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Staff News for Santa Rosa Junior College, April 7, 2005

Onita Pellegrini Appointed Board Trustee

At a special meeting of SRJC's Board of Trustees on Tuesday, March 22, Ms. Onita Pellegrini was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board as a result of the resignation of Trustee Kathleen Doyle in February.

Born and raised in Petaluma, Ms. Pellegrini currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer of the Petaluma Area Chamber of Commerce. She is active in numerous community organizations and committees and has served on the Sonoma County Planning Commission, as President of the Petaluma Rotary Club, board member of the Petaluma Valley Hospital, and a member of the board of directors of other groups.

"It is my strong desire to become a participant in the future of our community college because I feel I could make a significant contribution to this fine institution. I would like to be able to do what I can to continue the fine tradition of educational relevance in our region that SRJC has built over the years. My experience in advocacy from the local to the state level may be valuable as a member of the Board of Trustees. I would be very proud to sit on the Sonoma County Junior College Board of Trustees," Pellegrini says.

The college community welcomes Trustee Pellegrini!

Trustee Onita Pellegrini sworn in by SRJC Board President Don Zumwalt, left, at March 22 ceremony and reception on Santa Rosa Campus.

Santa Rosa Campus Library Progresses

The first section of scaffolding is now erected on the southeast quadrant of the new Santa Rosa Campus library, and concrete floors and decks are now being completed. Framing for individual offices, study rooms, and other internal rooms will soon follow, as well as exterior metal stud framing, sheathing (a waterproof membrane), and finally the brick cladding.

SRJC Faculty Recognition Awards Presented April 14

The campus community is invited to attend the Academic Senate's Annual Faculty Recognition Awards Ceremony, Thursday, April 14, at 3:00 PM in the Doyle Student Lounge on the Santa Rosa Campus. In addition to 14 faculty awardees, faculty members who have attained tenure this year will also be recognized and the 2006 Tauzer Lecturer will be announced. Award recipients are:

Unsung Hero - Vince Bertsch

Publications - Cathy Burgett

Professional Achievement - Andrea Proehl

Staff Development - Gary Allen

Curriculum Development - Laura Downing Lee

Sabbatical Project -Naneene Van Gelder'

Outstanding Adjunct Faculty - Lyra Bobo & Scott Dunn

Innovative Use of Technology in Education - Barbara Heiman & Davis Mannino

Academic Senate President's Award - Michael Eurgubian, Barbara Croteau & Marjorie Grossman

Alumni and Friends Outstanding Faculty Award - Jon Nelson

Karen Petersen, Marti Estrin and Margarita Montes will be honored as nominees for the *Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce's Excellence in Education Award*. Eric Thompson will be recognized as the recipient of the 2005 NISOD Excellence Award.

In addition to these recognitions, the Faculty Recognition Committee and the Academic Senate would like to congratulate our college nominees for two statewide awards: Lori Kuwabara was nominated for the *Hayward Award*, and Marti Estrin was nominated for the *Stanback-Stroud Diversity Award*.

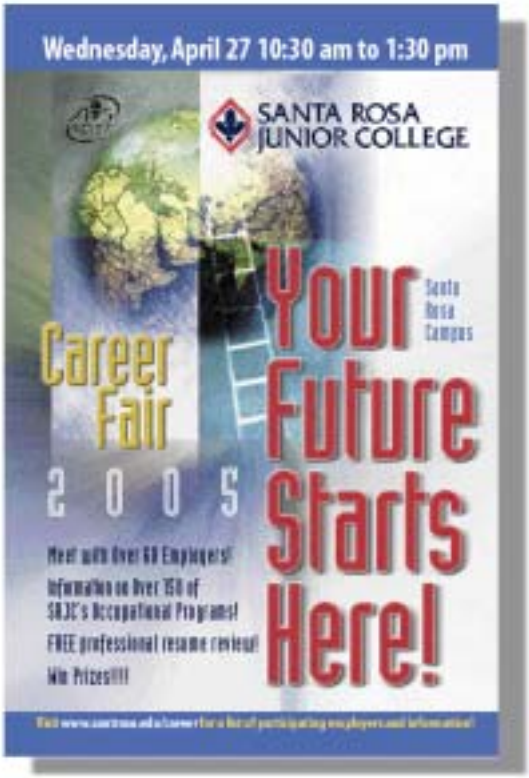
Congratulations to all!

SRJC Career Fair Scheduled April 27

A Career Fair will be held on the Santa Rosa Campus on Wednesday, April 27 from 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM between Analy Hall and the Burbank Center. SRJC students, high school students, and members of the community are invited to this free event.

