



Imperial Valley College

# Economic and Workforce Development Newsletter

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## New CTE Building



The Groundbreaking Event was held on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. Speakers included Mike Cox, Robert Rubio, & Marlene Best. Although we caught a few sprinkles towards the end of the event, right when the groundbreaking was to occur, the turnout was great and the speakers were motivational.

The new buildings should be completed by 2014 and will house several Career Technical Education programs, such as Peace Officer Standards Training (POST) and Building Construction Technology.



Pictures by Gabriel Gonzalez

## Industrial Technology Department



The Automotive Technology program is in its final stages of NATEF certification. The evaluation team visited the campus in March and the 2<sup>nd</sup> evaluation had positive results. The Automotive Technology Dept is working on the evaluators' recommendations.



Jose Lopez, Industrial Technology Coordinator, was featured in the Atech Educator News publication.

A new Tool Room Technician, Nancy Sanchez, was hired to replace retiree Jesse Ruelas. Welcome to the team!

The American Welding Society has a new student chapter website. Interested students should visit the website at this link:

<http://www.awssection.org/awciwtsc/index>

## Apprenticeship Programs

Ten employees recently completed training and passed the DAS journeyman exams through the IID-IVC apprenticeship programs. They are now employed by the IID as journeymen.



*Michael Bogard, Edward Head, William Lim, & Frank Miranda. Not pictured are Chris Beltran, Antonio Corona, Ernest Feldman, Jesse Jauregui, Casimiro Lizaola, & James Marlow.*

## Business Department

Angie Ruiz served as chair during the spring 2012 semester, following Val Rodgers' retirement. Craig Blek has been elected Business Chair for 12-13.



11-12 was the first year of IVC's Cisco Networking Academy. Gordon Bailey will be the CIS instructor for this academy. He stated that this academy could have major life-changing opportunities for students in the valley.

“Innovations such as social networking, cloud computing, e-commerce, web conferencing, and desktop virtualization are changing the way we live, work, play, and learn. These capabilities are all powered by networks, and organizations around the world are experiencing a shortage of qualified IT candidates to design, install, and manage these networks. Students who gain IT knowledge and hands-on experience through Networking Academy courses can earn Cisco career certifications and help fill an estimated eight million networking jobs around the world.” (Cisco Systems, Inc, 2009).

For more information, please visit the Cisco website by clicking here => [CISCO](http://www.cisco.com).

## Public Safety Department

84 students successfully completed the Peace Officer Standards Training (POST) during the spring. The Level II class ranked 4th in California! Two students were sworn in by their agencies prior to graduation day and are now employed. Several more are currently in the hiring process.

## Community Services

Community Service courses are open to the entire community. Click the link for information on future courses. <http://community.imperial.edu>

### Courses offered spring '12

- Basic Make-up
- Basic Sushi Making
- CA State Notary Public
- Motorcycle Safety
- Traffic School

### Courses offered summer '12

- Kids on Campus
- Motorcycle Safety
- Traffic School



The **Kids on Campus** summer program is offering three-week sessions in Art, Robotics, Critical Thinking, Photoshop, and Sports. For questions, contact Vicky Figueroa.

## Major/Certificate Programs

Substantive Change Reports for the following programs were submitted and approved:

- Building Construction Technology
  - Carpentry
  - Cement Masonry
  - Project Management
- CISCO CCNA Discovery
- Court Services Specialist
- Electrical Technology
  - Electrical Wiring Specialization
  - Electronics Specialization
  - Solar Energy Specialization
- Electrical Trades
- Energy Efficiency Technology
- Multimedia/Web Development
- Water Treatment Systems Technology
  - Wastewater Treatment
- Apprenticeship Programs:
  - Hydro-Control Operator
  - Instrument Technician
  - Power Plant Operator
  - Telecommunications Technician

## Articulated Courses

The Administration of Justice program recently articulated AJ100 (Intro to AJ) with some local high schools.

## Student Employment

The Student Employment Specialist continues to place students enrolled in the Work Experience Internship courses. Other CTE students seeking employment may be referred to Joe Espinoza.

## Outreach



The Imperial Valley Joint Chambers of Commerce once again organized the annual Business Showcase at the IV Expo in January. IVC was an exhibitor and many employees volunteered their time to represent the College.



Many students & employees volunteered their time at the Mid-Winter Fair IVC booth. The community had the opportunity to learn about the wide variety of programs and services that we offer.



The annual Renewable Energy Summit was held at the Barbara Worth Country Club this year. IVC was an exhibitor, along with many developers and other interested parties. Networking has helped find employers for our students studying energy efficiency and solar energy and has helped educate our faculty and staff in the fast growing field of renewable energy.

[IV Press Article](#)



Picture by KSWT

Patricia Robles participated at the Calipatria State Prison 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary event to showcase IVC's programs, such as Administration of Justice and Correctional Science. Tours of the prison were conducted.

[IV Press Article](#)

The Applied Sciences Expo was held in April. Several local schools brought students on a fieldtrip to learn about the different types of careers available in the county and the programs that we offer to help them in their future careers.

Click here => [IV Press Article](#)

## Regional Consortium

Industry 2 Classroom Teacher Prep Classes were held once again. One Water Treatment Systems instructor attended.

