



RCTC Theatre to Present "Oleanna"

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Yellowjackets Basketball!

Come watch the RCTC Yellowjackets play basketball on Wednesday, 30 Jan, as they host former National Champs Anoka-Ramsey! The women play at 6PM and the men at 8PM. Our women are 6-1 in conference and 18-3 overall; the men are 4-3 in conference and 14-6 overall.

"Oleanna" is a two-character play by David Mamet about the power struggle between a university professor and one of his female students who accuses him of sexual harassment and, by doing so, spoils his chances of being accorded tenure. The play's title, taken from a folk song, refers to a 19th-century escapist vision of utopia. It is intense and cutting edge material.

Interesting to note, our play stars an actual RCTC faculty member, Robert Sanborn along with an actual RCTC student, Helena Osswald as his female co-star.

To bring you even closer to the intense action, the play will be shown "in the round".

Audience members will be seated on stage around the actual performance area. Capacity for each performance is 100. General admission, no reservations are needed. Tickets will be sold at the door, first come-first served, one hour prior to curtain. The play runs approximately one hour with no intermission. Adult content, not intended for children.

Prices are:

\$6.00 for adults and senior citizens.

RCTC/WSU students receive one free ticket with valid student ID.

The play will be shown to RCTC classes during the day at the following times:

- Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 1:00pm
- Thursday, Feb. 14 at 11:00am and 1:00pm
- Friday, Feb. 15 at 11:00am

The general public is invited to attend our evening and weekend performances:

- Friday, Feb. 15 at 7:00pm
- Saturday, Feb. 16 at 7:00pm

After February 8, any remaining seats for the daytime shows will become available to the general public. Please call and inquire about seating availability. We will be happy to accommodate if we can. Call the RCTC Box Office at 507-285-7200, Monday-Friday, for questions and more information.

Nakoma to visit Monday, 28 January 2008

Nakoma Volkman is an artist, writer, lecturer, singer, and traditional dancer. He was one of the founders of the Native American Center of Southeast Minnesota in 1984, and has given over three thousand presentations all over the United States since the 1950's. His strong Anishinabe-Lakota

cultural traditions are reflected in his works and writings, through the verses he composes and the values he expresses.

Nakoma's visit to RCTC was made possible by a grant from the IBM Native American Family Technology Journey to

the RCTC Honors Program.

For more information, contact Dr. Robert Sanborn at Robert.sanborn@roch.edu.

CF 206/208, 5:30-8:00 PM

Admission is free to students and to the public.

Scholarships Available for Next Year



Details of Scholarships and Applications for the 2008-2009 college year are now available at the RCTC Foundation Office (HC 109), RCTC Counseling and Career Center (SS 133) and on the RCTC web site at <http://www.rctc.edu/foundation/html/scholarships.html>. The RCTC Foun-

dation is proud to announce that over 200 scholarships are available to qualifying RCTC future, returning, and graduating RCTC students for the upcoming academic year. Scholarships have a variety of criteria to accommodate the needs of a multitude of students and amounts

range from \$200 to \$2500. Visit the Foundation office, Counseling Center, or RCTC website today. Application deadline is Saturday, March 15, 2008.

Art Gallery Exhibit and Reception



"Bay Window" by Jan Case

"Close to Home", pastels by Jan Huffman Case will be open Monday 21 January through Friday, 7 March 2008.

Ms. Case says, "As an artist I look close to home for inspiration for my work. It's natural for me to choose as my subjects the world I see around me and is a part of me. I grew up in a small town in Iowa and spent many weekends and summer vacations on my grandparents' farm. This connection to the rural Midwest has had a strong influence on my art. I have always

been intrigued by old houses and farm buildings. Over the years they take on a character of their own and seem to settle into their surroundings and become part of the landscape. They have stories to tell. When I was a child I loved to draw, and made up stories to go with the pictures. I think in some ways I am still doing that—striving to impart my compositions with a narrative quality that resonates with the viewer.

Pastel is my medium of choice. I love its sponta-

neous nature and vibrant color. I am very interested in the interplay of light and shadow, and how the quality of light affects the mood of the piece. I am fascinated by deep shadows and the hint of something else going on beneath the surface or out of view.

It is my hope that my work will evoke a response of recognition and allow the viewer to add his or her own story to the narrative."

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Ganza to present “Carbon Policy and Social Justice”

The second event of the UCR Learning Center Think Academic Extravaganza (Ganza) will take place on the evening of January 31st. It is free and open to the public.

