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Staff News for Santa Rosa Junior College, November 9, 2007



Nominations Sought for National Institute of Staff and Organizational Development NISOD Award

Nominations for the National Institute of Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) Award are now being accepted. The criteria for nominations include: excellence in teaching; sensitivity to student needs; outstanding program and/or curriculum development; service to the college and wider community; and development of teaching materials or techniques in teaching.

Regular and adjunct faculty may obtain nomination applications from Paula Burks in the Library at pburks@santarosa.edu or ext. 4544 and must be submitted to Paula by Monday, December 3. After all nominations are reviewed, one nominee will be selected by regular and adjunct faculty to attend the NISOD International Conference on Teaching and Leadership Excellence in Austin, Texas on May 25-28, 2008.

Previous NISOD awardees: Byron Craighead, Susan Jaderstrom, Nan Van Gelder, Dianne Smith, Don Fischer, Peggy Floren, Barbara McClure, Bob Rubin, Karin Guzman, Jim Burke, Brenda Flyswithhawks, Peggy Goebel, Cheryl Dunn, Gino Muzzatti, Todd Straus, Linda Kehoe, Eric Thompson, Susan Wilson and Cathy Burgett.

Jesse Peter Museum Exhibit In Doyle Library

The Doyle Library is currently exhibiting "Native American Woodcarving from the Northwest Coast and the Southwest." Housed in the three display cases on the first floor of the library toward Media Services, the exhibit will be displayed during November. The interesting and beautiful rattles, mask, feast bowl, potlatch hat, and other items are from the Tlingit, Haida, and Kwakiutl cultures. Hopi Kachina (Katsina) dolls and an Ancient Mesoamerican Ceramic Figurine exhibit is also displayed throughout the month.

Theatre Arts Presents *Aida*

Theatre Arts will present Elton John and Tim Rice's *Aida* - *The Timeless Love Story*, a full-length, family-friendly show recommended for ages over ten. The pop-rock musical was inspired by Verdi's famous operatic saga of star-crossed lovers from ancient Egypt. *Aida* chronicles the love triangle between an enslaved Nubian princess, the Pharaoh's daughter she must serve, and the noble soldier they both love. Featuring a talented multicultural cast, dynamic choreography, and a luscious score by "The Lion King's" award-winning team, *Aida* is produced by the Theatre Arts team that brought you *West Side Story*, Director Leira Satlof, Choreographer Lara Branen, and costumes by Maryanne Scozzari.

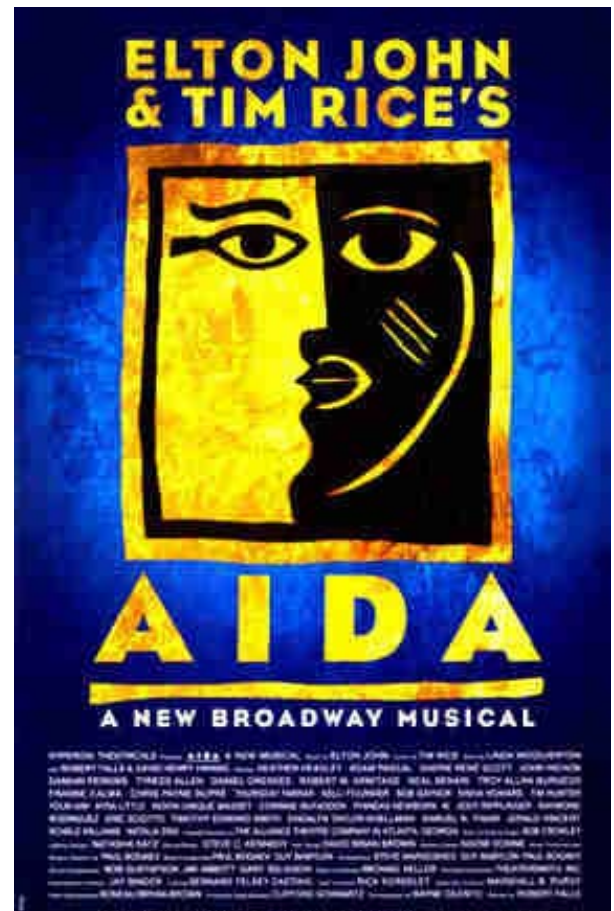
Show times:

