

The new Cal Maritime Simulation Center reflects the setting sun on San Pablo Bay. Additional photos of the facility, one of the world's most advanced for maritime simulation education, training and research, can be found on page 19 of this issue.

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\$3 Million ABS Gift Largest in Cal Maritime History



An architect's concept rendering of one approach to remodeling the existing simulator building to create new classroom and meeting spaces for classes and programs of Cal Maritime's School of Maritime Policy and Management

The **American Bureau of Shipping (ABS)** of Houston, TX, one of the world's largest marine classification societies, has just confirmed its plans to make a gift to Cal Maritime of \$3 million. In addition, ABS will further enhance its already generous scholarship program for outstanding junior and senior engineering cadets, with a funding of \$100,000 annually, up from a current level of \$60,000 per year.

President William B. Eisenhardt, called it "a wonderful way to start our 80th anniversary in 2009." The President said the major gift will be used to help establish a **School of Maritime Policy and Management** at the Academy, including the **International Business and Logistics** and **Global Studies and Maritime Affairs** major programs.

Initially, funds will be used to modernize the previous campus simulator building and create expanded classroom and meeting facilities. The remodeled structure, located adjacent to Maritime Academy Drive, will be called the *American Bureau of Shipping Lecture Hall* in recognition of their major contribution.

Additional funds will be used to strengthen and expand the MPM program with its focus on the needs of international maritime business and transportation, logistics, policy, the environment and maritime law. ABS is also increasing its annual scholarship support for top engineering students to \$100,000. President Eisenhardt called that a remarkable sum, and noted that it is comparable to the expected return of a multi-million dollar endowment.



Advancement Vice President Tom Dunworth said the ABS gift reflects ongoing institutional efforts to expand private support from alumni and friends, foundations, businesses and non-profit organizations to new levels — at a time of rapid change and challenge. The ABS grant

reflects the recognition that while public funding provides the basics for higher education, private support underlies the margin of excellence.

American Bureau of Shipping Grant Largest Ever to Cal Maritime



Winners of American Bureau of Shipping (ABS) scholarships for the 2008-09 academic year included (L-R) Christian Biehl MET '09, Devin Krakowski, MET '10, Mark Weitkamp FET '10, and at center, Tom Gilmour, President & Chief Operating Officer of ABS. To his left are Kevin Mehrer MET '09, Cooper Palfini MET '10, and Kevin Waisanen ME '09. ABS Scholarship support has grown from \$40,000 in 2007-2008, to \$60,000 this current academic year and to \$100,000 in 2009-10.

The ABS funding will play a critical role in Cal Maritime's efforts to strengthen and expand its non-licensed programs in response to the needs of business, industry and government. "They have told us repeatedly that there is a real shortage of trained personnel with skills not just in standard business, but with a broader understanding of international trade and transportation, logistics, maritime security, law and the environment.



Dr. Donna Nincic, Chair of the Maritime Policy and Management Department (which will become part of the new school) notes "You can't operate a business today without running into policy matters. That's why education in critical thinking and communication is so important. We want to educate students who are 'promotable' — who can analyze, learn and grow as they move forward."

Academic Dean Stephen Kreta adds, "Combining faculty and students in Maritime Policy and International Business with those working in communications and culture will pay tremendous dividends in providing our graduates with a diverse background and understanding of maritime issues and the soft skills to help make them immediately successful in today's global workforce. The prominent location of the new building and plaza along Maritime Academy Drive provides a focal point for the ABS school alongside our newest facilities in the sciences, engineering and simulation."



THE AMERICAN BUREAU OF SHIPPING (ABS)

Founded in 1862, ABS today is a world leader in marine classification. Working with international standards organizations, classification groups set safety regulations for the marine industry for the design, construction and operational maintenance of ships and other marine structures. Inspection by ABS staff experts certify adherence. ABS also conducts ongoing engineering research to improve current and future Rules.

Dr. Nincic sees a strong relationship with industry as a key to future success. "We're placing more and more of our graduates in the maritime industry and adding cooperative job placement opportunities for our current students as our alumni become allies in the process. The Business faculty has expanded its industry outreach as well, opening new relationships and new co-op placement opportunities and raising our visibility with government and industry.

"ABS has an obvious need for well-trained engineers in the classification field — as evidenced by their scholarships for engineering cadets. Their major gift provides vital support for our non-licensed programs. They clearly see the relationship between the skills of engineering and those of organizational planning and policy in shaping their own future."

\$500,000 Grant Funds Clean Diesels for Campus Workboats



Marine Vocational Instructors Richard Muller (L) and Mike Andrews prepared the winning application for a state Moyer grant to install modern clean diesels in three campus workboats — including the 55-year old MV *Cub*.

A \$500,000 grant from the **California Air Resources Board's (CARB) Carl Moyer program** will help Cal Maritime replace outdated diesel engines aboard its campus workboats – the *Black Bear*, *Little Bear*, and *Cub*. New state-of-the-art clean-diesels will result in improved fuel efficiency and reduce nitrous oxide and other gasses and particulate matter. For Cal Maritime, the upgrades also provide a valuable hands-on learning experience for cadet engineering instruction.

