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Welcome Back - Fall 2005

The Fall 2005 Semester will soon begin full of expectation and with broad activities scheduled throughout the year. If you have news notes to share with our internal staff and faculty, the *Insider* offers a weekly avenue to get the word out. Be sure to forward information to Public Relations via e-mail to sbagbymatthews@santarosa.edu by noon on Tuesdays for inclusion in weekly editions. Above all, have an excellent semester!

Education & Business Partnership Breakfast Scheduled August 23

Be sure to make reservations today for the August 23 Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce 20th Annual Education & Business Partnership Breakfast that is scheduled from 7-9 AM at the Hyatt Vineyard Creek in downtown Santa Rosa. Forward your check to Susan Matthews in Public Relations no later than Wednesday, August 12 made out to the "Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce" with a check note indicating "Partnership Breakfast." You may also drop your check off at the Chamber if you miss this deadline. The cost per person is \$25; a reserved table for eight \$300.

The breakfast brings business people and educators together to honor the many contributions that teachers make to our community and students, so this event is a wonderful opportunity to spotlight some outstanding SRJC faculty members who have been nominated as possible recipients of the Excellence in Education Award, which will be presented at the breakfast. Nominees include: Karen Petersen, Librarian, Petaluma Campus; Marti Estrin, Instructor, ESL; and, Margarita Montes, Adjunct Instructor, ESL. The breakfast is an excellent time to celebrate with your colleagues and network with community members.

10th Anniversary CalPERS Long-Term Care Program

The 10th Anniversary of the CalPERS Long-Term Care Program represents a milestone in helping California public employees plan for the serious issue of long-term care. With over 175,000 members, the program has proven itself to be stable and secure, and has continued to grow in popularity.

For the 10th Anniversary Application Period, CalPERS has developed all new materials, including a DVD to help with planning decisions. If you haven't considered applying for the program, it's a good time to take a closer look. The program is more attractive and affordable this year, giving you additional plan options.

The application period is from May 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005. To request an application kit, call 1 (800) 338-2244 or visit www.calpers.ca.gov. All California public employees (including non-CalPERS members), retirees, their spouses, parents, parents-in-law, and siblings age 18 or older are eligible to apply.

Apply Before Sept 2 To Teach In London and Florence

Applications are being accepted for faculty who are interested in teaching in the Fall 2006 London and Spring 2007 Florence study abroad programs. The deadline to apply for the programs is Friday, September 2, 2005. Applications are available by calling the office of the Dean of Instruction, Educational Programs and Services, (707) 527-4441.

Faculty from all disciplines are invited to apply, however, the proposed curriculum must have broad 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.

Theatre Arts Announces 2005-06 Season

SRJC's Theatre Arts proudly announces the 2005-06 season. "We are very excited about this dynamic season, from both an artistic and educational perspective. We hope you will be, too," says Director Frank Zwolinski.

Please consider joining Theatre Arts as a season subscriber, as well as incorporating the new productions in your classes or organizational activities during the new fiscal year. Remember, tickets are FREE to faculty, staff, and students with an ASB voucher from Pioneer Hall (just bring the voucher to the Theatre Arts box office in the lobby of Burbank to exchange it for a ticket). Contact the Box Office at 527-4342 or 4343.

June Employee of the Month Lilia Flores de Juarez

Congratulations to Lilia Flores de Juarez, Administrative Assistant II for the Petaluma Campus Student Services and Counseling Departments, Santa Rosa Junior College's Employee of the Month for June 2005. Lilia was introduced at the June Board of Trustee Meeting in Petaluma by her supervisor Deanna Hatter, Counselor from Petaluma's Counseling Department. She received an Employee of the Month plaque, season tickets to SRT performances, and gift certificate for the Culinary Café, and other gifts from colleagues and friends. Supervisor Deanna Hatter, Counselor, Petaluma Campus.

