

# Facilities Excellence Quarterly

## It's Raining Babies at FPO!



Alfonso, Emily and Norma

Larisa Howes have become new parents.

On the left, Alfonso and Norma are holding beautiful Emily. Alfonso looks every bit



Dylan

Tatiana and Brendan are the exhausted parents of Nikita (below). Nikita made his debut at Dylan's (middle left) Coming Out Party and was one of the best-behaved attendees.

There's been a baby boom at the San Mateo County Community College District.

In quick succession, Norma Vasquez, Tatiana Degai and



Lupé Nuñez (José's wife) with grandson Aidan

the proud papa and Norma looks like she's just had a baby.

José Nuñez is a new grandpa as well. Wife Lupé is shown holding Aidan. (left).

We're not sure if this is a trend at the District. "There must be something in the water" opined Linda da Silva, Director of



Tatiana and Nikita

## Skyline's Founders Learning Grove of Trees Receives Beautification Award

On October 11, the Skyline Founders Learning Grove of Trees received an Area Beautification Award from the City of San Bruno at the San Bruno City Council Meeting. The award was presented to President Vicki Morrow by Mayor Larry Franzella and Council member Irene O'Connell, Chair of San Bruno's Beautification Task Force.

The Founders Learning Grove of Trees was planted earlier this year and a dedication ceremony was held as part of Skyline's 35th anniversary celebration on

April 25. The Grove establishes a permanent community of native trees and shrubs that serves as a demonstration laboratory for life science students. It's also a nice place for anyone to enjoy.

The Grove received support from the President's Innovation Fund, which encourages faculty and staff to "dream out loud" and promotes a "culture of creativity" at Skyline College.

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Left-to right: Ed Wodehouse, Nick Kapp, Richard Inokuchi, Diego Zarco, President Vicki Morrow, Sheikh Hussain, Mayor Larry Franzella

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## FPO/Swinerton Team Building at Skyline

Friday, November 18 2005 was a great day for Skyline Facilities and Skyline Swinerton – the weather was beautiful and The Facilities Team got yet another chance to work with the Swinerton Team

This time it was a ‘fun project’ :.the painting of the ‘SC’ logo at our FMC. Everyone working today got a chance

to grab a paintbrush and help paint the insides of the letters red – Skyline and Swinerton alike.

Larisa did a fantastic job of taking the logo graphic art and scaling it so that it could be laid out on the pavement. We still have a little bit more touch up painting to finish before it is a fully completed ‘masterpiece.’

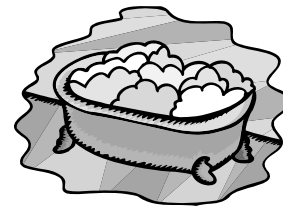


### Anyone for a Bath?

A practical joker decided that one of our fountains was not enough like a bubble bath and added some Mr. Bubble. The CSM Facilities team quickly reacted by contacting their pool supplier and getting an appropriate de-foaming chemical. The suds were gone in hours. Kudos to the CSM FPO team for their quick action!



Left-to-right: Sarah Husary, King Lau, Jin Ying Huang, Steve Bali, Hugh Wong, Manny Granillo, Giao Van Bui, Victor Chan, Dien Huynh, Richard Inokuchi



## Capstone Engineer Training Sessions Held at New Construction

In January, Facilities Planning & Operations initiated a series of “capstone” Engineer Training sessions. These sessions permit Engineers to see in real life all of those systems they’ve been classroom training on for years

This training consists of tours of buildings that are currently under construction.

Our first session was held at CSM Building 36, the Integrated Science Center. A photo of the class is at the right.

In February, the next session will be held at Building 35, the Regional Public Safety Center.



Left-to-right: Alan Miller, Manny Granillo, Al Gotelli, Devitt Hartney, unknown, Arlene Calibo, Frank Allegret, Linda da Silva, Jimmy Louie, Larisa Howes, Richard Inokuchi, José Nuñez, Tim Granillo, unknown, Terry Tindell, Cliff Heap, Daniel Gil Sologado, Danny Glass, Jozsef Veres

October	December	February	April	July
1 Linda da Silva	2 Daniel Gil Salgado	12 Luisa Azevedo	5 Martin Morales	2 Joel Rivas
3 Bob Spacher	4 Joe Rodrigues	14 Al Gotelli	<b>May</b>	8 Tony Vassalle
4 Hugh Wong	9 Guadalupe Mendoza	15 Miguel Gonzalez	11 Tatiana Degai	16 Luis Carranza
7 Harold Turner	13 Bryant Evans	20 Manny Granillo	14 Michael Zan	17 José Robledo
7 Diego Zarco	<b>January</b>	24 Bill Elliott	18 Roberto	25 Tim Granillo
15 Jimmy Chan	6 Robert Revo	<b>March</b>	30 Carol Reed	30 Arlene Calibo
22 Terry Tindell	15 Steve Bali	4 Ignacio Bejar	<b>June</b>	30 Norma Vasquez
24 King Lau	15 Phen Ly	5 Alejandro Toscano	3 Pablo Santamaria	31 Ignacio Carlos
31 Eduardo Gonzales	16 Rigo Guzman	10 Stephen Zoboli	4 José Nuñez	
<b>November</b>	20 Gordon Hairston	12 Buu Kim Khuu	8 Juan Rico	
14 Sheikh Hussain	23 Manuel Medina	14 Samuel Brambila	8 Alfonso Vasquez	
20 Larisa Howes	25 Tom Thomas	20 Tony Gulli	19 Diane Martinez	
21 Phill Fong	30 Jorge Ramirez	24 Jimmy Chow	26 Vinesh Samujh	
23 Jozsef Veres		24 Pam Emmons		
		27 Luis Hernandez		

**Birthdays**



**What happened to the November and April Issues of FEQN?**

Our premier issue was distributed in July. Issue Two was planned for October. Fortunately, the Measure A Bond passed, providing the district with \$468 Million to continue our successful Capital Improvement Program. Unfortunately, this meant that people were so busy getting this passed that we didn't have time to publish. We're back on track now. Thanks for your patience.

**Skyline Beautification Award**

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The Skyline faculty responsible for dreaming up this wonderful project was Biology faculty Nick Kapp and Ed Wodehouse. The Skyline Facilities staff who worked with the faculty was Richard Inokuchi, Diego Zarco, Sheikh Hussain, and Larisa Howes.



Faculty and Facilities Staff plants a tree at the Learning Grove of Trees

Twenty-one different native deciduous and evergreen trees and shrubs were selected, procured, planted, and labeled. In addition, the Facilities staff assembled and installed picnic tables near the Grove and installed an irrigation system.

Good job Skyline Facilities and thanks for promoting "Facilities Excellence" with this project.

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**"Facilities Excellence"**

The Facilities team's mantra of "*Facilities Excellence*" is centered on 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 2008
- To successfully implement the Capital Improvement Program



## Spotlight On . . . . Larisa Howes (Staff Assistant, Skyline)

**What's your astrological sign?**

Scorpio.

**What is your favorite color, and why?**

Light Blue – because it is soothing.

**What do you do with yourself when you're not at work?**

I enjoy spending evenings out with my husband.



**If you knew the next meal would be your last, what would it be?**

Sushi

**Who are your heroes?**

My husband – Brendan.

**What is the best thing about your job?**

Working with all the great Facilities guys at Skyline.