Cal Maritime marine vocational instructors Richard Muller and Mike Andrews played a lead role in preparing what proved to be a successful grant application to Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) CARB's administrative arm in the Bay Area.

The Carl Moyer grant program was created by the Legislature and CARB with a goal of reducing toxic emissions from a wide range of industrial applications using heavy and light-duty diesel engines. In general, grants pay for new engines, less the cost a user would have paid to rebuild an original unit. Replacing old engines with today's state-of-the-art technology produces the greatest benefits in terms of reduced gasses and particulate matter. The Moyer program provides over \$140 million of grant funds annually.

"We estimate that these new engines will reduce our output of nitrous oxides by more than half," said Andrews. "Equally valuable, we expect an improve-



2009 marks Cal Maritime's 80th anniversary. Launched in 1929 as the California Nautical School, Cal Maritime today is part of the California State University system and clearly a campus "on the grow" with its largest enrollment ever and new facilities and programs. Join with us in celebrating Cal Maritime's global reputation for excellence in education, training and research in all aspects of maritime trade and transportation including security, law, history, the environment and public policy.

\$500,000 Grant Funds New Engines for Campus Workboats

ment in fuel efficiency of between 30 and 50 percent.” Muller said today’s modern diesels have improved computerized control systems which carefully monitor both the amount of fuel fed to each piston and the timing of its ignition, based on the current load on the engine. “Better control of those functions and the use of turbo-charging means that the fuel is more efficiently burned, with less pollution.”



Work has already begun on the *Cub*, starting with removal of the boat’s original six-ton 330-HP engine. “Fully assembled, it is eight feet long, six feet high and about four feet wide,” Andrews explained. “To get it out, we had to cut a hole in the forward engine room bulkhead and move it into the forward cargo area so we could lift it out through the hatch. Engineering cadets helped tear it down to the main engine block for removal - a tremendous learning experience for them in the real-life challenges of a project like this.”

Illustrating the advances in diesel technology, the replacement engine, a 340-HP Caterpillar, is about one-third the size of the original. It will be installed upon delivery early in 2009, followed by work on the *Black Bear* and *Little Bear*, next summer and early in 2010 respectively.

According to **Cal Maritime Librarian and Archivist Larry Stevens**, the *Black Bear* was built in 1948 as a yard tug and joined the CMA fleet in 1988. *Little Bear* and *Cub* were originally built as Army supply boats in 1953 and came to Cal Maritime 42 years ago in 1966.

“These three boats have provided stalwart service to our Marine Transportation training program,” Andrews adds. “Eight-cadet senior crews use them to learn skills in Navigation, Seamanship and Ship Handling. The eighteen-month installation process is designed to work around our ongoing cadet training schedules. With the new engines and proper maintenance, we expect the three will be around for several decades more.

New Engines for Campus Workboats—Old Ones Get Removed



Mike Wilk and Paul Barang concentrate on removal of the fuel pump from the old engine aboard the *Cub*, while other cadets tackle components along the top of the block. Many hands speed the process while cadets get invaluable experience in the construction and operation of diesel engines.



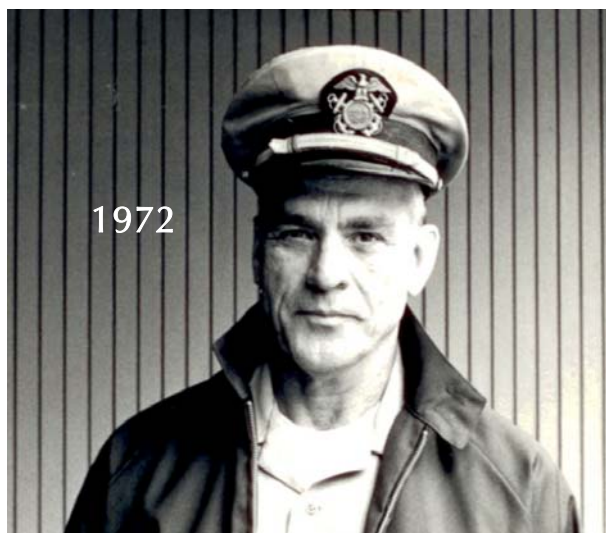
Dan Moultrie helps remove the top part of the engine. Working in the confined spaces of the *Cub's* engine room gives a realistic example of the kinds of work cadets will do once they graduate.



I KNOW THAT WASHER IS AROUND HERE SOMEPLACE!!!

Cadets Keith Becker and Mike Wilk show off some of the parts removed from the old engine before the block was moved out of the engine room and lifted onto the pier with a fork lift.

In Memoriam—Frank LaBombard: 1917–2008



Long-time **Cal Maritime Instructor Frank Lonsdale LaBombard**, 91, died December 4, 2008. He was predeceased by his wife Barbara, who would have celebrated her 78th birthday on the same day. Affectionately known as “Boom Boom” by his students, LaBombard taught machine shop theory, auxiliary machinery, and metallurgy, along with values, integrity, honor and duty, to California Maritime cadets from 1946 to his retirement in 1977.

LaBombard was born on June 4, 1917, in Houston, Texas. He spent his summers fishing with his father in Galveston. He was an athlete much of his life, excelling in baseball and competitive rowing. Up until his final months, he greeted each morning with a ride on his stationary bicycle.

