Arlington Center Holds Fall Open House

The Arlington Center hosted a well-attended Fall Open House on September 22 to formally introduce one of NOVA’s newest classroom locations to the surrounding communities. In his opening remarks, President Robert G. Templin, Jr. said that “Northern Virginia is facing enormous change, with a fast-growing economy that demands a workforce for knowledge-intensive industries.”

Noting the number of immigrants settling in Arlington County, Templin commented on the important role the College plays in providing them with the skills necessary to succeed. “We’re their Ellis Island, the gateway to their American Dream,” Templin said.

Dr. Gene Brown, Center director, introduced distinguished guests, including members of the College Board along with Arlington’s County Board and Chamber of Commerce.

Following remarks by several dignitaries and Center student Awra Bawri, Brown invited those in attendance to tour the facilities, enjoy light refreshments and network with other guests before departing.

Entertainment 2007 Coupon Books are Here!

The Entertainment 2007 coupon books have arrived and are available in room 312 of the Brault building. At only $25 each, they make a unique holiday gift. The NVCC Educational Foundation receives $5 from each book sold.

Entertainment 2007 contains over 500 discounts for dining, vacation packages, music, theaters - even online shopping. Payment can be made by cash, credit card (VISA or MasterCard only) or check. For more information, call Michelle Beaini at 703-323-3023 or e-mail mbeaini@nvcc.edu. The coupons can be used immediately, so don’t delay – buy yours today!

We want your news!

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Stephen Fuller to Speak at Loudoun

On October 11, Dr. Stephen Fuller of George Mason University’s School of Public Policy’s Center for Regional Analysis will present “The State of the Regional Economy” at 2:00 p.m. in the Waddell Theater (LW 115) at the Loudoun Campus.

The Center for Regional Analysis is the authoritative source of information on economic, housing and employment trends in the Washington, D.C. area. Under Fuller’s direction, the Center forecasts economic trends and their impact on jobs, housing and commuting, while its contributions strengthen decision-making by government officials, business leaders and non-profit agencies throughout the region. Fuller is frequently cited in major newspapers, such as the Washington Post, as the foremost expert on the region’s affairs. For more information, see the flyer attached to this edition of Intercom, or contact Professor Michael Polcen, economics, at 703-450-7702 or mpolcen@nvcc.edu.

Amato Named Nursing Ambassador

The Medical Education Campus recently announced that Daria U. Amato, assistant professor of nursing, has been named a National League for Nursing (NLN) Ambassador. The NLN Ambassador Program is a new initiative to spearhead the advancement of excellence and transform nursing education through greater communication within the nurse educator community. Congratulations, Daria!

AL Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

To celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, photos by Washington, D.C. photographer Celia Escudero-Espadas are currently on display in room 252 of the Bisdorf building at the Alexandria Campus. The photos show people from various Spanish-speaking countries including Bolivia, Mexico, Cuba, Guatemala and El Salvador.

Human Resources Announces Recruitment Changes

In an effort to enhance the approach to employee recruitment, Human Resources has established a Yahoo Hot Jobs account for the College. Yahoo Hot Jobs was rated as the top internet brand recruitment tool by Nielsen/Net Ratings for 2005 and has over 34 million subscribers. All NOVA positions will automatically be posted on Hot Jobs as well as their partner niche sites including Experience Network, Open Source Technology Group, Collegegrad.com, Yahoo En Espanol, Salary.com, America’s Job Bank and Clear Channel Network. NOVA has also subscribed to the Hot Jobs applicant database which provides access to millions of résumés of current job-seekers, based on targeted criteria. Once potential candidates are selected, they are sent a personalized e-mail describing current job openings and directing them to more information about the College and how to apply.

HR is also posting all open positions on local list-serves, including Craigslist.org, in the hope of attracting recent graduates and students to employment opportunities at NOVA. In addition to these changes, HR has a new process that gives hiring managers electronic access to employment applications, which can be retrieved day or night from any location via the Web with a NOVA e-mail account. Only the hiring manager is initially given permission to access a folder, but can arrange for any member of the screening committee to be given access by contacting HR. Anyone with questions or suggestions that might benefit the recruitment process should contact Barbara Maillet at 703-323-3361.

The Power of Persuasion

Who says you can't teach an old dog new tricks? David Campbell, technology coordinator (AN), has trained his pet pug, Pierre, to play a role in the College's marketing efforts. Pierre, who has always followed the latest fashion trends, has been seen sporting a stylish green NOVA scarf around his local neighborhood. When his owner was asked if the perky pug liked promoting NOVA, Campbell replied, “he thinks it’s a howl.”
Dr. Stephen Fuller
Dwight Schar Faculty Chair and University Professor
Director, Center for Regional Analysis, School of Public Policy
George Mason University
speaks on
The State of the Regional Economy

Wednesday, October 11, 2006 at 2:00 pm
Waddell Theater, NOVA-Loudoun Campus

Cosponsored by The Humanities Division and
The Economics Department
A Tea & Pedagogy presentation
Free and Open to the Public
COME CELEBRATE HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH!

Calendar of Events

“Afro-Latinos and Afro-Americans: An Alliance in the Making”
ROLAND E. ROEBUCK, Multicultural Affairs Coordinator, Washington DC Dept. of Human Services

Tuesday October 3, 2006  2 p.m.  Bisdorf  Room 158

Nationally renowned Afro-Latino activist Roland E. Roebuck will speak on the relationship between African and Latino cultures and identities, followed by a discussion.

Light refreshments will be served.

