

Victoria P. Morrow, President October 5, 2007

# Feinblum wins PEN Oakland Josephine Miles Literary Award for Samba Dreamers

Kathleen Feinblum, professor of English, was just notified that she was awarded the PEN Oakland Josephine Miles award for her novel, *Samba Dreamers*. According to Claire Ortalda, a judge for the award.

"PEN Oakland, established in 1989, is a literary organization whose purpose is to promote works of excellence by writers of all cultural and racial backgrounds and to educate both the public and the media as to the nature of multi-cultural work. We annually award the PEN Oakland Josephine Miles Literary Awards, created to honor writers of exceptional works often not acknowledged by the mainstream literary community. Judged by respected writers, the awards honor books published the previous year that both reflect a multi-cultural or marginalized viewpoint and represent the highest standards of literature. A national award, the judges nevertheless take special interest in local writers. We make an effort to choose distinguished judges from the Bay Area community with knowledge of, through their own writing or area of study, the works of typically marginalized literary voices, so that their selections for awards can reward and publicize excellence in non-mainstream literature. Often, our winners' works are representative of timely social and cultural issues."

Please join me in congratulating Kathleen on this award, and take it from me personally—if you have not enjoyed the book yet, you have a treat waiting for you.

# Skyline Women's Soccer Team 14<sup>th</sup> in the nation

Our Women's Soccer Team is currently ranked 14<sup>th</sup> in the country in the NSCAA (National Soccer Coaches of America) Adidas National rankings for Division III Junior College Women's programs. This is the first time in the history of Skyline that our women's program has ever been ranked nationally. The ranking was certified on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please join me in congratulating coach Kevin Corsiglia and the team.

# Skyline wins 3 awards for our marketing efforts

Skyline College was awarded three Medallion Awards at the District 6 National Council for Marketing and Public Relations (NCMPR) conference. The Medallion Awards recognize outstanding achievement in communications for community, junior and technical college professionals in California, Nevada, Arizona, Utah and the Pacific. It's the only regional competition of its kind that exclusively honors excellence among marketing and public relations professionals at two-year colleges. In the category of Promotion Campaign for a Special Event, Skyline won a Gold Medallion for the 2007 WOW! Conference materials and a Silver Medallion for the programs and invitations for the 2007 Sneak Preview and Ribbon Cutting for the Student and Community Center. Skyline won a Silver Medallion for our redesigned 2007 Summer and Fall Class Schedules. Congratulations to Sandy Irber, Shelly Hausman, Roxanne Brewer, Maria Norris, the Fresh Look Advisory Group, the President's Council, Cathy Hasson, ASSC, Campus Ambassadors, Outreach Committee and all who contributed ideas to the class schedule redesign process. Congratulations to our graphic designers: Mario Zelaya for WOW!, Mike Bergstrom for the

Sneak Preview and Ribbon Cutting and Mike Bergstrom and Ika Simpson for the redesigned class schedule.

# Genentech Scholars program open for Skyline science students

The goal of the Genentech Scholars Program is to provide an inroad for diverse students to gain access to Genentech and the biotech industry. The program is offered to select schools in the Bay Area and is comprised of three components: financial assistance, an internship, and possible job placement. This successful program has aided a number of our students in their educational goals and further exposed them to the field of biotechnology.

GENENTECH Scholars Information Session Tuesday, October 9, 2007 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Room 5132B

Genentech is looking for diverse students from Skyline who have demonstrated academic performance, leadership, community service, career aspirations in the field of biotechnology, and who meet certain eligibility requirements. Eligible students from Skyline College have the opportunity to apply to be a 2008 Genentech Scholar and receive a scholarship in the amount of \$7,500. For more information contact the MESA Program at <a href="http://www.smccd.net/accounts/skymesa/index.html">http://www.smccd.net/accounts/skymesa/index.html</a>, or call Tiffany Reardon, Director, 650-738-4244.

### Fulbright Scholar in the Language Arts Division this year

Skyline College is currently hosting a Fulbright Scholar from the Philippines who is working with Kababayan, our learning community that focuses on the Filipino and Filipino-American experience. Warlito Caturay, an English faculty member from Silliman University, in Dumaguete City, Philippines, is at Skyline for a year on a Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistantship (FLTA) grant. One of the main objectives of the program is to provide teachers of foreign countries the opportunity to spend a year in the United States. His work with the Kababayan program includes teaching, tutoring in the Learning Center, assisting in the classroom, tutoring language students in Tagalog, organizing and participating in extracurricular activities, such as the Filipino Student Union, and acting as a cultural representative. "The experience so far has been amazing," Caturay said. "I am looking forward to expanding my knowledge and learning new teaching strategies."



(Photo by Shelly Hausman)

### Lopez came to Skyline yesterday

Thanks to Culture Comes Alive, writer and actress Josefina Lopez spoke to a standing room only crowd in the Gallery Theater yesterday. She is most well known for her screenplay and supporting role in *Real Women Have Curves*, a Latina coming of age film about body image and conflicting ambitions. Set in a seamstress shop, *Real Women Have Curves* is what Elvis Mitchell, critic for the *New York Times* calls "a love song to full-figured women everywhere." Her latest screenplay is *A Girl and A Ball*, a satire on the quinceañera that she plans to direct in January. Meanwhile, she continues to write and is involved in Latina issues, including the continuing investigation of the brutal maquiladora murders in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. She is an currently an artist-in-residence at the Brava Theatre Academy in San Francisco, and

her play, *Boyle Heights* starring youth actors from the Summer Brava Theatre Academy, opened in August 2007. Thanks to Kathleen Feinblum, Katharine Harer and Culture Comes Alive for this terrific event. Culture Comes Alive is a project in existence at Skyline since 1995, started by Katharine Harer and Marijane Datson.





