

Victoria P. Morrow, President May 16, 2008

President's Report to the Board of Trustees

The report I gave to the Board last Wednesday night is available at http://www.smccd.edu/accounts/skynotes/index.html.

You can still provide your input on the Draft District Strategic Plan

We held our Open Forum on this Wednesday, but you still have an opportunity to provide input; the **deadline is May 30** for this round of feedback via the website. There is a comment form (including a link to the Recommendations document) at this address: http://www.skylinecollege.edu/skynotes/. Look under "News and Information." The link is called "Comment on District Strategic Plan Draft through May 30." Over the summer the document will be revised, submitted for community member input, revised again, and then will come back for another round of district wide review in the fall. Board action on it is expected later in the fall.

The Spring Concert is tonight!



Asian Pacific Islander GLBTQ Community & Health Outreach event coming this Monday

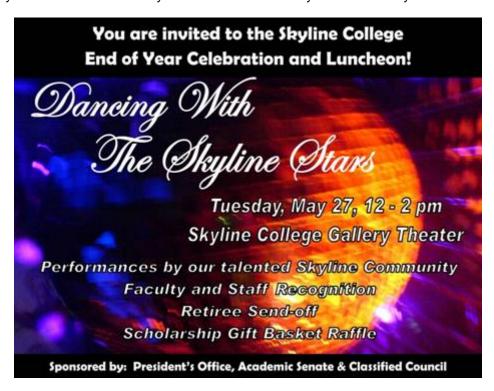
The Skyline Gay-Straight Alliance is welcoming the Asian & Pacific Islander Wellness Center next Monday, May 19 for the Asian and Pacific Islander HIV/AIDS Awareness Day.

Monday, May 19, 2008 Building 6, Room 6-203 11 am 2 pm

Please announce this event to students, classes, and groups you may work with. This is a great opportunity for members of the API-GLBTQ community at Skyline to meet, find out about community programs and organizations, and get health information and HIV/STD testing.

Our End of the Year Celebration and Luncheon: Tuesday, May 27, 12-2 pm

It is crystal clear to me that this year's event for our faculty and staff is truly not to be missed!



Voter Registration and Information Event

Last Tuesday, the students of Jeff Westfall's Honors English 165 class held a Voter Registration and Information event in the quad. They prepared a very detailed and well designed "2008 Skyline College Voters Guide" including facts, ballot information and key websites. Guests at the event included Karen Schwarz of the SMCCCD Board of Trustees; from the League of Women Voters, Marie Baldisseri (President) and Jean Johnson (Secretary).; Skyline Library Professor Eric Brenner; and Pacifica School District Board of Trustee Member and representative for Measure N: Joan Weideman. In the first photo below are Megan Lucy, Jarrod Feiner, Rick Wool, and Tony Yu. In the second photo are Megan Lucy, Kristi Parenti-Kurttila, Joan Weideman, Marie Baldisseri, Jean Johnson, Denisse Gonzalez, Jarrod Feiner, Kara Kernan, Alex Oakes, Tony Yu, and Mason Feldman.





Photos by Rakefet Avramovitz

Student Recognition and Awards Ceremony

Skyline College hosted another successful and well-attended Student Recognition and Awards Banquet at the Main Theater on May 9, 2008, at 4:00 pm. The event was followed by a reception for the students, their families and donors in the Student Center. This year's scholarship program honored 99 scholarship recipients, 97 students who have completed a transfer program, 22 students who have completed the Honors Transfer Program, 202 Phi Theta Kappa members who have achieved International Honor Society status, and 536 students who have been named to Dean's List for Spring 2007 and Fall 2007. In addition to numerous academic, leadership, and service awards, more than \$125,000 dollars in scholarship monies were awarded.

Thanks to the Scholarship Committee for their very hard work: Rosemary Bell, Shann Chu, Kevin Corsiglia, Katharine Harer, Cindy Moss, and Linda Van Sciver; the Scholarship Recognition and Awards Recognition Committee: Loretta Adrian, Loretta Davis, Sherri Hancock, Shelly Hausman, and Sandy Irber. A very special thanks to Dr. Maria Escobar and Roxanne Brewer, for their leadership in the selection and notification of scholarship recipients; Amory Cariadus, for her leadership in planning and coordinating the event; and Professor Phyllis Taylor, for emceeing the event. The support and assistance of the entire Financial Aid Office staff, the Associated Students of Skyline College, the Student Activities Office, Rich Tidd, Rakefet Avramovitz, and the Student Ambassadors is greatly appreciated.

The first photo is of Nicole La Roche receiving her Pister scholarship for UC Santa Cruz (with MC Phyllis Taylor in the background), which provides \$20,000 over two years, assistance in securing additional funding to cover all additional costs, an individually tailored mentoring program, and assistance in finding paid or volunteer summer work. The second photo is of Kahee Jo, the recipient of the Genentech Scholar Award, All USA Academic First Team, the All-California First Team, and the 2008 New Century Scholar.





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The Badminton championship results are in

The 2008 CCCAA championships matches were held last Saturday. The 2008 Singles Champion is Maggie Ho from Skyline. Ho also was a finalist (along with partner Keshia Yusman) in doubles. Last year Maggie finished second in singles to Shannon Hsu from Irvine Valley College. The runner-up (finalist) in singles is Yan Li from San Francisco City College. This is only the second time in the nine year history of CCCAA Badminton where the finals consisted of two Northern California players. In 2000, both finalists were from the north- Ann Kim of De Anza was the champion and Skyline's Bonnie Chan (at the time a CCSF player), was runner-up. The 2008 Doubles Champions are Aenoy Bounsavath and Amy Tu from San Diego City College. Bounsavath and Tu were finalists in 2007, losing to champions Hsu and Nie from Irvine Valley. This year they beat Maggie Ho and Keisha Yusman in straight sets to capture the title. Congratulations to Jan Fosberg and the team for their great showing.

