Public radio comes to automotive program

Kavitha Cardoza of WAMU public radio in Washington, D.C. comes to Shoreline for a story on getting people back to work.

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New director for new food services

Rebecca Day-Friers is the director of food services under the new contract with Lancer Hospitality.

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Foundation event set for November 6

Shoreline Community College Foundation Breakfast is an inspirational event.

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Plenty of solar this summer

Sunshine, solar power, sustainable living and thousands of people all came together Saturday, July 27, for the 10th Annual NW SolarFest at Shoreline Community College.

Exhibitors and participants included everything from an automated solar-powered bubble blower demonstrated by Dave Cozine of NorthWest Solar Group (at left) to a performance by Casper Babypants (also known as Chris Ballew of the alternative rock group The Presidents of the United States of America) that had the younger set jumping like popping corn (above) and a presentation by iconic gardening expert Cisco Morris (inset). The college plays host to the event that is the creation of the Shoreline Solar Project (www.shorelinesolar.org).

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Lancer takes over campus food service

Shoreline Community College

Food service at Shoreline Community College is now in the hands of Lancer Hospitality Washington.

The cafeteria, espresso/deli, catering and vending operations at the college are covered in the contract that became effective Sept. 6, 2013. All college staff and students can receive a 5 percent discount by using a Lancer loyalty card. The cards will be available for purchase in a variety of pre-paid amounts with purchases then deducted from the card.

Lancer is the preferred caterer for all on-campus and college-sponsored events. Lancer will have the exclusive right to provide catering for all facility rental contracts with community and non-college events.

Lancer will install CaterTrax software on campus to provide a fast and efficient link to catering services, including photos of actual catering offerings, tracking of previous orders and events as well as an immediate feedback survey.

Lancer is donating the Opening Week Luncheon on Sept. 24.

Lancer Hospitality has a 30 year history in the food service and catering business. The company includes two hospitality companies; Lancer Hospitality Minnesota and Lancer Hospitality Washington. Lancer Hospitality Washington is the food-service provider at Everett and Tacoma community colleges, Pierce College, Woodland Park Zoo, Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium and Northwest Trek. Lancer Hospitality Minnesota serves seven community colleges, 47 school and day-care centers and numerous cultural attractions.

Rebecca Day-Friers is Lancer’s Food Service Director for Shoreline.

Bookstore is brewing up something besides books

Shoreline Community College

Something is brewing for food service at Shoreline Community College.

As of Aug. 15, the college ended its five-year relationship with Chartwells, a division of British-based Compass Group PLC. Chartwells has been the primary food-service provider on campus, including the cafeteria in the PUB, espresso stands, vending and catering services.

“We are taking this opportunity to go in a different direction,” said Mary Kelemen, Executive Director for Auxiliary and Logistical Support Services. Kelemen said, “We’re very excited to have Lancer in place as the new overall campus food vendor. It also allows us to do some other things at the bookstore.

“I think our students, employees and community members will be happy with the choice and services.”

The bookstore is expanding to more of a convenience store model and will sell more food and beverage items, including coffee service. Work to re-arrange food displays and expand the number of offerings happened over the summer break, said Jennifer Corey, bookstore buyer who is heading up the project.

This expanded services feature the best in mild, medium and bold roasted coffees.

“We will also be serving the finest Stash teas and cocoa,” Corey said.

The self-service bar also offers an assortment of flavor shots and iced granitas in two flavors.

The bookstore has also expanded its selection of food with the addition of delicious and healthy grab-and-go snacks. The bookstore is adding some fresh foods, including sandwiches, salads, yogurt, milk and even locally sourced hard-boiled eggs.


“We’re excited to let people know we are here and invite everyone in to see all of the new items we are offering,” Corey said.

Food Service locations/hours, Fall Quarter, 2013

- Cafeteria (PUB, 9000 Bldg.) Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
  Friday 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Espresso/Deli (PUB) Monday-Thursday 7 a.m.-6 p.m.
  Friday 7 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Coffee Shack (2200 Bldg.) Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
  Friday 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

“Bookstore Brew” is offering a variety of coffee, tea and other drinks, along with a much broader assortment of food and snack items.

Register now - Fall classes start Sept. 25
Margaret Svec, a founding instructor at Shoreline Community College, gave to students in life and is continuing to give after passing Sept. 30, 2012 at the age of 99.

Always a friend and supporter of the college and students, Svec directed her estate to provide several significant gifts that were acknowledged during an event celebrating her life and legacy.

Margaret’s former co-workers Carol Doig and Jean Roden and her neighbor, Nancy Katz, were on hand to present the estate’s gifts at May 20, 2013 acknowledgment event at the college attended by friends and former co-workers. To date, Svec’s estate has donated about $200,000 to the college. Before her passing she also founded the Margaret E. Svec Scholarship, which supports two female domestic students for the cost of their two years college life in Shoreline.

