Welcome Back, Alumni! We are so pleased to send you our first alumni newsletter—ever!

Welcome back to your alma mater, EnvS at SJSU, one of the oldest sustainability programs in the US with a 40-year history of graduating EnvS professionals! We hope this newsletter—and our listserv and LinkedIn group—will help you find old friends, make new ones, and even find new career options.

In this newsletter, we’ll update you on the state of our Department and some activities of current students and faculty. Of course, we highlight achievements of some of you, our EnvS alumni! As alumni, you have developed wisdom and expertise which we hope you will share to help us shape the future for new EnvS majors.

Finally, Mark Your Calendars! We are planning a mixer on December 7th for our Alumni—we want to see you again!

Best Wishes, Lynne Trulio, Chair

Photo by Magen Shaw

SURVEY SAYS…
We recently conducted an Alumni survey. Here’s what 125 of you had to say…

Does your job relate to your ES degree?

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What was your most important ES class?
The top vote-getters were EIA (43%), Law (40%), Field (33%), Energy (33%) and Water classes (28%).

Surprised that EIA came out on top?? Now you know we weren’t just torturing you—there was a method to our madness!
JUST the FACTS

Over the past 5 years, our Department has grown! Look at where we are now—

Number of EnvS majors in 2012: 235
Number of Minors: 60+
Number of Graduate Students: 60+
Increase in majors in last 5 years: 73%
Increase in Hispanic students: From 11% to 23% in 5 years
Gender Balance (men to women): 60:40
Students Graduating in 2012: 59
Number of Core Faculty: 7
Number of Lecturers: 10-15

To learn more about us, visit our new Department Website, going live ~Nov 12, at http://www.sjsu.edu/envs.

EnvS Students Making a Difference @ SJSU Now!

Here are just a few current students making their mark at SJSU:

Paul Landon (Class of 2013)
AS Director of Environmental Affairs
Paul is making sure that sustainability is a priority with the students through his high-powered position as an elected rep.

Kenneth Rosales (Class of 2012)
CDR Director
Although a recent graduate, Ken stays on with us helping to direct the work of the Center for Development of Recycling.

Magen Shaw (Class of 2014)
ERC Director
Her love for the environment started with family camping trips to Anza Borrego. Magen brings her passion for the environment to all she does for the ERC.

Cathy Bui (Class of 2013)
Environmental Club Officer
Cathy is busy balancing her work as a senior with her love of civic engagement and the environment.

Michael Hobbs (Class of 2013)
Course Assistant for EnvS 110
Michael is an MS student who, in addition to raising his teen-aged son, assists Dr. Russell in teaching EnvS majors statistics in the Resource Analysis class.
ALUMNI, you’ve been BUSY!
The range of careers and positions you’ve achieved is truly impressive!
Here are some of your careers now ...

- Water Manager, City of San Jose
- National Recycling Coordinator, Barnes and Noble
- Energy Manager, City of Santa Clara
- Environmental Programs, CalTrans
- City Planner, City of Saratoga
- EH&S, EORM
- Environmental Compliance, San Joaquin County Air District
- Property Assessor, Ventura County
- Director, Veggielution
- Teacher, Valley Christian High
- Facilities/Environmental Manager, Marine Corps, Okinawa, Japan
- Wildlife Program Manager, California Department of Fish & Wildlife
- CEQA Specialist, Denise Duffy
- Habitat Restorationist, Swanton Pacific Forest, Cal Poly SLO

ALUMNI Nearby

Candice Carbonell, Class of 2011
Sustainability Coordinator, Spartan Shops @ SJSU

Kevin Carley, Class of 2009
Utility Account Rep, City of Palo Alto

William Wilson, Class of 2011
Operations Specialist, PG&E

Monica Nanez, MS Class of 2007
Sustainable Site Manager, First Community Housing

Heather White, MS Class of 2008
GIS Manager/Conservation Manager, ICF International, San Jose

High-powered ALUMNI

Rebecca Fotu, Class of 2006
Environmental Programs Manager, City of Menlo Park

Teresa Alvarado, Class of 1995
Communications Manager, Santa Clara Valley Water District

Dr. Jun Bando, Class of 1999
Special Advisor, Africa Command, US State Department

Jeff Olberding, Class of 1994
Founder of Olberding Environmental, Inc.

