

THE SEATTLE CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE Communiqué

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Greetings everyone,

ONCE AGAIN, WE FIND OURSELVES RUNNING AT BREAKNECK SPEED as we conclude yet another quarter. This is our last Communiqué before our quarter break. Many of you will have a week off and I hope it is filled with warm spring weather and pleasant diversions.

Students Lead on Sustainability

At our Feb. 27 Executive Cabinet meeting, we heard an excellent presentation from three students who have volunteered to spearhead efforts to increase sustainable practices on campus. The students, Kyla Jacobs, Adriel

Hutchinson and Lazlo Jaress, showed great poise and were extremely prepared and knowledgeable. They plan to begin by doing an assessment of our current practices and then follow up with recommendations on where we might improve. Seattle Central has had a sustainability plan since the late 1980's and we are committed to continuing our efforts.

More Student Excellence

Dr. Wendy Rockhill from our Science and Mathematics program sent me good news about a former student who contributed to a recently published scientific paper while she was a student here at Seattle Central. Alexandra Klein was a student here in the summer of 2005 and a participant in the RECCS (Research Experience for Community College Students) Program. During that time, she worked in the laboratory of Dr. Andrew Christie, a research scientist at the University of Washington.

In a paper recently published in *The Journal of Experimental Biology*, Alex is listed as the fourth author and she contributed two images to the paper. I am happy that Alex still has ties to Seattle Central as she is working in the Biology Laboratory Prep room in the new Science and Math Building while taking classes at the University of Washington in the Microbiology Program.

In recognizing Alex, I also want to acknowledge her mentors, Dr. Wendy Rockhill and Dr. Esmaeel Naeemi, who coordinate the RECCS program on our campus. Our faculty gives their all for our students, and we have much to be proud of.

Past and current students from our Fine Arts program just wrapped up a month-long exhibition at the D'Adamo/Woltz gallery in Seattle. They were the featured artists at the gallery's Emerging

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Seattle Central accreditation reaffirmed

The Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities has reaffirmed the accreditation of Seattle Central Community College after reviewing the fall 2006 Focused Interim Evaluation Report. The commission further requested a progress report to be prepared in Spring 2008 to address Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 of the fall 2006 Focused Interim Report. Those recommendations are:

1. It is recommended that SCCC identify effective processes to communicate the evidence of its institutional effectiveness to its public (Standard 1.B.9).

2. It is recommended that SCCC continue to address the learning outcomes for each of its degree and certificate programs and documents that students who complete the degrees or certificates have achieved those outcomes (Standard 2 B.2).

3. It is recommended that the college continue to address methods to ensure that all part-time and priority faculty are evaluated to ensure their teaching effectiveness (Standard 4.A.5).

In requesting a progress report, the commission finds that recommendations 1-3 are areas in which the college is substantially in compliance with criteria for accreditation, but in need of improvement.

HIGHLIGHTS

**New
Apparel Design
scholarship**

**Lifelong
Learning
Awards**

**Marketing
opportunity**



Faculty/staff changes

Danie Egelton is the new part-time counselor on campus through spring quarter. Danie received her BA in psychology from Seattle University, and her masters in education in counseling psychology from Howard University. Her responsibilities include: academic alert overflow and back-up, SHS students, mental health crisis, as well as providing crisis back-up for other counselors. She will be on campus Monday and Tuesdays, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., room BE 1102-C6.

Annie Galarosa has returned part-time until the end of spring quarter to support the Health and Human Services Division. She is here Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., room BE 3197.

IT technician **Trevor Rain-Water's** last day on campus will be March 16. He will be joining the staff of Providence Hospital. For the last seven years Trevor has not only responded to NEED requests, he has kept campus computers connected with his adept wiring skills.

Due to a debilitating medical condition, **Kenneth Hill** has left Seattle Central after nine years of service. Kenny has been a part-time custodian at the Student Activity Center since 1998. He was part of the famed funk band, *Robbie Hill's Family Affair*, which was highlighted in the documentary *Wheedle's Groove: Uncovering Seattle's Soul-Funk Past* which played during the 2006 President's Day event. Kenny frequently arrived hours before he was scheduled to work just to be on campus. He will be missed.

Faculty/staff happenings

Combined Fund Drive Update

Overall campus participation in the 2006 Combined Fund Drive increased from 20 to 29 percent. The Basic Studies department contributed the most, at \$4,130, while the registration and admissions offices each had 100 percent participation. In appreciation, **President Ollée** will be rewarding these areas with treats.

