

Skyline Shines

Victoria P. Morrow, President December 1, 2006

Update on openings of our new and remodeled buildings

The three buildings that are slated for opening in January are all on schedule to be in service on January 16, the first day of class. That includes Building 6 (Student and Community Center), Building 7A (Science Annex) and Building 8 (Business and Language Arts). The offices and people that will be moving into those buildings will be packing up and moving over before that, of course, and they are in the process of receiving information about how that will be done. You will be getting a couple of messages in the near future. One will be from Tom Bauer about how the Bookstore, which will be in Building 6, is going to meet students' needs before that day. The other will be from Zak Conway concerning an opportunity for a hard hat tour of Buildings 6 and 7A this month, before the end of the term, for anyone interested.

Accreditation Fiesta today



Poet Ellery Akers appears at Skyline

Bay Area Poet and WOW! 2007 presenter Ellery Akers spoke at Skyline on November 14. Her appearance was sponsored by Culture Comes Alive, ASSC, Honors Transfer Program, the Honors Club and the *WOW! 2007* conference. Ms. Akers read new poems and signed copies of her book *Knocking on the Earth*. She has won six national writing awards and published poetry and essays in a wide range of books and journals. Katharine Harer reports that over 40 people attended the reading at the café in the theatre lobby. She said, "Many of my creative writing class students asked good questions that gave Ellery an opportunity to share ideas about writing — how to start, how to cultivate a writing habit, techniques and tips that were very useful to my students."



(Photo by Shelly Hausman)

Great American Smokeout

The "Great American Smokeout" was presented on Thursday, November 16th, through the Respiratory Therapy Program and the Health Center at Skyline College with participation from Breathe California. The Health Center and Breath California provided information on the negative effects of smoking and effective ways to quit. Students in the Respiratory Therapy Program performed free lung screenings for many members of the College community. These screenings included measurement of heart rate, respiratory rate, and blood pressure. Blood oxygen levels were measured by pulse oximetry and participants were able to test how well they were able to force air out of their lungs by measuring their peak expiratory flow rates (PEFR). Respiratory Therapy students were able to competently apply skills learned in the program and educate smokers and non-smokers alike about how smoking and other environmental exposures can affect their lungs. The "Great American Smokeout" is sponsored nationally by the American Cancer Society on the third Thursday of November each year.





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College Council Draft Agenda for December 6

- 1. ASSC update
- 2. Accreditation update
- 3. Review of proposed Vision and Mission statements
- 4. Educational and Facilities Master Planning Project update
- 5. Fresh Look Project update
- **6.** Plans for SEEED's diversity days April 18-19, 2006: "Who Are We Fascinating Rhythms"
- 7. District Shared Governance Committee update
- **8. Next meeting:** January 24

Coming up

Friday, December 1

- Pilipino Music Showcase, 7-9:30 p.m., Main Theatre
- EOPS, CARE and CALWORKS Holiday Event, 2-4 p.m., Cafeteria, Bldg 2.
- Viva la Acreditación Fiesta, 12- 1:30 p.m., Quad, Bldg 8

Saturday, December 2

Wrestling at Redding, 9 a.m.

Monday, December 4

• Piano Around the World, 11:10 a.m. Room 1111

Tuesday, December 5

- Ceramics Sale, 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.-through 12/7, Gallery Theatre.
- Men's Basketball at Monterey Peninsula, 5 p.m.
- Women's Basketball vs. College of the Siskiyous, at Skyline, 6 p.m.
- Auto Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, 12:45 p.m., Skyline Automotive Department, Bldg. 8

Thursday, December 7

- Winter Serenade- Concert Choir Performance, 7:30 p.m., Main Theatre.
- CSEA Classified Staff Luncheon, noon, Foster City

Friday, December 8

- Jazz and Concert Band Concert, 7:30 p.m., Main Theatre
- Women's Basketball at Merritt College, 8 p.m.
- Men's Basketball, Skyline Classic, Skyline plays at 6 p.m.
- Child Development Center Annual Holiday Potluck and 10th Anniversary Gala Celebration, 5:30-8 p.m., Bldg. 2 Cafeteria.

For more on this week's events, see the event calendar at www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/calendar.html
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If you do, just email me about it. Thanks.

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- 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/

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