



Napa Valley College

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NVC student, college president to receive national honors

NVC student Rob Holst has been named as a 2009 Coca-Cola national finalist. Selection as a Coca-Cola finalist was based on scores earned in the All-USA Academic Team competition. This program is sponsored by the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation and is administered by Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. He will receive a check for \$1,000 and national recognition at this year's Phi Theta Kappa International Convention April 16-18 in Grapevine, Texas.

Holst placed on the First All-California Academic Team for the annual All-California Phi Theta Kappa Community College League Awards. The honor was based on high GPA and community involvement.

Napa Valley College's president Dr. Chris McCarthy has been chosen as a recipient for



Submitted photo
Beta Beta Sigma advisors Prof. Cathy Gillis and Prof. Walt Unti and pictured with Rob Holst, center. Holst has received state-wide honors and will receive a national honor this weekend in Texas.

the Phi Theta Kappa Shirley B. Gordon award honoring outstanding college presidents. He will also be honored at the Texas convention.

Holst, 19, grew up and still lives in Vacaville. His major is Respiratory Therapy and he plans on working towards becoming a respiratory therapist. After the two year

program, he says he would like to get work experience in a hospital so that he can get better insight into his ultimate goal of becoming a doctor.

"Having a need to make a positive difference in the lives of others is what drives me to be service oriented; this need is also what will fuel my determination to complete future

goals in school and in life," Holst said. Currently the executive vice president of the Beta Beta Sigma Chapter at Napa Valley College, he says he will offer his leadership experience to next year's board of officers. Holst, who has been very active in chapter events, is a volunteer at Redwood Middle school during the week. He has attended NVC since fall of 2007.

NVC student Adrian Atman was honored by being named to the Third All-California Academic Team.

Holst was also honored by the state legislature in the capitol and at a luncheon at the Sacramento Convention Center on March 23. College president Dr. Chris McCarthy and Beta Beta Sigma advisors Prof. Cathy Gillis and Prof. Walt Unti attended the awards ceremony in Sacramento and will attend the convention in Texas.

Accreditation forums scheduled

BY JUDIE WALTER-BURKE, DEAN OF RESEARCH, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Napa Valley College is preparing for its regularly scheduled accreditation review. The college prepares a self study which is then validated by a visiting accreditation team. Drafts of the accreditation self study are being posted to the Napa Valley College website www.napavalley.edu under Accreditation in the A-Z index. Everyone is encouraged to read the report. If you find that something is missing or have suggestions for changes, please complete a "com-

ment form." The comment period runs until April 23rd. The team visit will be in the fall.

Plan to attend one of the accreditation forums. These campus-wide forums are scheduled so that members of the NVC community can ask questions and provide the writing team with their suggestions or comments. The forums will be:

Friday, April 17, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Room 1340 – Staff Lounge

Thursday, April 23, 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Room 1633

Napa Valley College
Child Development
Center Celebrates

WOYC

Week of the Young Child

APRIL 19 – 25, 2009

'Antigone Now' opens this Friday

'Antigone Now'

by Melissa Cooper after Sophocles; directed by Jon Tracy

Dates: April 17, 18 at 8:00 p.m. and April 19 at 2:00 p.m., Napa Valley College Theater

In the midst of a bombed-out city, still feeling the aftershocks of war, the rebellious and intense Antigone defies her uncle to bury her disgraced brother. This contemporary response to the myth of Antigone, brings powerful, modern prose to an ancient and universal story.

"It's great for kids to see ancient theater connect so electrifyingly with their own world. But adult audiences deserve to see this superb experiment as well". -Dallas Morning News

Tickets: \$12 Adults, \$10 Students and Seniors

In Person: NVC Box Office, Office 1050, located behind the NVC Theater

By Phone: (707) 259-8077 with a Visa/Mastercard

Tickets will be available at the door.

All seating is reserved.

Box Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 1-4:30pm



Photo by Richard Bruns

Lindsay Stolz, who was magnificent as Gertrude in the recent NVC production of *Seussical*, is appearing as the Chorus in the upcoming NVC production of *Antigone Now*, which opens Friday.

Register now for summer programs

Registration is in progress for Napa Valley College's summer International Education classes. Space in the classes is limited and early registration is advised.

Now in its 11th year, the French in Paris class is taught by Anne-Marie McEligot. The class will be July 1-Aug. 1, 2009 in Paris with classes at the Sorbonne, optional day excursions and cultural activities. Students can earn five transferrable units. Program space is limited and early applications are advised. For more information, call the instructor Anne-Marie McEligot at 707-224-3931.

Additional summer 2009 International Education classes will be Anthropology and Spanish in Playa del Carmen, Mexico, June 15-July 8. Students will live with Mexican families to improve their skills and immerse themselves in Mexican and Maya culture. This three-week program includes tours to the colonial city of Valladolid and excursions to the

archaeological sites of Chichen Itzá, Tulúm and Cobá. "El Estudiante" is a language school located in the heart of Playa Del Carmen, a bustling resort town on the coast of the Caribbean Sea.

Students may register for Anthropology 121 (Introduction to Cultural Anthropology) which is transferrable to CSU or UC and meets the NVC multicultural/gender studies requirement. Students can also register for Anthropology 298 (International Field Studies in Anthropology) which is also CSU/UC transferrable. Call the instructor Dr. Jessica Amato at 707-253-3183 for information on Anthropology. Call Prof. Maria Villagomez at 707-253-3178 for information on the summer study abroad Spanish program. Various levels of Spanish classes are offered during this summer program; most are transferrable.

For more information, see www.napavalley.edu and click on "Study Abroad."

Mark your calendar

April 25 – NVC's annual Solar Celebration and Earth Day Napa Valley, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. NVC Soccer fields. Free, open to the public. Food, music, entertainment for children and adults, New Games, displays and more. Call Community Relations at 253-3372 for details.

May 2 – Healthy People, Healthy Planet, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., American Canyon Community Center, 100 Benton Way, American Canyon. Sponsored by Napa Valley College, Queen of the Valley Hospital and the City of American Canyon. Call Health Occupations at 253-3120 for information or to participate.

Open house April 16

"Budding Writers: A Spring Reading and Open House" will take place in the Writing Center, Room 832, on Thursday, April 16 from 1-3 p.m. Interested students are invited to bring a piece of their writing up to five minutes in length (paragraphs, short essays or stories, poetry) to read between 1:30 and 2:30. They can come to the Writing Center in advance to sign up for a slot on the reading list.

The public is invited to come enjoy refreshments and hear some of NVC's outstanding student writers.

Cafeteria evening hours

Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday 7:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Starting the week of April 20 the burrito bar will be open for evening service.



Check out the new web site link for the weekly menu and the catering! See www.taher.com/dining/napalhome.asp

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