



President's Report to the SMCCCD Board of Trustees

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Minnijean Brown Trickey to Speak at CSM's 90th Commencement



The college is pleased to announce that civil rights activist and trailblazer **Minnijean Brown Trickey**, will serve as the college's keynote speaker at CSM's 90th commencement exercises on Friday, May 25. She is one of the nine African American students who collectively resisted opposition to the desegregation to enter Little Rock Central High School in 1957 with protection from federal troops.

Brown Trickey is the subject of a documentary, *Journey to Little Rock: the Untold Story of Minnijean Brown Trickey*, which has received critical acclaim in international film festivals in Africa, United Kingdom, United States, South America and Canada. As one of the Little Rock Nine, she received the NAACP Spingarn Medal and the Congressional Gold Medal, presented by President Bill Clinton. During the spring 2012 semester, Brown Trickey has been teaching the class "Landmarks of Civil Rights: the U.S. Civil Rights Movement," at CSM, Cañada and Skyline. (Photo source: Little Rock Nine Foundation)

Student Job Seekers Turn Out for Career Fair

By all accounts, CSM's 16th Annual Get Linked Career Fair was a great success. Forty-five employers participated, representing a wide spectrum of careers, many of which offered part-time jobs and internships designed specifically for students. Approximately 350 job-seeking students who attended the event had the opportunity to network with employers and learn more about the businesses represented, future job openings and the requirements needed for various careers. The event is coordinated by **Eileen O'Brien**, career services counselor, and **Ron Visconti**, executive director of Phase 2 Careers.



(Photo credit: Alexis Madayag)

Managers Retreat Focused on Transfer & Student Success

CSM's Management Council recently held a leadership retreat at the Cañada Vista clubhouse. The two primary purposes of the retreat were to focus on CSM's transfer initiative and explore additional strategies to increase student success, both of which have been ongoing discussions at CSM's Joint Administrators Council and Management Council meetings. With respect to student success, the group discussed a variety of institutional success initiatives already underway at the college, explored ways to increase recognition of our students' successes, identified potential institutional barriers to student success, and explored other student success models. To begin the dialog of the transfer initiative, President **Mike Claire** and Vice President **Jennifer**

Hughes lead a short skit using the analogy of a "hike" from trailhead to summit to demonstrate the transfer journey of CSM students. The group then examined critical points (trailmarkers) in students' transfer journeys, discussed barriers that may exist for transfer students, and identified strategies to keep students motivated and focused on their transfer goals. Chancellor **Ron Galatolo** joined the group for lunch and engaged them in discussions about the state budget.

Coming Attractions: Asian Pacific American Film Festival

On Saturday, May 5, the college's Ethnic Studies Department will host the Asian Pacific American Film Festival beginning at 1 pm in the Theatre. A free matinee will feature Lane Nishikawa's "Only the Brave," about the 100th/442 Regimental Combat Team, and a short film, "A Crossread Called Manzanar," by Cindy Fang. An evening program, beginning at 7pm, will present Lisette M. Flanary's documentary, "One Voice," that tells the story of the Kamehameha School's Song Contest about how the Hawaiian culture has survived, is flourishing and continues to grow by the power of music and song. The program will also feature "Hip Hop Maestro" by Christine Lee. The festival is funded by the California Civil Liberties Public Education Program/California State Library. **Lewis Kawahara**, adjunct assistant professor of ethnic studies, is the coordinator of the event.

CSM Connects with Downtown San Mateo

For the second year, CSM has a display in the window of the Walgreens storefront on East 3rd Avenue in downtown San Mateo. The current display, running through April, is



showcasing the upcoming event, Connect to College; the window also features student success stories and a variety of CSM memorabilia. The display was created by **Heather Paizis**, a student assistant in the Community Relations & Marketing Department, with assistance from several of CSM's student ambassadors.

The college has partnered with the San Mateo Downtown Association to develop an ongoing CSM presence in the downtown business area. In addition to the Walgreens display, the college has banners prominently placed between 9th and Baldwin Avenues, highlighting the college's connection with Downtown San Mateo where the college was first located in 1922.

Pamela Rose Presents Her "Wild Women of Song" in a Benefit for KCSM-FM



On April 14, singer and performer **Pamela Rose** presented her acclaimed show, "Wild Women of Song: Great Gal Composers of the Jazz Era," a benefit concert for KCSM-FM. In this original, multimedia production celebrating women songwriters of the Tin Pan Alley era, Rose artfully delivered a cultural retrospective as part of the wonderful jazz and blues concert. Joining her on the stage were some of the Bay Area's finest musicians: **Tammy Hall** on piano, **Ruth Davies** on bass, **Kristen Strom** on sax, **Jeff Massanari** on guitar, and **Kent Bryson** on drums. (Image source: KCSM website)

17 CSM Football Players Sign with 4-Year Colleges



To date, seventeen CSM football players have signed letters of intent to continue their collegiate careers at the four-year college/university level:

Hoko Fanaika Louisiana State University
Justin Sagote Washington State University
Ron Fields University of Hawaii
Chuck Ragland Colorado State University
Alex Hubbard Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
Lucky Dozier Northern Arizona University
Barrett Wangara Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
Johnathan Murphy Southeastern Louisiana University
Daniel Pearlstone Missouri Valley College
D.J. McDonough Faulkner University
Vaughn Smith Tarleton State University
Antoine Turner Faulkner University
Seta Pohahau Central Methodist University
Dwaine Simpson Midwestern State University
Kenny Anderson Hastings College
Craig Hartford Menlo College
Miles Freeman Carson-Newman College

In related news, the *San Mateo Daily Journal* featured an article about CSM's Winning in the End Zone learning community for athletes, "An Investment in Football," on March 10, 2012. (Photo source: CSM website)

Digital Media Open House: Creativity Meets Technology!



