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WHO'S MAKING A DIFFERENCE AT SFCC?

Sustainability Across the Curriculum Committee

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Andrew Kerr, Michael McKittrick, Jim Archibald, Martha Sorensen,
Bill Neuwirth Missing: Diane Pinkey, Colleen Lynch

When we hear the word *sustainability* these days, we tend to think about practical, measurable things like green jobs, green industry, recycling and reducing our carbon footprint — and SFCC is doing a lot in those areas. Sustainability is also a way of thinking and acting to maintain or create healthy and effective political, organizational, social, physical and cultural systems. A sustainable system will not deplete physical resources, nor damage personal relationships.

President Dr. Sheila Ortego took the lead in signing on to the American College and Universities Presidents Climate Commitment which includes incorporating sustainability across the curriculum. SFCC's Sustainability across the Curriculum Committee utilizes a common definition of sustainability as ***the ability to meet the needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.*** Now, the visionary faculty of the committee members listed above are teaching other faculty how to integrate sustainability into their classes.

Michael McKittrick has already found ways to incorporate sustainability into assignments and discussions about economics, statistics, marketing and even accounting without changing the goals and objectives that ensure his classes still meet degree requirements and transfer requirements for other colleges. He says his students, who are often further ahead than he on sustainability, really appreciate the opportunity to discuss the impact of sustainability issues such as global warming. McKittrick also teaches his students about the **Triple Bottom Line**, a new sustainability economic, accounting and business concept which considers “people, planet and profit” and utilizes the book **Natural Capitalism** as a resource for understanding how business is changing and needs to change in this new world.

Several members of the Sustainability across the Curriculum Committee are developing an interdisciplinary sustainability certificate program for SFCC. With the help of the committee, both last fall's and this spring's upcoming Faculty Development Days put their focus on helping faculty figure out how to incorporate sustainability into their current classes. With these and other more physical and academic changes on campus, it looks like SFCC could soon become one of the greenest schools around and an innovative model for other institutions.

What Student Workers do for The Office of Student Development

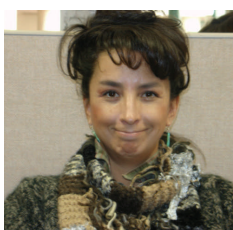
My name is Beatrice Groven, a student worker for the Office of Student Development, attending SFCC to get my Associates in Health Science. As a student worker for the Office of Student Development we tend to do a wide variety of duties, depending on what is going on at SFCC for that day. On a regular basis we

- Answer the phones, answer any questions that students may have, and or lead them to the department that can.
- Make student ID's
- Make posters for the student activities coming up
- Set up posters and take them down, as needed
- Assist with the Student Ambassadors activities
- Assist with the Student Government Activities
- Help with updating the Student Activities Calendar
- Assist Career Services Activities, as needed
- Maintain bulletin boards in the Campus Center
- Maintain the Student Lounge
- Miscellaneous office duties

I would like to say, that I really enjoy working at SFCC, because It's been a pleasure to meet students, faculty, and staff. This is my second semester at SFCC. I have been able to learn about what SFCC has to offer students, so in turn I have been able to help other students, and offer some of my ideas to the Student Government. I am always aware of what activities are coming up, which is a plus. It's been wonderful getting to know all of the Student Ambassadors and sitting in on some of the interviews. As a single parent it helps to be able to work at the campus, knowing that almost all of the holiday's coincide with the Santa Fe Public School's.

Michelle Ortiz, another student worker for the Office of Student Development, who is scheduled to graduate in Spring 2009, with an Associates in Criminal Justice, has this to say, "As a student worker I have met a lot of students, staff, and faculty that I otherwise, would not have met. I enjoy being able to help these students, staff, and faculty. I really enjoy all of my job duties, interacting with people from SFCC, and being able to work where I go to school."

Amber Maes, also a student worker for the Office of Student Development, is getting her Associates in Teacher's Ed, has this to say, "As a student worker in the Office of Student Development, I have learned a lot about the college that I wouldn't have known otherwise. It's amazing just how much help there really is for students. You have to take the time to look."



