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Please Join us in honoring the Classified Staff at Skyline College who have served 10, 20 and 30 years.



Classified Service Awards

Friday, May 11, 2012

11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Gallery

Honoring Classified Staff:

10 Years

Judith Cheung	Mouza Ghanma
Sandra Hatzistratis	Karen Nielsen
Donald Ross	Janet Weber

20 Years - Clydie Rizzo

30 Years - Ellen Lee

Please respond to the
Office of the President
by May 7, 2012 by calling
ext. 4111 or by email to
terres@senccd.edu.
Lunch will be provided.

Help us make sure we honor all who deserve recognition. If you believe you should be included on this list and are not, please notify the President's Office immediately.

President's Innovation Fund

Deadline 5/18/12

The President's Council would like to invite proposals for the 2012 – 2013 President's Innovation Fund. The President's Innovation Fund (PIF) is an initiative designed to support creativity and innovation at Skyline College. Faculty, Staff and Administrators are

encouraged to “Dream Out Loud” and propose ideas that will support the college’s Mission, Vision, Values and Goals.

Please click on <http://www.skylinecollege.edu/facstaff/PresidentsOffice/presinnovationfund.html> and then click on the Application symbol.

Signed proposals along with an electronic copy should be submitted to the President’s Office / tentes@smccd.edu before 5:00 p.m. on May 18, 2012.

Employee Voice Survey

It’s All About an Effective Self-Study Accreditation Process

You may be up to your eyeballs in surveys – what a good problem to have that we want your input, your perspective, your ideas and your critique. There is one more coming from the Research and Planning Office. Thanks to Dr.’s Rob Johnstone and David Ulate, we will be well situated with enough data to really reflect on how great this institution is and how well we meet and exceed the accreditation standards.

Starting next Friday all employees will receive a link the 2012 version of the Employee Voice Survey. This survey, which we run in preparation for Accreditation, will collect critical feedback that can be used not only for Accreditation but to inform campus planning.

Be on the lookout...

You’re Invited...

Skyline College’s Program Review Presentations

Each year faculty and staff perform an extensive review of a number of Skyline College programs to evaluate the outcomes, effectiveness and needs of those programs.

Wednesday, May 2, 2012

Skyline College

2:10p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Room 4-301

Presentations

Dance

Emergency Medical Care

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Learning Center

Library

Please call or e-mail Sherrie Prasad, Office of the Vice President of Instruction at (650) 738-4321 or prasadsherrie@smccd.edu for further information.

Skyline College's 35th Annual Blood Drive



Skyline College hosted its 35th Annual Blood drive on Wednesday, April 25, in building 6. This was a collaborate effort with the American Red Cross and the Health Center. The event was successful with 104 units of blood collected which met the target goal.

With all the units of blood collected, the blood drive has the potential of saving up to 312 lives in local hospitals. All 120 donors should be very proud of the significant impact they've made on the Skyline College community. Our cosmetology and respiratory therapy students were well represented among the donors.

Skyline College is proud to have one of the biggest blood drives on the Peninsula.



A special thanks to Donna Elliott and Jane Ernstthal in the Health Center for their service and dedication in making this event a successful one.

Thank you to Dr. John Mosby for his contribution to this article and to Cherie Napier for the photos.

TRiO Explores CSU East Bay

On Friday, April 20, 2012 the TRiO SSS program at Skyline College organized its second campus visit of the semester to CSU East Bay. Fifteen TRiO students participated in this transfer-related event.



The day began with an interactive tour of the campus, where students learned about various resources, including DSPS, financial aid, the health center, the library, and tutoring services, among others. In addition, TRiO students received invaluable information about majors and an array of interesting facts about the university.



Concluding the campus tour, TRiO students ate lunch in the dining commons, which, for many, this opportunity brought to life a true university experience! In addition, students had the opportunity to learn about EXCEL, a counterpart of our TRiO SSS program at the university level. Furthermore, they learned about McNair, a different type of TRiO

program, which is designed to prepare students for graduate and doctoral programs through involvement in research and faculty mentorship.



Overall, the campus visit to CSU East Bay was a tremendous success, which served to promote the idea of transfer among our TRiO students!

Article written by Jessica Lopez and photos by Nohel Corral

**25th Anniversary of Famous Skyline College Mural
Reminder!**



In Skyline College's ongoing commitment to "prepare students to be culturally sensitive members of the community, critical thinkers...socially responsible lifelong learners and informed participants of a democracy in an increasingly global society," and because "We value a deep engagement with the community we serve and our role as an academic and cultural center for business, industry, labor, non-profits, government and the arts," some members of our Skyline College community would like to celebrate and honor the twenty-fifth anniversary of Juana Alicia's Skyline College mural, *Earth Book*. For those of you not familiar with her work, this mural is located at the entrance of building 2 . *Earth Book* was painted in 1987 by Juana Alicia and two Skyline College art students, Barry McGee and Sia Yang

Earth Book refers to the interdependence of the environment and the learning process. The hands that emerge from the natural environment surrounding the book are engaged in a variety of activities representative of some of the educational pursuits explored at Skyline College. The hands themselves represent the ethnic rainbow of people attending the College.

