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The next edition of *Skyline Shines* will be published on Friday, September 12.

Annual Pancake Breakfast welcomes students

It was a glorious day for the ASSC's 8th Annual Pancake Breakfast last Wednesday! The Associated Students of Skyline College, in collaboration with the Office of Student Activities, hosted the event. Approximately 600 students, faculty and staff came by and enjoyed the free pancakes prepared by Pacific Dining and served by the following faculty, staff, students and administrators from the college and the district: Lori Adrian, Raydan Al-hubaishy, Rakefet Avramovitz, Kathy Blackwood, Amory Cariadua, Loretta Davis, Pat Deamer, Maria Escobar, Geovanna Ferrara, Stanlee Garret, Sherri Hancock, Nancy Lam, Adolfo Leiva, Ray Parenti-Kurtilla, Brittany Piccolotti, Sita Motipara, Julene Rhoan, Virginia Rosales, Nikki Santiago, Kat Semonchuk, and Kanjana Srisupatpongsa. The ASSC would like to thank everyone for their continued support of this successful event. I was, obviously, unable to restrict myself to include only one photo!



Photos by Shelly Hausman



Photos by Virginia Medrano Rosales

Skyline Art Faculty to exhibit their work in the Gallery Theater

The Skyline Art Faculty Exhibit will run from September 2-26, with the opening reception on Thursday, September 4 from 6-8 pm. Paul Bridenbaugh tells me that gallery hours are currently being arranged based upon student volunteers, but their plan is for the gallery to be open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 11-2, and Wednesday evenings from 6-8 pm. The hours will be posted on the website once they are set. The faculty whose work will be shown include Aya Artola, Jody Keane, Ann Turner, Noah Buchanan, Ilana Crispi, Michael Pauker, Maureen Delaney, Ellen Lowenstein, Paul Bridenbaugh, Arthur Takayama, David Kerr, Eileen David, Tiffany Schmierer, Laura Siegal and Joe Rodriguez. There are pictures of some of the works to be exhibited on the Gallery webpage at http://www.smccd.net/accounts/skygallery/exhibits/past_exhibits/faculty08/faculty08.html. Here is a taste: Ellen Lowenstein's sculpture and a painting by Eileen David.



Submit your ideas for inscriptions for new Building 4

We have an opportunity to add a wonderful feature to our new Building 4 (Multicultural, Cosmetology, Classroom and Administration Building)--two inscribed quotations on prominent faces of the building. The College Council approved the following approach at its August 28 meeting. It is the same approach we used in selecting the Gandhi quotation for Building 6. Here are the two locations, and below that the process and timeline for selecting the quotations.

Exterior of Building 4 on the northeast side facing the loop road



Building 4N as viewed from College Drive, looking west.

Exterior of Building 4 on the west side facing the quad



Building 4N as viewed from the center of campus, looking northeast.

Criteria for the content of the inscription

- Length: 51 or 60 characters in length maximum (depending upon the site) including spaces between words.
- Appropriate to the educational mission of the college and inspirational in relation to it.
- Timeless (i.e. no buzz words or jargon) and suitable for a permanent installation.
- Written by an author suitable for this permanent use of a quote.
- Fostering inclusion and community.

Deadline and process for submission of proposals

The deadline for submission of proposals will be **Friday, October 10, 4:30 pm**. They must be submitted to Linda Ghio either in writing or electronically (ghiol@smccd.edu) or placed in *Building 4 Inscription Proposal* boxes which will be located in the One Stop (Building 2, 2nd floor), in the lobby of Building 1, in the Student Center, and in the Library (Building 5, 2nd floor). For questions, contact Mr. Hewitt at 650-738-4313 or email him at Hewitt@smccd.net or see him in the Library, Building 5, Room 5210.

And here is a small update on our Gandhi inscription

Thanks to our college and district Facilities staff, the Gandhi inscription on Building 6 is now much more readable. The letters have been shaded in so that the message is stronger than ever—"You must be the change you wish to see in the world."



