

## NEWS

February 2018

### Alum is New Police Chief

New San Diego Chief of Police Dave Nisleit is alumni of Miramar College. Nisleit attended and graduated the 144th Police Academy at Miramar College in 1988. His son Ryan recently graduated from the same academy. The 52-year old succeeds fellow alum Shelley Zimmerman as Chief. Chief Nisleit also attended POST training at the College from spring 1988 to summer 1988. He also completed several in-service classes at the College from 1989 through 2007. To read more about his background and appointment click [here](#).



### New Billboard Appears

In our effort to continue to build the College's brand in our local community, Miramar College has entered into a partnership with Clear Channel Outdoor to place a billboard on Miramar Road through December 2018. This billboard, which debuted on Jan. 29, replaces last year's billboard that was located on eastbound Miramar Road near the 805. This new billboard features the same



messaging, but is now located on west bound Miramar Road just past Camino Ruiz Road across from MCAS Miramar.

### Peter White Passes

Former Miramar College Vice President of Student Services, Peter White, passed away the weekend of Feb. 3. Peter came to the San Diego Community College District in 2006, first to Miramar College, where he spent two years as Vice President of Student Services, then transferring to



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the same position at City College. He retired from the District in 2013, but returned briefly in 2015 to serve as Acting Vice President of Student Services at Mesa College.

## New Video Library

Move over Netflix, Hulu and Amazon Prime, the San Diego Miramar College library is now offering over 24,500 full-length feature films in a new streaming database available to students, faculty and staff free of charge.

*Films on Demand* is accessible at the following [link](#) 24 hours, 7 days a week. Students, staff and faculty will need to enter their CSID number and their last name to access this new data base.

Each film can be viewed as a whole or broken down into segments that may be linked individually. All come with code that can be used to embed the videos or video segments in course pages.

Many new titles will be added to the database each month.

*Films on Demand* brings to three the number of streaming video databases now offered by the Miramar College library. Click [here](#) to see which film titles the library offers.

## STEM Grant

Under-represented students pursuing STEM degrees will get a financial boost in 2018 after the Miramar College Foundation was awarded a \$75,000 grant from the Science & Technology Grants Program for the project, Community Outreach Supply Chain Experience to Improve Career Awareness and College Success in San Diego Region Community College Students (SCE Project). The San Diego Foundation awarded grant runs from January 15, 2018 through January 15, 2019.

This grant will support thirty (30) \$1,500 scholarships and ten (10) \$3,000 scholarships. These scholarships will be directed to qualified low-income, first-generation college students who are underrepresented in STEM fields. Scholarship funds will support living expenses, books and go directly to the students such that they can efficiently complete their programs and participate in the planned Supply Chain Community Service Experiences.

The College will also be asked to: hold information sessions for “hard to identify” under-served students; provide resume building workshops, individual counseling and college application assistance to increase degree completion, university transfer and career readiness; organize workshops

to develop career readiness; provide counseling for program transfer and completion; and upon completion, connect students to subsidized internships.

This grant was awarded by The San Diego Foundation and was made possible by the Blasker Rose Miah Fund and the Reuben H. Fleet Foundation Discretionary Fund.

## SDCCD Board Meeting

The SDCCD annual Board of Trustees meeting held on the Miramar Campus took place Feb. 8. There were several presentations made on behalf of the College. Dean Lou Ascione headed up a presentation that showcased the new integrated Academic Success Center. Presenters included Donnie Tran, Julia McMenamin, Foster Chamberlain, Jon Alva, Mona Patel, Sonny Nguyen and students Jack Rose, Meaghan Duffy-Deno, Chelsea Cresencia, and Mathias Sabou. A second presentation showcasing the English Center/Instructional Apprentice was head by Ken Reinstein, Lea Baker and Nina Jacobs. A special thanks go out to the AV Department, Facilities Operations Department, Miramar College Café, College Police, and in particular Briele Warren.

