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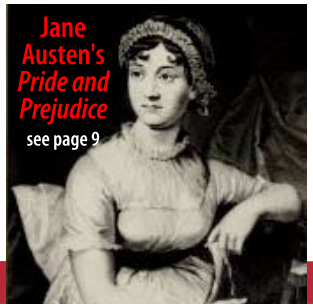

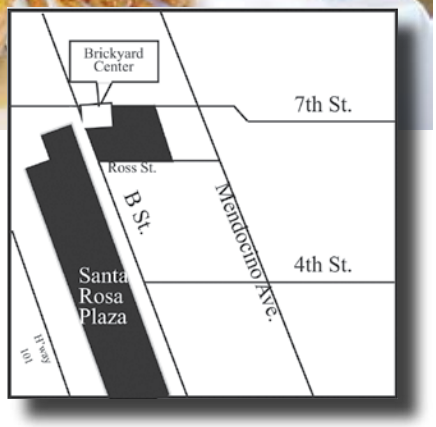

SRJC Culinary Café & Bakery Open!

SRJC's Culinary Café in downtown Santa Rosa reopened Wednesday, August 29. Make your reservations to experience delicious food at the student-run café at 576-0279. Lunch is served from 11:30 AM to 2 PM, Wednesday through Friday.

The bakery is also open offering an assortment of breads, cakes, and pastries, as well as Flying Goat coffee. The bakery is open from 7:30 AM to 2:00 PM, Wednesday through Friday. Contact Jenny Anderson at 527-4395 or 576-0211.

6th Annual WOW! Fair Sept 19

The sixth WOW! (Work-on-Wellness) Fair will be held on the Santa Rosa Campus on Wednesday, September 19 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM near the outdoor stage area by the Bookstore. There will be many informative displays and presentations about health, fitness, and wellness, plus a Raffle Drawing! Individuals who attend the event may enter the free Fair Raffle Drawing to possibly win one of many gifts donated by vendors. You don't need to be present to win. Call Environmental Health and Safety with questions at 527-4803. See you at the fair on the 19th!

Dean Steve Olson Retires After 37 Years of Employment at SRJC!

With Dean Steve Olson's retirement after 37 years of service to SRJC, many programs that our students enjoy today area success because of his dedicated leadership and hard work, most notably, the expansion of SRJC's Agriculture/Natural Resources Department, the acquisition of Shone Farm, and the development of the Study Abroad Program.

Steve also led the Petaluma Campus through two key management transitions; the first occurred just before Petaluma's former VP/Executive Dean Doug Garrison was hired over a decade ago, and the second, during the months before Vice President/Executive Dean Jane Saldana-Tally was hired this July. Last year Steve also helped coordinate several events, the dedication of the Shone Farm Ag Pavilion, Petaluma's Duane Blackwill Clock Tower dedication, and the Petaluma Campus groundbreaking for the Phase II expansion.

To ensure Steve's legacy after he retires, the Steve Olson Agriculture Scholarship has been established through SRJC's Foundation. By outlining the award criteria, Steve will have an opportunity to craft this scholarship as he wishes. If you are looking for a way to honor Steve for his long service to SRJC, you may donate to the new scholarship through SRJC's Foundation.

Congratulations and gratitude to Steve for his contributions to the College. Best wishes for a joyous retirement!

Photos by James Blue

Student Information Days Sept 5 & 6

Student Information Days are scheduled on both campuses to welcome returning and new students to SRJC and to help increase student retention. Both events are scheduled from 11 AM to 2 PM on: Wednesday, September 5, Analy Lawn/Doyle Courtyard, Santa Rosa Campus and Thursday, September 6 Petaluma Campus in the Quad.

Encouraging a welcoming atmosphere, students can directly connect with various Student Services departments that offer assistance throughout the year that support their success while enrolled at SRJC. Academic departments are invited to participate and can sign up no later than August 21 by contacting Deborah Wootten on the Petaluma Campus at ext. 4433 or Brian Phifer on the Santa Rosa Campus at ext. 4647. Remember to sign up before August 21 in Student Affairs.

