

Staff News for Santa Rosa Junior College, October 6, 2006

Community Turns Out For Petaluma Groundbreaking September 27

On September 27, over 200 community members, dignitaries, contractors, engineers, architects, students, faculty, and staff members gathered at a formal groundbreaking ceremony on the Petaluma Campus to mark the second phase of the campus build out.

Comments were made by SRJC Superintendent President Dr. Robert Agrella, Board President B. Robert Burdo, Vice President of Administrative Services Dr. Curt Groninga, and Interim Vice President/Executive Dean of the Petaluma Campus Steve Olson about the history of the Petaluma Campus, the exciting construction project now underway, and the community's longstanding support of the Petaluma Campus. Chairperson of the Friends of the Petaluma Campus Kerry Mahoney-Davison closed the ceremony by inviting all guest to a lovely reception hosted by the SRJC Foundation and Friends of the Petaluma Campus.



The second phase of the Petaluma Campus construction project will expand the facility three times its current size to serve twice as many students as today's 6,000 enrollment. The library will increase its capacity by five times, the bookstore will double, new lecture classrooms and laboratory classrooms with fully equipped science labs will be added along with new offices for student activities, student and health services, and faculty. A cafeteria is planned, as well as a new lecture and performance venue, a facility for limited physical education activities, and expanded students services facility for admissions and records, financial aid, counseling, and student health. Completion of the new facilities is anticipated in spring 2008, with reconstruction work on existing facilities will be completed by late fall 2008 or early 2009.



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Cultural Enrichment Grant Deadline Oct 27

The SRJC Foundation announces that grant applications are now being accepted to fund college cultural enrichment activities. In its fifth year of funding, the Randolph Newman Cultural Enrichment Endowment offers \$5,800 for projects planned for fall 2007, spring 2008, and summer 2008.

Contact the SRJC Foundation at 527-4348 for a hard copy of the application. The deadline for applications is Friday, October 27. A committee will review application materials. Grant recipients will be announced by Thursday, December 7.

After reviewing the grant application and its requirements, send any questions to lfrank@santarosa.edu. Thirty-minute informational appointments can also be scheduled to review the necessary paperwork or review grant ideas.

Funds for the SRJC Foundation Randolph Newman Cultural Enrichment Endowment are part of the legacy gift Dr. Randolph Newman provided to SRJC. The endowment provides funding for a free or ticketed cultural enrichment activity that will benefit SRJC students and present an opportunity to the college that otherwise might not be available. The activities will be open to the public.

Last year's recipients of Randolph Newman Cultural Enrichment Endowment grants include: Cosmic Life: A Planetarium Show (Santa Rosa Campus, fall 2006), Mexico Independence Day (Petaluma Campus, fall 2006), and Through Native Eyes: A Campuswide Exhibition of Modern Art (Santa Rosa Campus, spring-fall 2006).

Environmental Forum Oct 18

The environmental forum "From the Baltic to Bad Mitterndorf: Searching for Environmental Philosophy in Germany and Austria" is scheduled from noon to 1:15 on October 18 in Emeritus Hall on the Santa Rosa Campus. George Freund, SRJC Philosophy Instructor will discuss his search for environmental philosophy in Austria and Germany during his spring 2006 sabbatical. You can link to the schedule of forums at http://online.santarosa.edu/presentation/schedule/?2311. Contact 4638 for information.

Shone Farm Fall Produce

Buy wonderful Shone Farm pumpkins, garlic braids, squash and gourds, potted strawberry plants, and more on the first three Saturdays in October (7, 14, 21) from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the farm. All proceeds raised benefit the SRJC Sustainable Agriculture Program. For more information, contact the Shone Farm Garden at 887-0740. The farm is located at 6225 Eastside Road just off River Road near Forestville – see a map on the AG/NR Department's Web site @ www.santarosa.edu/ag. Come enjoy the beauty of the fall harvest!

Chamber Concert Series

The 2006-07 six-concert Chamber Concert Series offers evenings of wonderful music performed by superb musicians in an intimate environment. The season includes violinist Axel Strauss with pianist Jeffrey Sykes; violinist David McCarroll with pianist Jordi Bitlloch; the Alexander String Quartet; pianist Jonathan Biss; the Fry Street Quartet and the Amelia Piano Trio.

Because of a generous donation by a patron, all season tickets will be one price: \$120. That's only \$20 per concert—one of the best deals in the North Bay! Individual tickets are on sale at \$20 per person for all concerts, except the annual Randolph Newman concert, which will be \$30 per person. A special youth ticket is for sale at \$12 per person for youth 16 years old or under who is accompanied by an adult. Concerts are not suitable for very young children. For information about obtaining tickets and parking, call Community Education at 527-4372.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 8:00 PM OR SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 8:00 PM

Violinist David Mc Carroll with pianist Jordi Bitlloch.

Newman Auditorium (Emeritus Hall), Santa Rosa Campus

A native of Santa Rosa, McCarroll plays a 1761 violin made by A & J Gagliano. He will be joined by pianist Jordi Bitlloch.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1 - 8:00 PM

Alexander String Quartet

Newman Auditorium, Emeritus Hall, Santa Rosa Campus

A favorite of Santa Rosa audiences, the quartet has performed in the major music capitals of four continents and is among the world's premier ensembles.



