



# The EDGE Bi-Monthly

## Our New Director

January / February

The EDGE Program welcomes Jacque Boyer as our new director. In her position as Director Jacque will be responsible for coordinating the activities involved in the program. She also will serve as the program liaison with campus departments, public schools and community groups.

Jacque has more than 25 years experience in education. Prior to San Juan College, Jacque has served as the Director of Career and Technical Education in several K-12 school districts in southern Arizona. She obtained her Bachelors degree from the University of Arizona in Business/Marketing Education and completed her Master's degree at Northern Arizona University in Education Leadership.



As the new Director of EDGE, Jacque's vision is to increase student awareness or the benefits of being a participant in the program and to emphasize relationships throughout the learning college that support student recruitment and retention.

Jacque is currently living in Mancos and has three children; two of which were former students at San Juan. Her youngest daughter, Kayln, is a junior at Mancos High School. She hopes her daughter will continue the tradition and start her secondary education at the college. During her off-hours from driving and work, Jacque enjoys hiking, skiing, and playing Frisbee with her dogs. As far as how the commuting is going, Jacque says " with audio books and satellite radio—it's all good! And, it is better than Phoenix traffic!"

### Special points of interest:

- New Director
- Martin Luther King Day
- Apple Blossom Pow-Wow
- ESCAPE Club

## Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Marcia Sterling, the Student Activities Specialist, along with Ardella Troy, an Advisor at EDGE, were asked to organize a week of activities celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. also singers, Congo drummers, a Unity Hip Hop Choir performance, poetry, and Native American dancers. Together We Are Better was a huge success.



Monday Jan. 21st was a showing of a film on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. along with refreshments.

On Wednesday there was a Poetry Slam in the Learning Commons and Friday Jan. 25th there was a big celebration called "Together We Are Better." Jo Ellen Redman was the keynote speaker. There were

Marcia Sterling, Ardella Troy and Intern Dale were also on local radio programs during the week to promote the MLK events and festivities going on at San Juan College.

*Thanks to Marcia and Ardella for all their hard work putting this event together!*

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## Apple Blossom Pow-Wow

McGee Park Coliseum  
Saturday, April 19, 2008.

Join us for an event full of music, food, rich color, dancing and crafts. Sponsored by the SJC, UTC, and NAC.

**General admission:** \$5

**Children under 5 yrs:** \$1

**Senior Citizens & persons with disabilities:** \$4

### Schedule of Events:

Doors open: 10:00am

Gourd Dancing : 10:00am

Grand Entry: 1:00pm-7:00pm

### **EMCEE:**

Elvin Keeswood

**Arena Director:**  
Dewayne Harris

**Head Gourd Dancer:**

Christopher Houser

**Head Gourd Drum:**

Long Walk Descendants

Contest Divisions: Tiny Tots, Juniors, Adults, Seniors, and Drum groups

Dance Divisions: Jingle, Fancy Shawl, Traditional, (northern/southern) Fancy, and grass

**For More Information, contact the Native American Center at:**

**San Juan College  
Farmington, NM 87402  
Tel: (505) 566-3321 or  
(505) 566-3357  
Fax: (505) 566-3540**

## EDGE

### Members:

**Be sure to come and check out your very own ESCAPE Club Booth at the Apple Blossom Pow-Wow.**

**Call EDGE for more information or to volunteer.**

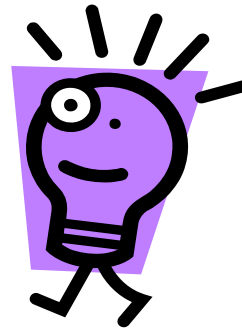


## Workshops for February

- Math Q & A Sessions:**

Bring your questions about Math 050, 095, 096, 115, and 130 on **Wednesday 20, 2008 from 1-2 pm** in the EDGE Office, room 1416, presented by Beth Gonzales.

