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Staff News for Santa Rosa Junior College, August 15, 2003

## Parking Alternative: Please Notify Students in Your Classes Next Week!

With construction now being initiated on the Santa Rosa campus that obstructs current parking capacity, the College is pleased to announce that it has secured 200 additional student parking spaces on the second floor of the Santa Rosa Plaza garage to the northwest of Macy's for the 2003-04 school year. This is directly west of the garage up-ramp to the second floor.

The District will operate a shuttle bus to and from SRJC's Santa Rosa campus Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The 28-passenger bus will pick up students on the roadway between Macy's and the garage and deliver them to the center of campus on Scholars Way between Baker Hall and Bailey Hall.

The distance each way is 1.5 miles, and the shuttle offers an easy alternative to the congestion and impact of on-campus parking. The trip takes approximately five to ten minutes one way. We anticipate this arrangement continuing through October or early winter.

Signs will be posted on the second floor of the parking garage to direct students at the ground level pickup point and on Scholars Way. For more information you may contact the District Police Department at 527-1000.

## Reservations for Chamber Breakfast Due Aug. 19

SRJC faculty and staff are urged to make reservations as soon as possible for the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce Education and Business Partnership Breakfast scheduled on Thursday, August 28 from 7:00-9:00 a.m. at the Flamingo Resort Hotel.

Attendees should forward checks for \$25 per person to the **Public Relations Office by August 19** made out to the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce. The Flamingo is located at 4<sup>th</sup> Street and Farmer's Lane in Santa Rosa.

This important event recognizes exemplary teachers from kindergarten through university level in Sonoma County. This year's SRJC nominees for the Excellence in Education Award are **Gina Lord**, Business Administration; **Becky Brown-Watson**, Biology; and **Terrence Kelly**, P.E., Dance and Athletics.

Since all nominees are honored at the event and one teacher from each educational level will be selected to receive the award, please support your colleagues by attending this community recognition event.

For more information, call the Chamber of Commerce at 545-1414 or the Public Relations Office at 527-4266.

## Student Information & Welcome Days Scheduled Sept. 3 & 4

Student Information & Welcome Days are held to enhance student success and retention, while simultaneously bringing the SRJC community together in celebration of the new academic year. Scheduled for Wednesday, September 3 at the Santa Rosa campus and on Thursday, September 4 at the Petaluma campus, this year's event will be both informative and fun-filled, offering various booths that spotlight SRJC's many student and instructional services and programs, as well as music, games, food, and many other surprises. Plus faculty and staff who show their staff ID will receive a free hot dog lunch!

All SRJC faculty, staff, new and returning students, and prospective students are strongly encouraged to participate. For current students or for individuals who would like to become an SRJC student in the future, Student Information & Welcome Days will give you an opportunity to *get valuable information about student success* and to experience firsthand the many ways that the SRJC campus community supports students while enrolled.

This year's theme, *Doing More With Less - Serving, Leading, Teaching*, reflects the challenges that all California community colleges now face because of severe budget cuts by the state, which will impact SRJC for several years. Student Information & Welcome Days will emphasize to our students, faculty and staff how SRJC can continue to follow and achieve our institutional mission and goals of "serving, leading, teaching" in spite of having fewer resources.

Don't miss this unique opportunity to get to know your colleagues and students better. Call 527-4424 for more information.

## Deadline Extended for Harvey Hansen Barbecue

The deadline for making reservations for the Harvey Hansen barbecue, held at the college's Shone Farm, has been extended to **August 18**. Reservation forms have been distributed through campus mail and should be sent with a check to Susan St. Clair in Business Services. The cost is \$12.50 per person, and checks can be made payable to SRJC. SRJC employees who were hired within the last 10 months enter free as special guests for the evening. The event takes place on Friday, August 22. Call 524-1532 for more information about this wonderful event!

