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Pictured: SSC's Hella Bowker demonstrates the use of various construction tools

SSC'S "NON-TRADITIONAL WORKFORCE EXPO" A SUCCESS

SOUTH HOLLAND, IL–The South Suburban College Office of Student Life and Leadership presented “The Non-Traditional Workforce for Men and Women” on Wednesday, March 30, 2016.

Students, faculty, staff and the community listened to and engaged in meaningful dialogue with our panel. They discussed and showed the importance of non-traditional job roles, how they have changed throughout the years, and how South Suburban College can help you get a head start, a certificate, or degree towards these professions. Non-Traditional career training for women offered at SSC includes our new Welding Program, Highway Construction and Trades, Building and Construction, Computer Science, Applied Engineering Technology, Cisco Academy, Truck Driving, and more. Non-Traditional career training for men offered at SSC includes Nursing, Teacher Aide, Paralegal, Administrative Assistant and more.

This year's student panel of Non-Traditional student representatives was very well received. The students told about their experiences and touted the virtues of attending SSC to not only save money but to have an opportunity to learn a skilled profession from dedicated Career and Technical Education (CTE) faculty. The questions posed were relevant and the answers given were well thought out.

In addition to the Student Panel, several demonstrations were available. “The Nail Hitting” demonstration was conducted by the Building & Construction Trades. Students were able to try their hand at how fast and accurate they could drive in nails. If hammering

noise was any indication, many participants were able to test their skills. Another demonstration was conducted by the Electronics Engineering Technology staff. It featured a “lie detector” test and students had a lot of fun testing the accuracy of the assembled machine that was built and wired by current students. Fact-filled data and resources were also disseminated from Star Truck Driving School including information about the first woman to obtain a CDL (Commercial Drivers’ License) in the United States. Her name is Lillie Elizabeth Bonner and she received it in 1929!

To see our “Bulldog Bites” segment please visit <https://youtu.be/WgkSPZH-CmY>. For more information please contact the Office of Student Life & Leadership at (708) 596-2000, ext. 2499. For more information about all of SSC’s programs, admissions and registration, please visit www.ssc.edu or contact the Admissions Office at (708) 210-5718.

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