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Welcome Sherrie Prasad

Please join me in welcoming Sherrie Prasad, Office Assistant, to the President's Office.

Sherrie comes to us with a wealth of experience and talent in administrative and project management. She has previously served as a business associate at Western Journal of Medicine. She has also enjoyed a successful tenure as a Members Services Associate with the Women's Funding Network.

Sherrie will be the welcoming face and service provider as you visit the Building 4, third floor administrative suite which houses the Office of the President, Vice Presidents, Administrative Services, Public Information and Research and Planning.

Sherrie is a Skyline College transfer student success story. She attended Skyline College to complete her general education requirements and transferred to San Francisco State University where she earned a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Business Administration. Sherrie is very excited to be back at Skyline College and is looking forward to reacquainting herself with the college and our community.

If you get an opportunity to stop by and welcome her, please do so. She can be reached at prasadsherrie@smccd.edu or ext. 4402.



Classified Employee of the Year Award
Nominations due by February 10, 2012 – 12 Noon

The California Community Colleges Board of Governors created the Classified Employee of the Year Award honoring community college classified employees who demonstrate the highest level of commitment to professionalism and community colleges. Every college district is invited to submit a nominee. Nominees must be classified employees with a minimum of 5 years

of service as a permanent employee within the nominating Community College District (full-time or part-time). All nominees will be evaluated on their commitment to the mission of community colleges; professional ethics and standards; serving the institution through participation in professional and/or community activities; and serving as a leader beyond the local institution. A cash award and plaque will be presented to each statewide recipient at the May 2012 meeting of the Board of Governors. Any one may nominate an employee consistent with the criteria set by the CCC Board of Governors

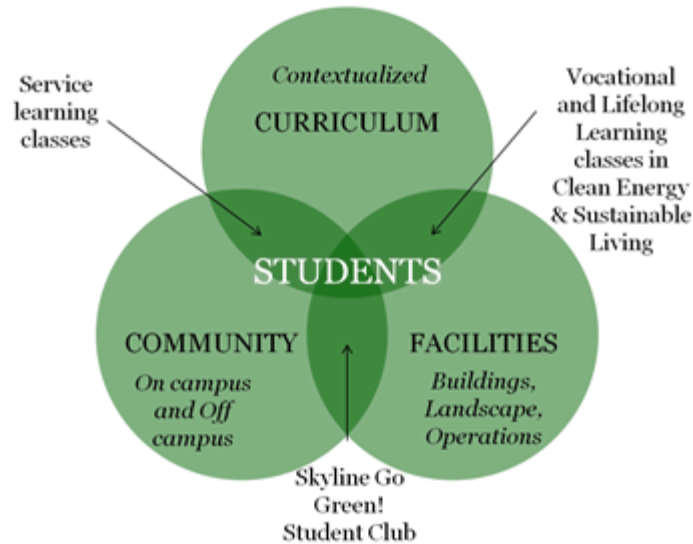
Each district is allowed to submit one nomination. SMCCCD is soliciting the names of four proposed nominees, one each from the three colleges and the district office. At its February 22, 2011 meeting, The SMCCCD Board of Trustees will select one of the four nominees to submit to the Board of Governors. All four of the nominees will be recognized at the District Board meeting.

In 2009, using the College Council adopted process, Skyline College submitted the name of Barbara Daley who was subsequently selected by the SMCCCD Board as their nominee. Barbara Daley went on to become one of only five people statewide selected by the CCC Board of Governors. In 2010 Skyline College nominated Pat Carter, who was also selected by the SMCCCD Board as their nominee to the CCC Board of Governors. Last Year, Skyline College honored Sue Lorenzo as their nominee.