According to former music faculty member Nancy Mateskey, who with Svec was on the Advisory Committee to the Women’s Center in the ’80s, Svec also helped sponsored several campus performances of Ranch Romance, a popular all-girl Shoreline band in the 1980s and ’90s.

Indeed, Svec was a big fan of the band. If you visit her house, it will be hard to miss the band’s posters which are posted all over the walls of her living room, bedroom, and even laundry room. Katz is a former band member and by happenstance, managed to move into the house next to Svec’s. The two became fast friends.

Margaret Svec was a pioneer for women in higher education and one of the founding instructors at the college.

Retiring at age 65, Svec found a way to continue inspiring women to get advanced degrees. Over the years, she supported the Women’s Center by giving more than 100 lectures on women’s issues and serving as mentor advocate, donor and advisory committee member.

The Shoreline Community College Foundation established The Margaret Svec Endowed Scholarship to help women pursuing transfer and professional technical degrees or certificates.
Olstad leaves board

Shoreline Community College

Community involvement is a hallmark of Roger Olstad's life. With numerous volunteer positions to his credit, the retired University of Washington professor turned the page on another significant contribution on Wednesday, June 26, 2013, in his final meeting as a member of the Shoreline Community College Board of Trustees. “I’m a strong believer in community,” Olstad said during a moment in the meeting to honor his service. “I’ve represented the Shoreline and Lake Forest Park communities over the years. The college is another community that has become very important to me and I’m sorry to be leaving, especially at this time of change.”

State regulations require that trustees live within the designated college service area. Olstad, a longtime Lake Forest Park resident, is moving out of the college district in July. He has also served on the Lake Forest Park City Council, chaired the city’s Environmental Quality Commission and co-chaired the Friends of Third Place Commons. Trustee Phil Barrett said Olstad was chair when he came on the board. “I have modeled myself after Roger; his calm and thoughtful approach.”

Olstad served as trustee starting in October, 2006.

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Shoreline Community College

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On air

Both KUOW and KPLU are expected to air the WAMU story by Kavitha Cardoza although specific dates and times were not available. The project site is: www.breakingground.wamu.org

“A year ago, we did a series on why students drop out of high school,” said Kavitha Cardoza, education reporter and special correspondent for WAMU, the public radio station affiliated with American University in Washington, D.C. “We got feedback from across the country to do a story about what happens to these people after dropping out, that there are great programs, great things going on.”

That feedback led Cardoza to a program born in Washington state, Integrated Basic Education and Skills Training or I-BEST, and then the automotive General Service Technician (GST) program at Shoreline. Cardoza spent the morning of July 22, 2013, interviewing and taking pictures of GST instructor Mark Hankins, GST I-BEST instructor Betsy Binnian and a number of students.

“We’re working on an hour-long documentary that will air sometime in September,” Cardoza said, adding that some related shorter stories may air in the time leading up to the documentary. “There is no deadline, just how fast I can get it done.”

The GST program is a job training program designed primarily for students interested in introductory automotive training. Over three academic quarters, students learn and perform basic automotive diagnosis and repair, using the appropriate tools, across the eight major areas of automotive technology. Students also learn auto shop and personal safety parameters along with work readiness behavior and skills.

I-BEST classes such as GST are team-taught by a skills instructor and a basic education skills instructor. Language and math skills are taught in the context of the skills that are being practiced and learned. Besides GST, Shoreline offers I-BEST programs in manufacturing/machinist, certified nursing assistant and certified office assistant.

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Dolphins fall sports teams looking to compete in NWAACC

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Shoreline Community College athletics has already begun its fall 2013 campaign with the Dolphins looking to compete at a high level in men’s soccer, women’s soccer and volleyball.

In women’s soccer, Haley Warren looks set to lead the team in scoring after finishing three of the Dolphins four goals in the team’s first two games this season. The team hopes to improve on its third place Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges (NWAACC) Northern Region finish and its final-eight finish in the 2012 postseason.

“Haley is a phenomenal forward,” Shoreline coach Aaron Howe said. “She was used as a defender in high school and midfielder in club play, but I think she was misused. She’s learning (forward) from scratch, but that’s where I think she can have success in college. She scored three goals in the first two games and in a new position.”

Howe said the team expects to score quite a lot, but also has a strong defense and goalkeeping.

“We have a really good group of players that can really step up,” Howe said. “Mollie DiTullio, Ashley Cole both came back and we signed Allison Shelton, Cayla Dahl and Montana Powell.”

The toughest opponent for the team this season will be injuries as the squad has only 13 players. Shoreline defeated Bellevue 3-0 in its first game at the NWAACC Friendlies tournament, but lost 2-1 to Highline in the second match.

Left: The women’s soccer team is looking to build on this past season’s success.

