Ferrell wins 2010 Miss Caprock Scholarship Pageant
Patrea Ferrell of Lubbock was named 2010 Miss Caprock Friday (Nov. 20) during the 52nd annual Miss Caprock Scholarship Pageant at South Plains College. Ferrell represented North Sue Hall at SPC. She received a $500 scholarship along with the crown and sash.

“It would be an honor for me to be blessed to be named Miss Caprock,” Ferrell said. “I’ve never been in a pageant before. Go Texans!”

Ferrell is the daughter of Mish Manahan of Lubbock. She is a freshman at SPC majoring in marketing.

Chantelle Duran, 24, of Plano was named first runner-up and will receive a $300 scholarship. Second runner-up was Kirstie Avery, 18, of Levelland; Miranda Casas, 19, of Levelland was named third runner-up and Chicagra Brown, 20, of Matador rounded out the top five.

Julie Gerstenberger served as Mistress of Ceremonies with entertainment provided by Kate Hearne and Sydney Wright.

There were 18 contestants nominated by SPC clubs, organizations or residence halls who competed for the title.

SPC Theatre to present ‘A Grand Night for Singing’ Dec. 3-5
The South Plains College Theatre Department will present “A Grand Night for Singing” at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 3-5 in the Helen DeVitt Jones Theatre for the Fine Arts. Dessert will be served nightly at 7 p.m. Tickets cost $20 for adults and $15 for students. Seating is limited, and reservations are recommended.

According to the Rodgers & Hammerstein website, taste and imagination – the two key ingredients for a first-rate revue – abound in this fresh take on the artistic set conceived by Tony Award winner Walter Bobbie. After more than 30 years, this Rodgers & Hammerstein musical opened the 1994 Broadway season and earned two Tony nominations, including Best Musical.

The cast of “A Grand Night for Singing” will include Jessica Griffin, Rob Guajardo, Anna Hogan, Joel Ison, Nicole Keeling and Anna M. Waldrip. The show is directed by Daniel K. Nazworth, assistant professor of Theatre Arts, with musical direction by Jon Johnson, professor of Music.

Reservations will be accepted beginning Nov. 30. To make reservations, call (806) 716-2206 or email dnazworth@southplainscollege.edu.
### Upcoming events

**November**
- 23 – Lady Texans vs. Wayland Baptist @ 6 p.m., Texan Dome
- 24 – Country Jukebox @ 12:15 p.m., Tom T. Hall Studio
- 24 – Men’s Basketball @ Lubbock Christian JV, 5 p.m., Rip Griffin Center
- 25-27 – Thanksgiving Break
- 27 – Men’s Basketball @ Collin County, 8 p.m., Plano, Texas

**December**
- 1 – Christmas Tree Lighting @ 5:15 p.m., Entrance to SPC
- 5 – Men’s Basketball @ Weatherford College @ 4 p.m., Weatherford, Texas
- 5 – Lady Texans @ Temple College @ 2 p.m., Temple, Texas
- 6 – SPC Choir/Brass Choir Concert @ 6 p.m., Christ United Methodist

### South Plains College announces spring 2010 registration

South Plains College will host registration on its Levelland, Plainview Center, Byron Martin Advance Technology Center and Reese Center campus locations Jan. 12-14.

Spring classes begin Jan. 19.

SPC Plainview Center, located at 1920 W. 24th St., will offer spring registration from 5 to 6:30 p.m. on Jan. 12 in the Main Office. No permit is required.

Registration for technical majors only at the Byron Martin ATC, 3201 Ave. Q, is set for 5 to 6:30 p.m. on Jan. 12 in the Main Office. Although no permit is required, students should be admitted to SPC with transcripts on file to be eligible to register.

The Levelland campus will offer registration for orientation students from 1:30 to 2 p.m. on Jan. 13 in the Technology Center. Normal registration will be from 2 to 5:30 p.m. Registration permit is required. To obtain a permit, call (806) 894-9611, ext. 2578 or 2572.

Registration for Reese Center and the Byron Martin ATC will be from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Jan. 14. Permits will be required. To obtain a permit, call (806) 885-3048, ext. 2902 or 4660. Registration will be in SPC Building 8 at the Reese Center.

Late registration on all campuses will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Jan. 19 and Jan. 20. On the Levelland, Byron Martin ATC and Reese campuses, students should report to the Counseling Center. On the Plainview campus, students must report to the Main Office.

All students must bring the following items to registration: time permit, pen or pencil, valid driver’s license, vehicle registration information and form of payment for tuition and fees.

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18 – James Hardy
Donovan Kauffman
19 – Edwin Marsh
Roland Moreira
James Shaw
22 – Donna Ham
23 – Kathy Holster
25 – Elise Browne
Erma Prieto
26 – Adrian Alfaro
Richard Herbert
Carol McDonald
Gracie Quinonez
28 – Maria Prieto
Susan Rushing
29 – Peggy Skinner
30 – Natalie Bryant

### December
- 3 – Tara Strawn
- 5 – Bart Sanders
- 6 – Carmen Herrera

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South Plains College Financial Aid Advisor Veronica Smith is one of the sponsors for the International Students Organization. The organization has conducted five meetings this semester and hosted a Thanksgiving lunch on Friday. Smith, who is also an international from the Czech Republic, watches as Nigerians Chika Keazor, second from left, and Uchenna Nduesorouwa color pictures. Afzal Ahroru of Tajikistan, right, president of ISO, plays on the computer while Tri Nguyen of Vietnam and Trace Thomas (back row) look on. (Staff Photo/Wes Underwood)
**Ritchie places first at state triathlon**

South Plains College Professor of Psychology Bill Ritchie recently placed first in the Texas State Senior Games Triathlon for men 60 to 64. In a competition that featured more than 750 runners, Ritchie claimed top honors.

Ritchie trained for two months although he was already in shape because of his bicycling routine. He recently competed in the national bicycle event earlier this year.

Ritchie decided to go to the state triathlon after he had placed first in his age group during the SPC Triathlon. He had not competed in a triathlon in eight years.

“I am fast on the bike, which is a big advantage, and I used to be a distance runner and a lifeguard when I was young,” said Ritchie.

Next year, Ritchie plans to compete in the National Championship Triathlon in late September.

“If I do well at nationals and I am still in good health, then I plan on going to the World Championship in two years,” said Ritchie.

With each stage of the triathlon, Ritchie placed first in the bicycling, second in the running and 17th place in swimming.

Ritchie said his main motivation for participating in triathlons is a way to stay in shape.

“I like doing active activities like hiking, sky diving and canoeing,” said Ritchie. “I like doing things at the drop of a hat. And by setting myself up to be in these events, it helps me stay in shape.”

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**SPC to host annual Christmas Tree Lighting event on Dec. 1**

South Plains College will host its annual Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony at 5:15 p.m. on Dec. 1 at the entrance to the college. The event is free and open to the public.

The evening will begin with students from local schools singing traditional Christmas carols. Levelland Christian School students will sing at 5:15 p.m. ABC School students will perform at 5:30 p.m. South Elementary School students will sing at 5:45 p.m.

Dr. Kelvin Sharp, President of South Plains College, will light the tree at 6 p.m.

Santa Claus is expected to arrive by way of a fire truck. Participants will be able to visit with Santa in the Snack Bar area of the Student Center.

Hot chocolate, coffee, wassail, cookies and doughnuts will be served.

If case of inclement weather, the program will be moved inside to the Sundown Room.

For more information, contact the Student Activities Office at (806) 716-2377.