We would like to form a committee of Skyline College students, staff, faculty, and administrators who are interested in organizing a celebration. We might celebrate this

anniversary by displaying Juana Alicia's art in the Skyline College gallery for a month and culminate the celebration with a one-day event, possibly a Flor y Canto, that might include music, an art history panel discussing the significance and impact of Juana's art and their relationship to the values of Skyline College, a salute of the mural, and of course, food and drink.

Furthermore, in our desire for future generations to enjoy this mural, we would love to raise funds to commission a re-varnishing or restoration of the mural.

Juana Alicia is a painter, printmaker, and educator in Berkeley, California and is recognized as one of the nation's finest muralists. Alicia was taught by two students of perhaps the greatest North America master of the form, Diego Rivera, whose vibrant forms and hues are reflected in her work. The colorful, vivid imagery born in her West Berkeley studio graces buildings across the nation and Latin America. In her art, she revisits the stories, folklore, and the actors of our cultures, searching for threads of deeper truth. Her art never simply repeats these stories; it reinterprets, relives, and reconnects stories from the past to the struggles of the present.

Juana Alicia:

I am a muralist, printmaker, educator, activist and painter who loves to draw. I have been teaching for thirty years, working in many areas of education, from community organizing to migrant and bilingual education to arts education, from kindergarten to graduate school levels. Currently I am full-time faculty at Berkeley City College, where I direct a public art program called True Colors.

I feel that it is my responsibility as an artist to be an activist for social justice, human rights and environmental health, and I see the work of parenting and teaching akin to being an artist. I began working as an artist in my teens, coming of age in the human rights movements that included the United Farm Workers and that protested the war in Vietnam.

If you are interested in forming a committee to celebrate Juana Alicia's mural, please contact John Saenz at saenzj@smccd.edu or 650-739-7019, or come visit us in the Learning Center for further information.

Thanks to John Saenz for his contribution to this article.

Shared Governance SEED Committee Update – Building a Diversity Framework for Equity at Skyline College

The most recent meeting was held on Tuesday, April 24, 2012. Participants included students, staff, faculty and administrators. Some of the highlights from this week's meetings include:

1. A discussion of the on-campus August retreat and identified names of key stakeholders to invite have present
2. At the day and a half retreat, subcommittees will present their research findings, develop visions and goals that will drive the next 3-5 years of the committee's work,

identify barriers to achieving our defined goals, and generate strategies to address those barriers.

3. Over 50 names were suggested and formal invitations will be sent out after next month's meeting.

The SEED committee will be providing regular updates to the campus community on the work that our subgroups are leading. To this end, the Communication/Dissemination of Information subcommittee is specifically looking at the following research item:

Considering that a student's financial status can affect progress, knowledge of financial aid and scholarship opportunities is important. "How does faculty receive and share information regarding financial aid and scholarship opportunities with Skyline College students? What is its impact on First Year students applying for scholarship opportunities?"

The subgroup created an assessment tool to find out how faculty receives information on scholarships and how they share this information with their students. All responses are **anonymous** and the committee would like to hear how this is working currently so we can improve it moving forward.

Please take 2-3 minutes to fill out this brief survey by Friday, May 11th. Thanks for your time!

<http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22FGYZZV6FW>

The next committee meeting will be Thursday May 17th from 2:00-4:00pm in 6-203. If you have questions, please contact Vanson Nguyen, nguyenv@smccd.edu.

SEED Focus Question: How do our practices and processes in connection, entry, progress and completion impact campus equity and student success at Skyline College?

About SEED - Did You Catch That Anonymous Survey Piece?

2 to 3 Minutes Tops!

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Shared Governance

Mission-Vision-Values-Goals!

The College Governance Council Recommends Revisions

The College Governance Council received the recommendations from the IPC and made minor revisions before recommending modified Mission, Vision, Values and Goals for Skyline College. The recommendations were unanimously forward to the President. They have been accepted and will be forward to the Board of Trustees for action. Kudos go out to the Institutional Planning Committee and the College Council for a job well done. The recommendation follows:

VISION STATEMENT

Skyline College inspires a global and diverse community of learners to achieve intellectual, cultural, social, economic and personal fulfillment.

MISSION STATEMENT

To empower and transform a global community of learners

VALUES STATEMENT

Education is the foundation of our civilized democratic society.

Thus:

Campus Climate: We value a campus-wide climate that reflects a ‘students first philosophy’ with mutual respect between all constituencies and appreciation for diversity. Both instruction and student services are dedicated to providing every student with an avenue to success.

Open Access: We are committed to the availability of quality educational programs and services for every member of our community regardless of level of preparation, socio-economic status, cultural, religious or ethnic background, or disability. We are committed to providing students with open access to programs and responsive student services that enable them to advance steadily toward their goals.