In his retirement, he and his wife traveled extensively in his RV. He was a lover of music, books, and baseball. He was a weaver of decorative chairs and handy as a wood carver. He loved learning and never quit.

Frank is survived by his devoted stepchildren: Debbie Paniagua and Rick Paniagua of Napa; Kathleen Paniagua of Mill Valley. He also leaves behind his devoted grandchildren, Annie Wynn, John Uhl, Damien Uhl and Jeremy Uhl, and great-grandchildren, Mathew Wynn, Tyson Wynn and Alexis Uhl.

A celebration of Mr. LaBombard’s life will be held with family, friends and the alumni of the California Maritime Academy Saturday, January 31st at 2 p.m. in Rizza Auditorium. In lieu of flowers, donations in Mr. LaBombard’s honor can be made to: The California Maritime Academy Foundation at 707-654-1246 or Hospice of Napa Valley at 707-258-9080. **Les Cummings ('65-E)** is preparing a memory album for the family. Anyone wishing to contribute a memory or photo to the album should contact Les at lesrc@att.net

Condolences to the family may be sent to: Frank LaBombard Family, c/o Claffey & Rota, 1975 Main Street, Napa, CA 94558.

LaBombard touched the lives of many during his long tenure at Cal Maritime:

George Conrad ('64 MET) said, “What I remember best about Mr. LaBombard is that he was a very decent man. One of the “old breed” who instilled a little of that saltiness in all of us who were fortunate to have known him. I miss him, as I miss all our old instructor-friends

In Memoriam—Frank LaBombard: 1917–2008

Boom Boom was really one our best and he made sure that we knew the basics which have carried us through all these years. Great guy. God Bless— **Jim Sundfors ('65-MET)**

Walt Lueth, E-62 There were two sides to "Boom Boom". One was the side that chided you into learning and the other side led the interested ones to excel. A super person. Thankfully his lessons still live on through us and we can pass them to those coming up. Smooth sailing Frank.

Capt. Harry Bolton ('78-D) Skipper Training Ship *Golden Bear*. Frank had his own style. He could be gruff, but most of all, he was empathetic to the students he taught.

David Winter ('62 E) There were moments in my career when I'd be dismembering some errant piece of machinery and have an epiphany that one day in the distant past, old Frank had described something exactly like what I was seeing that I had never paid much attention to or understood, but had somehow memorized. Too soon old, too late smart.

Steve Kreta ('79-MET) Academic Dean As one of my first instructors, Frank was a force. He had what any faculty member needs in order to leave a long lasting impression on students: passion – for his knowledge, for his role in delivering it, and for those to whom he delivered it. I continue to be honored that when I was asked to teach at Cal Maritime, I took his office in the Machine shop and taught several of the classes he taught me. I remember being grateful for the effort I needed to put into his classes when he taught me, because that became the standard to which I held my students. It was a privilege to see Frank at Homecoming this year and to talk to him about his role in shaping my life – as an engineer and as an educator, as a Cal Maritime graduate and as a member of its staff.



Frank LaBombard made it back to Cal Maritime for the 2008 Homecoming and was greeted warmly by numerous alumni whom he had taught during his years on the Vallejo campus. President William Eisenhardt also was able to chat with LaBombard during the Welcoming reception on the opening night of Homecoming weekend. "Frank touched many lives in a positive way," he noted. "It was great that he was able to make it back to join us."



Cadet Joseph Schlosser—Pursuing a Dream of Service



Cadet Joseph Schlosser – '10 GSMA (Sacramento, CA), has wanted to be part of the U.S. Coast Guard for a long time, but getting there has been an interesting journey. Schlosser comes from a military family. Both of his parents served in the Air Force. He applied directly to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT, but didn't get admitted. He then attended Cal State Monterey but still wasn't where he wanted to be.

Joe Schlosser talks with prospective students and their families about Coast Guard programs at Cal Maritime at the recent campus Preview Day

Schlosser was a member of Monterey's sailing team, and as such, became aware of Cal Maritime. With the help of his uncle, himself a Coast Guard veteran, Schlosser took a closer look at the Academy as a possible path to his real goal. But there was a snag.

He wanted to apply as a Global Studies major, but there was no option for a non-licensed track cadet to obtain a Coast Guard commission via that route. Further research however, revealed a new program called the **College Student Pre-Commissioning Initiative (CSPI)** – offering non-licensed track students at approved schools the chance to get a commission.

However, the Coast Guard stipulated that participating schools had to have at least a 25% minority enrollment. Cal Maritime achieved that plateau in 2007, allowing Schlosser to apply, but the challenge was still a big one. More than 500 students compete for the coveted slots nationwide and less than 80 make the cut. Schlosser applied that fall and was successful - winning a full scholarship as a result.

That first summer, he spent six weeks in Hawaii, assigned to the Coast Guard's mid-Pacific Law Enforcement Division. The Hawaiian District has important responsibilities for fisheries and territorial waters management enforcement and drug interdiction. While there, Schlosser helped create a new training module for Coast Guard boarding teams covering the latest techniques and policies. This past summer, after taking part in cruise, he spent two months at Cape May, NJ undergoing basic training.

