

STAYING COMMITTED AND CONNECTED

May 13, 2019

Open House Showcases Departments & Programs





















On Friday, May 3rd, the College sponsored an Open House event, inviting local high schools to bring their students to visit the campus and engage with our faculty and staff. Over 30 tables were staffed, presenting information on everything from Guided Pathways to American Sign Language. Program demonstrations were provided by EMT and Nursing, as well as Printmaking and Photography, among a dozen academic and technical programs represented. Approximately 300 guests engaged with the campus, representing high schools from Vallejo, Vacaville, Winters, Dixon and adult schools in the area. Thank you to the many faculty and staff who took the opportunity to showcase their programs and services to our local community. A special thank you to Dean Morinec for creating and printing program

ECE Celebrates Grads & Certificate Recipients





On Friday night May 10th, Child Development and Family Studies students and their families gathered in the Solano College boardroom for our annual Early Childhood Education Celebration for graduates and certificate recipients. This year we awarded 60 Associate Teacher certificates, 9 AS-T degrees, and 8 AS degrees! Many of these students have already found employment as preschool teachers in our community, while others are transferring to such universities as Sacramento State and Sonoma State to work on their bachelor's degrees in the fall. In attendance was Superintendent-President Celia Esposito-Noy, Dean Sandy Lamba, CDFS faculty, Early Learning Center staff, and Fairfield Mayor Harry Price. Mayor Price was there to help award a new Soroptimist scholarship in his late wife's name, the Betsy Price Child Development Scholarship.

Winner, Gabriela Pizano received a \$3,400 scholarship to help her with her studies as she transfers to Sacramento State in the fall. The evening filled us with gratitude, as families came together to honor the education accomplishments of their loved ones and the commitment they have made to teaching young children. Congratulations CDFS students!

Students Celebrate Law Day



On May 3rd, eight of the members of the SCC CCPLS program presented a program entitled "Free Speech is a Right" to twenty-six students from the Jesse Bethel Law Program and several SCC students who have expressed an interest in the law. For three hours, through short films, games, mini-lectures and discussion groups, participants learned about their rights under this amendment. At the end, twelve of the students stated that they would be applying to Solano in order to participate in the SCC CCPLS program!

SCC Student Returns from NASA Internship

SCC student Jered Bell has just returned from a four-month long internship at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, MD, where he was part of the group working on Next Generation X-Ray Optics (NGXO).

While at NASA, Jered worked on three main projects. In the first project, Jered designed a machine that can take tiny Silicon rods (~0.1" diameter) and sand a 4-degree angle onto one end, using 4000 grit sandpaper.

In the second project, Jered created a holding system for the mirrors of NASA's X-ray telescopes.



In the third project, Jered worked on automating the process of fabricating the pieces of silicon that are used in the mirrors.

During this internship, Jered was exposed to a broad range of experiences including mechanical design, manufacturing, materials science, programming, controls/sensors, and more, and contributed to the industrialized production of the world's best polished surfaces, which are required for future X-Ray telescopes. His work will have a direct impact on the future of X-Ray astronomy.

Jered was paid \$12,000 for his four months at NASA, and made such a good impression on them during his internship, that he has been invited to return to NASA for Summer

Jered will be transferring to either UC San Diego or Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, as a junior in Aerospace Engineering, in Fall 2019.

SCC Alumna Accepted to PhD Program in Comparative Literature

SCC student and Solano alumna, Sarah Hoenicke, who went to Mills and is now completing her MA in Journalism at UC Berkeley, has also been accepted to the PhD program in Comparative Literature at UC Irvine, where she has been offered generous financial aid awards. She will start the program AFTER she completes a Fulbright project in Sri Lanka.

SCC Alumnus Featured for National Nurses Week

For NorthBay Medical Center emergency nurse and SCC alumnus, Greg Hervey, the great thing about nursing is the myriad opportunities available in the profession even though, for him, emergency care has always been the focus.

"It's not all bedside care. There are many paths you can take – from management to research, to educator," he says. "For me, though, it was always emergency care. Floor nurses (in hospitals) are great, and God bless them, but that just wasn't for me. Emergency care was just what I did and where I felt the most comfortable."

That comfort level was honed through years of training and experience – although nursing wasn't part of his initial career plan.

Greg Hervey is a registered nurse at NorthBay Medical Center in Fairfield. (Courtesy photo)

The 1978 Armijo High School graduate admits he didn't know what he wanted to do with his life after school.

"I worked in a record shop but I had a brother in the Air Force working as a fireman and another brother working for a local ambulance company. I thought the fire service might be a good option," he says.

He went to Solano Community College and earned his fire science degree, landing seasonal work with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, now more commonly knows as CalFire. He also earned his emergency medical technician certification.

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Regents Scholarship for Human Development Student

Congratulations to SCC student Joy Pedersen, who was accepted to UC Davis, and also received the



Regents Scholarship! She was admitted to the University Honors Program as well! The scholarship provides her with \$15,000 to use over the course of two years, as well as special privileges as an honor student!

Joy said "I am excited to start in the Fall! I will be studying Human Development and History."

