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Skyline's End of the Year Celebration is next Wednesday

Next Wednesday **May 26th** is the annual **End of Year Celebration**. We hope you can make it to this enjoyable event where we recognize Faculty and Staff, congratulate new retirees and conduct our annual drawing to raise funds for scholarships. The event starts at 12:30pm in the Gallery. There are a few changes this year – first, it will be desserts and drinks only. Also, rather than gift baskets this year, our theme is in line with honoring Skyline's 40th Anniversary as well as the 40th Anniversary of Earth Day.

Instead of going out and buying something new, most of us have a treasure at home that is in new or good condition that we just don't use. Why not pass that gift on to someone who will appreciate it? Some of the items already received for the drawing are a Williams Sonoma Deluxe Picnic Basket, a turntable that copies vinyl albums to digital MP3 files, and a Taylor steel string acoustic guitar which I am donating. Division Assistants will collect your re-gift items or you can bring your re-gift item to Wednesday's event. Division Assistants also have drawing tickets available for sale, \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 All funds go to the Faculty/Staff Student Scholarship.

Skyline's Vice President for Student Services to become President of Coastline Community College

Dr. Lori Adrian, Skyline's Vice President for Student Services, has just been selected for the position of President of Coastline Community College, effective July 1. Here is the Coast District's press release:

Coast District Trustees Select Adrian as President for Coastline Community College

The Board of Trustees voted unanimously today to appoint Loretta (Lori) Adrian, Ph.D. as President of Coastline Community College.



Adrian will begin as President on July 1, 2010. Dr. Adrian has more than 20 years of experience in the California community college system and has extensive experience working in large multi-college districts such as San Mateo County and San Diego. She has been a strong advocate for students locally and statewide.

"Dr. Adrian's extensive experience started in student services but expands to all other areas of the college," said Board President Jerry Patterson. "Coastline Community College has an international reputation for quality programs and innovative thinking. The Board is impressed with Dr. Adrian's record of supporting student success, which is a valued trademark at Coastline,"

Patterson continued.

"I am honored to have been selected as the president of Coastline Community College—a college that is deeply grounded in a culture of innovation and collaborative leadership,"

Adrian stated. "I look forward to meeting and working with Coastline's community of faculty, staff, students, and administrators. I am grateful to the Board of Trustees and Chancellor Ding-Jo Currie for this great opportunity."

"Having served as President for Coastline for eight years, I am especially pleased to have Dr. Adrian continue the college's long-standing traditions of putting students first and being innovative in process, course delivery and curriculum," said Dr. Ding-Jo Currie, Chancellor. "Dr. Adrian possesses the characteristics of an excellent leader for a world class college like Coastline."

Adrian earned a Ph.D. in Higher Education in 2004 from Claremont Graduate University. Adrian also has a M.A. in Communication Theory from University of the Pacific.

Adrian currently serves as the vice president of student services at Skyline College in San Mateo, Cal. As the chief student services officer, Adrian provides leadership for a comprehensive array of student support programs and services, including enrollment services, counseling and matriculation, financial aid, health services, Extended Opportunities Programs and Services (EOPS), Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS), student activities, retention programs, judicial affairs, and security. She has actively participated in the development of Skyline College's educational and facilities master plan and is currently providing leadership for Skyline College to participate in a national project called the Foundations of Excellence in the First Year Experience. Adrian has also worked as a dean of student affairs and development at San Diego Mesa College.

The Coast Community College District is headquartered in Costa Mesa and is the ninth largest district in the country. The District's three colleges - Coastline Community College in Fountain Valley, Golden West College in Huntington Beach and Orange Coast College in Costa Mesa - serve over 60,000 students each year providing traditional degree and transfer opportunities, career and technical training, basic skills, English as a Second Language and other community programs.

Please join me in congratulating her. Lori has been a great asset to Skyline College, and a great friend and colleague. I will miss her enormously. As I know more about plans for her replacement, I will let you know.