"In Hawaii, I was asked to develop a "distance learning" program allowing key personnel - while at sea or away from their main base - to keep up to date with the latest information and policies in their specialty. I met with air crews and boarding crews, traveled with them on cutters and in helicopters to better understand their work, and then put together the program -- which culminates in a series of on-line quizzes. It covers such areas as how to identify specific vessels from the sea and air, approved fishing equipment, proper boarding procedures and even fish identification to determine if boats are including prohibited species in their catch."

Schlosser is an active duty officer trainee. During the school year, his duties include working with the regional Coast Guard recruiting office. He and his fellow Coast Guard-track cadets (**Jonathan Hseih, Anthony Swagerty Dei Rossi, Adrian Cushman** and **Ryun Konze**) were on hand for Cal Maritime's Prospective Students day to answer questions about Coast Guard careers and the Cal Maritime program. (Hseih, Dei Rossi, Cushman and Konze are part of the Cal Maritime Academy **Pre Commissioning Pilot Program (CMAPP)**. They enlist as reserve seamen, and participate in training programs one weekend each month. They complete a two-week indoctrination, and sail up to eight weeks on a Coast Guard cutter the summer of their sophomore year and receive an additional two weeks of training the following summer.)

Schlosser's experiences in Hawaii and his training so far have strengthened his commitment to a career in the Coast Guard. "I'm leaning towards either flight training or law enforcement specialties with a focus on drug and fisheries enforcement responsibilities." -

Pursuing a Dream of Service—Continued



During his Coast guard assignment in 2007 in Hawaii, Cadet Joe Schlosser visited cutter crews and flew with helicopter surveillance crews to learn more about their work and their needs for continuing education. His research helped him prepare a distance-learning course for Coast Guard field personnel on the latest policies and procedures in such areas as fisheries and territorial waters enforcement, and drug interdiction efforts.

This summer, after taking part in first cruise, he will attend three weeks of **Officers' Candidate School** indoctrination at the Coast Guard Academy before returning for his senior year.

The courses I have taken at Cal Maritime have really prepared me for my Coast Guard assignments.

Schlosser, who also serves as GSMA Section Leader for Division 3 in the Corps of Cadets, has high praise for the faculty and staff of Cal Maritime's Maritime Policy and Management Department. "Dr. Donna Nincic and Dr. Tim Lynch have been very supportive. The courses I have taken at Cal Maritime have really prepared me for my Coast Guard assignments. I had to prepare a presentation on the coursework I developed and deliver it to ranking Coast Guard officers. The speech and communications courses I had taken proved really valuable in that regard. After I made my presentation, Rear Adm. Sally Brice-O'Hara, then the **Commander of the 14th Coast Guard District** in Hawaii (and now **Deputy Commandant for Operations** in Washington, D.C.) personally told me that my work was a credit to Cal Maritime. That says a lot for the school and the quality of its programs."

Cadets and Oakland Students Organize Exchange

Cadets in Instructor **Keith Graham's *Environmental Law Class*** were given a special assignment this semester: Find a way to spread the word about sound environmental principles to the community. The end result was an exchange program involving class members and students from the 5th grade class of teacher **Jill Eccher at Jefferson Elementary School in Oakland, CA**. During the semester, Graham's students reached out to area businesses and organizations and asked them to donate to their efforts. The response was widespread and positive. The **Benicia Water Treatment Department** provided bags containing rulers, magnets and low-flow showerheads. **Ace Hardware in Benicia** contributed four-packs of energy-saving fluorescent light bulbs. **Home Depot** and **Target** donated potted plants and environmental pins. Additional contributions came from **Cal Maritime's Leadership Program, Office of Community Outreach, CMA Services and Admissions office**, covering everything from T-shirts to folders and pens, lanyards and the costs of transporting cadets and elementary students to and from their respective schools. Cadets assembled the bags of gifts and information and even embroidered each bag with the name of a Jefferson student to personalize them.



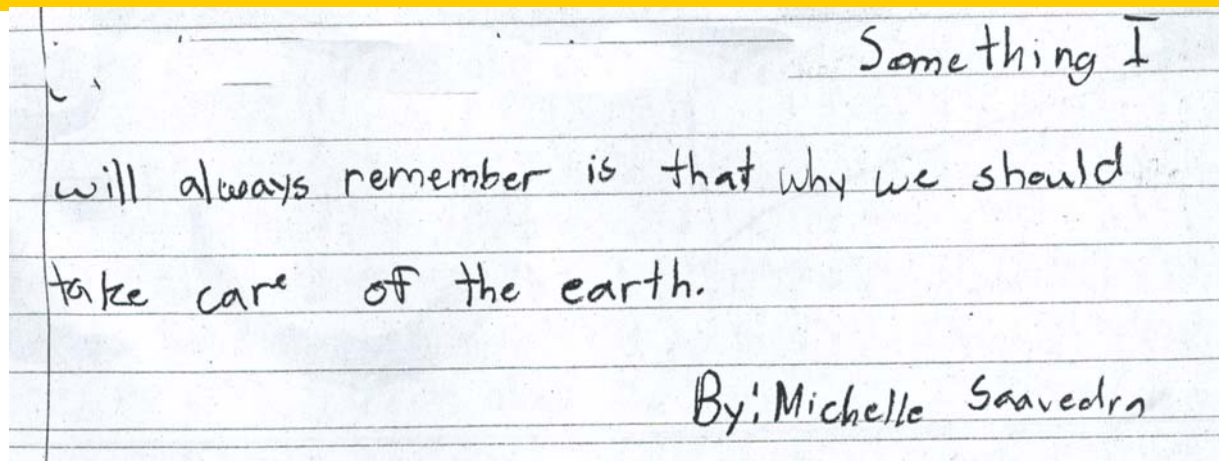
Cadets Brett Lowers and Nicholas Saad showed their Environmental Law classmates some of the items which were donated by area businesses and organizations and Cal Maritime departments for their upcoming visit to Jefferson Elementary School presentation on the environment.