Dr. Paul Laris, MS Class of 1995
Professor and Chair of Geography at CSU, Long Beach

Ralph Schardt, Class of 2001
Executive Director, Michael Lee Environmental Foundation
FAMILIAR Faces...
Whether you graduated last year or 35 years ago, your professors were central to your experience in EnvS. This year, we have the largest faculty in our history! While there are new faces, you will still find professors you recognize:

* Dr. Gary Klee – Our master of human ecology, writing and nature & conservation photography!
* Dr. Lynne Trulio – Still all about fur & feathers, burrowing owls & wetlands...
* Dr. Rachel O’Malley – Guiding our MS program and helping students love bugs and to grow their own food...
* Dr. Katherine Cushing – Water expert and campus sustainability guru.
* Dr. Will Russell – Speaking for the redwoods & helping our students do the same...
* Prof. Bruce Olszewski – Recycling never gets old, for either Bruce or his students!
* Prof. Terry Trumbull – Because the earth needs a good lawyer—and it has one in Terry!

... and NEW Faculty in 2011 and 2012
Meet our newest faculty, leading our department in new and critical directions.
Dr. Mulvaney is an energy expert, with his Ph.D. from UC Santa Cruz, who specializes in the social and ecological footprint of our energy sources.

Dr. Gershenson is an expert in global climate change with a focus on the role of soils in our changing climate. He also holds a Ph.D. from UC Santa Cruz.

RETIR ED from SJSU:
Dr. Donald Aitken – The founder of our department! Retired in 1991.
Dr. Donald Anthrop – All about ducks... Retired in 2002.
REMEMBERING Frank Schiavo

The man, the myth, the legend—his memory lives on with us and his students.

Frank Schiavo, so beloved by his students, died suddenly in Jan 2010. To honor him and continue his legacy, the Department established the Frank Schiavo Environmental Scholarship, an endowed fund that will support deserving students every year.

If you were a friend of Frank—and there were 1000s!—you may want to contribute to his legacy through this scholarship. If you do, your contribution will become part of the endowment—and the bigger the endowment the more $$ there will be for student scholarships in Frank’s name!

To donate, go to our website: http://www.sjsu.edu/envs. Or you can send a check to Dr. Trulio at the EnvS Department made out to the SJSU Tower Foundation. Be sure to put “Frank Schiavo Environmental Scholarship” in the memo line. Your donation is tax-deductible and all of it will go to the Frank fund.

CALLING ALL ALUMNI!!!

Connect with your alumni colleagues and the Department!

* Join the EnvS Listserve to get announcements on jobs, internships and events of interest (please excuse messages to current students) To join, email Dr. Trulio at Lynne.Trulio@sjsu.edu.

* Join our new LinkedIn Group for a forum to exchange professional info at http://www.linkedin.com/groups/SJSU-Environmental-Studies-Alumni-Group-4702077?home=&gid=4702077&trk=anet_uq_hm&goBack=%2Egna_4702077

For the personal touch…

JOIN US for a Holiday Alumni Mixer—our first ever!

– When: Friday, Dec 7, 4:30-7pm
– Where: Fireside Room, AS House
– Who: All alumni and one guest each!
– Drop in, Eat, Drink and Smooze
– RSVP: Email Dr. Trulio at Lynne.Trulio@sjsu.edu to confirm

We are looking forward to seeing you!!

In YOUR Opinion

Should we offer an EIA Certificate for non-SJSU students? Purpose: continuing education & EnvS funding. Have an idea for a different certificate? Email Dr. Trulio.

And Lastly...

EMAIL us and tell us what you are doing now. We will feature ALUMNI stories in our Spring 2013 newsletter!