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Staff News for Santa Rosa Junior College, July 18, 2002

## SRJC Power Outage Guidelines & Procedures

Given the anticipated periodic heat waves and continuing energy crisis, please keep the following in mind. During a blackout the first and foremost priority is the safety of the campus community. With power blackouts, fire alarms, emergency phones, and some emergency lighting will still continue to function at SRJC. Emergency lighting will provide light for central corridors and stairs in facilities. Elevators are programmed to return to the ground and shut down.

### Classroom Procedures: Daylight hours

If a blackout occurs during daylight hours, the instructor must make a judgment about the ability to continue instruction given the amount of available light and the need for any instructional equipment. If instruction can continue safely, class should remain in session. In laboratory settings where ventilation is necessary for safety (i.e., chemistry labs), class should be discontinued and the students and staff evacuated until the power resumes.

### Classroom Procedures: After nightfall

If a blackout occurs after nightfall, classroom operations should cease and students should be directed to leave campus in an orderly fashion. Emergency light sticks are distributed to every faculty member. If you have not received a light stick, check with your department. Encourage students to have a light stick or flashlight with them in the evening for sufficient light to get back to their cars.

### Students with Disabilities

Use start chairs for to transport students with disabilities. They will be available in all multilevel facilities on SRJC's Santa Rosa and Petaluma campuses and will be located at the top level near the elevator of each building.

### Support Services Procedures: During daylight hours

If a blackout occurs during daylight hours and staff members are able to continue working with available daylight, operations should continue as normally as possible.

Should the daytime outage extend beyond one hour, employees may be authorized by their respective component administrator in consultation with the President to leave their work areas for two hours while the situation is assessed.

The President will determine if either campus should shut down completely and will communicate decisions via the regular organizational channels of the college. Any evacuation supervision will be led by District Police and Facilities Operations staff.

### Support Services Procedures: After nightfall

If a blackout occurs after nightfall, support operations should cease and employees should be directed to leave campus. Emergency light sticks have been distributed to every office on campus to provide sufficient lighting for evacuation. Employees should be familiar with the location of the light sticks in their office area. Again, District Police and Facilities Operations will lead evacuation supervision.



## Honor Faculty! Reserve by Aug. 6 for Chamber Breakfast

SRJC staff and faculty should make reservations before August 6 for the August 28 **Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce Education and Business Partnership Breakfast** by calling the Chamber at 545-1414. This year's event will recognize exemplary teachers from kindergarten through the university level, including SRJC nominees for the Excellence in Education Award: **Sally Heath, Engineering/Physics; Peg Saragina, Business Office Technology; and Dianne Smith, Behavioral Sciences.** Make reservations to honor your colleagues!

The breakfast will be held from 7 to 9 a.m. on Wednesday, August 28, at the Vineyard Creek Hotel, Spa & Conference Center in Santa Rosa. Tickets are \$20 per person.

Nominees are honored at the event and one teacher from each educational level (elementary, middle, high school, junior college, and university) is selected to receive an award.

## Harvey Hansen Picnic Is August 23!

Remember, on August 23, 2002, the popular Harvey Hansen Picnic will be held at the SRJC Shone Farm 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. This year's menu includes BBQ tri-tip and turkey, fresh green salad, pesto pasta, garlic bread, and dessert. Plus there will be live music, dancing, hayrides, and tours of the college farm. An educational wine tasting will also be a part of the evening! Please remember that no outside alcohol or children are allowed at this event.

The annual picnic is an opportunity for faculty and staff and attendees to spend casual time together to reconnect and welcome newcomers. New permanent employees who have joined the college in the last 10 months will be guests for the evening.

To get your tickets, contact the President's Office at ext. 4431 for tickets (\$12.50 person). Hope to see you at the farm on August 23!



## EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH BLAIR BAVUSO



"Blair Bavuso is a very deserving recipient of SRJC's Employee of the Month Award. I can say that every day I get a chance to work with him is a great day. His professionalism and service to the District make him a valuable and valued employee in our department," stresses Joe Morello, Dean of Physical Education, Dance and Athletics/Athletic Director. Joe introduced Blair at the July Board of Trustees Meeting.

Blair was hired by Santa Rosa Junior College in January 1998 as an Equipment Tech II. "His service goes far beyond ordering, repairing, and cleaning equipment and supplies," Joe emphasizes about Blair's many skills. "Blair makes every effort possible on behalf of students and staff to find quality products at the most affordable prices. His ability to identify the best for the least makes our budget dollars stretch farther and allows our program to serve more students. But even beyond this, Blair is respected by students and staff for his expertise." It is obvious that Blair "is vital to the operation of the SRJC Physical Education, Dance and Athletics Program."

