



Skyline Shines

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***Skyline View* staff wins awards**

Staff members of *The Skyline View*, Skyline's student newspaper, recently received awards at the Journalism Association of Community Colleges NorCal Conference held at San Jose State University Oct. 14. Nicole Tanjuakio took home first place for feature writing in the mail-in category, John Harrison earned third place in the on-the-spot Editorial Cartoon, and the entire staff received General Excellence for Online Journalism. This is the fourth time Skyline students have won general excellence in this category, and the third consecutive time they've won it at the NorCal conference. Please join me in congratulating them and their adviser, Nancy Kaplan-Biegel.

Skyline's Surgical Technology Program stands out

The Skyline College Surgical Technology Program, under the direction of faculty member Alice Erskine, was ranked number four in the nation for program graduates successfully completing the national Assessment Examination. The Accreditation Review Committee on Education in Surgical Technology ranks the top 20 programs for successful completion of their Program Assessment Examination. Skyline ranked number four nationally for the year 2005-6. This is the first year that the Skyline program has made this list. The entire list can be found at www.astpae.org. Here is a picture of that award winning class of 2006.



Cosmetology student wins award in Santa Cruz Competition

On Sunday, October 15, Skyline Cosmetology students demonstrated their incredible talents and made their school and teachers proud during the 12th Annual Central Coast Hair Design & Beauty Expo 2006 held at the Coconut Grove in Santa Cruz. Three teams from the Skyline Cosmetology Department participated in the Fantasy/Mardi Gras themed student competition in the Hair Styling, Nail Art, and Makeup categories. Competition was intense with 47 teams

competing. One of the Skyline evening Cosmetology students, Tanya Borghello, placed third in the Nail Art competition. The students had a great time participating and competing with many of their fellow students and staff cheering them on. Below are Skyline students and models (*photos by Cinthia Menendez, Cosmetology Department*).



Program Review presentations illuminate program strengths and needs

Each fall the college is invited to hear presentations by the programs which have undergone program review during the prior year. The reviews are an essential part of the work of the college and the faculty and staff who conduct them take a thoughtful and probing look at their programs. The presentations are fascinating and the findings from the reviews provide vital information for a number of college decisions:

- Budget allocation
- Full-time faculty hiring
- Support staffing
- Facilities remodelling and new construction

This week we heard presentations by the Health, Library and Administration of Justice programs. In November there will be a second round of presentations: English for Speakers of Other Languages, Family & Consumer Sciences, Accounting, Music, Dance, and Emergency Medical Technology. The date is November 29, 2:15-4:00 pm, Room 5132B.

MOT Film Festival a huge success

Many of us experienced a rich learning experience at the MOT's 3rd Annual Film Festival this Wednesday, at the screening of "Sound and Fury". The Festival is entitled "Diverse-Ability" this year. The project is funded by the President's Innovation Fund and will be followed by another film in February entitled "Big Enough" and focusing on little people. Please join me in thanking these people for their contribution to making this fine event happen: Barbara Daley, Linda Van Sciver, Betty Lindgren-Young, Roxanne Brewer, Carla Campillo, Sheila Claxton, Carol Driscoll, Donna Elliott, Shannon Elliott, Lynne Douglas, Shelly Hausman, Sandy Irber, Nancy Kaplan-Biegel, Linda Kisich, Judy Lariviere, Jennifer Merrill, Michael Moynihan, Rich Tidd, Amy Titus, Janet Weber and Chris Weidman.

Latino Film Festival coming to Skyline

Skyline College will be one of the sites for the 10th International Latino Film Festival. Skyline will be a venue for the festival on **Wednesday, November 8 and**

Wednesday, November 15, at 6:30 p.m. in the Main Theatre. Tickets can be purchased on site beginning at 6:00 p.m. Theatre doors open at 6:30 p.m. The two films being shown at Skyline College are "Tatuado" (Tattooed) and "Lalo Guerrero, The Original Chicano". Mailers (including information the entire film festival calendar, venues, and ticket information) have been placed in your mailbox. For information, please contact Jacquie Escobar (x4305). For the entire film festival program and box office information, visit www.LatinoFilmFestival.org.



