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Let the Growth Begin



The Groundbreaking Ceremony for the SCC Horticulture Site Improvements Project was held Wednesday, Sept. 7, as staff, faculty, board members, and local officials gathered to celebrate the expected developments.

Superintendent-President Celia Esposito-Noy welcomed the crowd, and Board of Trustees President Michael Martin, Fairfield Mayor Harry T. Price, and Horticulture faculty members Sandra Diehl and Ken Williams all spoke. The

upgrades to the existing center will include new power, data, water and sewer lines for future buildings, and paving and paths to define areas for growing vegetables and produce that can be offered in a new Farmer's Market pavilion.

The infrastructure being installed in this project will support a future greenhouse, restroom building, and a much-needed storage building, which are slated for Phase 2 of construction likely next year.



Holiday ornaments are now on sale at the SCC Bookstore!

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FINDING WHAT YOU NEED in the SCC Library

Good news for students and faculty using the Solano Community College library this school year. The library has been maintaining services at all three campus locations while implementing new (and heavily requested) services: a **new library catalog system** with more features, the upcoming addition of the **Link+ borrowing system** (academic materials from the various universities, larger public libraries, and the CSU system), a **laptop/notebook lending program** (coming soon!), a **quiet study room** (102), a more user-friendly **cloud-based printing system**, a **streaming films database subscription** (for both online and face-to-face classes), and an **expanded textbook reserves collection**.

The library's group study space now includes some newer furniture with extra electrical outlets, and students are very happy to be able to sit, study, and—literally—recharge. Additionally, the library now shares space with the ASTC and foot traffic through the library is heavy.

Library orientation and research sessions are still available for interested faculty, and faculty are always encouraged to reach out to the library staff with recommendations for additions to the collections. Please contact a library staff member with questions or requests for assistance with our collection and resources.



Bringing SCC classes to prison



Political Science professor Peter (Tony) Zitco was featured in the June issue of *Solano Vision*, the publication for the California State Prison, Solano, where he teaches. The Q & A article discussed Zitco's approach to teaching in the prison and what he has learned from the experience.

Zitco says his work there has been "positive and rewarding," and he believes other teachers would have a similar experience. "I have been very pleasantly surprised by the interest and academic competence of the students at CSPS," says Zitco. "Most of my students are very serious pupils and take their learning to heart ... My experience at the prison is that most of the students enrolled in the class take it seriously and there is always robust class participation."