"Lilia is highly regarded by Petaluma administrators, faculty, staff, and students. She is always cooperative, helpful, and eager to assist whenever called upon. She provides expertise and assistance to situations using her own initiative, and is very respectful and congenial, even under trying circumstances. Her optimism and approachability is very evident in her professional relationships. She is a great team player for Petaluma Student Services." Deanna emphasizes.

Lilia was born and grew up in Mexico City, and attended college in San Luis Potosi in Mexico where she earned an associate degree. She worked for 14 years as a Dietary Aid in a convalescent hospital before moving to Sonoma County in 1988. Today, she especially enjoys spending time with her husband Juan and their eight-year-old son Bryan and two-year-old daughter Chelsea.

Initially hired by SRJC as an STNC in the Art Department, Lilia assumed her current position in October 2002 performing various key administrative assistant responsibilities for Petaluma's Counseling and Student Services Departments, including clarifying district policies and procedures to students, faculty, staff, adjunct personnel in English and Spanish; training and supervising student assistants and STNCs; maintaining timesheets and serving as the primary resource for the Spanish-speaking student population on campus; overseeing daily activities for Student Services and Counseling such as meetings, taking notes and minutes and maintaining confidential files. Deanna notes that Lilia "goes the extra distance to ensure high quality in her duties and responsibilities. She is very adept with computer technology and uses her knowledge to create professional reports and informational materials. Because she is extremely well organized and accurate, she is an effective resource to for students, faculty, and staff. She always presents a helpful openness and is very willing to try things differently or seek out new and better ways to accomplish her tasks."

Lilia attributes her success at SRJC to having "a passion for my job," noting that her greatest accomplishment is "being able to work with diversity and to understand the needs of the students." While she identifies her greatest challenge as "referring students to the right person, office, or department," she says what she likes most about her job "is everything I do, especially the diversity of the student population and the tasks that I am responsible for." What may surprise others about Lilia's role: "When students see me at my work station, they may not realize that behind the scenes I am responsible for coordinating Student Services and Counseling meetings, that I serve as the primary resource for the Spanish-speaking population, that I create, compose and keyboard many

reports, agendas, directories, plus design and create brochures, forms, flyers, and other informational materials on my own for Student Services, Assessment, Counseling, Admissions and Records in English and Spanish."

Her co-workers identify Lilia's strong work ethic as a key quality that ensures her effectiveness on the job. "She is honest and trustworthy, consistently shows a high level of professional commitment and resourcefulness," says Deanna. "She takes the initiative and uses her creativity to positively address the needs of students, faculty, and staff. She becomes so involved in her activities that she must be reminded to break or take a lunch. Plus she laughs at my jokes!" Counselor Molly Lynch adds, "Lilia is the quintessential Student Services employee. She is warm and welcoming to students, and treats each as special and important. Her welcoming presence and careful attention help students feel safe. She is sensitive to issues of confidentiality, and, whether working with students or colleagues, her judgment and discretion is impeccable. She is a true joy to work with."



