

WOMEN REPORT ARMED ROBBERY ON RESERVATION ROAD

On April 17, 2010 at 2135 hours, Marina Police Officers were dispatched to a report of an unknown type peace disturbance in the area of 295 Reservation Road. Responding officers were updated while en route to the call that this was actually an armed robbery that had just occurred.

On arrival, officers contacted three females, two adults and one juvenile, who stated they were victims of an armed robbery. The women reported they were at their vehicle in the parking lot of the apartment complex at that location when they were approached by a male sus-

pect who pointed a handgun at them and demanded money. The suspect took the purses of the two adult women as he brandished the gun at them. The suspect then fled on foot from the area. No vehicles were seen.

There were no injuries to the victims in this case. A fourth female, who had been in the same vehicle with the victims and left the area prior to the start of the robbery, sustained minor injuries when she fell as she was running away after hearing the robbery start to take place.

The suspect was described as an unknown race male adult with

brown skin, likely Hispanic, approximately 5'5" tall and having a thin build. He wore blue jeans, a blue and white striped shirt, and had a dark colored cloth over his face. The suspect spoke Spanish to the victims during the robbery. The suspect was last seen running westbound on Reservation Road from the location of the robbery. An area check was made for the suspect, but no one matching the description was located.

This case is currently under investigation. Anyone who witnessed this incident or can provide any information is encouraged to contact the Marina Police Department.

Keepin' it Reel

The ninth annual Reel Work May Day Labor Film Festival - traditionally held in Santa Cruz - has scheduled four events on the campus of California State University, Monterey Bay. This is the third year CSU Monterey Bay has been a festival venue.

The festival features films that illuminate the lives of workers and the ways workers and unions around the world organize to make change. Two of the campus showings will be accompanied by speakers.

Friday, April 23, 7 p.m., Student Center: Time to Tackle Climate Change (SustainLabor, 2008, 20 minutes). Shows how workers can play a fundamental role in the route to a sustainable world.

Coal Country (Marilyn Evans and Phyllis Geller, 2009, 85 minutes). The story of the dramatic struggle around the use of coal, which provides over half the electricity in the U.S. Passions run high in the mountains of Appalachia. Families and communities are deeply split over what is being done to their land by the latest form of strip mining called mountaintop removal, or MTR. Coal companies blast the tops off mountains and run the debris into valleys and streams, filling air and water with chemicals, and an ancient mountain range is disappearing forever.

Monday, April 26, 7 p.m., Library, Room 1170: The People Speak (Howard Zinn and Tony Sacco, 2010, 110 minutes). Stories of ordinary people making history, represented in dramatic readings by film and music stars woven together with historical footage and music.

Tuesday, April 27, 7 p.m., University Center: Milk (Gus Van Sant, 2008, 129 minutes). San Francisco Supervisor Harvey Milk and the birth of LGBT politics in the 1970s.

Cleve Jones will speak before the screening. He began his career as an activist in San Francisco when he worked as a student intern in Milk's office. An AIDS and LGBT rights activist, Jones conceived of the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt and in 1983 co-founded the San Francisco AIDS Foundation. Currently, Jones works with UNITE HERE, the hotel, restaurant, and garment workers union, to make the labor movement more open to LGBT members. He is a driving force behind the Sleep With The Right People campaign, which aims to convince LGBT tourists to stay only in hotels that respect the rights of their workers.

Wednesday, April 28, 7 p.m., Library, Room

1188: Race to Nowhere (Vicki Abeles, 2009, 85 minutes). A look at the fast-paced world of children in our schools, the impact of No Child Left Behind on teachers, and how the Race to the Top may fail our students.

Dr. Linda Bynoe, a faculty member in the Liberal Studies Department at CSUMB, will lead a discussion after the film. In 2006, Dr. Bynoe received the California Faculty Association's Mario Savio Equal Rights Award in recognition of her leadership in the promotion of equal rights throughout the campuses of the California State University system.

Admission to all events is by voluntary donation; the \$2 university parking fee must be paid. The CSUMB chapters of the Student California Teachers Association and the California Faculty Association are sponsoring the events along with the campus Earth Week committee and the campus Out and About Student Association.

For a complete listing of this year's films in Monterey, Santa Cruz and Santa Clara counties, visit www.reelwork.org. For more information on the CSUMB screenings, contact Jennifer Colby at 582-5045 or jcolby@csumb.edu.

Earth to CSUMB

Earth Week features daily student activities

Earth Day is really Earth Week at CSU Monterey Bay.