November 23, 24*, 24, 25*, 28, 29, 30

December 1*, 1, 2*, *2 PM

8 PM, Burbank Auditorium, Santa Rosa Campus

Buy tickets online at www.santarosa.edu/theatrearts or call 527-4307 Burbank Box Office: W,Th, F – Noon -5 PM, and one hour before the show General \$18, Seniors (62 and over) & Students \$12, Youth (12 and under) \$8, Groups (15+) \$12. All Seats \$5 for Saturday Matinee on December 1 only. All Faculty, Staff, and Associated Student members receive one FREE ticket. Pick up your voucher in Pioneer Hall during regular business hours. Prior to performance date bring the voucher to the Burbank Box Office to receive your ticket.



November Professional Development Workshops

Faculty, students, and staff are invited to attend three upcoming workshops, including: Sexual Aggression 101; Music Violence Prevention; and Cultural Awareness. All will be presented by Todd Denny on November 13, 14, and 15. **Flex credit available.**

The workshops teach skills to prevent violence through practical prevention and intervention strategies. Highly interactive and incorporating music, experiential exercises, and group discussions, workshop participants will examine their own beliefs and behaviors about gender roles, masculinity, stalking, and sexual assault.

CULTURAL AWARENESS WORKSHOP, NOVEMBER 13, NOON, BECH 1901

Open discussion about cultural identity; embrace diversity as a source of college strength, help make our campuses safer places for everyone, and more!

SEXUAL AGGRESSION 101, NOVEMBER 14, NOON IN NEWMAN AUDITORIUM

What students, faculty, and staff across the nation are thinking and saying about dating violence; teaches prevention and intervention skills, and more!

MUSIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION, NOV13-15, 11 AM, PIONEER ASSEMBLY RM

Students, faculty, staff present and record their music and poetry on topical issues at SRJC; provides a forum to collaborate and work together. Recordings will be made for each artist or group in Doyle Library studio and CD's will be available to the college community.

If you are interested in attending the workshops, simply show up at the scheduled time. For full information about the content of the workshops, contact Charles Prickett at 527-4303 or cprickett@santarosa.edu

A book signing with Todd Denny is also scheduled in the Bookstore on the Santa Rosa Campus on November 15 from 11 AM to 1:00 PM. Denny is a nationally known speaker and trainer who specializes in upbeat and engaging presentations about sexual aggression. The only male sexual assault educator who is certified as both a victim advocate and prevention educator, he has worked as a violence prevention consultant for the U. S. Department of Education for the past five years. For 17 years he has presented over 1000 programs to colleges, universities, public schools and community organizations, and is touring this year to promote his new book *Unexpected Allies: Men Who Stop Rape*.

Doyle Lecture Nov 9 – Kevin Starr “California’s Silent Generation”

SRJC will present a lecture by USC professor, historian, and writer Kevin Starr on Friday, November 9 in Newman Auditorium at 7:00 PM. A reception for Professor Starr will be held immediately after the lecture in the Frank P. Doyle Library Reading Room on the 4th floor.

Starr will examine the ‘Silent Generation’ of California, the small generation born between the World War II and the Baby Boomers (from the late 1940s to the early 1960s), and its associated social patterns and expectations. Starr is best known for his multivolume series on the history of California, including *America and the California Dream*.



Donate Used Cell Phones for Scholarships

To donate your old cell phones to the Guatemalan Youth Scholarship Fund, you may place them in the donation box in the ESL office. Once collected, the phones will be sent to Pace Butler Corporation for recycling; the company will then send a check to support the scholarship fund. Donating cell phones is a great way to recycle, while simultaneously helping the children in the Guatemalan village where ESL Instructor Catherine Sagan worked.