MOVIE: “Bread and Roses”

Wednesday October 4, 2006 2 p.m. Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall

FREE

Directed by Ken Loach and starring Adrien Brody, Pilar Padilla and Elpidia Carrillo.

“attentive, fine-grained realism” (NY Times)
“an impassioned work of integrity and a human drama of observation, insight, and great import” (BBC)
“a vibrant, stirring film” (L.A. Times)

In English and Spanish with English and Spanish subtitles

¡Viva la poesía! A Celebration of Hispanic/Latino Poetry

Thursday October 12, 2006  6:00 p.m. Bisdorf Room 158

Come and enjoy an evening of poetry in both Spanish and English, read by faculty, staff and students. If you are interested in reading a poem yourself, contact Dr. Margarita Hodge (ext. 16586 or e-mail: nvhodgm@nvcc.edu) or Dr. Lawrence Rich (ext. 13986 or e-mail: lrich@nvcc.edu).

Light refreshments will be served.

All events sponsored by the Office of Student Activities, S.A.L.S.A. and the Hispanic Heritage Committee of the Division of Humanities and Social Sciences.
For further information, contact Dr. Lawrence Rich at (703) 933-3986.
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The Alexandria Campus is screening a film
For Hispanic Heritage Month:

BREAD AND ROSES

Wednesday, October 4, 2006
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Free
Rachel M. Schlesinger Center
Alexandria Campus

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The Professional Development (PD) Committee is pleased to announce the availability of professional development grants for adjunct faculty members who teach at least one course at the College during the 2006-2007 academic year. The grant award is $1500 (less FICA, federal and state income tax). A total of six (6) grants will be awarded. Full-time (P-3) faculty members are not eligible. Interested adjunct faculty shall submit completed proposals to the PD Faculty Sub-Committee by no later than December 1, 2006. Applicants may submit more than one proposal, however only one grant will be awarded to any individual. These grants are subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. The grant shall be an award for the development of teaching aids, research (including attending conferences and or taking courses provided no other college funding source is given) equipment or another service project that will be beneficial to the college and/or campus where the applicant teaches.

2. The dean or provost must approve the grant application proposal before it is submitted to the Committee for consideration. The signature of the applicant’s dean or provost indicates his/her assent is given for the project proposal as submitted by the adjunct faculty member. Proposals submitted to the Committee without approval from the appropriate dean or provost will not be considered.

3. The applicant shall be responsible for submitting the completed proposal application to the Committee. The grant application must be received by 5 p.m., December 1, 2006 at the address and office specified on the proposal application. The selection committee will not consider applications that are received late or proposals that are incomplete.

4. All applications will be acknowledged by e-mail. Members of the PD Faculty Sub-Committee will review proposals and select grant recipients. The selection committee will evaluate and select award recipients based on the information provided in the application. Those who are selected to receive a grant will be notified by December 18, 2006.

5. A grant award payment will be made when the proposed project is satisfactorily completed as specified in the grant proposal. A project will be considered satisfactorily completed when it is delivered to the PD Faculty Sub-Committee chairperson by May 11, 2007, the project due date. Payment shall be made when the PD Faculty Sub-Committee chairperson approves payment of the grant award. Also, the recipient agrees to present at least one of the following: Cross Campus Cluster meeting, campus adjunct orientation or peer group meeting.

6. Completed applications shall be submitted to the NVCC HR office, c/o Ms. Kathy Weiner, 4001 Wakefield Chapel Road, Annandale, VA  22003.

Previous Grant Recipients
Mark Rubinstein & Becky Ericson (WO) – Preparation of Demonstrations of Physics Lectures
Nancy Aiello (LO) – An Atlas of Urinalysis and Hematology
Elizabeth B. Davison (WO) – Attended National Conference of the Society of Photographic Education
Laura Shulman (WO) – Active Learning Strategies for Teaching About Religion
Abby Hassler (MEC) - Second Year Student Retention Plan for the Physical Therapist Assistant Program
Abdelkader Aoudjit (AN)– Ethics of War and Peace: A Guide to Issues and Arguments
Gregory Perrier (MA) - Developing Field Lab Capacity in the Biology Department
Laura Jean Bhadra (LO) A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words: Teaching Economic Principles Through Contemporary Films
Professional Development Faculty Sub-Committee
Adjunct Faculty Grant Proposal 2006 - 2007

Applicant’s Name: ______________________________ Project Title: ______________________________

Home Address: ____________________________________________________________

Campus: ___________ Division ___________ Daytime Telephone: (_____) ______________________

E-mail address: ___________ Applicant currently teaches the following NVCC Course(s) _______________

Briefly describe the project activity. Explain the process you plan to use to complete the project or service activity. Describe the final product or outcome of your activity and how it will be beneficial to the College or campus and to you. If additional space is needed, please attach no more than one (1) additional page of description.

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Suggested method(s) the Committee could use to evaluate the benefit of the project or service activity.

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The applicant’s signature indicates that the applicant understands that in order to receive a grant award the proposed project shall be completed and submitted to the Professional Development Committee by May 11, 2007. The recipient agrees to present at least one of the following: Cross Campus Cluster meeting, campus adjunct orientation or peer group meeting. The applicant also acknowledges that all submitted projects will become the property of Northern Virginia Community College.

Signature of Applicant ___________________________ Date: __________

Signature of Applicant’s Academic Dean or Provost*: ___________________________ Date: ______

* Gives assent for the applicant to submit the foregoing grant application proposal for consideration by the Professional Development Faculty Sub-Committee.

Completed proposal applications must be received by 5 p.m. December 1, 2006 at the address below.

Completed applications shall be submitted to:

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(Brault, Suite 203)
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