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### Retired PERS/STRS Employee?

If so, did you know you could set up a monthly payroll deduction marked for a donation to the SBVC Foundation? Contact Donna Hoffmann at (909) 384-8987 for more information.

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## California Community College Scholarship Endowment (CCCSE) Provides Great Opportunity: Turn \$13,334 into a \$20,000 Endowed Scholarship!

In May 2008, the Bernard Osher Foundation pledged a gift of \$50 million to launch the California Community Colleges Scholarship Endowment. When asked what motivated him to make such a significant and transformational gift, Mr. Osher shared that his decision was based on a great deal of research. "I was impressed with the sheer size of the system—serving 2.6 million people on an annual basis," he said, "and with the range and importance of its educational offerings."

San Bernardino Valley College students benefitted from the CCCSE last year with ten \$1,000 scholarships. We have the opportunity to increase the number of scholarships given because every dollar contributed to the Endowment, the Osher Foundation will contribute 50 cents, helping increase the impact your contribution has on the lives of SBVC students. For example, a contribution of \$13,334, with the Osher Foundation's match of \$6,667, will result in a \$1,000 scholarship each year, forever. The deadline is fast approaching though—contributions must be received by June 30, 2011.

What's more, **100 percent of your donation will directly fund scholarships**, ensuring the greatest possible support for our students.

For more information on how you can contribute and receive matching funds, please contact the SBVC Foundation at 909-384-8987.

**CALIFORNIA  
COMMUNITY COLLEGES  
SCHOLARSHIP  
ENDOWMENT**

A PART OF THE OSHER INITIATIVE FOR  
CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS

## Tech Division Seeking Car Donations

San Bernardino Valley College's Automotive Division is seeking donations of vehicles that are less than 10 years old and in running condition for its training program.

The donations through the SBVC Foundation are tax deductible.



## Standing Together for Students

April 17 is sure to be a historic day for California Community Colleges, as over a million people join hands to form a continuous line up and down the state as part of Hands Across California, all in support of the largest system of higher education in the nation.

Although California Community Colleges make it possible for everyone, regardless of income level or background, to achieve the dream of an education, the ever-rising costs associated with college are a barrier for many students.

Hands Across California will help raise awareness and funds for California's nearly 3 million community college students. Net proceeds will directly support the California Community Colleges Scholarship Endowment, which provides much-needed financial support to thousands of students, every year.

### Facts at-a-glance

- **When:** Sunday, April 17, 2011, 2 p.m.
- **Where:** Communities throughout California (see route posted at [www.handsacrosscalifornia.org](http://www.handsacrosscalifornia.org) for details)
- **More information:** e-mail [info@handsacrosscalifornia.org](mailto:info@handsacrosscalifornia.org)

San Bernardino Valley College Associated Student Government is gathering a group of SBVC students and alumni to help form the line and raise money. You can participate by registering to participate at [www.handsacrosscalifornia.org](http://www.handsacrosscalifornia.org) or you can donate to scholarships specifically for San Bernardino Valley College students at the ASG website: [www.firstgiving.com/fundraiser/SBVC/hands-across-california](http://www.firstgiving.com/fundraiser/SBVC/hands-across-california).

Take a stand for student scholarships by joining us for Hands Across California.



## Certificate Program Leads to Success for Miguel Gutierrez

When Miguel Gutierrez returned to college, after choosing full time work for the four years following high school, he still wasn't sure what he wanted to do. As an adult, he started studying at Chaffey College, where he took general education courses. He did know one thing. He knew he wanted his degree and that, in the long run, obtaining it would be more financially beneficial than working full time without one. He had some friends who told him about the Water Supply Technology Certificate Program, so he transferred to San Bernardino Valley College, and the rest, is as they say...history.

As a student of the Water Supply Technology Certificate program, he began taking waste water research classes and almost immediately started volunteering for the City of San Bernardino; water agencies will consider 100 hours of volunteer time as work experience, and the Water Technology program at Valley College offers an "OIT" (Operator in Training) course that also allows you to count your work experience as course credit toward obtaining your certificate.

After eight months of obtaining the "OIT" hours and attending classes at SBVC, Miguel began to apply for jobs. It was quite an experience and took some dedication. Miguel was working approximately 32 hours at the Home Depot, attending SBVC and volunteering between 21-24 hours with the City of San Bernardino. Within that first year, he landed a position with the City of Carlsbad as a Waste Water Research Technician.

