**Exemplary/Innovative Program 2008**

**Kids’ College**

Last summer, 664 children came to Stark State College for Kids’ College 2008. Last year’s program expanded from three to four weeks and attracted a record number of participants. The Kids’ College Program went international with its first foreign students. Sean Kendall, a 7 year-old from Ireland, attended one week while his family was in the US visiting relatives. Amanda Montemayor, 12, lives in Spain. She came to visit her grandfather in Massillon this summer and also attended Kids’ College...

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**Continuing Education Offers New Classes for Spring**

The continuing education office is offering several new classes in the spring semester. In the IT certification area, joining Server 2008 classes will be certification preparation classes in Microsoft SQL Server 2005 Database, Oracle Database SQL Certified Expert, Building a Data Warehouse and Data Mining and the CIW Associate Design Specialist Certification. Other new classes available include:

- **Business/Management**: Everybody Wins, Turning Conflict into Collaboration
- **Corporate Muscle and Your Small Business Office**
- **Health Care**: Dental Sealants for the Certified Dental Assistant
- **Computers**: QuickBooks Pro - Levels I and II
- **Industrial Maintenance**: Electrical Home Wiring
- **Health and Recreation**: Basic Martial Arts; Self-Defense for Women
- **General Interest**: Discovering Your Family Roots - Fundamentals of Genealogy

In a partnership with Pronto Spanish, Stark State is also offering new online classes in Spanish for specific occupations, including Spanish for Banking and Spanish for Public Safety Officers. A classroom course on Spanish for Health Care Workers is also available March 16 - April 8. For specific details, dates, times and course fees, please go to www.starkstate.edu/continuinged.

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**ISO 9001:2000**

**Training Energizes Southwest Electric Company**

The leadership team at Southwest Electric suspected that it might be worthwhile to improve their quality management system by becoming compliant to the ISO 9001:2000 Quality Standard. Accordingly, Southwest Application Engineer Eric Gersh, the Quality Manager at Southwest, worked with Jim Linkie of Corporate Services to train 18 employees in the skills needed to become effective ISO 9001 auditors. Jim Linkie and Martha Doerr guided Southwest through the necessary steps to obtain a Targetted Industries Grant (TIG) that covered 75% of the cost of training.

As a result of the 16-hour training course, Southwest was able to improve their processes and procedures resulting in a significant increase in sales volume. The Southwest production staff has been increased and a plant expansion will begin this year to accommodate the recent growth in sales...

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Meet Andrew Oocumma

Andrew W. Oocumma joined the Stark State College Corporate and Community Services Division in September of 2008. He brings with him 13 years of sales and management experience.

Andrew was awarded an athletic scholarship to Western Carolina University where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business and Marketing...

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New Course Offering
Diversity and Harassment in the Workplace
March 18, 2009 | 9:00 a.m.

Diversity provoked the Revolutionary War, influenced the US Constitution, sparked the Civil War, generated race riots and influenced today’s culture. In this session we discuss and learn to work through diversity and harassment issues that are still with us today challenging executives, community officials, school administrators, ministers and private citizens.

We discuss and look at ideas that can be effective in the organizations of those who attend the session. Mistreatment of an individual who is different from you, in any way, is inappropriate and offensive and the law looks at this subject in a very simple manner. "If someone was offended, it was offensive." These things can affect your company’s bottom line, your workplace, your home and can in fact change your entire life.

Instructor Jim Linkie will present this session on Wednesday, March 18, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in T113 of the ATC Building.

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Meet the Trainer

The Corporate Community Services Division of Stark State College takes great pride in the ability of its instructors and what they bring to our community. We would like you to meet one of these fine instructors.

Cheryl Shepherd has been an adjunct instructor with the Corporate and Community Services for six years...

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