

Monday memo



OPEN HOUSE CELEBRATION

OCTOBER 4, 2010

William J. Harrison Education Center

The drums will roll, the dancers will glide and the flag will rise on the new William J. Harrison Education Center in a grand ceremony this Friday, Oct. 8 at 3140 Cass Avenue.

Welcoming St. Louis Community College to the JeffVanderLou community will be the Vashon High School Drum Line and dancers, headed by Principal Derrick Mitchell. Vashon's ROTC students will raise the flag as STLCC alumnus Samuel Huddleston sings *The Star Spangled Banner* and Lift *Every Voice and Sing*.

Dignitaries will include Honorary Chair Michael McMillan, St. Louis City License Collector; U.S. Congressman William Lacy Clay; Missouri Sen. Robin Wright-Jones; Alderwoman Marlene Davis; and other city officials, as well as founding Harrison manager Michael Holmes, who is now the executive director of the St. Louis Agency on Training & Employment.

Limited seating will be available during the program, which will start (outdoors) at 1 p.m. and end about 45 minutes later with the ribbon cutting. Following the ribbon cutting, doors will open and tours will be conducted by the students in the African-American Male Initiative. Refreshments will be located throughout the building and soft jazz will be provided by Forest Park alumnus Jeremiah Allen.

Please join us as we celebrate St. Louis Community College's latest success story in serving the citizens of St. Louis.

GETTING THERE

Driving directions:

Go north on Grand Avenue past the Fox Theatre; Cass Avenue is two blocks north of Page; turn right on Cass; the Center is one block east on the right.

Shuttle services:

Two campus vans will provide shuttle services in a rotating loop starting at 11:30 a.m. in C Circle (by the flagpole). Boarding and travel one way should take about 20 minutes. Return trips will be made until 4:30 p.m.

Parking at the Center:

About 80 spots will be open for public parking behind the center. Campus Police also will direct visitors to curb parking and overflow parking at Vashon High School across the street.



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2 will be chosen for Kaleidoscope

Women of color who work full time for the college are invited to apply for the Kaleidoscope leadership training institute, coming up Dec. 1-5 in Costa Mesa, Calif. The college will fund the registration and expenses of two women to attend the conference; the chosen applicants will be notified by Oct. 21. The deadline for applications is Friday, Oct. 15.



Two applications must be completed and sent to Kimberly Mueller in Human Resources at the Cosand Center:

1. the Kaleidoscope application at <http://www.coastline.edu/page2.cfm?linkID=565>
2. and an internal application, available at <http://intranet2/docs/Documents/Publications/Cosand%20Center/Kaleidoscope.pdf>.

Within the context and experience of women of color, Kaleidoscope offers attendees a forum for:

- Discussing issues facing leaders of educational institutions
- Exploring the workplace challenges within higher education
- Creating national networking and mentoring opportunities
- Providing guidance and strategies for career planning
- Increasing communication

Forest Park's previous interim president, Zerrie Campbell, is a founding faculty member of Kaleidoscope. Last year, two Forest Park women completed the training: Chitra Subramanian, manager of the Business office; and former faculty member Harriette Scott, Early Care & Education. If you're interested in the Kaleidoscope program, check out their page on the Coastline Community College website at <http://www.coastline.edu>.

Don't panic, help is here

Are you experiencing panic attacks, think you have a social phobia or Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder? The Forest Park Counseling department will present a Depression and Anxiety Screening Day from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 4 to 7 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 7 in F-215 & 217. You can view a video, complete a questionnaire, meet with a counselor to review it and receive information about anxiety disorders and mental illness.

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, OCT. 4

10 a.m.-2 p.m., Breast Cancer Awareness/National Health Observance, Student Center Lobby.

10 a.m.-4 p.m., Yu Ji Drawings of the Inner City, art show open in Gallery of Contemporary Art, Library, through Oct. 15.

1 p.m., Harrison Open House planning committee meeting, HEC.

2-5 p.m., Human Resources meeting, L-007.

Evening Administrator:
Philishea Ingram, ext. 9136.

TUESDAY, OCT. 5

7-8:30 a.m., Radiology Class Case Studies, A-411 & 413, B-413, B-415 & 225.

8-11 a.m., Consultant meeting sponsored by VC/Finance & Business, L-007.

8 a.m.-1 p.m., Mayor's Commission on Children, Youth & Families, Highlander Lounge.

12-12:45 p.m., Toy Drive for St. Louis Children's Hospital, sponsored by Radiography Club, Student Center Lobby & 4th floor B-Tower.

12:05-12:25 p.m., Meditation Session, L-024 conference room.

5:30-7 p.m., Adult Information Night, sponsored by Enrollment Management, Highlander Lounge.



Look who's back: the Green Team

Did you know that Forest Park has revitalized the Green Team! During Service Week, President Hess challenged all of us to start developing and implementing greener practices on campus to

ensure sustainability.

