



# The UPDATE

SOUTH SEATTLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

"Serving the Campus Since 1977"

July 1, 2004



"Summer afternoon -  
Summer afternoon...  
the two most beautiful  
words in the English  
language."

Henry James  
(1843 - 1916)

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## Aviation High School Has Landed

South has entered an agreement with the Highline School District to open an aviation studies themed high school.

Aviation High School, as it is known, will be based on the Duwamish campus and operated by Highline. The program will be available for high school student in the Puget Sound region who want to pursue college

degrees or certificates and eventual employment in the aviation and aerospace industries. Fifty percent of the students will come from Highline. The program will be tuition-free and will begin with 100 ninth grade students in the fall and grow to 400 over the next four years. The program will be supported by a \$6.5 million donation from the Port of Seattle to be spread over 10 years and a \$600,000 grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

The school is already generating publicity with an article in the June 7 edition of the King County Journal. Go to <http://www.kingcountyjournal.com/sited/story/html/165679> to read the entire article.



Aviation High School's first freshman class celebrates the opening of the school at Boeing Field on July 1.



### \$2 Tuesday

Bargain cuts and manicures at the Beauty Center on July 13.  
Call 764-5814 for an appointment.



### Get in Shape

Summer Fitness Center Hours  
Monday – Thursday  
11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.



## Graduation a Time to Celebrate



Culinary students don custom mortarboards before the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Commencement on June 17.



LPN program graduates take the "Florence Nightingale Pledge," which is similar to the Hippocratic Oath taken by physicians, and promise to do their utmost for the care of their patients. The pledge was part of the program's pinning ceremony on June 16 at the Hotel Monaco in downtown Seattle. The pinning ceremony is a nursing tradition dating back before the turn of the twentieth century. Traditionally, nursing students have conducted the ceremony to mark their passage from the role of student nurse to practicing nurse. It also signifies that necessary program requirements have been completed.

### Be an Ambassador for South

Are you traveling outside the USA this summer? Help International Programs recruit students.

It can be as simple as letting people know that South is an affordable gateway to universities in Seattle and throughout the United States. Don't forget the college's Intensive English Program.

For a more involved role or more information contact Kathie Kwilinski, Director of International Programs, at [kkwilins@sccd.ctc.edu](mailto:kkwilins@sccd.ctc.edu), or Ginger Moriya, Director of International Marketing & Outreach, at [gmoriya@sccd.ctc.edu](mailto:gmoriya@sccd.ctc.edu).



Career Link Academy students graduate on June 16.

### Affordable Housing

If you are a first time homebuyer, you may be able find assistance in buying a house in the Delridge area. Homestead Community Land Trust, a membership-based, non-profit organization offers \$62,000 in grants for home purchases. Certain income requirements apply. To learn more, go to [www.homesteadclt.org](http://www.homesteadclt.org).

### Save Money on Textbooks

The Office of Diversity & Retention is sponsoring a Textbook Loan Library for the summer quarter. Applications are available now in RSB 158. Books are issued on a first come, first served basis. For more information, contact the office at 768-6455.

## Student's Long Road Rewarded



Students at South often show us how to live the school motto of "Start Here, Go Anywhere." 2004 College Transfer graduate **C' Ardiss Gardner**, or CC to the people that know her, is such an example.

CC's long academic journey at South began when she was 18 years old and a young mother of a daughter. Beginning her studies in 1994, she soon decided that she would be better served by leaving school and entering the workforce, where she held two jobs. Trying again to continue her studies in 2001, CC was sidetracked by an order of bed rest during the pregnancy of her second child, a son. She was still able to earn 10 credits. Determined to finish her associate's degree, CC entered the college again in spring 2003 and was able to complete her degree. This was no easy task, as it required taking 25 credits each quarter, while holding down a full-time job as a lead technical software tester. The average academic load is 15 credits.

"It was never a question of whether I would complete a college education," she said. "The only question was when and where. I thought it was important to teach my children that your circumstances do not define who you are. You define who you are. I thought what better way to teach and show them this than by example."

CC also credits Michael McCrath, Anthropology Instructor, with giving her a push to apply to colleges that she might have never considered – Smith, Brown, Columbia, Tufts, and Yale. She also applied to local schools as well, University of Washington and Seattle University.

With no rejection letters yet, CC has been accepted to Brown University in the Ivy League.

She has the goal of receiving a bachelor's in psychology and the eventual dream of attending law school at Harvard and a career in public policy.

"My husband and children have been very supportive and are very excited about the move," CC said.

CC's story was featured in the June 23 edition of the West Seattle Herald.

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## Donate Your Clothes

There is a new resource on campus to donate your clothes to those in need.

