

President's Board Report

February 17, 2011

SBVC Celebrates Opening Day With All-Campus Meeting

All SBVC staff and faculty gathered in the Campus Center on January 14, 2011, to kick off the spring semester with a theme of "Celebration". Beyond the recognition of new employees and recent applause card recipients, Dr. Debra Daniels introduced other celebratory happenings around campus such as the fall's championship athletic teams, SBVC's 85th anniversary in 2011, new facilities set to open and break ground, and the new SBVC website that will launch later in the semester.

Dr. James Smith highlighted SBVC's progress on campus-wide strategic initiatives (Access, Campus Climate & Culture, Institutional Effectiveness & Resource Management, Partnerships, Student Success, and Technology) with recent statistics. The remainder of the morning included faculty and staff reviewing and discussing progress and challenges with the strategic initiatives at their tables and reporting out as a group.



(From L to R) Rance Freeman, Emily McNichols, and Jeanne Marquis discuss aspects of SBVC progress on the campus-wide strategic initiatives at Opening Day on January 14, 2011.

Award-Winning SBVC Program Showcased at Statewide Conference

SBVC President Dr. Debra Daniels was invited to present the Valley-Bound Commitment program at the Student Success Symposium held at the California Community College League's Annual Legislative Conference held in Sacramento January 23-24, 2011.



After receiving the California Community College Chancellor's Office Student Success Program of the Year Award in 2010, the Valley-Bound Commitment was one of the highlighted programs shared with statewide leaders during the symposium.

Along with model programs that were focused on topics such as contextualized learning, developmental acceleration models, and financial aid pipelines, the Valley-Bound Commitment served as an example of a successful high school pipeline/first year experience program that is producing real results in the area of student access, success, and retention.

As the 3rd year of Valley-Bound Commitment students wrap up their second free semester of college this spring, the 2011-2012 Valley-Bound Commitment program will start its 4th year in Fall 2011. Recruitment will begin this spring of local high school graduates from the class of 2011.

Highlights From First Day of Spring Semester 2011

Under the bright sunshine of a prototypical 80-degree winter day in January, more than 13,000 students embraced the challenges and triumphs of the first day of the spring 2011 semester at San Bernardino Valley College on Tuesday, January 18, 2011.

Interspersed with the enormous challenge of trying to find a parking spot or any open classes were joyful students who embraced friends after a holiday break, along with fresh-faced freshmen starting their college journey by searching for their classrooms amidst campus construction.

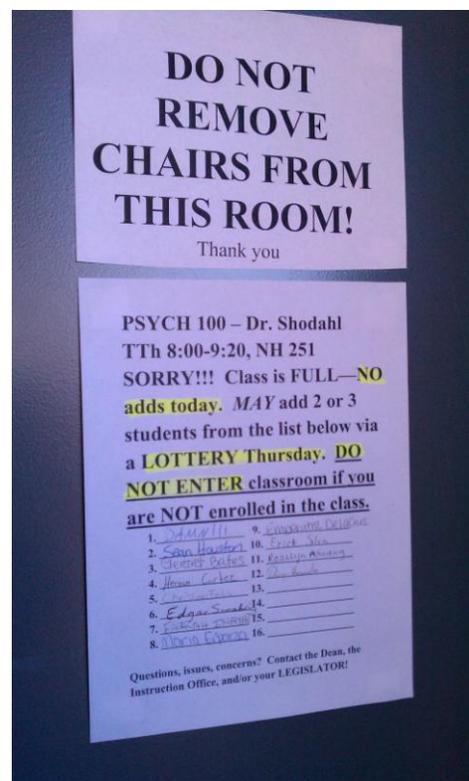
The most frequent scene playing out around the entire campus was crowded classrooms with waiting lists of students attempting to be added into classes—many of which have been full since November.

The Office of Student Life organized three different "Week of Welcome" (WOW) booths around the campus to help disseminate information to students with questions.



(Above) The Admissions/Records office is packed with students during the first week of classes for the spring 2011 semester.

(At right) A sign posted on the door of a classroom depicts the challenge faced by many students trying to get into already-full classes (as seen below).



(At right) With a backdrop of a room full of students trying to add his class, SBVC Economics Professor Walt Chatfield provides an impromptu supply and demand message on the first day of classes as he explains how the room can't accommodate all interested students on the waiting list.



The Real Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Remembered, Awards Presented at Honorary Breakfast

A crowd of nearly 200 community members, elected officials, staff, faculty, and students gathered on Friday, January 21, 2011 in the SBVC Campus Center for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast. Master of Ceremonies Michael Mayne (Math Department) guided the morning's events that included uplifting musical performances by April Cooper and a stimulating keynote address from Dr. Edward Bush (VP of Student Services, Riverside Community College).

After breakfast, Dr. Bush poignantly shared his personal challenge with remembering Dr. King at honorary events. He admitted that he wrestles with the modern portrayal of the civil rights pioneer that oftentimes does not fully showcase all of his work.

"Now is not the time to stop the work of Dr. King—to be comfortable and rest," Dr. Bush said. "It is time for us to embrace the real King—the King that lives in you."

SBVC President Dr. Debra Daniels was joined on stage by SBVC Vice President of Student Services Damon Bell to present two "Commitment to Diversity" Dream Awards. The awards recognized and celebrated outstanding accomplishments and sustained commitment by individuals who promote appreciation for diversity, human rights, and cultural understanding at San Bernardino Valley College and in the community.

Carolyn Tillman, Special Assistant to Dr. Gary Thomas, Superintendent of San Bernardino County Schools, was the first recipient. With a lifetime of local volunteer service in dozens of volunteer positions and programs, Carolyn's impact on the region is immense.