Over 70 employers are expected to be on site to recruit candidates and provide career and company information about employment opportunities in many fields ranging from health care, finance and nonprofit to technology and government. Many representatives from SRJC's occupational certificate programs, which number over 150, will also be available to discuss SRJC's training programs for job training and career preparation.

Participants are encouraged to carpool, take public transportation, or utilize SRJC's free parking and shuttle service to and from the downtown Macy's parking lot, since parking is limited on campus ($3/ at automated machines). For more information, call 527-4690.



Classified Recognition Week Activities Scheduled April 11-15

The Board of Trustees voted unanimously to proclaim the week of April 11-15 Classified Employees Recognition Week at SRJC. Activities will spotlight some of the many contributions made by classified employees.

DROP-IN RECEPTION APRIL 12 - The college community is invited to attend a special drop-in morning reception hosted by the Board of Trustees and Classified Senate on Tuesday, April 12 from 7:30 to 9:30 AM in the Doyle Center Staff Lounge.

CLASSIFIED STAFF AWARDEES ANNOUNCED - The Classified Senate announced the names of individuals who will be honored during Classified Staff Recognition Week, including:

Outstanding Supervisor - Rich Abrahams, Academic Computing

Outstanding Faculty Member - Dexter Rammage, Trade Technology

Outstanding Classified Staff Member - Unsung Hero - Carol Wolfe, Copy Center

Outstanding Community Service by a Classified Staff Member - Rafael Vasquez, EOPS

President's Award - Doug Kuula, Chemistry

Outstanding Contributions as a Classified Employee- Ruben Ochoa, Petaluma Campus

CLASSIFIED STAFF RECOGNITION & AWARDS DINNER APRIL 14 - Join in the celebration of these outstanding awardees at the annual Classified Staff Recognition and Awards Dinner set for ***Thursday, April 14***. The ***deadline for reservations is noon on Friday, April 8***. Check the Classified Senate Web site for a reservation form at http://www.santarosa.edu/csenate/classified_recognition_week.htm .

ART WORKS ON THE PETALUMA CAMPUS THRU APRIL 22 - Another event underway is the Classified Employees Art Show "Art Works" on the Petaluma Campus held through April 22 in the Mahoney Library.

ART WORKS RECEPTION APRIL 13 - Featuring the works by classified employees, an Opening Reception sponsored by the Classified Senate is scheduled on Wednesday, April 13 from 5:00-7:00 PM in the Mahoney Library. The college community is invited.

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A Celebration of National Poetry Month:

Favorite Poem Community Reading

Hosted by Sonoma County Poet Laureate, Terry Ehret

MONDAY APRIL 11 12:15-1:30 PM
Room 1, Plover Library, Santa Rosa Campus

During his years as Poet Laureate, Robert Pinsky started a national program of Favorite Poem Community Readings. Since then over a thousand events have been held all across the United States. Local Favorite Poem readings allow diverse members of a single community to come together for an afternoon or evening to share unique personal treasures: the poems they love. Join us for a special noontime reading featuring members of the student community, classified staff, faculty, administration, and special guests from the community. Young, old, in suits or blue jeans, rapping or dithyrambing, all are invited to this lively celebration of words. If you are interested in presenting your own favorite poem at this event, please contact Terry Ehret at tehret99@comcast.net for details and an entry form. Ten readers will be selected from these entries. Readers will be limited to 5 minutes each. Deadline February 15, 2005.

EOPS Student Honors Reception April 19

Hosted by the EOPS/CARE Program Staff and Advisory Committee, the accomplishments of our EOPS students will be spotlighted at the EOPS Student Honors Reception on Tuesday, April 19 from noon to 1:30 PM in the Student Lounge of the Doyle Student Center. The achievements of EOPS Honor Roll students from 2004 will be acknowledged, with 23 students receiving scholarships and awards.

If you plan to attend, be sure to **RSVP by April 15** if you plan to attend **to ext. 4383** or e-mail Pam Gonsalves.

Scholarship Recipients

Continuing: Lisa Albertson-Human Services, Martha Armas-Child Development, Jacqueline Buitrago-Human Services, Damaris Caro-Child Development, Rajnish Chaudhary-Digital Media Arts, Esther De La Torre-Radiologic Technology, Lorenzo Lopez-Nursing, Cynthia Molina-Administrative Assistant, Antonia Navarra-Film/Cinema, Rick Robertson-Psychology, Bernardo Ruiz-Sociology, Kathryn Spillane-Business Administration, Heidi Stevens-Business Administration, Wartiningsih Susilo-Liberal Studies, Krista Williams-Athletic Training, Emmanuel Wolfe-Business Administration.

