The Multicultural Center is located in the SUB, Building 17, Room 130 and 131. It is across from the bowling alley. Stop by and check us out! Our program assists students of color on campus. Some of the services we offer are:

- Academic and personal counseling
- Tutorial assistance referral (math, English)
- Career planning
- Multicultural Club advising
- Coordinating club activities
- Providing cultural diversity speakers
- Assistance with financial aid applications
- Job and scholarship board information
- Community resource referrals
- Scholarship information

Coffee and candy
In office

From the Multicultural Specialist…

WELCOME to SFCC for fall quarter 2010. We are going to have a great year! We’ll start the year with a NEW STUDENT WELCOME RECEPTION Wednesday, September 22, followed by an ALL MULTICULTURAL STUDENTS SOCIAL October 7. Please read the detailed information regarding the reception on the next page.

We have a calendar of activities for fall quarter listed on the second page of this newsletter. Please try to participate in as many activities as possible. You’ll really enjoy them!

All of our multicultural clubs—The Red Nations Student Association, African American Association, Latinos Association and Asian Club are currently seeking members to assist with activities this year. Become involved! You’ll truly benefit. A list of meeting times and places are listed in this newsletter.

I want to take this opportunity to invite you to come see me about any of your college needs. I am devoted to assisting you with succeeding at Spokane Falls Community College.

Best wishes,
Pam Austin
Thanksgiving Dinner
Roasted turkey with all the trimmings. **ALL FREE!!!**
This delicious holiday dinner is sponsored by multicultural clubs and served by club members.

Mark your calendar: November 22, in the SFCC Cafeteria from 2 p.m. – until food is finished.

**The Who's and Why's**

**Why do I receive this multicultural newsletter?**
You have been self-identified as a student of color at SFCC. For this reason, you are a recipient of this fine document.

**Who funds the Multicultural Student Services Office?**
YOU. Part of your tuition helps support our services, so, you paid for them, why not use them?

**Who works in the Multicultural Office?**
Pam Austin, counselor/multicultural specialist
Jane Gong, office assistant
Work study students

**What do you do?**
We provide counseling and advising services for multicultural students. (Please review the first page for more details.) We also provide fun club activities to enrich your college life.

**What can I get from your office?**
Do you have any question regarding SFCC? Any academic or financial problems, or other issues? Talk to us. We have resources that might help you succeed at SFCC. Tutoring in math and English are available for you, as well as scholarship information.

**Talent show**
**Coming in October, Date TBA**
The 13th Annual Talent Show is sponsored by the Black Student Union (BSU) and open to all students at SFCC. Staff judge and select the winners. Winners receive cash prizes. If you have a "talent" to share, please come to the Multicultural Office, complete a registration form, or contact Jane Gong at 533-4331 for details.

**November—Native American Month**
No matter who helped make an Indian taco, or bought an Indian taco, we thank you for keeping the tradition, and carrying on our culture. Red Nation Club will sponsor the Native Month celebration including a taco sale. Come and help. We are looking for a Native speaker and arts crafts vendors.

**Asian Club** is entering its third school year. For the past years, we had so much fun doing so many events. We have sponsored Asian culture exploration, Chinese New Year celebration, egg roll and dumpling sale, assisting international movie festival, and pow wow concession. The most fun part was the trip to Silverwood Theme Park, and the reward lunch at Hong Kong Express. Come on, join us. We promise to keep you busy in a positive way. Our first meeting is October 6 at noon, Building 17, Room 131.
UPCOMING EVENTS

New Student Welcome Reception
Wednesday, September 22

Are you a new multicultural student? If yes, you are invited to attend a welcome reception in the Senate Chamber, Building 17, 1 - 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 22. Multicultural Student Services and Multicultural Activity Clubs are sponsoring this event to help acquaint all new students with college life and to inform them of the programs and services offered. Refreshments and prizes will be provided. We want to make your experience at SFCC a success.

All Multicultural Students Fall Social
Bring summer photos win a prize

All returning and new multicultural student are invited to attend a fall quarter social Thursday, October 7, noon - 1:30 p.m. in the Multicultural Center, Building 17, Room 131, Let's get together and celebrate the start of fall quarter. Pizza and pop will be provided by all multicultural clubs. We look forward to meeting and seeing you all again. Please check the flyer for details.