BEATRICE



MICHELLE



AMBER

Student Ambassador Group By Therese Greenfield

After spending eleven years at home with my children I realized it was time for a change. I enrolled in classes at the SFCC in hopes of making the best future possible for my family. As I started meeting people on campus someone told me I should check out the Ambassador group. I called Ernest Kavanaugh to get more information about them. He called me back and invited me to a meeting. I walked in to the lecture hall early that day. There was one particular ambassador who sat in the room waiting for the meeting to begin she immediately greeted me and struck up a conversation. As the ambassadors trickled in they greeted me and made small talk until Ernest arrived and the meeting started. By that time I felt like I wandered into a room full of the friendliest people on campus.

I am now a proud member of the Student Ambassador Program. We work hard to help on specific retention programs and activities; our most important job is helping others stay enrolled in school primarily the incoming Bridge/Road to Success Students. We do this through making necessary information more accessible and campus activities to promote unity; Ropes Coarse, Pass it On (shortly before midterms) and Student Voice are some of our retention activities.

As important as giving to others is to all Ambassadors, our groups gives back to us. It's very nice that we get a scholarship for all our hard work, but we get much more from the group than that. The Student Ambassador Program teaches us leadership skills, public speaking, networking skills, team development, how to write a resume build a portfolio, etc. They teach you how to get what you want out of the world the best way possible in addition to working the information desk helping the Aspire Club with their functions like the Halloween, Whoop It Up 3 on 3 Basketball tournament, or assisting student government, MPR Outreach, OSD, and other specific departments on campus.



STUDENT AMBASSADORS FALL 2008

Gain Experience. Give Perspective. Get Involved

Peer Support

The Student Ambassadors We are here to help you

Stay in school, make important information accessible to you, answer your questions, inform you about campus activities/programs.

- Want to learn more about your campus resources?
- Have questions about your fitness center?
- What about financial aid?
- Scholarships?
- Campus activities/programs?



Visit us at the front Information desk or call 428-1826

Express your opinion

At the 2008-2009 Student Government Association meetings

The following Tuesdays
from 3:30-5pm

February 10	Jemez room 1
February 24	Room 225
March 10	Jemez room 2
March 24	Jemez room 2
April 7	Room 225
April 21	Jemez room 1
May 25	Room 225

All SFCC students enrolled for a minimum of 1 credit bearing course are automatically members of the SGA and are welcome to attend SGA meetings.

FREE FOOD



**CONTINUING
YOUR
EDUCATION
AFTER SFCC?**

Visit with college and other education recruiters in the SFCC Campus Center on

Student Transfer Day

10 am - 2 pm
Wednesday,
Feb 4, 2009

Bring your
TRANSCRIPTS or
print out a copy
in the Enrollment
Center



FEBRUARY CALENDAR

Events are **FREE** and **OPEN TO ALL** unless otherwise stated

- Thu, Feb 4 10-2am** **Student Transfer Day** Campus Center Questions? Call Patty, 428-1406
- Tues, Feb 10 10-11am** **What Makes a Great Resume** from the *Get That Job* seminar series, Jemez 1 Questions? Call Patty, 428-1406
- Wed, Feb 11 10-11am** **Successful Interviewing** from the *Get That Job* seminar series, Jemez 1 Questions? Call Patty, 428-1406
- Thu, Feb 12 10-11am** **Career Interest Assessment** from the *Get That Job* seminar series, Jemez 1 Questions? Call Patty, 428-1406
- Sat, Feb 14 11am-3pm** **Aspire Club Valentine's Day Dance** Questions? Call Ernest, 428-1681
- Tues, Feb 17 All Day** **SFCC at the Legislature**, students shadow legislators, departments staff Information tables at the Roundhouse. Questions? Call Justine, 428-1306
- Tues, Feb 17 10-11am** **Creating a Professional Portfolio** from the *Get That Job* seminar series, Jemez 1 Questions? Call Patty, 428-1406
- Wed, Feb 18 10-11am** **Job Search Strategies** from the *Get That Job* seminar series, Jemez 1 Questions? Call Patty, 428-1406
- Mon, Feb 23- Thurs, Feb 27** **National Eating Disorders Awareness Week Information Table**, Campus Center. Questions? Call Pat, 428-1277