Academic Senate election results announced

Skyline's Academic Senate President, Ray Hernandez, has announced the results of the recent election for next year's officers:

President: Fermin Irigoyen
Vice President: Open
Secretary: Leigh Anne Sippel
Treasurer: Nohel Corral

Committee Chairs

Curriculum: Christine Roumbanis and Nick Kapp
Educational Policy: Jacquie Escobar
Professional Personnel: Arthur Takayama
Research: Michael Moynihan

Congratulations to all of these people!

Search process launched for new president of Skyline College

Vice Chancellor for Human Resources Harry Joel has informed me that the search process for the new president of Skyline has been launched, with the forming of a Screening Committee comprised of representatives from the Associated Students, Academic Senate, AFT, CSEA, Classified Council, administration and the community. The committee is preparing a job announcement. Screening of applicants will be done in the fall.

Skyline College places second in state wide Math Challenge

A team of MESA students from Skyline College came in second overall against 19 MESA teams from other community colleges in the program's first annual Math Challenge. Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) conducted the 60-minute multiple choice test that included problems from algebra, trigonometry, pre-calculus and analytical geometry. More than 180 MESA students in teams of five or more participated from 19 MESA community college campuses. The test is modeled after the American Mathematical Association of Two-Year College's Student Math League test. "The Math Challenge allows students to gain recognition for their problem solving skills and helps alleviate the stress that often comes with test preparation," said Tiffany Reardon, who oversees the MESA Community College Program. "It gives them tips and the confidence to perform at their best in future exams." The Skyline MESA center will receive a plaque for the achievement. The goal is to expand the contest to more MESA community college centers each year and build a healthy level of competition between campuses to maintain or gain the title.

MESA is an award-winning academic enrichment program that provides educationally disadvantaged students with the tools to earn bachelor's degrees in math-based fields. With tutoring and mentoring, extra study sessions, transfer counseling and study centers, MESA provides an environment that allows students to succeed in math and science and navigate the transfer system more easily. Currently MESA has programs in 33 of California's 110 community colleges and serves less than one half a percent of the one million full time community college students in the state. But MESA students account for 10 percent of all Latino Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) transfers, 13 percent of all African American STEM transfers and 20 percent of all Native American STEM transfers in California.

Skyline Students enjoy success at State Badminton Championships

At the California Community College Athletic Association (CCCAA) State Badminton Championships on May 14-15, Skyline students Nour Abudamous and Rachell Berania performed with a high level of distinction. Abudamous, the 5th seeded player in singles from Northern California, advanced to the quarter finals winning two matches on Friday the 14th including an upset of the 2nd ranked player in Southern California, Jewy Liang, from Pasadena City College. Nour played a spirited quarterfinal match against Crisselda Viluan of San Diego City College before being eliminated. Based on her performance Nour Abudamous finished the season as one of the top 8 singles players in all California. In doubles, Nour and her partner Rachell Berania won the consolation championship. After dropping their first match, the Abudamous – Berania team did not drop another set and swept by the remaining competitors to capture the title. Congratulations to Nour and Rachell on their strong showing.

Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Honor Society named a "5 Star Chapter"

I have just received a letter from the national offices of Phi Theta Kappa informing me that our chapter of PTK, Beta Theta Omicron, received special commendation from the organization for fulfilling all of the requirements to be named a "5 Star Chapter." The letter describes the award:

The Five Star Chapter Development Plan serves as a blueprint for developing a strong chapter, improves student engagement on your campus, and recognizes progress in the attainment of goals set by the chapter. Using the Five Star Plan as a guide, chapters enhance their strategies

to recognize eligible students, provide significant personal and professional development opportunities for members through Honors in Action, and build a working relationship with the college administration by becoming active on campus and in the community. As chapters reach these milestones they progress through each level of the Five Star Plan, ultimately reaching the pinnacle Five Star Level.

The chapter was also recognized at the Honor Society's recent Annual Convention and will be cited on the Society website at www.ptk.org. Please join me in congratulating PTK Advisors Christine Case, Don Biederman, Paul Spakowski and Jeff Westfall for their work with our students and the chapters achievement of this goal.

