

# E-HAPPENINGS

## WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE

February 2011

### NEWS AND EVENTS

#### **WNC Fallon Hosts Nevada Small Farm Conference**



Connecting farmers and consumers to the food we eat is the goal of the 2011 Nevada Small Farm Conference, Friday-Saturday March 11-12 at the WNC Fallon campus and the Fallon Convention Center.

The conference, "Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food," provides an opportunity for farmers and consumers to connect to learn about improving the economic and physical health of Nevada farms and communities. Register: 775-351-2551.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-02-04b.php>

#### **Fall 2011 Admission Application Now Available on myWNC Portal**

Students planning to attend WNC for the fall 2011 semester may begin using Western's new student information system, "myWNC" to apply for admission. Watch for these additional myWNC milestones:



**Tuesday, March 15:** Fall class schedule available for preview on myWNC

**Monday, April 18:** Registration begins on myWNC for continuing students

**Monday, April 25:** Registration begins on myWNC for new students

<http://www.wnc.edu/mywnc/>

#### **myWNC User Training for Faculty and Staff**

WNC faculty and staff are asked to attend myWNC User Training to begin preparing for the transition to the new online registration and student services information system. Numerous short sessions will be offered between Tuesday, Feb 22 and Monday, Feb. 28. View dates: <http://www.wnc.edu/mywnc/stafftraining.php>

#### **Fall 2011 Scholarship Application Deadline is March 1**

The 2011-2012 scholarship application deadline is Tuesday, March 1. Scholarships are available for any combination of academics, fields of study, financial needs, special interest activities, community service and more. Students may receive help writing their scholarship essays at the Academic Skills Center located in the Bristlecone Building, Rm. 330, WNC Carson City.

To apply, visit [www.wnc.edu/scholarships/](http://www.wnc.edu/scholarships/) to complete the WNC scholarship application and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). For additional information, call the WNC Financial Assistance Office: 445-3264.

### ***Fund-raiser Supports Scholarships for Women***

The International Women's Day Committee of Northern Nevada presents the fifth annual International Day Scholarship fund-raising dinner, Tuesday, March 8, 5-8:30 p.m. at the Atlantis Casino Resort, Reno. Proceeds fund scholarships for women at Western Nevada College, as well as the University of Nevada, Reno and Truckee Meadows Community College. Attendees may designate proceeds from their ticket to WNC or the institution of their choice. Tickets: \$40 in advance and \$50 after February 25. For information/registration, 784-1560 or [michellek@unr.edu](mailto:michellek@unr.edu).



Scholarship recipient Sara Flores and professor Mike Sady working on 2010 research project, Interpretive Trail.

### ***Climate Change Research Program Among Scholarship Opportunities***

Any full-time Nevada undergraduate students studying science, engineering or any field related to climate change research may apply for the National Science Foundation's Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR). The scholarship awards \$4500 to support a summer research project on climate change.

Application deadline: Tuesday, March 1.

Information: Professor Mike Sady - 445-4400.

### ***Free Tax Preparation Support Available, Thanks to Partnership***

The AARP Foundation is offering free tax preparation assistance for anyone seeking help filing taxes, thanks in part to WNC. Western donated classroom space to help certify volunteers to support this free service. While the organization pays special attention to those 60 years and older, the service is free for any students or area residents, and AARP membership is not required.

Volunteers will work at the more than 15 locations have been set-up throughout northern Nevada. To make an appointment or find a location, call 1-888-227-7669.

## **COLLEGE CORNER**

### ***IGT Donates \$10,000 Gift to Observatory***



WNC has received a generous \$10,000 gift, which will help enhance the Jack C. Davis Observatory.

The gift will fund the extension of the concrete surface to create a larger observation deck on the east side of the observatory. This addition will provide more space for telescope use. The funds also help extend the wall that blocks light from the observation deck. The new projects are set to break ground in late spring.

Visit the Observatory this Saturday, Feb. 5 for a Star Party and lecture about the Milky Way. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the lecture begins at 7:30 p.m.

