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## **NEWS**

### **Bill Kerwin Named District Manager of the Year**

COSTA MESA, Calif.—Bill Kerwin, Coast Community College District’s Risk Services Manager, is the 2009 District-site Manager of the Year. This year’s selection was announced at the District's annual management association picnic earlier this month.

Kerwin is responsible for minimizing risk for the District’s students, faculty and staff and he is committed to recognizing and mitigating potential problems before they come up. He has been with the District for 17 years, beginning his career at Orange Coast College as a campus safety officer while attending law school. Kerwin’s law degree often comes in handy when he is deciphering and explaining the District’s complex contracts and obligations.

“Bill is truly deserving of this recognition,” said Vice Chancellor of Administrative Services CM Brahmhatt. “He shows initiative, integrity and tenacity in performing his duties and always goes above and beyond what is required of him. His dedication to helping the District and the campuses navigate the complexities of Risk Management is a great benefit to all of us and I am happy that his peers recognize his outstanding contributions to our colleges.”

Kerwin and his wife, Kim, their daughter, Abbigail, and their dog Maggie live in Huntington Beach. Kerwin was in the U.S. Army and served in Operation Desert Storm; he graduated with his law degree from Whittier Law School in 2002.

At the picnic, the District’s three colleges also announced the managers of the year. Coastline Community College selected Dan Jones, Administrative Dean of Independent Studies; Golden West College selected Ron Lowenberg, Associate Dean of Criminal Justice; and Orange Coast College selected Melinda Nish, Vice President of Instruction.

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*The Coast Community College District is the ninth largest community college district in the state in credit enrollment, serving 60,000 students each semester. The District is comprised of Coastline Community College headquartered in Fountain Valley, Golden West College in Huntington Beach and Orange Coast College in Costa Mesa.*