

President's Board Report

December 13, 2012



Employees to Receive Presidential Volunteer Service Award

SBVC employees Rocio Delgado (Financial Aid), Rose Garcia (Science), and Dr. Kathleen Rowley (Grant Development & Management) were recently nominated and awarded President Obama's 2012 Presidential Volunteer Service Award for their service to the LEAD (Latino Education & Advocacy Days) Activities/Projects at California State University, San Bernardino (CSUSB). SBVC student Hector Guzman will also receive an award for his service. Recipients will be recognized for their key volunteer roles at the annual LEAD Recognition Dinner on Friday, December 14th at 6 p.m. at the Obershaw Dining Room at CSUSB.

Student Health Services "Walks Their Dinosaurs' at Fall Health Fair

When engaging centers of higher learning, our brains have essential needs that must be met for maximum success. The brains' brain is called the hypothalamus and is an ancient structure—a dinosaur. To feel and be your best in life we must "walk our dinosaur every day." This was the idea behind the Fall 2012 Health Fair on Wednesday, November 14th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in a new location adjacent to the Physical Sciences building. The Student Health Services team encouraged students to eat real food, drink water, and exercise to help their "dinosaur" connect effectively with their higher brain centers.



Native American Storytellers Share Their Tales

As the main event of Native American Heritage Month at SBVC, popular storytellers Jacque Nunez, Georgiana Sanchez, and Ernest Siva joined historian and publisher Malcolm Margolin on Thursday, November 15th in a packed-out Library Viewing Room. Hosted by the Arts, Lectures and Diversity Committee, each individual shared their unique perspectives through storytelling, literature, songs, and more.



Veterans Day Ceremony Highlighted By Fly-Over

Sponsored by the HSI STEM PASS GO Program, this inaugural event at the Greek Theatre on November 15th honored and thanked all students who served in the United States Armed Forces. A few special guests included the CSU San Bernardino Color Guard, the SBVC Choir, special guest speaker Yolanda

Williams, and a special fly-over by two T-34 airplanes. Following the event, an informational session promoted how veterans can transition from military careers into STEM careers.







Love What You Do Opens at Gresham Art Gallery

A collection of works from design students at California State University, San Bernardino is the focus of the new exhibit at the Clara & Allen Gresham Art Gallery at SBVC entitled *Love What You Do*.

First opened in mid-November, the show will run through December 14th. An artists' reception was held on Tuesday, November 27th. Gallery hours are Monday-Friday from 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m.



SBVC & CHC Students Compete In Speech Competition

The Communication Studies Department held their annual speech tournament, in collaboration with Crafton Hills College, on November 15th. Twenty-four participants from communication studies classes in both classes participated in the event. This year's winners were:

1st place Joel Miller (CHC)

2nd place Jorge De La Cerda Ramirez (SBVC)

3rd place Bethany Faz (SBVC)
Finalist Lynn Manns (SBVC)
Finalist Januar Ma (SBVC)
Finalist Brock Rodgers (CHC)

Thanks to Leticia Hector, Jay Danley, Suzie Mattson, Jim Urbanovich, Windy Norris, Basemeh Rihan and Angie Glatfelter for their hard work in organizing the event, judging the speakers, and providing support to the students.

Classified Staff Rally Around Fellow Members with Thanksgiving Baskets



As has been the tradition for many years, SBVC's Classified Senate organized a donation drive that led to the collection and donation of 10 baskets full of Thanksgiving-related food items. Each of the baskets was delivered to fellow classified staff members who had extra needs this holiday season.

Theater Arts Department Takes Community on Trip to 'Wonderland'



New SBVC faculty member Dr. Melinda Oliver directed her first show, *Alice in Wonderland*, which opened November 29th and wrapped on Sunday, December 2nd as SBVC's fall production in the historic SBVC Auditorium. The five performances represented hours upon hours of work for SBVC's Theater Arts students doing everything from memorizing lines to set design.