Distinguished Faculty Award Recipients



Josh Scott (FT English) has spent the last 12 years tirelessly serving the students of Solano College both in and out of the classroom. While his discipline area is English, Josh's commitment to and advocacy for student equity, accessibility, and social justice have helped shape SCC's institutional conversations about what it means to create equitable and inclusive spaces where all students can be empowered to succeed.

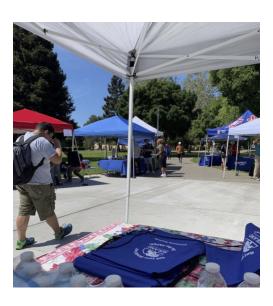
From 2015 to 2018, Josh served as the Basic Skills Coordinator/Chair of the Basic Skills Committee. In this role, Josh oversaw the College's successful application for the Basic Skills Student Outcomes Transformation Grant (BSSOT), which provided funds for a complete overhaul of the Basic Skills English and Math programs, including the adoption and implementation of Multiple Measures Assessment, re-design of remedial course sequences, support of English teaching apprentices, as well as professional development for all faculty/staff involved. These projects have positioned Solano College as a statewide leader in English remediation reform, as these projects predate the AB

705 legislative state mandates. As a result, Josh frequently presents at professional development events sponsored by CA Acceleration Project.

Josh Scott currently serves as Solano College's Student Equity and Success Coordinator as well as Vice President of the Academic Senate.

Dr. Maura Rabbette (PT Physics/Astronomy) is an effective and passionate educator who is particularly skilled at helping science-leery and anxious students succeed in her classes. Her colleagues relay that they are very fortunate to "have someone of [Dr. Rabbette's] caliber" teaching a significant number of physics and astronomy courses for the department, and that her student feedback is overwhelmingly positive. An expert in the field of Astrobiology who previously spent twelve years as a research scientist for the NASA Ames Research Center, Dr. Rabbette used her subject-area expertise to develop a new SCC course, ASTR 045: Astrobiology and the Search for Life in the Universe, which was offered for the first time this spring. Dr. Rabbette's contributions are not limited to her department or division; she recently organized the invitation and visit of UC Davis Astrophysicist and MacArthur Genius Award winner Sarah Stewart to speak at SCC this March as part of the Women's History Month events.

Celebrating Earth Day





The SAC Committee celebrated its 8th annual Earth Day on April 23rd and had a very successful outcome. Over 20 vendors representing various departments of the environmental sector attended (Rising Sun Energy, United States Forest Service, Bay Area Vegetarians, Master Gardners, Cat Club, and a lot more!). Vendors were able to share their mission with students, staff, and faculty while enjoying vegan snacks prepared by the Bay Area Vegetarians. If you were unable to attend this year, make sure to come out next year and join us!

Graduate Heading to UC Berkeley

Deloris Paschal is graduating from SCC at the end of this semester and will attend UC Berkeley in the fall (she was also accepted into other institutions as well!). After retiring from a career with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, she decided to return to school. She is graduating from SCC with a degree in Communications. Deloris was invited by UC Berkeley's Recruitment and Retention Center to attend the Bridges Transfer Weekend 2019 held from May 3-5. It is a three day, all expenses paid event, hosted for newly admitted

transfer students to enhance their knowledge of the Berkeley campus, give them the opportunity to interact with other prospective transfer students, to build essential social networks and provide resources for underrepresented students. Deloris has also been a phenomenal member of the Umoja program and we are so very proud to call her an SCC Umoja Scholar!



SCC Students Paint Murals



of a new mural, Friday, at the Solano County Juvenile Hall in Fairfield. Students of the Art 30B mural painting class at Solano Community College painted a new mural inside the Solano County Juvenile Hall. The mural is named, "Make the Next Step Your Best." (Aaron



Kristine Broughton, right, a student at Solano Community College, describes the first panel Solano Community College students paint a new mural at Solano Town Center. The completed mural is part of a Dia de las Madres celebration at the mall in Fairfield, Friday, May 10, 2019. (Courtesy photo)

SCC art students painted a mural at Solano County's Juvenile Hall as part of their mural class. The mural is named "Make the Next Step Your Best." They also took to Solano Town Center as part of the Dia de las Madras celebration at the mall.



SCC MUSIC PRESENTS

SPRING ORCHESTRA CONCERT

Directed by Dr. Teri Yumae

Works by Bach, Brahms, Bartók, and others

MONDAY, MAY 13, 2019 7:30 PM

SCC THEATRE FREE ADMISSION Save the date
Thursday, August 8th
12:00-1:00 pm
Faculty Staff Lounge

Tenure Tea

Newly Tenured Faculty

(pending Board approval)

