



STAYING COMMITTED AND CONNECTED

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Thanks to Those Who Helped in Evac Center

A big thank you to the ASSC students and Student Life staff who worked the evacuation center recently. Your willingness to help those in need, many of whom lost everything, is very much appreciated!

The Superintendent-President's Office is hosting a thank you lunch on Tuesday for those who worked in the evacuation center.

Students

Dulce Payan
Monica Chapa
Micaela Chapa
Gerardo Reynoso
Arcelia Reynoso
Franziska Strain
Hien Chau
Nicholas Johnston
Jessica Raley
Muhammad (Saeed) Mirza
Nichole Requeijo Boylan
Benjamin Lee
Cheyenne Rada
Jacob Hinkle

Student Life Staff

Dena Hudson
Rischa Slade

Custodians

Michael Rose
Dao Nguyen
Kahsay Kassa (Noisy)
Manuel Corpus
Keith Willmschen
Sandra Atoigue
Eddie Del Pilar

Maintenance

Vernon Cunningham
Richard Cross
Kelly Trujillo
Danny Murillo
David Moreno
Steve Ercole
Candyce Guerra
Myron Hord

Disaster Response Resources

The recent wildfires in Northern and Southern California have been disruptive and traumatic for communities throughout the state.

The California Community Colleges (CCCs) in impacted areas are experiencing significant disruptions to school functioning, and face challenges to returning to normalcy. Many students, faculty, staff, and administrators have been directly affected by the loss of life and property from these fires.

The resources and information below are intended to help CCC communities through immediate and long-term recovery.

The following strategies are adapted from the National Association of School Psychologist's guide, [Helping Children After a Wildfire: Tips for Parents and Teachers](#)

The following strategies are adapted from SAMHSA's four-page [Tips for College Students: After a Disaster or Other Trauma tipsheet](#).

The following strategies are adapted from the National Child Traumatic Stress Network's [Wildfire recovery page](#).

This [Helpline](#) provides crisis counseling and support to people experiencing emotional distress related to natural or human-caused disasters.

Getting involved with fire recovery efforts is an effective way to promote emotional well-being. [This article](#) from the San Francisco Gate is updated with ways to volunteer, donate resources, and other helpful actions.

[This three-page tipsheet](#) from the Psychological First Aid for Schools Field Operations Guide lists immediate and continuing reactions to an emergency, including potential positive changes in worldview. It also includes a checklist of coping strategies that do and do not help.

As always, our counselors are ready and willing to talk to SCC students and employees who may need someone to talk to as well.

Solano Student Visits Johnson Space Center in Houston



Taylor Pierce, an engineering student at Solano Community College, just returned from a four-day trip in September, to the Johnson Space Center, in Houston, Texas, (yes, as in, "Houston, we have a problem!"), as part of the NASA Community College Aerospace Scholars (NCAS) program.

The program involved a five-week course covering topics ranging from NASA's process of collecting information about the Earth, to how NASA is planning its manned missions to Mars.

While there, Taylor was placed in a team that formed a makeshift company, whose goal was to create a simple Mars rover for accomplishing various goals on a mock-up area. This was set up as a competition, with his team competing against three others.

While the rover project was a significant portion of the experience, the entire group was also given several tours of the facility, and they met with many members of the Johnson Space Center staff.

One of the most notable members that they met with was Jerry Woodfill (shown in the photo above, with Taylor), a 50-year NASA veteran who won the Presidential Medal of Freedom for his role in the Apollo 13 rescue. According to Taylor, "Woodfill gave a riveting speech covering the many failures he experienced in his educational career, and how he rebounded after every one. Jerry was one of the many staff members at the Johnson Space Center who clearly loved their job, and did everything in their power to inspire us to pursue our dreams."

Over the four days that Taylor spent in Houston, he met with several interns, ranging from aspiring engineering students to self-taught web designers, who all spoke about immediately contributing to major NASA projects after entering their internship. "This was an amazing experience that was arranged for me with the help of Professor Melanie Lutz, and has provided me with a great path to explore the STEM field," said Taylor, who plans to apply for a summer-long internship at one of the NASA sites next summer, and will transfer after spring 2018 as an electrical engineering major.

Women's Soccer Has Perfect Record Going Into 2nd Round

Solano College Women's Soccer is 6-0 in Bay Valley Conference (6-6 overall), starting 2nd round of conference matches.

Kailyn Herrera continues to be one of the state leaders in Goals and Total points. Herrera has 20 goals (3rd in the state) and 6 assists so far on the season. Kailyn is also 3rd in total points (goals & assists) with 46 total points.

In addition, Kaci Trujillo has 11 goals and 9 assists so far on the season. Kaelyn Morimoto has 8 assists as well to be among the state leaders.

Speech & Debate Team Wins More Awards



Join me congratulating your Solano Speech and Debate team which competed at the Big Little City Invitational held at the University of Nevada Reno on October 20-22. Your team competed against more than 20 colleges and universities from California, Oregon, Utah, Nevada, and Idaho and won 3rd Place in Overall Individual Events Sweepstakes in the Two-Year Community College Division. This honor is even more special since this tournament marks

our first travel tournament of the year in which we brought a small team comprised of only our top competitors.

Our next tournament is the Mustang Invitational & Paul Winters Invitational held at Delta Community College and University of the Pacific on November 3-5. If you are interested in seeing exactly what our award-winning Solano Speech and Debate Team does, be sure to save the date for our Forensics Showcase on Tuesday, November 28 at 4-6pm and a second showcase at 6-8pm at the new theatre.

Below is a list of our accomplishments from this most recent successful tournament:

3rd Place Individual Events Sweepstakes - Community College Division

Chloe Mitchell - 1st Place Prose Interpretation Novice Division

Samantha Silva - 2nd Place After Dinner Speaking Open Division

Samantha Silva - 2nd Place Communication Analysis Open Division

Gary Salovino - 2nd Place Informative Speaking Open Division

Radmher Nowroozi - 3rd Place Informative Speaking Novice Division

Marin Spalding - Persuasive Speaking Top Non-Advancing Novice

Chloe Mitchell - Program Oral Interpretation Top Non-Advancing Novice

Non-Advancing competitors:

Andrew Brown

Tyler Sasabuchi



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