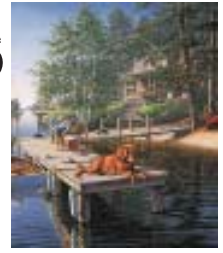


Watsonville/Aptos Adult Education News and Views



*Ya no llores, Verano! En aquel surco
muere una rosa que renace mucho...*

Cesar Vallejo



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The Fish are Jumpin' Issue

July 12, 2006

Work Moves Ahead Very Quickly on the Langendorf Building



Target date for occupying the Langendorf Building is Spring Semester, 2007. It looks like things are right on schedule. Following district policy we are recruiting staff, students, and community friends to be on a committee to name the building. Let Bob know if you are interested.

Summer Session Begins New School Year

Although attendance looks pretty thin in many classes, the year just ended did turn out to have our largest attendance numbers in our history. More data to come. Some teachers are curious as to why we are registering even students that were attending in June. July 1 began the new school year and all students in all classes must register again. Unless Debbie gets these new registration form she won't be able to create attendance rosters.

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As we close the school year, this number is very important to us. Bob will give \$20 to the first person who can tell him what this number is.

The National Institute for Literacy and the National Center for the Study of Adult Learning and Literacy present Persistence Among Adult Education Students Panel Discussion

This 30 minute video focuses on persistence in ABE, ESOL, and GED programs, and features a NCSALL study entitled, "Supporting the Persistence of Adult Basic Education Students."

Dr. John Cummings presentation examines student persistence in adult education programs. He presents a working definition of persistence, examines existing research, and describes NCSALL's three-phase study of the factors that support and inhibit persistence. Other panelist include two practitioners, Kathy Endaya and Ernest Best.

You will find the video streamed and transcript by going to:

http://www.nifl.gov/nifl/webcasts/persistence/persistence_cast.html



WAAE Calendar

Wednesday, July 12

"The Reading of the Will"

Fall Schedule and Brochure is Finalized

Fall assignment letters should be mailed this week.

Summer School Ends

Saturday, August 5

School Kick Off District-wide Breakfast

Tuesday, August 15, 7:30 - 8:30

Pajaro Valley High School Cafeteria

School Council Retreat

Wednesday, August 16

Classified Staff Retreat

Thursday, August 17

Back-to-School Meeting

Friday, August 18, 3:30 - 5:30

(you must be present to "earn" your five or seven hours of prep time)

Please share your ideas/needs for this all-staff meeting.



Monday, August 20

Fall Semester Begins

CalPro Workshops Fall 2006

September, Cooperative Learning 1 - Monterey Adult School

September, Learner Goal Setting - Watsonville/Aptos Adult Ed.

October, Cooperative Learning 2 - Monterey Adult School

October, Enhancing Learner Persistence - Santa Cruz Adult School

November, Cooperative Learning III - Monterey Adult School

Writing (all programs) - Salinas Adult School

Plant Walk and Workshop on The Cultural and Medicinal Uses of the Native Plants of the Pajaro Valley with Patrick Orozco of the Pajaro Valley Ohlone Indian Tribal Council
July 15; 10am - 12noon

To be held at the Fitz Wetlands Educational Resouce Center at the top of Pajaro Valley High School in Watsonville. Free, but space is llimited. Call Jonathan Pilch, Restoration Specialist, Watsonville Wetlands Watch (831) 728-4106