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November 13,

## **Nursing Program Passes Board of Registered Nursing Approval**

Director of Nursing, Erin Craig, reports that the department has completed the 5 year Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) approval visit and has passed without any areas of non-compliance or recommendations!

"This successful 5 year approval visit was the result of the hard work of the entire Nursing department as well as the support of the college and the administration. I feel very lucky to work with such a great team! We should all feel very proud of the good work we do here and the end result - the great nurses we produce," Craig said.

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## **SCC Speech & Debate Team Takes 1st Place**



Last weekend your Solano Community College Speech and Debate Team competed at the San Joaquin Delta Community College and University of the Pacific speech and debate tournaments. The speech and debate team competed against over 25 colleges and universities from California, Texas, Nevada, Utah, Oregon, and Idaho. Solano once again **won 1<sup>st</sup> place in Community College Division** at the San Joaquin Delta tournament and **2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the Community College division across both tournaments**. Our next tournament is at Diablo Valley College November 16<sup>th</sup>– 18<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure to check out your award winning team at Speech Night on **Wednesday November 28<sup>th</sup> at the Liberal Arts Theatre from 6pm – 8:30pm**. Admission is \$10, free for children 12 and under and students with speech night coupons from *Speak Up Solano!* Textbooks. Below is the list of awards from this weekend's competition.

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- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Overall Individual Events at Delta Mustang Invitational
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Community College Division across both tournaments
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Place Open After Dinner Speaking – Mo Azpeitia
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Place Open Duo Interpretation – Courtney Beale and Jamie Brunie
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Place Open Dramatic Interpretation – Zach Waters
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Place Novice Extemporaneous Speaking – Kate Poblete
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Open Duo Interpretation – Zach Waters and Zackery Dietrich
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Open Dramatic Interpretation – Jamie Brunie
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Open Program Oral Interpretation – Courtney Beale
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Novice Prose Interpretation – Zackery Dietrich
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Novice After Dinner Speaking – Robert Savinski-Correa
  - 9<sup>th</sup> Place Speaker Novice Parliamentary Debate – Kate Poblete
  - Finalist Open After Dinner Speaking – Mililani Manoat
  - Finalist Open Impromptu Speaking – Zackery Dietrich
  - Finalist Open Prose Interpretation – Courtney Beale
  - Finalist Novice Prose Interpretation – Mililani Manoat
  - Finalist Novice Program Oral Interpretation – Mililani Manoat
  - Finalist Novice Impromptu – Kate Poblete

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## Longtime SCC Employee & Veteran is Honored



United States Marine Corp Sergeant Major Jesse Branch (Retired) was honored by Assemblymember Jim Frazier as Assembly District 11's 2018 Veteran of the Year at a ceremony in Sacramento. By the time he retired in 1981, Sgt. Major Branch had been awarded 14 medals, including a Purple Heart and the Silver Star.

Sgt. Major Branch has worked at Solano College as the Community Services Officer for 24 years, and served on many SCC committees. He also worked with our sports teams and players. He was the Athletic Boosters President for more than a dozen years and was inducted into the Solano Hall of Fame in 1988 and was recently named Solano Athletic Boosters Emeritus.

Sgt. Major Branch attended the November 7<sup>th</sup> Governing Board meeting where he spoke about his time in the service and honored all veterans in Solano County and across the nation.

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## Veterans Appreciation Week

SCC honored our veteran students and staff with donuts and coffee last Friday.





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## Dancing for Seniors



On Halloween Dance Professor Ginger Cain got a few dance students together to dance and give out goodies for the seniors at the Rockville Terrace Senior Center.

The students performed Tango, Salsa, Merengue, Swing and Night Club Two-Step. The seniors had a great time and said they want us back soon. It was a lot fun for the students as well.

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## SCC Celebrates Dia de los Muertos

This Day of the Dead celebration held last Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> was attended by 500 community members, including ASSC President Estefanny Saenz, Governing Board Rep Kiana Azar and Humanities Senator Khalea Ridad (pictured) was sponsored by the Fairfield Park and Recreation Department.

Our students were active participants assisting with arts and crafts, serving popcorn and a photo booth. Elisha Blue, Math and Science Senator also participated.



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## Congratulations to Those Who Received PD Funding

Congratulations to those who applied for and received funding for PD activities. The Professional Development/Flex Cal (PDFC) Committee encourages faculty and staff to consider professional development opportunities. Below are several recent requests that were approved by the Committee. For information on the guidelines for receiving PD funding, contact your manager or visit the [PDFC website](#).

Those who recently received funding:

- Traci Cohen is participating in the [AB 705 Workshop Implementation](#) in Emeryville, CA on Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>
- Melissa Reeve is presenting at the [CATESOL Annual Conference](#) in Anaheim, CA from December 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>
- Nikki Gentile is participating in the [National Fastpitch Coaches Association](#) in Chicago, IL from December 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>

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## Faculty Member Wins Vacaville USD Board Seat

Congratulations to Michael Silva, faculty member in Biotechnology/Biomanufacturing, on his win for the Vacaville USD Board! He secured 13,489 votes or 23.31% and was the second highest vote-getter. Vacaville USD had 3 seats available. Michael is also a graduate of SCC.