College Council update

The College Council held its first meeting of the year last Wednesday, August 28. Here is a summary of the topics discussed and their disposition. Prior Council minutes are available at

<http://www.smccd.edu/accounts/skycouncil/home.html>.

1. **Annual Report:** The annual report for last year is being prepared by Linda Ghio based on the Council's prior minutes. It is an alphabetical summary by topic and date of all matters addressed by the Council. It will be published shortly on the college's website.
2. **Inscription(s) for Building 4N:** The college will identify two inscriptions for the new Building 4, using the same process we used in the selection of the Gandhi quote for Building 6. That will be launched shortly.
3. **College Hour proposal:** The subcommittee of the Council is examining data about the impact of a College Hour on instruction. Rob Johnstone, new Dean of Planning, Research and Institutional Effectiveness, will join the group to assist with the data and analysis of it.
4. **Smoking policy:** After a lengthy discussion of data and information related to the effectiveness of the current smoking policy, the Council took action to enter into our governance process the following proposal: "Smoking on campus will be limited to the parking lots only effective in Fall 2009." All of the constituent groups will discuss this proposal and return with input and to take action at the September 24 Council meeting.
5. **Shared governance review:** The recommendations resulting from the Shared Governance Review which the Council conducted last spring will be discussed by the constituent groups and their advice brought back to the September 24 Council meeting. Once the Council determines which recommendations to adopt, the recommended changes will be implemented and then the Council will draft a policy for regular review of our governance process and run it through our governance process. The college's Compendium of Committees will be revised to reflect more clearly which are governance committees and which are Short Term Task Forces or Operational Work Groups. The new version to be posted on the website soon will reflect these changes.
6. **Proposed Student Equity Committee:** The Council took action to enter into our governance process a recommendation that the proposed Student Equity Committee simply replace the existing Student Access and Success Committee, with the new title, charge and membership. That will avoid the creation of a new committee and will appropriately task the existing one. This topic will be discussed by the constituent groups with advice brought to the September 24 Council meeting.
7. **Website redesign update:** Vicki reported that the website redesign project is on track for a late fall "soft launch".
8. **Proposed Process for Evaluating Delineation of Functions:** Ray reported on the proposed process, developed by the District Accreditation Coordination Committee, to respond to a recommendation from the accreditation visiting teams to all three colleges. The Council asked that the President's Cabinet incorporate our Council's suggested revisions, review the existing "functional map" for any additional needed revisions, and share the suggestions with the district committee.
9. **Next meeting: September 24**

ERRATA

- In last Friday's edition of *Skyline Shines*, I inadvertently left out the name of Marisa de Castro Mariano as a member of the Student Success Planning Group. She coordinated entertainment as well and represented Counseling. My apologies, and my thanks to her!
- I would also like to correct the contact information for Leigh Anne Sippell provided in the item on the Learning Center services. Her email is sippell@smccd.edu and the phone is extension 4408.

Coming up ...

Friday, August 29

- Last Day to Add a Semester Length Class
- Last Day to Drop Semester Length Classes with Partial Refund
- Men's Soccer at Skyline, 1 p.m.
- Women's Soccer at West Hills College, 3 p.m.

Aug 30-31

- Declared Recess

Monday, Sept. 1

- Labor Day Holiday

Tuesday, Sept. 2

- Faculty Art Show through Sept. 26, check <http://www.smccd.net/accounts/skygallery> for hours.
- Women's Soccer at College of Marin, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 3

- Women's Volleyball at Oakland, 3 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 4

- Opening Reception for the Faculty Art Show, 6 -8 p.m., Gallery Theatre

Friday, Sept. 5

- Women's Soccer at Skyline, 2 p.m.
- Men's Soccer at College of Marin, 4 p.m.
- Wrestling at Skyline - Alumni Scrimmage, 7 p.m.

You can see the event calendar at www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/calendar.html

To add events to the calendar, visit www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/events.html

Do you have a suggestion?

One way to submit it is through our 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/>.



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

- The 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/>

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