



INSTRUCTION

NURSING, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PSYCH TECH PROGRAMS CELEBRATE STUDENT SUCCESSES!

NURSES PINNED

On the evening of Wednesday, December 17th, Associate Dean of Health Sciences and Director of Nursing, Carol Wells, placed pins on 29 nursing program graduates. The next step for these grads is their licensing exam, and invitations to take the test are expected to arrive in February.



Top: The class of Fall 2014. Above left and right: Happy grads!

SHERIFF'S ACADEMY CLASS #195 GRADUATES 45 NEW LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Abundant Living Family Church in Rancho Cucamonga was once again the site for the Sheriff's Academy graduation. On Thursday, December 11th, the 45 graduates of class #195 swore the oath of ethics and held their final formation. As is so often the case, many of the graduates were handed their certificate of completion by a family member who works in law enforcement. The distance award winners went to one officer from Connecticut and another from Ohio.

County Chief Executive Officer Gregory Devereaux delivered the keynote address. Class #195 included seven SBVC graduates. The other 38 were all immediately going on to start their careers with the agencies that had hired them, contingent upon their successful completion of their rigorous training.



In keeping with a long-standing tradition, the class made a significant contribution to a charity of their choice. For this class, the cause was the California Peace Officers' Memorial Foundation.

Top to bottom: Cadets recite oath of ethics; drill instructors say farewell in typical DI (loud) fashion; graduation is over, it's time to celebrate!

The seven SBVC academy graduates were Jose Blanco, Christopher Crews, Eid Fakhoury, Cory Fisk, Ru-



Nursing faculty Michele Spahn (at the podium) leads the class in their ethics pledge.

STUDENT SUCCESS



Photo: Sarah Alvarado

“Because of my conditions and my seizures and the fact that I was premature, they said I would never walk, talk or live past age 6. But as always I managed to beat the doctor,” says SBVC student Eric Aguilar. Eric’s story ran in the December 22nd issue of the Redlands Daily Facts, which has generously allowed us to use their content for this board report. Eric is working on his associate degree in criminal justice and intends to pursue a career as a probation officer in Riverside County.

Eric is an outstanding example of someone who doesn’t let obstacles get in his way. He is a member of the Redlands Citizens Patrol since completing their academy training in November 2010. We congratulate Eric and thank Daily Facts reporter Kristina Hernandez for bringing his story to our attention!

ben Fuentes, Tyler Hodgins, Jose Martinez and Isidor Medrano.

PSYCH TECH GRADUATION

The SBVC Psych Tech program held its graduation ceremony on Tuesday, December 18th, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Of the graduates who all received their



Psych Tech certificates, 13 were recognized for having perfect attendance. Another eight also completed all the necessary coursework for their AS degree!

ART DEPARTMENT RAKU DINNER FUND-RAISER

In spite of cold, rainy weather, about 150 people turned out for the Art Department’s annual Raku Dinner fund-raiser on Friday evening, December 18th. Funds raised by the event go the Friends of the Gallery, which then spends it on student awards, supplies for the gallery and annual bus trips to various attractions like the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, the North Simon Museum, the Museum of Contemporary Art and other art-appreciation-related



As Snoopy would say, “It was a dark and rainy night...”

destinations that expose SBVC students to both traditional and contemporary art and artists.

In addition to a dinner with live entertainment, attendees are each provided with a low-fired ceramic piece that they can “paint” with glazes. The ceramic pieces then undergo a final firing in a Raku kiln and attendee-



Top: Silent auction items include many fine pieces made by students and instructors. Above: Dinner included live music.



1. Ceramics ready for glazing. 2. and 3. Ceramics being glazed. 4. Do NOT touch the kiln! 5. Finished pieces cooling.

artists can take home a finished, glazed artwork of their very own.

ATHLETICS MADE NEWS IN DECEMBER!

Top-5 State-Ranked SBVC Men's Basketball Triumphs in Pepsi/Holiday Inn Tournament

The San Bernardino Valley College men's basketball team won the tournament championship final over College of the Sequoias by a lopsided score of 72 to 39.

Georgia State University Signs SBVC Lineman

SBVC football lineman Tyler Simonsen has signed a letter of intent to play football at Georgia State University.

STUDENT SERVICES UPDATES

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

On Thursday, December 11th Student Health Services held their Fall "Blue Carpet" event on the Library walkway from 12:30 to 2:30. SHS Mental Health Educator Kindra Edmonson engages students in a free-wheeling conversation about themselves and their

interactions here at SBVC. Valley-Bound students recruited other students to get "interviewed" by Kindra and have their photos taken. It's a glamorous celebration about the specialness of being here at Valley College that started up with grant funding in 2011.

HOLIDAY HIGHLIGHT



PRESIDENT'S HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA

Campus Center was the venue for the President's Annual Holiday Extravaganza on December 5th, from 12:30 to 2:30 in the afternoon.

Twenty-seven baskets were donated and \$4,363 was raised for student scholarships. Attendees were treated to a feast prepared by Chef Stacy Meyer and her outstanding staff and culinary arts students.



Upper: The dessert table was stacked with gourmet delicacies. Lower: Assistant chef Brandon Lea and culinary arts students make sure everything is ready before the event starts.

Vice President of Administrative Services Scott Stark emceed the drawing of the winning tickets, which were brought to the stage by Santa's elves and drawn by Academic Senate President Dr. Jeremiah Gilbert and Classified Senate President Cassandra Thomas.



The elves



The crowd lines up for the feast



Chancellor Baron and his daughter



↑ Amanda Moody and Justine Plemons
↓ Time to start picking baskets to win



The Board of Trustees table
Mark Merjil & Trustee Joseph Williams



Laura Gowen fills out her drawing tickets
Time to draw the winner!



Men's Basketball vs. College of the Desert

Saturday, 1-17-15, 1 to 2:45 pm
Snyder Gym

Women's Basketball vs. College of the Desert

Saturday, 1-17-15, 3 to 4:45 pm
Snyder Gym

Martin Luther King Day Holiday

Monday, 1-19-15, ALL DAY

CAMPUS CLOSED

Baseball vs. L.A. Mission

Thursday, 1-29-15, 2 to 4:30 pm
Baseball Field

Women's Basketball vs. Chaffey

Wednesday, 2-4-15, 5 to 6:45 pm,
Snyder Gym



Men's Basketball vs. Chaffey

Wednesday, 2-4-15, 7 to 8:45 pm,
Snyder Gym

Lincoln's Birthday Holiday

Friday, 2-6-2015, ALL DAY

CAMPUS CLOSED

Baseball vs. El Camino

Tuesday, 2-10-15, 2:00 to 4:30 pm
Baseball Field

Baseball vs. El Camino

Thursday, 2-12-15, 2 to 4:30 pm
Baseball Field



Washington's Birthday Holiday

Monday, 2-16-15, ALL DAY

CAMPUS CLOSED

Women's Basketball vs. Victor V'ly

Wednesday, 2-18-15, 5 to 6:45 pm,
Snyder Gym

Men's Basketball vs. Victor Valley

Wednesday, 2-18-15, 7: to 8:45 pm
Snyder Gym

Baseball vs. Citrus

Thursday, 2-19-15, 2 to 4:30 pm
Baseball Field

Happy New Year!