Student Success: We value students’ success in achieving their goals, and strengthening their voices as they transform their lives through their

educational experience.

Academic Excellence: We value excellence in all aspects of our mission as a comprehensive community college offering preparation for transfer to a baccalaureate institution, workforce and economic development through career technical education programs and certificates, Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees, basic skills development, and lifelong learning. We are committed to academic rigor and quality with relevant, recent, and evolving curriculum and well-equipped programs that include new and emerging areas of study. We are dedicated to an educational climate that values creativity, innovation and freedom of intellectual exploration, discovery, thought, and exchange of ideas.

Community Connection: We value a deep engagement with the community we serve and our role as an academic and cultural center for community including business, industry, labor, non-profits, government and the arts. We are dedicated to maintaining a college culture and institutional climate that is warm and welcoming to all.

Shared Governance: We value just, fair, inclusive, and well understood, transparent governance processes based upon open and honest communication.

Sustainability: We value an institutional culture that represents a strong commitment to environmental sustainability and justice. We are committed to the tenets of sustainability “To meet present needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs.”

COLLEGE GOALS

1. Develop the scope, quality, accessibility and accountability of instructional and student service offerings, programs, and services to lead the San Francisco Bay region in transferring students, awarding degrees and certificates and reflecting social and educational equity .
2. Enhance institutional effectiveness in planning and decision-making processes through cooperative leadership, effective communication, and shared governance.
3. Fulfill the college's role as a leading academic and cultural center for

the community.

4. Play a central role in the preparation of the regions workforce and expand networks and partnerships with business, the community, and non-profit organizations.
5. Provide human, physical, technological and financial resources to assure excellent educational programs and student services in order to support students in attaining their educational goals and improve institutional effectiveness.
6. Establish and maintain fiscal stability and alignment of programs and services to the core mission, vision and values of the college.
7. Recruit, retain and support a world-class faculty, staff and administration that is committed ongoing improvement through access to opportunities for professional growth and advancement.
8. Internationalize the educational experience by enriching the college with a diverse community of learners representing the collective resources of humanity and engaging in a vibrant dialogue that engenders an understanding of others.

Coming Up...

April 27, 2012 – April 29, 2012

- 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Skyline College Ceramic Exhibition, 508 2nd Street, Suite 202, Davis, California; hosted by the John Natsoulas Center for the Arts; Co-sponsored by the Associated Students of Skyline College and the Skyline College Ceramics Club

May 1, 2012

- 3:00 p.m., Badminton vs. City College of San Francisco @ CCSF

May 2, 2012

- 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., Graduation Application Deadline; for more information, please contact your Counselor or Admission & Records at 650-738-4465
- 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., FAFSA and Fee Waiver Workshop, Building 2, Room 2117B; for more information, please contact the Financial Aid office at 650-738-4236

Future Events

May 5, 2012

- 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., the 7th Annual Pilipino Culture Night: Matinee – presented by the Kababayan Program at Skyline College; Tickets are \$5 presale and \$7 at the door; for tickets, please contact Jonathan Gulingan at jonathangulingan@gmail.com or KababayanProgram@gmail.com; for more information, please visit <http://skylinepcn.tumblr.com>
- 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., the 7th Annual Pilipino Culture Night: Gala Night – presented by the Kababayan Program at Skyline College; Tickets are \$5 presale and \$7 at the door; for tickets, please contact Jonathan Gulingan at jonathangulingan@gmail.com or KababayanProgram@gmail.com; for more information, please visit <http://skylinepcn.tumblr.com>

May 7, 2012

- Commencement Registration Forms due; register online at www.skylinecollege.edu/commencement/. Contact the Center for Student Life and Leadership Development at (650) 738-4275 for additional information.

May 9, 2012

- 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., FAFSA and Fee Waiver Workshop, Building 2, Room 2117B; for more information, please contact the Financial Aid office at 650-738-4236

- 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., Student Recognition & Awards Ceremony (SRAC) Theater; Dessert reception to follow in 6202

May 16, 2012

- 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., FAFSA and Fee Waiver Workshop, Building 2, Room 2117B; for more information, please contact the Financial Aid office at 650-738-4236

May 12, 2012

- 9:00- Skyline College ESL Registration Day, in the Learning Center, room 5100.
One day of assistance for new ESL students to apply, take placement tests, get an orientation, and make an appointment with a counselor. Child care available.

May 17, 2012

- 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Talisman Awards Ceremony, Building 1, Art Gallery
- 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., Student Recognition & Awards Ceremony (SRAC) in Theater

May 19, 2012

- 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Visual Merchandising Class Fashion Show at Serramonte Shopping Center – presented by Skyline College Visual Merchandising Class

May 25, 2012

- 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Commencement, Building 3, Gym

Guidelines for 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

- **Submit your article by 3:00 p.m. on Thursdays; articles received after this time will appear in the following week's issue**
- 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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