Transfer Day 2007 Sept 11

Representatives from approximately 50 universities and colleges that offer bachelor's degrees will be on the Santa Rosa Campus on September 11 to talk one-on-one to SRJC transfer students. It is never too soon in the transfer process for students to take advantage of this opportunity to receive information about transferring to a university directly from the admissions advisors from the institutions themselves. By following the advice of the participating university representatives, SRJC students have a much higher rate of acceptance to the University of their Choice, so please encourage SRJC students to attend Transfer Day!

SRJC Transfer Day • Tuesday, September 11 • 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM • Analy Lawn, Santa Rosa Campus

Attention Retirees! Social Hour Sept 21

All SRJC retirees are invited to attend the first fall 2007 meeting and Social Hour on Friday, September 21 from 2 - 5 PM at Curtis Sprenger's home at 2239 Cummings Drive in Santa Rosa. Retiree Vice President Sprenger's home phone is 544-7327.

Curtis will provide all drinks (soft drinks, wine, beer, bottled water, coffee, and tea), and each retiree who plans to attend is requested to bring hors d'oeuvres, fruit, or other munchies. Annual dues will be accepted by retiree Treasurer Marge Schultz.

Plan ahead! Attend the retiree Social Hour on September 21! Bring topics to discuss at the meeting. Contact Curt Askim at 545-7435 with any questions.

Apply to Teach in Europe – Deadline Sept 21

SRJC's Study Abroad program is accepting applications for faculty interested in teaching in the fall 2008 London, fall 2008 Spain, and spring 2009 Florence study abroad programs. The deadline to apply is Friday, September 21.

Instructors from all disciplines are encouraged to apply. Participating faculty will serve as advisors to students during the program. Faculty members are also expected to recruit students for the program. You must spend a considerable amount of time prior to departure assisting with the program promotion and student orientation to ensure adequate enrollments. Also, any proposed curriculum to teach abroad must have broad student appeal. Call Study Abroad for applications at 527-4441.

Fall Arts & Lecture Series

For details about scheduled events, access:
www.santarosa.edu/communityeducation/arts-and-lectures

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 – 12:15 PM, *NEWMAN AUDITORIUM, SANTA ROSA CAMPUS*

After Fossil Fuels: Sustainable Energy Options

Richard Heinberg, New College

Oil educator Heinberg discusses the significance of the energy transition of the 21st century, the industrial world's dependence on depleting fossil fuels, and sustainable energy alternatives.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 – 12:15 PM, *NEWMAN AUDITORIUM, SANTA ROSA CAMPUS*
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 – 7 PM, *MAHONEY LIBRARY, PETALUMA CAMPUS*

The Visionary State - Culture Critic Erik Davis

Through an exploration of his book, The Visionary State: A Journey Through California's Spiritual Landscape, Davis discusses California's unique spiritual landscape, connecting history and religion, place and creed into a full story of California consciousness.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 – 7 PM, *NEWMAN AUDITORIUM, SANTA ROSA CAMPUS*

Capacity Building: A New Model for Sustainable Development in Africa

Joyce Lwande Oneko, Peter Verbiscar-Brown, Global Partners for Development

Leading a grassroots women's movement in Kenya, Oneko moves from powerlessness to self-determination to a new vision of sustainable development. The model of "capacity building" is rapidly growing in East Africa, creating income-generating activities for survival.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1 – 12:15 PM, *NEWMAN AUDITORIUM, SANTA ROSA CAMPUS*

The Jane Austen Book Club - Karen Joy Fowler

SRJC's English Department kicks off a year-long study of Jane Austen's novel, Pride and Prejudice, with a Nebula Award winner and author of The Jane Austen Book Club, Karen Joy Fowler. Discuss Austin's popular novels and how they inspire today.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8 – 7 PM, *MAHONEY LIBRARY, PETALUMA CAMPUS*

Opera Preview: Gian Carlo Menotti's The Consul

Cinnabar Opera Theater

The 20th century master work for opera and theatre, one woman's story of gaining entrance to a more powerful country as explored in moral, emotional, and political terms. Sponsored by Friends of the Petaluma Campus.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 15 –12:15 PM, *NEWMAN AUDITORIUM, SANTA ROSA CAMPUS*

The Engaged Spiritual Life - Donald Rothberg

Rothberg integrates the spiritual and social through his book, The Engaged Spiritual Life: A Buddhist Approach to Transforming Ourselves and the World, to help us better respond to the challenges of our times.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29 –12:15 PM, *NEWMAN AUDITORIUM, SANTA ROSA CAMPUS*

Forgotten Paintings: Ethnicity and Gender on Ancient Egyptian Stelae

SRJC Art History Instructor Dr. Heidi Saleh was born in Egypt, and discusses ancient Egyptian art objects from the 1st millennium BCE. She interprets women's roles in ancient Egypt through colorful paintings on wood found in tombs.

THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 1 – 7 PM

Day of the Dead/ Dia de los Muertos - Music by Cuyuy

Mahoney Library, Petaluma Campus

One day a year Latin American and European cultures set aside El Dia de los Muertos to celebrate those who have died. Food, altars, and music from the South American band, Cuyuy. Sponsored by Friends of the Petaluma Campus.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5 – 12:15 PM

A Tribute to Heroic Aviators - Pilots from the Pacific Coast Air Museum

Newman Auditorium, Santa Rosa Campus

Honoring heroic aviators who contributed to the growth and defense of America's way of life, the panels of pilots share their experiences in past wars.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7 – 12:15 PM

The Sculpture of Louise Nevelson - Julia Geist, Docent and Lecturer

Newman Auditorium, Santa Rosa Campus

From the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco, Geist discusses the exhibit, The Sculpture of Louise Nevelson Constructing a Legend, that's exhibited at the de Young Museum between October 27 and Jan 13.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER – 7 PM

Festival Consort Christmas Concert

Mahoney Library, Petaluma Campus

Rich vocal and instrumental music from the renaissance includes vocalists Douglas Mandell, Carol Menke, and Chris Fritzsche and instrumentalists Joanna Bramel Young, David Hogan Smith, and Alan Paul. Sponsored by Friends of the Petaluma Campus.

SRJC Petaluma

Exhibits

Mahoney Library, Petaluma Campus. Information: 778-3974

AUGUST 20 – OCTOBER 13

The Great Petaluma Marsh

Maps, watercolors, paintings, and photographs of the largest remaining 5,000 acre salt marsh in San Pablo Bay that's surrounded by 7,000 acres of wetlands, a favorite bird watching and wildlife site. Sponsored by Friends of the Petaluma Campus.

OCTOBER 22 – DECEMBER 14

In a Word: Collages

Collages by Clea Austin and Geri DiGiorno

Compositions create flights of fantasy by DiGiorno, Sonoma County Poet Laureate, artist, and founder of The Petaluma Poetry Walk, and Austin, a poet, songwriter, and artist of nationally displayed costume and interior design works. Sponsored by Friends of the Petaluma Campus.

Petaluma Campus Latino Film Festival

Sponsors: Video Tepa Música, Friends of the Petaluma Campus, SRJC Arts & Lectures

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12 – 7 PM - ROOM 191

Buena Vista Social Club (1999, Cuba)

Directed by Wim Wenders, producer/guitarist Ry Cooder

Buena Vista Social Club guitarist Ry Cooder's recording features the rediscovered talents of Cuba's' folk musicians, revealing the life stories, personalities, and music of the talented, long-overlooked album performers. Spanish with English subtitles.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19 – 7 PM - ROOM 191

Zoot Suit (1981, United States)

Directed by Luis Valdez

Part fact, part fiction, this adaptation of Luis Valdez's critically acclaimed play is based on the actual Sleepy Lagoon murder case and the Zoot Suit Riots of the 1940's in LA, a controversial fight to correct a racially motivated miscarriage of justice. ***English with Spanish subtitles.***

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26 – 7 PM - ROOM 191

Tango, No Me Dejes Nunca (1988, Argentina)

Directed by Carlos Saura

A story of the world of tango and a director's passionate love affair with his art and the beautiful woman who captures his heart. ***Spanish with English subtitles.***

