

# The **GLOBE**

Student Voices and Views for the SLCC Community

## **Farewell to a familiar face**

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SLCCSA president aims to advocate on students' behalf

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**Where:** TR Campus

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**When:** 6 p.m.  
**Where:** South City Campus, 1-030/32, Multipurpose Room

### Curtains

**When:** 7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** South City Campus, the Grand Theatre

### SLCC Women's Volleyball v. Snow College

**When:** 7 p.m.  
**Where:** Snow College, Ephraim

## FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup>

### SLCCserves Large Day of Service

**When:** All day  
**Where:** TR Campus

### Photo Utah EDU

**When:** 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
**Where:** South City Campus, 1-030/32, Multipurpose room

### Grant Writing Basics: Part 5

**When:** 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
**Where:** CWC, 210 E. 400 South #8

### Curtains

**When:** 7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** South City Campus, the Grande Theatre

## SATURDAY 5<sup>th</sup>

### Curtains

**When:** 2 p.m.  
**Where:** South City Campus, the Grand Theatre

### Curtains

**When:** 7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** South City Campus, the Grand Theatre

## MONDAY 7<sup>th</sup>

### Tech Tour in Utah's 4th Congressional District

**When:** 9:30 - 11 a.m.  
**Where:** Miller Campus, Miller Conference Center

## TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup>

### Biotechnology Open House

**When:** 2 - 6 p.m.  
**Where:** JOR Campus, JHS Building, Room 213

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## » Letter From the Editor «

### Calling all Vapers, Cloud Chasers, Juulers

Dear Globe readers,

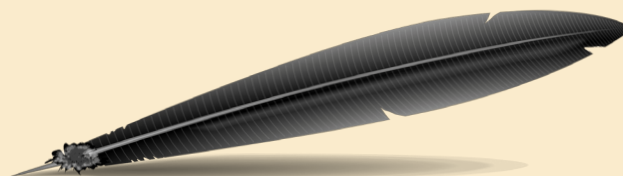
Over the last month, a surge of vaping-related illnesses and deaths have made news headlines across the nation. Despite vaping's commercial establishment as a means of smoking cessation, headlines like NBC News', "Walmart to stop selling e-cigarettes amid national outbreak of vaping illnesses" have made consumers, parents and medical professionals wary of vaping's dangers.

Amidst the media frenzy, at least four states are moving to ban nicotine and THC-based e-liquids, while imposing further regulations on e-sales of flavored nicotine products. While the intention of these regulatory measures is benevolent, in practice, they could leave consumers with unsafe alternatives. The ban of vaping products could open some consumers up to the use of homemade vape juices, the initial cause for the first few publicized, vape-related deaths.

The media has also focused on the dangers of nicotine products when counterfeit or street-sold THC vaping products have overwhelmingly contributed to the number of vaping deaths reported. Nicotine vape juices formulated at home, in particular, have caused a number of lung related illnesses.

Meanwhile, the Trump administration has quietly mobilized to establish further federal regulations on vaping, signaling support for further oversight on these products. Cabinet members and Trump, meanwhile, have financial ties to corporate vaping and tobacco behemoth, Juul and Philip Morris (now Altria Group), as reported in the *Washington Post*.

In the coming weeks, *The Globe* intends to discuss these issues with a panel of Salt Lake Community College students. *The Globe* will also address panel members' personal experience with vaping, health effects, opinions on state regulation and more. To have your voice heard in this community dialogue, e-mail us at [globeslcc@slcc.edu](mailto:globeslcc@slcc.edu) or tweet us @globeslcc.



**Noah Lewis**

Editor-In-Chief, *The Globe*

# Beloved South City fixture Sheri Scott retires

**Carly Gooch**

Staff Writer

The halls of South City Campus will be a little emptier and a little quieter without the infectious laughter of Sheri Scott, who retired Sept. 27. The gregarious porter started her janitorial career with SLCC over six years ago, and made quite an impact on students and staff during her tenure.

While she enjoyed her time at the college, Scott says she is excited to now enjoy her retirement.

"I've got a lot of books I need to get caught up on. And I'm going to go work out with the seniors at the Silver Sneakers locations. I need to tighten things up," Scott laughs.

Because of her evening shift, Scott says she's missed out on events hosted by her apartment complex.

"While I'm here, they're off playing volleyball or having a cookout or something, so I didn't get to be involved in any of those things," says Scott.

Originally from Philadelphia, Scott moved to Salt Lake, in part, to care for her ailing sister, who passed away four years ago. And, in retirement, she plans to stay.

"I like it here. I don't think I'll move again," she says.

While reminiscing over her time at SLCC, Scott recalls some of her most memorable moments being student events that brought free food and the time she got to see a dead body while at Jordan Campus.

