President’s Weekly Briefing—October 10, 2013

Meet the COM Board Candidates
The November 5 election is quickly coming up and you are invited to meet the candidates for the College of Marin Board of Trustees at a public forum sponsored by the Associated Students College of Marin (ASCOM) and the League of Women Voters of Marin County. Three of the seven trustee seats are up for election. Incumbents Barbara Dolan, Diana Conti, and Wanden Treanor and challenger Brady Bevis will be at a Candidates Forum on the Kentfield Campus. Join them at the forum held on Thursday, October 24, at 6 p.m. in the Student Services Building Cafeteria. You can also view the candidates during a League of Women Voters Debate, an event that was filmed September 17, at the Community Media Center of Marin and is now posted online at the League of Women Voters website. For more information, contact Dr. Arnulfo Cedillo, director, Student Affairs/Health Center, at (415) 485-9375; or Vickie Lamke at (415) 485-9376.

Thursday, October 24, 6 p.m.
Student Services Building Cafeteria
Kentfield Campus

Kudos
College of Marin Dental Assisting students and faculty have been on hand in recent weeks to volunteer at the 13th annual Binational Health Week, the largest mobilization effort in the Americas to improve the health and wellbeing of the underserved Latino population living in the U.S. and Canada. The effort involves hundreds of volunteers across the nations and, 11 of our dental students stepped forward to help at local fairs and health days through the month, according to Kathleen Rooney, Dental Program director. Students Katherine Navarro and Luis Guzman fielded questions at a recent farmers market in Novato, helping people understand the low-cost services available on campus and raise awareness about the Dental Program on campus.

The outstanding musical abilities of Jessica Ivry, Music Department instructor and cellist who has toured the world playing music, were highlighted this month in the cover photo and an accompanying article in Strings Magazine. Ivry, who is part of an improvisational, world music collective known as the Real Vocal String Quartet, was the subject of the article, “A Band of Sisters.” The quartet was one of 12 ensembles selected last year from a pool of 300 applicants to serve as musical ambassadors for the American Voices program. They toured Eastern Europe in the winter bringing live music to underserved communities as part of a program sponsored by the U.S. State Department of Cultural Affairs. The trip took them to Azerbaijan, Macedonia, Bosnia, Herzegovina, Latvia, and Lithuania.
Upcoming Events

A Streetcar Named Desire
By Tennessee Williams
Directed by W. Allen Taylor

When it made its Broadway debut in 1947, A Streetcar Named Desire paved the way for a whole new genre of theatrical experience steeped in the technique of “method acting.” Emotionally fragile Blanche DuBois, struggling to hang on to her stability and the disappearing world of Southern gentility, arrives in the hot, steamy, squalid French Quarter of New Orleans where her pregnant sister Stella is living with her husband Stanley Kowalski. Stanley is a force of nature, primal, brutish, and sensual. When Blanche sets up court in his house, Stanley becomes infuriated and the collision between the two causes Blanche to draw deeper into the world of illusion and fantasy. One of Broadway’s most celebrated plays of all time, “Streetcar” won the 1948 Pulitzer Prize for Drama and New York Drama Critics’ Circle award for Best Play and has enjoyed many awards and nominations throughout several revivals since its premiere. On October 13, the director and members of the production will be available to speak to the audience after the show. For more information about upcoming events, visit the Drama Department.

Fridays and Saturdays, October 11, 12, 18 and 19 at 8 p.m.
Sundays, October 13 and 20 at 2 p.m.
James Dunn Theatre
Kentfield Campus
$20 general; $15 seniors; $10 students, COM employees, and alumni
Box Office hours: Tuesday through Friday, 2 p.m. – 6 p.m. and one hour before Saturday and Sunday performances; (415) 485-9385. Online purchases can be made at brownpapertickets.com.

Health Center Flu Shots
Flu shots will be available at the Kentfield Campus to community members for $20; and to students, faculty, and staff for $10. Must be over 18 years of age. The Health Center does not bill insurance plans and is not a Medicare provider. Call (415) 485-9458 for more information.

Friday, October 11
9 a.m. – noon
Health Services Portable, parking lot 6
Kentfield Campus
**Jazz Ensemble Benefit Concert**
The College of Marin Jazz Band will be sharing the stage with local saxophone master Mel Martin, who has been performing and recording with Bebop and Beyond, a group he founded and serves as artistic director. Martin has a rich history of collaboration with stars such as Frank Sinatra, Dizzy Gillespie, Ella Fitzgerald, Benny Carter, McCoy Tyner and Freddie Hubbard. He is equally at home playing rock and pop and has performed and recorded with James Brown, BB King, and Santana. We hope you join us for this special event. Half of all ticket sales will benefit the College of Marin Music Department. For more information or to order tickets, contact the Fenix box office at (415) 813-5600.