Skyline hosts Relay for Life

Skyline College hosted the first San Bruno Relay for Life on May 15-16. The Relay is a unique event to celebrate cancer survivorship, remember loved ones, and fight back against cancer. Skyline students volunteered to plan this event for the students, staff, and community. The event was sponsored by Beta Theta Omicron, Cresco, Norvartis, DC16, ClearChannel, San Bruno Dental Center, and the American Cancer Society. Local businesses contributed food to sustain walkers during the 24-hour event. The Relay started at 10 a.m. on Saturday with the pledge of allegiance led by Cub Scout Pack #290, the National Anthem sung by Wolf Pack, and cheers by the the Trojanettes. This was followed by welcomes from student chairs, Kelnia Moloney and Matt Garza, Skyline Dean Morello, and San Bruno Mayor Jim Ruane. Mayor Ruane presented a plaque from the San Bruno City Council to Skyline stating that "Skyline College takes pride in serving the community through providing their resources for the benefit of the local citizens. ...proclaim May 15-16 as Relay for Life days."

Following the first lap by cancer survivors, 111 participants on 18 teams walked around the track until 10 a.m. Sunday morning. The Relay raised \$6000 to fight cancer. The all-student planning committee did a remarkable job of planning and executing this community event. The planning committee members are:

Kelnia Moloney, Matt Garza, Sarah Figueroa, Lauren Wulfken, Derrick Hau, Maria Climaco, Patty Lapizar, Joe Zapantis, Jack Torres, Samantha Leung, Hong Hoang, and Raymond Parent-Kurttila. As fell on the track, the night was brightened by the glow of illuminated bags called luminaria, each bearing the name of someone who has battled cancer. Some celebrated cancer survivors, while others remembered those gone too soon. All represented someone special who has been profoundly affected by cancer and the family and friends who continue to fight back in their honor. Some of the luminaria were painted by Skyline art students.

Photos: Christine Case





Skyline student wins Honorable Mention in Scholar-Athlete competition

Midori Sera, a freshman mid-fielder on the Skyline Women's Soccer team, was selected Honorable Mention in the 2010 NATYCAA (National Association of Two Year College Athletic Administrators) Scholar-Athlete competition. The NATYCAA Scholar-Athlete Award was first presented in 1992 and is sponsored by Summit America Insurance Services. It is given to the male and female student-athlete who best demonstrates outstanding accomplishment and leadership in academics, athletics and citizenship.

Academically, Midori has completed 55 semester units at Skyline College with a perfect 4.0 grade point average. Her academic load has been demanding including honors courses in Calculus and Spanish. Her plan is to complete her studies at Skyline next year and transfer to the University of California, Berkeley with a goal of being admitted into the Haas School of Business. Athletically, Midori was a standout on our Women's Soccer team. She was a first team all-conference midfielder who was second on the team in goals

scored and first in assists. Her accomplishments were even more significant given the excellent season that Skyline enjoyed. The team recorded the most wins in a single season in their history (17), won their conference championship (Coast), was rated fifth in the state of California in power ranking and finished the season rated thirteenth in the NSCAA (National Soccer Coaches Association of America) Division III Junior College Women's Soccer poll. As a player and leader, Midori was integral to the success of the team this past season. Photo by Coach Kevin Corsiglia.

Coming up...

Saturday, May 22

- Final Examinations Begin (Day and Evening Classes), Through May 28

Friday, May 28

- Commencement, Gymnasium, 5pm (Doors open at 4:15pm)

Do you have a suggestion?

One way to submit it is through our general **e-Suggestion Box**, via the hyperlink in the box below, or via the same box on the front page of our website at

<http://www.skylinecollege.edu/general/surveys/index.html>



Here is the **Website Redesign Project e-Suggestion Box**, for feedback on the new website,



For suggestions specific to the **budget**, here is the link:



For state level information on community colleges, see these websites:

- The Chancellor's Office in Sacramento: <http://www.cccco.edu/>
- The Community College League of California: <http://www.ccleague.org/>
- The Research and Planning Group: <http://www.rpgroup.org/>

Skyline Shines is archived at <http://www.skylinecollege.edu/facstaff/PresidentsOffice/skyshines/>

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