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SCC Student Recipient of "Living Your Dream" Award

Congratulations to SCC student Tasha Rome who is the recipient of this year's Soroptimist's

Tasha Rome

Dream Award.

Living Your

With three children to support, going to college has not been easy for Rome. She wanted a better future for her children and decided to enroll at SCC.

Rome plans on finishing up her studies this

spring and has her sights set on earning a nursing degree at a four-year college.

The director of the Early Learning Center Christie Speck encouraged Rome to apply for the Soroptimist's award.

"In the time that I've known her, I have observed her ability to access resources to support the completion of her education at Solano and the transfer to a college where she will achieve a bachelor's degree," Speck wrote in an email. "She has faced several personal challenges but refuses to allow adversity to distract or deter her."

"A lot of people think I'm crazy," Rome said of being a full-time college student, working parttime, serving as president of the Early Learning Center's parent club and participating in the Parent Leadership Training Institute.

She's been accepted by four California State University campuses in the area. Rome is leaning toward Sacramento State because it's more convenient.

In five years, Rome said she hopes to have her nursing degree, be settled in a job and enjoying financially stability.

"Nothing is impossible," she said. "If I can do it, you can do it. You just have to be determined."

To read the full story, go to the Daily <u>Republic's</u> <u>Website</u>.

Judge is Speaker at Law Pathways Event



Judge Catherine Purcell

The Community College Pathway to Law School Informational Mixer took place Friday with guest speaker Judge Catherine Purcell. Judge Purcell is dedicated to providing legal education and has been a faculty member, seminar leader and advisor for education programs for judges,

court commissioners, attorney

pro tem judges, and court staff throughout the state.

Those interested in becoming lawyers were moved by Judge Purcell's story and took away important information on the profession. Students also got a chance to mix with others interested in the career field.

Cultivating Compassion

Last Tuesday a FLEX event was held to discuss how to teach with compassion, and attendance was close to 50 people!

Under the direction of the BSI Committee, the event began with a TED Talk, then George



Olgin of English led a discussion centered around the quotable moments. Attendees then transitioned into small groups to talk through scenarios, led by Jose Cortes of English. After snacking on some pie to celebrate Pi Day (03.14), those present listened to a



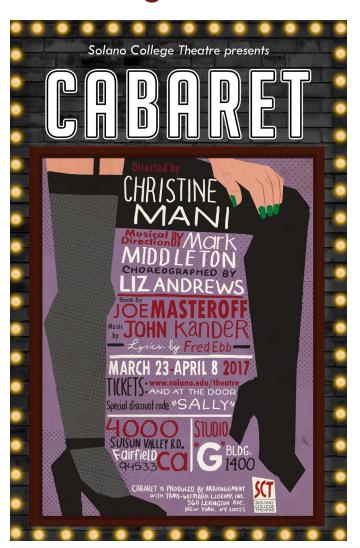
deeply personal student panel, facilitated by Corrine Kirkbride of Math, where students Cristina Sanchez, Francisco Martin, and Sunny Kavanagh shared times they felt that they

did and didn't experience compassion at Solano.



The BSI Committee is confident that participants left with a better understanding of compassion and how to live a compassionate life, as an educator and as a person in this world.

Don't Forget!



SCC Spring Job & Internship Fair

Tuesday, March 28 10AM – 2PM Fairfield Student Cafeteria

Calendar:

Mar. 21 Baseball vs. Contra Costa, 2:30pm Mar. 22&23 Student Success Workshop: Essay Prompts & Time Mgmt., 12pm(22nd) & 3pm(23rd), Room 103

Mar. 22 Student Success Workshop: Never Lose

Your Work Again, 1pm, Room 103

Mar. 25 Baseball vs. Contra Costa, 1pm

Mar. 25 Swimming-Solano Invitational, 10am