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ROTARY'S 29TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER AT TEMECULA VALLEY CAMPUS

The public is invited to a free Christmas dinner at the Temecula Valley Campus, hosted by the Temecula Sunrise, Temecula Noon, Temecula New Gens, and Old Town Temecula Rotary clubs. The 29th Annual Community Christmas Dinner will be held 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. on Dec. 25 at MSJC 41888 Motor Car Pkwy off of Ynez Road. The fully cooked meal includes turkey and all the fixings.

All are welcome. No reservations are needed.
Information: Mark Sitar at (909) 376-3639.



Newly Named HCN Bank Stadium Serves as Exciting Venue for Sports - Community Events

It's already hosted Eagles football with a halftime show from the Vista Murrieta High School band, Menifee's birthday bash, and an unforgettable Hall of Fame. The newly named HCN Bank Stadium at the Menifee Valley Campus is destined to be a premier venue for community events, music festivals, and, of course, sports. The stadium is part of the new, state-of-the-art MSJC Athletics & Kinesiology Complex, which includes classrooms, locker rooms, weight rooms, beach volleyball courts, a softball field, and more.

The MSJC Foundation is proud that HCN Bank (formerly The Bank of Hemet) entered into the historic \$1 million naming rights and sponsorship agreement that named the stadium the HCN Bank Stadium. The 10-year agreement, the largest and the first of its kind in MSJC history, ensures continued support for students, scholarships, programs, and activities at MSJC.

The HCN Bank Stadium seats 5,000 people and has a capacity to hold 20,000. The \$50 million complex was made possible thanks to voters who passed Measure AA, the \$295 million facilities bond, in 2014.

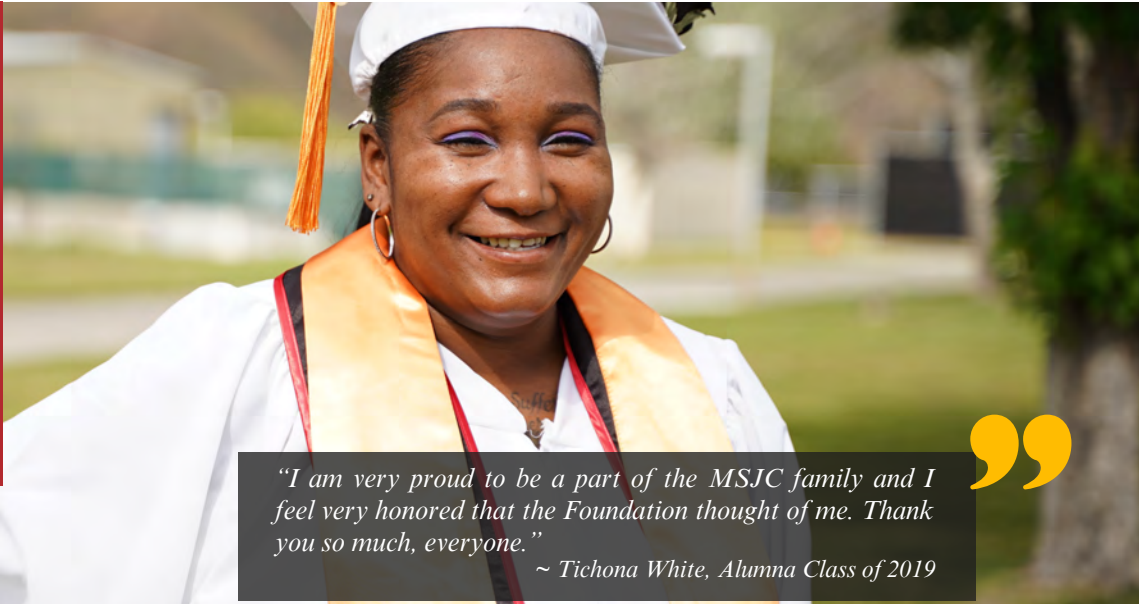
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"I am very proud to be a part of the MSJC family and I feel very honored that the Foundation thought of me. Thank you so much, everyone."

~ Tichona White, Alumna Class of 2019



MSJC FOUNDATION OFFERS WAYS TO SUPPORT STUDENTS, PROGRAMS, AND MORE

It's an exciting year for MSJC and the Foundation. We're celebrating MSJC's 60th anniversary and the Foundation's 40th. Over the decades, the district has grown to become a vibrant and vital part of the communities within its 1,700-square mile boundaries. MSJC generates \$500 million into the region of about 1 million residents. The college serves about 27,000 students a year and its enrollments have increased beyond pre-pandemic levels.