Highly active on campus, including serving as a member of the Physical Education Facilities Committee, Blair is also involved with community activities, such as active membership in the Athletic Equipment Managers Association for 19 years and Trainer and Equipment Manager for several Kiwanis in Marin and Sonoma all star football games.

According to his coworkers, Blair contributes to students and fellow employees in invaluable ways. "We all rely on Blair to give us answers about what and how something will work. His knowledge of equipment, athletics, and rules and regulations are an essential resource in deciding what can and will be purchased," Joe notes. One of Blair's strengths as an employee is his availability to address student and staff problems. He

will, for example, set aside whatever he is doing to help a student with a locker problem or run off and fix a machine.

Blair's demonstrated commitment to quality service and assistance is readily demonstrated in how well he handles multiple tasks simultaneously. "With the 19 sports and the numerous classes in our department, along with the uniforms, equipment, and the facilities necessary to carry out these programs, the challenge for Blair is to get it all done...and he does," Joe exclaims. Blair is "perhaps the most responsible employee I've ever supervised. All I can say is that when Blair takes ownership of something it will get done, and it will be done exceptionally well. His attention to detail, work ethic, and desire to have our program operate at the highest level are characteristics that make him excellent. He will do whatever it takes - no matter the sacrifice - to serve SRJC students and staff."

Although he might be "known as a bit of a curmudgeon, he has a heart of gold. He will do anything for a friend or colleague if asked. I've seen him sacrifice countless hours and opportunities to help friends and fellow professionals. Watching him work, with his level of expertise and commitment, motivates me to give added effort in my job. Seeing what Blair does I think raises the bar for everyone in the department and makes us all try and meet his level of performance," Joe notes.

What he likes most about his work at SRJC is, "I love seeing young people grow up and mature. One of my biggest thrills is having ex-players come back to see me. I've been to former players' weddings and had ex-players make it to the pros. When they come back it means so much to realize that in some small way I touched their lives."

Simply put, Blair's favorite hobby is "spending time with my friends." But what others would be most surprised to learn about Blair: "Sew! I am self-taught. I seem to sew uniforms for hours."

Blair Bavuso was born in San Francisco and grew up in Marin County. After graduating from Redwood High School in Larkspur, he attended College of Main. He still resides in Larkspur. Although Blair's father, Carl, is deceased, his family includes mother, Nancy, and sisters Joy and Jill. He also has five nieces and nephews.

"This is my twenty-third year associated with junior college athletics. I've worked for four athletic directors, some of the best people I've ever known, Pete Limm, Ben Partee, and Joe Morello at the College of Marin for 18 years. And Ben, Joe, and Diane Campaigna right here at Santa Rosa. It's been great!"

## We Tip Our Hats

**Kimberly Kalember**, Executive Assistant at the Petaluma campus will be appearing in a one-person show called "Fully Committed"" at Actors Theatre from August 24 through September 28. During the show Kimberly will play a total of 33 characters.

The Actors Theatre is located at the Luther Burbank Center for the Performing Arts at 50 Mark West Springs Road in Santa Rosa. The box office telephone number is 523-4185 (press 1), or call Kimberly at 778-3927 for more information.

## Look Who's Retiring!

A reception and open house will be held for **Louise Coots** on Wednesday, July 31, in the SRJC Accounting Department from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Louise is retiring after 18 years in Accounting, so stop in to send her off with good wishes and enjoy some refreshments. Contact Linda at ext. 4501 or Kate at ext. 4755 if you want to contribute to a gift.

## SRT Schedule

The Box Office is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Tickets are: **Musicals** - \$14/adults; \$12/youth and seniors; **Plays** - \$12/adults; \$10/youth and seniors. Call for special ticket prices. For more information, contact the SRT Box Office at 527-4343.

Sun.	7/21	Book of Days 2 & 7:30 PM
Sun.	7/21	The Pension Grillparzer 2 & 7:30 PM
Tues.	7/23	Honk! The Ugly Duckling 2 & 8:00 PM
Tues.	7/23	Sylvia 8 PM
Wed.	7/24	Pension Grillparzer 8 PM
Wed.	7/24	Book of Days 8 PM
Thurs.	7/25	Pension Grillparzer 8 PM
Thurs.	7/25	Book of Days 8 PM
Fri.	7/26	Little Shop of Horrors 2 & 8 PM
Fri.	7/26	Diary of Anne Frank 8 PM
Sat.	7/27	Little Shop of Horrors 2 & 8 PM
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