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Former SCC Student Accepted Into PhD Program in Computer Science



Physics and Engineering Instructor Melanie Lutz is very happy to announce that Eddie Barton, a graduate of our pre-engineering program, has been accepted into the Ph.D. program in Computer Science at the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

Eddie attended SCC from 2014 through 2016, and then entered the Computer Science program at UC Merced. He graduated with a B.S. degree in Computer Science Engineering in December 2018, winning the Outstanding Student in CSE Award.

Eddie is an expert in the field of image and video processing and computer vision. While studying at SCC, he worked as a Color Engineer at Digital Bolex, and as a Software Engineering Intern at Copart. During his undergraduate studies at UC Merced, he worked as a software engineering intern at Intel, where he designed and implemented full stack system development life cycle management software for 5G mobile trial platforms.

Eddie will be starting his PhD at Wisconsin in September, working with Prof. Mohit Gupta in the Computer Vision Lab.

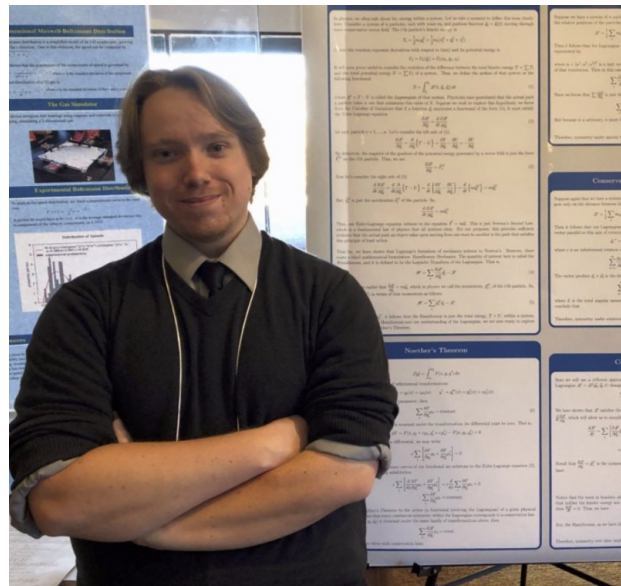
Cosmetology Department Big Hit at Youth Day



SCC's Cosmetology Department's "The Studio" was one of the most popular booths at the 2019 Youth Day festivities held in Winters on April 27, 2019. Student stylists from The Studio created braids accented with ribbons and glitter for kids stopping by the booth. The ladies also handed out sample products with "The Studio" calling cards promoting SCC and the Cosmetology Department.

SCC Student Accepted to Berkeley and Davis

Cody Vig has been accepted to both UC Berkeley and UC Davis, and been offered a full ride to Davis, and close to that at Berkeley. Cody comes from a modest background and has worked very hard in his classes here at Solano, as an embedded tutor, and helping other students in the MAC. He is yet another shining example of the value of hard work and the role that a community college can have in helping students achieve their dreams. You might recall that Cody won CMC3's student research competition this past fall. He was awarded a \$500 scholarship by the CMC3 Foundation.



Dance Program Featured in Local Newspaper

A love of natural elements earth, wind, fire and air combined with a remodeled performance venue inspired this year's Solano Community College dance program, "Elements Through Dance."



Solano Community College students rehearse a dance from the upcoming Elements Through Dance show, on Monday, April 29, 2019. (Robinson Kuntz/Daily Republic)

Solano College dance teacher Ginger Cain took over the show in 2014. Next weekend's performances will mark her second time at the helm of the show.

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SCOE Partners with SCC for Robotics Camp

The Solano County Office of Education (SCOE) in partnership with UC Davis Computing-Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (C-STEM) is again, bringing free "Girls in Robotics Leadership (GIRL) Camps" to the County.

This year, besides offering three GIRL Camps for middle schoolers, SCOE announced the addition of a high school GIRL (GIRL+) Camp to include physical computing with Arduino.

These camps are focused on introducing and motivating middle and high school girls to learn computing and STEM concepts through a fun robotics-based curriculum, officials said.