*All workshops are open to everyone.*



## SPRING 2008 Events at SJC

### January

- 14- First day of classes
- 14- Student Senate 3:00 pm
- 16- Blood Drive 11:00 am-4:00 pm
- 21- MLK, Jr. Day 10:00 am-1:00 pm Student Activities
- 25- MLK, Jr. Celebration 6:30-9:00pm Little Theater

### February

- 7- Chinese New Year 11:00am-1:00pm
- 8- Family Movie Night 6:00 pm
- 11- Student Senate 3:00 pm
- 18- President's Day (campus closed)

### March

- 8- Senior Prom 6:30-9:30 pm
- 10- student senate 3:00 pm
- 17-21- Apple Blossom week
- 18- Blood Drive 11:00 am-4:00 pm
- 18- Apple Blossom Open Mike 11:30 am-1:30 pm
- 19- Chili cook-off 11:30 am-1:00 pm
- 19- Family Movie Night 6:00 pm
- 20- Jail-n-Bail
- 24-28- *Spring Break!!*
- 28- Spring Holiday for Staff

### April

- 14- Student Senate 3:00 pm
- 25- Family Movie Night
- 28- awards Reception
- 30- Last Day of Instruction

### May

- 1-7 final exams
- 7- Last day of final exams**
- May 10- graduation

**“He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often, and loved much.”**  
**—Bessie Stanley**

## ESCAPE CLUB

Hello. I would like to welcome back all the returning EDGE participants and say 'Hello' and 'Welcome' to all of the new EDGE participants.

If you are new to EDGE you may not realize that, when you became a member of EDGE, you automatically became a member of the E.S.C.A.P.E. Club, too. Yep, that's right. Automatically..... and ya didn't even have to do a thing.

I want to ask all of you to come to our next meeting, which will be held **Friday morning 9:00 am, February 22**, in the EDGE office, Room 1416. And for you sleep-challenged people, we will have Paul Berg (our Senate Rep) make the coffee. Oh, yeah, guaranteed to put the sparkle back in your eye.... Or the fire in your tummy. We will be discussing fundraisers, but most importantly we will be taking nominations for several officer positions.

E.S.C.A.P.E. stands for Edge Students Continuously Achieving Personal Excellence. That's what we do. We strive to achieve personal excellence....and we have FUN doing it.... We do everything from collecting Yoplait yogurt lids to make a donation for Breast Cancer Research (which we got over 300 this year), to collecting food for ECHO Food Bank over the Holidays. We take part in the Halloween Carnival. In the past we have auctioned off our own 'hotties' on Valentine's Day, we have gone skiing up at Purgatory, and we have even gone and sat in the hot springs.

This year we need some fresh ideas on how to raise the money to do those things, and even more ideas of what to do with the money after we raise it.

If you are serious about your education, and you must be or you wouldn't be a member of EDGE, then remember, activities like ours look really good on your extra-curricular activities. Come join us. Get involved. This is your club, too. And if you have any desire to become an officer, let us know. We are a fun bunch of people to work and play with.

As I like to say,

Let's all plan our E.S.C.A.P.E. – to that better place,

Jeanice Hays  
E.S.C.A.P.E. Club  
President



## United Way and Big Brothers & Big Sisters of San Juan County

I would like to give a shout out to Big Brothers and Big Sisters, as well as the United Way, for their hard work and dedication in helping the families and children of San Juan County.



Ardella Troy, Advisor,  
EDGE Program

**Need another reason to sleep in....**



**Most heart attacks happen between the hours of 8 and 9 am.**

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**“Let no man pull you low enough to hate him.”**

**-Martin Luther King Jr.**

**US black civil rights leader & clergyman (1929-1968)**

## The Write Way to Email!

Here is an effective way to send a message through email. It comes from the staff notes newsletter that is sent to all the faculty and staff at San Juan College.

In the article "Effective Emailing" by Dr. Andi Penner, who is an Associate Professor of English here on campus, points out five ways to send a successful email.

