President’s Report to the SMCCCD Board of Trustees

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CSM Presents Thought-Provoking Black History Month Events

CSM's 2020 Black History Month celebration combines film, lectures, poetry, and the ever-popular talent & fashion show. Once again springing from the theme of “Health, Wealth, History,” the programs connect historical events with a look at future pride and identity. See the full online schedule.
Lively Guided Pathways Workshop Prepares CSM for Cross-functional Teams

College of San Mateo is taking the first step in exploring the role and purpose of cross-functional teams to support student success. Cross-functional teams will be organized around soon-to-be decided instructional clusters.

On Thursday, February 13, approximately 50 staff, faculty and administrators gathered for a workshop led by higher-education coach, trainer, and blogger Dr. Al Solano. In the workshop, small groups focused on what an ideal cross-functional team would do to impact student success in areas such as career connection, academic persistence and completion.

The conversation will continue on Thursday, March 5, in CSM’s next Guided Pathways Flex Day workshop.
State Senate Candidates Appear at ASCSM Town Hall Event

The Associated Students of College of San Mateo organized a town hall for candidates for State Senate, District 13. CSM alumnus Jerry Hill has served as the District’s Senator since 2012, and will term-out this year. Five candidates for his seat were on campus February 6 to share their views. Participants included Josh Becker (D), Mike Browrigg (D), Alex Glew (R), Sally Lieber (D), and Shelly Masur (D).
CSM Political Science Professor Lee Miller moderated, having the candidates respond to prepared questions. He then opened the floor for questions from the audience. The event was sponsored by the Associated Students of College of San Mateo and organized by the ASCSM Advocacy Board.

Career Services Hosts “Fall in Love with a Career” Events for Valentine’s Day Week

Students, staff, and faculty turned out for a pair of programs on February 12. In a morning session, Career Services worked with students to find out where they are in their career planning, asking questions like: Do you have a major? Have you thought about a career pathway? And What’s your Why, your motivation for achieving your goals? Career counselors were on-hand for consultations.
In the afternoon, the audience enjoyed an inspirational “I Love My Job” panel with two Bay Area individuals who love their careers. Sherri Franklin, CEO of Muttville Senior Dog Rescue, founded a San Francisco nonprofit that has rescued more than 6,800 senior dogs. Jeff Becker, Head of Marketing, BrainCo, and Startup Marketing Consultant, has been working in high-tech marketing in Silicon Valley for more than 25 years. Unafraid of failure, Jeff quickly fell in love with the challenge and excitement of the Startup Life, and has forged an unconventional path to success.

This event kicked off to CSM’s “Fall in Love with a Career” series, which includes activities (speakers, workshops, etc.) designed to help students navigate their academic planning and career goals.

Football Team Organizes Bone Marrow Donor Recruitment
The 2019 Norcal champion Bulldog Football team turned its attention in the offseason to a cause that is close to home. Last year, CSM assistant football coach Mike Dovenberg wrapped up 13 months of treatment for leukemia, including a bone marrow transplant, and returned to coaching. His successful battle has been an inspiration to the team and the community.

Dovenberg and the team partnered with Be The Match to run a campus swab drive on February 12 to increase the bone marrow/stem cell donor registry pool. This helps to increase the chance that a cancer patient will have a successful transplant match. The odds are particularly difficult for patients of color, so the diversity of CSM’s campus is particularly helpful.