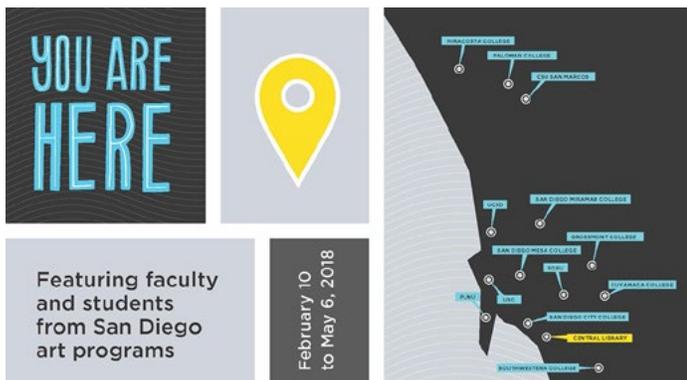


## Panera Fundraiser

The Miramar College Foundation held a fundraiser at the Mira Mesa Panera on Feb. 7. The funds raised go to support the Miramar College Foundation Freshman Scholarship program. The 4-hour long event raised \$89.24 for the Foundation.

## Faculty & Student Art on Display

This month, the Central Library is putting a twist on the tried-and-true model of faculty and student art exhibitions. "You Are Here" takes the work of 26 artists from 13 different higher education art departments and features it in an off-campus venue. The new student and faculty produced exhibit coming to the San Diego Central Library @ Joan A Irwin Jacobs Common provides a glimpse into the talent of local teaching artists and their emerging-artist students. Professor Jessica McCambly and student Hanna Hunter have their art displayed. Like the studio art practices at the schools, works on view are diverse, created by instructors and students working in a range of mediums such as painting, mixed media, ceramics, and photography. "You Are Here" will be on display from Feb. 10 through May 6, 2018. The Art Gallery is open noon to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 2 to 7 p.m. on Thursdays and noon to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The gallery is closed on Mondays.



## Art School Acceptance

Art Student Hanna Hunter has been accepted to the world-renowned School of the Art Institute of Chicago, where she will be majoring in Painting. SAIC is one of the most prestigious Art schools in the nation. It has been



named "The most influential art school in the United States" by Columbia University's Art Critics National Arts Journalism Survey and ranks among the top of 220 fine arts graduate programs—**U.S. News and World Report**. Hanna will be graduating from Miramar this May, earning an Associate in Arts in Studio Arts for Transfer Degree (A.A.-T).

## SDG&E Donates Drones

The Aviation program accepted a donation of 6 drones from SDG&E on Feb. 16. The donation was valued at just over \$18,500.00. Professor Max Moore was at the SDG&E flight operations center at Gillespie Field to take possession of the equipment. These drones will be used for instructional purposes in the College's Aviation 161 (Remote Pilot Ground School) class and labs.



# QUICK HITS

## Police Officers Association Scholarship

Thanks to Miramar College Foundation board member, and current Fire Tech Professor Marty Walsh, the San Diego Police Officers Association Board voted to sponsor a \$500 scholarship to be given to an enrolled Criminal Justice student at the college. Details are still being worked out.

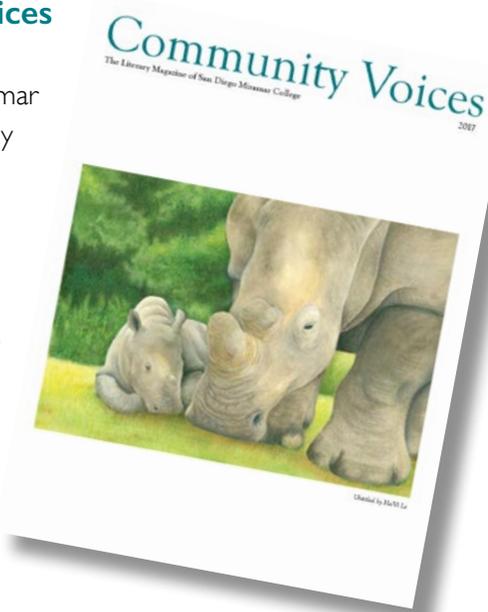
## Boeing on Campus

Hiring managers from Boeing were on campus Feb. 7-9 seeking applicants for positions in manufacturing fields with skills in assembly, electrical, functional testing, troubleshooting. Those who passed a Feb. 7 pre-screening were invited to interview on Feb. 8 & 9.