**1. Write a specific subject line.** She suggests that you write a subject line that tells a little bit about your message.

**2. Limit the message to one sub-**

**ject.** Talk about the subject that is in the subject line. For example if my subject line is "advice on how to bake a cake" I am only going to talk about how I need help on how to bake a cake and not go off on a tangent and talk about other nonsense.

**3. Limit the message to one screen.** Keep the message short and sweet. Nobody likes to read a long message.

**4. Keep the message clear.** Get to the point. She says to give all the information that you think the reader might need to under-

stand what you are asking or saying.

**5. Send it to yourself first.** She suggests that you send the email to yourself so that if you by chance lose it, you can re-email it. Also, you can see how it looks when you get it (sort of like a print preview), and are able to make necessary corrections before you send it.

## Email

Don't forget to check and clean your email inbox. San Juan College instructors and the EDGE Program communicate through email to their students, so it is very important to look at your college email daily.



## C.P.E. News (what is a CPE????)

For any of you who are wondering what a CPE is, here is how Brian Cox explains it:

*"A CPE, in a nut shell, is a friend. Someone who will help you troubleshoot your way through life, a sounding board for life's problems, and someone who will help find where to look when you need answers. Sometimes we are just a new friend in a strange place."*

**For those who are interested in being a CPE, there will be a meeting on Feb. 29, 2008 @ 2:15 pm in the EDGE.**

**"The greatest healing therapy is friendship and love."  
—Hubert Humphrey**

**Bet you can't say this 3 times, fast.....**

**"The sixth sick sheik's sixth sheep's sick" is said to be the toughest tongue twister in the English language.**

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## Top 9 EDGE Services Available to You!

1. Academic Advising/Counseling: one-on-one assistance with general studies/major requirements, course selections, graduation. Information, resources, and tools critical for academic success are available for all EDGE participants.
2. Peer Tutoring/Academic Support programs: one-on-one tutoring and group sessions are available from one of our trained peer tutors and Faculty Mentors. Some of the subject areas are: Math, Physics, Chemistry, Computers, English, Psychology, Sociology, etc.
3. Academic & Personal Workshops: each semester academic workshops are available to all EDGE participants to help reach academic & personal goals. Some of those workshops are: reading, note taking, writing skills, test taking strategies, math anxiety, personality types, communication skills, self-esteem, disabilities, goal setting, time management, relationships, stress management, and money management.
4. Financial Aid Counseling: guidance and support in successfully accessing financial assistance.
5. Career/Major Counseling: assistance and guidance in identifying and selecting a major/career.
6. Transfer Counseling: information and assistance in preparing to transfer to another institution.
7. Certified Peer Educators: Trained and experienced student mentors available as a resource to new students.
8. Cultural and University Enrichment: access to culturally and socially enriching activities. University visiting tours and information sessions on 4 year institutions.
9. Computer Lab: computers are available in our lab for EDGE participants. Computer assistance is also available in a variety of programs.

## EDGE Newbies.....



**Alberta Baker**



**Corey Blackie**



**Harrison John**



**Sarah Nicholson**



**Jillian Woodis**



**Stephanie Martinez**



**Brian Weick**



**Amy Wilson**



**Katrina Bosley**



**Ericka Strom**



**Matthew Roufberg**



**Steven Davenport**



**Virginia Jim**



**Erica Cannon**



**Crystal Borunda**



**Kathlyn Aloysuis**



**Echo Thomas**



**Reginald Hall**

*Join us in welcoming the new Participants of the  
EDGE program!*

## Faculty Mentor Schedule

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00am to 10am					
10am to 11:00am		Don Hyder		Don Hyder	Don Hyder
11:30 to 1pm	Don Hyder (12:45)		Don Hyder (12:45)		
1pm to 2pm	Beth Gonzales	Eric Bateman	Beth Gonzales		
2pm to 2:30					
2:30 to 3:30		Michele Berkey			
3:30 to 4pm					
4pm to 5pm	John Burris				
<b>Don Hyder</b>	<b>Biology and Chem 110</b>				
<b>Beth Gonzales</b>	<b>Math 115</b>				
<b>Michele Berkey</b>	<b>chem. &amp; math (intro. thru calculus I)</b>				
<b>John Burris</b>	<b>Geology &amp; Chem 110</b>				



*Did you know.....*

**French was the official language of England for over 600 years.**  
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## What is Talent Search?

