

NEWS

October 2016

Vet-2-Jets Grant Renewed

Just in time to celebrate Veterans Day, the College received a \$20,000 grant from San Diego Gas & Electric to fund its Vets-2-Jets program for the coming year.

Miramar College created the Vets-2-Jets program to remove the financial barriers that negatively impact the academic success of disabled Veterans. Through the career placement center, the program is able to assist Veterans, who have a 20% or greater VA disability rating, with text book assistance, laptops for loan, and at times help with utility bills, housing and transportation needs. The funds are also used to sponsor on-campus movie nights and BBQ's for all Veterans. To date, the Vets-2-Jets program has purchased textbooks for over 100 Veterans.



"We wish to thank our community partner San Diego Gas & Electric for such a generous donation for the fourth consecutive year," said Dr. Patricia Hsieh, president of San Diego Miramar

College. "We have seen tremendous progress in the services we can now provide our Veteran students thanks to these funds."

With its close proximity to MCAS Miramar, the College served the needs of 2,198 students who declared as active duty military or veteran during 2015-2016 academic year.

Strong Workforce Workshop

A workshop was held on Oct. 7 to explain the key



components of the Strong Workforce Program and address the preliminary first year plan for integrating the Strong Workforce requirements into current and future CTE programs.

The Strong Workforce Program has been established to allow California community colleges to expand and improve the quality of career technical courses, programs and services to enable students to access the current and future job market. New funding has been allocated to Miramar College to supplement the career technical programs in meeting the requirements of this new initiative.

Fire Science Alum Colin Stowell Named Chief

Miramar College alum Colin Stowell has been named Chief of Heartland Fire and Rescue. He is a 28-year veteran of San Diego Fire and Rescue. Stowell obtained an associate degree in Fire Science from Miramar College. Click [here](#) to read more.



Intersession Returns January 2017

For the first time since 2009, Intersession classes will return to San Diego Miramar College. From January 3, 2017



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through January 28, 2017, the College will offer 54 sections in 19 areas of study.

"The San Diego Community College District has been granted additional resources from the State of California and we have decided to use the resources to expand our services to students wishing to take additional units between semesters," said Dr. Patricia Hsieh, president of San Diego Miramar College. "This is an excellent opportunity for students to get ahead in their course of study."

Four-week classes will be offered beginning Tuesday, Jan. 3 in: Accounting; Administration of Justice; Astronomy; Biological Studies; Business; Chemistry; Child Development; Computer Business Technology; Fire Protection & EMT; Exercise Science; Geology; Health; Legal Assistance; Library Science; Marketing; Math; Nutrition; and Physical Science.

For added convenience, a majority of the sections will be offered online.

Returning students can register for Intersession using their Spring 2017 registration appointment that begins Nov. 14. New students wishing to secure an appointment should apply by Nov. 3 at <https://applyonline.communitycollege.net/studentappview.cfm>.

Open enrollment begins on Dec. 12. A schedule of Intersession classes can be found at <http://schedule.sdccd.edu/> starting on Oct. 31.

Student Athlete Spotlight on Dual Enrollment

KUSI-TV featured our dual enrollment business program at Scripps Ranch High School on their Oct. 20 evening newscasts. This is part of the station's Student Athlete Profile that runs weekly. The station focused on Scripps Ranch High School quarterback Kyle Mullin who is enrolled in the Business 100 course taught by Desiree Klaar. Click [here](#) to watch the feature.

CAP Meeting

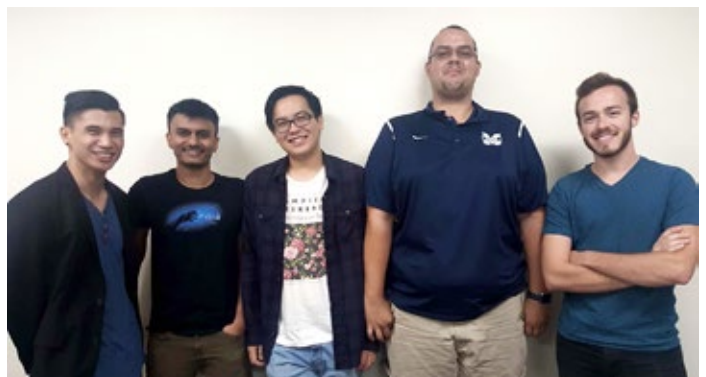
On Oct. 24, the College hosted a meeting and campus tour with representatives from local Fiat/Chrysler dealerships facilitated by NC3 National Coalition of Certification Centers and Mopar CAP. This was a kick-off meeting designed to introduce our Automotive Technology Program to area Fiat/Chrysler dealers. The goal is to attain a future partnership between the Auto Tech Program and the dealers. NC3, which Miramar College is already a member



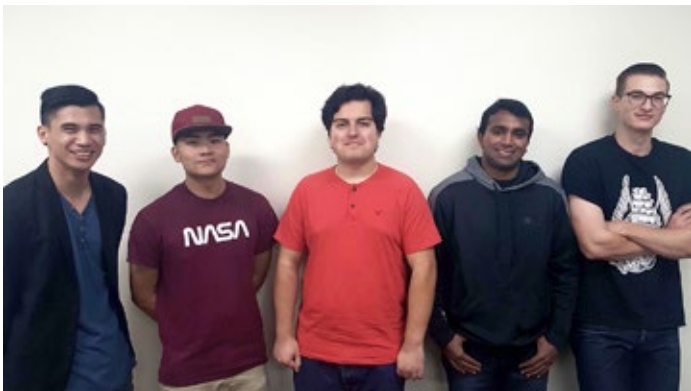
of, is a network of education providers and corporations that supports, advances and validates new and emerging technology skills in the transportation, aviation and energy industry sectors.

