

Watsonville/Aptos Adult Education



News and Views



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"It's Mid-Morning in the Information Age" Issue

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One more time, a printed version of News and Views in your box:

Last week a veteran teacher asked me about a rumor about the new building. Turned out the "rumor" was something that had been on the first page of the current News and Views. Many schools fill teachers' mailboxes with memos and notices. We've tried to keep verbage simple, and put information together in News and Views. We've made this an electronic newsletter, mailing it out to teachers, staff, and community friends. We've also been asked by teachers to STOP printing it; save a tree, they say, we receive it in email. *If you are going to stay current with important information about the school, you should read News and Views.* If you are going to join important conversations, give your feedback, hear other teachers and staff's opinons, you'll need to check your district email. Both News and Views, and access to your district email, are available through our website. If you are not getting your email, or having difficulty from accessing it through the web, contact Natalie immediately.... as we said two issues ago, as we move forward in our self-study process, your receiving and contributing information will largely be done electronically. Let us know if this is a problem. My hope is that this is the last News and Views you will see in your boxes. At both Porter and Green Valley there will be a notebook with one copy of each newsletter, and the most recent issue will be posted on the bulletin board. Additionally, as I've said many times, emailing me directly is a great way to communicate. I have frequent and quality conversations with some teachers in isolated branches, and sometimes rarely talk to other teachers just down the hall. Maybe that's not the way it should be; that is, however, the way it is. Sometimes the choice is between being right, or happy.

ALSO, in addition to accessing your district email and the newsletter on our website, there are forms, the list of our 31 teaching competencies (the standards for evaluation of instruction), and promotional flyers, as well as the catalogue with all of our classes. AND, if you have a technology problem, "work tickets" for Vicente are only logged online, on the same screen where you can do your attendance online. If you want help in this, please ask!!



As the WAAE World Turns:

...as you may have noticed, both Natalie and Bob are spending more time at Porter, at least until the new building is open and running smoothly... let us know if this has helped or hindered you we've already "managed enrollment" in the Learning Center, asking all new students to attend an orientation before beginning class, and in two weeks look for a similar schedule for ESL... News classes: Green Gardener class had over 35 students last week... and VESL Healthcare has started again.

Welcome to new teachers this semsester: Josefina Duran, Spanish; Bernice Robertson, C.N.A. Instructor; Xavier Fernandez, Self-Esteem (Spanish); Luigi Chianese, Italian; Sherry Bryan, Green Gardener; Joaquin Barreto, Cara y Corazon



WAAE Calendar

Spring Semester Dates:

Jan. 8 - June 15, 2007

Thurs., Feb. 1, Porter, rm. 6, noon - 4:00

**CalPro Workshop, "Monitoring Instruction to Improve Learning Gains"
Three hours paid extra-duty time!!**

PVUSD Annual Parent Conference Parents: Teachers and Partners Cultivating and Sharing Knowledge

A conference for families with children acquiring English as a Second Language

Saturday, February 3, 2007

8:00am - 3:00pm

E. A. Hall Middle School

201 Brewington Ave., Watsonville

Please make every effort to share this information with our students who are parents.

Mon., Feb. 12, School Holiday - no school

**Wed., Feb. 14, School Council, 4:00-6:00, Porter
More Focus on Learning planning**

Mon., Feb. 19, School Holiday - no school

**Tues. , Feb. 20, Student Councils at Porter
Wed., Feb 21, Student Councils at Green Valley**

**Bay Section CCAE Conference
Saturday, March 3
Fremont Adult School**

**We will pay for the first ten CCAE Members who contact Cynthia
More details to follow from CCAE Chapter President, Kim Iwasko**

**Mon., March 12
Adult Education Week, CCAE State Leg Day, Sacramento
Making the Case for Adult Education with our Legislature**

**Tues. , March 20, Student Councils at Porter
Wed., March 21, Student Councils at Green Valley**

**Spring Break (no classes)
April 6-15**

**Grand Opening, El Instituto de Lenguaje y Cultura
The project appears to be back on track,
though now the "opening" may be after Spring Break**

*Grand Opening
Postponed!!*