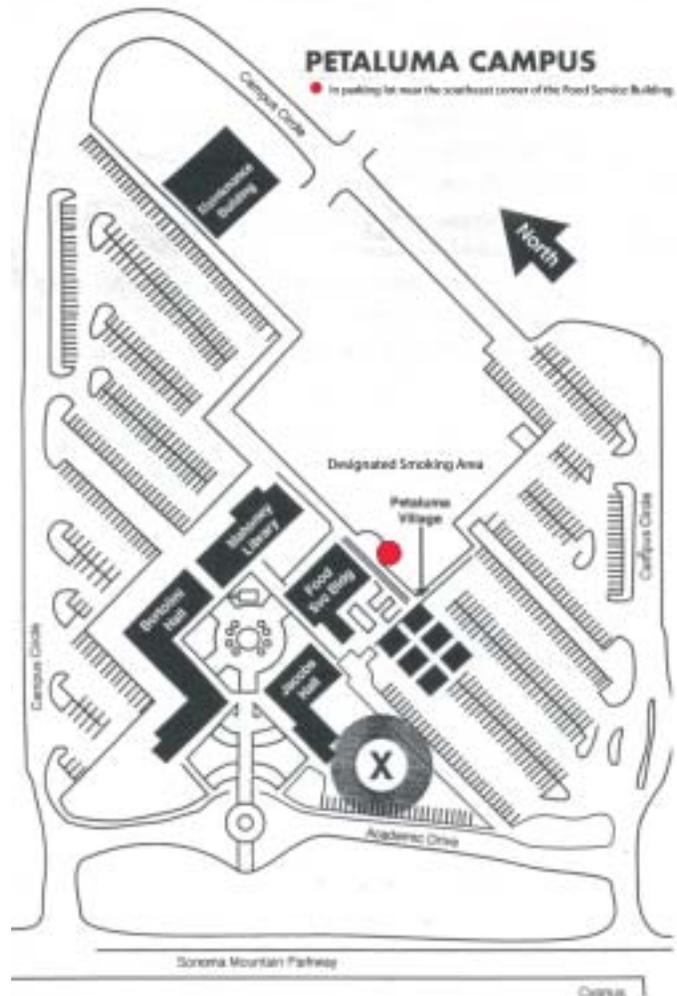
Peggy Floren, ESL Instructor, observes that Lilia assists large numbers of students daily "in a very kind and helpful manner, plus her bilingual skills allow her to assist beginning level Spanish-speaking ESL students and others with their matriculation process. Without her assistance, ESL students would be too nervous about the registration process and might not register for classes. I feel very thankful every day that Lilia is working at the Petaluma Campus."

Because of Lilia's depth of understanding of college and departmental policies, procedures, and information, she is an invaluable resource. Sara Long, Petaluma's Admissions and Records Coordinator, notes that Lilia "is willing to assist with all questions without hesitation and always directs students, faculty, and staff to the appropriate department." Wendy Porter, Work Experience Instructor in Petaluma, adds, "No matter the workload, Lilia consistently offers a helping hand to assist students. She always manages to retain her friendly calm while chaos reigns at the beginning of each semester. While inundated with questions, she graciously worked to translate a flyer into Spanish for an in-call Work Experience presentation for ESL students, and also assisted me out of computer program glitches I've worked my way into."

There appears to be a unanimous support for Lilia's EOM nomination across the Petaluma Campus. "How wonderful that our Lilia is acknowledged in this way as EOM. The best things about her are the way she laughs, - it's infectious - her willingness to learn and support all of us, her commitment to the students, her gentle nature. Lilia has all it takes to do a great job. She is a dear," says Lorol Allegra, Petaluma Counselor. Kimberly Kalember, Executive Assistant to the Vice President, Petaluma Campus, wholeheartedly agrees. "Lilia is a delight every day every time I see her. She brings a consistent display of care, professionalism, commitment, genuine customer service, love, and joy to the staff and students on campus. We are fortunate and blessed to have her." Lilia's a great choice for EOM. She is fabulous and always a pleasure to work with," adds Donna Main, Counseling and Support Services, SR Campus. Lilia's reaction to being nominated as Employee of the Month, "I couldn't believe it, getting an award for just doing my job!"

SRJC DESIGNATED SMOKING AREAS

Effective at the start of the Fall 2005 Semester, signage will be installed on both campuses, the Shone Farm, and the Windsor Public Safety Training Center that read "Designated Smoking Area" where students, faculty, staff, and visitors may smoke. The designated areas are intended as a one-year phase in of a smoke-free Sonoma County Junior College District. The cooperation of the entire college community is appreciated to ensure that SRJC's no-smoking policy is enforced. The locations of the designated smoking areas are as follows:

