



San Bernardino
Valley College

President's Board Report

November 5, 2009

\$1000 Scholarships Awarded to 10 Students

Ten students who demonstrated financial need, participation in outside activities, and who overcame challenges to achieve accomplishments were selected for Osher Scholarships at San Bernardino Valley College. The Osher Initiative for California Community College Students has been made possible by a generous commitment from The Bernard Osher Foundation, which donated \$25 million to the Foundation for California Community Colleges. Fifty-one eligible SBVC students applied for the scholarships. Here are a few details on several of the recipients:

George Alcalá, from San Bernardino, whose goal is to transfer to a four-year institution for a degree in recreational administration. While homeless, George continued attending San Bernardino Valley College, making the Dean's List.

Christopher Day, from Running Springs, is a widower with a special needs child. His goal is to earn an associate's degree in automotive technology and then open his own automotive shop.

Tracie Foster, from Rialto, is a single mother of five who finds time to volunteer at Loma Linda Hospital while she pursues her associate's degree in Human Services.

Richard Lopez, from San Bernardino, is a Gulf War veteran, single father of three children, and is pursuing his associate's degree in Psychiatric Technology. He has been on the Dean's List.

New Employees Welcomed At Breakfast

More than a dozen new SBVC faculty and staff members were introduced at the SBVC Faculty Association's "Meet and Greet" New Employee Breakfast in the Sun Room on Wednesday October 7th.

After a welcome by Dr. Debra Daniels, new police officers, faculty members and managers were introduced by their supervisors while breakfast was served by students in the SBVC Culinary Arts Program.



SBVC's new VP of Administrative Services Jim Hansen asks one of his new team members to stand, Sergio Trujillo (HVAC Technician, Maintenance & Operations)

SBVC Graduate Receives "30 Under 30" Latino/Native American Award

San Bernardino Valley College alum Jennifer Medina has received a 2009 "30 Under 30 Latino/Native American Recognition" award from Assemblymember Wilmer Amina Carter (D-Rialto). Jennifer Medina expects to earn her bachelor's degree in business administration in December 2009 from Cal State San Bernardino. The entire time she has pursued her studies, Jennifer has been raising her two daughters and one son as a single parent.

"Jennifer was recognized for her talents, skills and achievements in professional and community service," Assemblymember Carter said. "She serves as a role model to all young people and demonstrates what is possible through passion, dedication and perseverance."



Alum Jennifer Medina receives her award from Assemblymember Wilmer Amina Carter (D-Rialto).

Ask An Administrator Forum Promotes Communication

Approximately 40 SBVC employees gathered in the Library Viewing Room on Thursday, October 8th for the first "Ask an Administrator" open forum sponsored by Academic Senate and moderated by Academic Senate President, Dr. John Stankas.

The open forum was aimed at improving communication on issues facing the college and provided staff and faculty members the opportunity to ask questions of their administration. Topics included: the possibility of 4-day work weeks and/or furloughs, the status of categorical program budget cuts, the impact of federal stimulus funds, tax withholdings, class caps, library hours, recycling and more.

As a follow-up, all questions and answers were distributed via an all campus e-mail for those who could not attend. Additional forums are planned for next semester and more often as needed.

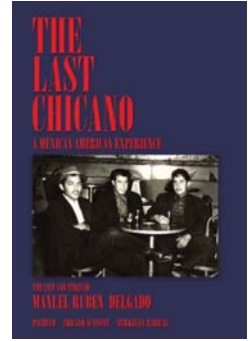
SBVC "Shakes Out" For Great California ShakeOut Drill

On Thursday, October 15th at 10:15 a.m., SBVC participated in the largest earthquake drill in U.S. history called "The Great California Shakeout". At 10:15 a.m., building captains from around campus sounded bullhorns and ensured that evacuations proceeded as planned. Reports from around the campus poured in to the M & O team that buildings were "all clear" and students, staff and faculty were permitted to return to their offices and classrooms. This is the 2nd year that SBVC has participated in the drill that included more than half a million individuals, families, schools, businesses and government agencies in San Bernardino County.

SBVC Alum Manuel Delgado is "The Last Chicano"

Manuel Ruben Delgado is a second generation Mexican American born and raised in San Bernardino in what he describes as "the Mexican barrio known as Mt. Vernon". After dropping out of high school at the age of 16, he went on to earn a degree in 1967 from SBVC. In 1970, he received a B.A. Degree in Political Science and, in 1977, a Law Degree from UC Berkeley. Then, in 1997, he received a Masters Degree in Education from San Diego State University.

Earlier this year, Delgado wrote a book about his life experiences entitled *The Last Chicano: A Mexican American Experience* (AuthorHouse Books). Available in the SBVC Bookstore, *The Last Chicano* is a true story of alienation, family heroes, social defiance, radical politics and fate, told through real life experiences.



“As a result, my book, while a memoir, covers the history of San Bernardino and the Westside, the Chicano student movement at Berkeley and the aftermath—all from a personal perspective, and personal redemption,” Delgado said.

When asked about his time at SBVC, Delgado remembers the quality of the instructors and the tenuous times of the 1960’s.

“My professors at Valley College were as good, or better, as any I had at Berkeley or San Diego State,” Delgado said. “I also remember how an anti-Vietnam War group we started in the fall of 1967 quickly involved the entire campus in debating the merits of the war.”

To read a question and answer interview with Manuel Delgado (including details about his time at SBVC and his thoughts on the region today), please visit www.valleycollege.edu and click on “Latest News”. To purchase his book, visit www.sbvcbokstore.com or check it out at the SBVC Library.

Save The Date

Wednesday, December 2 – Sunday, December 6 - (various times)

You’re A Good Man Charlie Brown – SBVC Auditorium

The SBVC Theatre Department presents the family-friendly production based on the comic strip created by Charles M. Schulz. More than 30 cast members will grace the stage in a series of skits, songs and vignettes featuring the "Peanuts" characters from the comic strip created by Charles M. Schulz. For more info, contact Denise Dales Jacobs at 909.384.8243.

Friday, December 11 – 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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 info, contact the Office of the President.