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Staff News for Santa Rosa Junior College, November 5, 2004



Library and Parking Structure Construction Update

Watching the library structure go up on the Santa Rosa Campus is fascinating and exciting. The cooperation of the entire college community is instrumental to the success of this construction project. The following is a brief status report of the library project according to Curt Groninga, Vice President of Administrative Services.

Photos by James Blue For three weeks starting November 1, the west side of the Doyle Student Center will be closed during regular working hours (7 AM - 4:30 PM) as the major steel installation of the new library occurs, affecting the Student Lounge, Cyber Bear, and Reentry Services. The Doyle breezeway will remain open. Staff members working in these affected areas should check with Scott Thomas of Wright Contracting daily before moving in and out of the Doyle Student Center to make sure that construction work is finished for the day. The Analy outdoor studios should not be occupied during these construction work hours either. Although most of the steel work is completed in that area, staff is cautioned, as the crane still occasionally arches in that direction, and bolts can drop off causing damage.

If the installation of 11 steel column grid lines moves forward in a satisfactory pace in the next weeks, the main crane may be removed by November 18. As the building expands toward Elliott, the time-consuming bolting and welding of 40 major columns will ensue. The south stairwell has been installed, and the central stairwell will continue its installation through November 24. Concrete fill in the floor pans will continue through November 26.

Once the steel installation work is complete and the last beam set, ironworkers will have a topping out ceremony by painting the final beam white for the ironworkers' signatures before it is enclosed. They may also place an evergreen tree or bough on the structure. This ancient ritual dates as far back to 700 A.D. when the Scandinavians hoisted an evergreen tree atop the ridgepole as a popular way to signal the completion of a project. An evergreen from the College's Shone Farm will, hopefully, be used as part of the topping out ceremony.

Note: The following size comparison of SRJC facilities and construction projects underway on both campuses:

Compared to the construction of the multilevel parking structure, the Frank P. Doyle Library will be the largest SRJC facility at 140,000 gross square feet (98,000+/-assignable).

Emeritus Hall is 58,836 gross and 33,746 assignable square feet.

Existing Plover Library is 34,701 gross and 28,830 assignable.

The Frank P. Doyle Library is nearly as large as the combined square footage for the Public Safety Training Center (77,754 gross sf) and Petaluma Campus (80,259 gross sf). The Petaluma Phase II project will add an additional 129,000 sf of instructional and support space to the College's inventory.

Current districtwide gross square footage is 920,891 sf.

With the addition of the Library it will move to 1,160,000 sf.

The new multilevel parking structure is designed to accommodate 366,000 gross square feet (77,000 is underground).

Petaluma Phase II should commence in summer 2005.

Look forward to more updates on the construction work will be included in future *Insiders*!









What A Bash!



It wasn't just the ghosts, goblins, witches, and ghouls that attended the Friday, October 29 Halloween Bash on the Santa Rosa Campus, but an incredible array of SRJC faculty and staff members in interesting, creative, unique, and downright awesome costumes!

With a delicious potluck, discerning judges, an exceptionally gorgeous fall day, and an enthusiastic crowd, the revival of SRJC's annual Halloween party was highly successful. We look forward to many more in the coming years!

Can you recognize your many friends and colleagues among the prizewinners of the costume contest? What excellent ideas!

Grand Prize Winner - "Notice of Absence" by the Human Resources
Department, including Charles Prickett, Wendy Hill, Anne McLain, Louise
Burke, Lisa Boyer, Sara Potter, Karen Furukawa, Sarah Hopkins, Sabrina
Meyer, Susan Muskar, Brenda Livingstone, Bridget Hodenfeld. Grand prize, a
weekend get-a-way at a Bodega Bay hideway!

Best Impersonator, Individual - Vince Bertsch as "Lord of the Nazgul" **Best Original Person, Individual** - Cathleen Cummings as Martha Stewart

Scariest Individual - Diane Larson as Frank P. Doyle back from his grave discovered under the new library site

Funniest Group - The Payroll Department, "We're Your Bread & Butter," included Deepa Desai, Roz Ringle, Amanda Holliger, Kathy Raines, Lisa Hotchkiss, Jackie DeLap

Funniest Individual - Sally Miller as a "Cheap Date"

The Group that Spent Too Much Time on Their Costume - The "Doyle Divas," including Sherrie Arendt, Merle Martin and Corey Mason

The Individual that Looked Better in their Costume than She Does in Work Clothes - Diane Traversi as an "Angel" (yeah right!)

The Individual Who Spent Too Much Time on Her Costume - Pat Soran as

the "Queen of Hearts"

The Nerdiest
Individual
Costume Patrick
Street as "D
Street"

The Most Original Group- Carrie Stillman and two students as the "Energetic 80's Dance Teacher by Day...Rockstar

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Special Thanks!

Let's not forget a special thanks to our wonderful judges and to the following individuals and groups that donated door prizes to this fall event: The SRJC Bookstore, the Community Education Department, the SRJC Culinary Cafe, the SRJC Athletic Department, the Student Activities Office, Highfeather, Summer Repertory Theatre, Uncle Frank Zwolinski, and Dr. Robert Agrella. Thanks too to SRJC's custodial, grounds, and media departments for their invaluable assistance that helped make this event so much fun. See you all next year for more tricks and treats!

