NEWS & EVENTS

WNC Musical Theatre Premieres “Phantom” in Northern Nevada
Western Nevada Musical Theatre Company will top off its 2011 season with the grandeur of Andrew Lloyd Webber's 'The Phantom of the Opera.' The longest running show in Broadway history plays the Carson City Community Center weekends, November 4-20.

"It will be, by far, the most vocally and technically demanding show we have ever produced," said Stephanie Arrigotti, who has produced 86 shows for the company. "I've been working with technicians and set builders - it has taken us a whole year to build this production." Tickets: $22/$20/$18.

Latino Students Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month
Western Nevada College students of Hispanic ancestry celebrated their culture by participating in Hispanic Heritage Month. A number of WNC students participated in an essay contest with the theme, “What Hispanic Heritage Means to Me.” Maira Ibarra was named winner of the contest. Ibarra and other members of the Latino Club met with Gov. Brian Sandoval, Assemblyman Pete Livermore, Sen. Ben Kieckhefer, and Assemblywoman Debbie Smith at the Governor's Mansion.

Greenhouse Garden Center Helps Carson City Campus 'Go Green'
WNC has received a generous donation of more than 100 plants, trees and shrubs from the Greenhouse Garden Center. The donation will help spruce up the Carson City campus, and provide a nice touch of greenery to complement the new ADA-accessible walkways on campus.
At Left: WNC Grounds crew unloads trees.
Solar Array/ADA Construction Projects Continue
The Carson City campus is alive with the buzz of cement trucks, dirt haulers and jackhammers, a reminder that the ADA enhancements and solar array installations are in full swing. Black Rock Solar, which is installing the college’s first solar array, has been making swift progress, with new forms being dug and set daily. Upon completion, the array will save the college as much as $28,000 in annual energy costs.  [http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-10-06a.php](http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-10-06a.php)

IN THE ARTS
Latino Student Club Seeks Talent Show Acts
WNC students and community members are invited to audition for the annual “Show Your Talent” contest, sponsored by the college Latino Student Club. Auditions are Friday, Nov. 4, 5:30 p.m., and Saturday, Nov. 5, 10 a.m., Marlette Hall, Cedar Building, WNC Carson City. There is no cost to audition. The talent show will be Friday, Nov. 18, 5 p.m., at the Carson City Nugget. Admission is $8 adults, $5 for any student with school ID card, and $4 for youth and senior citizens. Children under age 5 are admitted free. All proceeds will help fund WNC student scholarships. Information: 445-3344. [http://www.wnc.edu/clubs/latino/](http://www.wnc.edu/clubs/latino/)

Douglas Art Exhibit Showcases Students
Student work from instructor Mark Thompkins’ landscape painting class is now on display at the WNC Douglas campus. The show features paintings in oil and watercolor that remind us of autumn and the winter months to come. While the colors of the season are prevalent, perhaps the most impressive elements are in the detail of each piece, which reflects the high level of talent in the Douglas community. The walls at the Douglas campus will have an ongoing rotation of student and community art on display throughout the academic year. Information: 782-2413.

Annual ‘Student Potter Sale’ Coming Soon
WNC art students will once again show support for their college when they sell their original ceramic works to raise funds for the art program. This year’s sale will be Wednesday, Dec. 7, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in the College Gallery at WNC Carson City. The sale is a fun opportunity to admire our students’ talents and find great deals!
CAMPUS CORNER

Employee Giving Campaign is Struck by Beatle Mania
"We’ll Get By With a Little Help From Our Friends"

The 2011/2012 WNC Foundation Employee Giving Campaign is about to begin! This year, the nod goes to the Fab Four in a Beatles-themed campaign that runs November 7-December 16. Join Foundation Director Amy Ginder and the Employee Giving Committee at a kick-off reception Thursday, Nov. 10, featuring music, treats and giveaways (location & time TBA). All faculty and staff contributors to the campaign will be automatically entered for weekly prize drawings and a grand prize giveaway on December 16.

“For years there has been a tremendous spirit of generosity among faculty and staff at the college,” Amy said. “Although this year is a challenging one, together, ‘we can work it out’! In fact, because we are feeling the effects of state budget cuts so significantly this year, financial support is more important than ever to continue enriching the lives of our students.” The campaign offers the opportunity to make a donation to a wide variety of programs and activities at WNC: donors can pick which program, scholarship or activity they want to support. “Let’s show our students and our community that we support our college and believe in our mission,” she said.

http://www.wnc.edu/foundation/

Trick or Treat on Campus Brings Out the Fun for All

Halloween is a lively holiday for all ages: Top: Youngsters from the WNC Child Development Center paraded around campus in their costumes. Below, Lupe Ramirez of Student Services/Latino Outreach became Marge Simpson, Dr. Tom Herring was ready for field exploration with his physics class, and Carson City student Jazmin Castaneda sported a Halloween antennae headband.
Amy Roby Receives Writing Recognition
Amy Roby, project manager for "Always Lost: A Meditation on War," has been recognized by the Nevada Press Association for her writing talents. She was awarded second place in the “Best Non-staff Story” category for her story, “War exhibit puts a face to the war,” and third place in the “Best Local Non-staff Column” category for her regular Record Courier column, “Ranchos Roundup.” Congratulations, Amy.
http://www.wnc.edu/always_lost/

Carson Nugget Continues to Support Student Vets
Veterans Day is a time to remember the sacrifices made by our military to help keep us safe. This year, the Carson Nugget is also commemorating the day by raising funds for WNC student veterans. On Friday, Nov. 11, at 7 p.m., the Nugget will offer special bingo sessions to benefit its recently established veterans scholarships at WNC. The “Send a Vet to College Fund” is a wonderful tribute to those who serve and to those whom we remember through the “Always Lost” photography and poetry exhibit. The Nugget has also supported that endeavor with a major donation to help send the exhibition to Washington, D.C.

ATHLETICS

Wildcats Fund-raiser: DON’T Save the Date! (Save Your Time Instead)
The WNC Foundation will debut a new concept for the annual Athletics Fund-raiser this year.... a non-event. Because of the deep cuts to the state budgets, 2011-2012 is a critical year for WNC’s self-supported athletics program, and the Foundation needs to raise $215,000 to meet the travel and operating budgets for Wildcats baseball and softball student athletes.

While fund-raising events are fun, they can be expensive up front. By hosting a ‘non-event,’ 100% of donations can be directed to our teams, instead of a portion of them covering event costs. In that way, we can continue the student life initiatives that have helped make our college more attractive to traditional college age students, and also support the student athletes, who earn their degrees at a level above 90 percent! Stay tuned for more information.
http://www.wnc.edu/athletics/

SAVE THE DATE
Thursday, Nov. 3: Fall Craft Fair, 8 am-7pm, Bristlecone Bldg., Carson campus
Friday, Nov. 12: Veterans Day holiday, college closed
Wednesday, Nov. 23: Instructional holiday, no classes
Thursday, Nov. 24: Thanksgiving holiday, college closed
Friday, Nov. 25: Family Day holiday, college closed
Monday, Nov. 28: Spring 2012 registration begins via myWNC