Fall 2005 Transfer students include: Meagan Cardillo-English, Kimberly Ott-Ethnic Studies/Sociology, Sheila Sanchez-English, Pamela Wallace-Criminal Justice, Gerald Meyer-Psychology

2004 EOPS Outstanding Students, Marlyn Garcia - Psychology and Geovani Mejia-Salazar – Economics

Earth-Friendly SRJC Doing Its Part

Assembly Bill 75 requires that colleges divert at least 50 percent of their waste from landfill. SRJC's 2004 diversion rate was 78.8 percent, making our College a very earth-friendly organization! It is our combined effort that has made our effort so successful.

SRJC has long recycled many materials, including all our green waste, construction debris, oil, batteries, scrap metal, used refrigerators, wood, brass bullets from the firing range, grass clippings (grass clippings are left on the lawns to be filtered back in, requiring less fertilization), paper, tires, fluroscent light tubes, computers (donated to schools and nonprofits), glass, plastic, aluminum, as well as doing informal material exchanges through e-mail for office supplies. We also buy many products made from recycled materials, such as our campus benches and carpet, which are made from recycled content (and are also recyclable). All ordered paper across the College is made with 30 percent recycled content. By conducting Surplus Sales, our surplus materials find a new home (not the landfill).

In addition, SRJC's Recycling Crew provides collecting services to college staff and students to pick up:

CRV beverage containers - glass, aluminum, plastic drink containers, etc.

Mixed paper - colored, astro brite, news, notebook, office, etc.

Cardboard - They will pickup broken down and flattened boxes, but be sure to place them near a recycling bin in your building.

There are many other products you might use on campus that can be taken home and recycled in a residential recycling program that can't be recycled on campus, such as milk cartons, food cans, plastic yogurt containers, and juice boxes. Help maintain SRJC's outstanding recycling effort by taking recyclables home and placing them in your big blue single stream bin.

Other recycling reminders: paper coffee cups and paper towels belong in the trash, print double-sided whenever you have a document with more that one page, use recycled paper for copying when possible, advertise throughout the college if you have surplus materials in your department before sending them to the Warehouse, and buy products made from recycled materials in the Office Depot catalog.

Spring 2005 Managers Training Scheduled

The following training opportunities are scheduled for managers in April. Contact **kabrahamson@santarosa.edu** or 524-1519 with questions.

Preventing Sexual Harassment - MANDATORY
Friday, April 8, 1:30 - 3 PM
Plover Room 1
Presenter: Charles Prickett, District Compliance Officer

Legal Update for the Management Team
Friday, April 22, 1:30 - 3 PM
Plover Room 1
Presenter: Bob Henry, Legal Counsel

Highlights of legal issues important to community colleges. Please e-mail Kris with any items of particular concern or interest. Management team members strongly encouraged to attend.

Coffee and Conversation
Friday, April 29, 9:00 to 10:00 AM
Oak Room

In Sympathy

On behalf of the college community, we extend our deepest sympathy to a number of our colleagues who recently lost dear family members.

Our condolences to **Rich Cheek** at the recent passing of his mother Shirley Adams. Rich is a full-time Instructor and Coordinator of our Hospitality Program.

Our sympathy to Life Sciences Instructor **Steve Barnhart** and his family for the loss of his mother Lena in late March who passed away at 90, as well as the recent loss of sister Diana Riley.

Our sympathy also goes out to **Victor Cummings,** Dean of Letters and Social Sciences, whose father John F. Cummings passed away last week in New York at 87. A memorial service is being planned in April in honor of his father who was a retired architect, avid painter, musician, and carpenter.

Our condolences to Theatre Arts Instructor and SRT's Creative Director **Frank Zwolinski** for the loss of his father Frank "Ski" Zwolinski who passed away on Wednesday, March 23, in Mountain View. He was 86. A memorial service celebrating Frank, Sr.'s life was held on April 3, as well as an April 4 private internment with full military honors. Any contributions in Mr. Zwolinski's name may be made to SRJC's Summer Repertory Theatre (SRT).

SIGN UP NOW! Last Chance for Retiree Dinner Reservations

Mark your calendars to attend the Retiree Dinner scheduled on April 22 and help honor SRJC's many retirees. The event will be held at the Doyle Center, Santa Rosa Campus. The evening's schedule: Social 5:00 PM; Dinner Seating 5:45 PM; Program 7:00 PM.

The price of the delicious dinner by Highfeather is $16 per person. Make **reservations before April 15** with Maria Gaitan in the President's Office, ext. 4431.

