



President's Weekly Briefing—February 25, 2015

Open Forums Scheduled Tomorrow

Faculty, staff, and students are encouraged to join me at one of the two open forums scheduled this month for an open discussion of ideas and other items of interest.

Indian Valley Campus

Thursday, February 26
9 a.m. – 10 a.m.
Building 17, room 100

Kentfield Campus

Thursday, February 26
3 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Student Services Building,
Deedy Staff Lounge

In addition to open discussion, these forums will serve as an opportunity to receive campus-wide feedback on the proposed mission statement. The proposed mission statement and current mission statement are listed below.

Revised Mission Statement

College of Marin's **commitment to educational excellence is rooted in providing equitable opportunities and fostering success** for all members of our diverse community by offering:

- preparation for transfer to four-year **colleges** and universities
- **associate degrees and certificates**
- workforce education
- basic skills improvement
- **lifelong learning and community and cultural enrichment**

College of Marin **responds to** community needs by offering student-centered programs and services in a supportive, innovative learning environment **that promotes social and environmental responsibility.**

Original Mission Statement

College of Marin's **commitment to educational excellence is rooted in our mission to provide excellent educational opportunities** for all members of our diverse community by offering:

- preparation for transfer to four-year **schools** and universities;
- workforce education;
- basic skills improvement/**English as a Second Language;**
- **intellectual and physical development and lifelong learning; and**
- **cultural enrichment.**

The College of Marin is committed to responding to community needs by offering student-centered programs and services in a supportive, innovative learning environment **with a strong foundation of sustainability, which will instill environmental sensitivity in our students.**





Kudos

The Court Reporting Program is proud to announce that students Jessica Dunlap and Siew Ung passed the demanding three-part state court reporter's exam in November, and are now certified shorthand reporters (CSR). The state of California only issues a limited number of new licenses each year—approximately 100 to 150—Siew and Jessica have joined some very elite ranks! Also of importance to note, both of them went right to work within days of receiving their licenses.

Rick Galten, CSR, is a 2007 graduate of our court reporting program. On Saturday, February 28, at 6 p.m. he will be a contestant on the TV game show *Wheel of Fortune*. His court reporting skills should give him a big advantage. Tune in Saturday and cheer him on!

Cop's Corner: Receive Emergency Alert Notifications from COM Connect

Last fall the College implemented COM Connect to send emergency notifications to students, faculty, and staff. Using COM Connect, in the event of an emergency or campus closure, Campus Police and College officials can broadcast messages via voice, email, and text (SMS) messages, as well as se to TTY/TDD devices for individuals who are hearing impaired.

Current student, faculty, and staff contact information is automatically included in the system. However, to ensure that the College has your correct email and phone number, please take a moment to review your information by logging on to the [COM Connect Portal](#) now and click **Sign Me Up**. You will be asked to enter the identification code that has been provided to you to find your associated contact. **This code is your M00#.**

Users with call blocking services should add (415) 485-9455 to their approved number list to ensure they receive important notifications from the College.

Please contact the Campus Police Department with any questions at (415) 485-9455.

Upcoming Events

One Book One Marin

Every spring in Marin County everyone is invited to read the same book at the same time. This year's book, [At Night We Walk in Circles](#) by Daniel Alarcón, is available through the library. Events related to the book began this week at libraries throughout the county, including at College of Marin. On Thursday, March 19, at 10 a.m. Social Sciences Instructor **Yolanda Bellisimo** will offer a public lecture "Peru's Struggle for Democracy" at the College of Marin Library in Kentfield. More information is available on the [One Book One Marin](#) website.





ESCOM's Afternoon Author Series Begins Friday

As part of the Haddie Mini Lecture Series, Emeritus Students College of Marin (ESCOM) is delighted to partner with Book Passage in bringing a free series of outstanding authors to the community. The series begins with author Don George discussing *An Innocent Abroad*. In the book more than 20 well-known writers and celebrities share the travel experiences that shaped their personalities and changed their lives. A book signing will follow the lecture and books will be available for purchase. Parking is free for this event. More information is available on the [Community Education website](#) or by calling (415) 485-9652.