Hermanos Program Supports South San Francisco Mayor at SF Giants Game

At last night's SF Giants/Houston Astros game, 35 students from Skyline College's Hermanos Program attended the game. Students from South San Francisco High School and Skyline College enjoyed watching and supporting Mayor Pedro Gonzalez throw the opening pitch. Mayor Gonzalez is a strong supporter of the Hermanos Program and Tuesday night was a great opportunity to return the support. This event was sponsored by Shirlee Hoch and the South San Francisco Youth Foundation. In attendance were Hermanos students, Skyline College faculty and staff, and community members.



Filipino Heritage Night, Wednesday, May 14 during Asian Heritage Week

The pre-game Entertainment for the May 14th SF Giants game featured performances by the Hiyas Dance Group, SF Barangay and Likhas Pilipino Folk Ensemble. About 150 students from Skyline's Kababayan Program attended the event and participated in the SF Giant's "Asian Heritage Week" activities for the SF Giant home stand. In addition, Filipino Heritage/Giants t-shirts were given to fans that purchased special tickets.

EOPS International Spring Festival showcases talents of Skyline people

On Friday night, May 9, EOPS held its first ever, International Spring Festival. Over 200 people were entertained by a variety of performances put on by EOPS students, community groups, and Skyline faculty and staff. The acts included songs in English, Portuguese and Spanish; hip hop, Filipino, Hula and Tahitian dances; and instrumental pieces by a flutist, and taiko drummers. With its purpose to raise funds for EOPS scholarships, over \$2,000 was raised by selling tickets for a drawing of donated prizes. The drawing items and winners were: \$20 gift certificate to La Tapatia, Lesbia Duarte; \$30 gift certificate to La Tapatia, Karen Wong; \$100 cash, Denise Duarte; \$100 gift certificate to Max's Restaurants, Eli Lanuza; and and Ipod Shuffle, Maria Rodriguez. The grand prize a Nintento Wii bundle with a value of over \$380 was won by Shotsy Faust. Much thanks to the President' Innovation Fund for funding the event, the donors of the prizes, and to all of the folks that bought tickets for the drawing.

Skyline partners with Wells Fargo to celebrate Small Business Appreciation Month

Yesterday I joined a large group of Skyline's business students to hear and talk with a panel of presenters. The event was presented by Wells Fargo Bank and Skyline College in conjunction with the Daly City Business Center. The title was "Young Entrepreneurs" and the panel was moderated by Denise Miles, member of Skyline's President's Council. The presenters are pictured below, left to right: Geri Echague, Wells Fargo Business Specialist; Michael E. Parker; Stellar Enterprises, creator of the Value-Centered Management Philosophy and Business System and author of *Who Said So*; Moderator Denise Miles, Wells Fargo; Leila Perreras, Circle Communications; and Janice Weeks, Web Coast Graphics.





Photos by Shelly Hausman

Puente students visit UC Santa Cruz

The Puente class took a tour of UC Santa Cruz at the end of April to familiarize themselves with the beautiful campus, the many programs and the vast array of student clubs and services available to them. The Puente students got a feel for the energized, yet laid back campus life at UCSC, which even provided them with a vast buffet lunch in College Eight's dining commons, where they ate amongst the UCSC students. They also had the opportunity to meet with a former Skyline Puentista, Daniel Tostado, who talked to students about his experiences and was even kind enough to show us what their accommodations looked like by giving the group a mini-tour of his apartment on campus.



Coming Up ...

Friday, May 16

- Spring Community/Jazz Band Performance, 7:30 p.m., Main Theatre
- Blackout, BSU Basketball Challenge, 3 PM, Skyline Gymnasium

Saturday, May 17

- Automotive Awards Banquet, 6-10 p.m., Basque Cultural Center, South San Francisco
- Blackout University Tour with an African-American Perspective, 9 a.m., University of California, Davis

Monday, May 19

- Teachers Teaching Teachers (Three-T), 2-4 p.m.
- Summer books available for students to preorder online at bookstore.skylinecollege.edu. Items will begin shipping on May 22.
- Classified Staff Appreciation Week, May 19-23
- Asian Pacific Islander GLBTQ Community & Health Outreach, 11 am 2 pm, Room 6203
- CSEA hosted Employee Appreciation Coffee Break, 9-10AM, Staff/Faculty Lunch Room, Building 6

Tuesday, May 20

Honors Students Present Their Stanford Research Symposium Projects, 2-3:30 p.m., Rm 6202

Thursday, May 22

- Talisman Annual Awards Ceremony, 12:30-2:00 pm, Gallery Theatre.
- Psychology 268: Explorations in Culture and Mind Series XIV, 12:40 pm Rm. 8213

Friday, May 23

- Classified Awards Luncheon, 11:30-1:00, Gallery Theatre
- Child Development Center Graduation, 3:00 p.m., Main Theatre

You can 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 a suggestion?

One way to submit it is through our 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/.



For our Web Site Redesign Project, please log in your suggestions and concerns in the "Web Site Redesign Project eSuggestion Box", also on http://www.skylinecollege.edu/ or click the box below.



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/.