Joyce Averett Dawn Carpenter

Jose Cortes Myra Kargbo

Marivic Macalino Ricky Marshall

Distinguished Faculty Recognition

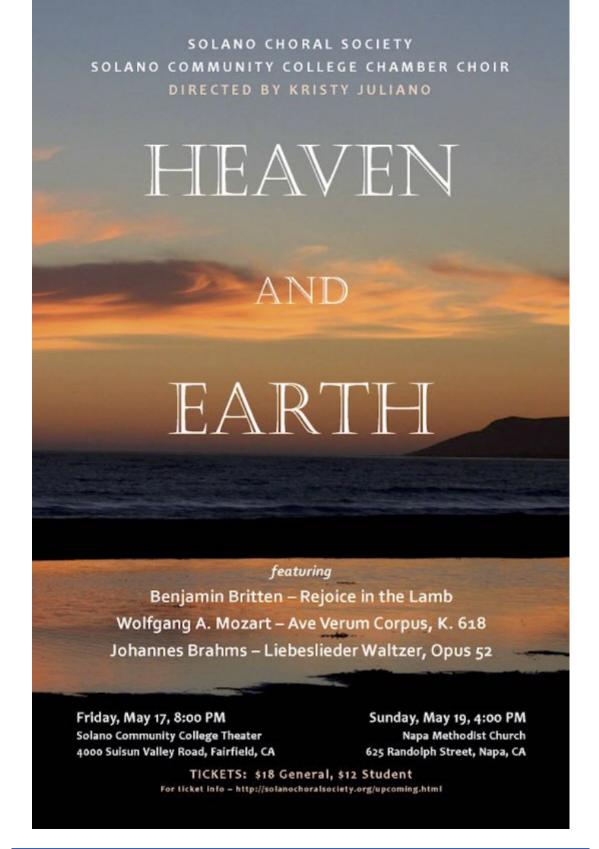
Josh Scott

Maura Rabbette

Refreshments will be served

Sponsored by the Academic Senate





Athletics Update



Coaches at Solano Community College are often guided by Bay Valley Conference championships, Northern California or state qualifiers but they might light up even more when their players move on to the next level.

That was certainly the case for softball coach Nikki Gentile, women's basketball coach Matt Borchert and swimming and diving head coach Scott Parrish.

All three spoke glowingly of their athletes during a signing ceremony in the school's gym lobby. There was plenty to talk about as all nine athletes who appeared will play intercollegiate sports at four-year schools.

The softball team had all seven sophomores advance: Alaena Selden (Delaware State), Aleya Turner (Concordia), Alyssa Castaneda (Adams State) and Jamie Batto (Academy of Art) as well as three players who are going to play at the same college — Adrianna Montuya, Cesiliya Yarrow and Courtney McGraw — at Eastern Nazarene College in Massachusetts.

The Falcons women's basketball team, which also won a BVC crown, saw Elizabeth Martinez and Stella Havea sign letters of intent to play at Cal Maritime University in Vallejo. Martinez graduated from nearby Jesse Bethel High so the Keelhaulers were a natural fit for her.

Kari Yamada, a BVC champion, was a standout for the Falcons in the pool as she posted a sixth-place finish in the one-meter diving competition at the Northern California Diving Championships. With that mark, she qualified for the state championships, where she took 12th overall. Yamada, a Will C. Wood grad, signed a letter to compete at Colorado State University at Pueblo.

Falcons athletic director Erik Visser gave some credit to Solano's coaches for helping the athletes move on to four-year schools.

"If you look at the variety of schools that are represented here, it's due to our coaches looking around the country and trying to find the right fit for their athletes," he said.

VOLLEYBALL CAMP 2019



Volleyball Skill Camp (6th-9th grade)

Arrive early to check in & warm up - focus on serving, passing, setting, hitting, learn defense & blocking, lots of games

Who: All players 6th - 9th grade Cost: Volleyball Skills Camp - \$120

Both Camps - \$200

Send Registration and Payment to:

Darla Williams - Volleyball Solano Community College

4000 Suisun Valley Rd., Fairfield, CA 94534

Make all checks payable to: Solano Volleyball

On-Line Registration visit www.solanoathletics.com

When: JUNE

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3:00 - 5:30PM

JULY **22 23 24**

11:30AM - 2:00PM

Where:

Solano College Gymnasium 4000 Suisun Valley Rd. Fairfield, CA 94534 Arrive early to check in and warm up

Contact:

Head Coach, Darla Williams darla.williams@solano.edu 707-863-7830

End of Year Events

May 13, 6-8:30pm Puente End of Semester Event Main Campus, Building 1400 (Back half of cafeteria)

May 17, 4-6pm Re-Entry Program SOAR Center Grand Opening Vallejo Center

May 17, 6pm 99th Fire Academy Graduation Vacaville Center, Room 140

May 17, 6-8pm

2019 Latino Recognition Ceremony honoring graduating Latino students Main Campus, Building 1400- Cafeteria

May 19, 3-5pm

Annual Black Recognition Ceremony for African-American Students Main Campus, Theatre

May 22, 11am Nurse Pinning Ceremony Main Campus, Theatre

May 22, 3-5pm End of Year Celebration (hosted by S-P Office) Main Campus, Board Room

May 23, 6pm SCC Graduation Main Campus, Football Field

May 30, TBD Early College HS Senior Awards Night Joseph Nelson Community Center, Suisun

October 15, 7pm SCCEF Fall Scholarship Awards Main Campus, Building 1400



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