



Skyline Shines

Victoria P. Morrow, President

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This is the last weekly edition of *Skyline Shines* until fall. Over the summer it will be published about once a month. Please let me know if there are items during the summer that should be included. I look forward to a wonderful Commencement ceremony tonight and to seeing many of you there. For those of you who will be away during the summer, best wishes for a restful and enjoyable summer. For those who will be here, I will see you soon!

2007-2008 ASSC Governing Council is elected

Here are the results of this year's elections to our student government, the Associated Students of Skyline College's Governing Council:

President: Lauren Hernandez

Vice President: Anastasia Kuzina

Commissioner of Activities: Anjelica Gacutan

Commissioner of Publicity: Wendy Smith

Commissioner of Public Records: Kristi Parenti-Kurtilla

Commissioner of Finance: Melody Hisatake

Senator: Robert Alberts

Vanessa Allas

Lindsay D'Amico

Sarah Figueroa

Mauricio Hernandez

Ekaterina Semonchuk

9 Senator Positions remain open. Students interested in becoming a Senator can apply for appointment in the fall. Fall appointments will be nominated by the ASSC President and must be approved by 2/3 of the ASSC Governing Council.

Classified Staff Service Awards luncheon

We enjoyed a wonderful event last Friday in honor of our classified staff, particularly those who have reached the 10, 20 and 25 year points in their service to the district.

10 Year Service Awards: Karen Chadwick-White, David Galang, and Manny Peix

20 Year Service Award: Angela Viviani

25 Year Service Awards: Ellen Lee, Sylvia Martinez and Persis Morrice

Thanks to Linda Ghio, Julene Rhoan, Maria Paulson, Theresa Tentes, Golda Gacutan, Media Services staff Kamla Bucceri and John Rezzonico, and the entire Facilities crew. Here are the Foggerz 3—Julene Rhoan, Terry Staats and Cass Christian—who performed for us.



Photos by Sandy Irber

End of the Year Luncheon sponsored by the Academic Senate, Classified Senate and ASSC

This annual event is not only one of the most fun events of the year; it is also one of the most important in terms of raising funds for student scholarships. This year, the raffle of baskets donated by the various offices around the college raised \$1540 for the annual Staff/Faculty Scholarship that will be awarded next May 2008. The students who benefited from the scholarships awarded this spring due to last year's fundraiser were Sylvia Cervantes and Elisabeth Osai. Also recognized at this event were the following people:

Academic Senate Special Recognition Awards

AJ Bates
Ray Hernandez
Nick Kapp
Christine Roumbanis
Arthur Takayama
Linda Whitten
Karen Wong

Phil Meyer Award

AJ Bates

Faculty Retirees

Paul Goodman
Betty Lindgren-Young

Classified Council Special Recognition Awards

Steve Cornejo
Clydie Rizzo

Classified Staff Retiree

Char Wulbers

Regina Pelayo provided a moving tribute to David Galang, Instructional Aide in the Cosmetology Program, who died last Saturday. The staff, students, and clients in the Cosmetology program will miss him greatly. The family has requested that expressions of sympathy be made to the Aids Foundation of San Francisco. The staff and faculty in the Cosmetology Department are working on establishing a scholarship fund for Cosmetology students in David's name. Please contact Josie Glenn, Cosmetology Coordinator, if you are interested in contributing to the fund (glennj@smccd.edu).

Automotive Program Annual Banquet

As usual, this year's celebration of the certificate and degree completions in Auto was inspiring and a lot of fun. The Basque Cultural Center was crowded with family and friends who joined the students and the rest of us to recognize their accomplishments. Pictured below are several of the faculty with students who were honored: Rick Escalambre with student Jose Vasquez, Tom Broxholm with Tommy Yu, and Paul Spakowski with Randall Shannon. Thanks to Perry Dair and to Clydie Rizzo for their vital roles in making this annual event, and the program as a whole, the success that it is.



Photos by Tom Broxholm

Talisman 2007 is published

The creative writing talents of Skyline students were on display last Thursday at the 37th annual Talisman Awards Ceremony in the Gallery Theater. Skyline is one of the only community colleges in the state to publish an anthology of student writing and artwork for 37 consecutive years, testimony to the support and dedication of the college and to the creativity of the students. Talisman Advisor and Creative Writing/English Professor Katharine Harer praised students whose creative writings—poems and short stories—were selected for this year’s publication. English Professor Georgia Gero presented first, second, third place and honorable mention winners with a monetary award. Jim Bowsher, short story judge, chose three stories for first, second and third prize. These winners, along with many others, read their works from the journal. If you want a literary treat, open the pages of this year’s Talisman—you will be impressed by the talent among us. Thanks to Virginia Rosales for the photos below of Bri Yee, Ron D’Alosio and Scott Carey.



Photos by Virginia Rosales

Skyline artist show opens June 23

Laura Siegel, member of the Art faculty, will have a one-person show at the Montclair Gallery, opening June 23 and running through July 31. It is entitled “Landscapes: A Luminosity of Color.”

College Council: update on May 23 meeting

1. **Skyline Shines Award:** The Council reviewed the nominations and selected the winner, which will be announced on Skyline’s Opening Day.
2. **ASSC update:** Elections were conducted online for the first time (using student G numbers), and student participation rates doubled. The results are listed above at the top of this newsletter.
3. **Accreditation update:** The Council approved the college’s Self Study. It will now move to final document preparation and approval by the Board of Trustees.
4. **District Shared Governance Committee update (DSGC):** members of the DSGC reported on discussion of the student parking fees.
5. **Tentative Budget recommendation from CBC:** Eloisa Briones briefed the Council on the CBC’s budget recommendation to the president.
6. **Update from constituent groups on College Hour discussion:** This idea originated with the ASSC. The Classified Council had no objections to establishment of a College Hour, and the Academic Senate though it would be valuable. The Council will take up this issue in the fall, and will identify options for how it might be structured and will do some research relative to how other colleges handle it.
7. **Fresh Look Update:** Vicki reported on the initial meeting of the website redesign group which examined national standards for excellence in websites and reviewed a series of award winning websites. Their work will resume in the fall.
8. **Summer Outreach Initiative:** Vicki updated the Council on the efforts to attract high school concurrent enrollment students this summer through a targeted marketing approach. This is the first step in an ongoing, district wide effort to reach potential students for the three colleges.

9. **Health & Safety Committee: update on designated smoking areas:** Lori Adrian reported that in the fall there will be a web-based survey of students, faculty and staff on smoking.

Do you have an item for *Skyline Shines*?

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

Do you have a suggestion?

You may want to try our new e-Suggestion Box, on the front page of our website at <http://www.skylinecollege.edu/>. We are pilot testing it over the summer.

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E-Suggest - An Electronic
Suggestion Box
for the Skyline College
Community



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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