On the job, Miguel insures that the treatment systems are working properly and monitors the water, drawing weekly samples, comparing percentages and prescribed ratios. When everything is working properly, certain micro-organisms diligently work to clean the water. If anything is out of balance, he reports to his supervisor, who is responsible for making the necessary changes.

Miguel is interested in eventually becoming a supervisor and, ultimately, a chief. Miguel says that "education shortens the development path, and that it counts toward experience," which has proven to support his goals for advancement in the field. He credits SBVC instructor Achala Chatterjee with being his "go-to" person, and says that she "gives everyone good advice and extra study materials, if they are interested." He also spoke very highly of Andy Coady, saying that Coady, who works for the City of San Bernardino's Waste Water Department, and was recently recognized as SBVC's Distinguished Community Partner for his role in developing the Waste Water Technician Program, acted as a strong mentor and was "instrumental in helping us find the volunteer opportunities we needed. There are currently eight students working with Mr. Coady through the OIT program."

Miguel is engaged to be married later this month. He and his fiancé plan to move to San Marcos, which is just about a 20-30 minute commute to Carlsbad for work. His son, Christian, plays on a T-ball team and last year, Miguel was the assistant coach.

Miguel encourages students to "keep going to school and, if possible, go for your Associate of Arts degree...or more." He says "don't get discouraged, set a goal and before you know it, you'll achieve it. Time passes anyway, you might as well make the most of the time you're given and take the opportunities presented to you. Within one year, you can complete the Waste Water Technician program, if you can attend full time; two years if you attend part time...but even with a family, and almost working full time, it has been achievable, and it's been worth every minute."



Miguel Gutierrez



Valley-Bound Commitment Program Honored As Top Student Success Program in California Community Colleges

by Craig Petinak

At an awards reception in Pasadena for the conclusion of the Community College League of California (CCLC) Convention last November, SBVC's Valley-Bound Commitment was honored as the unanimous recipient of the California Community Colleges 2010 Chancellor's Student Success Award. The award recognizes a college that has demonstrated significant progress toward achieving student equity goals and success for all students. The Valley-Bound Commitment program was singled out from a variety of nominations as a program that has instituted a creative approach proven effective in achieving student equity and student success in the areas of access, retention, course completion, degree and certificate completion, and transfer. After the Valley-Bound Commitment video was shown to the attendees, SBVC President Dr. Debra Daniels accepted the award from California Community Colleges Chancellor Jack Scott on behalf of the students, staff and faculty members who have made the program the success that it is today. Dr. Daniels urged community college leaders in the audience to look for ways to achieve similar results by finding pieces of this program and others to weave into their own campus student success initiatives. San Manuel Band of Mission Indians is the primary benefactor for the Valley-Bound Commitment Program, but anyone can donate to help increase the number of students enrolled. For more information on donating, contact the SBVC Foundation at 909-384-4471.



Craig Petinak, SBVC Director of Marketing; Donna Hoffmann, SBVC Director of Resource Development; Dr. Debra Daniels, SBVC President; and Damon Bell, SBVC Vice President of Student Services, pose after receiving the Chancellor's Student Success Award at the close of the CCLC Convention.

President's Circle Supports San Bernardino Valley College Students

The President's Circle is comprised of an elite group of individuals dedicated to supporting the mission of San Bernardino Valley College, and thus, increasing educational opportunities to members of our community. Members of the President's Circle provide the annual resources that enable the SBVC Foundation to support academic and vocational programs, student services, scholarships and a wide variety of other college priorities.

- BENEFITS OF YOUR \$1000 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP:
- ❖ Invitation to special events (President's Holiday Gathering, Foundation Gala)
  - ❖ 2 tickets to a fall SBVC Theatre production
  - ❖ Art exhibition openings at Allen & Clara Gresham Art Gallery
  - ❖ Annual breakfast with the President and President's Circle members
  - ❖ Monthly reports from the President on college activities
  - ❖ SBVC Travel Mug
  - ❖ Recognition in publications

If you are interested in joining the President's Circle, please contact the SBVC Foundation Office at 909-384-8987.

