

# Facilities Excellence Quarterly

## College of San Mateo Health & Wellness Building Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

On March 24, 2010, over 250 people attended the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for CSM's new Building 5 located in the same spot as the old building 5 which was demolished in summer 2008. The building is the new home for the Dental Hygiene, Nursing and Cosmetology programs which are outfitted with state of the art classrooms and equipment that students and staff are anxious to occupy and use starting in Fall 2010. The location, at the south end of the campus, is convenient for community members who are patrons of these programs. One of the unique features of this



building is the San Mateo Athletic Club which occupies 24,563 square feet. It is a full service fitness and wellness center which opens on April 1 with memberships available to the public. District employee memberships start at \$44 per month until April 30 when they will increase to \$49 per month. The adjacent Aquatic Center comprises an Olympic-sized pool and a second pool for competition warm-ups as well as Adaptive Physical Education. The total project budget cost for the new CSM Building 5 (including the swimming pools) is \$61M. CSM Facilities staff have gone through extensive training on the buildings systems and features in preparation for servicing the nearly 90,000 square feet of space which will be the campus largest building until Spring/Summer 2011 when Building 10 (140,000 square feet) is completed.

Written by Diane Martinez



Dental Hygiene equipment located on the 3rd Floor.



The San Mateo Athletic Club floor graphics.

## Birthdays

March		April		May		June	
4	Ignacio Bejar	2	Linda Ma	11	Tatiana Degai	3	Pablo Santamaria
5	Ke Tao Liu	5	Martin Morales	13	Rome Langi	4	Tony Burrola
5	Alejandro Toscano	17	Alex Gordon	14	Michael Zan	5	José Nuñez
5	Allan Chan	18	Devitt Hartney			8	Alfonso Vasquez
10	Stephen Zoboli	27	Jesus Ceja			11	Patty Della Bona
12	Buu Kim Khuu					19	Diane Martinez
14	Samuel Brambila					26	Vinny Samujh
16	Jin Ying Huang					28	John “Rama” King
20	Alex Pfaeffle						
20	Tony Gulli						
24	Jimmy Chow						
24	Pam Emmons						
27	Luis Hernandez						
29	Mohamad Baydoun						



Engineers at Skyline attempt to unclog a flooded drain.

## Facilities “Weathers the Storm”

Every winter, the Facilities team at each campus prepares for heavy wind, rain and hail storms. Some examples of their preparations include clearing roofs and roof drains of debris, clearing roadway and parking lot storm drain inlets, laying out additional water-absorbing matting at door entrances, trimming dangerous tree limbs, staking young sapling trees, checking sump pumps to make sure they are operating correctly, securing outdoor garbage containers, and fastening loose equipment and fixtures. Once the winter storms are upon us, the Facilities team is ready to react to whatever campus crisis it might encounter – from power outages, to localized flooding, to fallen tree limbs, to water infiltration inside buildings, etc. (continued on page 3)

## Cañada College FMC Bat House

The Cañada College Facilities Maintenance Center (FMC) Bat House was constructed in February 2010. The bat house helped the FMC to gain a LEED point in the category of Innovative Design by promoting habitat for the native animals in the area around the site. The bat house is made



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of plywood, coated in a marine epoxy and then sprinkled with a ground lapis stone. This rough texture allows the little toes of the bats to have a “grippy” surface in order to climb up into the bat house. These layers are spaced a mere 1-1/34” apart, making for a series of cozy layers for the bats to roost and to raise their young. After setting the 21-foot long box steel posts (embedded four feet in the ground in concrete footings) the bat house, fully assembled, was slung on the forks of a lift over to the concrete posts. Several layers of the plywood extend out past the outside of the bat house. This is intentional; it serves as a series of “landing pads” for the bats to land on and then crawl up inside.

There are holes between the plywood layers up inside the bat house which serve as passageways for the bats to move from one chamber to the other and allow for ventilation between the layers in the warmer months. The bat house is orientated so that it will receive several hours of sunlight during the day to keep its tenants cozy and still be far enough away from the adjacent trees so that intruders cannot jump from the trees onto the bat house and crawl inside. The Cañada

Campus Community has warmly welcomed the bat house and the Facilities team considers themselves guardians, making sure it is undisturbed, especially in these early weeks while the bats check it out to see if they would like to raise their families there.



The Bat House fully installed and ready for use.

Written by Linda Rizzoli

(“Storm” continued from page 2) Thank you to all campus Facilities staff for their efforts every year during the stormy season. Congratulations on a job well done!



Fallen tree limbs at Skyline College.



Skyline Parking Lot M flooding.

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*"Facilities Excellence"***Spotlight on...Steve Zoboli**

- 1. How long have you worked for SMCCCD Facilities?** 10 years at CSM as a Groundskeeper.
- 2. What do you enjoy most about your job?** Working outdoors.
- 3. What are your hobbies outside of work?** Camping and fishing in Northern California.
- 4. Do you enjoy playing or watching any sports?** I like to watch Football and Nascar.
- 5. If you had a lot of money, where would you go on vacation?** I'd go to the Carribean, forever.
- 6. What is the last movie that you watched?** Up

**7. Can you tell us about your family?**

I've been married to my wife Tina for 10 years. We have a 16 year old son, Giovanni.

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

Prime Rib and Red Wine

**9. What is your favorite candy bar?**

Frozen Reese's Peanut Butter Cup

**10. What music would I find in your iPod or CD Player right now?** Rock N' Roll

Written by Carina Warne

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Professionalism

Team Work

Communication

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