**Sunday, October 13, 6 p.m.**
Fenix, 919 Fourth St., San Rafael
$20

**Resume Workshop: Be Ready for the Annual Job Fair**
Twice a year the COM Job Placement Center sponsors seasonal job fairs for students, alumni, and community members to meet the employers directly and network with others. We invite and encourage potential employees to attend with resumes in hand, dressed for success. Registration for the workshop is encouraged. For information, call (415) 485-9410.

**Wednesday, October 16**
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Student Services Building, Conference Rooms A and B
Kentfield Campus

**Diebenkorn Lecture Series**
College of Marin will host a series of free lectures in conjunction with the Intimate Diebenkorn: Works on Paper 1949–1992 exhibit at the College of Marin Fine Arts Gallery. The three-lecture series will focus on this extraordinary exhibit of internationally acclaimed artist Richard Diebenkorn whose work is on display through November 14. The Fine Arts Gallery is open weekdays, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., and until 8 p.m. on Thursdays.

**Lecture Series No. 1: The Figuration of Abstraction**
Anu Vikram, professor of Art History, College of Marin and San Jose State University

**Thursday, October 17**
6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Fine Arts Building, room 201 and Fine Arts Gallery
Lecture Series No. 2: Richard Diebenkorn: The Berkeley Years
Timothy Anglin Burgard, Ednah Root Curator of American Art for the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco. Burgard was co-curator of Richard Diebenkorn: The Berkeley Years and author of a major essay in the accompanying artist’s Catalogue published earlier this year.

Friday October 18
6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Lefort Recital Hall, PA 72, Performing Arts Building
Kentfield Campus
* The Fine Arts Gallery will remain open until 5:45 p.m. preceding the lecture on October 18.

Lecture Series No. 3: Diebenkorn and Drawing
John Rapko, professor of Art History and Ethics, College of Marin and UC Berkeley

Wednesday, November 6
6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Fine Arts Building, room 201
Kentfield Campus

Come by the new Fine Arts Gallery and experience this extraordinary exhibit of internationally acclaimed artist Richard Diebenkorn. On display are 38 pieces that have never been publicly viewed. It is a unique and celebratory exhibit offering an intimate glimpse into the artist’s evolution spanning more than 40 years. The seven-week exhibit has been curated by Chester Arnold, chair of the Fine Arts Department, in collaboration with the Diebenkorn Foundation. After its debut at the new College gallery, it will travel to other educational and community venues throughout the country. The show is open to the public free of charge.

Through November 14, 2013
Gallery Hours: Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Fine Arts Gallery
Kentfield Campus
An Invitation to Meet Environmental Activist Marty Griffin

The College community is invited to join Instructor Joe Mueller and his Environmental Science students in welcoming celebrated environmental activist Dr. Marty Griffin who is visiting the class after a showing of the documentary Rebel With a Cause, a film about Marin conservation efforts in which he is featured. Griffin, 93, fought against numerous developments that would have brought hundreds of miles of freeways to the area. He defended against housing developments on Bolinas Lagoon and Tomales Bay that would have more than doubled the population and required damming the Russian and Eel rivers and the erection of a nuclear plant in Bodega Bay. He is the author of Saving the Marin-Sonoma Coast: The Battles for Audubon Canyon Ranch, Point Reyes, & California's Russian River.

Thursday, October 17, 4:30 p.m.
Austin Center, room 133
Kentfield Campus

Annual Fall Job Fair

Employers from various growing Bay Area companies will be on hand to meet prospective employees among the student population, alumni and community members. Come explore entry-level, technical, and professional positions in full-time, part-time, temporary, and volunteer situations. Bring your résumé for on-the-spot advice and immediate job applications. Don’t forget to check the free online job search provided by COM powered by NACElink. It has local, national, and international positions available for students, alumni, and community members. Participating employers include Macy’s, AT&T, Jamba Juice, Home Depot, Target, UPS, Subway, Cedars of Marin, Wells Fargo, AfterCollege, Urban Outfitters, SusieCakes, Mountain Mike’s Pizza, Nelson Staffing, Express Employment Professionals, Legal Shield, and the U.S. Army. For more information, contact the Job Placement Center at (415) 485-9410.