"Students get the opportunity to practice their public speaking skills and step in someone else's shoes to see the world from someone else's perspective," said Dr. Oliver when asked about what community college students can learn from being part of a theater production. "Through this experience, students learn about other people and other cultures, and, in turn, they develop understanding and compassion for others. Ultimately, performers develop their communication and collaboration skills which can serve them in whatever profession they choose."

Dance and Music Performances Held In Early December

The SBVC Dance program presented its Fall Showcase on Friday, December 7th. The opera class performed Amahl and the *Night Visitors* and scenes from *Marriage of Figaro* on Tuesday, December 4th. The SBVC Concert Choir gave its final fall concert on December 6th and *Voci Soli* performed its last concert of the semester on Saturday, December 8th.

Quick Updates from Student Services

EOPS/CARE

Of the 400 applicants for Spring 2013, 261 attended the mandatory orientation. Students received information regarding the program and the policies they must comply with during the spring semester.

CARE Mini-Conference - A mini-conference for CARE participants was held on Friday, October 19th from 10am – 2pm in the Campus Center. Forty-two students attended. Attendees received information regarding safety issues and resource information.

The No "F" Campaign began on November 26, 2012. Students came to the office to sign a pledge that they will not receive any "F"s this semester and received a bag with supplies to use for finals week. The campaign will run in combination with Financial Aid's No "W" Campaign. EOPS students received a T-shirt indicating the No "F" campaign with illustrations how students can be successful at SBVC.

LIBRARY

The SBVC Library is a partner in the \$100,000 I.E.LEADS (Inland Empire Librarians Educated to Advance Diversity and Service) grant from the Institute of Museum & Library Services Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program. Partner libraries throughout the I.E. play host to graduate students interested in serving that library's population. Next semester, the SBVC Library will mentor intern Anya Franklin as she completes her requirements to graduate in June 2013 with an MLIS degree from San Jose State University.

FOSTER & KINSHIP CARE EDUCATION (FKCE)

The Foster & Kinship Care Education program is expanding its services to the community with the increase of off-site locations which include: Faith Temple Church in San Bernardino, Making a Difference Association in Colton, Valley Fellowship Church in Rialto and Project R.E.A.C.H. at Ecclesia Fellowship in San Bernardino.

Four months into the program, the Foster & Kinship Care Education (FKCE) Program has served approximately 210 foster parents and kinship caregivers. The FKCE program has generated 315 hours.

The FKCE Southern Region meeting was held at the SBVC campus on Friday, November 16. The FKCE Instructional Specialists from several colleges discussed:

- How to reach more students to attend community colleges
- Using current foster youth as mentors to incoming students during orientation
- Becoming more involved in campus events to improve visibility of FKCE programs

COUNSELING

With spring registration in full swing starting November 26, the Counseling Department has been conducting group advising including a brief one-on-one interaction with new students. Group advising is designed to assist college entrants for their appropriate course load and to provide reinforcement to the information given them during orientation. Group advising will continue until the second week of February to meet the elevated demand for counseling during the peak periods of registration.

An impetus in the use of counseling information via the web page is also underway. Counselors are encouraging students during group and individual sessions to use the Counseling Department's web page that contains a wealth of information targeted towards students' success. The counseling and educational information, which are both developmental and comprehensive, provide ancillary services complementing the students' sessions with the counseling faculty. A new feature of the web page is the "Resources for College Success" that detail samples of educational plans, guide to student services with appropriate links, and useful web sites. Students can benefit from the information through their continuous use and implementation of tips and guides for positive student behaviors.

Another thrust embarked upon by the Counseling Department is the focus on the pro-vision of primary and secondary interventions for basic skills students. Primary intervention will be implemented via proactive counseling occurring before classes start while secondary interventions will be done during follow-up session/s and the formulation of a two-year educational plan within the academic year. These activities are referred to as ASSET, Avenues for Student Success, Excellence, and Thriving. The framework of the activities is based on the ecological concepts of primary and secondary interventions and use of individual and group interaction with the counseling faculty that is respectful of the contextualized information about each student. The counseling protocol will use the psychological principles of motivation (reason for and meaning attributed to attending college and system of reinforcement students use for their positive student behaviors and attitudes); self-efficacy (perceived ability to accomplish basic skills courses with a grade of C or higher); goal setting and action regulation (clarity of goals and use of personal strengths and resources); and metacognition (mechanisms used to monitor learning, elimination of barriers and disincentives to students' engagement in the learning process).

