



Victoria P. Morrow, President
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Welcome back!

I look forward to our Opening Day next week, and to seeing many of you who have been away for the summer.

Accreditation Self Study—it's done!

Our Steering Committee Chairs, Donna Bestock and Ray Hernandez, and our editor, Nancy Kaplan-Biegel, have been hard at it over the summer bringing the publication of our Self Study Report to a close. They will be mailing off the official copies shortly and making it available to all of us at Skyline as well. During my Opening Day remarks I will sketch how the site visit will work.

College Council Annual Report

College Council publishes an annual report of its work, organized by topic. That report is now available on our website, along with the minutes for the College Council, at <http://www.smccd.edu/accounts/skycouncil/home.html>

Update on the Facilities Master Plan and the next wave of construction

I am convening our Educational and Facilities Master Plan Project Task Force (EFMPP) right away on August 30 to help us with the planning for the next wave of construction. Over the summer we have acquired a more concrete sense of the real cost of building everything we mapped out for what we call CIP II—Capital Improvement Program II. We dreamed big, and I am glad of that, but it is clear that we will have to make some choices among the components we had hoped for. So the EFMPP will hear all about that, consider various scenarios for fitting our projects within the resources we have, and then will advise me on our best approach. I will discuss this a bit more in my Opening Day remarks. The divisions most directly affected by the project will have a chance to see details and discuss it on Monday in division meetings.

New Academic Planner and Student Handbook published

Skyline's 2007-2008 *Academic Planner and Student Handbook* will be available for free to all new and continuing students beginning August 21. This year's publication has been expanded to combine the Academic Planner, which is developed by the Counseling Department, and the Student Handbook, which is published each year by the Student Activities Office. The Academic Planner provides vital information, including "tips for success," that are beneficial to students' educational planning and decision making. The Student Handbook directs students to a wide variety of programs that support student success, and outlines key college policies, procedures, student rights, and responsibilities. Fundamentally, the *Academic Planner and Student Handbook* is designed as a navigational tool to guide students as they map out paths to success in a new and sometimes complex college environment. The new *Academic Planner and Student Handbook* was developed by the Student Activities Office and the Associated Students, in collaboration with the Office of the Vice President of Student Services, the Counseling Department, and the Office of College Development, Marketing, and Public Relations. Special

thanks to Amory Cariadus, Coordinator of Student Activities, Shelly Hausman, Public Information Officer, and Lori Adrian, Vice President of Student Services for their leadership in this project.

Skyline MESA students make Bridges to Baccalaureate Summer Research Presentations
Skyline MESA (Math, Engineering and Science Achievement) students have been participating in a summer research program along with students from the City College of San Francisco and the San Francisco State University Bridges and MARC (Minority Access to Research Careers) programs. Wednesday, August 8, they made presentations of their findings at San Francisco State. They gave 10-12 minute presentations, along with time for questions and answers. For most students this will be the first time they gave a research presentation to a broad audience including faculty and peers from across the college as well as friends and family members. Pictured are Ben Borgo, Mina Mostafavi, Ruth Anna Arce, Margarita Gutierrez, and Kahee Jo.



Concurrent enrollment student wins Future Business Leaders competition

Last summer, Aurora Victoria David took Marv Steinberg's Accounting 100 course, "Basic Accounting Principles and Procedures." Now she has taken a first place national award in a Future Business Leaders of American-Phi Beta Lambda competition in Chicago. She won in the category of accounting.

New marketing approaches

This ad has appeared in English in the Pacifica Tribune and in Spanish in El Mensajero. We have an animated version of it on MySpace as well.



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Skyline hosts the governor of the state of Osun, Nigeria

On August 6, we had as a guest the governor of Osun state, Nigeria, who was in the US to develop new business relationships and to strengthen California ties. On his way to meet with Governor Schwarzenegger in Sacramento, Governor Olagunsoye Oyinlola stopped at Skyline College to meet with college staff to discuss possible agreements between Skyline and five of the universities in his state. The group considered ways of promoting and expanding international understanding by stimulating and supporting educational, professional and intercultural activities and projects between students and staff. The partnership could result in attracting Nigerian international student enrollment and the development of faculty exchange opportunities. Governor Oyinlola was hosted by the Center for International Trade Development, which is designed to assist small- to medium-size businesses in entering international trade.



Photo by Shelly Hausman

Coming Up ...

Monday, August 20

- SMCCD Opening Day events at Skyline College

Tuesday, August 21

- Skyline College Opening Day
- Honors program orientation, 5-7 p.m., Gallery Theatre

Wednesday, August 22

- Day and evening classes begin
- ASSC Welcome Booth and Info Table, 8 a.m. to noon, 6-8 p.m., Quad

Thursday, August 23

- ASSC Welcome Booth and Info Table, 8 a.m. to noon, 6-8 p.m., Quad

Friday, August 24

- Barbeque sponsored by ASSC, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Quad.

Do you have an item for *Skyline Shines*?

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

Do you have a suggestion?

You may want to try our new e-Suggestion Box, via the hyperlink in the box below, or on the front page of our website at <http://www.skylinecollege.edu/>. We are pilot testing it over the summer.

News

E-Suggest - An Electronic
Suggestion Box
for the Skyline College
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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/>

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