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Presenting... Bond Measure L

THE NAPA VALLEY COLLEGE ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY PRESENTED "SMART VOTE 08" ON JAN. 29 IN THE CAFETERIA. THE FOCUS WAS TO EDUCATE NVC STUDENTS ON THE CANDIDATES, PROPOSITIONS, AND VOTING ISSUES OF THE FEBRUARY 5TH CALIFORNIA PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION.



Photos by Richard Bruns

THE NVC BOND MEASURE L WAS A TOPIC WITH BOTH THE PRO AND CON SIDES PRESENTING INFORMATION. ASB PRESIDENT SUSANA PONCE (ABOVE) WAS THE MODERATOR. EASY VOTER GUIDES, PRINTED BY THE NONPARTISAN EASY VOTER GUIDE PROJECT, WERE AVAILABLE. THE ASB SPONSORED AN INFORMATION TABLE, PICTURED ABOVE. THERE WERE VOTER REGISTRATION TABLES AND TABLES FOR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES' REPRESENTATIVES.

Psychological Services available on campus

Napa Valley College's Student Health Center office is also the location of psychological services. "Students can call for an appointment at 253-3227, walk in and if we are available we will meet, or come to the Health Center office in building 2250 and the receptionist will make an appointment. We are here and ready to help!" says Denise Layten, MFT, coordinator.

An intern has joined the staff. Jessica Millikan joins Denise Layten, MFT, and Priscilla Miles, MFTI.

Hours of service are Monday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. (by appointment only), 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m.; Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m., and Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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College bond on Super Tuesday ballot

In November the Napa Valley College Board of Trustees passed a resolution to place a \$178.4 million bond measure on the February 5, 2008, Presidential Primary ballot to complete major upgrades and improvements to the college. The bond will allow the college to keep up with a growing student enrollment as more and more students of all ages seek an affordable alternative for higher education.

"Napa Valley College has been entrusted with one of the greatest resources

a community can have—educational opportunity for its residents. It is our responsibility to protect and develop this invaluable resource to the best of our ability. That is why the NVC Board of Trustees unanimously voted to focus on the future of the college by moving forward with this bond measure.

"This effort is designed to provide educational facilities that will ensure that our students have safe and

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Vallejo Museum site of reception

The Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum, 734 Marin



COODLEY

Street, Vallejo, is hosting a reception and book signing for the publication of "California: a Multicultural Documentary History," written by Professor Lauren Coodley and published by Prentice Hall. The event is Feb. 9 at 2 p.m., and is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. Some of the participants in the Faces of America photo contest, sponsored by NEH, are included in the book, and have been invited to attend and be recognized; these include Maggie Cole (Child Development Center), Christina Granero (student in Alan Skinner's program), and former students Joseph Alexander, Kira Bulger, Ashlee Gary, Sara Courtney, Koy Lynn Hardy, and Rosa Tijero. Humanities instructor Janet Stickmon is also included in the book, along with Vangie Buell, Susheel Bibb, and Mel Orpilla, who have been guest speakers at the college.

New Art Gallery show

Beebonibroom (Disturbance in the Field)

An installation of bee themed artwork curated by NVC instructor, artist and beekeeper Rob Keller has opened at Napa Valley College Art Gallery, 1360 Menlo Avenue, Napa. The show runs to March 9. The gallery is open Thursday, Friday and Saturday 2 to 6 p.m. Admission is free.

The gallery is inside the Community Education Center (former Armory).

Interim dean named

Dr. Chris O'Hearn, former president of Mt. San Antonio College and Mission College, has been named interim dean, Instructional Services. He was introduced to the campus on Flex Day.



O'HEARN

Dr. O'Hearn earned his doctorate in Higher Education from Capella University; M.Ed. in Educational Administration and M.A. in Twentieth Century British Literature from Loyola Marymount University; B.A. in English Literature from Loyola University, and A.A. in English from El Camino College.

He has also served as vice president of Instruction at Orange Coast College and dean of Academic Affairs at L.A. Harbor College. Prior to being in administration, he was a professor of English at L.A. Harbor College.

Free College Awareness Night in American Canyon

Napa Valley College is planning a College Awareness Night in American Canyon. It will be held Wednesday, Feb. 13, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the American Canyon Community Center on Benton Way. It is free and open to the public.

In addition to information on Napa Valley College programs and services, four-year college and university representatives will participate and share information.

There will be information on the college Criminal Justice Training Center, Financial Aid, Student Services, Hospitality Manage-

ment Program, Health Occupations, Vocational Programs. Admissions and Records, the Transfer Center, and English as a second language, for example. Representatives from Pacific Union College, Sonoma State University, Sacramento State University, UC Berkeley, UC Davis and University of Phoenix have been confirmed, among others.

Call Robyn Tornay, Assistant Registrar, Admissions & Records, (707) 253-3249 or email rtornay@napavalley.edu for more information.

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modern classrooms, up-to-date technology, and facilities that can house emerging job training and educational programs," said Dr. Chris McCarthy, Napa Valley College president.

"Rising construction costs and the need to develop new programs aimed at emerging career fields have led us, like many other community colleges, to look to our community for support. Community support is vital to preparing the college for coming generations of students," Dr. McCarthy added. "That is why this bond is necessary and I am very pleased to see widespread community support for both the bond, as well as our college."

There have been rapid changes in technology and labs required to train people

for growing careers in high tech, law enforcement, health care and other fields, and the college must keep up with these changes to help local students find their way to good jobs in local industries. In addition, the bond would fund repairs to some aging facilities. The college opened the campus at its present location in 1965.

Some priority bond projects include expanding the solar electric generating system to further reduce electricity costs, repairing and modernizing aging campus buildings, upgrading electrical systems and wiring for computer technology and Internet access, expanding facilities to accommodate a growing enrollment, improving classrooms at the Upper Valley Campus, and extending educational resources to American Canyon.

"Education is a lifelong commitment.

We are dedicated to the future of the valley and to supporting in every way possible the lifelong learning needs of its residents. The NVC Board of Trustees is unanimous in its wholehearted support of this bond measure," said Michael Baldini, who was then board president.

The bond also contains taxpayer protections to ensure that bond funds are spent on voter-approved projects to improve Napa Valley College. No bond funds can be taken by the state or be spent on administrator salaries. An independent citizens' oversight committee will review all spending to ensure that bond funds are spent wisely. The bond will also make Napa Valley College eligible for millions of dollars in state matching funds and will cost homeowners no more than \$19.85 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation.