

## STAYING COMMITTED AND CONNECTED

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COMMUNITY COLLEGE

# Message from the Superintendent-President

### Colleagues,

Last week's election and the days leading up to it were stressful for many of us, including our students. Whether you celebrated or mourned the results of the local or national elections, we can continue affecting change

locally. Now, more than ever, the saying, "Think globally, act locally" applies to us and our work. SCC is a welcoming place for our community and we will continue to welcome students and encourage them to set goals and transform their lives. I appreciate the respect and kindness faculty, staff, and students demonstrate towards one another and I am confident that we will continue doing so.

You may know that Trustee Monica Brown will end her term with us in December and while we have not yet received certified election results, Quinten Voyce appears to have won the trustee seat representing Area 5. Trustees Martin (Area 7) and Thurston (Area 3) ran unopposed. Trustees will be sworn in at our Dec. 7 Board meeting. Please join us in welcoming them and thanking them for their service.

Let's continue with small gestures of kindness to acknowledge one another on campus, thank our students for trusting us to teach and mentor them, and remain focused on the important work we have done and will continue doing. Let's remain mindful of what is within our control and continue to make SCC a destination for all of our residents.

Celia Esposito-Noy, Ed.D., Superintendent-President, SCC



## **Solano Community College** Mission Statement

Solano Community College's mission is to educate a culturally and academically diverse student population drawn from our local communities and beyond. We are committed to student learning and achievement and to helping our students achieve their educational, professional, and personal goals. Solano transforms students' lives with undergraduate education, transfer courses, career-andtechnical education, certificate programs, workforce development and training, basic-skills education, and lifelong-learning opportunities.

### Got news?

Send it to Ginny McReynolds at: mcreynolds.ginny@ yahoo.com



## New Study and Charging Stations

Students may want to check out the new study tables and electrical outlets for plugging in or charging electronic devices that were recently added in the B100 Lobby near the entrance to the Library. This Small Capital project was accomplished under the Measure Q Bond program. MADI Architecture designed the curved steel tables, and TPA Construction had them fabricated and installed, along with the new electrical outlets.



Women's basketball players Sharonda Watson (2001-2003) and Candace Holmes (2001-2003) were inducted into the SCC Hall of Fame.

## Solano Sports Stars

SCC held the 20th Annual Solano Community College Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet on Saturday, Nov. 5, at Hiddenbrooke Golf Club in Vallejo.

#### SCC is proud to announce the Hall of Fame Class of 2016:

- 1. Kenonte Howard, Football 2008-2010
- 2. Blake Mc Ahren, Football 2007-2009
- 3. Lovella Asuncion, Volleyball 2006-2008
- 4. John Canova, Game Announcer 1987-Present
- 5. Sharonda Watson, Women's Basketball 2001-2003
- 6. Candace Holmes, Women's Basketball 2001 2003

#### **Special Recognition Teams:**

Women's Basketball Team 1995-1996 Football 1989-1990

## Speech and Debate Students Shine

Several SCC Speech and Debate students excelled in recent area tournaments. The Mustang Invitational Tournament was held at San Joaquin Delta Community College on Nov. 4 and the Paul Winters Invitational Tournament was held at University of the Pacific on Nov. 5-6. These two tournaments are traditionally the most competitive speech and debate tournaments in Northern California, drawing teams from around the nation.

The SCC team competed against more than 20 community colleges and 4-year universities in the region, in addition to nationally ranked teams from San Jose State University, University of the Pacific, Rice University in Texas, University of Nevada-Reno, William Jewell College in Missouri, and Belmont Abbey in North Carolina.

Students from SCC won 15 awards, including 3rd place in the community college division at Mustang Invitational and 5th place in the community college division at the Paul Winters Invitational.

The next tournament is the Pacific Coast Fall Championships at Orange Coast College in Southern California in early December. SCC's Forensics Showcase will be held Tuesday, Nov. 29, from 4-6 p.m. and a second showcase from 6-8 p.m. in Building 1400, Studio G for anyone who wants to see the team in action.

## Honor Society Regional Conference

Alpha Gamma Sigma (AGS), the Honor Society of the California Community Colleges, hosted the 2016 Fall Northern Regional Conference on Saturday, Nov. 5, at the Vacaville Center. Officers and members of AGS have demonstrated the theme of the conference "Grit," by working relentlessly to plan and organize this event, which had more than 180 participants. The morning began with breakfast and two distinguished speakers: Maire Morinec, dean of the Vacaville Center, and Dr. Joel J. Powell, professor of Political Science and Law. Both were well-received by the audience of AGS members and advisors from 13 Northern California chapters. The conference continued with three workshop sessions and participants could choose from a wide variety of workshops each hour - what to expect when you transfer, learning about the human body, creating an electronic portfolio, summer internships, how to travel on a budget, controlling your attitude, Robert's Rules, archery, yoga, and more.