On Monday, December 8th, the Jefferson students came to the Cal Maritime campus for a half day of activities including tours of the new Sim Center and the Training Ship *Golden Bear* and lunch at the Dining Hall. The visit was in part designed to give the students a sense of campus life and an awareness of the opportunities they have for higher education if they apply themselves now.

Environmental Exchange with Oakland School—Continued



(L-R) Cal Maritime cadets visiting Jefferson Elementary included (behind teacher Jill Eccher), Arian Cushman, Dan Lowry, Lowell Belany, Nick Hathaway, Melanie Mariotti, Tiffany Manes, Zach Birmingham, Michelle Nancarrow, and Kellen Garey.



The following day, Cal Maritime cadets traveled to Jefferson Elementary and made presentations to the students about the environment and distributed the bags of gifts they had collected. Soon after the visit, the students wrote personal letters describing their favorite part of their visits to Cal Maritime and what they had learned as a result of Cal Maritime's program. Recycling was high on the list, as was an increased awareness about the negative impacts on our oceans and waterways of dumping oil and chemicals into storm drains. The campus visits also generated memories that will last a lifetime. "Something I will always remember is that we need to recycle so the sea can be clean," wrote one student in her letter. Said another, "This has been the best field trip so far."

Spring 2008 President's and Dean's List Students Honored



President Eisenhardt (center) with Cal Maritime Spring '08 President's List scholars

To qualify for President's List, a student must have:

- A minimum semester grade point average of 3.75
- No grade lower than a C
- At least 12 graded units
- No incomplete

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Qualifications for Dean's List:

- A minimum semester grade point average of 3.25
- No grade lower than a C
- At least 12 graded units
- No incompletes

First Ribbon

Mark Ajemian
Clayton Busenga
Seamus Gunn
Logan Higgs
Kevin Hirsh
Andrew Johnson
Drue Kasper
Garrett Laudenback
Benjamin Marchal
Breana Ogden
David Perez
Robert Pinder
Russell Reed
Nicholas Shields
David Siggins
Timothy Tygielski
Morgan Williams

Second Ribbon

Ben Ajax
Christopher Beuret
Shireen Blau
Jason Chastain
Timothy Groth
Valerie Holl-McGowan
Michael Holliday
Adrian Isenhour
Maxine Kantor
Ryan Laperle
Maxwell Malsbary
Melanie Mariotti
Todd Michel
Chris Platzer

Michael Schwab
Lucas Shuler
Charles Skeet
Albert Ursitti

Third Ribbon

Devon Krakowski
Jonathan Morris
Ian Sit
Mark Weitkamp

Fourth Ribbon

Joseph Doyle
Dustin Hansrote
Joel Henning
Allison Jolls
Cooper Palfini
Michael Petrellese
Beth Runciman
Samuel Thompson
Michael T. Walker
Eric Weber

Fifth Ribbon

Sixth Ribbon

Christian Biehl
Christopher Bushaw
Kevin Mehrer
Kevin Waisanen

Abe, Brian Kele 3rd
Alapa, Alesi T 4th
Allan, Sprigley Keys 2nd
Alvey, Randel S 2nd
Anthony, Miriam I 4th
Apple, Jeremy N 2nd
Bakker, Joseph R 5th
Baptista, Sean M 1st
Becker, Christopher J 2nd
Bellardine, Michael Allan 1st
Benjamin, James R 3rd
Bennett, David L 2nd
Berkey, Jenna M 2nd
Blau, Andrew Michael 1st
Boothby, Kenneth M 5th
Bray, Devon M 2nd
Brockner Jr., Stephen McAfee 5th
Bryant, Alicia Coleen 5th
Buckler, Andrew Robert 2nd
Burget, Gary James 2nd
Burgin, Paul Francis 1st
Burns, Tyler Lee 4th
Callison, David R 2nd
Calvo, Nicholas A 2nd
Carlson, Lindsey S 2nd
Casken, Damien J 1st
Casken, Paul R 2nd
Chap, Jeffery A 6th
Charlton, Kristie Junea 2nd
Chernoff, Kyle Bolger 1st
Clearwater, Stephen J 2nd
Crowe, Rachel K 3rd
Cueto, Emanuel E 3rd
Davenport IV, Freeman W 4th
Davis III, Charles A 1st