(Photos by Shelly Hausman)

# Basic Skills Initiative website is a goldmine

Thanks to Rachel Bell for the rich Basic Skills Initiative (BSI) website for Skyline. Here are the links to it and to the statewide initiative website:

- Our Skyline BSI website: <a href="http://www.smccd.net/accounts/bellr/BSIhome.htm">http://www.smccd.net/accounts/bellr/BSIhome.htm</a>
- The statewide BSI website: <a href="http://cccbsi.org/">http://cccbsi.org/</a>

# Welcome to the Basic Skills Initiative Project at Skyline College! BSI Overview BSI Mission Statement and Goals BSI Project Leaders BSI 26 Best Practice group members BSI Assessment Meetings Guide BSI Data and Resources BSI Progress Bar-Fall 07 BSI State Homepage BSI Downloadable Guide BSI Pilot Project Outcomes

It's not too late to join the project! The BSI is still looking for members for the best practice groups. Click on the "26 Best Practice Groups" link and select the group you're interested in. To join, simply contact the chair of the group or email Rachel Bell <a href="mailto:bellr@smccd.edu">bellr@smccd.edu</a>. The groups meet twice, answer 4 questions, submit short action plans, and get \$100 gift certificates at the end of the semester.

### They come from miles around to take part in Skyline's Automotive program

Edwin Alfaro, a part-time instructor and a graduate of Skyline's Automotive Technology program, conducted a Toyota Prius Hybrid class September 29-30. The class addressed the operation, diagnosis, and repair of the Prius engine and electrical systems. The class consisted of thirty students which included technicians and instructors from California, Georgia, Illinois, Washington, Arizona, Colorado, and Nevada. Most of the students were attending Skyline College for the first time and they were very impressed with our automotive facility, the campus and the sunny view of the Pacific Ocean.



(Photo by Rick Escalambre)

### Relationship Violence Awareness Workshop draws a huge student crowd

Skyline's Health Center and Psychological Services hit a home run with this workshop yesterday. It was video-taped and the CD will be available in the college Learning Center. Topics include these:

What is rape?

What happens when a report of rape is made?

What is relationship abuse?

Respect in relationships

Domestic violence intervention

Recovery and impact from violence

Thanks to Lisa Marlowe, RN, Beverly Muse, MFT and Donna Elliott for organizing it, and thanks to Joe Morello, Dean of PE/Athletics and Dance, for being part of the panel.





### Skyline AJ teacher publishes textbook

Mark Hawthorne, adjunct instructor in Administration of Justice at Skyline, has written and had published a textbook entitled *First Unit Responder: A Guide to Physical Evidence Collection for Patrol Officers* published by CRC Press LLC. He is now working on a second textbook which will be on fingerprints. Mark Hawthorne has been an adjunct Administration of Justice instructor at Skyline College since 1989. He also instructs at City College of San Francisco, and is the lead instructor in Investigations at the San Francisco Police Academy. He is a Police Sergeant with the San Francisco Police Department, and has served in a variety of police and investigative assignments spanning his 26 year career. As those in the law enforcement field can tell you, the first responder's handling of a crime scene can make or break a case. Mark's text addresses the important steps that officers must take at crime scenes.

Coming Up ...

- Last Day to apply for a degree/certificate
- Volleyball vs. Foothill at Skyline, 6:30 p.m.
- Men's Soccer at Las Positas, 4 p.m.
- Cosmetology Hot Dog/Nacho Sale, 11:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m., Pacific Heights

# Saturday, Oct. 6

Cameo Appearances Music Concert, 8 p.m., Main Theater, Cañada College

### Monday, Oct. 9

- Women's Soccer vs. Hartnell at Salinas, 2 p.m.
- Men's Soccer at Ohlone, 4 p.m.
- Genentech Scholars Info Session, 1-2 p.m., Room 5132B

# Tuesday, Oct. 10

- The Other 49ers: James Houston, 12:00 p.m., Main Theatre
- Wrestling vs. West Hills at Skyline, 7 p.m.
- Filipino Food Fest, 10 a.m. 2 p.m., Front of Bldg 6

### Wednesday, Oct. 11

Common Ground presents "Mixed Feelings," 11:10 a.m.- 12:25 p.m., Gallery Theatre

# Friday, Oct. 12

- Volleyball at City College SF, 6:30 p.m.
- Women's Soccer vs. Ohlone at Fremont, 2 p.m.
- Men's Soccer at Mission College, 4 p.m.

You can see the event calendar at <a href="www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/calendar.html">www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/calendar.html</a>
To add events to the calendar, visit <a href="www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/events.html">www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/events.html</a>

### 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, via the hyperlink in the box below, or on the front page of our website at <a href="http://www.skylinecollege.edu/">http://www.skylinecollege.edu/</a>.



# 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: <a href="http://www.rpgroup.org/">http://www.rpgroup.org/</a>

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