Hispanic Month Celebration
Magic Rain Theaterworks
Thursday, October 14
11:30, Lounge A & B

The first event for Latino Club is the Hispanic Month Celebration. Do you know that October is HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH? We invite Magical Rain Theaterworks from Michigan to present this celebration for us. (www.magicalrain.com)

Magical Rain Theaterworks creates moments of discovery with a mix of theater, myths, stories, innovative teaching techniques, guided discussions and creative arts activities. Their presentations are both educational and entertaining, magical but realistic.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MULTICULTURAL CLUB CALENDAR
OF ACTIVITIES FOR FALL 2010

Sept. 22 New Student Welcome Reception
Senate Chamber , 1—2:30p.m.

Oct. 7 All Multicultural Student Fall Quarter Social
Multicultural Center, 12-1 p.m.

Oct. Talent Show (BSU)
SUB, Lounge A & B 11:30 a.m.

Oct. 14 Hispanic Month Celebration
Magical Rain Theater
11:30 –1, Lounges A & B

Nov. 17 Native American Speaker—Indian Taco Sale
Lounge C 11:30 a.m.

Nov. 17– 19 Native American Arts and Crafts Sale, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. daily,
Lobby, SUB, Bldg. 17

Nov. 23 Thanksgiving Dinner
Sponsored by all Multicultural Clubs, Cafeteria, 2 - 4 p.m.

Dec. 1 Asian club event,
Lounge C, 11:30
My name is **Marry Torres Garcia**. My two years at Spokane Falls Community College were a great experience for me. The ability to achieve my goals was accomplished by the help from counseling staff and instructors. Being a 3.5 honor graduate, I worked very hard on my studies. Believe me, I had so many down times, but I eventually stuck with it and never gave up! Yes! That is the key to success: “Don’t give up on yourself!” Going to college has improved my life, because I have higher expectation for my career, and better lifestyle choices now.

Being involved with the Latinos United Association was an amazing experience for me. The first year I was club vice-president and the second year I was treasurer. Joining and organizing the club activities brought me confidence and improved my leadership and social skills. Our Cinco de Mayo and Dia de Los Muertos celebrations were the most popular events of the school year. I encourage you to join a club. You will be happy you did. As a two-year college graduate student, I want to wish everyone great success and blessings for a new beginning at Spokane Falls Community College. By the way, I am heading to Whitworth University to pursue my bachelor’s degree in human services. I want to be a counselor.

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**My Life - Kwanza Yusuf**

I was born in Los Angeles, California and moved to Spokane in 1986. I went to Sacajawea middle school and Lewis Clark High School. I became a college student in 2007 and currently I am still enrolled as a student majoring in human service.

I did not learn basic education in middle or high school, because I was interested in negative activities that led me to incarceration. I spent many years of my life in juvenile and adult prisons. I received my G.E.D. in 1996, while serving a prison term in Texas Department of Correction.

Education was not part of my life until I arrived at Spokane Falls Community College. Coming to college was different. I say this because people smile and ask how you are doing and do you need any help with your school work. This was a shock to me. I was not comfortable with people asking me a lot of questions. I used to walk around with a street attitude. The caring staff and students helped me develop into a responsible, productive and respectful student. I am very grateful to be a Bigfoot. College is giving me the opportunity to become a social service worker.

I am doing well with my life. I was discharged from the department of corrections in 2008 with success. I receive a student need grant and an opportunity grant that pay for my college education, and a monthly pay check from my work-study. I earned a 4.0 g.p.a. in spring quarter 2010, and I took 12 credits this summer. My future plan is to receive an AAS in social service and transfer to a four-year university to receive a bachelor’s degree in social service. I would like to help people who need assistance with behavioral problems, adjusting into society from incarceration and troubled youth. The Multicultural Center helped me to adjust to college and personal living. It also opened the door for me to learn to be diverse with all cultures. It is a service center for all people.
Chinese Proverbs About Money