Spring 2008 President's and Dean's List Students—Continued

Dobbins, Jason T 1st
 Donnelly, Kalisha S 2nd
 Duri, Gabrielle L 2nd
 Ellison, Nikole B 3rd
 Evans, Jade Toni 3rd
 Fachko, Jordan Daniel 2nd
 Fares, John Michael 1st
 Finan, Elisa A 1st
 Fischer, Jason E 2nd
 Fleytas, Andrea A 1st
 Forst, Zachary A 1st
 Garcia, Alvin B 1st
 Garey, Kellen C 1st
 Ginilo, David G 1st
 Gonzalez, Jasmine Rae 1st
 Gross, Natalie Anne 2nd
 Guay, Drew T 1st
 Hankins, Brian Max 2nd
 Harris, Adrian Black 3rd
 Haynie, Cameron M 2nd
 Hedberg, Jonathan A 5th
 Heffner, Joshua M 2nd
 Henry, Lauren Thorpe 2nd
 Herkimer, Ryan P 1st
 Hernandez, Ryan W 1st
 Herrick, Ian Hamilton 1st
 Higgins, Heather Louise 3rd
 Hiles, Daniel L 2nd
 Hirsh, Kyle Thomas 3rd
 Hodes, Anna L 2nd
 Hollander, David B 4th
 Horn II, Robert W 3rd
 Howard, Paul L 3rd
 Hsieh, Jonathan C 2nd
 Jimenez, Carolyn A 2nd
 Johnston Jr, Gregory A 1st
 Johnston, Paige W 2nd
 Kakacek, Jennifer I 2nd
 Karmiris, Anthony John 2nd
 Kim, Michael F 2nd
 Kling, Phillip H 2nd
 Knight, Linsey A 2nd
 Korwatch, Kent C 4th
 Lander, Joshua M 3rd
 Lepman, Peter M 5th
 Lim, Paul 3rd
 Litzenberger, Michael T 2nd
 Locken, Anthony A 3rd
 Loman, Daniel Blake 1st
 Lowe, Zachary N 1st
 Lugge, John J 3rd
 Lundstrom, Evan Scott 1st
 Lush, Caleb Andrew 1st
 Lyons, Justin M 1st
 Mackie, Aaron R 1st
 Mahach, Joseph Cabell 3rd
 McClung, Taylor A 1st
 McCoy, Sean F 3rd
 McPherson, Craig M 2nd

Melvin, Jonathan 3rd
 Migliorini, Alexander P 2nd
 Miller Jr, Ronald A 5th
 Miller, Stephen Richard 6th
 Mohler, Rodney A 3rd
 Moore, Jesse C 5th
 Moore, Jimmy Kenneth 2nd
 Moser, Alex W 2nd
 Mossinger, Matthew P 1st
 Moultrie, Daniel P 1st
 Naples, Vincenzo M 2nd
 Narvaez, Christian Tan 2nd
 Nausid, Ty 1st
 Ng, Anthony 1st
 Noll, Joseph K 1st
 O'Hagan, Martin B 2nd
 Osegueda, Clarisse 4th
 Ouimet, Steven M 2nd
 Padilla, Daniel R 6th
 Palmer, Henry Acker 3rd
 Pardue, Robert Scott 5th
 Park, Daniel George 1st
 Parson, Catherine James 2nd
 Paul, Molly C 3rd
 Paulus, Maxwell C 3rd
 Pecsok, Michael A 6th
 Petrick, Jonah E 5th
 Ponce, Raymond A 2nd
 Potter, Mitchell C 3rd
 Potts, Valerie D 2nd
 Prather, Nathan G 4th
 Reeves, Hannah M 3rd
 Richards, Jonathan Raymond 4th
 Roach, David William 2nd
 Rogers, Gregory Z 1st
 Rogers, Nicholas 3rd
 Rose, Brian Kristopher 1st
 Rose, Julian C 3rd
 Rossow, Cory John 5th
 Sabeh, Sean A 1st
 Salapow, Michael Alexander 1st
 Salter, Donald 1st
 Sandison, Macklin Kekoa 3rd
 Sands, Frank J 3rd
 Schafer, Brian Andrew 3rd
 Schlosser, Joseph M 3rd
 Schneider V, George W 1st
 Schwarzbach, Lila J 1st
 Shea, James Michael 2nd
 Shumway, Bryan Matthew 2nd
 Sohal, Jaspal Singh 1st
 Spicker, Patrick 6th
 Starnitzky, Max Hellmuth 2nd
 Straatsma, Daniel Ray 4th
 Suric, Christian M 3rd
 Swanson, Stephanie Lynn 3rd
 Sweeney, Thomas P 3rd
 Thayer, Maisa L 4th
 Thompson, Anna C 2nd

Thurlo, John H 2nd
 Tutass, Jennifer Marie 1st
 Valentine, Justin L 2nd
 van Os, Barend Piet Hein 6th
 Verance, Natalia M 2nd
 Walker, Alexander H 1st
 Walker, Michael C 4th
 Walton, Andrew John 4th
 Warren, Andrew M 2nd
 Washburn, Chad M 1st
 Watanabe, Atsuto 2nd
 Watson, Nakia 1st
 Weir, Drew Colby 3rd
 Westbrook, Lauren M 1st
 Willey, Ewan C 1st
 Wood, Jessica Jacqueline 3rd
 Wulf, Nicholas V 2nd
 Yarbrough, Drew A 2nd
 Yuen, Kelvin A 1st
 Zsadanyi, Alexander Peter Louis 5th

Microsoft IT Academy Resources Benefit Campus & Community



(L-R) WebCT Specialist Greg Crum, Vivienne McClendon, head of the Center of Excellence and IT Director Steven Frazier review plans to share Microsoft IT Academy Resources with Richard Anderson—IT Manager for the Global Center for Success on Mare Island, Center Executive Director Elvira DeLeon and Exec. Coordinator Miriam Terry.

