

FACILITIES PLANNING, MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS Facilities Excellence Quarterly

College of San Mateo Car Fire Incident: Groundskeepers to the Rescue

On April 22nd, at approximately 10:00 A.M., CSM Lead Groundskeeper, Carol Reed happened upon the beginning of a car fire on W. Hillsdale Blvd. As the first person on the scene, she contacted CSM Public Safety. She then used great judgment in flagging down a subcontractor's water truck which she observed driving south on W. Hillsdale Blvd. At that point the vehicle, which belonged to a faculty member, was engulfed in smoke and flames. The water truck driver's right place/right time and quick reaction squelched the fire enough to allow time for San Mateo Fire Department to arrive and properly extinguish. Traffic was extremely heavy on W. Hillsdale Blvd given the time of day and both Carol and Bill Elliott, Groundskeeper, remained on scene and assisted with traffic diversion up to the time that the tow truck removed the vehicle. Thanks to the good



judgment exercised by the College of San Mateo Facilities staff, and good fortune to have had a water truck in the vicinity, the situation was quickly brought under control. Carol and Bill were both recognized by José Nuñez, Vice Chancellor, on May 8th for going above and beyond the call of duty.

Danny Glass & Joszef Veres: 25 Year Service Award Recipients

On April 29th, Danny Glass, Facilities Operations Manager at Cañada College, and Joszef Veres, Chief Engineer at Cañada College, were both recognized and awarded for 25 years of service with the San Mateo County Community College District.

Danny Glass has worked as the Facilities Operations Manager for Cañada College for 17 years. Before

that, Danny was a Senior Engineer at Cañada College for 9 years. In his current position, Danny is responsible for the day to day operations and maintenance of Cañada College. Danny oversees a team of 11 custodians, 4 engineers, 3 groundskeepers, a Supervisor of Custodial Operations and a Facilities Operations Technician.

Joszef Veres began working as an Engineer at Cañada College in 1983. Joszef



worked at Cañada College for 9 years, and in 1992 Joszef worked at the College of San Mateo. After 1 short year at the College of San Mateo, Joszef went back to Cañada College in 1993 where later he was promoted to Chief Engineer. In his current position, Joszef leads the Cañada College Engineering staff in



maintaining the campus's structural, electrical, mechanical, plumbing, elevator and access controls systems to name a few.

Thank you to Danny and Joszef for 25 Years of Service! Thank you Danny and Joszef for you commitment to Facilities Excellence!

May		June		July		Birthdays	
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11	Tatiana Degai	3	Pablo Santamaria	2	Joel Rivas	*	
13	Rome Langi	4	Tony Burrola	4	Seini Mateialona	*	
14	Michael Zan	5	José D. Nuñez	8	Tony Vassalle	Sirthday	
		8	Juan Rico	16	Luis Carranza		
		8	Alfonso Vasquez	25	Tim Granillo		
		11	Patty Dell Bona	30	Arlene Calibo		
		14	Dan Sarouhan	30	Norma Vasquez		
		19	Diane Martinez	31	Ignacio Carlos		
		26	Vinesh Samujh				
		28	John "Rama" King				

Skyline Refuse Management Site (Corp Yard) Ribbon

On April 6th, an informal Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was held to celebrate the completion of Skyline's Refuse Management Site (Corp Yard). The project resulted in an improved site for Skyline Facilities staff to separate and discard campus debris. Previous to this site, all debris was taken to the FMC and discarded. For the last two years a temporarily site near Pacific Heights was constructed by Facilities staff while the FMC underwent construction. This new site was designed to be out-of-sight as much as possible, to provide ample ma-



neuver room for San Bruno Garbage tractor rigs to off-haul the debris boxes, and to include a ramp for Facilities staff to thrown debris down into the

debris boxes. When fully completed, the site will have a trash compactor, container for Universal Waste collection, and surveillance cameras in addition to the three debris boxes for garbage, yard waste, and metal. The Skyline Facilities staff would like to thank Dan Sarouhan for all of this hard work on the project.



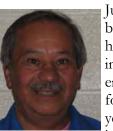
Skyline Facilities Manager Richard Inokuchi, Skyline President Vicki Morrow and Project Manager Dan Sarouhan cut the ribbon.



Look Who's Retiring!

