



**Victoria P. Morrow, President**  
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The next edition of *Skyline Shines* will be published on Thursday, November 11, due to the Veteran's Day Holiday on November 12.

### **Holiday Job Fair brings over 30 employers to Skyline**

The Skyline Career Center coordinated and hosted "Holiday Job Fair 2010" on Wednesday, November 3 from 9:30-1:00 p.m. in the Skyline College Student Center. Sixty local industry representatives from 30 Bay Area companies had the opportunity to share information and Job trends with more than 200 students. Students were able to engage in on the spot interviews and complete employment applications for prospective openings. Employers commented that they spoke to a steady flow of enthusiastic students and welcomed the opportunity to participate in future Career Center events.

Virginia Padron, Director of the Career Center, extends her appreciation to faculty, staff, students and industry partners for contributing to an event which promotes employment awareness and career development. Special thanks to Nadia Tariq, Career Resource Technician, for assisting in bringing this event to fruition. The SparkPoint Center San Mateo at Skyline College was a co-sponsor of the event. Thanks to Nadia Tariq and Christianne Marra for the photos of employers and students, and in the center, Virginia Padron with Joe Madrigal, Vice President for Student Services.



## **New video wall will provide students with up to the minute information**



The Student Center at Skyline now has a large video wall, launched Wednesday morning just in time for the broadcast of the parade to honor the victorious San Francisco Giants, new World Series champs. The wall replaces a much smaller electronic sign providing students with information on key deadlines, events on campus, and programs and services at the college. Now the college will be able to do much more, providing video broadcasts there as we did Wednesday, and using the monitors to project program materials for events held in the cafeteria. It will be a crucial tool in our emergency communications, in the case of an event that requires us to communicate quickly with people all over campus.

Training for the staff who will keep it updated will be taking place shortly. Thanks so much to Jose Nunez, Jim Petromilli, Patty Della Bona, and Rich Tidd for their work in securing and installing this terrific new resource.

## **Fitzpatrick's article about the San Bruno fire is published in the SF Chronicle**

Last Friday the San Francisco Chronicle published an article written by Kathy Fitzpatrick, Division Assistant for the Creative Arts/Social Science Division. The article concerned the San Bruno Fire and Kathy's involvement with it and with Kris O'Neil and her family. You can read the article at this link: <http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2010/10/29/EDDL1G3JA5.DTL&type=newsbayarea>.

## **Skyline College welcomes *The Welcome Back Initiative***

The Welcome Back Initiative (WBI) is an international health worker assistance program headquartered in San Francisco, with centers located in San Francisco, San Diego, Boston, Rhode Island, Denver, Puget Sound, Suburban Maryland, New York, and the Alamo Area of Texas. Directed by José Ramón Fernández-Peña, MD, MPA, the WBI mission is to "build a bridge between the pool of internationally trained health workers living in the United States and the need for linguistically and culturally competent health services in underserved communities." According to Dr. Fernández-Peña, "the Welcome Back Initiative has served over 10,500 individuals from 147 countries, primarily physicians, dentists, and nurses. To date, over 1,500 participants have obtained jobs in health for the first time, over 400 have advanced in their career ladders, and 87 physicians have entered into residency training programs."

Collaborating with the English Language Institute (ELI) at Skyline College, which is directed by Leigh Anne Sippel, WBI will co-locate services at Skyline in the SparkPoint San Mateo Center, Building 1, Room 1217B, on Mondays, 9:00 am-5:00 pm. WBI's educational case manager serving this collaboration is Teresa Betancourt who says, "I am excited to say that through our collaboration with SparkPoint we will be offering our services on campus every Monday. Feel free to drop in or refer any student who has a foreign degree related to healthcare. We will register them with the Welcome Back Center and schedule an appointment for them to support their career development in the U.S. We can also refer them to ESL classes as appropriate."

For more information or to set up an appointment with Teresa Betancourt at Skyline on Mondays, please contact the San Francisco Welcome Back Center: Office: 415-561-1831, Main: 415-561-1833, Fax: 415-561-1948, [www.welcomebackinitiative.org](http://www.welcomebackinitiative.org). To contact the English Language Institute at Skyline College, call 650-738-7089 or visit the ELI in Building One, Room 1217.

## **Skyline College welcomes the California Employment Development Department**

The SparkPoint San Mateo Center at Skyline College and the California Employment Development Department (EDD) have partnered to co-locate EDD services at the SparkPoint San Mateo Center. This co-location is part of an expansion of Skyline's Career Center to provide job placement services. Services are available to students, faculty, staff, and the public 40 hours per week provided by EDD Employment Program Specialists including: Jenny Carreno, John Walden, Arnel Junio, German Alvarado, Alfonso Murillo. EDD Workforce Services, as described on their website at [http://www.edd.ca.gov/About\\_EDD/](http://www.edd.ca.gov/About_EDD/), include the following:

- An online job and résumé bank, CalJOBS<sup>SM</sup>, which contains thousands of job openings and the largest pool of candidates in the state
- Labor market tools designed to help make educated decisions
- Information on filing an Unemployment Insurance, Disability Insurance, or Paid Family Leave claim
- Payroll tax information and forms
- An array of employment and training services

Special thanks to EDD's Jorge Tapia, Cluster Manager San Francisco/San Mateo Counties, and David Tam, Site Manager Workforce Services; United Way of the Bay Area's Lorne Needle, Deputy Chief Community Investment Officer and Emily Harpster, Director of SparkPoint Initiatives; as well as Skyline's Regina Stanback-Stroud, Virginia Padron, William Watson, Rick Wallace, Adolfo Leiva, Maria Escobar and Melanie Espinueva.