Several **career ladders** were created by a group of Region 10 instructors thru a regional mini-grant. The career ladders are available to view at:

<http://www.gcccd.edu/sdic-regional-consortium/Regional%20Research.html>

## Perkins Title IC CTEA Grant

The Perkins CTEA allocation was decreased during the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter, and then increased in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. 12 career technical education (CTE) programs were funded in 11-12. Funding helped supplement the approved programs in many ways, ie, by purchasing equipment and providing professional development opportunities. Funding is based on CTE student headcount, core indicator data, and performance. This year, 4,369 was reported as the number of CTE students at IVC.

The EWD office has submitted the 12-13 Perkins CTEA grant application and has received preliminary approval with positive comments.

## National Science Foundation



Rick Johnson continues to work as the Principal Investigator for the NSF grant. He has been conducting periodic tours of local hydro electric plants, solar fields, and the Imperial Dam.

## Workforce Development Training Programs

There are currently four Workforce Investment Act (WIA) training programs at IVC. These are: EMT II, B-GREEN II, Dental Assistant II, and SMOG.

13 EMT I students earned a National Registry Emergency Medical Technician License and 11 are now employed. EMT II began in May and has 21 students.



Training for the Dental Assistant I program has ended. 14 students completed the program successfully and are currently working either as interns or employees. The Dental Assistant II program started in June and has 21 students enrolled.



B-GREEN II (Building Green Retrofitted Energy Efficient Neighborhoods) began in January and 39 students are currently enrolled. [Flyer](#)

The SMOG program began in March. 14 students are enrolled and are currently preparing to take the ASE exams.

## CTE Transitions

234 students from several local high schools were given Credit by Exams in the areas of allied health, business, building construction, computer info systems, administration of justice, and agriculture engineering technology. About half of the exams were completed successfully. Upon successful completion of the exams, IVC registration, and payment of fees, the students will get fall College credit for those courses.

Kristen Gomez was hired as the counselor for this grant. She has developed the following Concurrent Enrollment document that may be useful to anyone that counsels students.

Please click here to view it: [Concurrent Enrollment Info.](#)

## HUD

Another Business Resource Center was opened in Brawley on March 1<sup>st</sup>. There are now 5 throughout the county (Brawley, Calexico, El Centro, Niland, & Westmorland). The centers are fully-equipped computer stations available for free to the general public. [Business Resource Center Flyer](#)

## Unleash Your Business Potential!

IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE & PARTNERS BUSINESS CONFERENCE 2012

Tuesday, June 26, 2012  
1:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
Building 2700  
Imperial Valley College

"SMART Training"  
Presented By Keynote Speaker:  
Ken Rosevear, Executive Director,  
Yuma County Chamber of Commerce



Strategies Mandatory at Recessionary Times (SMART) Training provides solutions to today's most pressing business issues. It will help guide you and your business through these uncertain economic times. "SMART Training" presents a proven 12-point business model that serves as a brief for the implementation of a strong business plan, a plan of survival skills.



Registration required • No need to attend • To Register go to [www.ivic.edu](http://www.ivic.edu) or contact Sylvia Marrapelo at (760) 312-8800 or Ray Deramets at (760) 355-6210

Click picture to enlarge.

The 1<sup>st</sup> annual Business Conference was hosted on June 26<sup>th</sup> at IVC. Business workshops were offered to local business owners and other interested parties. The keynote speaker was Ken Rosevear, Executive Director of the Yuma County Chamber of Commerce. His theme was "Strategies Mandatory at Recessionary Times (SMART) Training." Other workshops were offered on topics such as customer service and social networking. Over 200 people registered for the conference. If interested in participating in next year's conference, please contact Melisa Vasquez.

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## SB70



A junior high academy for 24 students in the CalWORKs and Foster Care programs was organized by Martha Garcia. They spent a day at IVC participating in workshops in varied disciplines, such as Administration of Justice and Building Construction Technology.

## Extended Campus

The Calexico Extended campus offices (located at SDSU and William Moreno Jr. High) were approved for closure due to budget constraints.

## Re-Organization

There has been a new organizational change in Academic Services. The Economic and Workforce Development Division will now include the Child Development and Exercise, Wellness, and Sports departments. It is unknown if the name of the division will change. The current structure is as follows: [11-12 EWD Structure](#).

## Congratulations



Congratulations to **Martha Garcia** for being honored as IVC Employee of the Month for January. She is also in the final stages of completing her doctorate degree!

Farewell to some of our employees who have left or are leaving our division this summer. Best wishes to you:

- Manny Aguilar
- Mirella Cital
- Janeth Coronel
- Roy Dorantes
- Gabriel Gonzalez
- Susie Luna

Best wishes to our retirees:

- Bruce Marcuson
- Judy Santistevan

## Upcoming Events

Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, College & University Day/Career Fair at the IVC Main Campus

October 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, CCCAOE Fall Conference, Long Beach

## Professional Development Opportunities

The Regional Consortium has a website with great information and resources. Please visit the link to view professional development opportunities related to career technical education and workforce development. Please visit the website at <http://www.gccd.edu/sdic-regional-consortium/news-events.html>



The California Community Colleges Association for Occupational Education (CCCAOE) fall conference will be held from October 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> in Long Beach.

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Have a fun and safe  
summer!