The college district has continued serving students with innovative, state-of-the-art instruction and facilities through conservative fiscal stewardship and 2014's Measure AA facilities bond. However, those funds have been fully committed and the state funds community colleges lower than K-12s, CSUs, and UCs. In addition, state funding fluctuates with economic conditions.

This is a pivotal time for MSJC to secure a strong future. Increased funding from a variety of sources will help address the growing gap between state funding and what is needed to meet the demand for higher education and skilled workers.

The Foundation, a nonprofit, 501(c)3 corporation, helps support students and underwrite programs and facilities that require additional funding and close funding gaps. There are many ways to help keep the MSJC Legacy of Transformation going.

Contact Rebecca Orlauski, Director of Foundation and Donor Initiatives, at 951-487-3171 or rorlauski@msjc.edu.

MSJC'S LEGACY OF TRANSFORMATION

Help us celebrate MSJC's 60th anniversary and the Foundation's 40th at one of the events that will be held throughout 2024. This anniversary year is also a great time to show your support through sponsorships, naming opportunities or through general scholarships.



ARE YOU AN ALUMNUS, PARENT, OR SUPPORTER?

Do you have an MSJC story? We'd like to hear it. Please Share your story at: msjc.edu/shareyourstory



MSJC Welcomes New Trustee for Area 2

MSJC's Board of Trustees appointed Calvin L. Smith, one of seven candidates interviewed during a special meeting held on October 30, 2023, to fill Trustee Area 2.

The seat was vacated after Joshua Rivera resigned because he was moving. The board voted to appoint an individual to fill the vacancy rather than call for a costly special election.

Trustee Area 2, which takes in San Jacinto, Hemet, and surrounding communities, is one of five trustee areas. Trustee Smith will serve the remainder of Rivera's term, which ends in December 2024.



JOIN US! Celebrate the Grand Opening | STEM Building at the San Jacinto Campus



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About Measure AA



MSJC welcomes the public to help us celebrate the grand opening of the new Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) building at the San Jacinto Campus. Check the MSJC web site, our official social media and your local news outlet for the date and time.

The \$39 million, three-story STEM building on the San Jacinto Campus is 56,863 square feet of classroom, labs and lecture space that will feature state-of-the-art equipment.

The \$49.7 million STEM building at the Menifee Valley Campus is scheduled to open in 2024.

Both buildings were funded by Measure AA, the \$295 million facilities bond passed in 2014, and matching funds from Prop. 51.

Honoring Athletes & Supporters

The college, the MSJC Athletics Department, and the MSJC Foundation celebrated Athletics Hall of Fame Inductees and Foundation honorees in October.

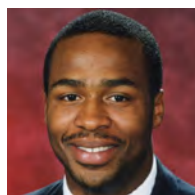
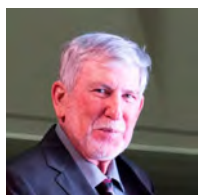
The Hall of Fame and Recognition Ceremony, sponsored by Balfour Beatty and Blue Violet Networking, was held at the HCN Bank Stadium at the Menifee Valley Campus.

The MSJC Foundation honorees were:

- Don Domenigoni: MSJC alumnus and Alumni President, serving the Foundation since 1993 in many roles, including as board President.
- HCN Bank & CEO Kevin Farrenkopf: generous supporters for three decades and first organization with a naming rights agreement that supports students.

Athletics Hall of Fame Inductees were:

- Jamaal Tinsley: led the Eagles basketball to the state championship in 1999. Later, he played in the NBA for the Indiana Pacers, Memphis Grizzlies, LA D-Fenders, and Utah Jazz.
- John Norman: All-Conference and All-State quarterback for MSJC who led the team to a conference championship in 1975. Norman later taught and coached at MSJC and is a Trustee for the San Jacinto Unified School District.
- Ken Reed: 50 years with MSJC's Athletics Department as a baseball player, score keeper, announcer, and fundraiser.
- The 1999 MSJC Football Team: finished the season 10-1 overall, were undefeated champions of the Foothill Conference, and #8 in the country.



New Year - New Classes in Temecula

MSJC's Spring Semester starts Jan. 16 and has all the classes students need to transfer to four-year institutions, earn an associate's degree or a career certificate to enter the workforce. Look for online, in person and hybrid classes to fit your lifestyle.

New classes at the Temecula Valley Campus this spring include:

- Medical Terminology
- Automotive (introduction to hybrid and electric vehicle technology)
- Art classes (Drawing & Digital Art)

(these classes are offered at other MSJC campuses)

At MSJC, you can explore a pathway, talk to counselors, and receive financial aid. With a focus on diversity, equity, inclusion and accessibility, students have the support they need to complete their educational journeys.





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*Check out the
Schedule of Classes*

