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"The facts are not interesting. What's interesting is living that moment of history in the mind of the writer," says Professor Judy Copeland.

Stockton's Associate Professor of Writing, Copeland is the ideal person to teach *Telling True Tales: A Creative Non-Fiction Work-shop*, a memoir-writing class designed for older members of our community who are ready to share their personal stories with an audience.

A program created through SCOSA's



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In addition to patrols with Officer Stuart, Hemi will take part in community programs to help the Police maintain close contact with students, faculty and staff.

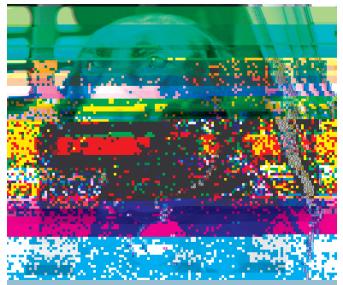
"We see him more as an opportunity for our police department and the community to work together," said Chief Miller.

Chief Miller hopes that the Stockton community will utilize Hemi's by introducing him into classrooms and other settings where his skills can demonstrate the value and benefit of having a K-9 presence in the community.

Hemi and his equipment were obtained through a competitive homeland security grant. Stockton was one of only seven departments statewide to receive the grant, and the only college police department, Miller said. The \$50,000 grant covered Hemi's cost, which consisted of a rigorous 14-week training program and equipment, including a special K-9 Police vehicle.

When off-duty, Hemi resides with Officer Stuart at her home, living as a family dog. Stuart has kept Hemi on a strictly organic diet, so "no Milk-Bones for him," Chief Miller joked. The American Kennel Club describes the Labrador as "kindly, outgoing...eager to please and non-aggressive," making Hemi not only the ideal breed to train in a law-enforcement capacity, but the perfect addition to an active college campus.

Chief Miller summed it up best when he described Hemi: "He's a rock star."



Hemi, with his newly-earned police badge, can be seen around Stockton and the community.

First Ever Advising Award Goes to Two Faculty Members



Peter Hagen, Director of the Center for Academic Advising

Stockton recently awarded the first ever "Provost's Research and Professional Development Award in Academic Advising." Peter Hagen, Director of the Center for Academic Advising, announced that two awards were given out to faculty members who have included advising research and professional development in their agendas.

Keith Williams, Assistant Professor of Psychology, was awarded for his "comparative perceptions of academic and social support, faculty mentoring experiences, and advising needs of honors level and non-honors level psychology majors," and Mark Berg, Assistant Professor of Psychology, for his "web-based syllabus with embedded introductory video development program for 10 faculty participants."

Similar to the R & PD awards, this new award is unprecedented in the nation. While many colleges give out awards for good advising, Stockton is the only college to award money for research and professional development in academic advising.

The award was created this year as a joint effort among the Provost's Office, the Center for Academic Advising, the Stockton Advising Council, the Faculty Senate, and the Stockton Federation of Teachers. The selection committee was made up of members from all of these groups.

Information for faculty members interested in pursuing an award next year will be circulated sometime in the Fall 2011 semester and will be made available on the Grants Office website.

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