The criteria and nominating form are available online on the right side of the main page of the Chancellor's office website at <http://www.cccco.edu/Home/tabid/189/Default.aspx> . You will find the Guidelines and Instructions and the Nomination Form. Anyone can make a nomination. Simply **submit the completed nomination form in electronic format** to Theresa Tentes at tentes@smccd.edu by **Friday, February 10, 2011 at 12 p.m.** The College Council will to screen the nominations and select a Skyline College nominee in time for the February 22, 2012 agenda packet for the SMCCCD Board of Trustees' meeting.

\$1,000 Available: All Faculty Welcome to Apply for the Innovative Sustainability Education Award

Funded by the President's Innovation Fund (PIF), the Sustainable Campus Initiative (SCI) is an all-campus program engaging students, faculty, staff and the community to create a culture of sustainability on the Skyline College campus. There are three elements to this initiative: a Faculty Learning Community to explore and enrich the sustainable education experience of our students; an Environmental Science Service Learning Course, ENVS 680SD, where student projects will interface with campus facilities, local communities, and organizations to further sustainable goals; and All-Campus Sustainability Workshops to offer widespread communication and education on sustainability issues.



The goal of the Faculty Learning Community is to integrate concepts of sustainability into curriculum and lesson plans through the exchange of ideas and collaboration between faculty. Sustainability concepts address a broad range of topics including the economy, the environment, and society; and how economic activity affects people who in turn are constrained by their environment.

To encourage movement in this direction, a portion of the PIF funding provides awards for faculty who integrate concepts of sustainability into their curriculum in an innovative and effective way, connecting these concepts with student learning outcomes of the course. This award is intended to encourage and reward faculty who introduce a new way of teaching sustainability in their learning environments. All faculty are encouraged to apply! For an application and more information on this awards program, please contact Lindsey Virdeh at virdehl@smccd.edu or 650-738-4445.

Thanks to Lindsey Virdeh for her contribution to this article. Thanks to Anjana Richards for creating the diagram.

Mark Your Calendars for the Second All-Campus Sustainability Workshop on February 7, 2012

As part of the Sustainable Campus Initiative, three All-Campus Workshops will be held throughout the school year to offer widespread communication and education on sustainability issues. These workshops will focus on environmental, social, and economic topics. The second workshop will be held on Tuesday, February 7, 2012 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Building 4, Room 4148. This workshop, titled “Sustainability of Skyline College,” will feature a walking tour of three different areas on campus to demonstrate how we save energy and water, and increase our efficiency in the built environment. More information about this event will be forthcoming. For more information on the Sustainable Campus Initiative, please contact Lindsey Virdeh at virdehl@smccd.edu or 650-738-4445.

Thanks to Lindsey Virdeh for her contribution to this article.

Coaches vs. Cancer Fundraiser



Skyline College is participating in the Coaches vs. Cancer fundraiser sponsored by the Men's and Women's California Community College Basketball Association. This season, all proceeds from the following Skyline College home basketball games will be given to the American Cancer Society. In lieu of charging admission, spectators are being asked to make a donation, either by cash or check, which will be forwarded to the American Cancer Society. Checks should be made payable to the "American Cancer Society."

January 20, 2012

5:00 p.m., Women's Basketball vs. CSM @ Skyline

7:00 p.m., Men's Basketball vs. Cañada @ Skyline

January 27, 2012

5:00 p.m., Men's Basketball vs. Las Positas @ Skyline

7:00 p.m., Women's Basketball vs. Las Positas @ Skyline

February 8, 2012

5:00 p.m., Women's Basketball vs. Mission @ Skyline

7:00 p.m., Men's Basketball vs. Ohlone @ Skyline

February 17, 2012

5:00 p.m., Women's Basketball vs. CCSF @ Skyline

7:00 p.m., Men's Basketball vs. CCSF @ Skyline

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy and service.

Thanks to Christianne Marra for her contribution to this article.