Instructor **Caroline Swope** was highlighted in the March edition *Sunset Magazine* in an article discussing her book "Classic Houses of Seattle" and her work in historical preservation. She has also been named to the board of directors for Historic Tacoma.

Instructor **Susan Casey** gave a poetry reading at the Edmonds Bookshop on

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President's message continued

Student Exhibition. Instructor Tatiana Garmendia had to pull the exhibit together on very short notice and each student displayed several works of art. She says it is "unheard of" for a gallery to look at student work, and credits the reputation that our Fine Arts program has in the community for the opportunity.

Career Link program – SVI

I want to personally welcome Barbara Jarrett in her new role as the faculty coordinator for the Career Link program at SVI. She replaces Portia Carter, who started the program 10 years ago and whose work has transformed countless lives. Barbara joined SVI as a member of the part-time faculty in 2003. Career Link is a program geared towards at-risk youth, ages 16-21. The program works as an extended family for these students, meeting practical needs as well as emotional and educational needs. For many of the students, this program is a last resort. It can also be a first step—students from this program move into vocational programs at SVI or find employment working through SVI's excellent job placement program.

Strategic Plan

We are continuing work on Seattle Central's strategic plan for the years 2006-2010. To refresh your memory, here are those five goals:

1. Develop and implement a financial plan that **sustains the financial health** of the college and is aligned with the college's mission and strategic direction.
2. Involve the college community in developing and carrying out a **comprehensive enrollment management** plan to attract and retain students.
3. Enhance the college's culture of **continuous improvement** to increase **institutional effectiveness**.
4. Develop additional **state-of-the-art facilities** that support a positive learning and working environment.
5. **Strengthen relationships with business and educational communities** in order to contribute to the region's prosperity.

Each goal has several objectives. We have added assessment measures for each of the 16 objectives. Now we will begin to discuss strategies to help us achieve each objective. This is where you get involved. The College Council is working to ensure there is alignment and for ways to involve the college community in the process.

Publications Board

I have appointed Laura Mansfield, our director of communications here at Seattle Central, as the new chair of our campus publications board. Each campus is required to have a publications board, and the board is charged with upholding the WAC in regard to all publications produced at the college. As I mentioned previously, we will be re-organizing the publications board, with great care taken to ensure that its members represent the diversity at Seattle Central.

Welcome to Nick Hamilton

On April 4, we will welcome Mr. Nick Hamilton of the University of Abertay Dundee, Scotland. Nick is serving a one year fellowship and is studying the leadership of innovation in teaching and learning in higher education. Abertay Dundee and Seattle Central share similar student populations, and he is especially interested in our activities surrounding student academic support and student engagement. We will provide more information on Nick's visit and the date draws closer.

African Heritage Celebration

I attended the African Heritage Unity Celebration that was held at our college on Feb. 25. It was a wonderful event that was well attended and filled with energy and enthusiasm. There were more than 300 in attendance, including many of our students, employees, and civic leaders. Additionally, many different African countries were represented. Thank you to all who worked to organize this event.

Sincerely,

Mildred W. Ollée, President
www.seattlecentral.edu/president

Alumni and faculty fashion an apparel design endowment



AT GRADUATION LAST SPRING, APPAREL DESIGN PROGRAM graduates each donned bracelets inscribed with the words “*What would Hisako do?*” as a tribute to their esteemed instructor Hisako Nakaya. But they still wanted to do more.

So the Class of 2006 contributed more than \$1,300 in seed money toward a new scholarship in Hisako’s name, an effort spearheaded by Apparel Design faculty member Camila Sigelmann.

Camila worked with Annie Norberg in the Seattle Central Foundation office to launch the Hisako Nakaya Apparel Design Endowed Scholarship Campaign.

“Working with the alumni to set up an endowment of this magnitude as tribute to Hisako has been one of the most rewarding experiences I have had working at the Foundation,” said Norberg.

The campaign goal is to raise \$25,000 so that scholarships may be awarded to a deserving Apparel Design student every year in perpetuity. The endowment will provide financial assistance to students entering their second year in the Apparel Design program who demonstrate

academic excellence and display Hisako’s passion, spirit and commitment. The grants may cover all or part of tuition and may also provide support for books, fees and other educational expenses for one academic year.

Alumni dating back to 1979, industry leaders, friends and colleagues of the Apparel Design program will be participating to ensure that Hisako’s commitment to teaching becomes a legacy for her current and future students.

“During her nearly 30 years of teaching apparel design at this college, Hisako

has launched hundreds of apparel design careers both locally and at the national level,” explained Sigelmann. “Being in the classroom helping students is where her heart is. This scholarship is a tribute to Hisako’s tireless dedication as an educator in our industry.”

