



**Matt Vargas, Rogers Scholar, receives his ring from John Rogers
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ROGERS SCHOLARS NAMED AT CAL STATE SAN BERNARDINO'S PALM DESERT CAMPUS

PALM DESERT, Calif. (June 1, 2009) – The Palm Desert Campus of California State University, San Bernardino has announced its nineteen Rogers Scholars for the 2009 – 2010 school year. They include Janely Alcalá of Indio, Randy Bloom of Palm Desert, Albert Casillas of Indio, Sheri Cohen of Desert Hot Springs, Margaret Cowan of Yucca Valley, Sheryl Cramm of Yucca Valley, Danette Delgado of Palm Desert, Rhianna Huffman of Rancho Mirage, Tonya

Jakobsen of La Quinta, Claudia Miranda of Cathedral City, Keeley Mizell of Sky Valley, Kristian Radev of Palm Desert, Nataliya Richmeier of Bermuda Dunes, Mauricio Rios Rodriguez of Desert Shores, Antonio Salcedo of Cathedral City, Karen Sanders of Palm Desert, Ebonee Sifuentes of Twentynine Palms, Amy Spykerman of Cathedral City and Matthew Vargas of Yucca Valley.

The Mary Stuart Rogers Scholarship Fund was established to provide financial assistance to full-time upper-division undergraduate and post-graduate students enrolled at Cal State San Bernardino's Palm Desert Campus. Recipients, called Rogers Scholars, must demonstrate a sincere commitment to their own personal growth, compile outstanding academic records, demonstrate leadership qualities, and show a desire to serve their fellow students and communities. The scholarship is not driven by financial need, but given to those who possess these qualities.

Each year, the recipients of this prestigious scholarship are honored at a banquet where they have the opportunity to meet and greet with John Rogers, the son of the scholarship's namesake, Mary Stuart Rogers, and his family.

Since its establishment in 1994, over 300 scholarships to Palm Desert Campus students have been awarded adding up to over \$1 million.

Former Rogers Scholar, Lisa McFadden, recently said, "As a Rogers Scholarship recipient, I was able to complete the education necessary to become a Counselor at College of the Desert where I have assisted literally thousands of students to reach their academic and career goals."

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