"This is an excellent opportunity for our middle and high school girls to learn coding and robotics, through engaging hands-on activities. We hope to inspire more girls to consider engineering and related fields as a possible career," Solano County Superintendent of Schools Lisette Estrella-Henderson said. "We are grateful for our partnerships with **Solano Community College**, the Center for Freedom and Flight, Benicia Makerspace, Soroptimist International of Central Solano, and Valero that have allowed us to expand this opportunity to Benicia and Vacaville."

During the five-day camps, which are open to any middle or high school girl in Solano County, participants will learn teamwork, communication, and leadership skills, officials said.

They will be introduced to robotics, principles in engineering, and computer programming with a user-friendly RoboBlockly and Ch/C/C++ (programming code), in a mock-up RoboPlay challenge competition, they said.

Participants will also learn film production and the creative process involved in making short videos with robotics, in the context of a global problem.

The best video will be considered for submission to next year's RoboPlay Video Competition in UC Davis. Each camp will culminate with student video presentations and a GIRL celebration.

Camps run for five days — from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., weekdays. The camp at SCC for middle school students runs from June 24 to 28. [Click here to apply for a middle school GIRL Camp.](#)

SCC Student Awarded \$1000 From Soroptimists



With a theme of “Can We Do It? Yes We Can!” Soroptimist International of Vacaville recently celebrated a room full of amazing women – and a couple of extraordinary men – handing out \$14,000 during the 2019 Live Your Dream Awards Banquet at the Vacaville Opera House.

Candace Cureton, a student at Solano Community College and mother of two, earned a \$1,000 award. She said Opportunity House gave her the tools she needed, when she was homeless, and put her on the path toward getting her education. She hopes to some day become a nurse and would like to support the program that helped her.

Athletics Update



Tennis: The 2019 Men’s & Women’s Solano Tennis Teams finish their season with matches at The Ojai, The California State Tournament, celebrating its 119th year. Eight Solano Falcons participated in the contest after winning enough matches to qualify at the 2019 Big 8 North Conference Tournament hosted at Solano College for the first time, this year.

In Singles our Athletes received seeds: Rajan Bhatia (8) and Melanie Fisher (12) represented Solano in Men and Women Contests respectively. Both Melanie and Rajan won the Round of 64 and made it to the Round of 32.

In Doubles (Melanie Fisher / Jyne Velono) and (Yanci Yanez / Yasmeeen Awad) represented Solano Women while (Rajan Bhatia / Phi Le) and (Patrick Ramos / Aaron Brumels) played for the Solano Men. Fisher/Velono made it to the Round of 32.

2018 Solano Assistant Coach (2018 ITA Men’s Assistant Coach of the Year Winner) Allie Will won this year’s Ojai Open Champion for Doubles.

Head Coach Rafael Rovira won the Women’s ITA Coach of the Year Award at this year’s banquet.

Swimming/ Diving: At the CCCAA State Swimming and Diving Championships at De Anza College, Breanna Schafer finished 14th in the mile (see photo) as she dropped 4 seconds from her personal best. Kari Yamada finished 12th in the one meter diving. Congratulations to Coach Parrish and his student athletes.



Softball: Sophomore **Alaena Selden** was perfect at the plate in the Falcons' season finale at San Mateo on Saturday afternoon in the first round of the CCCAA NorCal Regional Playoffs. The final score was 11-1 in five innings.

Solano finishes the season 21-15 overall after a perfect 14-0 record in Bay Valley Conference play.

Selden went 2-for-2 with a double and RBI, scoring sophomore **Aleya Turner** to strike first in the opening inning.

Sophomore **Adriana Montuya** was charged with the loss after throwing 1.2 innings. She finishes the season with a 9-5 record. Sophomore **Courtney McGraw** made an appearance in the circle to finish the game.

Basketball Camp: The Solano men's and women's basketball teams will host their annual Solano Falcons Summer Hoops Camp from Monday, July 29 through Friday, Aug. 2.

Under the direction of coaches John Nagle and Matt Borchert, the day camp will run from 9-2:30 p.m. daily and will work on the fundamentals of basketball, as well as teamwork, discipline, cooperation, goal setting, and strong work ethic. Prizes and awards will be given away daily.

The cost is \$195 per participant, which includes a camp t-shirt, basketball, 4x6 photo, and lunch daily.

[Click Here](#) to register, and please contact Coach Matt Borchert for more information at 707-863-7837 or matt.borchert@solano.edu.



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