Thanks to Takeshi (Ox) Yabiku, Student Senator and United Student Association Community Service & Diversity Committee member, a partnership has been formed with the Northwest Center to provide a permanent donation bin on campus. The bin is currently located in the North Parking Lot.

The mission of the Northwest Center is to promote the growth, development, and independence of persons with disabilities through programs of education, rehabilitation, and work opportunity.

For more information, go to

<http://www.nwcenter.org>.

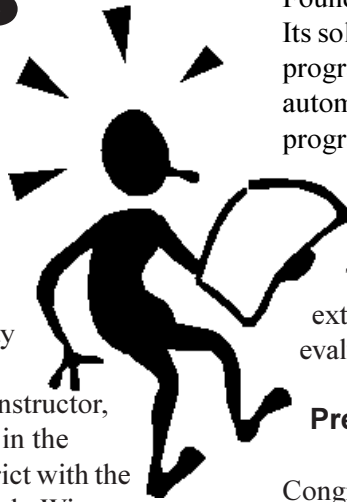
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**Press Releases:** Do you have some event or achievement that the public should know about? Contact Michael May in the Public Information Office at [mmay@sccd.ctc.edu](mailto:mmay@sccd.ctc.edu) to help get your item published in area papers.

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**Update Submissions & Questions:** Contact Michael May in the Public Information Office at [mmay@sccd.ctc.edu](mailto:mmay@sccd.ctc.edu).

# Campus Kudos



## Commitment to College Rewarded

**Dan Cassidy**, Dean of Hospitality & Service Occupations, and **Allan French**, General Studies Instructor, were honored among their peers in the Seattle Community College District with the Trustees Lifelong Learning Award. Winners receive \$1,500 as a reward for excellence, based on leadership, professional achievement and cooperative spirit. The awards will be formally presented on September 22, Seattle Community College District Convocation Day, which will be held at South.

The awards are meant to encourage recipients to pursue learning opportunities. Dan, who oversees the Culinary Arts, Cosmetology and Landscape Horticulture programs, plans to use the funds for attendance at conferences, where he will learn the latest industry standards. Allan, who is also Testing Coordinator for Adult Basic Education, ESL (English as a Second Language) and GED (General Education Development), plans to use the funds to research how assessment can be better integrated with instruction to benefit student learning.

Thanks also go to Trustees Lifelong Learning Awards Committee members **Mary Horn**, General Studies Secretary Supervisor; **Carol Koepke**, Computing Technology Instructor; and **Lisa Sever**, Child Care Center Manager.

## Automotive Collision Certified

Congratulations go to the Automotive Collision Repair program, which was recently re-certified by NATEF/ASE. Thanks go to Instructors **Steve Ford** and **Eric Smock** and **Sherri Lewis**, Office Assistant, for their hard work in securing renewal of the five-year certification.

The National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF) is a non-profit organization. Its sole mission is to evaluate technician training programs against standards developed by the automotive industry. It recommends qualifying programs for accreditation by ASE, the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence. To learn more go to <http://www.natef.org>.

The evaluation is a two-part process, an extensive self-evaluation followed by an on-site evaluation.

## President's Medals Awarded

Congratulations go to the 2004 recipients of the President's Medal – **Mina So** and **Sheryl Witthus**.

The criteria for selection for the President's Medal include a student's grade point average, rigor of course work, and obstacles that had to be overcome, or other extenuating circumstances. Evidence that the student has provided extra help and service to a college department, division, office, service unit, or the college community in general is also considered in awarding the honor. The awards were presented at graduation on June 17.

Mina graduated with an Associate of Arts degree and Sheryl graduated with an Associate of Applied Science degree in Accounting.

## Student Life Thanks

The Office of Student Life would like to thank the following faculty and staff who serve as advisors for our student clubs and organizations. We appreciate their support and assistance in providing learning opportunities for our student leaders.

- **Aaron Burman**, Landscape Horticulture Student Association
- **Dan Bush**, Nihon/Japanese Club
- **Fred Collins**, Somali Student Association
- **Rose Dang**, Vietnamese Student Association

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- **Sy Ear**, Khmer/Cambodian Club
- **Paula Herd**, Christian Club
- **Margaret Kelly**, Nursing Student Advancement, Improvement and Development Society
- **Heidi Lyman**, Phi Theta Kappa
- **Robert Pierre**, Aviation Technician Association
- **Tom Phillips & Dan Hagen**, Student Technology Advisory Council
- **Harumi Toyoshima & Ginger Moriya**, International Students Club
- **Doug Tompson**, MEChA (Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan)
- **Jian Zou**, Chinese Student Association

Thanks also go to the following campus community members:

