



Victoria P. Morrow, President
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Accreditation site visit next week

The accreditation visiting team will arrive on campus next Tuesday morning, October 23. They will spend their time here interviewing people and reviewing the documents the college offered in evidence for the content of our self-study. While the team will be looking primarily at written documentation of our findings, they may ask for appointments with various people in order to delve more deeply into a specific area. Also, team members may drop in on some classes. There will be several public events while they are here:

Tuesday, October 23: Open Forum, 1:30-2:30 pm, Building 5, Room 5131
Open Forum, 5:30-6:30 pm, Building 5, Room 5131

These Open Forums are opportunities for any member of the college or the public to speak to the visiting team members about our programs and services. There will not be a presentation by the team.

Thursday, October 25: Exit Interview, 2-3 pm, Building 2, Room 2306

The chair of the visiting team will provide a brief oral report on the team's findings and describe the process that will occur afterward as the report is finalized and acted upon by the accrediting commission in January.

Our accreditation website and our self study are at <http://www.smccd.edu/accounts/skyaccred/>. Under "Site Visit" you will also find the same open meeting information, along with the brief bios and photos of the visiting team members. As part of our responsibility to publicize widely the visit and the open meetings, we are also providing this information in hard copy to all employees.

Other '49ers series continues with Charlie Chin as Yee Fung Cheung

Actor/musician Charlie Chin will portray famous herb doctor Dr. Yee Fung Cheung, who traveled from China during the California Gold Rush to care for the Chinese miners in the gold fields. Yee Fung Cheung (Chin) will discuss his life and times and then take questions from the audience. Charlie Chin has been at the forefront of Asian American artistic expression. He was named a Community Folklore Scholar by the Smithsonian Institution and is Artist-in-Residence at the Chinese Historical Society of America. This series is funded by the President's Innovation Fund.

Tuesday, October 23, 11 am
Main Theater



New Skyline College Almanac just published—facts and figures at your fingertips

Cathy Hasson, Director of Planning, Research and Institutional Effectiveness, has just completed the latest edition of our *College Almanac 2006-07*. It includes a tremendously rich and useful array of information about the college and our students and is available electronically at <http://www.smccd.edu/accounts/skypro/home.html>

Student newspaper wins awards again

The Skyline View, Skyline's student newspaper, won several awards at the Journalism Association of Community Colleges NorCal Conference held at San Jose State University Saturday, October 13. Most prominently, the staff won General Excellence for *The Skyline View Online* for the fourth NorCal conference in a row. Syed Ali, now a journalism major at San Francisco State University, won first place for sports game story; former staffer John Harrison took an honorable mention for photo illustration. Current editor-in-chief Shannon Elliott took home third place for bring-in advertisement. And current online editor Alicia Johnson won fourth place for her on-the-spot news photo. Pictured below in the back row from left to right are Kevin Aquende, Nick Donofrio, Tony Acuna, Enrico Jurado, Joey Fogel, Dominic Mitchell, and Jennifer Culhane. In the front row (kneeling) from left to right are Liz McMahon, Liezl Laurel, Shannon Elliott and Allison Stevenson. Not pictured are other *Skyline View* staff members Alicia Johnson, Mike Whitebear, Gino Grelli, Jackson Long, and Jesus Hills.



Photo by Nancy Kaplan-Biegel

Telemundo comes to Skyline

Telemundo (Noticiero 48) was on campus October 10 interviewing staff, faculty and current and former students and taping video for a Spanish-language segment on the Biomanufacturing program that will air sometime during the November “sweeps.” Special thanks to Adolfo Leiva, Nick Kapp, Mousa Ghanma, Shelly Hausman and Mike Williamson for making it happen. In the picture below taken by Shelly Hausman, Telemundo reporter Pilar Nino interviews Biotechnology graduate Aura Cabrera.



Counseling Department launches a new and improved Online Orientation for New Students

In an effort to meet the varied orientation needs of our diverse student populations, Skyline’s Counseling Department has revised and updated the Online Orientation as a companion to the “In person” orientation. Orientation is one of the five enrollment steps required for new students. Its purpose is to provide students with information about registration procedures, college policies, student services, academic expectations and information on how to accomplish their educational goals. Although the

Counseling Department strongly encourages students to attend In-Person Orientations, the Online Orientation is offered for students whose schedules do not permit that. The new Online Orientation is presented in a lesson format utilizing WebAccess, a software package used in the District for many other online courses. WebAccess offers many advantages for online instruction, including the ability to generate quizzes, keep track of student's scores and generate a Certificate of Completion at the end. The revised Online Orientation is expected to be in place for the Spring 2008 registration process. Special thanks to Professor Eric Larson of the Counseling Department who provided overall leadership on this project and who worked diligently over the summer and early fall to get this program launched. Thanks also to all the Counseling Department faculty and, in particular, the Orientation Committee who collaborated with Professor Larson on this project to ensure consistency in content between in-person and on-line orientation.