Friday, February 27

1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Learning Resources Center, Library
Kentfield Campus

Drama Department Presents *The Comedy of Errors*

By William Shakespeare

Directed by James Dunn

As the final production celebrating their 50-year anniversary, the Drama Department presents William Shakespeare's hilarious farce, *The Comedy of Errors*. This entertaining and accessible work was the first play ever presented at the College in 1964. Directed by COM's own James Dunn, *The Comedy of Errors* is full of chase sequences, mistaken identities, ridiculous brawls, and so much more.

March 5*, 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, and 21, 7:30 p.m.

March 15 and 22, 2 p.m.**

James Dunn Theatre, Performing Arts Building
Kentfield Campus

Non-subscription single ticket prices: \$20 general, \$15 seniors, \$10 students/COM employees and alumni

*Pay-what-you-will preview

**Talkback with the director

Proceeds benefit the College of Marin Drama Department.





Drama Department Retrospective Exhibition Commemorating 50 Years of Performances

To celebrate 50 years of outstanding performances the Drama Department has created a retrospective exhibition showcasing photographs; reviews; programs; audio clips featuring directors, actors and set designers, and video clips of past performances. Former students, staff, and faculty are invited to travel back in time through nearly 3,000 photographs and find themselves as they walk through the gallery and celebrate their contributions to the department's history. Current students, faculty, staff, and the public can learn all about the department's rich history. Historical photographs will be available for purchase with all proceeds benefiting the Drama Department.

March 7 – March 22

Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Fine Arts Gallery, Performing Arts Building
Kentfield Campus
Free admission, contributions welcomed

Ongoing Events

Ayris Hatton Drawings and Paintings at Emeritus Center

The current art show at the Kentfield Campus Emeritus Center *Line and Shadow, Faces and Figures* featuring work by Ayris Hatton continues through March 30. Hatton is a contemporary realist who paints figures, landscapes, still life, and genre in water color and oil. She also sculpts figures in clay and casts them in bronze. Emeritus Center hours are Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The show is open to the public.

Free Tax Preparation at Single Stop

The Single Stop Office will be offering free tax preparation for students every Monday and Wednesday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through April 15. To qualify for free tax help the previous year's income must be less than \$53,000. U.S. citizenship is not required. This service is available on a drop-in basis only, no appointments will be taken. Call Single Stop Coordinator [Tara Arenas](#) at (415) 457-8811 ext. 7761 for more information.

Seasonal Flu Shots Now \$5 for Students

The College of Marin Health Center will be offering seasonal flu shots to students for \$5, faculty and staff for \$10; and to the community for \$20. Fees go to help support our Nursing Program. Appointment dates and times are listed [online](#). Call (415) 485-9458 for an appointment or more information. The Health Center is not a Medicare provider and is not able to bill insurance plans. Anyone wishing to receive a flu shot must be 18 years of age or older.





Sports

Men's and Women's Basketball

Congrats to our men's basketball team who earned the title of Bay Valley Conference (BVC) champions last weekend, and our women's team who finished the season strong with a final record of 13-13. As the number three seed, the men's team will face 14th seeded Skyline College on Saturday, February 28, 7 p.m. at College of Marin. Wear your gold to the game and support our Mariners! Can't make it to the game? Watch it live on [Coaches Aid](#).

Congratulations to men's basketball Coach **David Granucci** and women's basketball Coach Tannea Nelson—both named BVC Coach of the Year— and our other BVC award-winners:

Men's Basketball

Pierre Carter

BVC MVP

Miller Blake

BVC 1st Team All Conference

Brandon Kenilvort

BVC 1st Team All Conference

Luke Chavez

BVC Honorable Mention

George Johnson

BVC Honorable Mention

Willie Rooks

BVC Honorable Mention

Women's Basketball

Jenna May

BVC 1st Team All Conference

Bridget Pacchetti

BVC Honorable Mention

Baseball

COM vs. Yuba College

Thursday, February 26, 2:30 p.m. in Marysville

COM vs. Folsom Lake College

Saturday, February 28, 1 p.m. in Kentfield

COM vs. Folsom Lake College

Tuesday, March 3, 2:30 p.m. in Folsom

Have a great week,

David Wain Coon, Ed.D.

Superintendent/President



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