



Skyline Shines

Victoria P. Morrow, President

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Calling all students with leadership potential!

Please lend a hand in identifying and recommending student leaders to fill the many leadership positions that currently exist in our Associated Students organization, ASSC. Often students do not see themselves as potential leaders and words of encouragement or affirmation make a huge difference on whether or not they pursue leadership opportunities. Attached is a Skyline College Student Senate Officer Nomination Form. Please take the time to nominate at least one student and encourage your students to visit the Student Activities Office to pursue student leadership opportunities. Turn in nomination forms to the Student Activities Office, Room 6212, by Friday, April 27.

Elections will be held May 14 – 18 to fill all ASSC Governing Council positions for the 2007 – 2008 Academic Year. Students interested in running for an elected position must attend one of the information meetings listed below:

Friday, April 27	11 A.M. - Noon
Wednesday, May 2	5:30P.M. - 6:30 P.M.
Friday, May 4	1 P.M. - 2 P.M.

All meetings will take place in the Associated Students of Skyline College Office, Room 6214. For more information about the A.S.S.C. faculty or students can call (650) 738-4327 or stop by the Student Activities Office, room 6212.

Skyline's Honor Society is honored at national convention

Beta Theta Omicron, Skyline's chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, returned from the International Convention with several awards. The chapter has consistently been in the top 25 chapters out of 1800 chapters worldwide. Each year, students set goals for the Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Fellowship hallmarks; they then develop, implement and evaluate programs to achieve those goals. Awards are based on the implementation and evaluation of these programs. Speakers at the convention included former Vice-President Al Gore and Egypt's former first lady, Jehan Sadat. For 2007, Beta Theta Omicron won the International Scholarship and Leadership Hallmarks and Distinguished Chapter Awards. Additionally, Christine Case received an International Distinguished Advisor Award. During the summer and fall members developed a case study entitled The Global Struggle for Energy. This project won the 2007 USA Today Case Study Challenge. The chapter nominated San Mateo County Community College District Chancellor Ron Galatolo for the Gordon Award of Distinction because of his work to ensure scholarships for all Phi Theta Kappa members in the college district. Chancellor Galatolo was selected for the award and received it at the Convention.



SEED's diversity events, and a question

This week brings the last in SEED's series of spring events entitled "Who Are We—Fascinating Rhythms!", a look at American culture and diversity through a musical lens. Please join me in thanking the members of SEED (Stewardship for Equity, Equal Employment and Diversity) for their leadership for this series, and Rosie Bell for her excellent coordination. Her skills helped the committee to shape the series and she brought the events together beautifully. We are in her debt. She is stepping down from the role at the end of this year, and will be succeeded by Phyllis Taylor. The committee looks forward to working with Phyllis who brings a rich background to the role.

One of the events in our series was the Book Raps based on The Color of Water. The question I refer to above is this: **do you have book titles to recommend to SEED as we think about next year's book selection?** We aim to make a selection in plenty of time for faculty planning spring syllabi to work it in where appropriate. Let any of us on SEED know if you have ideas for books: Lori Adrian, Linda Allen, Amory Cariadus, John Chavez, Donna Elliott, Melissa Komadina, Vicki Morrow and Richard Soyombo. Here is a quick review of SEED's recent events.

Students lead SEED's Book Rap

Last week the second of two SEED Book Raps were held. This second one was moderated by two students who had been trained to do it by Phyllis Taylor, who moderated the first Book Rap herself a few weeks ago. The student moderators were: (from left) Valerie Evangelista and Laura Martinez. They did a tremendous job of leading a group of students, faculty, and staff in a fascinating discussion of James McBride's The Color of Water.



(Photo by Shelly Hausman)

San Jose Taiko comes to Skyline

San Jose Taiko performed for an audience of a couple hundred people on Tuesday, under a blue sky in the Student Center quad. Thanks to SEED for sponsoring the event, to Melissa Komadina for the arrangements, and to San Jose Taiko for a thrilling performance accompanied by a wonderful lesson in the origins and meanings of taiko drumming, one totally in keeping with the theme of SEED's diversity series this spring, "Who Are We? Fascinating Rhythms."



John Santos tells and plays a compelling tale of Latin jazz

A large crowd enjoyed a fascinating lecture, demonstration and concert by John Santos and a small combo on Wednesday. Anyone interested in the group's CDs can find them via this website: <http://www.johnsantos.com/> He will be teaching a percussion class at CSM next fall.



