Warmest Thoughts and Best Wishes for a Wonderful Holiday Season and a Happy and Healthy New Year!

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“This team has come together at the right time, played its best soccer at the end of the season and played to its ultimate potential,” said head coach Joe Flanagan, about the win, and the season.

Patrick Guillen, athletic director, attributed the victory to the team’s “depth and balance.”

The game, which was broadcast to 66 million households on the CBS College Sports Network, was a point of pride for Guillen, who with a CSUDH contingent of approximately 100 fans including President Mildred García, cheered the Toros to victory.

BP Presents $50,000 Check to CSUDH to Start New BP Scholarship

Walter Neil, director for public relations for BP Carson Refinery, presented a check in the amount of $50,000 to California State University, Dominguez Hills (CSUDH) to create the BP Scholarship. The donation was made during the College of Business Administration and Public Policy’s annual awards luncheon on Nov. 6, at which BP was honored as Organization of the Year.

“BP believes that investing in Cal State University, Dominguez Hills is money well spent,” Neil said. “It is an investment in this community, an investment in the promising students here, and an investment in the future.”

The $50,000 BP Scholarship will provide five $2,000 scholarships annually over a five-year period to first-time freshman or community college transfer students living in Carson, Long Beach or Wilmington who seek degrees in either chemistry, physics, mathematics, business administration or environmental sciences.
This marks the second NCAA National Title for the Cal State Dominguez Hills men’s soccer program after the Toros won their first over Barry University in 2000, and the third overall NCAA National Title after the 1991 women’s soccer team claimed the first ever NCAA Championship.

Story and Video Highlights Here.

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**Alumni Connection: Check Out the Beta Version of Online Alumni Community**

Last month, the Office of Alumni Relations released the beta version of *Alumni Connection*, an exclusive online alumni community. *Alumni Connection* offers a place for alumni from all corners of the globe to come together and connect with each other as well as with the university. Tap into these resources and discover the continuing benefits of belonging to the Dominguez Hills alumni family:

- Online directory of alumni
- Career networking opportunities
- Campus news and much more

Take a look around the site and let us know what you think. You will need your campus ID number to register as a member of the community. If you need assistance, please email Alumni Relations.

During this beta testing phase we will continue enhancing the site and adding new features, so be sure to share your comments and suggestions with us.

The launch of the *Alumni Connection* site, is one of several exciting developments planned for CSU Dominguez Hills alumni, so stay tuned.

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**YEAR-END GIVING**

If CSU Dominguez Hills is in your year-end charitable giving plans, please visit [Online Giving](http://www.csudh.edu/onlinegiving) to make a donation or call (310) 243-2182. Your gift, regardless of the size, helps your alma mater! Thank you for your support and happy holidays!

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Carson-Dominguez Hills Symphony Orchestra Concert/Family Pops Concert**, Sat, Feb 7, 8pm, University Theatre

**The Rod Butler Memorial Scholarship Concert**, Sat, Mar 28, 8pm, University Theatre

Visit [www.csudh.edu](http://www.csudh.edu) for more information.

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