Wednesday, October 23
11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Student Services Building, first floor
Kentfield Campus
College of Marin Yard Sale of Surplus District Property
The best way to recycle is find new uses for old things. Come by and discover great deals on hundreds of items looking for new homes. On sale are file cabinets, desks, couches, chairs, thousands of books, and a variety of equipment such as hospital beds, stretchers, computer-related items and audio-visual equipment. Items will be sold for pennies on the dollar and prices are negotiable. Sales are final. All items have been approved as surplus by the district Board of Trustees. Proceeds will benefit the College general fund. For more information, contact Melinda Molloy at (415) 884-3101.

Thursday, October 24
preview for COM staff for departmental usage of surplus
Noon – 4 p.m.

Friday, October 25, public sale
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Parking lot 3
Indian Valley Campus

Transfer Day
Students, their families, and members of the community are invited to meet with representatives from more than 30 colleges at the annual College of Marin Transfer Day. The free event is an opportunity to explore transfer options to a four-year college or university such as a University of California, California State University, or an independent, on-line or out-of-state institution. School representatives will be available to discuss admission requirements, academic programs, fees, housing, scholarships and financial aid. They will also highlight majors they offer and provide an overview of campus life. College of Marin counselors and staff will be on hand to make this a special event. For more information, visit the Transfer and Career Center in room 202 of the Student Services building, or call (415) 485-9671.

Monday, November 4
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Student Services Building, Cafeteria
Kentfield Campus
Advanced Voice Recital: *Feminine Musique*

**Linda Noble Brown**, instructor

Although not as often celebrated as their male counterparts, women have a long history of composition, particularly for the voice. From Sappho’s divine songs 500 years before Christ’s birth to composers such as Maria Malibran in the early 1800s and present day composers like Libby Larson and Judith Weir, we will celebrate the strength and beauty of feminine musique.

**Monday, November 4, 11:10 a.m.**
Lefort Recital Hall, PA 72
Kentfield Campus

**Ongoing Events**

**Soccer Kick About**

All students are invited to play (or cheer) on the international, co-ed soccer team that meets weekly. It’s a great way to get exercise and make friends with our growing global student population. Last semester, about 100 international students attended the Intensive English Program in Novato or credit classes in Kentfield. What an opportunity to meet friends from around the world! For more information, contact **Brady Meyring**.

**Tuesdays**
3 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Soccer Field
Indian Valley Campus

**Evening Public Service Information Has Changed**

Evening public service assistants are available on both campuses Monday through Thursday. On the Kentfield Campus, they are available 4 – 8 p.m. On the Indian Valley Campus, they are available 4 – 7:30 p.m. If you need assistance, please contact an administrator at a number listed below:

- Kentfield Campus (415) 747-0699
- Indian Valley Campus (415) 747-0658

If you would like a campus police officer to contact you, call dispatch at ext. 7696 or (415) 485-9696. For life- or property-threatening emergencies, call 911.
Hours for IVC Farm & Garden
Buy fresh organic produce at the Indian Valley Organic Farm & Garden. To learn more about what’s growing on the Farm, sign up for the Farm Bulletin.

Wednesdays
10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Indian Valley Campus

Sports
Women’s Soccer vs. Yuba
Friday, October 11, 3:30 p.m., away TBD
Women’s Soccer vs. Napa
Tuesday, October 15, 3:30 p.m. in Kentfield
Women’s Soccer vs. Folsom
Friday, October 18, 3:30 p.m., away TBD
Women’s Soccer vs. Los Medanos
Tuesday, October 22, 3:30 p.m. in Kentfield
Women’s Soccer vs. Mendocino
Friday, October 25, 2 p.m. in Kentfield

Men’s Soccer vs. Merritt
Friday, October 11, 4 p.m. in Oakland
Men’s Soccer vs. Santa Rosa
Tuesday, October 15, 4 p.m. in Santa Rosa
Men’s Soccer vs. Yuba
Friday, October 18, 4 p.m. in Kentfield
Men’s Soccer vs. Contra Costa
Tuesday, October 22, 4 p.m. in San Pablo
Men’s Soccer vs. Napa
Friday, October 25, 4 p.m. in Kentfield

Women’s Volleyball vs. Laney
Wednesday, October 16, 6 p.m. in Kentfield
Women’s Volleyball vs. Los Medanos
Friday, October 18, 6 p.m. in Pittsburg
Women’s Volleyball vs. Solano
Wednesday, October 23, 6 p.m. in Kentfield
Women’s Volleyball vs. Contra Costa
Friday, October 25, 6 p.m. in San Pablo
Submissions to the Weekly Briefing
Please submit information no later than Friday for the following week. Submissions received later than Friday will be included in the next week’s edition.

Have a great weekend,

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