

Staff News for Santa Rosa Junior College, February 21, 2003

Host Families Still Needed to House Visiting Swedish Students

The students from Sven Eriksonsgymnasiet in Boras, Sweden, will arrive March 8 for a five-week stay in Santa Rosa. In addition to their course work, the students will be actively involved in numerous SRJC activities, including forming a team to compete in the Inter-Club Softball Tournament in April. Softball is not a sport played in Sweden, but the visiting students are interested in acquiring many different American experiences. Host families are still needed. If you can accommodate a student or two or if you know someone who can, please contact Peg Saragina at psaragina@santarosa.edu or 527-4693. A short introduction along with a photo of each of the students is available at http://online.santarosa.edu/presentation/page/?11453.

Hate Free Awareness Week March 16-22

The SRJC Board of Trustees has officially proclaimed the week of March 16-22 as "Hate Free College Awareness Week" at SRJC. Special events will include:

• SRJC Theatre Arts production of *The Laramie Project*, March 14, 15, 19, 20, 21 and 22 at 8 p.m., with 2 p.m. matinee performances on March 22 and 23. Burbank Auditorium on the Santa Rosa campus. Tickets are \$10/general, \$7/students and seniors. Call the SRJC Theatre Arts box office at 527-4342 for ticket information.

The Hate Free College Tank Fance and The Somorna County Commission on Human Rights is proud to sporose the following events during this week:

March 16 - 22, 2003

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Hate Free College Awareness Week

Journey to a Hate

- A panel discussion with the The Hate Free College Task Force and The Sonoma County Commission on Human Rights immediately following the March 22 matinee performance of the *The Laramie Project*, in Burbank Auditorium.
- A screening of the video *Journey to a Hate Free Millennium*, followed by a group discussion, on Monday, March 17 and on Tuesday, March 18, 12-1:30 p.m., Room 1 in the Plover Library on the Santa Rosa campus.

The events are cosponsored by The Sonoma County Commission on Human Rights and The Hate Free College Task Force. For more information, call Marie Thompson at 527-4303.

Outstanding Faculty Recognition Award

The SRJC Alumni & Friends Association is seeking nominations to honor an outstanding SRJC faculty member. Faculty, staff, students, and alumni may nominate candidates. The award is presented at the Faculty Recognition Awards Celebration.

Nominees will be evaluated using the following criteria: excellence in teaching, sensitivity to student needs, development of innovative teaching materials or techniques, and service to campus and/or wider community.

The Alumni & Friends Association's Outstanding Faculty member for 2003 will have the opportunity to select a student to receive a one-time scholarship named in his or her honor. The deadline for nominating a faculty person is March 3.

Nomination forms are available at the SRJC Foundation Office, in the Pedroncelli Center, 2032 Armory Drive.

Now in its eighth year, the Outstanding Faculty Recognition Award has previously honored these individuals:

1996 Dr. Dennis Fujita, Chemistry

1997 Max Hein, Art

1998 Walt McCallum, Communication Studies

1999 Dr. Robert Rubin, Life Sciences

2000 Jim Burke, Business

2001 Jennifer Mann, Resource Development

2002 Sally Heath, Engineering/Physics

Italian Film Series Begins February 21

Three classic Italian films will be featured as a part of a series titled, "Three Moments in Italian Cinema." Scheduled on consecutive Fridays from February 21 through March 7, at 7:30 p.m. in Mahoney Library on the Petaluma campus, the films are in Italian with English subtitles. Admission is free. A \$2 parking permit is required on campus.

SRIC instructors will present an overview of each film, highlighting characteristics of Italian culture and elements that contribute to the richness of Italian cinema. The series is co-sponsored by SRIC's Department of Modern and Classical Languages and the Instituto Italiano di Cultura in Santa Francisco.

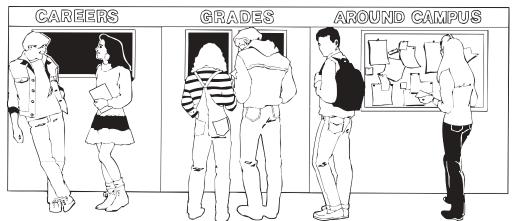
Friday, February 21—In nome del Papa Re (1977) is a historical drama that gives insight into the history of Italy. Winner of the David di Donatello award, the film is directed by Luigi Magni.

Friday, February 28—La notte di San Lorenzo (1982), directed by Paolo and Vittorio Taviani, takes place in Tuscany during August of 1944.

Friday, March 7—Zuppa di Pesce (1992), directed by Fiorella Infascelli, is set between the 1950's and 1970's on the Tuscan coast.

Remember the April 11th Retiree Dinner Dance!

The 2002-2003 Retiree Dinner and Dance will be held April 11 in the cafeteria in the Doyle Student Center on the Santa Rosa campus. The reception will start at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. Music will be provided by the Steve Morris Band. The menu includes tri-tip steak and pasta served with beans, salad, garlic bread, dessert, and beverages. Cost is \$15 per person. For more information, contact Leslie McCauley at 527-4248 or Laurie Beard at 524-1826.



We Tip Our Hats

Carole Bennett, BOT Instructor and SRJC Staff Development Coordinator starting in the fall, completed her first half marathon earlier this month, running a 13-mile course in the hills at Santa Catalina Island. Carole said, "It was beautiful! Mind you, I placed absolutely no records, but I did complete it!"

Baby News

Congratulations to Sabrina Profeta-Meyer, Human Resources Assistant Director, and her husband, Greg, on the birth of their

son, Joseph Wellington Meyer, born on January 31, 2003, at 11:00 p.m. exactly. He weighed in at 8lbs., 3ozs. and was 20 1/2 inches long. Big sister Sarah and the rest of the family are doing "fantastic!"

Bear Cubs to Compete for Conference Title on Friday February 21

SRJC's Basketball Team beat Los Medanos this week, 82-67, putting the Bear Cubs in competition with Diablo Valley College for the Bay Valley Conference Championship. The two schools will face each other on Friday, February 21, in Haehl Pavilion at 8 p.m. The Bear Cubs are ranked third in Northern California and fifth in the State.

Reception for Frank George

Frank George, Locksmith for SRJC, is retiring after being our "key person" on campus for 20 years! We are going to miss Frank's hard work. How many times has he come to the rescue for broken keys stuck in locks, file cabinets that won't open, handicap doors not working, parking gate arms not functioning, and so many other services!? It's difficult to imagine how many keys Frank has made, probably an astronomical amount! The members of Facilities Operations will especially miss Frank's friendly wit, mischievous laugh, and frequent greetings, like "Good morning, ladies, I'm here. Doesn't that just make your day?" or "Have no fear, Frank is here!" Yes, we'll miss Frank!

The campus is invited to join Facilities Operations to honor Frank at a reception scheduled on Friday, February 28, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Facilities Operations Office. Please come to help wish Frank the very best in his new adventures in retirement!

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