

Skyline Shines

Victoria P. Morrow, President March 9, 2007

President's report to the Board of Trustees

My February 28 monthly report on the college is available at http://www.skylinecollege.edu/skynotes/.

Accreditation Self Study Draft available for review

Self Study Draft 2.1 is available for review and feedback through March 19th. Not only is it posted on the accreditation website: <u>www.smccd.net/accounts/skyaccred</u>, it is also easily accessible in print in locations throughout the College campus:

- Administration
- Business, Language Arts, Physical Education, Social Sciences/Creative Arts, SMT division offices
- ASSC
- CTL
- Library
- Student Services

Please add your voice by reviewing and providing feedback on least one area of the self study draft in which you are connected.

President's Innovation Fund proposals for 2007-08—April 30 deadline

It is time to start thinking about that innovation project you may want to propose this spring for next year's President's Innovation fund. We are holding the President's Breakfast in two weeks to raise funds for it, and the call for proposals will be published at the end of this month. At that time we will distribute the proposal form and the guidelines, with a submission deadline of April 30. If you would like to see what projects have been selected in prior years, you can do that at http://www.skylinecollege.edu/skynotes/. Click on "President's Innovation Fund." If you want to get a jump on your application, the 2007-08 application form and guidelines are also available at that location.

Update on Building 7 health concerns

You may have seen newspaper stories recently about the OSHA visit to Skyline last fall. As you know from my January 10 *Skyline Shines* and from our earlier distribution of the final report, the issues raised about Building 7 were fully investigated and resolved. As often happens with OSHA investigations, however, in the course of examining the initial complaint, they identified other issues and imposed some fines. It is the district's intention to address the issues they raised, but to protest the fines.

WOW! conference is the biggest and best ever

I cannot resist quoting this year's coordinator, Georgia Gero, about last Saturday's WOW! conference, attended by over 350 people:

One of my greatest pleasures yesterday was listening to WOW! participants exclaim over the conference. They told me how welcomed they felt upon arrival, how easy it was to find their way, how fun, inspiring, yet practical and helpful the workshops were. They spoke of the warmth and comfort of the conference - and how this conference is so different from others - how this gathering makes them feel they are seen and heard and valued - how this conference makes them realize they are part of a vibrant and creative community.

Several members of Skyline's faculty made a special contribution to the success of this event: Katharine Harer, Kathleen de Azevedo Feinblum, Linda Vogel and Evelyn Posamentier who made presentations and led workshops about writing. Please join me in thanking not only Georgia for making this happen, but also Marijane Datson, the creative director, as well as Roxanne Brewer, Kathy Fitzpatrick, Sandy Irber, Shelly Hausman, Anyta Archer, Barbara Ustanko, Bridget Fischer, Steve Cornejo, Steve King, Facilities staff, the WOW Ambassadors, and Tiffany Fox, English faculty member who worked with the large group of student volunteers. Thanks also to the ASSC and to the other many sponsors.

SEEED's Fascinating Rhythms series continues next week



Celebrating Rhythm!

John Ulloa, Skyline College History and Anthropology Instructor, will present

"Conversations in Rhythm: Exploring America's Percussive Roots"

> Wednesday, March 14 12:45-2:15 p.m. Main Theatre



Skyline alum returns to talk to honors students

A wonderful Skyline alumna will be on campus to talk to our honors students on March 14 from 1:30-2:30 in Room 6203. Her presentation will be "A Close-up and Personal Guide to Transfer." Akillah Wali, homegrown Skyline honors student, will talk about her experiences transferring to Columbia University. Three will be a short presentation, lots of time for questions and discussion and there will be refreshments. All students are welcome.

Coming Up ...

Saturday, March 10

Men's Baseball vs. DeAnza at Cupertino, noon

Tuesday, March 13

• Men's Baseball vs. Monterey at Skyline, 2 p.m.

Wednesday, March 14

- Personal Guide to Transfer: Akillah Wali, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Rm. 6203
- John Ulloa, "Conversations in Rhythm: Exploring America's Percussive Roots"; 12:45- 2:15 p.m., Main Theatre

Thursday, March 15

- Men's Baseball vs. Chabot at Hayward, 2 p.m.
- 17th Annual Classified Staff Retreat, Santa Rosa

Friday, March 16

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For more on this week's events, see the event calendar at <u>www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/calendar.html</u> To add events to the calendar, visit <u>www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/events.html</u>

Do you have an item for Skyline Shines?

If you do, just email me about it. Thanks.

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

- The Chancellor's Office in Sacramento: <u>http://www.cccco.edu/</u>
- The Community College League of California: <u>http://www.ccleague.org/</u>
- The Research and Planning Group: <u>http://www.rpgroup.org/</u>

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