Cal Maritime has partnered with the **Microsoft IT Academy** Program, giving the entire campus access to a comprehensive suite of IT educational materials and online courses designed to foster computer literacy and professional development. As an added benefit, this new resource will be used as a tool for community outreach. **The Center of Engagement, Teaching & Learning (CETL), Sponsored Projects/Extended Learning (SPEL), the Library, academic departments and the greater Vallejo community** will benefit from the collaboration to enhance student literacy, professional development and community engagement.

- **Professional Development:** Members of the *IT Services Helpdesk* will be able to pursue advanced Microsoft software certifications, and stay current with and support the latest Microsoft operating systems and software such as Vista and Office 2007.
- **Community Engagement:** Cal Maritime is providing IT Academy E-learning benefits to the **Global Center for Success**, a charitable organization located at Mare Island providing job skills training to the homeless, and people in transition. Center clients will be able to pursue online computer training which can lead to certification in technology specializations, making them more employable.
- **Faculty Staff Development:** Next semester, Information Technology will couple optional upgrades to Office 2007 with Microsoft IT Academy. Those who elect to upgrade will be able to take course modules online to learn how to use the new versions of Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Access, allowing them to tailor learning to their own time schedules and alleviate the need to work through text books or attend workshops.

In addition to accessing online courses and digital materials, students, faculty and staff may download software and applications offered by the **MS Developer Network Academic Alliance** for use on their personal computers or in the labs and classrooms. Online technical books are also available through the program.

As this new resource is brought up to speed, Greg Crum or Stephen Frazier will be points of contact for questions from faculty and staff. Later this year, it is anticipated that Cal Maritime's Special Projects and Extended Learning (SPEL) Center will make many of the IT Academy courses available to the community on a fee basis. For more information and fees and schedules when available, contact SPEL at 707-654-1156

Cal Maritime Well Represented at Maritime Security Conference



President Eisenhardt with Cal Maritime cadet contingent attending the 7th Annual U.S. Maritime Security Expo in Long Beach, CA Nov. 19-20

With the cooperation and partial sponsorship of **EJ Krause and Associates**, 19 California Maritime cadets participated in the **7th Annual US Maritime Security Expo** held in **Long Beach, CA** on **November 19-20**. The cadets volunteered time to support conference management activities such as escorting VIP's and greeting attendees as they arrived, in return for full and free access to all of the professional sessions, keynote speakers and the exhibit hall. Speakers at the Expo included **Mr. Matthew Bettenhausen**, California Director of Homeland Security; **Mr. Ron Widdows**, Executive Director of Neptune Orient Lines (parent company of APL); and Cal Maritime President **William Eisenhardt**.

Cal Maritime faculty and technical staff also took part. **Dr. Donna Nincic** spoke on a panel on the Northwest Passage and its status as an international strait, chaired a panel on C-TPAT/10+2 and facilitated a panel on international piracy issues. **CAPT Bruce Clark**, Cal Maritime's Director of **Maritime Security Projects**, participated on three focus panels investigating emergency training, drill and exercise issues, as well as attainment of value-added goals for maritime security in the commercial environment.

The cadets, lead by **Blue Company**, Div 2 Executive Officer **Yolanda Mercado**, found the conference a useful professional learning and networking experience. Thanks particularly go to **CAPT Frank Whipple ('73)** for sponsoring the Alumni Reception for the cadets and facilitating introductions and discussions for them with local alumni and luminaries such as **former CMA President Jerry Aspland (1996-2001)** and **CAPT Manny Aschemeyer ('63)**.

This was the first offering of the US Maritime Security Expo on the West Coast after six years in New York City. The program has already been scheduled again for next year and Dr. Nincic has been asked to serve on the advisory panel for the event.

Holiday Toys Donations Delivered



Associate Athletic Director Pat Hollister delivers a box of toys donated by Cal Maritime faculty and staff for the annual Vallejo Marine Toy Drive. Vallejo Fire House #3 is a collection point for the drive. Accepting the donations were (L-R) Joel Dinsdale, Hollister, Jerry Valenzuela and Capt. Mike Lionel

Faculty/Staff Milestones



J. Kim McNutt, Dean of Cal Maritime's Office of Sponsored Projects and Extended Learning (SPEL) will deliver a lecture entitled "Guerilla Marketing Techniques: No or Low Cost Program PR and Advertising" at the University Continuing Education Association (UCEA) 17th Annual Marketing Seminar. February 11 – 13, 2009 in Scottsdale, AZ.