Save the Date:

Reflecting on the Past....Looking to the Future

85th Anniversary Gala

Friday, October 21, 2011

5-9 p.m. • SBVC Women's Gym

85th ANNIVERSARY

San Bernardino Valley College

Celebrating 85 Years

State Champions: San Bernardino Valley College Women's Soccer Team Recognized by City of San Bernardino

Hauge named National Coach of the Year  
by Craig Petinak

In honor of their historic championship season, the 2010 San Bernardino Valley College (SBVC) Wolverines Women's Soccer team was honored by the City of San Bernardino City Council at City Hall on February 7, 2011. On December 5, 2010, under rainy conditions in Santa Clarita, the SBVC squad made their first-ever appearance in the state finals and defeated Santa Rosa Junior College by the score of 1-0 to capture the first California Community College Athletic Association Women's Soccer State Championship in the school's history. The title was the first state championship of any kind in SBVC women's sports since 1974 (SBVC won national championships in Women's Archery in 1960 and 1974, in addition to state titles in Women's Archery in 1972, 1973, and 1974). Despite losing three players to season-ending injuries (including their leading scorer from the previous year), SBVC finished the season with a 20-1-4 record with 15 players being named all-Conference performers. The path to the state title included a third straight Foothill Conference title and an undefeated record playing on their home field for the second consecutive season. On January 14, 2011, SBVC Coach Kristin Hauge was named National Coach of the Year at the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) Convention held in Baltimore, Maryland. In December 2010, she was named the NSCAA Western Region Coach of the year and Foothill Conference Coach of the Year. In only her sixth season at SBVC, she has amassed a career record of 90-30-19 for a program that never finished a season with a winning record before her arrival. At the same NSCAA Convention in Baltimore, San Bernardino Valley sophomore forward Araceli Sanchez was selected as the Junior College Division III National Player of the Year. Sanchez is the first SBVC women's player to earn NSCAA All-America honors and was also named to the 2010 California Community College Athletic Association (CCCCAA) All-State Team, the 2010 CCCAA All-Southern California Team, and was selected as the 2010 Foothill Conference Most Valuable Player. In SBVC's 85-year history, no single athletic team has garnered the National Coach of the Year (Hauge) and National Player of the Year (Sanchez) awards in the same season.



SBVC Director of Athletics Inducted into Hall of Fame  
by Brian Sylva

SBVC Director of Athletics David Rubio was inducted into the California Community College Women's Volleyball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in a ceremony on Friday, December 3rd at the Ontario Airport Sheraton. Rubio is no stranger to success. Few in the history of the sport can compete with the accomplishments of San Bernardino Valley College's decorated former Women's Volleyball head coach. In 2010-11, Rubio, the seven-time Foothill Conference Coach of the Year, entered his fourth season at the helm of the SBVC Athletic Department. In his time at SBVC, he helped establish the Women's Volleyball program as one of the premier collegiate volleyball programs in Southern California. Rubio has been in the spotlight of women's volleyball since he began his coaching career 21 years ago at Colton High School. While at SBVC, he collected 11 Conference titles, including five straight Conference titles between 1994 and 1998, and an impressive 66 game winning streak against Conference opponents from 1994 to 1999. He has taken 12 teams to the post season and led his 2002 team to a State Finals appearance. Rubio is the winningest coach in SBVC Women's Volleyball history with 250 career victories. He also boasts a 332-106 career record, with a 250-98 (.718) mark at SBVC. In 1986, just before he started attending college, Rubio became co-head coach with Leslye Williams for the Colton High School girls' volleyball team and coached there until 1989. Every year Rubio met with achievement, assisting Williams in winning four consecutive Citrus Belt League titles in four years from 1986 to 1989. Rubio's record at Colton was an impressive, 82-8. In the meantime, Rubio attended Cal State San Bernardino from 1987-1990 where he was the captain of the collegiate club men's volleyball team that would face off against some of the toughest NCAA intercollegiate Universities. In 1989, while still a student at Cal State and still assisting at Colton High School, Rubio took over for Gene Mazzei at San Bernardino Valley College where he was Head Coach. Rubio continued to implement aspects of successful coaching that he learned from Williams and Mazzei, as well as his own nuances. By his sixth season at SBVC, Rubio had built a first place team, making SBVC Women's Volleyball the preeminent power in the Foothill Conference for the next fourteen years. Rubio had several women named to All-Southern California, including Gabriella Mojska in 1997, Allie Newman in 2004, Becca Beall in 2001 and 2000. In 2002, Ashley Esqueda was named to Southern California All-State, among many others. Rubio retired from coaching the Women's volleyball team after the 2007 season to take over as the full time Director of Athletics at San Bernardino Valley College.



David Rubio