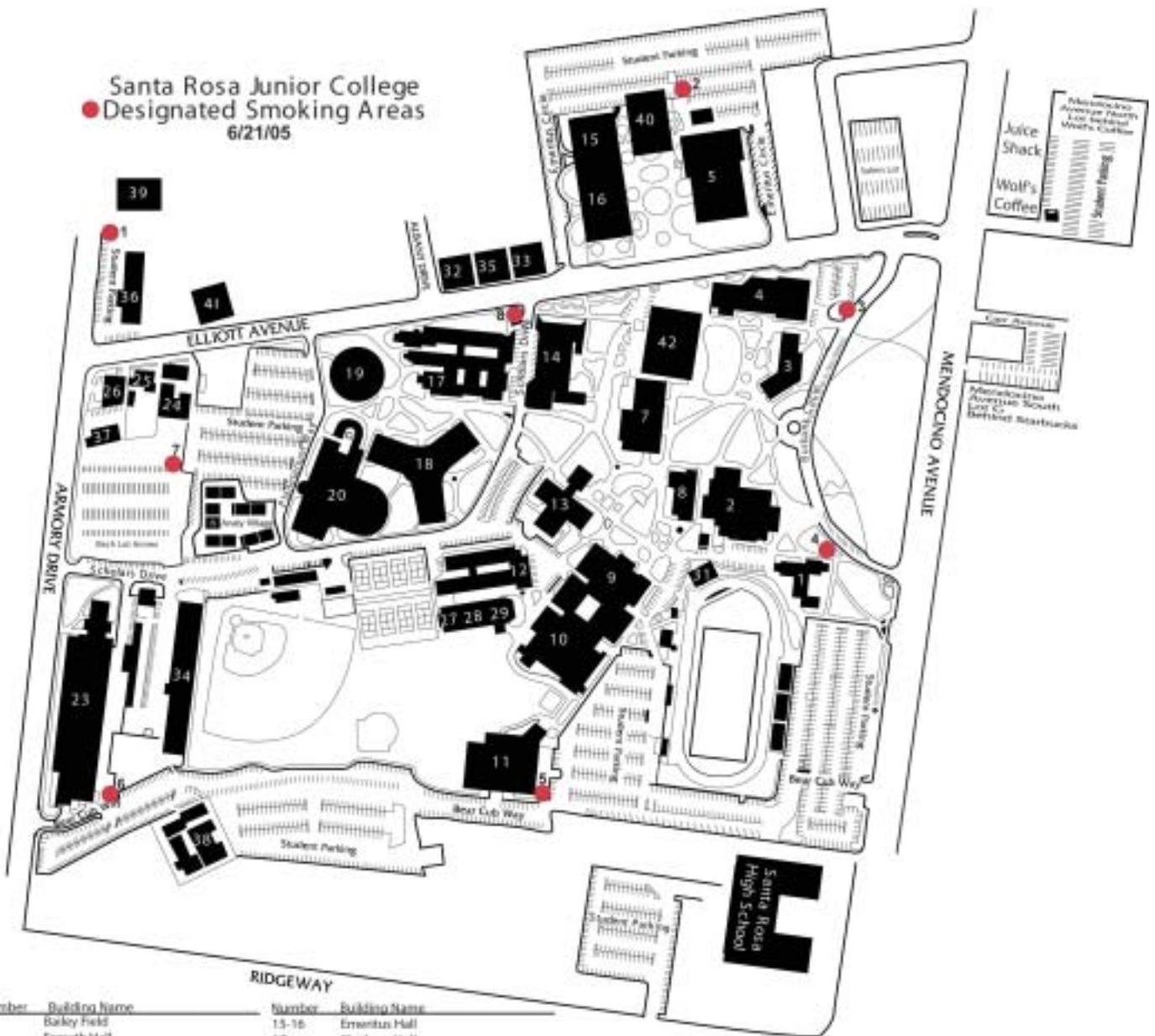


Public Safety Training Center

WINDSOR CAMPUS Designated Smoking Areas



Santa Rosa Junior College
Designated Smoking Areas
 6/21/05



Number	Building Name	Number	Building Name
0	Bailey Field	15-16	Emeritus Hall
1	Forsyth Hall	17	Shuhaw Hall
2	Burbank Auditorium	18	Baker Hall
3	Pioneer Hall	19	Bech Hall
4	Doyle Student Center	20	Lark Hall
5	Plover Library	22	Lark Temporaries
6	Analy Village	23	Lounibos Center
	A - Copy Center	24	Bech Temporaries
	B, C, D, E - Disability Resources	25	Graphics Services
	F - College Skills	26	Community Services Building
	G - College Skills Office	27-28-29	Maggini Hall
	H - College Skills ASL Lab	30	Adapted PE
	I - Tutorial Services	31	Assessment Services
7	Analy Hall	32	EOPS (1801 Albany)
8	Garcia Hall	33	Computing Services (425 Elliott)
9	Tauser Gym	34	Maintenance Compound
10	Quinn Swim Center	35	Staff Development (437 Elliott)
11	Haehl Pavilion	36	Pedroncelli Center
12	Barnett Hall	37	Button Building
13	Bailey Hall	38	Call Child Development Center
14	Bussman Hall	40	Race Building
		41	Institutional Research
		42	Frank P. Doyle Library

Designated Smoking Areas Legend:

1. Custodial & Pedroncelli
2. Emeritus, Race & Plover
3. Doyle, Analy & Pioneer
4. Garcia, Burbank, Forsyth & Assessment
5. Tauser, Quinn, Haehl & Maggini (Barnett)
6. Facilities, Lounibos & Call
7. Button, Cont. Ed, Graphics, Bech Temps, Lark (Bech) & Lark Temps
8. Bailey, Bussman, Shuhaw, Baker (Barnett, Bech) Elliott Houses



Professional Development Activity V. P. Forum

For a full schedule of PDA Days, go to www.santarosa.edu/pda. With the arrival of SRJC's two new Vice Presidents this academic year and with so many changes underway across the College, a special VP Forum is planned at PDA to give the college community an opportunity to hear from all five VPs. So, plan to attend the VP Forum from 11:00 AM to noon on August 12 at Burbank Auditorium, as well as other PDA activities scheduled. Our Vice Presidents attending the forum include:

Michael Beebe, Business Services
Doug Garrison, Petaluma Campus
Curt Groninga, Administrative Services
Ricardo Navarrette, Student Services
Mary Kay Rudolph, Academic Affairs

