

E-HAPPENINGS

WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE

October 2011

NEWS & EVENTS

Reception Honors Veterans, Helps "Always Lost" Exhibit

A solemn and touching ceremony hosted by the Carson Nugget at WNC on September 27 honored U.S. veterans and helped propel the 'Always Lost' multimedia exhibit toward a future showing in our nation's capital. The Nugget donated \$100,000 to support veteran student scholarships and efforts to prepare the exhibit for Washington, D.C., an initiative that has been endorsed by U.S. Sens. Dean Heller and Harry Reid. In recognition of the contribution, Sarah Winnemucca Hall has been renamed Carson Nugget Community Hall.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-07-13a.php>



Students from Carson High School presented the colors at the reception.

College Breaks Ground on Solar Project

Western Nevada College has begun work on a solar energy project that is expected to save as much as \$28,000 each year in electricity costs. Black Rock Solar of Reno



is working with the college to install a solar panel system on the Carson City campus. Upon completion, WNC will receive a \$940,000 incentive payment from NV Energy. The project provides a \$950,000 benefit at no cost to the college.

At left, members of the college Sustainability Committee joined President Carol Lucey and Black Rock Solar employees at a groundbreaking ceremony last week.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-10-06a.php>

Disability Awareness Lecture Focuses on Parks & Recreation

John McGovern, the president of Recreation Accessibility Consultants, will speak Thursday, Oct. 13, 3-4:30 p.m., in a free lecture at Marlette Hall, Cedar 100, WNC Carson City. RAC is an organization that advises parks and recreation agencies, cities, counties, states and private entities about compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act. McGovern will speak about key changes to the Americans With Disability Act Amendments Act. The lecture is presented in recognition of October as Disability Awareness Month.



Lockheed Retiree Offers Historic Memento to Observatory

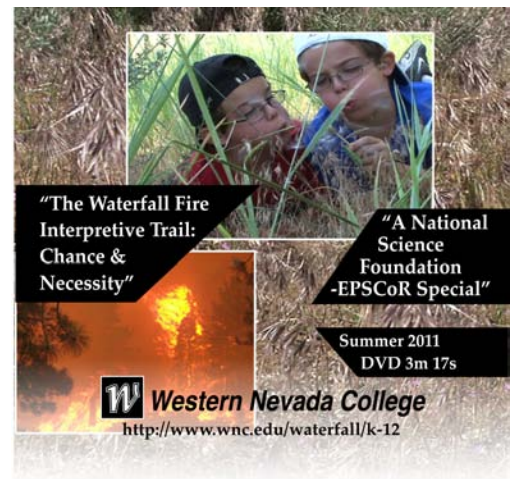
One gift begets another. Carson City resident Bill Ravenelle made a unique contribution to the Jack C. Davis Observatory after reading about the college receiving a space shuttle thermal tile from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ravenelle, a retired member of the team of researchers that developed the tiles, presented Observatory Director Robert Collier with a plaque bearing a U.S.

flag and patch which traveled on NASA's first space shuttle mission.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-09-30a.php>

Waterfall Fire Research Nets Teaching Videos

WNC Chemistry Professor Mike Sady and Dr. Jay Arnone of the Desert Research Institute continue to develop learning materials for the WNC Waterfall Fire Interpretive Trail, as part of the National Science Foundation's Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR). This summer, they produced six (three English and three Spanish) video/voice-over shorts that demonstrate field and classroom activities related to land disturbance caused by the devastating Fire. They are designed for use by K-12 and community college teachers and students, and are available for easy access to underserved rural populations. <http://www.wnc.edu/waterfall/k-12>

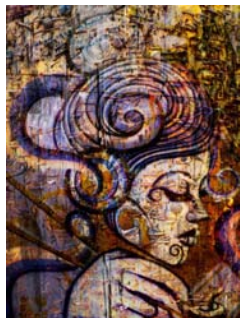


IN THE ARTS

'Phantom of the Opera' To Take the Stage

The Western Nevada Musical Theatre Company will present Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Phantom of the Opera*, weekends, November 4-20, at the Carson City Community Center. The musical is the longest running show in Broadway history, and is making its Northern Nevada premiere in Carson City.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-09-28a.php>



Fallon Campus Art Show Ponders Technology

Fallon Art Professor Gil Martin and instructor Rob Peterson present a new exhibit at the WNC Fallon Gallery through Friday, Oct. 21. "Modern/Post/Modern" places Martin's raw abstract work alongside Peterson's digital manipulations, and the result is a captivating show that complements as much as it contrasts. Martin describes Peterson's use of color as "palpably vibrant, something new in presenting digital photography."