"Those nursing ladies would always feed me," Scott says. "And then they brought a cadaver in one day, and I stayed way in the back!"

Matt Merkel, assistant professor of Journalism and Digital Media says he knew Scott for about five years and that she'll be missed.

"That's a hard-working woman right there. You can always count on a smile," he says.

With her signature laugh, Scott concludes with a final word to students and staff.

"Congrats to the students who are going to be graduating this year. And to the high schoolers, keep up the good work, you're getting a lot cleaner than you used to be," she jokes. "I used to go in there, see food all over, and wonder: how do people miss their mouth that much?"

■ Photo by Will Samsky



Sheri Scott retired Friday after six years at SLCC.

# New SLCCSA president, a voice for and of SLCC students

**Megan Neff**

Staff Writer

Here is a name and face you should know.

Mason Bancroft is the new SLCC Student Association President. Bancroft took on the role Sept. 13 and follows former president Mary Flanagan, who stepped down after three weeks in office.

With many important obligations as SLCCSA president, Bancroft makes sure to find enough time to listen to student stories, he says.

“It’s been such a humbling opportunity. I’ve been able to manage my time really well, and it has been such an honor.”

Majoring in psychology with an emphasis on motivation and leadership, Bancroft hopes to become a success coach for others and to share the same support shown to him from SLCC.

“I really love this position,” he says. “When I get to leadership in general, it is just fascinating.”

These leadership opportunities have given Bancroft a chance to see all SLCC offers, like going to a Board of Trustees retreat, he says. The retreat covered many topics, but Bancroft found the prison education program SLCC offers at Utah prisons enthralling.

“I got to hear one of the [inmates] stories how SLCC really helped him out in the long run and get an education,” Bancroft says. “I’m just trying to raise awareness around it.”

Since becoming president, Bancroft has inherited the day-to-day responsibilities that comes with the job. However, he makes sure emails don’t distract him from his working initiatives for SLCC.

“One of my big initiatives is to work on creating traditions around Salt Lake Community College,” Bancroft says. He would like to continue Flanagan’s initiative of promoting mental health.

“I’m not in this position for myself,” says Bancroft. “I want to make [SLCC] a meaningful place for students, where they feel their voice has been heard.”

Bancroft urges those who are interested in being a part of SLCCSA to visit [slcc.edu/sll/get-involved.aspx](http://slcc.edu/sll/get-involved.aspx).



Mason Bancroft pushed to create the “Go Bruins” mural located at the Taylorsville campus. He hopes it will bring a new meaning on what it means to be a Bruin.

## Are you looking to get involved in SLCCSA?

Within the next couple of weeks, the Student Association and Student Senate will have applications open for Executive Vice President. Bruins interested in applying can visit the student senate website at [slcc.edu/sll/student-senate.aspx](http://slcc.edu/sll/student-senate.aspx).

# Field of Bruins' dreams

**Brian Preece**

Staff Writer

Seeing the shortstop make a diving stop only to think he's lost an arm is never a good feeling for a coach or player, but that's exactly what happened last year in a Bruins home game at Cate Field in West Jordan.

D.G. Nelson, head coach for Salt Lake Community College's baseball team, had long looked at replacing the nearly 20-year old turf at the Bruins' home park. As with anything else in college athletics, it came down to one thing: money. After the 2019 season, more and more safety concerns cropped up as the season went on.

SLCC Director of Athletics Kevin Dustin and Nelson knew it was time to upgrade the failing turf.

"It's one of those things where costs have come down a little bit, and we felt like it was time," Dustin says. "Because the previous turf had been laid down so well, there wasn't much to do as far as regrading. We just tore out the old stuff and laid the new turf down."

Field turf can usually be expected to last 10-12 years, with the old SLCC turf nearly doubling that ten-year goal, according to newgrass.com. Nelson aims for this new turf to last just as long or longer.

"Our players still have jobs. We have to maintain it," says Nelson.

With all the support Dustin and the athletics department has shown, Nelson is committed to holding up his end of the bargain.

"I've told our guys, 'this is better than new carpet in your home. This better be spotless all the time,'" says Nelson.

FieldTurf calls this system "Double Play" turf and claim it plays as close as possible to the real thing. Nelson talked about how players have been able to adjust to the rubber-sand base mixture depending on what is needed all over the field.

"We use a 70/30 rubber-sand mixture in the infield to keep down hard bounces and increase ball speed a little bit," he says.

Nelson stops short of calling the new turf a home field advantage saying, "I think our old field was bad enough because it played so fast. We were the only ones that could get used to it. We designed this to play like a real field."

Bruins supporters will also be able to look for one more improvement at Cate Field during the 2020 season - the school will replace the outdated lighting system with new LED lights before the beginning of play next year.



Cate Field in South Jordan gets a facelift before the 2020 season.