THROUGH OCTOBER 12 - PETALUMA CAMPUS Ouilt Ouest 2006

This vibrant exhibit represents the landscape of California quilting in the 21st century by contemporary quilters.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9 - 12:15 PM

Passenger Rail Service in Sonoma County: It's S.M.A.R.T.

John Nemeth, Newman Auditorium, Santa Rosa Campus

What S.M.A.R.T. is, and an overview of the local transportation project.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9 - 1:30 PM

"Why S.M.A.R.T is NOT"

Room 1809 Baker Hall, Santa Rosa Campus

Fred Levin, Executive Director of the Sonoma County Taxpayers' Association and Treasurer of the Citizens Opposed to the SMART Train Tax coalition.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11 - 12:15 PM

Facing Up to Climate Change: The Impacts of Global Warming

Dr. Margaret Torn

Newman Auditorium, Santa Rosa Campus

Global warming is real, and we'd better prepare for it.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

Celebrating Cultural Diversity / Celebrando Nuestra Diversidad Cultural

Noon to 6:00 PM, Finley Community Center 2600 West College Avenue, Santa Rosa

3rd Annual Race Equality Week Festival/Semana de Raza y Igualdad

Authentic Cultural Events Including: Music & Dance, Ethnic Food, Costume Show, Cultural Displays and Crafts,

Storytelling, Games, Food & Crafts for Purchase, Bring the Whole Family

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16 - 12:15 PM

Student Perspective on the Diverse Culture of Work and Life in London

Newman Auditorium, Santa Rosa Campus

Lively student dialogue about their participation in SRJC's Work in Britain Program.

OCTOBER 16—DECEMBER 15 - PETALUMA CAMPUS

D.A. Bishop—Paintings

A billboard painter, a graphic artist for a theatre company, and an itinerant limner.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23 - 12:15 PM

Grassroots Movement Political Theatre Dance Company

Newman Auditorium, Santa Rosa Campus

Presentation of contemporary dance featuring several short pieces with themes that reflect social, political and environmental issues

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25 - 8:00 PM

Jazz Combos Concert

Meryl Wamhoff directs combos by SRJC Jazz Ensemble and Montgomery High School musicians. Burbank Auditorium, Santa Rosa Campus. Admission \$5.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 - 7:00 PM

Dia de los Muertos/Day of the Dead

Music by CantaFlor with Carlos Aguilar & Margarita Montez, Mahoney Library, Petaluma Campus

A time to remember those who have died with music, altars, and special foods. Features Latin American songs about life, love, nature, peace, hope.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3 - 7:00 PM

Doyle Library Lecture Series - History of the American West: The Significance of the Lewis & Clark Expedition

Gary Moulton, Newman Auditorium, Santa Rosa Campus Inaugurates lecture series on the History of the American West.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2006, 12:15 PM

A Time to Reflect: Veterans Day Panel

Featuring veterans of the U.S. - Iraq Wars, Newman Auditorium, Santa Rosa Campus To honor of Veterans Day presents speakers who have served in U.S. wars in Iraq.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 7:00 PM

Ancient Glory: A Christmas Concert by the Festival Consort

Mahoney Library, Petaluma Campus

The group specializes in the performance of medieval and renaissance music on authentic replicas of early instruments, including recorders, shawms and crumhorns.

International Film Festival - Petaluma Campus

El Analfabeto/The Illiterate

Friday, October 6, 7:00 PM

Miguel M. Delgado, 1961, Mexico

Spanish with English subtitles - An illiterate individual receives a letter from a dead relative who wills him a fortune. He decides to learn to read and write before knowing the contents of the letter.

A Dios Momo

Friday, October 13, 7:00 PM Mahoney Library

Leonardo Ricagni, 2004, Uruguay

Spanish with English subtitles - Obulio's charismatic mentor introduces him to the world of literacy and teaches him the meaning of life through the lyrics of the Murgas.

Ni muy, muy...ni tan, tan...Simplemente TIN TAN

Friday, October 20, 7:00 PM

Mahoney Library

Manuel Marquez, 2005, Mexico

Spanish with English subtitles - Vibrant documentary examines the life and career of Germán Valdez, better known as "Tin, Tan," the great Mexican comedian.

SRJC Employee Potluck Costume Parade and Contest Halloween Bash! 12:30 to 1:30pm on October 31!

Heritage Plaza Santa Rosa Campus

Costume Contest!

INDIVIDUAL and GROUP Prizes for: Funniest, Scariest, Most Original, Nerdiest, Best Impersonator

Bring a delicious treat to share!

11:45 AM to the President's Office in Bailey Hall.

