

Moorpark With Payton

Payton Robinson, President of the Associated Students at Moorpark College



Transitioning from leisure days surfing off the Pacific Coast to a fast-paced classroom setting is always a challenge for Moorpark College students. This is why the first month of classes always tend to feel the longest. However, not everyone had the luxury of spending their days on the beach this past summer. Since late July, Andrew Lopez, the new Associated Student Body President of Moorpark College (my successor), has been working with his teammates to make student life at Moorpark feel more like summer.

This September, students will be able to start engaging in the greater campus community thanks to CLUB RUSH! Usually, students would have to wait until the second half of this month to get involved, but this year Andrew's team has turned on the accelerator to strengthen the feelings of culture and community on our commuter campus.

Here are the details:

September 11 and 12
10:00 to 3:00 p.m. each day
All Along Raider Walk

In light of our fellow citizens who were lost on September 11th, Veterans Club will be organizing an all-day event coinciding with Club Rush located in the Quad. Since I spoke to Andrew after his meeting with the new Veterans Club President, Andrew mentioned "Veterans Club is planning to be highly involved on campus this coming semester." Seeing these once small student communities increase their level of campus involvement is a good sign that Moorpark will be filled with fun events

for the year ahead. Another thing our clubs love to do is get involved in the community. We hope to find community members that can help our students grow and become locally engaged. Whether you are Moorpark College alumni, a retired lawyer, or a generous philanthropist, your knowledge and time is of great value to us. Please do not hesitate to send me an email at MCASPresident@vcccd.edu if you're interested in enhancing hundreds of driven students' lives.

Simi Valley Campaign Kicks Off

Serious contenders to Simi Valley's Mayoral and City Council seats have arrived to help make the city a more successful place to live, work, and do business. They want to keep what's great about Simi Valley while tackling the ongoing systemic problems plaguing the city.

On August 11, 2018, Dawn Grey, Ruth Luevanos, and Phil Loos launched their united kickoff event for the Mayoral and City Council seats respectively. The candidates are working to energize the city's business climate, which has been hurt by the recent losses of key partners and employers.

All three candidates are working together to launch their races on

Saturday, August 11. Their campaigns are united under their slogan, "Our Community, Our Families,

Our Future." Dawn Gray has been a fixture in the community for 24 years and is running for the vacant Mayor's seat, bringing her 30 years of professional finance work to bear on the city's budget. She knows with her financial background she can balance the city's budget properly and strengthen the community she loves and lives in. Ruth Luevanos is a veteran educator with 18 years of experience and is a mother of two. She is working to ensure that other families in the city feel safe and welcome, along with ensuring the city has a welcoming business climate

for investment. To provide every child in Simi Valley the future promised to them, she wants to focus the council on educational issues, ensuring students get the resources they need, and building a thriving business climate where jobs are plentiful to support the city's growing demands. Phil Loos is fully invested in the future of Simi Valley and he is a professional in the Healthcare industry raising his two kids in the city he loves. His faith strengthens him in his resolve to change the city's outlook and the principles that lay within call him to service for a cause greater than himself. He believes that on the council he would put greater emphasis on listening to the city's residents.

The candidates are backed by a coalition of long-term residents of Simi Valley, who, after noticing a deteriorating business climate and a number of other challenges facing the city, mobilized into action. They are a grassroots team of organized citizens with a plan to support and serve "Our Community, Our Families, and Our Future" as stated by their slogan. They are primarily financed by individual citizens who share their dream for a new way forward, and [are] supported by friends and family. Together they have mobilized a mass of core members who are working to lead the different efforts required to support three campaigns.

Theater Review – Private Lives

by Charles Foster Carmichael

The Camarillo Skyway Playhouse presents Noël Coward's *Private Lives*, a comedy of manners in the same vein as *The Importance of Being Earnest*, by witty one-liners, feisty characters, and a rather absurd plot that masks serious underlying social commentary. It follows divorced couple Elyot and Amanda Chase, played by Alan Wasserman and Genevieve Levin, who end up honeymooning with their new spouses, Sybil and Victor, played by Lauren Sika and Bill Sweeney, in adjacent hotel suites in France. When Elyot and Amanda meet on the hotel balcony, they realize a five-year absence from one another has sparked, rather than dimmed, the flames of attraction.

The roles of Elyot and Amanda are somewhat iconic and have been played by stage and film heavyweights like Richard Burton, Alan Rickman, Elizabeth Taylor, and Maggie Smith. Because so much of the show relies on the interaction between the divorced couple, it's important they have a convincing relationship. Fortunately, Wasserman and Levin are a splendid match. The two have a natural on-stage chemistry, and much of the humor throughout the play is based on their tête-à-tête. Levin plays a sassy, magnetizing, free-spirited Amanda, and Wasserman embodies the charismatic, spontaneous, and sometimes boorish Elyot.

As the unfortunate newlywed spouses of the leading pair, both do an admiral

job. Zika plays the irresistible young, naive, and ditzsy Sybil, but reveals a more complex side near the end of the show; while Sweeney is the nervous, upper-class-twit Victor; both having marvelous comic versatility. Rounding out the cast is Teresa Secor, who plays Louise, a French-only speaking Parisian maid and, although on stage for only a short time, capitalizes on her limited role with laughable results.

Mark Heulitt and Dean Johnson directed, with each humorous moment played to its fullest potential. The unfolding and practical set designs are by Dean Johnson and the sumptuous costumes are by Erin Heulitt.


Private Lives is a seductive, lively, entertaining British farce that, at its core, is so rooted in human nature that it doesn't feel dated or irrelevant, and given the nostalgia of the 1930's setting, makes it all the more charming.

What You Need To Know

Private Lives
8/17 to 9/16
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