Nonresident tuition may not be charged for students who meet the criteria under SB 540

The state chancellor's office has issued legal advisory (numbered 06-03) about which I thought you might wish to be advised. Here is an extended quotation from it (the full message is available on their website at the address at the end of *Skyline Shines*):

Many of you are aware that a lawsuit was filed in state court in December 2005 seeking to invalidate Education Code section 68130.5. Section 68130.5 was created by AB 540 and took effect January 1, 2002. It creates an exemption from the payment of nonresident tuition for those students who attended high school in California for three or more years and who graduated from a California high school or attained the equivalent of high school graduation.

The Board of Governors and Chancellor Drummond were named as defendants in the lawsuit, as were the UC Regents and President Dynes and the CSU Trustees and Chancellor Reed. The three segments of California public higher education joined in a defense of AB 540 and in support of the opportunity for higher education that AB 540 represents for so many California high school graduates.

On October 2, 2006, Yolo County Superior Court Judge Thomas Edward Warriner signed his decision reflecting our argument that the plaintiffs' challenges were flawed as a matter of law. Accordingly, he dismissed the action without leave to amend. While it is possible, and even likely, that the plaintiffs will file an appeal, we wanted to be sure that you all know the current status of the law.

Districts are required to continue to implement Education Code section 68130.5 unless and until an appellate court finds the statute invalid. The exemption from nonresident tuition is mandatory. If a district finds that a student meets all the requirements of the law, nonresident tuition may not be charged.

If the situation changes, the chancellor's office will issue an update.

College Council Draft Agenda for October 25

1. **Fresh Look Project update**
2. **ASSC update**
3. **Accreditation**
 - a) Update

- b) Employee Voice Survey
- c) Institutional SLOs (Student Learning Outcomes)
- d) Progress made on engaging students in the accreditation self-study process
- 4. **Commencement:** consideration of a change in the time of the event to earlier in the evening.
- 5. **Update on the selection of a name for the “No Name Café”**
- 6. **Full-time faculty allocation process:** update
- 7. **Technology Advisory Committee:** update
- 8. **Review and updating of the College Council Agenda Planning Table**

Coming Up

Friday, October 20

- Women's Volleyball vs. DeAnza College, at Skyline, 6:30 p.m.
- Women's Soccer, at SF City, 4 p.m.
- Men's Soccer vs. Cañada at Skyline, 2 p.m.

Saturday, October 21

- The FOB Show, 8 p.m., Main Theatre
- Wrestling at Santa Rosa, 7 p.m.

Monday, October 23

- Men's College vs. Taft College, at Skyline, 3 p.m.
- Faculty Art Exhibit continues through Nov. 3

Tuesday, October 24

- Men's Soccer vs. Cabrillo College, at Skyline, 2 p.m.
- Women's Soccer vs. Las Positas, at Skyline, 1 p.m.

Wednesday, October 25

- Women's Volleyball vs. CCSF, at Skyline, 6:30 p.m.
- Computer Applications and Office Technology Bake Sale, 8 a.m. to noon, Bldg 2

Friday, October 27

- Men's Soccer at Foothill College, 2 p.m.
- Women's Volleyball, vs. Foothill College, at Skyline, 6:30 p.m.
- Women's Soccer vs. DeAnza College, 4 p.m.
- Wrestling vs. Santa Rosa at Skyline, 6 p.m.
- Music of the Middle East- Drumming, 11:10 a.m., Room 1111
- "American Blackout: Take a Stand!" Adewole event, 12:30-3:30 p.m., Main Theatre

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

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

To add events to the calendar, visit www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/events.html

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 System 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/>.