



## ***President's Board Report*** ***September 15, 2011***

### **SBVC Selected as Only 2-Year College in U.S. for \$100,000 Walmart Grant**

A collaborative grant from numerous organizations will support retention efforts and promote graduation of Hispanic students at SBVC in 2011 and 2012. Funding for the grant is offered by Walmart and is provided through a consortium of minority serving organizations (MSI) in the Strategies for Success Project including HACU (The Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities), AIHEC (the American Indian Higher Education Consortium), and NAFEO (the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education).

This year's selected institutions will be paired with their counterpart mentoring institution awarded in 2010; San Bernardino Valley College will be paired with the Community College of Denver. Vice President of Student Services Mr. Damon Bell will conduct key activities at SBVC, visit Denver and host their staff on a visit to SBVC each year to share best practices. The Project Team will be led by Bell and Dr. Nori Sogomonian-Mejía, Department Chair, Modern Languages. The First Generation Student Success program offered by the Community College of Denver shares many similarities with the programs offered by SBVC.

SBVC's two-year project will coordinate nine (9) current SBVC programs targeting student success and academic achievement, expanding services to include a coordinating counselor and research assistant to collect and analyze data showing the success rates of the programs:

- Tumaini
- The Puente Project
- Valley-Bound Commitment
- Extended Opportunities Programs and Services (EOP&S)
- Success Through Achievement and Retention (STAR)
- California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWorks)
- Middle College High School (MCHS)
- Foster & Kinship Care Education (FKCE)
- Student Success Center

Highlights of project activities include:

• SBVC will hold two bilingual community outreach workshops to provide families with important information regarding the opportunities for their children's educational journey through higher education.

• In October 2011, SBVC will hold a bilingual outreach family education fair with Cal State San Bernardino's Educational Fair, Feria Educativa. A panel discussion by Inland Empire educational leaders will air on Telemundo at the end of September in conjunction with Feria Educativa. The fair is being organized by CSUSB and partners from educational institutions, faith-based organizations, and nonprofits committed to increasing educational access and attainment for the region's students and families.

- In 2012, SBVC will organize and host the African American-Latino Male summit targeting young men from local high schools and designed to increase the college-going rate of these two populations.
- A roundtable event inviting southern California Hispanic Serving Institutions, with capacity building workshops, and a visioning process for the future of Latino education in the region.
- SBVC will organize and host a college fair for Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), tribal and Hispanic serving institutions.

### **“Every Which Way” Showcased in Gresham Art Gallery**



The fall semester began with a flourish in the Arts and Humanities Division with “Every Which Way” by artist Rick Caughman. The Gresham Art Gallery opened the latest show with an artist’s reception on August 22<sup>nd</sup> and closed on September 9<sup>th</sup>.

The show contained the full spectrum of artwork including landscapes, 15-minute figurative drawings, and abstract pieces.

### **Sherriff’s Academy Graduation**

On August 9, 2011, the San Bernardino Basic Police Academy held its graduation ceremony in the SBVC Auditorium. More than 500 guests were in attendance to join the celebration of the 32 graduates. San Bernardino City Unified School District Chief of Police, Joseph Paulino, gave a well-received speech that had a strong underlying theme on ethics. The Chief has agreed to teach the first POST-certified learning block to the new class that began on August 30, 2011.

## Expanded Student Success Center Opens



Tutoring in the Student Success Center located in the new Physical Sciences Building began on Monday August 22, 2011. Under the leadership of Rose King, Tutorial Coordinator, all fall 2011 Tutors/ Facilitators (45) received orientation and training on Friday August 19th. In addition, special lectures, entitled, "Tutor Training and Beyond," presented by Dr. Jeremiah Gilbert, "Academic Integrity and Tutor's Ethics," presented by Caleab Losee, "What's in Here and How Does It Work with Technology?," presented by Rick Hrdlicka, and "What Tutors Need to Know," presented by Rose King were also presented. Above are pictures from the training session.

## Financial Aid Office Experiencing Unprecedented Demand

The Financial Aid office successfully met its goal of processing all students who met the priority deadline for Fall 2011 semester. Fall 2011 financial aid checks totaling over \$2.1 million dollars have been distributed to for students who have met the priority processing deadline. Financial aid applications have gone up dramatically over the years as more students are applying for financial aid assistance.

Total number of FAFSA applications received from the Department of Education from SBVC students:

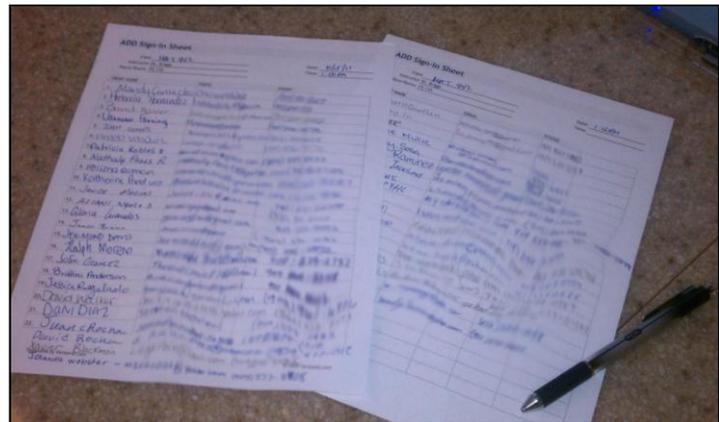
<u>Year</u>	<u>FAFSA Application</u>	<u>Increase</u>
2006-2007	10,685	N/A
2007-2008	11,710	10%
2008-2009	15,219	29%
2009-2010	19,917	31%
2010-2011	24,129	21%
2011-2012 (to date)	21,750	

\*10 months remaining for current award year, numbers show SBVC is already at 90% of last years numbers.

