

Skyline Shines

Victoria P. Morrow, President February 15 2007

Skyline's new facilities blessed by a lion dance





Good fortune and prosperity were bestowed upon Skyline College by the Hung Sing Lion Dance Team during our Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Valentine's Day. More than 250 attended the afternoon festivities and were entertained by the Kulintang Musical Group led by Master "Danny" Kalanduyan and "Band in a Box" Billy Robinson and Buzz Wilkes. Alec Bates and his chemistry students amazed all with "Sparkles and Scents Through Chemistry." To celebrate Valentine's Day, desserts and sweets were provided by Nico Martin Presents and El Capitan Espresso. The Ribbon Cutting was generously sponsored Hensel Phelps Construction Co. and Apple Computer.

Many people contributed to creating this wonderful celebration of Skyline's "new heart." Thanks to the Ribbon Cutting Committee for planning the event: Roxanne Brewer, Amory Cariadus, Kevin Chak, Barbara Christensen, Kathy Fitzpatrick, Stanlee Garriott, Shelly Hausman, Sandy Irber, Barbara Lamson, Sue Lorenzo, Nikki Santiago, Pat Tyler, and William Watson. The Facilities department, the Media Center, the Security Office, the Bookstore and ASSC student volunteers contributed to the smooth running and memorable event.

Interim Dean of Counseling named

Carlene Gibson has accepted the position of Interim Dean of Counseling, Advising, and Matriculation. Carlene will assume the position beginning Monday, February 26, 2007. Carlene Gibson comes to Skyline with a strong and varied background in student services from a number of community colleges. She has served as dean of counseling (both permanent and interim), dean of admissions and records, counselor, director of training and economic development,

director of transfer admissions, faculty member and curriculum specialist in several California community colleges. As such, Carlene brings a wealth of experience and multiple perspectives regarding counseling programs and related student services. Prior to her retirement, Carlene worked at the North Orange Community College District as Dean of Admissions and Records for both Cypress College and Fullerton College. She also served as counselor and director of training economic development at the two colleges (1988-2000).

Since her retirement, Carlene has assumed a number of interim positions, including as interim dean of admissions and records and interim dean of counseling at College of San Mateo, in 2001-2002. Most recently, she has served as consultant to the dean of counseling services and assumed the role of interim dean of enrollment services at College of the Desert.

Making the Connection—Plug into College event draws a crowd

150 students and parents visited Skyline last Saturday for this second year of the program. It was created and coordinated by Erika Torres, Karen Chadwick, Liza Erpelo, Vanson Nguyen, and Tiffany Reardon. Many other Skyline people—students, faculty, staff and administrators—were involved as presenters on a wide range of topics of value to people thinking about going to college and figuring out how to do it and how to fund it. They included Luis Padilla, Silvia Cervantes, Nate Nevado, Karen Wong, Anthony Gracia, Virginia Padron, Linda-Rosa Corazon, Sarah Figueroa, Dan Radovich, Danny Robles, Leo Rosales, Javier Valencia, Sherri Hancock, Pablo Gonzalex, and Linda Van Sciver. Please join me in thanking all of them!

SEEED's diversity days events begin February 28: Talking Drums

Come hear the "talking drums" on Wednesday, February 28, 12:45-2:15 in the Gallery Theater. Sam Oludayo of the Samco Success Ensemble will perform here. The event is the first in a series this spring sponsored by our SEEED committee (Stewardship for Equity, Equal Employment and Diversity). Thanks to Rosie Bell, Coordinator, and to Richard Soyombo for his assistance.



Creative students?

You may know of students who create poetry, short stories, photos or drawings and who might want to submit them to this year's edition of *Talisman*. If you do, please alert them to the March 12 deadline for submitting items, to Katharine Harer in Room 8210 or to the Language Arts Division Office, Room 8112. Here are the guidelines:

Poetry: 1 to 5 original poems

Short stories: 1 to 2, typed, no essays

Black and white photos or drawings: 1 to 5, (any theme or style)

Students must include their name and phone number on each submission. The Victoria Alvarado Memorial Short Story Award, including a cash prize, is given for the best story submitted. The Dorothy Dutcher Award is given for the best submission in poetry and in journal-writing. Prizes: First Place \$100, Second Place \$50, Honorable Mention \$25.

Coming up...

Thursday, February 15

 Gold, Gods & Glory Colloquium: "The World Waits While Darfur Dies," 7-8 p.m. Room 6202

Friday, February 16

- Lincoln's Birthday (Holiday)
- Men's Baseball vs. Shasta at Skyline, 2 p.m.

Saturday, February 17

- Men's Basketball, vs. Foothill College art Skyline, 7 p.m.
- Men's Baseball vs. Lasson at Skyline, 11 a.m.

Sunday, February 18

Men's Baseball vs. Feather River at Skyline, 11 a.m.

Monday, February 19

President's Day (Holiday)

Tuesday, February 20

• Men's Baseball vs. Diablo Valley at Skyline, 2 p.m.

Wednesday, February 21

- Men's Basketball, regional playoffs, TBA
- Women's Basketball, regional playoffs, TBA
- Black History Month Event: "Yinka Adeyemi," time and location TBA

Thursday, February 22

- Men's Basketball, regional playoffs, TBA
- Open poetry reading, 12:30-2:00 p.m., Main theatre lobby
- Gold, Gods & Glory Colloquium: "Bridge 2 Peace: The Children of Sri Lanka," 7-8 p.m., Room 6202

Friday, February 23

- Men's Basketball, regional playoffs, TBA
- Women's Basketball, regional playoffs, TBA
- Men's Baseball vs. Redwoods at Skyline, noon
- Black History Month Event: Author Ron Thomas, noon, Room 6202

For more on this week's events, see the event calendar at www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/calendar.html

To add events to the calendar, visit www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/events.html

Do you have an item for Skyline Shines?

If you do, just email me about it. Thanks.

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/skynotes/.