

# Bayside Briefs



## August/September 2010

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## Welcome Back!

**W**e want you to get rich—rich in the knowledge of all things SPC! Join us for this fun, interactive trivia game on Tuesday, August 24 from 12-1:30 p.m., and Wednesday, August 25 from 5-7 p.m. in the Student Activities Lounge. Events catered by Honey Baked Ham and Orange Blossom. Current SPC student I.D. card is required for all food events.



### Constitution Week Commemoration: Thursday, September 16



The Constitution comes alive through a trivia game and an informative presentation on **Thursday, September 16, in the Community Room (DC 210) from 11am-12pm and again from 7pm-8pm.** As part of Constitution Week, Jack Beary, political science instructor, will speak to SPC students about the historical importance of the Constitution. Tim Murray, ethics instructor, will discuss the most important legal document ever created in relation to John Locke's 'natural rights', and the controversial 3/5ths clause. An interactive trivia game filled with fascinating, fun facts about the Constitution will surprise, entertain and educate you! Please join us for refreshments, awards and complimentary pocket Constitutions.



**Voter Registration Drive: Thursday, September 16**  
12-2 p.m., Student Activities Lounge

- Register to vote
- Update your address, signature, or party
- Optical Scan Voting System Demonstrations
- Apply to Vote by Mail



**Starve a Mosquito!**  
**SPC Downtown**  
**Blood Drive**  
**Monday, August 30**  
**9 am-2 pm**

**Sign-Up Dates (1st Floor Lobby):**  
**Monday, August 23, 9 am-12:30 pm**  
**Thursday, August 26, 9 am-12:30 pm**



**Meet and Speak with**  
**Dr. Bill Law,**  
**SPC President**

St. Petersburg College  
**SPC**  
DOWNTOWN  
Excellence in education since 1927

**at**  
**"The Listening Post"**  
**Wednesday, August 25**  
**6-7:30 p.m.**  
**Community Room, DC 210**



## Career Watch: Jim Gonyea



A few tips regarding...



he **secret** to everlasting employment!

Sitting across from me recently was a young woman who had lost her job due to staff cutbacks at her place of employment. After three years of service, she was given a one day notice and was out of work with no severance pay. She was frantic, even panicked. With desperation in each word she asked for help finding a new job so she could pay her bills. I see this scenario every day now that our economy has tanked. But could she have avoided this situation? Tragically, yes!

When questioned about how she approached her work, it became clear that her philosophy was "to do what was required, as outlined in her work duties description, and to do it as well as possible." In fact, she confided that she had received good work performance reviews. While this sounds like an excellent work attitude, there's a flaw in her thinking. I asked her if it was her nature to regularly look for ways to improve her performance at work, in short to look for problems that if fixed could make the business more successful, and then to find solutions to those problems. Her answer was, "I did what was expected and did it well!"

As any reader of "Lessons from America's Best-Run Companies" by Tom Peters will tell you, the most successful companies are those that hire "problem solvers," not just workers. From the employer's perspective, success is only possible if one can identify and solve the problems that will inevitably occur in trying to sell any product or service. It is, therefore, those employees whose philosophy it is to find and solve problems that are most in demand and the last to be laid off in tight economic times.

What's your work philosophy? Will you do just what's expected and do it well, or will you look for problems that you can solve to help elevate the company's success. Your answer may well determine how valuable and how employable you are in your career.

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## Counselor's Corner: Jerry Cade



Welcome to St. Petersburg College's Downtown Center. Henry Ford once said, "Nothing is particularly hard if you divide it into small jobs." That's a great thing to remember when attending college. Sometimes it looks like you have a mountain to climb. In reality, it's just a matter of taking one step after another until you reach your goal. Perseverance is the key. You don't have to do this alone. I'm available to help you with


stress, test anxiety, time management and coaching for life success. Remember, registration for the spring 2011 session begins November 3rd. As always, we encourage you to register using our convenient, on-line registration system in MySPC. If you have any difficulty, please feel free to stop in and see us. Our student services staff will be happy to help you.

Remember, keep your eye on the goal and take it one step at a time. Press on. You can do this!


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**Information  
Commons  
DC 255**



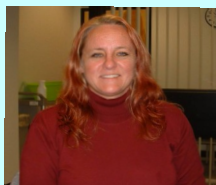
**Tuesday: 1 PM-8:30 PM**  
**Wednesday: 8:30 AM-4:30 PM**



**Free**

Learning Support Commons, DC 251  
Math Tutoring @ SPC Downtown

**Diana Timmons**



Wednesday  
9:00am - 12:00pm  
DC 251

**Lonnie Jackson**



Monday & Wednesday  
6:00pm - 9:00pm

**Chuck Torrey**



Tuesday & Thursday  
12:00pm - 4:00pm  
DC 251

**MAT 0012 Pre-Algebra**  
**MAT 0024 Elem. Algebra**  
**MAT 1033 Inter. Algebra**  
**MAC 1105 College Algebra**

⇐ **Classes Include:** ⇒

**MAC 2233 Appl. Calculus**  
**STA 2023 Elem. Statistics**  
**MGF 1106 Lib. Arts Math I**  
**MGF 1107 Lib. Arts Math II**

**LEARNING SUPPORT COMMONS and Study Hall**

*Fall 2010*

Located on second floor in DC 251

Services include tutoring in Reading, Writing and Computer Skills

For more information, call 341-7911

**Rita Hooks**  
**Writing Tutor**



Monday - Thursday  
8am - 12pm  
2pm - 5pm  
Fridays  
8am - 12pm

**Jan Moss**  
**Writing & Computer Tutor**



Tuesday & Wednesday  
6pm - 9pm

**Roberta Newman**  
**Reading Tutor**



Monday & Wednesday  
6pm - 9pm



**W**elcome to our new students, and welcome back to our returning students! In addition to the four spectacular events that are highlighted on the front page of this newsletter, listed below are some of the other great activities that are happening at the Downtown Center. Please take advantage of the opportunities that have been made available to you. Let me know how you are enjoying student life at the Downtown Center. Stop in and say, “hi.” I am located in DC 472.

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**STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

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**SPC Downtown Blood Drive Sign-Up**

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Meet SPC President, Dr. Bill Law, at “The Listening Post” and share your thoughts with him about SPC.

**Monday, 8/30: 9am-2pm, Blood Mobile**

**SPC Downtown Blood Drive!** It is time to starve a mosquito, get a free pair of flip-flops, a free movie pass, and save a life. Hop on the bus and do your part to make a difference in someone’s life.

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**Highlighted Upcoming Events:**

**Thursday, October 21: 7:30pm-10:30pm, Palladium**

**Hispanic Heritage Month!** Celebrate in style; listen to some hot Latin jazz fire up the Palladium. En fuego!

**Thursday, October 28: 5pm-7pm-, Student Lounge**

**Halloween Costume Party!**

**Tuesday, November 9: 7:30-10:30pm, Palladium**

Join us for a night of N’awlins fun with the New Orleans Night Hawks Jazz Band. Catering will be provided.

**Thursday, November 18: 12:30-1:30pm, DC 210**

**Holiday Harvest Luncheon!** Honorable Judge Debra Roberts is our invited guest speaker for this event.

**Tuesday, December 7: 11am-1pm, Student Lounge**

**Holiday Party!** Time to celebrate island-style. Join us in the Student Lounge for music, food, refreshments, and lots of fun.

**Saturday, December 11: 11am-3pm, Baywalk MUVICO**

**Family Day @ MUVICO!** Pictures with Santa; a free showing of the *Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader*; cookies & punch!