This Will Look Great On My Resume



Cadet Frank Sands ('10 MT) was the winner in the recent "hotwings" contest at the Dining Hall. According to Dining Hall Director (appropriately named for the occasion as it turns out) Louis Bones, Sands took top prize as measured by the weight of the bones left on his plate—two pounds worth. According to Director Bones, the recipe used for the contest was "good and hot." That didn't seem to faze Sands who demonstrated that the secret to success is ignoring mom's advice to use napkins.

Farewell and Thanks to Gale Gomez



President Eisenhardt expressed thanks on behalf of the Cal Maritime community to **Cashier Gale Gomez** at a special reception in her honor December 11th. Gomez officially retired Dec. 24th after over 25 years of service to the campus. (See December *CURRENTS*.)

Gomez also received an award from **Vallejo / Cal Maritime Kiwanis President Karen Johnson** for her contributions to the group's Annual **Cruise Orphanage Drive**. Gomez will be honored at the Kiwanis' January District meeting in Lafayette, where she will receive a distinguished service award. She says she plans to continue collecting donations after retirement.



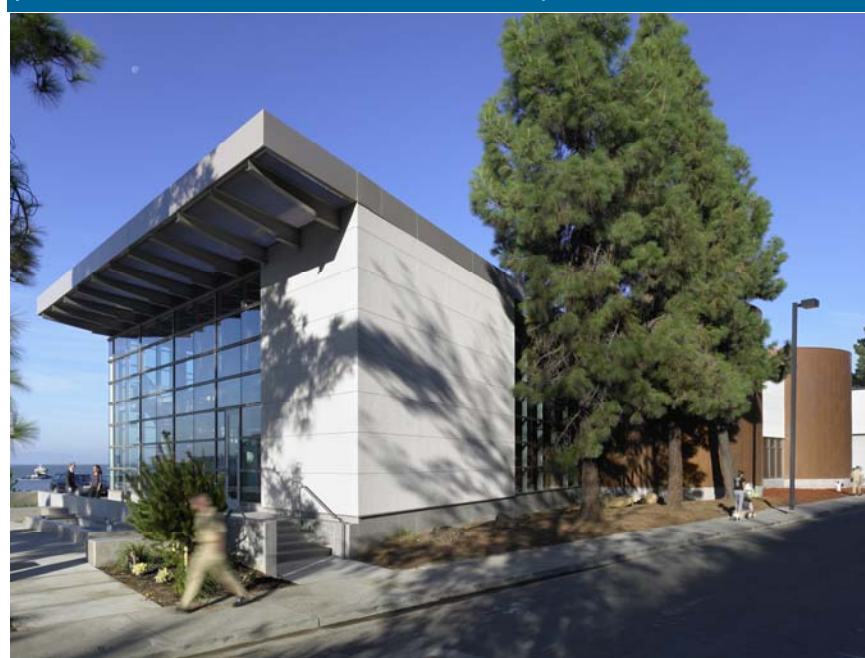
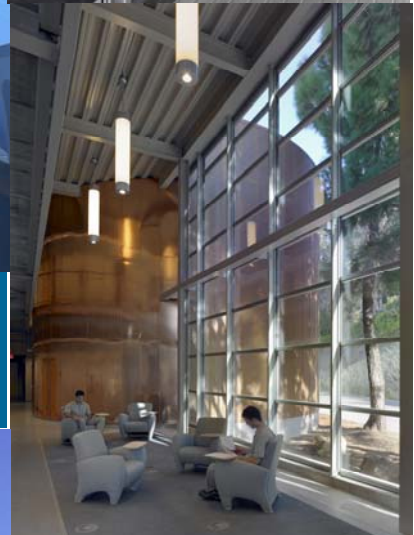
Additional Photos of New Campus Simulation Center



These recent photos of the new Cal Maritime Simulation Center were taken by photographer Bruce Damonte for project architect NBBJ



The Center includes two 360-degree projection bridge simulators (pictured above center), a full-motion bridge simulator, and additional bridge, radar, liquid cargo and spill simulation systems, plus class and conference rooms and faculty offices.



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Cal Maritime Calendar of Events

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| Jan. 20 | <i>9th Annual Cal Maritime Job Fair—Open to Alumni—Contact Career Center for More Information</i> |
| Jan. 20 | <i>Scholarship Dinner - Honoring Scholarship Donors and Underwriters—Zio Fraedo's/Vallejo</i>
<i>Contact Office of Advancement for Additional Information</i> |
| Jan. 22 | <i>Fourth Thursdays for CMA Alumni (visit www.csum.edu/alumni for locations) 5:30 p.m.</i> |
| Jan. 31 | <i>Cal Maritime 3rd Annual High School Sailing Regatta</i> |
| Jan. 31 | <i>Memorial Service for Frank LaBombard—2 p.m. Rizza Auditorium (See Page 7)</i> |
| Feb. 21-22 | <i>Cal Maritime Hosts College Sailing Regatta</i> |
| Feb. 26 | <i>Fourth Thursdays for CMA Alumni (visit www.csum.edu/alumni for locations) 5:30 p.m.</i> |
| March 26 | <i>Fourth Thursdays for CMA Alumni (visit www.csum.edu/alumni for locations) 5:30 p.m.</i> |
| March 28 | <i>Gala Fundraiser—Marines Memorial, San Francisco—Contact Office of Advancement for More Information</i> |
| May 2 | <i>Commencement—Class of 2009</i> |