- **Marcia Kato**: For connecting Women's Programs with Student Success Services and coordinating workshops in CLIC (Collaborative Learning & Instruction Center)
- **Sheryl Tuttle**: For sharing her knowledge of scholarships
- **Margo Harder**: For personally bringing English as a Second Language (ESL) students who are in need of assistance to Women's Programs and being the biggest source in connecting ESL students to the program
- **Art Gallery Committee – Mary Lantz, Jan Koutsky, Randy Nelson, Heath Bultman, and Florence Fields Love**: For their continued support
- **Campus Services – Matthew Horwitz, Bernice Armstrong, Eric Smock, Robert Workman, Forrest Dorenwendt** (for the superb work on procuring a van from Boeing surplus and fixing it up), and **Tom Tower** (for the fantastic support during Rainbow Festival)
- **Public Information – Michael May, Glenn Gauthier and Nancy Kent**: For their enduring support through promotions, publications and the Web
- **Media Services – Ken Monson and Chris Gadler**: For providing support for our campus events

- **Brockey Center Staff – Bob Sullivan, Ross Johnson and Marcelo Martins**: For working with our students during campus events

- **Sara and Bill Newman**: For developing the online voting system for the United Student Association election

- **Development Office – Richard Penny, Heather Foss, Jaime Van**: For reaching out to students to be a part of their programming

- **Administrative Services – Kurt Buttleman, Dawn Vinberg, Nahid Talebi, and Rita Rambo**: For working with us and with our programming requests, for being understanding, flexible and always supportive

- **Security – James Lewis, George Curtis, Greg Morphew, Ernie Olson and Kerry McNamar**: For continually supporting and assisting our safety and access needs, whether it is opening doors or escorting students/staff during odd hours

- **Bookstore – Kristin Ripley**: For the neat gifts distributed during New Student Orientation and involvement in graduation

There is also an impressive degree of collaboration and involvement from and with **Student Success Services**, our **Counselors**, and the **Office of Diversity & Retention**.

Everything we do could not happen without the commitment from sincerely motivated professionals. Thank you all for making this year a grand one.

Dr. Liz Baldizan, Della Beebe, Fred Collins, Esther Ervin, Monica Lundberg, Carmen Saran, Robert Tynes

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## CAMPUS KUDOS...

### Commitment to College Honored



Ted Coskey, Math and Science Instructor, is honored by Chancellor Charles Mitchell and President Jill Wakefield and the rest of the campus community for thirty years of service to the college. The presentation was part of the Annual Service Awards. Joan Stover, Science Instructor, was also honored for thirty years of service.

### Math Event Adds Up to a Success



Math tutors and top math students are honored at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Math Awards Ceremony held in MAST

### Alumnus Gets Scholarship

Congratulations go to 2003 College Transfer graduate **Colby Harris** for being recently awarded the "Building Our Future" scholarship from The Association.

The Association is a professional organization for community and technical college administrators in Washington. Colby will use the \$1,000 scholarship to help pursue his bachelor's in history and ethnic studies at the University of Washington, where we will start this fall. The purpose of the scholarship is to actively recruit and support students who are

seriously considering a community or technical college teaching or administrative career upon completion of college.

Colby's goal is to become a history and ethnic studies instructor at South and to help educate others about diversity, multicultural history and social justice issues. He is interested in a master's in history and a doctorate in United States immigrant studies.

### Intern Expresses Thanks

I want to thank the staff and faculty at South for helping me complete my degree at Eastern Washington University in June, where I received my bachelor's in communications with an emphasis in public relations.

As a part of my degree requirements, I had to successfully complete an internship. I attempted this task at another community college in the Seattle area, but the experience began on shaky grounds. It was then that I decided to turn to South for help, because what I remember most about my seven quarters there was that I could depend on the college.

In a crunch, I turned to the **Don Howard**, Counselor; **Pam Hubbard**, Internship Coordinator; and **Katherine Pellman**, Speech Instructor, for help. Katherine directed me to **Mike Munson**, Director of Communications, and the two worked in putting together an internship that exceeded my expectations. I was able to receive critical professional experience that got me a great job offer as the Office Manager and Marketing Director of Columbia Physical Therapy Services Inc.

I also owe a special thanks to **Glenn Gauthier**, Graphic Design Specialist, **Nancy Kent**, Web Manager, and **Michael May**, Information Specialist. I could not have done it without you all.

Jovon Younger

## Staff Comings and Goings

Student Services would like the campus community to welcome its new Director of Student Outreach, Admissions and Recruitment – **Rosie Rimando**.