College of San Mateo **Rigoberto Guzman**

Rigo has been a District employee at the College of San Mateo for 18 years. For the last 5 years he has been one of



the two day shift custodians on campus. Rigo was assigned to the Cafeteria and Student Services areas in Building 5 which was demolished earlier this year. Unfortunately, this building with high student and staff traffic had been sorely negelected. His dedication, work ethic and responsiveness was greatly appreciated by students and staff. Since the demolition of B5, Rigo's assignment has been

to provide attention to all of the academic and faculty buildings and he has continued to deliver outstanding service. Rigo has been married to his wife Antonia for 41 years. His retirement plans are to travel and be able to spend more time with his relatives in Mexico City.

Cañada College

Juan Rico

Juan has been a hard working District employee for 30 years. Juan is currently



a Swing Custodian and his assignment is Building 9. Juan is married to wife Rosa and has 5 sons, Jose Luis (26 years old and married), Juan Pablo (attends Chabot College), Alejandro (2008 HS Graduate), Noe (2009 HS Graduate), and Guadalupe (13 years old). Juan admits to having no hobbies and prefers to be working.



Juan has his own business part time where he delivers dog food to Pet Club. After retirement, Juan plans to work his business full time.

Skyline College **Dien Huynh**

Dien Huynh is retiring from the District after 15 years of dedicated service. Dien was once



a Major in the South Vietnamese Army and fought alongside U.S. soldiers during the Vietnam War. After Vietnam fell to the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong, Dien spent 13 years in a POW camp. Dien came to the U.S. in 1993 and

after 10 months as a temporary Custodian, Dien was hired as a full-time Custodian in 1994. Dien's principal assignment at Skyline was the Administrative Suite in Building 1 which he handled extremely well. After



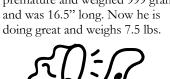
his retirement, Dien and his wife plan to travel to Vietnam and spend a month with his mother and then travel throughout China. When he returns he also plans to volunteer in the Vietnamese community throughout Northern California.

Thank you Rigo, Juan & Dien for your service!!

Congratulations Joseph Puckett-new Baby Boy! Congratulations Juan Lopez-new Baby Girl!

Joseph and his wife Shavette welcomed Joseph Chase Puckett IV on March 17, 2009. Baby Joseph was born







Juan and his wife Nicky welcomed Audrey Leticia Lopez on April 9 at 5:15 p.m. She weighed 8 lbs 2 ozs and was premature and weighed 999 grams 21 inches. She has an older sister Cady who is 4.





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'Facilities Excellence"

Spotlight on...Al Gotelli

- How long have you worked for SMCCCD Facilities? Thirteen and a half years at CSM as an Engineer
- 2. What do you enjoy most about your job? I enjoy the challenges.
- 3. If you could go anywhere in the world right now, where would you go and why? Italy because I'm Italian and I've never been there. My Mother is from Sicily and my Father is from Genoa.
- 4. What are your hobbies outside of work? Gardening, Classic Cars, Fishing and Sports. I'm also a big Giants Fan.
- 5. If you knew your next meal would be your last, what would it be? Ravioli

FACILITIES EXCELLENCE QUARTERLY

he Facilities team's mantra of "Facilities Excellence" is centered on L team work and providing first rate quality, professional and responsive engineering, custodial, grounds, facilities planning & construction management services to the college community as well as the visitors to the District.

The Mission of the Facilities Planning & Operations Department is to ensure a safe, effective, and inspiring physical environment that supports and enhances the instructional mission of the San Mateo County Community College District.

Our *Vision* is to enhance the existing ethos thereby strengthening a quality & professional facilities team that will continue to provide first rate custodial, grounds, engineering maintenance, facility planning, and construction management services to the college community.

The Facilities team *Goals* are:

- To be the facilities service provider of choice for Cañada College, College of San Mateo and Skyline College
- To be a team of inspired professionals that has attained internal and external distinction
- To earn a facilities achievement award by 2011



6. What is your favorite candy bar? Milky Way

7. What is your favorite season or time of year? Summer because the days are longer and the weather is warmer.

8. Are you a morning person or a night person? Night.

9. What is your astrological sign? Aquarius 10. What is the last

movie that you watched? The new movie with Tom Hanks-Angels and Demons.

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WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! Do you have a story of interest that you would like to share? Do you have a recommendation for an article? Is there something interesting or exciting happening at your campus? Please share your ideas with Carina by emailing them to warnec@smccd.edu.

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