Women's History Month

Women's History Month began as a local celebration in Santa Rosa, California. The Education Task Force of the Sonoma County (California) Commission on the Status of Women planned and executed a “Women’s History Week” celebration in 1978. The organizers selected the week of March 8 to correspond with International Women's Day. The movement spread across the country as other communities initiated their own Women’s History Week celebrations the following year.

Why purple?

Purple is historically associated with efforts to achieve gender equality. In this context, it was first used alongside green and white as the colors of the Women’s Social and Political Union, the organization that led Britain’s women’s suffrage movement in the early 20th century. For suffragettes fighting for the right to vote, purple represented “the royal blood that flows in the veins of every suffragette”... White represented purity and green represented hope. In the 1960s and 1970s, use of the color was revived by feminists to represent the Women’s Liberation movement as a tribute to the suffragettes.

As I reflect on what Women’s History Month means to me, I think of all the women in my life who have inspired me -- each for different reasons. I am inspired by Harriet Tubman, the women suffrage movement, Sally Ride, Serena Williams, Malala Yousafzai, Greta Thunberg, Kamala Harris, and so many more women including my own grandmother. Women have accomplished so much in every area from athletics to space exhibition to political movements and everything in between. We fought in the wars and cared for soldiers, fought for the right to own property and our own business, fought for the right to vote and other rights all the while working full time and raising our family and caring for children – our own and others.

While women have accomplished so much, we still have much to do! We still do not have equal pay for equal work, we still are fighting for equal opportunity in the workplace and the boardroom, and just last week, a television host, mocked women soldiers. Even though women have served in the military since the American Revolution and more officially since World War II. As a woman who has served in the Army right next to my male counterparts, I was offended and angry that a man who had never served in the service would question my ability to serve my country.

Women’s History Month is 31 days when we all remember those women who inspire us, those upon whose shoulders we stand on, and those whom we mentor to become women who inspire. To all the women both young and old, I challenge you to be an inspiration to those you meet. After all, people do not remember what you say but how you make them feel. Be inspirational!

Dr. Julie Adams
SSCCC, Executive Director
Women's history month to me is about celebrating all the female leaders who have inspired us in every field and every era as well as those that inspire us in our daily lives. It is about recognizing how far we have come in terms of giving women basic equal rights to life, voting, running for office, and especially education. But it is also about recognizing that there is still so much work to be done, including the fight to ensure that these rights are given to every woman no matter what part of the world they reside in and other issues like equal pay. In our community college system, this is the time to really empower our female student leaders and celebrate their academic achievements in the workforce.

Katherine Squire  
SSCCC, Executive Vice President

When I think about my experience as a woman, I think about how I would always try to contest my strength to my male counterparts. In the 4th grade when the teacher would ask for some strong boys to help move some items, I’d be the first to hop out of my seat and volunteer. Gender roles were very prominent in my household growing up, so I always liked to make my relatives’ eyes roll when I’d play in the dirt with my plastic dinosaurs and snakes. On a more serious note, I’ve felt that in my professional experience that my male counterparts are treated more fairly and reprimanded less. Misogyny is not just a cis problem. Trans women and our non-binary friends need our support more than ever. I hope that during Women’s History Month we can all do our part to amplify women’s voices be sure to wear shoes because there’s glass everywhere!

Brianna Ross  
SSCCC, Vice President of Communications
Hello Region II friends!

With many colleges passing the mid-term period for this semester, let us celebrate the growth we made together as a community. My highest accolades are reserved for you all because of your displayed dedication and initiative for our students. The continued progression we are making is exceptional.

*My name is Sergio Maciel and I am the delegate of Solano College.* The COVID pandemic has impacted the mental health of many of our students. At Solano, we offer resources for those who are deserving of help.

Our college offers free mental health wellness workshops every week, and our student body is in the process of establishing a forum where students may voice their concerns and be connected with additional resources.