With money you can buy a house but not a home
With money you can buy a clock but not time
With money you can buy a bed but not sleep
With money you can buy a book but not knowledge
With money you can see a doctor but not good health
With money you can buy a position but not respect
With money you can buy blood but not a life
With money you can buy sex but not love

Top 10 tips for winning scholarship applications

1. Apply only if you are eligible. Read all the scholarship requirements and directions carefully.
2. Complete the application in full. If a question does not apply to you, note that on the application. Do not leave a question blank.
3. Follow directions. Provide everything that is required.
4. Write an essay that makes a strong impression. The key to writing a strong essay is to be personal and specific.
5. Watch all deadlines. Impose your own deadline that is at least two weeks prior to the official deadline.
6. Make sure your application gets where it needs to go. Put your name (and social security number, if applicable) on all pages of the application.
7. Keep a back-up file in case anything goes wrong. Before sending the application, make a copy of the entire packet.
8. Proofread the entire application carefully. Ask a friend, teacher, or parent to proofread it as well.
9. Ask for help if you need it. Call the fundraising organization to get information.
10. It also is important to make sure your letters of recommendation are addressed to the organization whose scholarship you are applying for, and that they are current.

3 Tips for Becoming a Successful Student

By: Dr. Alton Campbell

1. Treat school like a JOB: you are your own boss.
2. Make CONNECTIONS to faculty and staff.
3. Get INVOLVED in the college and with peers.
Community Resources

The following is a partial list of community offices that are available for you. Please contact Pam Austin for a complete directory of services:

**American Indian Center**, education and job training programs, day care and food bank assistance. To contact, call 509-535-0886.

**Emergency Assistance**, provides basic services for family, and also, financial assistance for gasoline, medicines, utility and miscellaneous needs. To contact, call 509-624-2378.

**Homeless Program**, provides temporary emergency housing. To contact, call 509-456-7106.

**Interfaith Hospitality Network**, provides emergency shelter, meals, and assistance to homeless families. To contact, call 509-747-5487.

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Family Outreach**, provides basic needs assistance, utility assistance, child care, etc. for southeast Spokane residents. To contact, call 509-455-8722.

**Odgen Hall**, provides emergency shelter, meals, clothing bank and medical supplies for low-income women and children. To contact, call 509-327-7737.

**Spokane Housing Authority**, provides rental assistance to low-income families, elderly, disabled and individuals in Spokane, Stevens, Whitman and Pend Oreille counties. Applications and information are available during regular office hours. To contact, call 509-328-2953.

**Work Source Referral Service**, Links business and job seekers together to provide increased employment opportunities for people of color. To contact, call 509-532-3000.

Other Support Services from Spokane Falls Community College:

**Workstudy** - Contact Tammy Messing at 533-4411.

**Student Activities/ Club Information** - Please contact Heather McKenzie at 533-3558

**Career Center/Scholarship Information** - Please contact Vickie Schmitt at 533-3540

**Financial Aid Assistance** - Please contact office at 533-3550

**Early Learning Center** - Please contact office at 533-3624

** Disability and Support Services** - Please contact office at 533-4166

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**Multicultural Leadership Class**

**Item No. 1617**

One credit. There is no textbook for this class. Handouts will provide relevant learning materials. Students will learn by doing, supplemented with assignments. The class instructor will be Pam Austin, counselor. The class schedule is Thursdays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

If you are interested in taking this course, please contact Pam Austin at 533-3546 or e-mail pama@spokanefalls.edu

**Multicultural Orientation Class**

**Item No. 1680**

We are offering a 2-credit class for students who want to succeed in college. The course instructor will be Denise Osei, counselor. The class schedule is Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m.

If you are interested in taking this course, please contact Denise Osei at 533-3219 or e-mail Deniseo@spokanefalls.edu for her signature.
**Multicultural Club Meetings**

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<td><strong>ASIAN CLUB</strong></td>
<td>Ping Ping / Jane Gong</td>
<td>533-3580; 533-4331, SUB, Building 17, room 131</td>
<td>Meeting time will be decided at the first club meeting each quarter.</td>
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Person(s) with a disability requiring any auxiliary accommodations should contact the college. For TTY service call 533-4166. Community colleges of Spokane provides equal opportunity in education and employment.