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Historic Win for Women's Tennis Team



Photo Credit: Chris Riley, Times-Herald

The Lady Falcons tennis team won their first match in program history last week, leaving the players and coaches thrilled with the start of the season.

Faced against a capable San Francisco City College crew, the team demonstrated that they are capable of securing a win on this maiden voyage.

"Our ladies looked composed and focused," said Assistant Coach Rafael Rovira. "They challenged, fought, planned and held their ground. The months of work they have put into their game and our team bubbled to the surface and celebrated their warrior spirit and that should be celebrated."

Athletic Director Erik Visser agreed. "It is extremely gratifying to see that all the hard work of Coach Walker and Coach Rovira is being rewarded," said Athletic Director Erik Visser. "We are proud to have established a women's tennis program at Solano College. I would like to thank Phil Cello and the

Camissa Foundation whose support and vision were critical to start both the men's and women's tennis intercollegiate programs at Solano College."

Assistant Coach Rovira said Head Coach Jordan Walker has spent a lot of time on court developing their game and a lot of time off the court developing their character. "As far as I'm concerned, the potential they showed indicates a willingness to compete and the ability to stand toe to toe against most opponents," he said. "We are looking forward to getting our matches on the way. Our plea to area sports fans is to come out and support our teams as they progress into the season."

Community Award Goes to SCC's John Nagle



Congratulations to Men's Basketball Coach John Nagle, who received the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated Tau Upsilon Omega Chapter 2017 Community Person of the Year award for his commitment to students and community service.

Coaches VS Cancer this Friday



This Friday, the men's and women's basketball teams will take on Merritt College and cancer, through the Coaches vs.

Cancer® event.

Coaches vs. Cancer® is a nationwide collaboration between the American Cancer Society and the National Association of Basketball Coaches that empowers coaches, their teams and local communities to make a difference in the fight against cancer.

"We are really proud of our student athletes for committing to fight this disease," said SCC Coaches Matt Borchert and John Nagle. "It's a cause we all connect with, and a fight we can win. Students and team members have gone the extra mile to raise funds and awareness, and we'll be showing off our success during the game against Merritt."

Through the efforts of coaches across the country, Coaches vs. Cancer® (coachesvscancer.org) has raised more than \$87 million since 1993 to help the American Cancer Society save lives by helping people get well, and stay well, by finding cures and fighting back against cancer. The initiative combines the personal experiences, community leadership, and professional excellence of athletic coaches nationwide to increase cancer awareness and promote healthy living through year-round awareness, fundraising, and advocacy programs.

The women compete at 5:30 PM and men at 7:30 PM. Donations will be accepted and at both half-times there will be a guest speaker presentation during which luminaries will be displayed.

For more information, contact Claire Gover at Claire.gover@solano.edu.

Honors Project Uses New Rock Saw

GEOL 049 is Honors Geology where geology majors have the opportunity to do independent research.

This semester, with guidance from Professor Mark, Feighner Loren Tolley, Steven Mckenzie, and Roxana Pilot (L to R in photo) took on a project with the department's new rock saw. All three chose for their project to collect rock samples (from Big Sur, Cascades,

and Mt. Lassen), and then they sawed and ground them to create thin-sections only 0.03 mm thick. Under a polarizing microscope, individual

minerals can be identified by their optical properties to unlock the history of their formation.

Past projects for Honors have included: Mineral Analysis and Historical Relevance of the Sierra Nevada Batholith, Thermal Springs of the Clear Lake Volcanic Field, and GIS mapping of Rockville Park. Two former students are now in Ph.D. programs at UC Berkeley and Michigan State.



Calendar:

Feb. 8 Men's Basketball - At home vs. Napa, 6pm

Feb. 10 Women's Basketball - At home vs. Merritt, 5:30pm

Feb. 10 Men's Basketball - At home vs. Merritt, 7:30pm

Feb. 10 Coaches vs. Cancer - women's game, 5:30pm and men's game, 7:30pm

Feb. 11 Baseball- At home vs. Sierra, 1:00pm

Reminder: Students with a valid ID have free entrance to home games!

Reminder: Faculty & Staff, get your SCC ID card!