



STAYING COMMITTED AND CONNECTED

October 21, 2019



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## **Foundation Awards 99 Student Scholarships**





The SCC Scholarship Foundation had a great turnout at last week's Scholarship Reception.

The Foundation provided 99 scholarship awards to 48 students in the total amount of \$42,275.

The SCCEF provided 42 scholarship awards to 36 students in the total amount of \$33,800.

The Math and Science Dept. NSF Stem program provided 26 awards to 26 students in the amount of \$76,075.

Total amount of all awards is \$137,075.

Board members Jay Yerkes and Thomas Trujillo attended the event and other board members, John Zeltin and Andrea Garcia reviewed a large amount of the scholarship applications from the SCCEF Board.

The Scholarship Committee members who attended Tuesday night's event included: George Daugavietis, President; Dorothy Hawkes, Vice-President; Anna Marie Troupe, Secretary; board members Joseph Conrad, Denise Fracchia, Barbara Pavao, Genele Rhoads, and Byron Lockhart.

A big shout out to recognize those who spent many hours reviewing the scholarship applications for the Scholarship Foundation and making the difficult award choices. Most of these volunteers read more than 100 applications each!

Reviewers included:

George Daugavietis, Nicholas Cittadino, Joseph Conrad, Kathleen Conrad, Denise Fracchia, Marcie McDaniels, Genele Rhoads, Erin Craig, Debbie Dorrough, Andrew Wesley, Michael Wily, Annette Dambrosio, and Dorothy Hawkes.

Thanks to all who attended the event or participated in helping us award these grateful students.

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## Fragile Worlds, Undiscovered Worlds

Solano Community College will host the first in a series of gallery exhibitions focused on the present status and future of our planet. ["Fragile Worlds, Undiscovered Worlds"](#) asked students to focus on our planet's fragility and seemingly endless string of crises as it stands in contrast with the relative stability, promise, and mystery of space.

An opening reception will be held at 4 p.m.

on Oct. 18 at the Herger Gallery; the show runs October 18 - November 8 and is open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. Displayed work ranges from digital art and animation focused on outer space and the potential for life outside of Earth, to a wall-sized collaborative interpretation of Van Gogh's *Starry Night*, to an interactive sculptural exhibit focused on the use and expression of space.

As we discussed themes for this show, we considered the Amazon rainforest fires, the rapid melting of the polar ice caps, and constant cultural and political strife, among so many other issues that plague our thoughts. How do we confront these events that feel so out of control? Often, we don't — our responses to these disturbing realities range from distraction to despair.

The black hole becomes something the modern sensibility longs for — the absolute certainty of nothingness. We asked our students to create art that represents our planet, the possibilities of space and other forms of life, or their reactions to the current state of the world.

A portion of this exhibit is dedicated to Julianna Atkins-Young, a former student of Solano College Arts who ended her life during the summer. During her time at Solano College, Atkins-Young completed coursework in photography, painting, printmaking, digital arts, and more. Solano College Arts invites the public to bring a photograph or memory from a loved one to place on an *ofrenda*, an altar paying respect to and celebrating those who have passed.

If you are feeling emotionally distressed or are contemplating suicide, please

- Call the 24/7 National Suicide Prevention Hotline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255) OR
- Text the Crisis Text Line: send CONNECT to 741741



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## Reminder: Green RV at SCC Tuesday

Roadtrip Nation's "Roadmap to Careers Tour" is coming to SCC this week to help students take the next step in finding their dream job.

Swing by the Green RV:

**When: Tues. Oct. 22**

**Time: 10am – 2pm**

**Place: Main Campus, Bldg. 1400 (outside of the cafeteria)**



Start exploring careers now:

<http://roadtripnation.com/edu/solano>

Use access code: Solano19

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## A Report on CA Community College Undocumented Students



# In Their VOICES

Undocumented in California  
Public Colleges and Universities



“In Their Voices: Undocumented in California Public Colleges and Universities” is a report from students in CA community colleges, California State Universities and Universities of California. These students came forward to share their experiences as undocumented students in California higher education and this report captures their challenges and triumphs in their quest for a college degree. Their voices shed light on the current state and institutional supports that are working and other areas where we must invest and scale to ensure they are successful. The hope is that this report can serve as a guide for each campus to look for ways to support your undocumented students.

[Read the report.](#)

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## Workshop on Dating & Prevention of Violence

On Friday, Officer Maranda Russell from SCC Campus Police, in conjunction with the Athletics Department, presented a workshop for approximately 60 student athletes on dating and the prevention of violence.

The workshop stimulated a healthy dialogue among the students.



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## There's a New Sheriff in Town

Lieutenant Craig Collins is taking over where Lt. Travis left off.

Lt. Collins started his career with the Solano County Sheriff's Office in August, 2002. As a Deputy-Sheriff, he was assigned to Court Security, Patrol, and Coroner's Office. During these assignments Craig worked other collateral duties including Field Training Officer, K-9 Handler, and S.W.A.T. team operator. He also provided agency training as a Defensive Tactics Instructor and Tactical Rifle Instructor.

Craig was promoted to Sergeant-Sheriff in December, 2015. As a Sergeant, he was a supervisor for Patrol and the



Sheriff's Emergency Team (SET) . In addition to his regular assignments he also supervised the K-9 Unit, the Defensive Tactics Team, as well as being named S.W.A.T. team leader. In 2016, Craig co-created a tactical entry program codifying search and entry techniques for the Sheriff's Office. In 2018, Craig received the Sheriff's Office Medal of Valor for his actions in the line of duty.

