



## **Skyline Shines**

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This will be the last edition of *Skyline Shines* until the first week of the spring semester. Best wishes for a restful break and a happy holiday season. Now, a few last things before the break.

### **Open Forum on plans for the new buildings, entryways and parking: January 31, 2:10 pm**

There will be a college wide open forum on January 31 from 2:10-4:10. We will let you know the location later, but I wanted to be sure that you could get it on your calendar well in advance. Kwan Henmi Architects will present their work on the “bridging documents”—the work that will provide the foundation for requests for proposals for design/build teams (architects plus builders) to carry out the actual design and construction for the college. The people who are part of the “building user groups” have been involved in meetings with Kwan Henmi this fall and now they and other members of the college will have a chance to see the whole package.

### **Student scholarship funds raised**

Please join me in congratulating the DSPS staff and the Student Services Division for their student scholarship fundraising success this month. The Division raised \$2,257 in a live and a silent auction last week, all in one day. The DSPS raffle raised \$2,200. Linda Van Sciver organized the auction with a log of help from generous donations and thanks also to Jennifer Hughes who is a gifted and hammy auctioneer. Kudos for the DSPS raffle go to Sheila Claxton and Chris Weidman.

### **First Year Experience survey**

During this academic year, Skyline College is one of 16 two-year colleges nationwide and two colleges statewide selected to participate in the “Foundations of Excellence® in the First College Year,” a major first-year self study and improvement planning process. An important part of this process is a survey of new students so that we’ll know what’s working well and what we need to improve. The on-line survey began last month and closed on Friday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>. 401 students participated, and to thank students for participating in the survey, a random draw was conducted in which four participants were selected to receive an iPod Nano. The four recipients are:

- Ana Galvan
- Linjie Joylynn Ng
- Rodrigo Cano
- Edgar Allen Manalo

### **Skyline student athlete signed at Niagara University**

Skyline student athlete in baseball Aaron Bjorkquist has just been signed to an early letter of intent to join the Niagara University team for the 2007-08 season. Congratulations to him.

### **Coming Up ...**

**Friday, December 15**

- Women's Basketball vs. Shasta College, at Skyline, 6 p.m.
- Day and Evening Classes End

**Saturday, December 16**

- Men's Basketball at Sierra College, 5 p.m.
- [Skyline College Bookstore closed until Jan. 15. Students can buy their books online!](#)

**Monday, December 18**

- Women's Basketball at Sierra College, 6 p.m.

**Wednesday, December 20**

- Men's Basketball vs. Hartnell College, at Skyline, 6 p.m.

**Friday, December 22**

- Men's Basketball at DeAnza, 5 p.m.
- Women's Basketball, at Cabrillo College, 5:30 p.m.
- Winter Break: college closed through January 1.

For more on this week's events, see the event calendar at

[www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/calendar.html](http://www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/calendar.html)

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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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