To help make a productive and informative forum, please fax any questions that you'd like addressed by our VPs to the Staff Development office at 522-2651. Submit them by Friday, August 5.

Photos of SRJC's New Doyle Library as it Takes Shape!



In Sympathy

It is with sympathy that we report that Shannon Barbieri passed away on Saturday, July 23 at age 42. Shannon was a graduate of Santa Rosa High School and SRJC's Electronics Technology Program. She became the first woman Electronics Technician to become an Electronics Instructor for SRJC's Electronics Department. Her work and compassionate service to students will be greatly missed. Shannon is survived by her two sons Tony and Ross. No public memorial service is planned at this time.

We Tip Our Hats

Marv Mays, former SRJC head football coach and women's softball coach (state champs in 1982) who retired in 1999 and now works part time in the PE, Athletics & Dance Department, was inducted into the Athletic Director's Hall of Fame during the CCCADA Convention. He received an award as the 2004 inductee along with the 2005 inductee. Marv is now sporting an elegant gold Seiko watch that was presented to him by the Athletics Directors. Congratulations, Marv!

Congratulations to Art Instructor **Kevin Fletcher** for a number of spring and summer achievements. In March and April he exhibited his works at the Triamble Gallery in San Francisco of 25 monotypes and etchings. In May he was a visiting artist in printmaking at Pacific Union College in Angwin. Throughout June he was also a visiting artist at the San Francisco Art Institute, a participant in the 11th Annual Monotype Marathon to benefit the San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art, and had 15 prints accepted into the Marin Von Wagner Collection of The University of Wureburg, Germany.

Baby News!

Director of Scholarship Programs **Sherrie Arendt** and husband Michael joyously welcome their second grandchild Grace Elizabeth Arendt to the world. Grace was born June 27 (at 8 lbs 3 ounces, 20 inches long) to Sherrie and Michael's son Brian and his wife Julie who live in Gilroy.



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