On Thursday, May 10, from 3-5 pm, the Digital Media Department and Electronic Music will host an open house to showcase its new facilities in College Center. The event, titled, Creativity Meets Technology!, will kick off with an electronic music concert from 2-3 pm, on the second floor terrace and feature CSM student musicians. Faculty from all the digital media disciplines (electronic music, digital illustration, television and broadcasting, journalism, digital audio, web design and development, multimedia and graphic design) will be on hand to give informative demonstrations and lectures. The event will include tours of the new, state-of-the-art digital media facilities. Student work will be on display in all of the program areas. Refreshments will be served.

Olympic Gold Medalist Appears in Track and Field Meet at CSM

Stephanie Brown Trafton, the 2008 Olympic discus gold medalist, competed as a guest in the Lucky 13 Invitational track and field meet held at CSM on April 13. The Invitational primarily features Northern California community college student-athletes, however; Trafton was looking for competition to prepare for this year's Olympics. Evidently, CSM is Trafton's favorite throwing venue, where she has learned to take

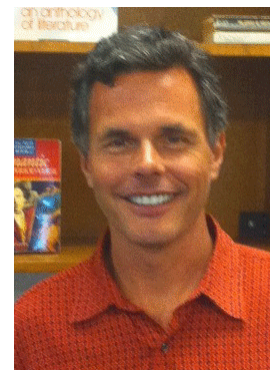


advantage of the often favorable winds. (Unsurprisingly, she won the discus event.) During the 2009 Pacific Association -USA Track & Field Championship meet at College Heights Stadium, Trafton unleashed her personal best throw at 217 feet, 2 inches.

CSM thrower **Nikki Uikilifi** had the unique opportunity to compete against the reigning Olympic champion (Trafton) during the meet. Uikilifi produced the number three women's discus throw by a community college athlete this season and placed sixth overall. She completed the invitational as a triple winner. The graduate of Mill High School, Uikilifi won the shot put and javelin events. She is ranked second in the state in the javelin this season and third in the shot put. Her javelin mark is the fifth best in the nation among two-year college throwers. (Photo source: LA times.com)

Kudos

~ **Tim Maxwell**, associate professor of English, and **Enrique Luna**, professor of history at Gavilan College, presented an interactive workshop on "Human Rights Education." The presentation focused on the curriculum they developed as part of the Stanford Human Rights Education Initiative and how to incorporate the teaching in courses throughout the curriculum. (Photo source: CSM website)



~ CSM sophomore pitcher **Clint Terry** was named this week's California Community Baseball Coaches Association Pitcher of the Week. The right hander struck out nine, scattered four hits, and gave up just one earned run over eight innings in last week's crucial, 5-1, Coast Golden Gate victory over second place Chabot.

~ CSM alum **John Licata**, an executive in the shoe industry for 27 years, has been named head of footwear for Sak Brand Group. Licata is a former vice president for Naturalizer at Brown Shoe Company and also for Stride Rite.

Benefit Concert for Child Development Center

On Saturday, May 12 from 12–3 pm, the Child Development Center will once again host its Spring Benefit Concert on the Quad next to the Health and Wellness Building. Headliners for the event feature the Reggae sounds of Bay Area band, Native Elements, and the San Francisco Panhandlers Steel Drum Band. The concert is a celebration of children and families and all proceeds will directly benefit the Child Development Center. Admission is \$12 for adults, \$10 for students and free for children under 13 years old. The event will include children’s activities and drawing prizes. Attendees are encouraged to bring a blanket and picnic lunch. There will also be an onsite Taquero for those who wish to purchase lunch. Beverages will be provided; alcohol is not permitted on the campus. Tickets may be purchased in advance by calling (650) 574-6279 or at the gate on the day of the concert. (Image source: Child Development Center)



College Hosts Workshop for Serving LGBT Students



On April 25, the college hosted “Culturally Competent Approaches for Serving Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Populations” a workshop presented by Willy Wilkinson, a nationally-recognized writer and public health consultant. Wilkinson discussed health and legal issues LGBT people face, how to develop culturally appropriate systems and service approaches for working with LGBT individuals and their families and how CSM can improve its services for LGBT students. (Photo source: williewilkinson.com)

Save the Date: 2012 CSM Athletics Hall of Fame

On the evening of September 14, 2012 the college will host the 2012 Athletics Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony in College Center. This year’s notable inductees are:

Stacy BergstedtSoftball
Greg Buckingham . .Swimming
Oliver ByrdCoach
Chris DiehlTrack & Field
Rich DonnerCoach
Jeff FishbackTrack & Field
Cindy GalarzaBasketball
Steve HamannWater Polo
Ed KertelFootball
Mike LewisCoach
Frank Pignataro . . .Baseball
Tom ScottFootball
Steve ShaferCoach
Jack ThurCoach
Berny WagnerCoach



The celebration will continue on Saturday afternoon, September 15, with the Hall of Fame Football Game; CSM will take on Diablo Valley College at College Heights Stadium.

Upcoming Dance & Musical Performances

Ladies of the Blues: A Tribute to Women in a Man’s World
 Friday, April 27, 7 pm, Theatre

Spring Dance Performance
 Friday, May 11, performances at 1:30 pm and 7:30 pm, Theatre
 Featuring CSM dance classes and Performance Dance Ensemble

CSM Jazz Ensemble Concert
 Monday, May 7, performances at 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm, Theatre
 Featuring three CSM big bands perform some of the latest contemporary and standard compositions from the jazz repertoire.

College of San Mateo Symphonic Band Concert
 Thursday, May 3, 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm, Theatre
 Under the direction of **Michael Galisatus**, the band will perform the Star Wars Trilogy and other selections from contemporary to traditional works.