Through Hisako’s leadership and expertise, the Apparel Design program has grown from a training center for power machine operators to the program it is today—a leading educational program in Apparel Design in the Northwest. Under her guidance the program has earned the reputation among apparel employers for excellence and for producing graduates that are prepared with the practical knowledge and skills necessary for employment in the fashion business.

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CAMILA SIGELMANN

Events continued

February 15. Three of her poems will be published this year in a Rose Alley Press anthology of sonnets.

Student news

Alissa Tag, 2006 graduate of the Commercial Photography Program, has just accepted a partnership with Brian Morris of Morning Star Photography (www.morningstarphoto.com). Morris has been a frequent photography guest lecturer.

Events

M. Rosetta Hunter Art Gallery

9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. Monday–Friday. 5–7 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday

Image Makers XIV:
Seattle Central’s Commercial
Photography Program
February 26–March 21

The eagerly awaited annual exhibition by Seattle Central’s Commercial Photography Program, Image Makers XIV promises to be as exceptional as its predecessors. The program is renowned for its rigorous training in technique and proficiency as well as for its cutting edge imagery and dedication to the art of photography.

That’s Not Art, It’s Graphic Design
Seattle Central’s
Graphic Design Program
Opening reception Tuesday,
April 3, 5–7 p.m.
April 2-27

The Graphic Design program exhibit features a wide array of recent work, including book design, advertising, posters, packaging and multi-media. To see samples of the graduates work, visit www.scccdesign.com.

The bloodmobile on campus

The Puget Sound Blood Center bloodmobile will be parked on Broadway in front of the BE Building on March 23, 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m. and 1:30–4 p.m.

Who Can Donate? Anyone who is in good health, is at least 18 years old and weighs at least 110 pounds may donate blood every 56 days.

How long does it take to give blood? The donation process includes registration, a brief medical screening, the blood collection and refreshments. For whole blood the entire donation process usually takes

about one hour.

For questions, please contact 1-800-DONATE-1 Ext 2543

Foundation Scholarship application workshops for students

Wednesday, March 14, 2–3 p.m.,
Wednesday, April 4, 5–6 p.m., BE1102

Free workshops will be led by **Annie Norberg** from the Seattle Central Foundation, **Erin Barzen** from the Career Services Center, and a financial aid representative. Topics covered: How to apply, how to write the personal statement, deadlines and requirements.

Defibrillators on campus

External defibrillators are available for emergency use. One is located in the security office and the other is at the Student Activity Center front desk.

Defibrillators can save lives after a heart attack by giving the heart a controlled electric shock, forcing the heart muscles to contract, jolting it back into a regular rhythm. To learn more about defibrillators and health concerns such as strokes, heart attacks or heart disease, go to www.americanheart.org.

SPOTLIGHT ON...Your event, alumni, new programs

Help Seattle Central get the word out about its graduates, programs and special events. Take advantage of the web feature “SPOTLIGHT ON” at seattlecolleges.com

How it works

When site visitors go to the district homepage — <http://www.seattlecolleges.com> — they see one of several rotating stories or features about Central, South, North or SVI events, programs or people.

How to participate

Send information to **Sherry Reichert**, interim Marketing Specialist, sreichert@sccd.ctc.edu, about your special event, alumni accomplishment, or award, including:

- **Headline.**
- **Content:** 200-300 words including contact information, costs, etc.
- **One URL link.**
- **One image** (can be a graphic or photograph in .tif, .jpg or .bmp format – adhering to copyright laws).
- **Posting dates:** from mm/dd/year to mm/dd/year.

Your content and headline will be edited to fit the format standard and posted at the site. If you have questions, please call Sherry at (206) 587-5487 or email sreichert@sccd.ctc.edu.

Lifelong Learning Awards

These annual awards recognize outstanding employees and support continued intellectual and professional growth of all members of the Seattle Community Colleges. Four awards of up to \$1,500 each will be provided to two faculty (one full, one part-time), one classified staff and one administrator or professional/managerial employee.

Nominations may be made by any member of the college community. Individuals nominated must have a minimum of five years experience in the Seattle Community College District. Additional criteria are outlined on the 2007-08 Lifelong Learning Award Form for use in preparing your nomination materials.

All nominations must be submitted to **Carolyn Yeager**, Chancellor’s Office, 1DO100, no later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10. A district-wide committee will review these nominations and recommend the four award recipients to the Board of Trustees. Seattle Central committee members are: Joan Ray (587-3888), Rich Appleton (516-2962) and Marilyn McCamey (587-2033).

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