Students Honored at Astronomy Research Seminar

Two teams from Miramar College won both first and second place at the San Diego Astronomy Research Seminar held at the Pacific Beach Public Library. The teams presented their binary star proposals which detailed how each team would observe a star over the Fall 2016



Team PWAK from left to right: Assistant Professor Jae Calanog, Parth Korat, William Vazquez, Mesa student Alex Beltzer-Sweeney and Kyle Correia



Team StarKasm from left to right: Assistant Professor Jae Calanog, Kelvin Nguyen, Ariane Nazemi, Sibi Radhakrishnan and Max Schoenbrunner

semester, and their timeline for doing so. The two teams, made up of seven Miramar College students outranked of all off the other San Diego colleges, high schools, and middle schools that participated. Jae Calanog, assistant professor of Physics and Astronomy said, "I can't even describe how proud I am of these students and I can't wait for their finished publications!" Team PWAK consisting of Miramar College students Parth Korat, William Vazquez, Mesa student Alex Beltzer-Sweeney and Kyle Correia won first place. Team StarKasm made up of Miramar College students Kelvin Nguyen, Ariane Nazemi, Sibi Radhakrishnan and Max Schoenbrunner took home second place.

QUICK HITS

Outreach Team Visits Serra High School

The Miramar College Outreach team, along with Dean Beitey, visited Serra High School on Friday, October 14 to promote the College's Administration of Justice courses and program. Seventy-nine students showed up to hear a presentation and have their questions answered. The Outreach Team also staffed the Poway Unified School



District College Fair on Oct. 18 at Rancho Bernardo High School.



Randy Dexter Works President Debate

Miramar College alum Randy Dexter, who is now enrolled at UNLV, worked the final presidential debate on Oct. 19. He worked with the media and kept a close eye on veteran's issues. Click [here](#) to read more.

Transfer Day

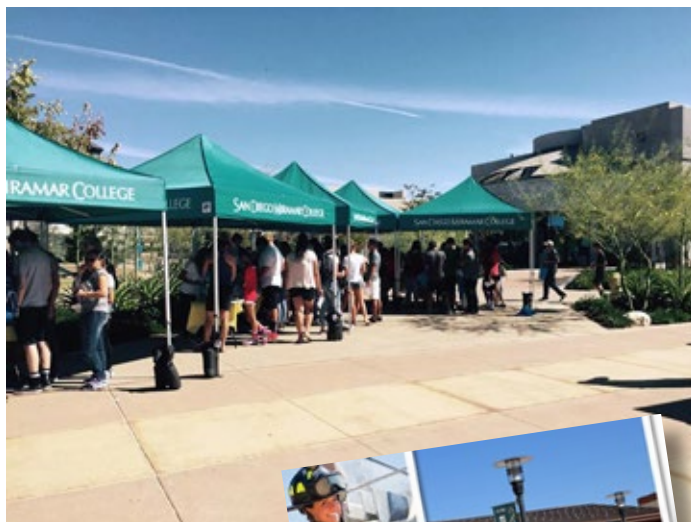
Hundreds of our students learned about their future options at the Oct. 19 Transfer Day Fair held on Compass Point. Fifty-one 4-year institutions attended the event hosted by the Miramar College Transfer Center.





ChemExpo 2016

An estimated 900 people attended ChemExpo 2016 on campus on Oct. 22. The annual event was staffed by 60 student volunteers and 17 chemistry faculty members.



Annual Report Now Available

The 2015-2016 Annual Report to the Community is now available on the college website. A link is provided by clicking [here](#).



PEOPLE



Greg Newhouse has retired as associate dean of Advanced Transportation Renewables after 17 years of service to Miramar College. His last day was September 30.



Isabelle Martin is a new contract Counselor for the Disability Support Programs & Services at Miramar College.

Dr. Adrián Arancibia performed as a part of the Downtown at Sundown at the Museum of Contemporary

Art, San Diego on Oct. 20. He and Adolfo Guzmán López responded to the exhibition PAPEL CHICANO DOS: WORKS ON PAPER FROM THE COLLECTION OF CHEECH MARIN. This performance featured poetry, spoken word and music

by Jerome Salazar and James Andrew Burton.



Rachel Halligan has been hired to support the MLTT labs and the Physiology labs in our Biological Science Department.

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.

Stay informed...

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

Academic Senate Meeting

November 1 • 3:30pm-5:00pm • Room M-110

Women's Soccer at San Bernardino

November 1 • 3:00pm

Men's Basketball vs. Santa Ana

November 3 • 2:00pm • Hourglass Fieldhouse

Women's Soccer at Palomar

November 4 • 3:00pm

Men's & Women's Water Polo at PCAC Championships

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November 5 • TBA • Palomar College

Women's Soccer vs. Desert

November 8 • 1:00pm • Hourglass Park

Blood Drive

November 9 • All day • Room K1-107

Veterans Day Ceremony

November 10 • 12:00-1:30pm • Room K1-107

Men's Basketball at Orange Coast

November 11 • 5:00pm

Women's Soccer vs. MiraCosta

November 11 • 1:00pm • Hourglass Park

Academic Senate Meeting

November 15 • 3:30pm-5:00pm • Room M-110

Vaping and Anti-Smoking

November 17 • 10:00am-1:00pm • Room K1-107

Automotive Technology Open House

November 17 • 6:30pm-8:30pm • Room S-305

Men's Basketball at Southwestern

November 18 • 5:00pm

Thanksgiving Break

November 21-25 • No Classes

Men's Basketball at Palomar Tournament

November 25 • TBA