### Sally Casanova Scholarship

Ms. Lorelay Mendoza (advisor: Dr. Natalie Mladenov) was selected as a Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Scholar for the 2018-19 academic year. The scholarship is highly competitive and will enable Ms. Mendoza to participate in a summer 2019 research experience at a doctoral-granting institution. Congratulations Lorelay!

### Outstanding Paper Award

The winners of the 2018 Literati awards were announced recently and our very own Dr. Thais Alves won for Outstanding Paper! The paper was written by Dr. Alves, Raphael Million, and Raphael’s co-adviser in Brazil. Dr. Alves is also co-advising Raphael, who is completing his PhD at UFSCar in Brazil. This paper was developed when he was here at SDSU in 2016. The award winning papers were selected for their overall quality, relevance and currency in reflecting the aims and purpose of the journal. You can find the announcement here: [http://emeraldgrouppublishing.com/products/journals/journals.htm?id=ijbpa](http://emeraldgrouppublishing.com/products/journals/journals.htm?id=ijbpa)

### Clean Water Game

Dr. Mladenov’s incoming ENVE graduate student Lauren Steinberg and undergraduate ENVE students Denise Garcia and Stephanie Chao led 53 Girl Scouts (6th – 12th grade) through the interactive “Clean Water Game,” which simulated water collection and treatment in developing communities.

### Carol Forrest, P.E. Memorial Scholarship

Incoming ENVE graduate student Frederick Pinongcos and current ENVE graduate student Kristen Snyder were awarded the prestigious Carol Forrest, P.E. Memorial Watershed Management Scholarship. Mr. Pinongcos will be conducting research on pollutant inputs to the San Diego River under the supervision of Drs. Mladenov, Kinoshita, and Verbyla. Ms. Snyder will be completing her research with Dr. Mladenov on the degradation and persistence of organic compounds associated with the Refugio Oil Spill of 2015.

### National Concrete Canoe Competition

San Diego State University hosted the 31st ASCE National Concrete Canoe competition on June 23-25, 2018. Dr. Janusz Supernak, the Faculty Adviser for the ASCE Student Organization, states he was very proud of the quality event the students delivered and that all officials including the President-Elect for ASCE assessed our conference as “the best in memory.” Our conference student co-chairs were: Kaylan Burke, Julia Bermudez, and Jose Castro. The overall winners for the competition were: 1) California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo; 2) University of Florida; 3) Université de Laval; 4) Tongji University; and 5) Youngstown State University. Congratulations to SDSU ASCE for a fantastic event! SDSU had an option to participate this year or next year. In order to host well, our team decided to compete next year in Florida.

### Visualab turns 19!

VisuaLab turns 19! Please help us congratulate Dr. Victor M. Ponce on the 19th anniversary for his lab: VisulaLab! You can find more information on his lab here: [http://visualab.sdsu.edu/](http://visualab.sdsu.edu/)

### Quotes of the Month: “Engineering is the closest thing to magic that exists in the world.” – Elon Musk

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