NEWS

Free Admission/Live Music and Dance

WNC Multicultural Festival Brings Influences From Around the World

Saturday May 10, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Carson City campus

Prepare to be impressed by all the displays and performances from South America, Asia, Europe and Africa at the 13th annual Multicultural Festival. As in past years, the festival promises a full day of food, free entertainment, and cultural exhibits. Headlining this year is Chilean singer/songwriter Laura Fuentes and Spanish classical violinist Raquel Gonzalez Paraiso. Fuentes brings a rich diversity of Latin American music from Chile, Mexico, Peru, Puerto Rico and Venezuela. They will perform at 11 a.m. to open the festival. [http://www.wnc.edu/news/2008-04-24b.php](http://www.wnc.edu/news/2008-04-24b.php)

Commencement Ceremonies Set

Fallon: Monday, May 19, 7 p.m., Barkley Theater at Oats Park
Carson City: Tuesday, May 20, 7 p.m., Carson City Community Center

With the hard work behind them, students are looking forward to commencement in Fallon and Carson City. WNC English instructor Kathy Reynolds will give the commencement address at the Fallon ceremony. At Tuesday's Carson City ceremony, the always rousing Sierra Highlanders Pipe Band will lead the procession and the commencement address will be by Dan Klaich, executive vice chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education.

Allied Health Grad Plan for Pinning Ceremonies

Surgical Technology: Friday, May 16, 5 p.m., Sarah Winnemucca Hall, Aspen Building
Nursing: Tuesday, May 20, 2 p.m., Carson City Community Center

Graduates of the college's highly competitive allied health programs will celebrate their new careers in traditional pinning ceremonies in the next week. Please join in the celebrations and support these hard-working students.

See the Stars on Saturday!

This Saturday, May 10, is Astronomy Day, and WNC Astronomy/Physics Professor Robert Collier said that the Western Nevada Astronomical Society will place telescopes around town for public viewing. Interested folks should contact Robert at 445-4412 for locations.
**Golf for Greenwave Graduates a Success**

The second WNC & Greater Nevada Mortgage Services Golf Tournament on April 26 in Fallon was a big success, attracting nine teams from Fallon, Reno and Carson City. The tourney netted $2,037 from registration, hole sponsorships, mulligan and raffle sales. Proceeds will fund $500 scholarships for Churchill County High School graduates who enroll at WNC. Big thanks go to the golfers, ASWN volunteers, Churchill Economic Development Authority, merchants, raffle prize donors and Greater Nevada Mortgage Services.

**ATHLETICS**

*Wildcats Baseball*
**Western Moves on to SWAC Tournament**

The Wildcats swept the College of Eastern Utah on May 2-3 and moved on to tournament play at Henderson this week for the Scenic West Athletic Conference postseason championship. College of Southern Nevada hosts the tournament by virtue of winning the regular season title with a record of 30-10. Western ended the regular season in second at 29-11. CSN and Western received first round byes as the top two teams, and began play Thursday.


**IN THE ARTS**

*Musical Theatre*
**“Damn Yankees” Opens This Week at Community Center**

Weekends May 9-18, Evenings - 7:30 p.m., Matinees - 2 p.m.

Cost: $18, $16, $14

It's an old tale with a modern spin that has captivated audiences for centuries. What would you sell your soul for, and can you outwit the devil in the bargain? The high-spirited baseball classic, *Damn Yankees*, comes to the Carson City Community Center in seven performances, beginning this weekend. Forty singers and dancers round out the cast, accompanied by a live orchestra conducted by Stephanie Arrigotti. The show will play at the Carson City Community Center Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. There is also a matinee on Saturday, May 17, at 2 p.m. Tickets: $18 for general admission, $16 for students and seniors, and $14 for youth 17 and under. For tickets and information, call 775-445-4249.

Lori Tiede Will Take the Reins of NAFAA as President

Lori Tiede, director of Financial Assistance, has been honored as the president-elect of the Nevada Association of Financial Aid Administrators for 2009-2010. As next year’s president of the group she will work with colleges and universities in Nevada to keep up with all the changes regarding FAFSA, Pell Grants, student loans, directives from the Board of Regents, Millennium Scholarships, and anything else to do with financial aid and scholarships for students.

“Geologic Tales of Lake Tahoe” to be Presented

Information: Winnie Kortemeier, 445-4285

In case you missed it last year, Geology Professor Winnie Kortemeier will repeat her popular lecture: “Geological Tales of Lake Tahoe” to the Sierra Club at its monthly meeting at Bartley Ranch in Reno from 7-9 p.m. on Thursday, May 8. This popular lecture was presented as part of last season’s “Faces, Voices” cultural lecture series on campus.

Western to Honor GED Students in Fallon

When: Wednesday, May 21, 7 p.m.
Where: WNC Fallon – Virgil Getto Hall

Students who earn their General Educational Development certificate seldom get the recognition they deserve for persevering to finish their high school education. Western is honoring Fallon GED students with a reception to celebrate “A Step in the Right Direction.” A majority of GED students say they plan to pursue their education beyond a GED, and see the certificate as a step toward higher education.