"I was born in the same year that Rosa Parks took a seat on the bus," Tillman shared. "People were making statements and doing the uncomfortable work at that time. To be honored in that way this morning, I hope it represents the same attitude that I can share in my community today."

Dr. Haragewen Kinde, Dean of the Mathematics, Business, and Computer Technology Division at San Bernardino Valley College was the second recipient. She started as a professor at SBVC in 1997. Amongst other examples of her leadership on campus, Dr. Kinde has continued to make an impact in the community by stressing the importance of mathematics to under-represented groups by organizing a variety of outreach events.

"I was just a baby in Ethiopia when Dr. King was marching and had no idea, but his dream extended outside this nation," Dr. Kinde shared. "For me to receive an award under his name and vision and dream is a great honor. I think this is the highest honor I have ever received."

The event was live-streamed on the Internet by SBCCD's EduStream staffers and is currently available for viewing on the SBVC website.



(Above) Dr. Edward Bush delivers the poignant keynote address.

(Below) Dr. Haragewen Kinde reflects on her upbringing as she receives the "Commitment to Diversity" Dream Award.



City of San Bernardino Recognizes State Champion SBVC Women's Soccer



The 2010 California Community College Athletic Association State Champion SBVC Wolverines Women's Soccer team is flanked by City of San Bernardino City Council Members, SBVC President Dr. Debra Daniels, and SBVC Athletic Director Dave Rubio on Monday, February 7, 2011.

In recognition of their historic championship season, the 2010 San Bernardino Valley College (SBVC) Wolverines Women's Soccer team was honored by the City of San Bernardino City Council at City Hall on Monday, February 7, 2011.

Councilmember Rikke Van Johnson led the introductions and presentation of coaches and student-athletes who joined SBVC President Dr. Debra Daniels and Athletic Director Dave Rubio at City Hall.

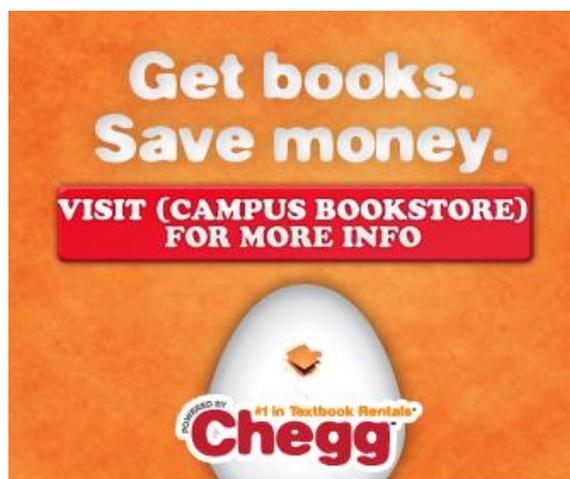
Despite losing three players to season-ending injuries, SBVC finished the season with a 1-0 defeat of Santa Rosa Junior College to clinch a 20-1-4 record as they captured the first California Community College Athletic Association Women's Soccer State Championship in the school's history. The title was the first state championship of any kind in SBVC women's sports since 1974 (SBVC won national championships in Women's Archery in 1960 and 1974, in addition to state titles in Women's Archery in 1972, 1973, and 1974).

A whopping 15 players were named all-Conference performers. In addition, SBVC Coach Kristin Hauge was named National Coach of the Year and sophomore forward Araceli Sanchez was selected as the Junior College Division III National Player of the year at the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) Convention held in Baltimore, Maryland in December. In SBVC's 85-year history, no single athletic team has garnered the National Coach of the Year (Hauge) and National Player of the Year (Sanchez) awards in the same season.

Bookstore Launches Expanded Textbook Rental Program, Offers Big Savings to Students

The San Bernardino Valley College Bookstore officially launched a partnership with Chegg, an online textbook rental company, to provide students with convenient, easy and affordable rental options. The program was instituted at SBVC and Crafton Hills College in advance of the start of the spring 2011 semester.

"SBVC's home-grown textbook rental program has been in place for several years and has proven to be an extremely popular way for students to save money on textbooks," said SBVC Bookstore Manager Gloriann Chavez. "With Chegg, almost 85% of SBVC textbooks are available for rental from the SBVC Bookstore, which actually makes the most expensive part of going to college much more affordable."



Now, through Chegg's "Powered by Chegg" Program, students can rent their textbooks from the SBVC bookstore using rental stands for ease and accessibility. As an added bonus, each time a student places an order, the company plants a tree through its partnership with American Forests' Global ReLeaf Program.

To utilize the program, students simply select their desired textbook using the in-store kiosk powered by an Apple iPad. Alternatively, students can log into the SBVC page on the Chegg website.

Drive-Through Recycling Event Collects 80,000 Pounds of E-Waste in One Weekend

After collecting 43,540 pounds of e-waste at a weekend collection event in June 2010, SBVC's Alpha Gamma Sigma (AGS) and Associated Student Government (ASG) shattered their previous record by collecting 80,000 pounds at another drive-through e-waste recycling event on the weekend of January 29-30, 2011.



From 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in SBVC's parking lot #8, hundreds of local residents took advantage of the free event while summarily displaying proper recycling processes that avoided unnecessary additions to landfills.

E-waste is any consumer electronic equipment that has reached its end-of-life or end-of-usage, whether in full or non-working condition. It includes most electronics or electric appliances with a cord or circuit board such as: Computer monitors, televisions, computers, laptops, printers, scanners, fax machines, toner cartridges, cell phones and chargers, VCR/DVD players, and more.