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## SCC Volleyball Secures Co-BVC Title



For the first time in coach Darla Williams' tenure, the Solano Community College volleyball team can say they are back-to-back Bay Valley Conference champions.

Charging back with a flurry from an 8-4 deficit against the Los Medanos Mustangs (16-12, 13-1 BVC) in the fifth and deciding set of Friday's regular-season finale, the Falcons (18-10, 13-1 BVC) secured the co-championship with Los Medanos by way of a 25-20, 22-25, 24-26, 25-16, 16-14 decision.

Trailing 13-11 in the final set, Williams called a timeout to settle down her Falcons.

"Teams will often make an error coming out of a timeout and I just didn't want them to get to 14," Williams said. "It had worked earlier in the match and it worked out for us again."

Read more from the [Daily Republic](#). Additional details below.



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## Athletics Last Week...





**Volleyball:** Sophomore **Destiny Greenwood** was tabbed the Bay Valley Conference (BVC) Most Valuable Player with three other Falcons joining her with All-Conference honors, announced Sunday.

Sophomore setter **Mia Pimentel** earned first team honors, freshman **Kailyn Kaiser** was named to the second team, and freshman **Ixchel Moreno Valdovinos** earned honorable mention accolades.

Greenwood finished the regular season leading the state in kills with 454, good for second in the CCCAA for kills per set (4.78) with an average of 16 kills per match this season. She was named the CCCWVCA Player of the Week and Solano Athletics September Athlete of the Month. She added 87 digs, 20 solo blocks, 13 block assists, and 17 service aces.

Pimentel racked up 752 total assists in the regular season, 390 in conference play. Her 7.92 assists per set numbers was good for second in the conference, and she amassed 25 service aces and 139 kills. Additionally she had 114 digs in conference play. She broke the school record for most assists in a single match, and she was named the Solano Athletics October Athlete of the Month.

Kaiser led the conference in digs with 191 in league play, averaging 4.34 digs per set. She added 21 assists and 22 service aces. On the season she had 320 digs as libero. And Moreno Valdovinos was second on the team with 89 kills in conference play, averaging 1.90 kills per set. She posted 130 digs and 11 service aces. Overall on the season, she had 149 kills and 213 digs.

The Falcons await their postseason fate after finishing conference play 13-1, and 18-10 overall in the regular season.

**Women's Soccer:** Freshmen **Isabel Olmedo** and **Shelby Nichols** net four goals each in the Solano women's soccer team's rout of Merritt, 10-0, on Tuesday afternoon. Freshman **Karla Cardinal** earned assists in six of the goals with freshman **Jaylynn DeRosario** adding a pair. Olmedo and Nichols also contributed an assist each.

SCC scored an improbable goal in the final minute of stoppage time, but it lifted the Falcons to a 1-1 draw with Los Medanos and not the victory they needed over the Mustangs to claim a piece of the Bay Valley Conference title, Friday.

After Los Medanos (11-5-3, 10-1-1 BVC) scored late in the first half on a goal by Sydney Vuevo off a corner kick, the Falcons (9-7-3, 9-2-1) were awarded a penalty kick in the 90th minute but couldn't convert.

Two minutes later, Solano had a final chance with a corner kick of its own and made it work as Karla Cardinal assisted Jaylynn Del Rosario on the equalizer.

Goalkeeper Kirstyn Gottschall recorded eight saves in goal for SCC.

“We needed a win in order to be co-conference champs,” said Falcons coach Jeff Cardinal, whose team will find out on Tuesday if it has landed a NorCal Regional berth.

**Women's Basketball:** Sophomore **Lexi Hines** and freshman **Jada Scott** both reached double-digits in the points column as the Solano women's basketball team outlasted Santa Barbara, 66-59, on Saturday evening.

Hines added six rebounds, while Scott counted six steals. The team moved on to play Cabrillo on Sunday.

Sophomore **Sierra Chapman** scored a team-high 24 points, but the Solano women's basketball team fell to Cabrillo, 90-80, in the Santa Barbara Tournament championship game on Sunday afternoon.

Freshman **Vanessa Hughes** backed Chapman up with a double-double with 16 points and 10 rebounds. And freshman **Jada Scott** amassed 12 points, eight boards, and eight assists. Sophomore **Lexi Hines** rounded out the Falcons in double-figures with a 12-point effort.

The team takes runner up in the tournament.

The Solano women's basketball team (3-3) remains on the road, heading to Los Medanos next on Thursday, Nov. 15 for a 5:30 p.m. tip.

**Men's Basketball:** A trio of Falcon sophomores scored in double-figures, but the Solano men's basketball team fell short at Skyline, 71-64, on Saturday evening in the finale of the Skyline Open.

**Andrew Mimay, Sterlen Thomas, and Courtlund McLean** counted 13, 12, and 12 points, respectively.

The Falcons (0-4) host Reedley College next in their home opener on Thursday, Nov. 15 at 7 p.m.

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## SCC Athletics This Week



### Men's Basketball

11/15/18 7 pm vs. Reedley HOME

### Women's Basketball

11/15/18 5:30 pm vs. Los Medanos AWAY



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