In June, 2019 Craig Collins was promoted to Lieutenant-Sheriff. He was assigned to the Compliance and Professional Standards Bureau for several months. Craig is currently attending the Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute (SLI) Class 433. He holds numerous professional certificates from the California Commission on Peace Officer

Standards in Training (POST), including advanced and administration certificates in leading tactical teams and missions. Craig has a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice Management.

## More Opportunities for Transfer Students

**SOLANO COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRESENTS**

**The 4th Annual Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) Fall Fair!**

Join us to learn more about the Transfer Guarantee and our HBCU partner institutions.

Many of the schools will be offering on-site Admission!

**Solano Community College**  
4000 Suisun Valley Road, Fairfield, CA  
Building 1400 (Cafeteria)  
October 28th, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
(Daily Parking Permit required)  
For Questions, contact Emily Burt  
707-864-7000, Ext. 7158 or Emily.burt@solano.edu

### HBCU Transfer Fair

Discover your options at Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU)! Talk to representatives from colleges all over the nation.

Bldg. 1400, Cafeteria  
Monday, October 28  
10:00 am – 1:00 pm

### HBCU Workshops

Did you know that California Community College students who meet certain criteria are guaranteed admission to participating Historical Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)?  
Would you like to learn more about this opportunity?

An HBCU representative will be available to answer your questions and talk about the benefits of transferring to an HBCU.

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# SCC Engineering Student Attends NASA Community College Aerospace Scholars Program



Omar Shishani with his Mars rover prototype.

Engineering instructor Melanie Lutz is happy to report that Omar Shishani, an engineering student at Solano Community College, recently attended the NASA Community College Aerospace Scholars Program (NCAS) at the Marshall Space Flight Center, in Huntsville, Alabama during the week of September 23-27, 2019. Omar was selected from applicants from across the U.S. to be part of the NCAS onsite experience, in which students interact with NASA engineers and officials as they learn about careers in science and engineering. For their final project, students formed teams and established fictional companies interested in Mars exploration. Each team was responsible for developing and testing a prototype rover, building a company infrastructure,

managing a budget, and developing communications and outreach.

Omar reports that “I was not expecting to have such a rich experience at my trip to the NASA Marshall Space Flight Center. The part of the experience that stood out the most to me was the dynamics of our teamwork. It was a great experience working together with nine other people who I had just met. It was very difficult and extremely frustrating at times for us to work together - and to work efficiently - especially in the beginning. My experience at NCAS showed me how important it is to have leadership that was able to coordinate efforts in a practical way. Without proper management, a team will end up wasting a lot of time debating unimportant decisions, instead of focusing on their individual duties, and specializing on their individual tasks in the most productive way.”

“The speakers at NCAS were very inspiring, and there were many more speakers than I had expected. Every day we got to hear stories from NASA employees. They told us about their career paths and goals, and they opened many new ideas about science and technology to me. It was satisfying to have completed our goal as a team at the end of each NCAS rover competition. There were a few times, especially in the middle of the second competition, where I was sure that we had no chance of completing our rover in time. In spite of my worries, we were able to pull through, and achieve awesome results with our models. I will remember my trip to Alabama forever. It was an experience that showed me great truths about what can be accomplished and learned when working in a team to achieve a great goal.”

Omar hopes to transfer to UC Davis with a major in Civil Engineering, in Fall 2021.

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## Student Artist at Herger Gallery



SCC student Jocelyn Contreras Ortiz' work of Frida Kahlo and the altar honoring deceased family members will be on exhibit in the Herger Gallery from October 18 through November 8, 2019.

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## ASCCC Meeting Held At Solano



The Academic Senate hosted the ASCCC Area B meeting on Friday, October 11. Breakfast and lunch were provided by Solano College. The meeting was led by ASCCC Area B representative Mayra Cruz, De Anza College, and the ASCCC Vice President, Dolores Davison, Foothill College. The group discussed how Academic Senates can foster a "calling in culture", and work to

diversify faculty at their colleges. An update from the ASCCC Executive committee was provided and the ASCCC resolutions for the fall plenary were reviewed. SCC Senate President, LaNae Jaimez, Past President, Michael Wyly and Sheila Kaushal, Senate Administrative Assistant attended the meeting along with special guests, Trustee A. Marie Young, Superintendent/President Esposito-Noy and Vice President of Academic Affairs David Williams.

A special thanks to [The Daily Desk](#) for donating space and refreshments for the meeting that was moved off campus due to the power outages.

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## Athletics News

### **Volleyball:**

Freshman Lindsey McLaughlin led the Falcons at the net in Friday evening's sweep at Marin (25-14, 25-12, 25-11).

McLaughlin counted nine blocks, including four solo, adding eight kills and a pair of aces. Sophomore Haley Del Rio added 10 kills, seven digs, and two aces, while



freshman Anaya Rodriguez earned seven kills, swinging errorless. Solano (16-5, 8-0) continues the second round of Bay Valley Conference play, returning home to host Contra Costa on Wednesday, Oct. 23 at 6 p.m. and Mendocino on Oct. 25.

## Games This Week



Oct. 23  
Volleyball vs. Contra Costa, 6pm

Oct. 25  
Volleyball vs. Mendocino, 6pm



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