NEWS

**Police Academy Celebrates Success**

Nineteen Western Nevada College students have completed the 2008 Western Nevada State Peace Officer Academy. Graduates and their families celebrated in a ceremony on Friday, Aug. 1, at the old Assembly Chambers in the Nevada Capitol. The rigorous 30-week, 33.5-credit program prepares students for law enforcement careers with classroom instruction, practical application and physical training. Numerous graduates have already been offered positions in area police and sheriff departments. This year’s class award winners included: Brett Bindley, Valedictorian; Jon Tripp, Top Gun; Jon Gunter, Sharp Shooter; and Cecilia Baldazo, Top Gun for Emergency Vehicle Operator. Program Information: [http://www.wnc.edu/academics/non_degree/sap/post/](http://www.wnc.edu/academics/non_degree/sap/post/)

**Churchill County Offers Nursing Assistance to College**

The rural component of Western's highly regarded nursing program has garnered critical assistance as the Churchill County Board of Commissioners has unanimously voted to extend the college's use of county facilities for the program's clinical lab. The new agreement will continue until June 30, 2012. Western extends sincere thanks to the Board of Commissioners for their support of community college programs in Fallon. Thanks also go to those in our nursing program, especially Dr. Judy Cordia and Linda Jacks, as well as President Carol Lucey, Dean Bus Scharmann and Vice President Helaine Jesse, for all their efforts.

EVENTS

**Carson City Campus Life Safety Project Improving Accessibility**

Progress is being made on the Carson City Campus in the Bristlecone Building life/safety construction project. Inside the building, stairs and ramps are being improved and a handicap bathroom and lifts will be installed. Outside, walkways and parking lots are being replaced with flatter construction to meet requirements for the Americans With Disability Act. At this time several entrances and exits have been closed or changed. Some entrances may reopen in time for fall classes, while other closures will continue through the fall term. Thanks to students, faculty and staff members for their patience. Updates: [http://www.wnc.edu/ada.php](http://www.wnc.edu/ada.php)
Plan Now for WNC Foundation's Annual Golf Tournament
Friday, Sept. 19
Information: WNC Foundation – 445-3240
Sign up now for the college’s 11th annual golf tournament and get the chance to win great tee prizes and gifts, while raising funds to help WNC students. This year’s tournament will tee off at Eagle Valley West course in Carson City. The entry fee is $800 for business teams, and $150 for individual golfers.

PERFORMING ARTS
Audition for WNMTC’s "South Pacific"
When: Tuesday, Aug. 12, 6 p.m.
Where: Sarah Winnemucca Hall, Aspen Building, Carson City campus
The Western Nevada Musical Theatre Company invites auditions for Rodgers and Hammerstein’s Pulitzer Prize-winning musical, "South Pacific." The show will play at the Carson City Community Center in nine performances, November 8-23. South Pacific animates two love stories set in the Polynesian Islands during World War II with a classic score, including “There is Nothing Like a Dame,” “Some Enchanted Evening,” and “Wash That Man Right Outta My Hair.” There are multiple featured leads, a dance troupe and a chorus. Auditioners should come prepared to sing a song under one minute long. Callbacks will follow on Thursday evening. For more casting information, see the web site at http://www.wnc.edu/performing_arts/

ON CAMPUS
Douglas Pow Wow Brings Color to Campus
Western’s first Pow wow August 2-3 brought visitors from many Native American tribes and local communities to the Douglas campus. The rhythms of drum and dance were mingled with the pageantry of colorful dress and tantalizing foods. College information booths, craft vendors and historic films helped round out the event. Sponsors included WNC Tech Prep program/Perkins Grant, Washo Tribe, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Douglas County Suicide Prevention, and TANF.

Scenes from the WNC Douglas Pow wow
Western Student Earns Space Grant Fellowship
The Nevada Space Grant Consortium recently awarded more than $200,000 in NASA-funded fellowships and scholarships to 23 college students statewide. Jeffrey Lambin of Western received a $2,500 scholarship. Congratulations!

Summer Communications Class Shares “Meeting of Minds”
Anyone old enough to remember the Steve Allen series “Meeting of Minds” on PBS would feel right at home in Dr. Tom Kubistant’s summer “Fundamentals of Communication” class. For the final class each student had to assume the persona of someone famous. Character choices ranged from Steve Jobs, and singers Mama Cass Elliott and Billie Holiday to writer Ian Fleming, Vlad the Impaler, Anne Frank, baseball’s Ty Cobb and billionaire investor and political activist George Soros. Students were arranged in groups of three and answered worldly questions in character.

College Wireless Network Now Requires WNC E-mail Address
Information: Computer Support 445-4290 (for help with e-mail address/password)
Students now need a valid WNC e-mail address and password to access the college wireless system. The network name is WNCWIRELESS and signs telling of the change will be posted in areas having wireless access in Carson, Fallon and Douglas.

Faculty/Staff Reminder: Attend One of Emergency Classes
Monday, Aug. 18, Marlette Hall, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Carson City
Tuesday, Aug. 19, 302-303 Virgil Getto Hall, 1-4 p.m., Fallon
Thursday, Aug 21, Marlette Hall, 9 a.m.-noon, Carson City
Contact: Brian Crowe – 445-3327
Learn how to recognize behavior that may be the precursor to a violent situation on campus at one of three free emergency management classes offered this month. There will be a presentation of the video “Shots Fired When Lightning Strikes,” which is used by police agencies as guidance for surviving a shooting situation, as well as an explanation of the use of the new Carson siren and Fallon intercom systems. Class schedule:

Beijing – Nevada: Local Connection in Summer Olympics
While watching the Summer Olympics, be sure to look for Aarik Wilson, Reno native and a 2001 graduate of Churchill County High School. He’s the grandson of Grant Kremers, a part-time art instructor for Western. Wilson’s event is the triple jump. He set a Hayward Field stadium record at the Olympic track and field trials in Eugene, Ore., with a jump of 57 feet, 2¼ inches.

HOLD THE DATE
Wednesday, Aug. 20 – WNC Carson City – Sarah Winnemucca Hall/Rotary Plaza:
Welcome Back Meeting for all full-time faculty and staff. Pancake breakfast hosted by the WNC Foundation - 7:30 a.m., all-staff meeting - 9 a.m., and BBQ lunch - 11:30 a.m.