Skyline College students present at national scientific conference

Twelve Skyline MESA students presented their original scientific research at the Society for the Advances of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) annual convention in Kansas City, Missouri. Skyline students presented alongside with students from the country's top universities such as MIT, University of Michigan, Yale, and other four-year schools and research centers. During the summer, these students worked in pairs or solo with Dr. Christine Case in the labs of Skyline's new 7A Science Annex. The students developed and implemented the experiments needed to solve their problem. They wrote their laboratory reports, including literature review, analysis of data, and conclusions before submitting an abstract of their work. Their abstracts were accepted for publication by scientist judges and the students presented their posters at the SACNAS convention October 11-13, 2007. Our published scientists are:

- "Microbial Air Quality in a 50-year-old Middle School"
 - Benjamin Borgo and Mina Mostafavi (Both transferred to SFSU this Fall)
- "Antibacterial Activity of Ajowan, a Traditional Asian Herbal Medicine"
 - Paige Fulmer and Denise Owen
- "Antimicrobial Activity of the Chinese Herb *Oldenlandia diffusa* (bai hua she she cao)"
 - Margaret On and Khin Htwe
- "Evaluation of the Potential Use of Ginger as a Fruit Preservative"
 - Karamjit Kim Kaur (Transferred to UC Davis this Fall)
- "Antibacterial Properties of *Artemisia*"
 - Kahee Joanne Jo and Margarita Gutierrez
- "Antibacterial Properties of Methanolic, Ethanolic, and Aqueous Extracts of *Auricularia auricula-judae* on Selected Bacterial Cultures"
 - Anna Dneprov and Ruth Arce
- "The Antimicrobial Activities of the Traditional Herbal Medicine Pu Gang Ying"
 - Shahrzad Afghani (Transferred to UC Berkeley this Fall)

To see photos of the students with their presentations, click on this link:

http://www.smccd.edu/accounts/skyline/smt/research/student_07.html. Pictured below are Margarita Gutierrez and Kahee Joanne Jo.

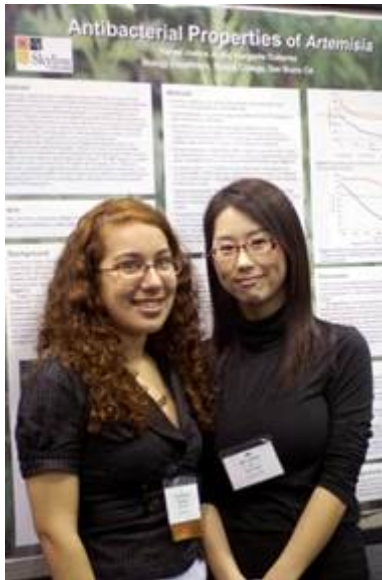


Photo by Chris Case

Philanthropy Workshop West Takes a Lesson from Skyline

On October 17 Skyline hosted a cohort of philanthropists of the Philanthropy Workshop West Program sponsored by the Hewlett Foundation. The program is aimed at assisting philanthropists in learning strategic approaches to making significant contributions to the pressing issues of the day. They asked us to talk to them about multiple pathway programs and the work we did to create, implement and institutionalize the Biotechnology Certificate and the Gateway Programs. They visited the lab and classroom, talked to students and asked us very engaging and insightful questions. At the end of the day, we hope we assisted them in framing their thinking and focusing their interest on supporting students served by these programs and in seeing the central role of the community colleges in improving the lives of the individuals and families in our community. Skyline College faculty, staff and students credited with pulling off a very successful visit include: Cafeteria Manager Rick McMahon and the staff, Mike Celeste and the Security Department, Mousa Ghanma, Rick Hough, Nick Kapp, Adolfo Leiva, Julene Rhoan, Regina Stanback Stroud, Theresa Tentos, the students of the Math 811 Gateway class, the students of the Biology 415 Biotechnology Manufacturing lab class, William Watson, and Mike Williamson

James Houston tells the story of Hawaiians in California during the Gold Rush

James Houston was here last week to provide a gripping and enlightening tale of the important and very early role of Hawaiians in California. He also talked about the migration of Americans to the part of Mexico which later became California. He also read beautifully from two of his novels—*Snow Mountain Passage* and *Bird of Another Heaven*. Watch for notice of the next components of this fascinating series on the tremendous diversity of people involved in California's gold rush era. Thanks again to the Library faculty and staff who took the lead on this project and to the President's Innovation Fund for the resources which allow the offering of this free lecture series.



President's Innovation Fund: Call for Proposals for NEW second round of funding

For the first time, funds have been set aside for a second round of President's Innovation Fund proposals during this year. This will allow projects to be planned during the spring semester '08 for implementation during the fall semester of '08. Proposals should be submitted by November 30th at 4:30 pm to the President's Office. Successful projects will be announced in mid-December. For more details and forms, go to <http://www.smccd.edu/accounts/skypio/pif/index.html>.