Talent Search is the sister Trio Student Support Service Program of the Edge Program. It is a federally funded program and operated at San Juan College. It is a no-cost voluntary program for eligible students and families. The Talent Search program identifies and assists individuals from diverse backgrounds who have the potential to succeed in higher education. The program provides academic, career, and financial counseling to its participants and encourages them to graduate from high school and continue on to the secondary school of their choice. Talent Search also serves high school dropouts by encouraging them to re-enter the educational system and complete their education. The goal of Talent Search is to increase the number of youth who complete high school and enroll in the college or university of their choice.

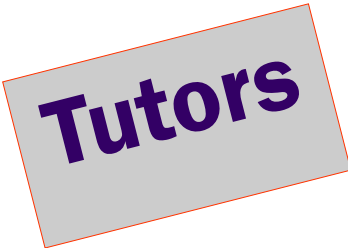


## EDGE PEER TUTOR SCHEDULE SPRING 2007 (As of 2/11/2008)

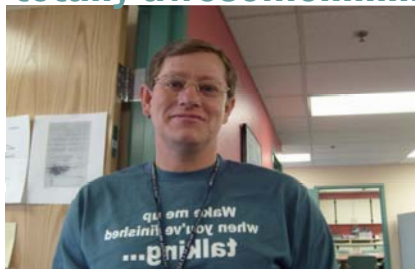
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:00-8:30	Paul & Brian W.	Brian	Paul & Brian W.	Brian	Brian W. & Paul
8:30-9:00	Paul & Brian W.	Brian	Paul & Brian W.	Brian	Brian W. & Paul
9:00-9:30	Paul & Brian W.	Brian	Paul & Brian W.	Brian	Brian W. & Paul
9:30-10:00	Paul & Patricia		Paul		Brian W. & Paul
10:00-10:30	Brian & Patricia	Paul	Brian		Brian W.
10:30-11:00	Brian	Paul	Brian		Brian W.
11:00-11:30	Brian	Paul	Brian		Brian & Brian W.
11:30-12:00	Brian	Paul	Brian		Brian
12:00-12:30	Paul	Paul	Paul		Brian & Leila
12:30-1:00	Paul	Paul	Paul		Brian & Leila
1:00-1:30	Paul & Patricia	Brian W.	Paul	Brian W.	Brian & Leila
1:30-2:00	Brian, Paul & Patricia	Brian W.	Brian & Paul	Brian W.	Brian & Leila
2:00-2:30	Brian, Paul & Patricia	Brian W.	Brian & Paul	Brian W.	Brian & Brian W.
2:30-3:00	Brian & Paul	Brian W. & Paul	Brian & Paul	Brian W. & Paul	Brian & Brian W.
3:00-3:30	Brian	Brian W. & Paul	Brian	Brian W. & Paul	Brian & Brian W.
3:30-4:00	Brian & Brian W.	Brian W. & Paul	Brian & Brian W.	Brian W. & Paul	Brian & Brian W.
4:00-4:30	Brian & Brian W.	Brian W. & Paul	Brian & Brian W.	Brian W. & Paul	Tutor Meeting
4:30-5:00	Brian	Brian W. & Paul	Brian	Brian W. & Paul	Tutor Meeting
<b>Brian C. (20)</b>	ENGL (111,211) MATH (095,096) PSYC (120) SPCH (111) BIOL (121,252) SOCI (110) HITP (110)				
<b>Paul (20)</b>	ENGL (050, 096, 099, 111) MATH (050, 095, 096, 115, 185) CHEM (110, 111)				
<b>Brian W. (20)</b>	ENGL (050, 095, 099, 111, 218) MATH (050, 095, 096, 115, 185) PHYS (111) CHEM (110, 111, 112) BIOL (121) HIST (122) PHIL (110)				
<b>Leila (V)</b>	ENGL (050, 095, 099, 111, 211, 252) PSYC (120, 230, 265) SOCI (110, 215) SPCH (111) GEOL (110) HIST (212)				
<b>Patricia (V)</b>	ENGL(050, 095, 099, 111, 211, 218,261, 262) PSYC(110, 230)MATH(050, 095, 096, 115, 121, 130)MTRN(110, 120, 130, 140)HIST (121, 211, 212)				
<b>Stacey (20)</b>	ENGL (050, 095, 099, 111, 211) MATH (050, 095, 096) PSYC (120, 230, 240, 245, 265) BIOL (121, 224, 252)				