SPRING 2008

TIMELINE

SRJC SPRING 2008 REGISTRATION CONFIGURATION

October 19	PERMATIZE Spring '08 Schedule of Classes
October 19	*Early Bird* Counseling ends
October 20	Priority status determined for Spring '08 Reg. by Web/TLC (as of 10:00 p.m.)
October 22	Web Site Information available (www.santarosa.edu)
October 30	Special Programs to start registering (batch,Web/TLC)
October 26	PRIORITY III mailers sent out to Continuing Students
October 31	PRIORITY I, IA mailers sent out to Continuing Students
November 13	PRIORITY II, mailers sent out to Continuing Students
November 26, 27	**Web/Telephone Reg. for PRIORITY I, Continuing Students**
November 28, 29, 30	**Web/Telephone Reg. for PRIORITY IA, (*Early Bird*) Continuing Students**
December 3, 4	**Web/Telephone Reg. for PRIORITY II, Continuing Students**
December 5, 6	**Web/Telephone Reg. for PRIORITY III, Continuing Students**
December 7	**Web/Telephone Reg. for PRIORITY IV, V, and Counseling 370 Students**
December 10	Open Web/Telephone Registration for ALL Students
January 7	In-Person Registration for ALL Students begins (Web/TLC also available)
January 12	**SUPER SATURDAY**
January 14	**CLASSES BEGIN**
January 19	**SUPER SATURDAY**
January 19	Last day to register/add a semester length course without instructor's signature or add code
January 21	**MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY**
January 26	Last day to drop a semester length course & be eligible for a refund of enrollment/course fees
February 2	Last day to register/add a semester length course with instructor's signature or add code
February 4	**FIRST CENSUS**
February 9	Last day to drop a semester length class(es) without "W" symbol
February 15	**LINCOLN'S DAY HOLIDAY**
February 18	**WASHINGTON'S DAY HOLIDAY**
February 19	**Professional Development Activity Instructional Mandatory Day (no classes)**
February 23	Last day to opt for C/NC (semester length course)
March 17	SECOND 8-WEEK CLASSES BEGIN
March 21	Last day to petition to graduate, May 2008
March 23-29	**SPRING BREAK**
March 24	**Professional Development Activity Flex Day (no classes)**
March 24	MID-TERM REPORTS ISSUED TO STUDENTS
April 12	Last day to reinstate after being dropped at mid-term
April 26	Last day to drop a semester length class(es) with a "W" symbol
May 19-23	**FINAL EXAMINATIONS**
May 23	Web/Telephone Reg. closes for Spring '08 semester length (as of 10:00 p.m.)
May 24	**COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES**
June 8	Grades (Spring '08) roll to HISTORY
June 9	Grades (Spring '08) available on Web/Telephone

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Employee Personal Computer Purchase Program Sept 6-20

This year the District will again offer the college community an Employee Personal Computer Purchase Program, which gives employees an opportunity to acquire personal computers at favorable District pricing and with the convenience of making interest-free payments through payroll deductions.

In 2005-06, the District loaned $53,558.53 for the purchase of 33 faculty and staff personal computers. With the success of this program, the Board of Trustees again approved offering the Employee Personal Computer Purchase Program this year.

WHO - This offer has been made available to all SRJC employees.

WHEN - Open Application Period - September 6 - 20, 2007. But remember, the Web site will not be available to place your order until September 6!

WHAT - The offer this year includes all models of desktops and laptops that Apple and Dell offer for sale to the District.

HOW - If you choose to participate in this program, you must complete a Promissory Note and Agreement to submit to the Purchasing Office no later than September 20, 2007.

GETTING STARTED - For additional information about the program, including who may apply and information on how to apply, refer to the Employee Personal Computer Purchase Program Web site at http://www.santarosa.edu/compserv/staffbuy.

Remember, the Web site will only be accessible from September 6 – 20.

Work of Literary Merit is Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice.

This year's English Department Work of Literary Merit is Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice. A series of lectures and events will begin in October, but as a "warm-up," the first meeting of the campus Jane Austen Book Club will occur on Wednesday, September 19, in room 1647, at noon. All faculty and staff are welcome to attend. We'll start our discussions with Sense and Sensibility, Austen's first published novel; you're welcome to join us even if you haven't had time to finish the book. We'll arrange for future meetings as well. If this time is not convenient to you, but you want to be a part of the book club, please contact mkort@santarosa.edu.

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