Our reactivated Green Team (which functioned briefly a few years ago to urge recycling) had a kick-off meeting Sept 29 with the District Sustainability coordinator, Peggy Moody, and nearly every service area on campus was represented. We are looking for interested persons from TESS, Hospitality Studies and Maintenance to join us to complete a far-reaching, all-encompassing commitment to sustainability on our campus.

Contact committee chair Randy Malta, or co-chair Marla Bowers, if you are interested in participating in this important initiative. In each Monday memo keep your eyes open for Green Tips of the Week to help you save the planet at work and at home!

Banner self-service login changes Oct. 19

Effective Oct. 19, the college is expanding the reach of your network login. Your **MySTLCC ID** and **Password**, which you already use to log in to your Windows desktop, Exchange e-mail, Hyperion and Blackboard, now will allow you to log in to Banner Self-Service. No more A-number and pin to remember!

For most of you, including current faculty and staff, as well as students, this will be a seamless transition. To better serve new students and new college employees who might need assistance with this process, the campus Center for Teaching and Learning and TESS representatives will be conducting "how to" training sessions for faculty and student services staff as well as department secretaries.

E-mail notification with more details will be sent in the coming weeks.

Meet with the web guy Thursday

George Sackett, the web content supervisor for the district, will be available on campus for meetings every first Thursday each month. If you would like to schedule a meeting with George, e-mail him at gsackett@stlcc.edu, or call him at ext. 5174.

6:30 p.m., Dessert Buffet prepared by Baking & Pastry students; buy \$8 ticket from Cashier's office; Busch Dining Room.

Evening Administrator: Herb Gross, ext. 9099.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 6

8 a.m.-1 p.m., Respiratory Therapy Club Fundraiser and information table, Student Center Lobby.

9-10:30 a.m., Mid-term Student Breakfast, sponsored by SGA, Cafeteria.

10 a.m.-1 p.m., Fontbonne University recruiting table, E-Tower lobby, 2nd floor.

1:30-3 p.m., Green Team campus committee meeting, Highlander Lounge.

2-4 p.m., Nursing class photos, B-413.

4-6 p.m., Accounting Department Advisory Committee meeting, SC-25.

6 p.m., Wednesday Dinner prepared by Culinary students; \$10 tickets at Cashier's office; Busch Dining room.

6:30-9 p.m., Cake Decorating Class, Continuing Education, SC-25.

Evening Administrator: June Williams, ext. 9209.

THURSDAY, OCT. 7

9 a.m.-noon, Human Resources training, Highlander Lounge.

9 a.m.-3 p.m., Depression Screening, sponsored by Counseling, F-215 & 217.



Celebrating Hispanic culture

The Hispanic Heritage Celebration in the cafeteria Tuesday sponsored by Campus Life was festive and fun! Great music, dancing, food and nice people! Shown here are some of the Hispanic organizers: Inez Guzman, current art student; Jaime Torres, vice president of the Hispanic Leaders Group and the former STLCC director of International Education; Tony Maldonado, a board member of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce; and Omar Maldonado, president of the Puerto Rican Society of St. Louis.

Cashier's office hours changing

Hours in the Cashier's office will change effective Oct. 11, to stay consistent with hours at the other STLCC Cashier's office.

- Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- Fridays 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Extended hours will be reinstated during peak times.

Kountdown to Kinect targets students

STLCC could win the coolest game room ever in a Microsoft Kountdown to Kinect sweepstakes now through Nov. 4. Every day for 60 days, one lucky student will win an Xbox 360 and Kinect just by entering and replying to the confirmation email from their mystlcc.edu email account. The school with the most entries will win five Xbox 360s, five Kinects and five flat-screen TVs for a school game room. Right now, STLCC is ranked fourth in the contest. Do we want to be number one? Encourage students to enter today!
<http://www.stlcc.edu/Studentemail/KountdowntoKinect.html%20>

(Wikipedia translation for adults over 40: a Kinect is a "controller-free gaming and entertainment experience" by Microsoft for the Xbox 360 video game platform. Users can control and interact with the Xbox 360 using gestures and spoken commands. Kinect is scheduled to launch worldwide starting with North America on Nov. 4, just in time for the holidays—lucky parents, eh?)

Noon, Thursday Lunch prepared by Culinary students; \$8 tickets in Cashier's office; Busch Dining room.

12-12:45 p.m., Toy Drive for St. Louis Children's Hospital, sponsored by Radiography Club, Student Center Lobby & 4th floor B-Tower.

4-7 p.m., Depression Screening, sponsored by Counseling, F-215 & 217.

7-9:30 p.m., Information Systems testing, C-112.

Evening Administrator: June Williams, ext. 9209.

FRIDAY, OCT. 8

9 a.m.-noon, DFAC meeting, L-007.

