

# IVC scholar athletes honored at banquet

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It was a banner year for IVC athletes on the field and in the classroom during the 2009-10 school year.

That was evident at the annual Scholar Athlete Banquet held on Thursday in IVC's Hart Gym.

Sixty-eight Irvine Valley student athletes from 11 sports earned scholar athlete recognition. The 68 award winners represent a record number for IVC, surpassing the previous high of 63 from 2008-09.

Seven of those athletes earned perfect 4.0 grade point averages. They were baseball player Micah Gorman, women's golfer Tiffany Kane, men's soccer player Jack Sessions, women's soccer player Lindsay Seeley, men's tennis player Taira Ishikura and women's soccer players Sasha Kornilova and, Women's Volleyball player Ellie Wiekamp.

Also named were the scholar athletes of the year and athletes of the year as well as special recognition given to the IVC Athletics Community Ambassador Scholarship winners, the IVC Character Champion of the Year winners and the athletic leadership winners.

The Irvine Exchange Club scholar athlete of the year award winners were women's basketball player Erika Garcia and men's tennis player Chad Sigler. They will be feted at a luncheon in their honor by the Club on May 18<sup>th</sup> at the Irvine Marriott.

Garcia, men's soccer player Francisco Hernandez, men's basketball player Durrell Norman and women's golfer Nicole Rivera were named the Community Ambassador Scholarship winners.

The IVC athletes of the year were women's volleyball player Allie Hammer and men's volleyball player Nick Castello.

The IVC Character of Champion awards were given to Norman and women's volleyball player Caitlin Segert. Segert was also the female recipient of the award for the entire Orange Empire Conference.

The athletic leadership winners were given the Anna L. McFarlin Sport-For-All Service Award. The award is given annually to two members of the IVC community who have provided meritorious service to the college's student athletes. Each year, a member of the IVC Faculty and the IVC administration team are recognized for their continued efforts on behalf of the students who represent the college in athletic competition. The 2010 honorees were professor Roy McCord from the physical sciences department and Arleen Elseroad, who is the Director of Admissions and Records.

## **Scholar Athletes**

### ***Baseball***

Brandon Allen, Ryan Berry, Robert Borland, Robert Dey, Adam Edwards, Cody Fitzgerald, Micah Gorman, Steve Greenberg, Jacob Kaufman, Martin Leon, Joel Lutz, Daniel Urbina

### ***Men's Basketball***

Ephraim Ekanem, Durrell Norman, Isaac Stalzer

***Women's Basketball***

Nadine Al Smadi, Yvette Cruz, Erika Garcia, Lamija Silajdzic

***Men's Golf***

Sylvain Debiais, Mike Stinton

***Women's Golf***

Tiffany Kane, Nicole Rivera

***Men's Soccer***

Brice Adams, Omar Arellano, Scott Drennen, Will Goodman, Will Harrison, Francisco Hernandez, Alfred Nowak, Oliver O'Mara, Hyun-Jun Park, Chris Popke, Jack Sessions

***Women's Soccer***

Stacey Braylee, Mary Carreron, Kelly Knaup, Ashley Morin, Monica Ramirez, Lindsay Seeley

***Men's Tennis***

Taira Ishikura, Niko Katigbak, Jonathan Ormont, Chad Sigler, Ryan Sleiman

***Women's Tennis***

Katie Billings, Grace Cho, Erin Kang, Ana Pham, Sandi Richards, Luba Sigaty

***Men's Volleyball***

Caleb Brophy, Garret Dvoracek, Alex Reis, Keith Rossman

***Women's Volleyball***

Sarah Atilano, Hillary Crone, Allie Hammer, Sasha Kornilova, Casey Lile, Carly Loucks, Maddie Sapigao, Alyssa Swatek, Ellie Wiekamp, Katie Wilkerson