For more information, contact ESL Instructor Kitty Hughes on ext. 7860 or bhughes@santarosa.edu. Kitty will gladly accept your phones if you prefer to send them to her via intercampus mail. Thanks for your generous support!

Retiree Meeting Set Nov 9

The next Retiree Meeting is scheduled on Friday, November 9 in the Board Room in Pedroncelli Center. Social time and refreshments will be served from 2:45 - 3:00 PM. The meeting and program will start at 3:00 PM. Curt Sprenger will be the guest speaker, sharing stories about his various European choir trips. To add topics to the meeting agenda, contact Curt Askim at 545-7435.

Special Request, Retirees! - With the increasing number of individuals retiring from the College, the cost to print and mail condensed weekly issues of the *Insider* continues to be prohibitive. To receive the color and complete *Insider* each week online (which you can print), send your e-mail address to Public Relations in care of dhaesslerimko@santarosa.edu or call PR at 527-4266 right away.



Wild, Wonderful Halloween!

Across the college on October 31, numerous offices celebrated Halloween in unique ways. One fun-filled occasion was Open House in Human Resources. All HR staff members dressed in various sheets, including bullsheet, sheetrock, sheet happens, sheet music, among many others, as the photo reflects. Check out their clever costumes!

Who Won The Library/Media Services Pumpkin Carving Contest? To view pictures of all the entries go to: www.santarosa.edu/media/presentations/Hol-2007. Grand Prize – Skeleton Graveyard by Joleen Beaston-Forwood. **Student Winners:** 1st place - Sonic the Hedgehog – Tyler Morrisette; 2nd place - Garfield – Ami Katz; 3rd place - Haunted Castle – Lena Ryberg. **Staff Winners:** 1st place – Trick or Treat – Suvi Leinonen-McGee; 2nd place - Gromit 2.0– Jean Filkins; 3rd place - Good Evening – Jean Filkins. **Honorable Mentions:** Starry Eyed – Cathleen Cummings; Say Cheese – Kaila Medina; Al Gourd – Phyllis Usina, and Punky Rocker – Micca Gray



Fall Arts & Lecture Series

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

THROUGH DECEMBER 14

Exhibit- *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.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5 – 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.

Fall Music Concerts

SRC's Music Department will host lovely seasonal music performances.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 8:00 PM, NEWMAN AUDITORIUM, EMERITUS HALL, SANTA ROSA CAMPUS

The Jazz Combos Concert

Free admission

Directed by Bennett Friedman

The Jazz Combos will be accompanied by guest artist trumpeter Erik Jekabson and will feature many of his arrangements.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 7:30 PM, BURBANK AUDITORIUM, SANTA ROSA CAMPUS

Symphonic Band & Wind Symphony Concert

Admission is \$5

Symphonic Band, directed by Nicolas Xenelis, and the Santa Rosa Wind Symphony, directed by Bennett Friedman.

The Santa Rosa Wind Symphony is formerly known as the Redwood Empire Wind Ensemble.

Travel and Learn with SRJC's Community Education Program!



Live in the charming mountain town of Urbania Italy, high above the Adriatic Sea while you study Italian for three weeks at the Centro Studi Italiani. You'll live with an Italian family or in your own apartment and experience the Italy that tourists never see!

For a detailed application, trip snapshots and testimonials, go to www.santarosa.edu/sa and click on Urbania.

Informational Meetings (Please try to attend at least one meeting)

<i>Saturday, November 3, 2007</i>	<i>10-11 am</i>	<i>North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation, 64 Brookwood Ave. Santa Rosa</i>
<i>Wednesday, November 7, 2007</i>	<i>5:30-6:30 pm</i>	<i>Rm 1597 Emeritus Hall, Santa Rosa Campus</i>
<i>Saturday, December 1, 2007</i>	<i>10-11 am</i>	<i>North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation, 64 Brookwood Ave. Santa Rosa</i>
<i>Tuesday, December 11, 2007</i>	<i>5:30-6:30 pm</i>	<i>Mahoney Library, Petaluma Campus</i>
<i>Saturday, January 12, 2008</i>	<i>10-11 am</i>	<i>North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation, 64 Brookwood Ave. Santa Rosa</i>