12:30-4 p.m., William J. Harrison Education Center Open House Celebration; program at 1 p.m.; tours, refreshments; 3140 Cass Avenue.

Evening Administrator: Philishea Ingram, ext. 9136.

SATURDAY, OCT. 9

7 a.m.-2 p.m., SAT Testing, B-110, C-112, D-217, E-317.

8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Bicycle Tour, Continuing Education, L-007.

Saturday Administrator: Paulette Johnson, ext. 9228.

New hours for Make-up Testing Center

Mondays	8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Tuesdays	Noon-7 p.m.
Wednesdays	10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Thursdays	2-8 p.m.
Fridays	No testing
Saturdays	noon-4 p.m.

FP students witness democracy in action

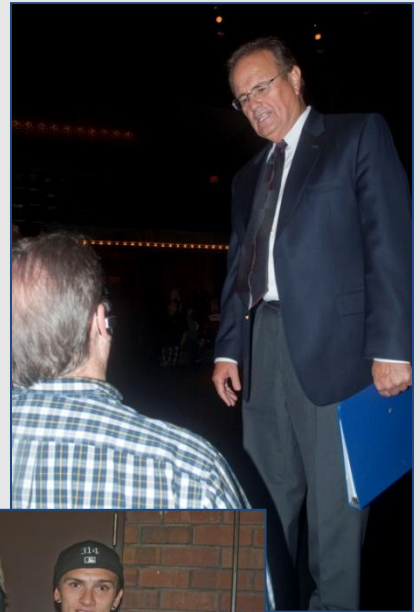
The booing, cheering and jeering coming from the theater Sept. 25 wasn't from a play or a Wheat Brothers concert. No, it was democracy in action, with some left and right and Tea Party activism mixed in together.



Forest Park's Phi Theta Kappa and Student Government Association cosponsored and volunteered at the Third Congressional District political forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters, which is celebrating its 90th anniversary this year. The forum attracted about 500 audience members. Democratic incumbent Russ Carnahan, Republican candidate Ed Martin and Nick Ivanovich of the U.S. Constitution Party presented statements and took questions from the sometimes-lively crowd. Libertarian Steven Hedrick sent word that he had a work commitment. Kudos to Chief Banahan for arranging the extra police coverage for this event.



SGA students volunteering at the forum were: Karen Stufflebean, SGA president Gwen Walker, Mary Gray, Derrick Varner, Alexander Ingram, Duane Logsdon and former SGA president Patricia Desamero.



Volunteer PTK students were: AGanna Sheyko, Fatine Bouraqqadi, PTK president Derick Kalebe, Caleb Summers, Alexander Owen, Karen Buckley, David Peppers, Eisha Taylor, Sarah Ahn, James Casey, Ronnie Otieno and Arun Lamichhane.



SGA president Gwendolyn Walker, rep-at-large, Duane Logsdon and treasurer Mary Gray volunteered at the forum. SGA and PTK students acted as runners to collect the audience questions for the League moderator.

Forest Park alum and former SGA president Patricia Desamero chatted with Sandra Osburn, chair of the Communications department, after the event.





October/November Events

Date	Time	Room	Program Description
Each Tuesday and Thursday	12:05-12:25pm	L024 Conference Room	<i>Meditation</i> Take 20 minutes to breathe and give your body and mind a break – share this time of meditation led by Christy Hart. You might be experienced with meditation or just wanting to see what it is like. This will be an ongoing drop-in group. Do you want more information before attending? Call Christy at x9146 or chart@stlcc.edu
Wednesday, October 6 Registration Required	9-10am	L024 Lab	<i>Blackboard Early Warning System</i> Learn to use the Early Warning System in Blackboard to notify students of grading issues. Presenter: Randy Malta
Wednesday, October 6	2:30-3:30pm	L024	<i>Department Chair Share</i> An informal opportunity for department chairs to share their experiences and talk about common issues. Topic: What can department chairs do to foster excellent teaching? Facilitator: Jyoti Pande
Thursday, October 14 Registration Required	9-10am 2:30-3:30pm	L024 Lab	<i>Blackboard Tests and Quizzes</i> Learn to create tests and quizzes, deploy, and review them. Presenter: Randy Malta
Thursday, October 14 Registration Required	1:30-2:30pm	L024 Lab	<i>Blackboard Turnitin Prevent Plagiarism</i> Dr. Angela Warfield, English Department, walks through how to set up Blackboard assignments to check the authenticity of sources used.
Friday, October 15	1- 3pm	L024	<i>Faculty Friday – Gems Out of My Toolkit</i> Get the most out of group work and collaborative activities in the classroom. Presenter: Angelic Cole
Tuesday, October 19		Meramec Campus	<i>Professional Development Day – STLCC INNOVATES!</i> Join fellow staff and faculty members as we explore new and innovative ways to help our students experience success at STLCC--and embrace our goals and objectives for Achieving the Dream. Watch for details!
Wednesday, October 20 Registration Required	9-10am 2:30-3:30pm	L024 Lab	<i>Blackboard Tests and Quizzes</i> Learn to create Tests and Quizzes, deploy, and review them. Presenter: Randy Malta
Thursday, October 21	2:30-4:30pm	L024	<i>Institutional Research and Planning Fall Forums</i> <i>Course Schedule Planning</i> The October forum will focus on using the IRP website and Hyperion tools to assist in managing course schedules based on enrollment trends and available resources. You