As our communities begin to grapple with carbon emissions, how will our decisions and policies affect us? What’s more, how might our policies affect others? Join the Ganza and several community groups as we welcome Larry Lohmann, who will discuss community-based approaches to climate change and their impact for citizens. Mr. Lohmann is a U.S. citizen who works with The Corner House, a research

and solidarity NGO in the U.K. He is also Scholar-in-residence at the Dag Hammarskjold Foundation in Uppsala, Sweden and a prolific author. His latest book is entitled *Carbon Trading: A Critical Conversation on Climate, Change, Privatization and Power* (2006).

Larry Lohmann, will speak at the UCR Campus to share experiences of the failures of carbon trading in Europe, India, Brazil, Uganda and elsewhere. Mr. Lohmann’s presentation will focus on the environmental impacts and the social consequences of some strategies currently proposed to curb carbon emissions. Two ap-

proaches, “carbon trading” and “carbon offsets,” have failed in Europe. He will describe more effective, practical models that communities like our own can begin implementing today for a better tomorrow.

The Learning Center Ganza is working with the following local groups to bring Mr. Lohmann’s presentation to you: SE MN Alliance of Peacemakers, Olmsted Clean Energy Resource Team, Livable Rochester, Global Action, and The Footprint.

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Kenny Salwey to Speak at RCTC

Regional storyteller and philosopher of nature Kenney Salwey, author of “Tales of a River Rat” and “The Last River Rat”, will speak at RCTC on Wednesday, 6 February at 1:00 PM in room MH-223.

His talks unravel the mysteries of the Mississippi River, its natural and human history, and ultimately reveal what the natural world means to him. His stories consist of a unique blend of folksy humor and a phi-

losophy of the natural world.

The event is organized and sponsored by the RCTC Student Senate.



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Get There!

What is Student Life?

VISION: RCTC student life will provide signature world-class opportunities for extra-curricular learning.

MISSION: RCTC student life empowers students by providing leadership opportunities, a diverse learning environment, and building relationships to enhance life-long learning.

The RCTC Student Life program gives students the opportunity to expand their education beyond the traditional classroom. Students who get involved in co-curricular activities tend to do better in the classroom than those who don't get involved. **RCTC students can attend sporting events, concerts and theatre productions free of charge.** All RCTC sponsored events are alcohol and drug free.

In a two-year college, many of the students involved in an activity graduate each year. This means that the opportunity for a freshman to immediately become active is much greater than in a four-year college. Many of the activities may also be taken as a class to earn credit towards a degree. For further information on student activities, call the **Director of Student Life**, E-mail: carol.nurmi@roch.edu or call (507) 285-7204.

Announcements

Students: You are invited to nominate faculty whom you think should be an RCTC Faculty of the Year. This is the second year the College has invited all students to submit nominations. The nomination form is available on D2L. You can send to email address shown on the form, or drop off a paper nomination to SS 212. You must complete the full nomination form (it will take perhaps 5-15 minutes), and all nominations must be in by Friday, February 1, 2008.

RCTC Martial Arts Club meets Mondays from 7:00-9:00 PM in SC 108 (the wrestling room in the Sports Cen-

ter). We do Brazilian jiu-jitsu, kickboxing, boxing, weapons training, sparring, and more. You've already paid your student life fees, so your training is free! You'll also get a free T-shirt if you train with us for a month. Come learn street-effective self-defense in a relaxed atmosphere. Questions? Contact Dr. Steve Bein at steve.bein@roch.edu.

The UCR Learning Center has moved! Visit us in our new location: AT-306 (science still in AT-301). Pick up the drawing form in the Atrium to drop off in the UCR Learning Center for a chance to win a Taher gift certificate or a 2GB flash

drive! Overall hours are 8:00 to 8:00 daily, but discipline-specific hours vary from day to day.

Congratulations to the Fall 2007 Female Athletes who made the Dean's List. We had 19 of our women from our Fall and Spring athletic teams who made the list. Thank you to our faculty for being a part of all of our athletes academic pursuit and for assisting them in a successful educational journey. There were a potential of 46 to make it and to have 19 on the list shows steps in the right direction. Thanks again to all! —*Paula Carlsen, RCTC Co-Athletic Director.*

2nd Semester Service Learning Information

"Rodeo" - January 29th in the Atrium from 10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Non-profit agencies will provide information to students and faculty about volunteer and service learning opportunities and how students could serve and learn at their organization.

Each student will receive a "wanted poster" to complete (must visit a minimum of four non-profit booths) in order to receive a "saddle bag" of goodies.