## Community Voices Published

Did you know Miramar College has a literary and art magazine? Community Voices seeks to publish the creative work (art, photography, fiction, nonfiction) of our students, staff, and faculty. See the 2017 issue [here](#):



## Alum Published

The Miramar College Honors Program is proud to announce that one of our students, Mohammad Saffari Doost, a product of the Miramar College Honors Program, has co-authored and been published in Nature! Doost currently studies at Cal. See the link to his research article [here](#).

## Volleyball Ranked

The Miramar College men's volleyball team broke into the state rankings the week of Feb. 12. The men checked in at #10.

## ASC Event

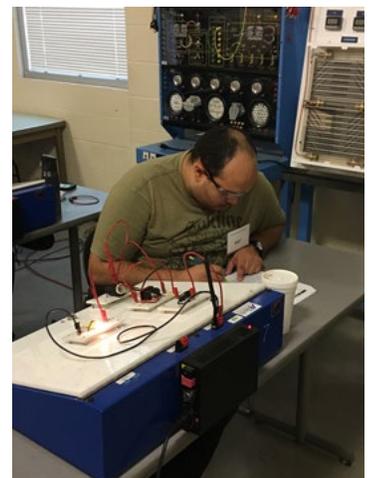
A grand re-opening of the Academic Success Center was held on Feb. 14.



## Diesel Gold

On January 27, 4 students from the Miramar College Diesel Technology program competed in the Diesel Equipment Technology competition for Region 6 SkillsUSA. Two of our students received gold and silver: Kyle Null took home gold while Nicholas Williams won silver.

The duo is now qualified to compete in the California State SkillsUSA competition this April in Ontario.



Nick Williams at electrical station

# PEOPLE



The School of Mathematics, Biological, Exercise and Physical Sciences (MBEPS) is happy to introduce their newest members to the Miramar College faculty – **Melissa Wolfson** (assistant professor Math) and **Shawn Hurley** (assistant professor Biology). Melissa has been teaching

mathematics at Miramar College since the fall of 2015. During her time here at Miramar, she has been involved in the Basic Skills Transformational Grant and development of the Statway program. Shawn earned his doctorate in Biological Sciences from Montana State University in 2006.



# EVENTS

## Want to know what's going on?

Check "all" or search by category in the Master Calendar: Athletics, Civic Center Activities (campus rentals), Community Events, Hourglass Complex, Internal College Activities, Student Activities, Student Services at [www.sdmiramar.edu/calendar](http://www.sdmiramar.edu/calendar).

## Stay informed...

Committee agendas, minutes and reports can be found at [www.sdmiramar.edu/campus/governance](http://www.sdmiramar.edu/campus/governance). College Executive Committee (CEC) meetings are open to all interested parties.

### Men's Volleyball at Santiago Canyon

March 2 • 6:00pm

### San Diego Science Festival of Science & Engineering

March 3 • 9:00am – noon

### Pass/No Pass Grade Option Deadline

March 5

### Men's Volleyball at LA Trade Tech

March 9 • 6:00pm

### Men's Volleyball at Mesa

March 14 • 6:00pm

### Miramar College Panning Summit

March 16 • 8:30am-2:00pm • K-107

### Men's Volleyball vs. Grossmont

March 16 • 6:00pm • Hourglass Fieldhouse

### Men's Volleyball vs. St. Katherine

March 21 • 6:00pm • Hourglass Fieldhouse

### Men's Volleyball vs. Palomar

March 23 • 6:00pm • Hourglass Fieldhouse

### Men's Volleyball vs. Mesa

March 27 • 6:00pm • Hourglass Fieldhouse