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El Camino College Student Wins State Title in Shot Put

El Camino College freshman Na'i Leni recently won the state title in the shot on her first throw, wrapping up an undefeated season which included a new school record and national community college leader of 48-0! Her throw of 46-1¼ won the title by almost 4 feet. Leni is from Carson High School and was also named the South Coast Conference Athlete-of-the-year in field.

Also succeeding at the state level was Jacob Weintraub, a freshman from Redondo Union High School, who placed second in the state shot with his throw of 56-0. This is an improvement on his previous personal best of 54-2 and moves him to third on the El Camino College All-Time Top 10 list. Weintraub was also named South Coast Conference Athlete-of-the-Meet for shot and discus. Both athletes qualify for the USATF National Junior Championships this summer in Columbus, Ohio, and were guided by throws coach Darryl Guerin.

In other track news, Megan Adams, a freshman from San Pedro High school, placed second in 3,000-meter steeplechase, bringing in a new school record of 11:28.94. Teammate Gabriela Rubi, a sophomore who also comes from San Pedro, placed sixth in a personal best 11:59.20, which places her third on the ECC Top 10 list.

In the men's division, Steve Calise, a freshman from San Pedro High School, placed third in the 1500-meter – a personal best 3:57.22, which qualified him for the the USATF National Junior Championships; and Eric Oliva, a sophomore from Leuzinger High School, placed seventh in the shot with 47-11 ¼.

The women's 1600-meter relay team placed ninth in the state with a time of 4:02.98; and Kevin Hughley was named South Coast Conference Men's Assistant Coach-of-the-Year:

Other additions to the El Camino College "Top 10" All-Time Lists include:

- Garrett Till, fifth All-Time in the High Jump, 6-10
- Charles Hutchinson, second All-Time Decathlon, 5415
- Victoria Radke, Pole Vault, 7-6

The El Camino College Track & Field coaching staff includes: Dean Lofgren, director/distances; Kevin Hughley, sprints/multis; Darryl Guerin, throws; Denise Diego relays; Mike Grissett, jumps; and Derek Knight, hurdles.

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