-3:30 pm - Talking About Teaching Forum: “Energizing Learning by Letting the Students Be the Teachers,” featuring **Tatiana Isaef** (Nursing, CSM); and “What Students Can Do with Electronic Text,” with **Carolyn Fiori** (Disabled Students Program, CSM).
- ▶ October 10, 2-3:30 pm – Talking About Teaching Forum: “Integrative Learning in a Mathematics Classroom,” featuring **Mike Burke** (Math, CSM)