While Solano courses are virtual this year, our students continue to maintain a strong sense of community. Recently, we celebrated Black History Month and virtually hosted Black leaders across the nation for panel discussions and presentations. We are now celebrating Women’s History Month at Solano. Representing a diverse college campus, I feel a great sense of pride to represent a student body that works tirelessly to ensure that all students feel appreciated for their identity and motivated to invest in themselves.

For more information about Solano College and our hardworking SBA, please visit our website.
SBA Election Resources

Click on each college name or resource to see further information about the Election in your respective student body association.

American River College
Application | Other Resources

Columbia College
Policies | Constitution and Bylaws

Cosumnes River College
Application | Election Info | Other Resources

Folsom Lake College
Application | Election Info | Other Resources

Lake Tahoe College*
Application | Other Resources

*Mendocino College
Resources

Napa Valley College*
Resources

Sacramento City College
Election Info | Other Resources

San Joaquin Delta College
Election Info

Sierra College
Constitution | Bylaws | Election Info

Solano College*
Resources

Woodland College
Election Info | Constitution | Bylaws

Yuba College*
Resources

Los Rios Community College District
Student Trustee Application | Other Resources

*the information/website is yet to be updated.
**Important Dates**

Click on each resource for further information.

**March 26-28, 2021**

**2021 Spring SSCCC General Assembly**

"Growth Through Resiliency"

**Resources:**
- Outline/Schedule of the General Assembly
- Resolution Packet
- Election Process and Candidate Statement

**April 3, 2021 (12:00 P.M.)**

**Statewide Regional Election Webinar**

**April 11-12, 2021 (11:00 A.M. –2:00 P.M.)**

**Region II Retreat**

The Region II Spring Retreat will include guest speakers, Parli-Pro and Brown Act training, regional election Q&A panel, and Advocacy in April/lobby training.

**April 14, 2021 (9:00 A.M.–3:00 P.M.)**

**Advocacy in April**

**Resources:**
- RSVP Form
- Student Challenges Survey

**April 23, 2021 (11:59 P.M.)**

**Regional Officers Election Application**

The eligibility application and candidacy statement for regional officer candidates are due on Friday, April 23, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.

**May 21, 2021 (11:59 P.M.)**

**Region II Election**

Region II delegates will be electing the new regional officer for A.Y. 2021-2022. The opened positions include Regional Affairs Director, Legislative Affairs Director, Vice Chair, Treasurer, and Communications Officer.
Regional Meetings

Executive Board
Our Regional Executive Board meets the 1st Friday every month at 4:00 P.M. Members of the committee provide updates within their role as well as bring up information that should be discussed during Delegate Assembly.

Delegate Assembly
Our Regional Delegate Assembly is for all thirteen colleges within the Region to discuss and vote on issues or the entire region. Delegates meet every 3rd Friday of the month at 5:00 P.M.
RAD Jenn Galinato: radregionii@studentsenateccc.org

Internal Affairs Committee
The Internal Affairs committee works on reviewing the Regional governing documents. Providing assistance to all Region constituents concerning the Resolutions process for General Assembly. Members of the committee meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 5:00 P.M.
RAD Jenn Galinato: radregionii@studentsenateccc.org

Legislative Affairs Committee
The Legislative Affairs Committee prepares for legislative visits to legislators in the Region. The committee meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at 5:00 P.M.
LAD Jasmine Prasad: ladregionii@studentsenateccc.org

Communications Committee
The Communications Committee works on creating and disseminating the monthly Region Newsletter along with planning both regional retreats and events. Members of the committee meet on the 1st and 3rd Friday of every month at 11:30 P.M.
Comms Officer Kelvin Chan: comsregionii@studentsenateccc.org

Finance Committee
The Finance Committee works on creating an annual budget for the region along with planning fundraising events. Members of the committee meet on the 1st and 4th Sunday of every month at 12:00 P.M.
Treasurer Inderpal Dhaliwal: treasurerregionii@studentsenateccc.org

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