CSM student athletes did an outstanding job of connecting with other students on campus and recruited more than 200 new potential donors. Far exceeding expectations, the students ran out of swab kits and many new donors will be getting theirs in the mail to complete. It was a victory for the fight against cancer, and a valuable leadership opportunity for student athletes.
UPCOMING EVENTS

Event Highlights

*Poster Campaign celebrating 100-year anniversary of Bauhaus*

**Opening Reception**

Tuesday, Mar. 17, 2:15 – 3:15 pm

CSM Library

Join us to celebrate the opening of the new exhibit Bauhaus 100, an international poster campaign dedicated to one of the most influential movements of modern art history. This commemorative project organized by the PosterTerritory presents the work of contemporary artists and designers from around the globe who were compelled to express their personal take on the unique phenomenon that is Bauhaus. The show also features hanging mobiles and large-format posters created by CSM Digital Media students in Intro to Design and 2-D Design courses in response to the Bauhaus 100 theme.
San Mateo City Council Member Diane Papan

Discussing Local Politics & Government
Wednesday, Feb. 26 • 10:10 am - 11:00 am
CSM Building 16, Room 209

San Mateo City Council Member Diane Papan discusses local politics and government in a political science class. Free and open to the public.

'I Love My Job!' Presentation and Discussion with Kristin Kunzelman

Part of CSM's ‘Fall in Love with a Career’ Speaker Series
Thursday, Feb. 27 • 12:30 pm - 1:20 pm
CSM Music Building 2, Room 110, Choral Room

Meet musician Kristin Kunzelman, Deputy Director of Programs for Music for Minors. Learn how she found and followed her passion, and now shares her love of music with children throughout the Bay Area.

CA State Senator Jerry Hill

Presentation and QA
Friday, Feb. 28 • 12:10 pm - 1:00 pm
CSM Building 18, Room 308

Senator Jerry Hill discusses California politics and government in a political science class. Free and open to the public.

Free 2019 Income Tax Preparation (VITA)

Saturdays, through Mar. 28 • 9:00 am - 12:30 pm
CSM South Hall Building 14, Room 104

CSM Accounting students prepare non-complex income tax returns for free for individuals/families with basic tax returns. See CSM website for details.

Jazz Under the Stars

Free Stargazing on CSM's Rooftop Observatory
Saturday, Feb. 29, 2020 • 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm
CSM Science Building 36, Rooftop Observatory

Come see craters on the first quarter moon, Mars, Venus, Jupiter’s moons, the rings of Saturn, star clusters, and more through our telescopes while listening to KCSM Jazz 91!

Spring Career Awareness and Exploration Fair

Wednesday, Mar. 4 • 11 am - 1 pm
College Center Building 10, Bayview Dining Room

Join us for the next What’s Your Why? Career Awareness and Exploration Fair. Meet professionals from a range of job fields, ask our speakers about career pathways, learn about new opportunities, and explore your possibilities.

Journey With the Genome: My Unique Path to Becoming a Genetic Counselor and Roadblocks Along the Way

Part of the Science-in-Action Speaker Series
Wednesday, Mar. 4 • 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
CSM Building 36, Planetarium

Kayla Muirhead is a currently a second year genetic counseling master’s student at Stanford. Hear about her path into this fascinating field.

Ribbon Cutting: Center for Equity, Leadership, & Community

Wednesday, March 11 • 12–2 pm
CSM Building 17

Join students, faculty, staff, and community members for a celebration of the new Center for Equity, Leadership, & Community. This major renovation creates high quality space for CSM Learning Communities, SparkPoint, student government and the Promise Scholars Program. Register at Eventbrite.

The Sky Tonight Planetarium Shows

Incoming!: Asteroids, Comets, and the Hard-Hitting Stories of Our Cosmic Origins
Friday, Mar. 13 • 7:30 and 8:30 pm (two shows)
CSM Science Building 36, Planetarium

Come for a live presentation about what’s visible in the night sky tonight, followed by a full-dome immersive movie about fascinating topics in astronomy!

Bulldog Football Crab Feed

Friday, Mar. 14 • 6–10 pm
Bayview Dining Room, Building 10

Early-bird Price: $55 (before 3/1/2020); $65 after 3/1/2020

Join us to support the Bulldog Football Program and celebrate Coach Larry Owens. The evening will feature a cocktail hour, crab and spaghetti dinner, silent auction and raffle.