(Photo by Shelly Hausman)

Hafez Modirzadeh provides an ethnomusicologist's view to evening students

Thursday night, Hafez Modirzadeh, internationally acclaimed tenor saxophonist and composer, spoke before a large group in the Main Theater about his Iranian and American cultural roots, and the many influences on American jazz from the Middle East and other parts of the world. He brought multiple instruments to use in his demonstrations.

Career Expo well attended by employers and students

If you were in Building 6 this Wednesday, you could not miss the huge Career Expo organized by Virginia Padron and Jacquie Escobar. Students had the opportunity to explore a huge variety of careers and talk directly with experts about the fields in which they were interested. Thanks to Shelly Hausman for this photo of Skyline students Sarah Guion and Mailylynn Correa talking with an employer.



Library Day is recognized by Skyline's Library staff

Books and chocolate cake—they had me with either one of those! Thanks to the Library staff for inviting us all up for coffee and cake this Wednesday to help celebrate Library Day. Barbara Daley and Carol Driscoll show the cake off below.



(Photo by Shelly Hausman)

Andy Davis joins the Assessment Center

Please join me in welcoming Andy Davis, the new Instructional Aide I in the Assessment Center, replacing Mandy Liang. He started as a student at Skyline in 1998, and worked in the Learning Center as a math tutor that year. In 2000 he transferred to UC Berkeley to study Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. Upon completion of his BS degree, he worked in the business profession for two years and was sent to China. He is currently studying for this Master of Science degree in electrical engineering at San Jose State and working on his thesis. Since 2005, he has been teaching at Skyline as an adjunct math instructor.

Skyline faculty member wins artist residency in Rome

Caveh Zahedi, who teaches film appreciation at Skyline, has been awarded the Rome Prize, an 11-month all-expenses-paid artist residency at the American Academy in Rome starting this September. The award is sponsored by the American Academy in Rome. Caveh is a filmmaker who writes, directs and acts in his own films.

Coming Up ...

Friday, April 20

- Classified Staff Retreat, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Room 6202

Saturday, April 21

- Men's Baseball vs. Mission at Santa Clara, noon

- Guaranteed Enrollment Priority Program Day, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tuesday, April 24

- Men's Baseball vs. Cabrillo at Skyline, 2 p.m.
- Women's badminton vs. CCSF at SF, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, April 25

- Respiratory Therapy Program Job Fair, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Room 6206
- Women in Transition Spring Get –Together, 12:30-2:30 p.m. Room 1115

Thursday, April 26

- Last day to withdraw from semester classes
- Men's Baseball vs. San Mateo at CSM, 2 p.m.
- Women's badminton vs. Fresno at Skyline, 3 p.m.
- SMCCCD 25 Year Service Awards Event, 3:00-5:00 p.m., Crystal Springs Golf Course.
- Plus/Minus Grading Forum, 12:00-2:00 p.m., Room 6202

Friday, April 27

- HS Counselors' Breakfast, 7:45 a.m., Bldg 6
- Skyline Bookstore closed for inventory
- President's Innovation Fund proposal deadline, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 28

- Men's Baseball vs. Cañada at Skyline, noon
- Pilipino Cultural Night, 7 p.m., Main Theatre
- Week of the Young Child: 6th Annual Festival, 11 a.m.- 3 p.m., Child Development Center

For more on this week's events, see the event calendar at

www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/calendar.html

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College Council Agenda for April 25

1. ASSC update
2. Accreditation update
3. Budget update
4. District Shared Governance Committee update
5. Fresh Look Project update: update on planning for the website redesign project
6. Educational and Facilities Master Plan update
7. First Year Experience update and presentation of survey
8. Student Health Fee
9. Parking Fee
10. Skyline Shines Awards 2007: plan for the screening of this year's nominees
11. Update from constituent groups on College Hour discussion
12. Health & Safety Committee report: assessment of designated smoking areas
13. Commencement update
14. Annual Report Draft for 2006-07: draft to be considered at this meeting with action at the May meeting
15. Review and updating of the College Council Agenda Planning Table
16. Next meeting: May 16

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: <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/skynotes/>.



Student Senate Officer Nomination Form

Nominee Information

Name: _____ G#: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

The nominee listed above has the potential to be an outstanding student leader and has demonstrated the following skills (Please check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership | <input type="checkbox"/> Team work | <input type="checkbox"/> Communication |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mediation | <input type="checkbox"/> Critical thinking | <input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Creativity | <input type="checkbox"/> Hard working | <input type="checkbox"/> Knowledge of Skyline College |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |

Comments:

Faculty / Staff Member Information

Name: _____

Extension: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please submit this form to the Student Activities Office, Room 6212.

Call the ASSC Governing Council at 650-738-4327 if you need additional information.