### **Honor society inducts new members**

Skyline's Beta Theta Omicron chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society hosted the Fall Induction for new members on October 29. Friends and family joined Phi Theta Kappans from the Skyline, CSM, and Cañada Phi Theta Kappa chapters in the Main Theater.

Dr. Larry Magid, technology journalist and child safety advocate, was the keynote speaker. Dr. Magid addressed the Honors Study Topic, The Democratization of Information, in a timely and interesting talk.

The Induction Ceremony was planned and implemented by Beta Theta Omicron officers including President Charity Walden, Katrina Cheung, Clarissa Chin, and Ashley Zuniga. Over 150 guests joined chapter advisors Christine Case and Joyce Lee (Skyline), Paul Roscelli (Cañada), and Allison Herman (CSM) to congratulate new members.

Thanks to Beta Theta Omicron alumnus Dave Evans for the photos.

### **College Budget Committee (CBC) update**

The College Budget Committee met on Thursday November 4, 2010. The meeting was co-chaired by Academic Senate President Fermin Irigoyen and Director of Business Services Eloisa Briones.

- 1. Preliminary Discussion:** At the October 28, 2010 meeting, CBC agreed to review the resource requests submitted by the divisions and hear them presented by the Vice Presidents of Instruction and Student Services. These resource requests are in addition to the cost of additional sections and some student support services that have been approved for fall 2010 and spring 2011. The resource requests were submitted by the deans based on input provided by their divisions. Requests were required to meet the purpose(s) listed in the Measure G ballot language, and be consistent with the college's vision, mission, goals and strategies, as well as recommendations from program reviews and the Educational Master Plan. These one-time requests will be funded out of current year Measure G resources. President Morrow reiterated that this year's allocation is tentative. The President will submit to the Chancellor and the board the college's plans on how Measure G funds would be used this year. If the proposed plan is not fully funded, the college will have the option of refining the estimates used or pushing back the staging of some components to a later date.
- 2. Presentation of Resource Requests:** The Vice Presidents Regina Stanback Stroud and Joe Madrigal worked with the deans to make sure resource requests were for one-time funding and that they clearly met the Measure G criteria. All the requests were grouped under broader categories that cover each of the nine Measure G criteria, e.g. core academics and transfer; job training/restoring classes/attracting faculty; and equipment and technology. The vice presidents took turns in presenting each resource request. The committee discussed the merits of each request, raised questions and made comments. It became apparent that some proposals may need to be submitted and evaluated for Measure G funding again next year, e.g. CSI/BSI and categoricals, considering that these programs have not recovered from the funding cuts imposed by the state. After the presentations and discussions, CBC unanimously approved the proposed resource requests for 2010-2011 Measure G funds totaling \$1,083,377. The spending plan that President Morrow will submit to the board will include this amount, the cost of additional sections for fall and spring and the cost of urgently needed student support services that are already in effect in the fall and planned for spring. The estimated total is \$1.75 million. On behalf of the College Budget Committee, Professor Mike Fitzgerald expressed their appreciation for President Morrow's invaluable service and contribution to the committee and the college. CBC applauded and honored President Morrow with a standing ovation.
- 3. Next Meeting:** December 9, 2010.

### **Coming Up...**

#### **November 5, 2010**

- 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Canned Food Drive to Benefit Second Harvest Food Bank - Quad
- 3:00 p.m. Wrestling vs. Menlo @ Atherton
- 4:00 p.m., Men's Soccer vs. DeAnza @ Cupertino
- 4:00 p.m., Women's Soccer vs. Chabot @ Hayward
- 6:30 p.m., Volleyball vs. Foothill @ Los Altos

### November 6, 2010

- 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Super Saturday - The Learning Center, Building 5
- 9:00 a.m., Wrestling - Menlo Open @ Atherton
- 2:00 p.m., Men's Basketball vs. Lassen @ Susanville

### November 9, 2010

- 12:30 p.m., Men's Soccer vs. Cabrillo @ Skyline
- 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Oil Change Fundraiser - Building 8
- 2:45 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Ohlone @ Skyline

### November 10, 2010

- 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., FAFSA Workshop - Building 2, Room 2117A
- 6:30 p.m. Volleyball vs. West Valley @ Skyline
- 7:00 p.m. Wrestling vs. Santa Rose @ Santa Rosa

### 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>



Here is the **Website Redesign Project e-Suggestion Box**, for feedback on the new website,



For suggestions specific to the **budget**, here is the link:



**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/>

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