## Demand for Classes Outstrips Supply on First Day of Fall 2011 Semester



(Above) Students hoping to add the 11:00 a.m. arithmetic (Math 942) class taught by Professor Tung Nguyen listen to the first class session from the hallway with hopes that the professor will accept additional students.



(Above) A waiting list from the first day of Professor Dr. Stephanie Briggs' prealgebra (Math 952) course is nearly twice as long as the number of students enrolled in the class.

(Below) The first meeting of Professor Lydia Barajas-Zapata's Spanish 101 class is filled with students hoping to be added into the class. For the first day, the professor gave up her own chair to accommodate hopeful students.



## First Week Statistics from SBVC Library

SBVC students flocked to the SBVC Library for the first week of classes:

- Computer Lab checkouts: 4,292
- Textbook Bank checkouts: 2,894
- Reference Questions: 934
- EBSCO database searches: 4,498

## Theater Program Students to Hold Tribute for Denise Dales Jacobs



The SBVC Theater Program will honor long-time faculty member, Denise Dales Jacobs, with a program that celebrates her life and work at San Bernardino Valley College on September 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the SBVC Auditorium. The legacy she has left with so many students will be carried forward through their work and creative endeavors. Denise brought out the very best in her students, giving them their opportunity to shine. Now, her students want to shine brightly in her honor. Denise's former students will present a series of some of her favorite scenes from previous SBVC productions. Donations will be accepted to establish a scholarship in her name.

## Physical Sciences Building Opens with Building Dedication Ceremony



*Officially opening the new Physical Sciences building on Friday, August 12, 2011 were (from left to right): SBCCD Board of Trustee Member, Jess Vizcaino Jr.; Congressional Representative for Joe Baca, Candace Loya; SBVC President, Dr. Debra Daniels; SBCCD Interim Vice Chancellor, Charlie Ng; SBCCD Board of Trustee Vice President, Dr. Donald Singer; SBCCD Board of Trustee Member, Donna Ferracone; SBVC Dean of Mathematics, Business, and Computer Technology, Dr. Haragewen Kinde; and SBVC Dean of Science, Dr. Susan Bangasser.*

## Nursing Program Tea and Striping Ceremony

The Nursing Program was busy with a tea on August 14<sup>th</sup> to welcome and orient new students into the program. The first semester students along with families and friends attended and were introduced to the faculty. Students from other semesters were invited to share their experiences and strategies on how to succeed in the program. The group toured the classrooms and labs and became familiar with their new home away from home. The Striping Ceremony took place on August 22<sup>nd</sup> to celebrate the nursing students that have completed one year and are now halfway through the nursing program. Fourth semester nursing students attached the stripes to the students' uniform collars, which signifies to the staff at the clinical sites that these students are third semester.

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## “Go Smart” Bus Program Proves Popular With SBVC Students



*(Above left) Students step off the Omnitrans bus on the first day of classes, August 15, 2011. Thanks to the “Go Smart” program, all SBVC students will enjoy free rides on Omnitrans until June 30, 2012.*

*(Above right) ABC7 News Reporter Leticia Juarez interviewed Omnitrans Marketing Director Wendy Williams at SBVC during the first day of the fall semester.*

## Save the Date

**Friday, September 16, 2011 – 11:30 a.m. (lunch and golf) and 6:00 p.m. (dinner): SBVC Golf Tournament-San Bernardino Golf Club**

*San Bernardino Valley College is celebrating its 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a fundraising golf tournament to benefit SBVC Athletics. Join us for a golf tournament to kick off the festivities. You get a round of golf (scramble format), golf cart, lunch, golf shirt, goodie bag, and dinner for \$95 a player. Contact the SBVC Foundation at 909.384.8987 for more information.*

**Saturday & Sunday, September 17 & 18, 2011 – 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.: Free E-Waste Event-SBVC parking lot 8**

*SBVC's Alpha Gamma Sigma Club will be collecting everything from old televisions and laptops to fax machines and cell phones. For more information contact Joseph Notarangelo by email at [jnotaran@valleycollege.edu](mailto:jnotaran@valleycollege.edu).*

**Friday, October 21, 2011 – 5:00 p.m.: SBVC 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala" Reflecting on the Past...Looking to the Future"-San Bernardino National Orange Show**

*San Bernardino Valley College officially celebrates its 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and recognizes 85 People of Distinction. Contact the SBVC Foundation at 909.384.8987 for more information.*

**Wednesday, November 9, 2011 – 9:00 a.m.: The Fall Health Fair "Let's Feel Better"-SBVC Greek Theatre**

*SBVC nursing students will be supporting the information booths with interactive learning activities.*

**Thursday, November 17-20, 2011 – (times vary): Theatre Arts Department presents "Urinetown"**

*Previously showcased on Broadway and in national touring shows, the storyline in this satirical musical comedy centers on a city forced to charge people to use the restroom in order to control water consumption.*

**Friday, December 9, 2011 – 9:00 a.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.*