<http://www.wnc.edu/observatory/>



### ***ASWN President Speaks About Proposed Cuts to Education***

As the Nevada governor proposes deep cuts to our state's higher education system, and the Nevada Legislature convenes in Carson City, Jason McGill, President of the Associated Students of Western Nevada College, takes a moment to share his thoughts on what this means for students.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-02-04d.php>

## **ARTS**

### ***New Exhibits Explore Sculpture, Photography and Literary Works***

Three new exhibits will show in the WNC Carson City galleries, Monday, Feb. 14-Friday, March 25. A free public reception is Wednesday, Feb. 16, 5-6:30 p.m. in the WNC Carson City galleries.

**Main Gallery:** "Great Basin Work" by Larry Williamson

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-02-04a.php>

**Atrium Gallery:** "The Call of Memories/El Llamado de las Memorias"

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-02-04e.php>

**College Gallery:** "Secreted Away" by Nancy Scarry

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-02-04e.php>



### ***WNMTC Presents a Valentine's Weekend Revue***

The Western Nevada Musical Theatre Company will perform "Good Vibrations," a high-spirited oldies revue, Friday-Sunday, Feb. 11-13, at the Carson City Community Center.

The performance stars a troupe of 40 singers and dancers, entertaining audiences with non-stop hits, such as "Dancing in the Street," "Unchained Melody," "Do You Love Me," "Great Balls of Fire," and "YMCA." "Good Vibrations" plays for one weekend only, and promises great entertainment for a Valentine's Day date. For tickets, 445-4249.

<http://www.wnmtc.com/>

### ***'Always Lost' Exhibit Continues to Travel***

The "Always Lost" photography and poetry exhibit about those Americans serving in the Iraq and Afghanistan wars continues its tour at campuses of the University of Wisconsin. The poignant and stirring multimedia exhibit is now showing at UW-Richland for the month of February. The show exhibits throughout the United States into 2013, with stays at SUNY-Alfred State College in New York and the University of Nevada, Reno. Donations are still needed to keep the memorial wall up to date and enable the exhibit continue its tour.

[www.wnc.edu/foundation/](http://www.wnc.edu/foundation/)



*Viewer at UW-Richland kneels to view photos on the memorial wall.*



## ATHLETICS

### ***Baseball Team Earns National Rankings, Wins Three of Four***



The Wildcats baseball team has received two Top Ten post-season rankings, and came off its first weekend with a respectable 3-1 record to kick off the 2011 season. The four-game series in Las Vegas against South Mountain Community College of Phoenix left Wildcats Coach DJ Whittemore with a positive perspective. "The first weekend was a big step in the right direction," he said.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-02-02a.php>

### ***Softball Team Prepares for Openers***

The Wildcats softball team is ready with new talent and a will to win as they prepare for the 2011 season, which begins Friday, Feb. 11, in Saint George, Utah. WNC opens home play Friday, Feb. 18, at 1 and 3 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 19, at noon and 2 p.m. against Colorado Northwestern Community College. The team plays at Edmonds Sports Complex, Field A, 1555 Livermore Lane, Carson City.



Come out and support the Wildcats! <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-02-02b.php>

### ***Carson High Athletes Commit to WNC in 2012***

WNC coaches are already preparing for the 2012 season, and two students from Carson High School are among the recruits committing to play for the Wildcats.

**Lauren Knorzer** signed her letter of intent to play softball for the Wildcats on Tuesday, Jan. 18 at the WNC Carson City campus.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-01-20a.php>

**Colby Blueberg** is one of nine recruits who have signed a letters of intent to play baseball for Western. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2011-01-24a.php>

## SAVE THE DATE

- Tuesday, March 1: Scholarship Application Deadline for Fall 2011 Semester
- Thursday-Friday, March 10-11: Board of Regents Meeting, Sarah Winnemucca Hall
- Wednesday, March 16: Carson City School District Science Night, WNC Carson City