Gino Muzzatti has been a member of SRJC's faculty since 1985 and teaches Italian and English as a Second Language. He has his B.A. and M.A. degrees from San Francisco State University and also studied at the University of Perugia and the University of Florence in Italy. In summer 2002, Gino attended Centro Studi Italiani and for the past five summers has escorted groups from SRJC to this Italian language and culture school in Urbania. For more information, contact Gino Muzzatti at gmuzzatti@santarosa.edu or call (707)527-4886.

Sign Up for CalSTRS Retirement Check-Up Workshops

In November, two CalSTRS Retirement Workshops will be held on the Santa Rosa Campus, which will be video conferenced to the Petaluma Campus Mahoney Library in Room PET154. Flex credit pending 1.5 hours. Seating is limited, so RSVP to Candy Shell at cshell@santarosa.edu or 535-3766.

SESSION # 2, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15 DOYLE LIBRARY RM 4246, SANTA ROSA CAMPUS

5:00 - 6:30 PM - Primarily for Part-Time Adjunct Faculty

Faculty members who are close to retirement will receive a detailed explanation of the retirement process. Ken Jones, CalSTRS Benefits Counselor, will address faculty using a PowerPoint presentation and will distribute STRS retirement packets to all interested. A question and answer period will follow the presentations. Discussion topics include:

- Basic information about CalSTRS
- Details about CalSTRS benefits and programs
- How benefits are calculated
- How to provide a lifetime benefit for another person
- Disability and survivor benefits
- Working after retirement
- Information sources for prospective retirees



Athlete Dan Millman Lectures Nov 13

A presentation by Dan Millman - former world champion athlete, university coach, martial arts instructor, and college professor - in the Doyle Library on the Santa Rosa Campus is scheduled on November 13 from noon to 12:50 PM. Sponsored by SRJC's Leader Center, the event is free to the public.

Millman will discuss his 13 books that have inspired millions of readers in 29 languages worldwide, including the *Way of the Peaceful Warrior*. After an intensive 20-year spiritual quest, Millman's teaching found its form as the Peaceful Warrior's Way, which he explains in his books and lectures. The feature film, "Peaceful Warrior" starring Nick Nolte, was adapted from Dan's first book and based on incidents from his life.



2007 - 2008 Winter Holiday Closure Dec 24 - Jan 1

The schedule for Winter Holiday Closure this year provides for the District being closed from December 24, 2007 through January 1, 2008, or eleven consecutive days (includes weekends). On Friday, December 21, 2007, the District will be open for business until 5:00 PM. Refer to the current District/SEIU Local 1021 contract, Article 10.6 and Appendix F, page 14, for the complete text and schedule about SRJC's Winter Holiday Closure:

Monday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Holiday

Tuesday, December 25 - Christmas Holiday

Wednesday, December 26 - Floating Holiday*

Thursday, December 27 - Board Granted Holiday

Friday, December 28 - 50% vacation/50% board-granted holiday (prorated for PT employees)

Note : The one and one-half days (12 hours) during Winter Closure that will be the paid time contribution by the employee will automatically be deducted: eight (8) hours from earned Floating Holiday time and four (4) hours from earned vacation. You must submit a Notice of Absence form to Linda Jay or Danielle Donica, Human Resources Department by Friday, December 7 if you want these hours deducted from CTO or Unpaid Leave or if you do not have enough accrued paid time off. You do not have to submit a NOA if you want the eight hours charged to earned Floating Holiday time and four hours charged to earned vacation time.

***Floating Holiday:** Each Classified and Management Team employee shall be entitled to one "floating holiday" each school year in lieu of Admissions Day. New hires must be in paid status on or before September 10, 2007, in order to receive the floating holiday. The "floating holiday" must be taken within the fiscal year in which it falls.

Call Danielle Donica at ext. 4785 or Linda Jay at ext. 4817 with questions.



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