*Welcome*

to  
Student Information &  
Welcome Days:

Santa Rosa Campus (Doyle Center Patio)  
Wednesday, September 3  
10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Petaluma Campus (on the Quad)  
Thursday, September 4  
10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

## We Tip Our Hats

Congratulations to Media Services Manager **Russ Bowden**, who received the Outstanding Colleague Award from SRJC's management team. The newly created award honors a manager who has demonstrated outstanding skills or contributions in team building, in improving morale or building trust, in supporting programs and services, and/or in assisting others to realize their goals. Russ Bowden was selected as the first recipient of the award and was honored by his colleagues at the Management Team cook-it-yourself dinner on June 5 held at the SRJC's Culinary Arts Center. Kris Abrahamson, Dean of Arts, Culture and Communication, commented, "Russ was selected for his integrity, his commitment, and his willingness to assist others to realize their goals. While usually working out of the spotlight, Russ contributes to many successful events on campus, provides outstanding media support for numerous departments, and provides support for other management team members through his work as a management team liaison and professional development coordinator."

SRJC Counselor **Jean Davis** has been selected to attend the Sonoma County Leadership Institute for Ecology and the Environment for 2003-04. She will attend nine all-day training sessions dealing with topics such as housing, employment and agriculture.

## Sign Up Now for Bear Cub Golf Tournament



It's time to make reservations for the Bear Cub Athletic Trust 2003 Golf Tournament, scheduled for Monday, October 6 at Windsor Golf Course. Although the reservation deadline is not until September 29, people are strongly advised to send in their checks early, since the event typically fills before the deadline. Entry forms are available at the Foundation Office and at the P.E., Dance & Athletics Department Office.

The entry fee is \$135 per person and includes lunch, dinner, refreshments, range balls, cart, tee prizes, awards, a raffle and silent auction. There is a \$35 charge for extra dinners. Awards will be given for men's long drive, women's long drive, closest to the pin, and hole in one.

Send your check with the entry form to Lenny Wagner in the P.E., Dance & Athletics Department. Make checks payable to the SRJC Foundation and write "Golf Tournament" on the memo line.

For more information, contact Ron Myers at 524-1849 or Lenny Wagner at 527-4393.

## Housing Assistance Available in CyBear Center

The Student Off-campus Housing Assistance Office (SocHA), under the umbrella of SRJC Student Affairs, is located in the CyBear Center in the Doyle Student Center. The office is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Students seeking housing assistance can call 527-4433 or check at the front desk in the CyBear Center for an in-person appointment. Housing information is also available at [www.santarosa.edu/och/](http://www.santarosa.edu/och/). The Web site allows staff members to post an available room, apartment or house.

Deborah Wooten, SRJC Student Support Coordinator, reports that SOcHA has been highly utilized this summer. "I have provided extensive one-on-one assistance to many landlords and students in person and over the telephone. There have been over 3,900 hits on the SRJC housing Web page for July 2003 alone," she commented.

Housing assistance is an informational service only. The Student Affairs Office has not inspected, certified or approved housing properties. It is recommended that each student inspect the unit and meet the landlord or property manager and other tenants before signing a contract.

All on-campus housing assistance-related mail should now be directed to the Student Affairs mailbox in Bailey Hall, since there is no longer a Kent Hall mailbox.

## Applications Available to Teach in London and Florence

Applications are being accepted for faculty who are interested in teaching in the fall 2004 London and spring 2005 Florence study abroad programs. The deadline to apply for the programs is Friday, September 5, 2003. Applications are available by calling the office of the Dean of Instruction, Educational Programs and Services, ext. 4441.

Faculty from all disciplines are invited to apply, however, the emphasis of the curriculum must have breadth of student appeal. The principal role of the semester abroad faculty is to teach, and a considerable amount of time must be spent prior to departure assisting with the program promotion and student orientation. Participating faculty also serve as advisors to students during the program. SRJC's study abroad program is offered in cooperation with other community colleges and with the American Institute for Foreign Study.



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