MARCH CALENDAR

Events are **FREE** and **OPEN TO ALL** unless otherwise stated

- Mon, Mar 2** 10-11am **Irish Music by Gerry Carthy**, in the Campus Center Questions? Call Justine, 428-1306
- Wed, Mar 4** 11am-2pm **Student Expo**, Jemez rooms Questions? Call Justine, 428-1306
- Thu, Mar 5** 11am-2pm **Student Expo**, Jemez rooms Questions? Call Justine, 428-1306
- Fri, Mar 6** 8:30am-6pm **Whoop-it-up Basketball Tournament** Fitness Center Questions? Call Ernest, 428-1681
- Sat Mar 7** 10am-4pm **Whoop-it-up Basketball Tournament** Fitness Center Questions? Call Ernest, 428-1681
- Sat, Mar 14 – Fri Mar 20** **SPRING BREAK—NO CLASSES**
- Tues, Mar 24** 10-11am **What Makes a Great Resume** from the *Get That Job* seminar series, Jemez 1 Questions? Call Patty, 428-1406
- Wed, Mar 25** 10-11am **Successful Interviewing** from the *Get That Job* seminar series, Jemez 1 Questions? Call Patty, 428-1406
- Thu, Mar 26** 10-11am **Career Interest Assessment** from the *Get That Job* seminar series, Jemez 1 Questions? Call Patty, 428-1406
- Tues, Mar 31** 10-11am **Creating a Professional Portfolio** from the *Get That Job* seminar series, Jemez 1 Questions? Call Patty, 428-1406
- Wed, Apr 1** 10-11am **Job Search Strategies** from the *Get That Job* seminar series, Jemez 1 Questions? Call Patty, 428-1406

YES, WE CAN ... WHOOP IT UP IN MARCH!

Be presidential material. Join students, faculty and staff in the annual Whoop-it up Basketball Tournament in the Fitness Center, FRIDAY, MARCH 6 AND SAT MARCH 7.



Sign up for 3-on-3 teams, Advanced and Fun leagues and a lunch time Free Throw Contest between campus departments. Prizes, medals, trophies and music entertainment.

Come to room LL 311 for registration forms and to get a pre-game orientation schedule. Fee is \$30 per team.

**OFFICE OF STUDENT DEVELOPMENT:
www.sfccnm.edu/studentdevelopment
Room LL 311**

- Justine Carpenter** Director
505-428-1306 or 505-428-1266
- Ernest Kavanaugh** Student Ambassadors, Aspire Club, Student Retention, 505-428-1681
- Patty Armstrong** Career Services 505-428-1406
www.sfccnm.edu/careerservices
- Kathy Romero** Administrative Assistant
505-428-1665
- Open position** Student Government Assn, Student Clubs Student Activities

Student Government (SGA) Phone Line: 428-1418

- SGA OFFICERS:**
- President:** Oman Cooper
 - Vice President:** Brendaly Caro
 - Treasurer:** Clarence Bustamante
 - Secretary/Historian:** Patricia Coriz
 - Senator, School of Liberal Arts and Core Studies:** Francisco Vigil
 - Senator, School of Business & Applied Technologies:** Ekatarina Gerasimova
 - Senator, School of Arts & Design:** Man Lun Cing
 - Senator, School of Health & Sciences:** Kayla Trujillo
 - Senator, School of Education:** position vacant
 - SGA Advisors:** Justine Carpenter, Jill Douglass, Tom Riggs



**SANTA FE SPRING
COMMUNITY
JOB FAIR**

**Thurs, April 2
10am-2pm
Campus Center**

with the Virtual Career Center, computers and counselor assistance to seek and apply for jobs online. Questions? Call Patty, 428-1406