			will be able to answer some burning questions such as: How many sections did we offer last year? What is the course load for the faculty in my department? What classes are filling fast? Where can I schedule another section? After the one-hour program, the floor is open for your research questions. All employees are welcome. The forum is recommended for academic administration. Presenter: Kelli Burns
Friday, October 22	1-3pm	L024	Faculty Friday – Best Practices in Learning Communities Join Don Cusumano and Karen Malouf Ostlund as they share their experience of a highly popular, team-taught class that combines Psychology with English.
Monday, October 25	6-8pm	Highlander	Investment Basics Stocks, bonds, mutual funds, asset allocation, IRA, risk tolerance, tax deferral, liquidity, dollar cost averaging – to many investors, these terms are not only confusing but can also be intimidating. Unfortunately, a lack of basic understanding of investments can lead to costly investment mistakes. You are invited to attend this workshop designed to present investors with information to help make informed savings and investment decisions. Presenter: Craig Venard, Premier Financial
Thursday, October 28	9-10am 2:30-3:30pm	L024 Lab	Clickers Student Response Systems Learn use the clicker software to create questions and use the system in your classroom. Presenter: Randy Malta
Tuesday, November 2	10-noon	L024 Lab	Outlook for Increased Productivity Tame your “inbox” into submission! Learn how to manage your email by creating folders, archiving, and other tips and tricks. Presenter: Patrick Karl
Monday, November 8	2-4pm	L024	Banner Overview Get an overview of how the college utilizes Banner to manage workflow for new employee, purchasing, and student enrollment. Presenter: Katie Dodwell
Tuesday, November 9	11:30- 1:30pm	L024	Power of Positive Work Relationships Using the popular video “Whale Done”, the Personal Assistance Services (PAS) presenter will discuss the power of positive work relationships.
Wednesday, November 10	9- 10am	L024 Lab	Clickers Student Response Systems Learn use the clicker software to create questions and use the system in your classroom. Presenter: Randy Malta
Wednesday, November 10	2-4pm	L024 Lab	Outlook for Increased Productivity Tame your “inbox” into submission! Learn how to manage your email by creating folders, archiving, and other tips and tricks. Presenter: Patrick Karl

Respiratory Therapy Fundraiser

Wednesday, Oct. 6, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Student Center Lobby

Information available on lung health, smoking cessation, asthma, influenza.

National Respiratory Therapy Week: Oct. 23-29

November is World Lung Health Month



10 questions with Zita Casey

TAKE 10

Zita Casey teaches *Developmental English and College Orientation*, and also tutors in the *Writing Center*. She has worked at *Forest Park* since 2005, when she was hired initially to work with the school nurse on a hepatitis shot database. After dropping out of high school, she returned to get a GED, then took classes at *Forest Park* for 10 years to earn an associate's degree. She earned a bachelor's degree in business and an MBA, both from *Fontbonne University*. She lives in *North St. Louis County*, near her daughter and granddaughter.

1. Where did you grow up?

North St. Louis.

2. Where did you go to high school?

Beaumont High School. I dropped out at age 15.

3. What do you like most about your job?

My students. I love my students. I support them in writing, helping them when it hits them that they have a 10-page paper due.

4. Who has had the greatest influence on your career?

Dianne Lee was instrumental in me getting my two-year degree. She was so supportive and encouraging. I probably wouldn't have stayed with it, but she made me feel like I was a successful student, so I became a successful student. And Dean Thao Dang-Williams. She was the one who allowed me to teach. I discovered I loved teaching, and I'm kinda good at it. It's almost a full circle for me.

5. What would people be surprised to know about you?

That I'm a high school dropout.

6. What do you do in your leisure time?

Reading and writing.

7. What's your favorite movie, book, music or TV shows?

"It's a Wonderful Life" is my all-time favorite movie. I cry every single time I see it. I think it is so much like real life. We really don't know about the impact we have on others' lives.

8. If Hollywood made a movie about your life, who would play the lead role?

Who's a fat black actress? (She laughed)...Queen Latifah!

9. What three words would friends use to describe you?

Fat, happy, friendly (and she laughed).

10. What's at the top of your bucket list?

I want to go to Alaska and take a trip to the Amazon, for the nature.