



## SJCC Quarterly Highlights

▶ SJCC reported a weekly termination rate of 2.15% as of 4/30/2011, well below the national average of 2.51%

▶ SJCC has a vocational completion rate of 116.13% for the month of March

▶ SJCC currently is ranked 47th in the nation in Outcome Measurement System rankings for the program year, and 56th for the calendar year

▶ Dorms are now holding a recycling competition to see which dorm can recycle the most

▶ Students and staff raised more than \$400 for the Sacramento Food Bank during a Sodexo Serve-A-Thon on center during April

▶ SJCC celebrates its safe workplace by posting 290 consecutive days of no lost-time accidents or injuries for staff

## Students, staff tackle two GYSD projects

Nearly 50 students and five staff members from Sacramento Job Corps Center celebrated Global Youth Services Day by tackling two community service projects.

Nearly 20 students and Cement Masonry Instructor Doc Pickett completed a week-long project April 11-15 to replace the stage in St. Anne's Church in the Meadowview community. The SJCC volunteers removed the old stage in the church and constructed a new, cement one. The students used the masonry and carpentry skills learned in their career technical training program for this project. While the church paid for all materials, the students and staff donated their time and labor, saving the community church thousands of dollars.

Thirty students from the carpentry, facilities maintenance and landscaping programs traveled to the William Land Park, home of First Tee of Sacramento,



for a day of park maintenance. Students, supervised by Bill Katsifolis, CTST coordinator; Chaney Colton, landscape instructor; Logo Tuimaseve, facility maintenance instructor; and John Stiff, carpentry instructor, spruced up the golf course and facilities by cleaning the grass from course sprinkler heads, cleaning limbs, twigs and debris from the golf course, planting flowers and painting benches, poles and bathrooms.



**Doc Pickett discusses masonry techniques with student Tyron Batson.**

## SJCC hosts weeklong anti-texting campaign

The SJCC chapter of Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE) sponsored an Anti-Texting/Talking Campaign Week May 2-6 to educate students and staff about the hazards of texting and cell phone use while driving. At the end of the week, 260 students and staff members signed pledges to not text or talk on their hand-held cell phones while driving. The campaign ended with an assembly May 6, emceed by Melissa Crowley of News 10 Morning Traffic. Chris Cochran of California Traffic and Safety also addressed the assembly.



The anti-texting awareness week was spearheaded by Allison Guernsey, driver education instructor at SJCC. The event was one of many SAVE events statewide funded by a \$100,000 grant from The Allstate Foundation to help increase youth safety and promote teen safe driving.

**Melissa Crowley of News 10 Morning Traffic holds a banner that highlights the financial downside of texting while driving.**

## Fluid Tech Hydraulic honored during CRC meeting

Fluid Tech Hydraulic, a long-time work-based learning partner with SJCC, was presented with a plaque of appreciation during the center's Community Relations Council meeting March 10. Fluid Tech President Steve Sparks, Purchasing Agent Russ Myers and Shop Manager Paul Scott accepted the plaque. Fluid Tech designs and manufactures hydraulic cylinders, pumps, lines and control systems for a variety of uses, and has one of the largest machine shops, welding shops and parts departments in the state. Fluid Tech has been a WBL partner for more than 10 years, and has trained more than 60 SJCC students and hired 20 SJCC graduates.

# Spring commencement ceremonies honor 52 graduates

SJCC honored 52 graduates during spring graduation ceremonies April 8. Sacramento Vice Mayor Bonnie Pannell, who welcomed graduates and guests, urged graduates to continue their education, obtain jobs and become productive citizens.

Graduation speaker Franklin Withrow, a poet, retired educator and motivational speaker, told graduates, “Your responsibility is to secure knowledge and to develop a technique in which you use that knowledge wisely.”

Graduate Daniel Ontiveros, who completed Cement Masonry, received the Darrell Steinberg Award for Most Improved Student. Leah Evans, who completed Office Administration and served as the class speaker during the graduation ceremonies, received the Darrell Steinberg Award for Most Outstanding Student. These awards are given by Sen. Steinberg to recognize student success in the Job Corps program.

For a complete listing of the SJCC spring graduates, please visit [www.SacramentoCenterNews.com](http://www.SacramentoCenterNews.com).



# SJCC celebrates EDED with center beautification project



Approximately 450 students and staff gathered April 22 to celebrate Earth Day Every Day with a massive center beautification project. Students planted trees, flowers and shrubs on campus, cleaned their training areas, and reflected on their impact on the environment as they listened to comments by Landscape Instructor Colton Chaney. Chaney compared humans’ impact on the environment – that carbon footprint – to the legendary Big Foot. He urged students to decrease the size of that footprint by using resources wisely, reusing and recycling, and by planting trees to counteract the effects of air pollution. Following the projects, students and staff gathered for the dedication of the softball field, a cookout and ice cream social, and some exciting students vs staff softball games.

# SGA officers attend Leadership Conference, meet with U.S. Rep. Matsui



SGA officers meet with Congresswoman Doris Matsui in her Washington, D.C., office.

SJCC SGA officers shared their experiences in Job Corps with Congresswoman Doris Matsui, D-5th District, April 15 at her office in Washington, D.C. The SGA delegation’s trip to D.C. came at the end of a weeklong SGA Leadership Conference at Camp Horizons near Harrisonburg, Va. SJCC officers Terron Jackson, Victoria Koumarios, Melissa Nolasco and Stacy Bagsby, accompanied by staff members Max Baltazar and Monique Osborne, joined SGA officers from nine other Job Corps centers to focus on the conference theme, “Good and Safe Jobs for Everyone.” During the week, students worked on critical thinking, team building, leadership and communication skills. The week culminated with each team creating an action plan to be presented to their centers. The SJCC plan focused on the need to train students about safety at the workplace to maintain a safe work environment and reduce injuries.

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