A-G: Side Dish or Salad

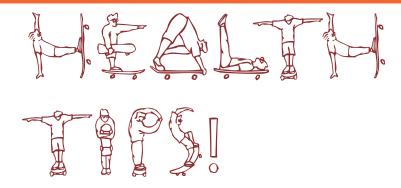
H-M: Main Dish

N-R: Drinks

S-Z: Dessert or Snack

Tizes & Volunteers Needed! Donate a prize for

the winners of the Costume Contest by calling Public Relations, ext. 4266 And if you would like to help set up or clean up the Halloween Bash, we'd love more volunteers!



Hand washing can help you stay healthy all year round.

According to the Boston College Lab Safety Newsletter and the Herald News Online, frequent and proper hand washing significantly reduces your risk of picking up germs from infected people and contaminated surfaces, which helps you avoid catching colds and also prevents serious infectious diseases, such as influenza, Hepatitis A, salmonella, infectious diarrhea and meningitis. Remember, germs can lurk in places you do not suspect like phone handles, keyboards, newspapers, doorknobs, light switches, and stair railings. Hand washing with waterless/alcohol-based agents can be as effective as washing with soap and water.

Proper hand washing: Wet your hands with warm water, apply soap, and rub your hands together vigorously for at least 15 seconds, covering all surfaces of the hands and fingers. Rinse your hands with warm water and dry them thoroughly with a disposable towel. You should even use the disposable towel to turn off the faucet and on door handles.

Environmental Health & Safety (EH&S) Department recommends that you wash your hands regularly during your workday:

- EACH TIME YOU USE THE RESTROOM
- BEFORE AND AFTER STAFF MEETINGS IF FOOD IS SERVED
- AFTER SCANNING NEWSPAPERS OR MAGAZINES IN YOUR BREAK ROOM
- AFTER USING YOUR FRIEND'S KEYBOARD OR TOOLS
- BEFORE AND AFTER A MEET AND GREET ACTIVITY IN YOUR OFFICE
- WHEN USING SHARED OFFICE EQUIPMENT SUCH AS PHONES, FAXES, ETC.
- AFTER SNEEZING, COUGHING OR BLOWING YOUR NOSE



United Way Campaign in Full Swing

This year's United Way Campaign is vital to the success of many nonprofit agencies in our community that continue to struggle to provide health and human services while facing a challenging economy and reduced government funding.

Through employee contributions, SRJC partners with United Way to help Sonoma County become a healthier, stronger community. Your donation, no matter its size, will be pooled with other contributions to positively impact the lives of people in your own neighborhood. You also have the option to designate funds to your favorite agency. If you are rolling over your contribution commitment from last year, you must again designate your favorite agency or the amount will automatically be directed the Impact Fund.

Your contributions to the Impact Fund work to help youth make healthy choices, help end the cycle of abuse and violence in families, and help seniors remain in their homes. United Way has evolved from an organization funding many agencies to one that provides leadership, collaboration, and funding to impact programs that:

- Support youth development through after school and summer programs, mentoring and counseling students in grades 4 through 8
- · Strengthen families by teaching parenting skills, counseling, and providing community resource information
- · Maintain senior independence through home services
- · Resolve crises through focused funding that provides food and shelter, transitional housing and permanent supportive housing

Last year District employees raised \$32,091, and this year's goal is \$36,905. Thank you to all of our continuing contributors who have utilized our payroll deduction program. If you are not currently a contributor, please consider joining your colleagues in supporting this worthwhile campaign. Every dollar makes a difference to this community! Contact Diane M. Traversi or Deborah Wootten with any questions!

"California Health Care Solution" Oct 5

If you're a classified staff member or administrator worried about health-care costs, or a student without health insurance, Global Awareness in Action invites the college community to an educational event, SB840 Universal Health Care for All Californians. Drop by at any time, even for 10 or 15 minutes, to find the solution. The movie "California Health Care Solution" will be shown every 20 minutes, plus there will be presentations and question and answer periods.

October 5 - Maggini Hall • Noon to 2:00 PM Room 2928 OR • 5:00 - 7:00 PM, Room 2907

Mike Smith, SRJC Board member and One Care Now state campaign coordinator, will be available to answer questions about the health-care crisis. Contact Richard Fiorentino at 524-1766 with questions.

Mac Computer Expo Set For Oct 7

SRJC and North Coast Mac Users Group (NCMUG) are teaming up for the 14th annual Mac Computer Expo (MCE) at the Santa Rosa Campus Saturday, October 7 from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM in the Doyle Center Cafeteria with some seminars in the new library. The event is free and features nine speaker presentations and more than two dozen exhibitors. Speakers include nationally known photo specialists Derrick Story and Bert Monroy. Exhibitors such as Microsoft, Monster Cable, MacAddict, and Sonoma County's O'Reilly Media and Micromat will be on hand. For more information visit www.ncmug.org. The event is free. The college community is invited to attend.



Our deep sympathy to Laurel Freed, whose husband Don Freed passed away last Saturday, September 30. Don joined SRJC's faculty on September 1, 1971, and retired November 9, 2000. Teaching political science as a member of the Social Sciences Department, Don taught as a full-time instructor most of his career at SRJC, and was teaching as an adjunct faculty member when he retired. Don came to SRJC from Pierce College in Los Angeles, and while at SRJC served as department chair and on the Academic Senate. More information will be announced about a memorial service.



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