



# President's Board Report

The President's Monthly Report to the Board of Trustees, Campus & Community

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## SBVC Kicks Off Football Season in New Stadium

On September 2, San Bernardino Valley College launched its Fall 2017 football season with a grand opening of its brand new stadium. Featuring an observation platform, press boxes, a jumbotron, and a concession stand, the Stadium is now the newest and most state-of-the-art college athletics facility in the Inland Empire. The grand opening event featured a ribbon-cutting ceremony, live music, food, and a variety of other activities to mark the momentous occasion. Visitors at the first home game against Mt. San Antonio marveled at the shiny new facility and its field, which offers some of the most panoramic views of the surrounding valley and mountains that can be found anywhere on campus. Congratulations, SBVC!



# SBVC Gets New Head Football Coach: Daniel Algattas



Coach Daniel Algattas

San Bernardino Valley College has a new head football coach this fall: Daniel Algattas, formerly of Mt. San Antonio College. "I love junior college football," Algattas said. "You've got three months to make them All-Americans and two weeks to become best friends. It's amazing to see how quickly the student athletes are willing to put themselves out there."

Algattas was named the Wolverines' head coach this past summer. It's the first collegiate head coaching job for the 32-year-old, but his experience is extensive. Algattas spent the past two seasons as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Ventura College. During his short tenure, the Pirates set school records for points and yards and transferred three quarterbacks to NCAA Division I programs. Algattas was previously an assistant coach for six years at Mt. San Antonio College and a head coach at Baldwin Park High. Welcome to SBVC, Daniel!

## Faculty Spotlight: Dr. Carol Jones

New to the academic team at San Bernardino Valley College (SBVC) is Carol Jones, PhD. Jones received both a bachelor's and master's degree in biochemistry, and soon graduated to a doctoral degree in biochemistry and molecular biology from the University of California, Riverside (UCR).

In 2003, Dr. Jones was awarded the the Walton B. Sinclair Award for Teaching Assistance at UCR to recognize her excellence in teaching, as well as a Perkins Award for Excellence in Graduate Research in 2008. Jones is adamant that any student of any background can succeed through effort and compassionate guidance. Welcome to SBVC, Dr. Jones!



Dr. Carol Jones

The **partial solar eclipse** on August 21 gave SBVC faculty, students, and classified professionals a chance to come together to witness one of the rarest natural phenomena seen in the San Bernardino sky in decades. Science and welding faculty used sun filters and welding masks, while Student Life helped students make pinhole projectors to witness the eclipse first hand. What a memorable way to kick off the Fall 2017 semester!

2017 Partial Solar Eclipse at SBVC



On August 23, instructors from **Jiangsu Open University** in Jiangsu, China, visited SBVC to learn about how SBVC faculty develop and teach online classes. The group chose SBVC because of the college's prominence in Southern California and extensive online curriculum. After a Q&A with Dr. Kay Weiss, Dean of Arts & Humanities, the group was given a campus tour by the Department of Marketing & Public Relations.



Rigoberto Gonzalez

On September 21, Professor Rigoberto Gonzalez of Rutgers University visited SBVC to speak about international migration and immigration, both of which have been identified as topics of concern for many students and employees of SBVC.

Titled **Empowerment in the Borderlands**, Professor Gonzalez's talk attracted a large audience of students, faculty and classified professionals, and was followed by a Q&A and book signing.



Instructors from Jiangsu Open University Visit SBVC

# President Rodriguez Recognized for Community Impact



President Rodriguez receives Legacy of Service Award

On September 22, President Diana Z. Rodriguez was awarded the prestigious **Legacy of Service Award** by the Librería Del Pueblo, a local service organization that assists immigrant families with their transition into American society.

Awardees are selected based on their perceived impact in improving the quality of life for immigrant families in the local community, with only a handful of community leaders receiving the award each year.

"It is an immense privilege to be recognized by such an outstanding group of community leaders," said President Rodriguez, "and by an organization that is so dedicated to serving our community."

Congratulations!

## SBVC Unveils Wall of Recognition

On August 25, the San Bernardino Valley College Foundation unveiled the college's first-ever Wall of Recognition, a special commemorative display of the names of donors and philanthropists who have contributed \$1,000 or more to student scholarships. The wall already features an extensive list of names, but more spaces are available for future participants who choose to support students at SBVC. It is housed inside the historic Auditorium building, designed to match the building's unique Spanish Revival aesthetic.

In attendance were members of the SBCCD Board of Trustees, the SBVC Foundation, administrators, and constituents from a variety of departments and organizations on campus.



SBVC's Wall of Recognition

## SBVC Culinary Arts Reopens "The Sunroom" and "The Den" Coffee Shop

Loyal patrons of SBVC's Sunroom were delighted when the student-run restaurant reopened this semester on campus, featuring an extensive array of delicious culinary treats for a nominal price. Also opened this semester was the long-awaited coffee shop in the SBVC Library: The Den. During its first few weeks of operation, The Den quickly became a favorite study spot for many students across campus, who now no longer need to leave campus to find a "coffee shop" atmosphere. Congratulations, SBVC!



"The Den" Coffee Shop



"The Sunroom" Restaurant

# SBVC Faculty Featured in IEMA Exhibit

San Bernardino Valley College was proud to present two of our faculty members who displayed their work in the Inland Empire Museum of Art (IEMA). SBVC Art Department Chair Mandi Batalo and Ceramics Adjunct Professor Gina Lawson-Egana are two of only 43 artists featured in the IEMA's exhibit Faces: Portraits from the Collection that ran through August 27th, 2017 at the museum's gallery in Upland.

The exhibition focused on the diversity of people with whom we interact everyday, from the workplace to our social lives. As humans, we are compelled to create, explore, and interpret what we see, with our expression limited only by our imagination. The IEMA therefore intended to explore a common subject of our creative attention. people and their faces.

The IEMA Gallery in Upland opened the Faces exhibit on July 29, displaying portraits by 43 artists from the Inland Empire. The interpretations of faces vary from water-color paintings to bronze sculptures.

Mandi Batalo portrayed her portrait connotation as a black and white 9-photo collage entitled "Pam". In contrast, Gina Lawson-Egana's rendition, entitled "Rising Star" was a large clay sculpture with three faces and a small bird.

The IEMA is a local non-profit focused on recognizing community artists and emphasizing the importance of art education. Its belief is that humans are inherently inquisitive, and a portrait will stimulate wonder and exploration among viewers. The museum hopes community members would have been inspired by the expressions, gestures, and moods displayed in the Faces of the exhibit.



## Upcoming Events



**October 13**

**Men's Soccer vs. San Diego City**

free / 3:00pm / SBVC Soccer Field

**October 14**

**Extended Law Enforcement  
Academy Graduation**

free / 5:30pm / Auditorium

**October 14**

**Football vs. San Diego Mesa**

\$10 / 6:00pm / SBVC Stadium

**October 17**

**Women's Soccer vs. San Diego City**

free / 3:00pm / SBVC Soccer Field