In volleyball, the team returns five of six starters and should also compete this year at a high level. The team hopes to return to its spot as regional champs after claiming the title in 2010 and 2011.

“Jalyn Anderson is the returning setter and will run the offense this year,” Shoreline Athletic Director Doug Palmer said. “We also have three big hitters in Emily Denham, Elena Estrada and Arianna Garcia with Shawna Pung returning as a middle blocker.”

The Dolphins finished third in 2012 and expects to compete for the regional championship. In volleyball, the NWAACC takes the top four teams from each region to compete for the postseason title.

The men’s soccer team has expectations to perform much better than last year after finishing with a disappointing 0-15-1 record. Women’s coach Howe is doing double duty with the men this year.

“We expect the team to be much better this year,” Palmer said. “We have a group of players from Africa that bring in a lot of soccer experience that we haven’t had before. We have so many kids from a lot of different backgrounds this year, it’s pretty exciting.”

Owusu Fordjour will return this year for the team and has already scored two goals this season for the Dolphins. Howe said other players to watch out for are Momodou Drammeh, Marcus Edwards, Andrew Powers and Brent Lundgren.

“We are a young team, but we have a lot of talent,” Howe said. “We have to see how quickly we can grow as a unit.”

Shoreline hosts third annual barriers summit

Shoreline Community College

With a speech that literally tore down walls, John Evans displayed his passion to help people with disabilities overcome barriers to employment. Using examples of various barriers labeled on bricks stacked like a wall, John implored attendees to really ask themselves what the barriers they face are, in order to overcome them.

Shoreline Community College hosted and helped put on the third annual Overcoming Barriers to Employment Summit, Friday, Sept. 6. The event offered 15 workshops throughout the day as well as an employment resource fair with vendors from various community organizations where participants could ask questions and get more information. The intent is to help change perceptions and help employers look at abilities not disabilities.

This year, the committee asked past workshop favorite Evans to keynote the event. Evans is Director, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) within the state Department of Social and Health Services. Born with congenital hearing loss, Evans has spent almost 30 years in public service.

The summit is designed to assist job seekers with disabilities navigate the road to employment. Experts shared tips for overcoming barriers to employment. The event is a community partnership between Northshore Shoreline Community Network, DVR, Shoreline Public Schools and Shoreline Community College.

The event is the brainchild of Judy Parsons, from North Urban Human Services and Northshore Shoreline Community Network, who thought it would be beneficial to provide information and services for people with disabilities searching for jobs. Parsons, along with 14 people, including Shoreline Community College’s Kim Thompson, developed the idea of a summit with workshops on important topics.

“Our goal is to provide skills and information to help people obtain and keep a job,” Parsons said. “We also wanted to provide a way to encourage people to apply to DVR.”

DVR’s mission is to help people with disabilities who want to work find employment. The agency provides individualized employment services and counseling and also offers technical assistance and training to employers about the employment of people with disabilities.

“They help people with placement in jobs and getting better accessibility and reasonable accommodations,” Angela Hughes, Shoreline Community College Office of Special Services said. “People with disabilities are already at a disadvantage and might qualify for support that they didn’t know about. A lot of support is unfortunately, really well hidden.”

Hughes said one of the best parts of the summit is it is one of the only places offering free classes designed for people with disabilities.

John Evans speaks to the Overcoming Barriers summit attendees.
Shoreline partnering on grant to help online learners

Northeastern and Shoreline are already actively offering online education programs. LaBrie also oversees Northeastern University Online, which offers online undergraduate and graduate degree programs. Shoreline’s Virtual College offers more than 25 degrees and certificates, including the foundational two-year Associate in Arts degree, completely online.

“Shoreline’s culture fosters innovation,” Interim President Daryl Campbell said. “That our faculty and staff see this as a wonderful opportunity isn’t surprising.”

Boston-based Northeastern recently opened Northeastern Seattle, a graduate-program campus in the South Lake Union area of Seattle. The Seattle campus is overseen by Tayloe Washburn, who also sits on the board of Shoreline.

“This partnership is a good fit,” Washburn said. “This is a great opportunity to try this at the graduate-student level as well as with students who are just starting their experience in higher education.”

Northeastern Seattle has established strong partnerships with some of the Pacific Northwest’s most eminent research organizations, including the Seattle BioMedical Institute, Seattle Children’s Research Institute and the Institute for Systems Biology, where the campus is housed.

Besides the Virtual College, Shoreline has preeminent professional-technical programs in automotive technology, biotechnology, nursing, dental hygiene and manufacturing.

A recent work session at Shoreline Community College included (from left) Shoreline instructor Linda Khando, Kevin Bell of Northeastern University, Robert Rogowski of CogBooks, Shoreline Executive Director for the Virtual College and Resource Development Ann Garnsey-Harter and Shoreline Communications instructor Debra Waddell.