Stacey's hours: Tuesday 2/19/08 8:30- 5:00      Friday 2/22/08 8:30-11:30  
 Monday 2/25/08 8:30- 5:00      Tuesday 2/26/08 3:15- 5:00  
 Thursday 2/28/08 3:15- 5:00      Friday 2/29/08 8:30- 5:00

Three of our totally awesome.....



Brian C.



Here are a few of the new tutors who have vowed to help the students of the EDGE Program succeed in their classes.

If you are wondering on what days they can help you, look at the top of the page to see their schedules.



Brian W.







Paul

**Person of the Month**

**Eppie Ulliberri**  
Come On Down  
Claim your prize  
at the EDGE  
office.

# February 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 	15	16
17	18 	19	20 	21	22 	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 	

### Schedule of Events

- Valentines day
- Presidents Day—no classes
- Workshop—Math Q&A Session
- ESCAPE Club Meeting 9:00 am
- CPE Meeting 2:15

*More monopoly money is printed yearly than real money throughout the world.*



## Tips from the Advisor

Here are some helpful tips or tidbits from Valerie high school student, too.)

that might help you or participants in your studies.

The following are a few helpful tools I've put in my bag of tricks that might benefit our students:

When I was an EDGE participant, Brooks gave a workshop on Learning Styles. Being a student (and a teacher), I'm a BIG believer in the fact that we do not all learn the same way.

You can access the following website and take a "learning styles inventory" for yourself. After taking the test, you can "dig" deeper and find helpful hints in studying for your specific style.

<http://www.learning-styles-online.com/inventory/>

I actually found the next site while preparing for my interview for the program. This site has LOTS of helpful tips on math, writing, note taking, study skills, organization, etc. After getting into the site, click on "I am a student". I find that utilizing the "Main Menu" (in the lower left-hand corner) is much user-friendly (again, click on "student").

Then you click on whatever topic you need help with and go from there! (Parents, this would be helpful for your middle/

<http://coe.jmu.edu/Learningtoolbox/>

Need graph paper? A student showed me this link:

[http://www.mathematicshelpcentral.com/graph\\_paper.htm](http://www.mathematicshelpcentral.com/graph_paper.htm)

As for "words of wisdom", I'm always on the lookout for something inspirational. This is what I found last week:

"When God takes something from your grasp, He's not punishing you, but merely opening your hands to receive something better."



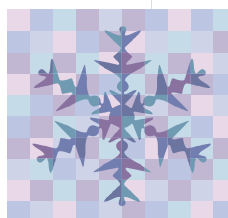
### Winter

By Julie C. Smith

Bare trees grow new icicles

Crystal clear and pure

Winters skeletal beauty



**Hey everybody !  
We need some help!  
If you want you too can put a poem, a short story, information you need people to know...etc. into the newsletter. Give all submissions to Julie at the front desk or email them to Julie at smithj@sanjuancollege.edu.**

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