Since the first Earth Day in 1970, people around the world have sought to celebrate the planet through a variety of individual and community activities. But Earth Day is about more than observing the beauty and vitality of nature; it's also about renewing our commitment to saving our planet.

CSUMB has a variety of activities planned for the week. Most are geared for students, but the public is invited to attend these events:
The sixth annual Bike-to-

Breakfast event will be held on Tuesday, April 20. Everyone who bikes to CSUMB's University Center on Sixth Avenue from 7 to 10 a.m. will get a free breakfast at the Otter Bay Restaurant.

Thursday, April 22 is the 40th anniversary of Earth Day. Celebrate it by shopping at CSUMB's first Farmers Market, in the Main Quad from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A pair of films will be shown at 7 p.m., Friday, April 23, in the Student Center as part of the Reel

Work Labor Film Festival. Time to Tackle Climate Change, which shows how workers can play a fundamental role in the route to a sustainable world, and Coal Country, the story of the dramatic struggle around the use of coal, which provides over half the electricity in the U.S., will be shown.

For more information, contact student Environmental Senator Duane Lindsay at dlindsay@csumb.edu.

READING, WRITING, RUMBA IN MONTEREY COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS?

Twelve Salinas Schools to Participate in Colors of the Rainbow Youth Ballroom Dance Competition

April 5, 2010 - Salinas, CA - Dancing Classrooms Monterey Bay, a new non-profit organization, is pleased to present the Colors of the Rainbow (COR) Team Match, a youth ballroom dance competition. This exciting event will take place on Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at 6:00 PM at the Salinas Community Center in the Sherwood Hall. COR is open to the public and FREE OF CHARGE.

Twelve student teams (144 children in all) of the Salinas City Elementary School District, 5th grade classrooms will be competing. These schools include: Boronda Meadows, El Gabilan, Henry F. Kamman, Laurel Wood, Loma Vista, Los Padres, Mission Park, Monterey Park, Natividad, Roosevelt, Sherwood and University Park.

Dancing Classrooms was developed in 1994 by educator and world champion ballroom dancer, Pierre Dulaine. Dancing Classrooms is a preventive, research-proven program that utilizes ballroom dance to break down cultural barriers, improve critical thinking and communication skills, empower individuals and strengthen the community. Dulaine's inspirational story was depicted in the feature film Take the Lead starring Antonio Banderas, as well as the award-winning documentary, Mad Hot Ballroom. May 2010 marks the fifth anniversary of Mad Hot Ballroom!

Dancing Classrooms' program, "Teaching Children to Take a Bow," is a 10-week social development program built into the regular 5th grade curriculum during school hours. In preparation for Colors of the Rainbow Team Match, resident Teaching Artists, per-

sonally trained by Pierre Dulaine, have completed the 10-week program introducing Merengue, Foxtrot, Rumba, Tango, Waltz and Swing. This program teaches grace, civility, and respect for self and others, transforming 5th grade students into ladies and gentlemen. Dancing Classrooms has grown from eight schools, 18 classrooms, 450 students in our first year to 27 schools, 80 classrooms, 2400 students in our second year. Winners of this competition will compete with the winners from our first semi-final involving students from Alisal School District. The Colors of the Rainbow third semi-final competition will be held in Pacific Grove on May 11, 2010, and includes five schools from Carmel and Pacific Grove. The grand finale between the winners of all participating school districts will be held at the Salinas Community Center in Sherwood Hall on May 17, 2010.

A distinguished group of community leaders, as well as icons of dance and theater will join the cast of COR as judges. Mayor Dennis Donohue has endorsed Dancing Classrooms and has become the newest member of our Advisory Board. Also joining our Advisory Board is Michael Briley, Managing Partner, Hayashi & Wayland, Accounting & Consulting LLP.

The evening's Master of Ceremony will be Kelly Harper, Program Coordinator and School Liaison. In addition, welcome remarks will be made by Dr. Donna Vaughan, Superintendent, Salinas City Elementary School District and distinguished members of the Monterey County Board of Supervisors.

Dancing Classrooms Monterey Bay was formed under the guidance of Ingrid Tower, owner of Shall

We Dance Studio in Pacific Grove, and is a non-profit organization supported by the ARTS Council of Monterey. Dancing Classrooms is a nationally recognized social development and character building program for 5th grade boys and girls, which utilizes ballroom dance as a vehicle to improve physical and mental health and to develop social skills and teamwork - transferable skills necessary for a healthy and safe adult life. The proven, preventive program results in changing the lives of the children who participate. To learn more about Dancing Classrooms Monterey Bay, please visit www.dancingclassroomsmb.com or call 831.649.6726.

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