The President's Innovation Fund is designed to support the college's goals and strategies:

Goal 1: Develop the scope, quality, accessibility and accountability of instructional and student service offerings, programs and services.

Goal 2: Enhance institutional effectiveness in the planning and decision-making processes through cooperative leadership, effective communication, and shared governance.

Goal 3: Fulfill the college's role as a leading academic and cultural center for the community through partnerships with business, the community, and non-profit organizations.

Goal 4: Provide adequate human, physical, technological and financial resources to successfully implement educational programs and student services in order to improve student learning outcomes.

Goal 5: Offer faculty and staff opportunities for professional growth and advancement.

Multicultural Hip Hop Conference comes to Skyline next month

This event is funded by the President's Innovation Fund. Here are the details:



In addition, this event is showcased on KQED's front page, at <http://www.kqed.org/>.

Who Are We? We Are Everyone!

This photo exhibit is a project of Common Ground, funded by the President's Innovation Fund. The 80 photos in the exhibit were digitally scanned and enlarged to the 8 x 10 format. They were then framed using a universal format to give equal attention to each picture. Below each photograph is a statement about who is in the photo and why is it important to the person who contributed it to the exhibit. The theme of this exhibit is a sample of the various families, that make up the community of Skyline College. The subject (s) are the families of Skyline College students, faculty, staff and administrators. The exhibit is meant to be not only visually enlightening, but participatory for the viewers. The viewer is encouraged to add their family or themselves, either by writing about their family (with the materials provided) and/or by adding a picture of themselves and posting it to the blank walls that have been set up for that purpose. This exhibit has been developed in tandem with the recent showing of the video "Mixed Feelings" and with the November 8, 2007, presentation by Nina Jablonski : "Living in our Skin". The photo exhibit opened October 17 and runs through mid-November.

Institutional Planning Committee update

At the October 10 meeting of the Institutional Planning Committee, the following items were covered:

1. An enrollment update by Cathy Hasson
2. A review by Cathy Hasson of the results from the recently conducted Marketing and Outreach Communication Student Survey
3. An overview by Sandy Irber, Director of Development, Marketing and Public Information, of the new Integrated Marketing Plan
4. A discussion, led by Donna Bestock, Co-chair of the Accreditation Steering Committee, on the Accreditation Self-study Planning Agenda and areas of responsibility attached to the planning agenda items
5. A discussion and refinement of the college-wide Enrollment Management Framework.

All of the documents and plans can soon be found on the IPC website under "Meeting Handouts" at <http://www.skylinecollege.edu/committees/index.html> or the Office of Planning, Research and Institutional Effectiveness website at <http://www.smccd.edu/accounts/skypro/home.html>.

Coming Up ...

Friday, Oct. 19

- Transfer Day, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Cafeteria

Saturday, Oct. 20

- Wrestling at Santa Rosa, 7 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 22

- Free Flu Shot Clinic, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Rm 2209. Health Care students, anyone over the age of 60 and those at high risk
- "Who Are We? We Are Everyone" art exhibition, Gallery Theatre, hours vary. Through Nov. 13.

Tuesday, Oct. 23

- Accreditation Site Visit
- The Other 49ers: Charlie Chin, 11 a.m., Main Theatre.
- Women's Soccer vs. Las Positas at Livermore, 4 p.m.
- Men's Soccer at Cañada, 4 p.m.
- Free Flu Shot Clinic, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Rm 2209. Health Care students, anyone over the age of 60 and those at high risk
- Accreditation: Public Forum, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Rm 5131; and 5:30-6:30 p.m., Rm 5131

Wednesday, Oct. 24

- Accreditation Site Visit
- Volleyball at Monterey Peninsula College, 6:30 p.m.
- Wrestling vs. West Valley at Skyline, 7 p.m.
- Free Flu Shot Clinic, 7-8:30 p.m., Rm 2209. Health Care students, anyone over the age of 60 and those at high risk

Thursday, Oct. 25

- Accreditation Site Visit
- Chilean dance troupe Araucaria : One Book One Community Event, 7:30 p.m., Skyline College Main Theatre
- Accreditation: Public Preliminary Report, 2 p.m., Rm 2306

Friday, Oct. 26

- Volleyball vs. Chabot College at Skyline, 6:30 p.m.
- Faculty orders for Spring 2008 textbooks are due to Bookstore
- Men's Soccer vs. City College SF at Skyline, 2 p.m.
- Free Flu Shot Clinic, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Rm 2209. Health Care students, anyone over the age of 60 and those at high risk

You can see the event calendar at <http://www.smccd.net/accounts/skypio/calendar.html>.

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

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/>.



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/>.