Skyline College Student Art Show Featured at Sanchez Art Center in Pacifica



Sasipin Heinmiller
Leaving of the Soul



Thomas Agasid
Untitled



Linda Fahey
Wind and Waves

The East Gallery at the Sanchez Art Center in Pacifica is featuring *Memorandum to Light from Shadows*, a group show by Skyline College art students. The exhibit was originally held at the Skyline College Art Gallery in November. Curated by Skyline College professor Arthur Takayama, the exhibit features works in ceramics, sculpture and photography. The exhibit runs through Sunday, February 12, 2012 and is open from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

Sanchez Art Center is located at 1220 Linda Mar Avenue in Pacifica. For more information, please visit their website at <http://www.sanchezartcenter.org/index.html>.

Thank you to Arthur Takayama for his contributions to this article.

Early Childhood Education Is On The Move!

Just because we work with little people doesn't mean that we stand still! Note the four giant steps we are taking:

1. The Child Development Center [CDC] has moved into its new building. Formerly Loma Chica, it will be called Building 14 for Skyline College classes [14-006] and will be formally introduced as the "Skyline College Early Learning & Child Development Center" at the Grand Opening on the afternoon of Wednesday, February 29, 2012.
2. The ECE 360 Advocacy class finished its Fall session with presentations from Supervisor Jerry Hill. Everyone should be an advocate for children whose voices are small but mighty.



ECE 360 Advocacy in Early Childhood Education, taught by ECE Faculty Elaine Francisco who hosted Supervisor Jerry Hill.

3. The Department & CDC collaborated for three days of workshops during prep week. Topics included Special Ed legislation, identification and referral processes, and community resources for adapting and modifying programs. Watch and participate as CDC becomes a full inclusion site and the ECE Department adds an Early Intervention Assistant certificate to join with its Early Childhood Special Education certificate program.
4. The ECE Faculty of Skyline and Cañada Colleges met together to look at Kate Williams Browne's Power Point of "Early Education in Shanghai" and to hear Julia Crockett Mannheimer's discussion of "The 'A' in SLOAC."



ECE Faculty of Skyline & Canada Colleges hearing from Julia Mannheimer about SLOAC



Kate Williams Browne, Skyline College ECE Program Coordinator, giving lecture at Tianhua College of Shanghai Normal University.

From home to abroad, ECE is “on the move. Stay tuned for more information about our upcoming conference on Saturday, February 4, 2012 with Directors, Mentor Teachers, and the Career Center.

Thank you to Kathryn Browne for her contribution to this article.

Faculty and Staff Professional Development Opportunity SFSU Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership

San Francisco State University's doctoral program in educational leadership is now accepting applications for the Fall 2012 student cohort.

The SFSU program enables working professionals from the schools and community colleges to complete an Ed.D in three years. Classes are held every other weekend and in the summer, and taught by a distinguished interdisciplinary faculty.

The program's curriculum focuses on five major categories:

- Leadership and Systemic Reform
- Learning, Curriculum, and Assessment
- Equity, Diversity, and Structural Inequality
- Educational Program Administration
- Research activities

Information sessions are scheduled for applicants through April 2012. Please check our website for dates and times.

For more information about the program, please visit <http://www.sfsu.edu/~edd/> or call 415-405-4103.

Transfer Center – Spring 2012 Highlights

Welcome back! We would like to highlight some of the exciting transfer-related activities and events we have planned for the semester. By doing so, we hope that you will join us in making your students aware of the many programs and services that the Transfer Center has designed to help them achieve their goal of transfer!

Calendar of Events – Transfer Workshops and Events

Every semester, the Transfer Center offers an array of transfer related workshops and events to educate and inform students about the transfer process. This semester, we are excited to be providing students with a broad variety of workshops and activities. For a complete list of workshops and events, click here:

<http://www.skylinecollege.edu/general/transfercenter/assets/TransferWorkshop2012Brochure.pdf>

Please distribute far and wide, post in your office and/ or your classroom. If you would like copies of our brochure to distribute to your classrooms or have in your office, please email us at skyc@smccd.edu.