PUENTE PROJECT

October 4-5 - Puente Project Community College Program: Southern California Component Training sponsored by the University of CA Office of the President. Location: Pacific Palms Resort, Industry. Puente teams conferred on topics such as discussing TAG (Transfer Agreement Guarantee) in order to aid student retention & transfer; focusing on strategies on how to work with students to improve study skills; understanding & bolstering leadership styles among team members; discussing the importance of mentor recruitment; learning more about the recent Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) process; plus special workshops on writing strategies and exploration of lesson plans

through short stories. The networking among all Southern California Puente teams that took place for Mary Copeland (English) and for Laura Gomez (Counseling) was an invaluable benefit.

October 17 - *Noche de Familia* (Family Night). Location: SBVC Campus Center. This event hosted 80–100 people. This was an evening on campus for Puente students and their families/significant others to interact and learn ways of providing emotional and moral support to the student. Keynote speakers were Mr. Felix Zuniga (President, Hispanic Alumni Chapter Board) and his wife, Martha, both strong advocates of higher education who presented their message bilingually for the benefit of the monolingual Spanish-speaking family members.

November 8 – Puente Mentor Orientation/Q & A Session - Location: SBVC President's Conference Room (AD/SS 207). This event was attended by 15-20 volunteer mentors from both the community and on-campus to learn about their upcoming assignments mentoring one current Puente student each and the expectations involved. A Mentor Handbook was provided to each one, and a good discussion ensued of ways they could be more effective in their intervention. Represented were the following: SBVC, CSUSB, Rancho Santiago Community College District, San Bernardino Public Defender's Office, Aviles & Associates Law Office, and a female alumnus from SBVC who became an engineer and is now creating iPhone apps.

Save the Date

Friday, December 7, 2012 - 11:00 a.m - 1:00 p.m.

SBVC Annual President's Holiday Gathering – Campus Center

Elaborate gift baskets, tasty treats, holiday spirit, and thousands of dollars for student textbooks will highlight this popular event for staff and faculty. For more information contact the Office of the President at 909.384.8573.

Friday, December 7, 2012 – 5:30 p.m – 8:00 p.m.

STEM Family Night Holiday Extravaganza – Campus Center

Intended for the families of STEM students, this event is aimed at helping families recognize the importance of their role as the major support system for their student. The STEM family night holiday extravaganza will include food, holiday fun, an activity, and an introduction to the STEM PASS GO Program, the STEM team, and the PASS GO CSUSB partners. Contact Natalie Minucci at 909.384.8655.

Wednesday, December 12, 2012 – 6:00 p.m.

Nurse Pinning Ceremony – Auditorium

Thursday, December 13, 2012 – 6:00 p.m.

Psychiatric Technician Completion Ceremony – Auditorium

Friday, December 14, 2012 – 6:30 p.m.

The Christmas Star – Planetarium

Planetarium doors open at 6:30 p.m. for SBVC's Chris Clarke to unlock the stories behind the stars. The show begins at 7:00 p.m. with no late seating available. Ticket prices and more info are available on the master calendar on the front page of the SBVC website. For more information, contact Chris Clarke at 909.384.8539.

Monday, December 17, 2012

Open Registration Begins for Spring 2013 Semester

Saturday, January 5, 2013 – 3:00 p.m.

Women & Men's Basketball vs. Barstow College - Snyder Gym

First Foothill Conference game for women's and men's basketball

Friday, January 11, 2013 - Time TBD

Opening Day for Spring 2013 Semester

Staff and faculty come together for all-campus meetings/presentation in advance of the start of the Spring 2013 semester. Details TBD.

Monday, January 14, 2013 - Time TBD

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