Noel Adams
Counseling

Gary Anderson
Earth & Space Sciences

Ed Buckley
Academic Affairs

Jan Butcher
Mathematics

Martha Carpenter
English

Chris Christopher
Life Sciences

Loretta Denner
English

Rick Eleen *
Public Safety/Facilities

Anna Harriette Foshee
Music

Sarah Gill
Art

Howard Harris
Communication Studies

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Art

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Social Sciences

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Work Experience

Renee Robinson *
Bus Office Tech/Computer Info Sci

Ron Root
Business Services

Ann Samson
English

Tony Taylor
Chemistry

Bill Turner
Student Services

*as of 4/5/05

Friday, April 22, 2005
5:00 - 9:00 P.M.
[Dinner Seating – 5:45 pm; Program – 7:00 pm]
SRJC Café at Doyle Student Center

COST: $16.00 PER PERSON
(Non Refundable)

Note: Parking is FREE. There will be NO ticketing of cars.

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RESERVATION

Submit this form with your check to Maria Gaitan in the President's Office no later than April 15.
Checks should be made payable to: Santa Rosa Junior College.

Please make _____ reservations for the 2004-05 Retiree Dinner for:

_____
Attendee's Name (Please print)

Please indicate menu choice:
Menu: Chicken _____ OR Vegetarian _____

_____
Attendee's Name (Please print)

Menu: Chicken _____ OR Vegetarian _____

SRJC's Growing Petaluma Campus

The exciting second phase of the build out of SRJC's Petaluma Campus is underway. The project is expected to receive state funding approval this summer and go out to bid in late summer or fall 2005. The build out will triple the size of the current campus from 70,000 to 200,000 square feet and potentially double campus enrollment capacity to 12,500 students when the final construction is complete in 2008.

Petaluma's construction project will be phased with parking improvements and the maintenance center to ensure adequate parking. New buildings will be constructed followed by renovations of existing facilities once occupants can be moved to new or temporary facilities.

The expanded campus will see the addition of six new buildings, including a new library, a classroom, administration and faculty office building, a larger bookstore, a physical education building, a maintenance complex, and an added science wing. The existing library will be converted to a large lecture hall, the cafeteria will expand into the current bookstore, and the front of the campus will be renovated for expanded student services.

The new 50,000 square foot library will be the heart of its Phase II expansion, and will be highlighted by a prominent community reading room that will serve a hub for library and campus literary and cultural events, including art exhibition space. It will contain many sustainable design features, such as a high efficiency raised-plenum HVAC system, natural ventilation, and ample daylighting features including a dramatic window-wall oriented to the backdrop of Sonoma Mountain.

SRT Seeks Housing For Summer Students

SRT needs housing for approximately 75 students who will participate in SRT's summer program between May 20 and August 8.

Please help support this excellent learning opportunity by making a room available to a student. If you or any of your friends, neighbors, and family have space, please contact Elizabeth Bazzano at happyphantome7@yahoo.com or at 566-0225. SRT greatly appreciates your help!

SRT Expands To New Windsor Warehouse

Made possible by bond funds through Measure A, Summer Repertory Theatre (SRT) has expanded to a new facility across from the Windsor Public Safety Training Center, sharing a space with Purchasing, Theater Arts, Public Safety, and Media Services.

For13 years, the Theater Arts Warehouse was packed into a West Third Street facility near Old Railroad Square with no amenities. SRT's new Windsor site at 5750 Skylane Boulevard is secure and well insulated. Costumes were moved March 28-30, and props followed on April 4 and 5.

The scope of the move included moving a huge collection of supplies, furniture, props, and costumes for the five plays performed during the academic year and another five plays produced by SRT each summer. Theater Arts staff members Maryanne Scozzari, Frank Zwolinski, and Julia Kwitchoff supervised the relocation of all the costumes and props, while the packing and cleaning was supervised by an STNC worker and SRJC alum Andy Raaberg with the help of student workers. Members of SRT extend thanks to the huge team that made the move possible: Jay Carpenter, Tim Bosma, D'Ann Moore, Raoul Yriberri, Paul Bielen, Nancy Moorhead, Solomon Ghebretensae, Robbyn Mintenko-Cresta, and the Bekins consultant.

Safety Awareness - First Aid Kits

Student Health Services provides First Aid Kits across the college that are strategically located so that all employees have quick and easy access to first aid supplies in the event of an accident. Don't wait for an emergency to know how to effectively respond to incidents.

All SRJC staff members need to know where the nearest First Aid Kit is located in their work area. Check with your supervisor to identify the kit's location. Be certain that the kit is clearly labeled for easy identification. Label any cupboard or closet if the kit is kept behind doors.

Be sure to use the "First Aid Kit Supplies Reorder Form" inside each kit whenever new supplies are needed. Send completed Reorder Forms to Student Health Services. Supplies will then be returned to departments through campus mail. Be sure to include the department's First Aid Kit identification number and a contact name in the department. Staff members are also urged to take basic first aid courses when offered.

Contact Joan Joinville at Student Health Services at 524-1544 for more information.

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