Earthquake Safety

With recent quakes in Northern California, please review the following earthquake safety information to keep yourself safe should a quake occur.

WHEN THE SHAKING BEGINS

Locate cover and hold on! Move only a few steps to a nearby safe place. It could as simple as stepping into an office or classroom doorway. Stay indoors until the shaking stops.

- Stay away from windows. Expect that in a typical SRJC building during a strong shake, the fire alarms and sprinklers may be activated.
- If you are outdoors, find a clear spot away from buildings, oak trees, and power lines. Sit down on the ground.
- · If you are in a car, slow down and drive to a clear place (as described above). Stay in the car until the shaking stops.

WHEN THE SHAKING STOPS

- Check yourself for injuries. Look around your immediate and area and make a mental note of any obvious dangers such as broken glass or fallen building material.
- · Check others for injuries. Locate the first aid kit if needed and administer first aid to the level to which you have been trained.
- · Notify JC Police (527-1000) if medical or fire is needed.
- Both conventional wired phones and cell phones may be out of service, so you may have to improvise by sending someone to the police department to notify them of your situation.
- · Take roll if you have classroom responsibilities. If in an office, locate your coworkers and make a list of who is present and who is missing.
- Look for and extinguish small fires using fire extinguishers or cabinet mounted fire hoses if available. Eliminate fire hazards by turning off any electrical devices that could be come active when power is restored. Listen to AM radio KSRO 1350 for instructions.
- · Expect aftershocks.
- · Inspect your home for damage. Get everyone out if your home is unsafe.
- · Use the telephone only to report life-threatening emergencies.

PREPAREDNESS TIPS

- · Check with the American Red Cross for tips on preparing your home.
- · Keep an emergency preparedness kit at home as well as in your vehicle.
- Use an out of state friend of relative as a contact point to exchange family information since local phone service may be disputed.
- · Back up your computer data once a month and keep in a separate location.
- Keep an extra set of records and teaching aids in case you cannot reenter your office or work environment again.

Contact Don Silverek at silverek@santarosa.edu with any questions.

In Sympathy

Dr. John Ray, Santa Rosa Junior College Instructor, passed away at home in Santa Rosa on Thursday, October 21, 2004. His battle with cancer was tragically interrupted by complications suffered in a car accident and resulting stroke.

John was hired by the SRJC in 1970 to develop the Ethnic Studies Department. In successive years he wrote and taught courses in ethnic studies, political science, and sociology, one of which, Sociology 30, is still being offered here. He was a member of the N.A.A.C.P., was integral in guiding the Black Student Union when it was first established at the College, and helped establish the annual Martin Luther King Day celebration and barbeque in Santa Rosa. Among his many interest, his biggest passion was teaching, as he was never more inspired than when he was in the classroom.

A memorial service was held to honor and celebrate John's life on Friday, October 29, 2004, at the Eggen and Lance Mortuary. Memorial contributions can be made to the Dr. John A. Ray Memorial Scholarship Fund, Exchange Bank, 136 Calistoga Road, Santa Rosa CA, 95409.

John's passing has left a huge void; he will be deeply, deeply missed.

Alice's Adventures In Wonderland

SRJC's Theatre Arts Department will present "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland" on the Santa Rosa Campus, Burbank Auditorium, throughout the month:

November 19, 20, 24, 26*, 26, 27*, 27, and 28* at 8:00 PM and *2:00 PM.

Tickets: \$12 General, \$8 Students and Seniors, \$6 Children 5-12.

Since its publication in 1865 by Lewis Carroll, Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, a timeless masterpiece, has shown countless generations that in Wonderland "something interesting is sure to happen" and always does. Experience the unforgettable language and memorable characters in SRJC's spectacular performance that celebrates the power of the imagination!

Contact Mollie Boice at ext. 4263 for more information. For tickets, call ext. 4342.

Order Pies By Nov 17

With the Thanksgiving holidays quickly approaching, SRJC's Bakery at the Brickyard is taking orders now for freshly baked apple, pecan, and pumpkin pies, plus rolls and cranberry relish! Fax or e-mail your orders by Wednesday, November 17 at fax 576-0261 or jansderson@santarosa.edu, and plan to pick up your order on Wednesday, November 24 at the Culinary Arts Center at 458 B Street in downtown Santa Rosa.

These holiday treats will be delicious! Prices: 9" apple, pecan, pumpkin pies \$10; one dozen dinner rolls \$5; cranberry relish \$3.50. Pay with cash or credit card at time of pick up.

Winter Closure

For SRJC's winter holiday closure, the District will be closed from December 24, 2004 through January 2, 2005 or 10 consecutive days, including weekends. The District is open for business on Thursday, December 23, 2004, until 5:00 PM. Winter closure stands as follows:

Friday, Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Holiday Monday, Dec. 27 - Christmas Day Holiday Tuesday, Dec. 28 - Floating Holiday Wednesday, Dec. 29 - Board-Granted Holiday Thursday, Dec. 30 - New Year's Eve Holiday Friday, Dec. 31 - New Year's Day Holiday



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