On-campus parking, other fees going up

Shoreline Community College

The cost of parking at Shoreline Community College is going up.

While tuition for students at the college is set by the Legislature and administered by the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges, service and activities fees are established by the Board of Trustees. For the coming school year, the board at the June 26, 2013 regular meeting approved increases to fees for parking as well as minor hikes for Parent-Child Center series and several student-document handling fees.

Parking, however, is the most visible increase. Fees for student passes will go up, along with parking-violation fines and, for the first time, administrators will need to buy on-campus parking passes. Faculty and Classified employees won’t have to buy passes as parking is covered in those labor contracts.

Student quarterly parking passes will go from $15 tax included to $25 tax not included. At current state and county rates, a student pass will cost $27.38. Parking passes for administrative exempt employees, now free, will cost $30 a month and be payroll deductible. The basic illegal parking fine will go from $25 to $45. The cost of daily passes purchased at the kiosks will go up by 50 percent, from $2 to $3 for the shortest term parking.

Parking operations are funded by several streams, including permit fees, violation fines and an allocation from the Sustainable Commuter Options Fee (SCOF) which is imposed by student government. SCOF also provides a subsidy for student transit passes purchased through Metro Transit and known as the Orca card.

Orca cards are growing in popularity, which combined with card-price hikes by Metro, increases the strain on the SCOF funding. This spring, student government considered, but ultimately withdrew, a motion to no longer allocate any SCOF funds to college parking operations.

At the same time, the overall Safety and Security budget, which includes parking operations, has been in deficit for the past several years. As state funding allocations have been slashed over the past five years, other sources were sought to keep basic operations going, according to Interim President Daryl Campbell, who served as Vice President for Administrative Services. The adjustments helped, but didn’t cover all expenses.

“These continue to be extraordinary times,” Campbell said. “We appreciate the difficult work done by student government to look at SCOF and see the implication that it is unsustainable as currently configured. College staff has also looked at the overall Safety and Security budget and see similar challenges.”

The other approved fee increases include:

- Parent-Child Center - Rates for students will go up 1.5 percent and non-students will pay an additional 2 percent.
- Expedited Transcript Fee - A new $20 fee for students requesting same-day service to get an official transcript. This is in addition to the existing $5 per transcript fee.
- International Diploma Mailing Fee - A new $30 per diploma fee designed to cover the cost of processing and mailing to addresses outside the U.S. This is in addition to the already established graduation fee of $20, which includes the cost of the diploma and domestic mailing.

A campus visitor uses a parking meter.
Shoreline renews pact with S. Korean college

The top automotive training programs in the United States and South Korea are now on the same page, literally.

The presidents of Shoreline Community College, home of the Professional Automotive Training Center, and Ajou Motor College, South Korea’s only automobile-specialized college, signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) on Friday, Aug. 9, 2013. The agreement extends a relationship that has been growing in importance over the past five years.

Shoreline and Ajou now host summer exchange visits of each college’s students. A group of Ajou students were in Shoreline for a two-week stay. The MOU is intended to promote closer ties, greater understanding and mutual benefit. Some possible areas of cooperation include faculty exchanges and student exchanges for short term educational programs. Officials from both colleges may also explore additional opportunities.

“We are honored to extend and enhance our relationship with Ajou Motor College,” Shoreline Interim President Daryl Campbell said. “Both Shoreline and Ajou are leaders in automotive education and training. It makes sense that we would cooperate to benefit our students.”

Shoreline’s Professional Automotive Training Center (PATC) houses four manufacturer-specific programs – Toyota, Honda, General Motors and Chrysler – that offer students a two-year college degree, manufacturer certifications and virtually assured job placement. The center offers a more general one-year program that also has a high employment-placement rate. In addition to those programs, thousands of currently employed workers come through the center every year for skill-upgrade training.

The PATC, which is also home to the offices of the Puget Sound Automobile Dealers Association, regularly hosts visitors from around the world who come to see in action the formula of combining education, dealers, manufacturers and other industry-support firms like Snap-On tools and Hunter Engineering.

Ajou is in the city of Boryeong, on the west coast of South Korea. In addition to Shoreline, Ajou participates in exchange programs with Penshaw University in Canada, Newcastle University in England, Harbin Engineering University in China and Hokkaido University in Japan.

Ajou President Jong-hwa Lee holds a doctorate in Mechanical Engineering from Seoul National University and was the Hyundai Visiting researcher at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Lee taught Engineering Mechanics at Ajou and was appointed president in 2010.

Joining President Lee for the signing was Ajou Prof. Myoung Seok Jie. Jie spent nine years at Hyundai’s north Lee Institute on the gas-engines research team and another three on the new car/new technology education team. Since 2000, Jie has been the director of the Automotive Research Center at Ajou.
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