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-09-15a.php>

Student Art 'Pops Up' on Campus Walls, Sidewalks, and Gardens



Professor Sharon Tetly's art students have used the Carson City campus as their canvas this fall. Rock art can be found in Rotary Plaza and tucked in other areas of campus; chalk art adorns the walkway between the Dini and Reynolds buildings, and a Picasso inspired mural is on display outside Carson Nugget Community Hall.

Students Named to Summer Dean's List

WNC honored 112 students who earned Dean's List honors for the 2011 summer term. They each completed at least six academic units with a 3.5 or higher grade point average. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-09-30b.php>

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Nursing Students 'Walk the Talk' of Healing, Helping

WNC nursing students have been busy helping others this fall, even as they persevere through a rigorous academic program. They have made a large food donation to the Classified Council Halloween Food Drive. They also won an award for having the largest team at the 2011 Susan G. Komen Walk for the Cure of breast cancer in Reno earlier this month. The WNC team had 69 members, composed of



WNC students, faculty members, and even a few employees from the Carson City JC Penney store. Congratulations!

'JAC' Bus Ads Extend College Brand Throughout Community

WNC's message of success with a college degree is 'rolling' through Carson City. Two 26-inch x 96-inch billboard advertisements are now visible on the side of a 'Jump Around Carson' bus, which rotates through all the

routes circulating in the capital. Residents and visitors will gain top-of-mind awareness of the college. A special thank you to graduates Sergio Arteaga, Tyler Cook and Sara Morrison for representing WNC on the ads.



WNC Employee Recognized for Volunteerism

Active Volunteers in Douglas (AVID) has honored WNC's Judy Larquier as volunteer of the year for her work with the Carson Valley Arts Council. Congratulations, Judy!

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-10-03a.php>

ADA Projects Continue on Campus

Construction is under way in the front of the Bristlecone and Dini buildings to make the Carson City campus more accessible to students with disabilities. During construction, the traffic circle in front of Bristlecone will be closed. Walkways and entrances will also be closed during portions of the construction. The project will be completed in mid-November, providing improved walkways and curbing, an ADA compliant bus stop, and a redesigned circle entrance.

Craft Fair Coming to Carson City Campus

Enjoy the annual Western Nevada College fall craft fair on Thursday, Nov. 3, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., at WNC Carson City. Local vendors will offer a wide variety of handmade crafts in booths that fill the Bristlecone Building main hallway. In past years, offerings have included clothing, art, ceramics, jewelry, photography, foods, and more. Proceeds from the event will help fund professional development activities for college staff. Information: 445-3266

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, Oct. 13: Truck Driving Job Fair, 8 a.m.- 6 p.m., E.L. Cord Automotive Technology Building, WNC Carson City. Trucking companies will accept applications for drivers, mechanics and support personnel. Presented by WNC Economic Development and Continuing Education.

Thursday, Oct. 20: Great Shake Out, WNC Carson City, Douglas and Fallon. WNC will participate in drills to practice responding in the event of an earthquake. Information: Brian Crowe, 445-3327 or www.shakeout.org

Friday, Oct. 21: UNR Transfer Day. Students planning to attend UNR next year are encouraged to participate. Information/ Registration: Katie Leao, 445-3275.

Wednesday, Oct. 26: Halloween Bake Sale, 9 a.m.- 3 p.m., Bristlecone Building, WNC Carson City. Hosted by the Classified Council.

Wednesday, Oct. 26: Open Mic Night, 6-8 p.m. Dini Student Center, WNC Carson.

Thursday, Oct. 27: Pumpkin Parade. 9:30-10:30 a.m. Students from the Child Development Center will trick-or-treat around campus.

Through Monday, Oct. 31: Scare Away Hunger Food Drive. Classified Council is collecting items for Food for Thought. Bins are located at WNC Carson City.