Spring 2012 Transfer-related workshops:

- New Student Transfer Orientations
- Preparing for transfer to a CSU or UC

- Understanding the new Associate for Transfer Degrees
- I've been accepted to SFSU, now what?
- I've been accepted to UC Davis, now what?
- Exploring private colleges as a transfer option
- Exploring private colleges – Panel Presentation
- Preparing for Medical School - Presented by Stanford University
- Preparing for transfer as a nursing major

Additional workshops are added throughout the semester – please check the Transfer Center website.

SAVE THE DATE - Transfer Fair

March 14, 2012 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Our annual transfer fair will provide students with the opportunity to learn about programs at different private colleges and universities. While our Fall semester focus is on preparing students to transfer to the California State University (CSU) and University of California (UC) systems, our Spring semester focus is on introducing students to the opportunities offered by private colleges and universities. Please consider bringing your class to this event and encourage your students to participate.

Discover UC Davis College Tour – Friday, March 16, 2012

UC Davis is one of our biggest feeder campuses within the UC system. This year, as we do every year, we will be taking a group of students to the Discover UC Davis College Tour on Friday, March 16th. Students participate in major specific workshops, hear from faculty and student speakers, attend a college tour, and have an opportunity to attend a student services fair. Transportation and lunch will be provided. Our bus will be leaving the campus at 7:00 am sharp and will be returning around 5:30 p.m. Interested students can register on the Transfer Center website beginning February 9, 2012.

Transfer Articulation Bridge (TAB) Program

TAB is a joint program between Skyline College and San Francisco State University designed to prepare first-generation, low income, and underrepresented students to transfer to SFSU. The TAB program provides students with the opportunity to concurrently enroll at SFSU while still taking courses at Skyline College, allowing them to earn units towards their bachelor degree. Students enroll in and take the ISED 201 Introduction to SFSU 3 unit course at the SFSU campus. The topics covered in class include: strategies for transferring Skyline College to SFSU, application and enrollment strategies, impacted majors, academic and support services at SFSU, paying for college, and more! TAB orientations will be held on Friday, March 2 and Friday, March 30 from 12:10 pm – 1:10pm. Rooms TBD. For further information about the TAB program can be found at the Transfer Center website at skylinecollege.edu/transfer.

Don't Cancel Your Class!

If you know ahead of time that you will need to cancel your class to attend a conference or for any other reason, don't cancel your class! Invite us to make a Transfer Basics presentation to your class. Please give us at least a 2 week notice and we will try our best to accommodate your request!

Transfer Center Class Tours

The Transfer Center is available to do tours to share with your students the services and resources that are available to them. Class tours can take as little as 10 -15 minutes or a full class session. Consider taking a tour of the Transfer Center and having a student write a research or reflection paper on what they learned.

Thank you to Jacquie Escobar for her contribution to this article.

SparkPoint Welcomes AmeriCorps VISTA Volunteer



SparkPoint at Skyline College is pleased to announce that Heather Drusilla Smith, AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) Volunteer, has joined the Skyline College community. Heather began her one year assignment in November 2011 to assist SparkPoint with capacity building activities including: the development of informational and marketing tools; support for service integration with SparkPoint's Efforts to Outcomes database; partnership development and support; the creation of conceptual models of the organization's structure and process flow; and the design of a financial coaching participant workbook.

Heather earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Sciences with a focus in Cross-Cultural Studies, and minors in International Relations and French. She was a Delegate Representative for Costa Rica at the Harvard Model United Nations Conference in Boston, Massachusetts in 2007. Heather received the Delegate Award of General Excellence for her outstanding participation in the conference from the California Polytechnic State University Political Science Department. She has worked with the United Nations Environment Program in several capacities in Kenya, Germany and South Korea. Heather was a Peace Corps Master's International student at the Monterey Institute of International Studies, earning a Master of Public Administration in International Management degree while serving as a Youth Development Peace Corps Volunteer in Belize City, Belize. She recently conducted research on cognitive and emotional challenges Belizean children face that impede integration into their schools and communities. Heather is proficient in French, Creole and English, and has basic Spanish skills. She serves as a member of Meridian Health Foundation's Board of Directors, an organization for which she was a consultant for several years. Heather is located in the SparkPoint Center, Building One, room 1219. Please feel free to drop by and welcome Heather to Skyline College.

Thank you to William Watson for his contribution to this article.

Coming Up...

January 20, 2012

- 5:00 p.m., Women's Basketball vs. CSM @ Skyline
- 7:00 p.m., Men's Basketball vs. Cañada @ Skyline

January 25, 2012

- 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., FAFSA and Fee Waiver Workshop - Building 2, Room 2117B (this event repeats every Wednesday throughout the semester); for more information, contact the Financial Aid Office at 650-738-4236
- 5:00 p.m., Women's Basketball vs. CCSF @ San Francisco
- 7:00 p.m., Men's Basketball vs. CCSF @ San Francisco

Future Events – Mark Your Calendar!

January 27, 2012

- 5:00 p.m., Men's Basketball vs. Las Positas @ Skyline
- 7:00 p.m., Women's Basketball vs. Las Positas @ Skyline

January 30, 2012

- Last day to drop semester length classes with eligibility for refund
- Last day to ADD semester length classes

February 1, 2012

- 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., FAFSA and Fee Waiver Workshop - Building 2, Room 2117B (this event repeats every Wednesday throughout the semester); for more information, contact the Financial Aid Office at 650-738-4236

February 4, 2012

- 8:30 a.m. – Noon, Free Workshop: *Orientation to the Early Childhood Education Field: Preparing to Get Hired and Teach Young Children*, Building 6, Second Floor; for more information or to register, contact Cecé Rebele at rebelec@smccd.edu or 650-738-4304

For the latest information on events and activities happening at Skyline College, please view our calendar at the following link:

http://www.skylinecollege.edu/current/calendarsandevents/news_events.html

If you would like to include your college event or activity on the calendar, please submit the information (event, date, time and location) to Christianne Marra in the Public Information Office via email at marrac@smccd.edu.

Guidelines Skyline Shines Submissions

Many of you submit material to be included in Skyline Shines. Thanks so much for taking to time to help me keep the college informed. Here are a few guidelines that will facilitate the publication of Skyline Shines each week:

Send submission to skylineshines@smccd.edu

- Place your submission in a Word document with your pictures pasted in the document.
- Use medium sized pictures that are equal to $\frac{1}{4}$ or $\frac{1}{2}$ of a page.
- Use Times New Roman 12pt. font that is justified to the left for the body of the article.
- Don't forget to add a headline/title using 18 pt. bold font that is justified to the center
- Use the following commonly accepted abbreviations: a.m. or p.m. (i.e. "The event will be held from 8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m." "The workshop is scheduled to run from 9:30 a.m. – Noon.")
- Spell out numbers of one or two words. Use figures for numbers that require more than two words to spell out. (i.e., "Almost eight years ago I began taking ceramics courses." And "I counted 176 records on the shelf.")
- If a sentence begins with a number, spell out the number or rewrite the sentence.
- Use the month, day, a comma and the year to indicate the date (i.e., "March 4, 2011" not "March 4th, 2011 or March 2nd, 2011").
- Add the word College when you refer to the name Skyline (i.e., Skyline College instead of Skyline).

Do you have a suggestion?

One way to submit it is through our general **e-Suggestion Box**, via the hyperlink in the box below, or via the same box on the front page of our website at <http://www.skylinecollege.edu/general/surveys/index.html>



For state level information on community colleges, see these websites:

- The California Community College Chancellor's Office in Sacramento: <http://www.cccco.edu/>
 - The Community College League of California: <http://www.ccleague.org/>
 - The Research and Planning Group: <http://www.rpgroup.org/>
- Skyline Shines* is archived at <http://www.skylinecollege.edu/facstaff/PresidentsOffice/skyshines/>

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