Rosie has worked with two Trio grants at SSCC, as a Student Services Specialist with Educational Talent Search, and more recently, as a Learning Specialist with the Upward Bound program. She also taught high school-level language arts and world history classes in the Seattle Public Schools system prior to working at South. Rosie's professional and teaching experiences with five local high schools will be helpful in shaping the Admissions Office's outreach to high school graduates. Rosie is currently completing a Master's in public administration at the University of Washington's Dan Evans School. Rosie's office is located at the south end of the Robert Smith Building in Registration. Her phone number is 768-6691 beginning July 6.

Student Life bids farewell to **Liz Baldizan**, Dean of Student Life, who is beginning an exciting new journey as Dean of Student Development at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Liz has this to say about her time at South: "I wanted to express how much I have appreciated the opportunity of working with everyone at South Seattle Community College! It has been a treasured experience – particularly the collaboration with faculty and staff as well, as the hands-on work with students! I am grateful to so many people who offered their involvement, support, expertise and insight. It has been tremendous! You will be in my fond memories! Continued success to you all!"

**Monica Lundberg**, Student Programs Manager, will serve as interim in the Student Life Dean position.

Educational Talent Search, one of the college's Trio

## Enjoying the Arboretum



Members of the public stroll through the Arboretum during the Development Office's 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Tour & Tea.

programs, said goodbye to its Director, Dee Perez. She is moving on to Burlington County College in Pemberton, New Jersey, where she will be Director of Grants. BCC is a four-campus system in south central New Jersey that offers academic transfer and cutting edge science and technology training. Dee will be in charge of overseeing all grant writing, identifying new funding sources to support new programs and initiatives, and supervising all grant managers on the four campuses.

**Betsy Hale**, Associate Dean in WorkSource and Career Development Services, will provide interim leadership for Educational Talent Search.

The Development Office saw the departure of **Jaime Van**, Program Coordinator. She will be continuing her career in development as Capital Campaign Manager for Boys & Girls Clubs of King County.

Academic Programs also sees the return of **Frank Post** to the Dean position after an extended leave. He will be back to full time on July 15. Thanks also go to **Bob Dela-Cruz** for filling in during Frank's absence.

## Budget Hearing Shows Challenges

The 2004-2005 Budget Hearing this month revealed that the college continues to have budget challenges

Attendees did hear news on a brighter note. Because of cuts the college has instituted over the past three years, no staff positions will be eliminated. The budget also proposes hiring faculty.

The budget follows the college's strategic plan and responds to its four priorities that include: ensuring the financial health of the college; aligning and prioritizing resources to meet student demand; creating and modifying initiatives that support student success, retention, completion and transfer; and encouraging and supporting professional development. For the coming year, the college has \$19.5 million to serve 4,151 FTE's.

In ensuring the college's financial health, a number of steps have been taken, such as, not overestimating the amount of revenue generated by International Programs. The program, a crucial source of revenue, has made great strides in recruiting and the college should expect to see the benefits in the coming year. The college has also signed an agreement with Highline schools to form Aviation High School, which will bring in \$100,000 each year. The college will also continue to build its strategic reserve, currently at \$800,000

In order to continue to meet the challenges and goals the college has set, the campus community will need to work together on the following:

- Increase our efficiency in generating enrollment by meeting enrollment targets in classes and programs
- Continue to shift enrollment to full-tuition programs
- Make sure that expenditures do not exceed our revenues

- Look at each of our roles in marketing the college, our programs and services
- Figure out what is not essential, so that we can focus our energy on those activities that strengthen student learning and success

During the budgeting process, recommendations by the college community's representative body, College Council, were also taken into consideration. The following input was gathered by the council:

- Recruitment and Retention: Adequate class offerings are needed, especially upper level courses, to retain students and so they are able to graduate on time.
- Grants: A director position is needed to maintain this crucial source of funding, which many programs are dependent on.
- Staffing: The college needs to support student success through improved staffing in student services areas.
- Program Development/Goods and Services: The lack of supplies and resources needs to be improved to support the quality of programs.
- Effects of Budget Constraints on the Campus Culture: Staff morale is influenced by having to do more with less.

For more detailed information from the hearing, visit SouthNet at [http://dept.seattlecolleges.com/southnet/ftpres/mftp/04\\_05budget.pdf](http://dept.seattlecolleges.com/southnet/ftpres/mftp/04_05budget.pdf). All you need is your Outlook user name and password.

**Classified Staff Needed:** The Classified Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) is starting a new year and looking to build its ranks for the coming year. There are five positions available. Anyone with ideas, imagination, and who is looking for a place to use his/her individuality to benefit their fellow Classified employees is encourage to get in touch with the following members: Sharon Norman, Testing Technician, 768-6767; Della Beebe, Secretary Senior, 764-5332; or Diane Heuman, Secretary Senior, 768-6459.