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The campus budget briefing for 2008-09 will be held noon to 1 p.m., Thursday, April 24, in Ballroom III, University Union. All members of the campus community are invited to attend. For more information, contact 278-6312.



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Recycling books

The campus community can donate books, videos, CDs, and magazines to the Library. Paper materials not suitable for the Library Collection or which cannot be sold by the Friends of the Library at the Book Bin (visit the book bin website at library.csus.edu/content2.asp?pageID=53) will be recycled by a company that turns used paper into attic insulation. Money earned from the Friends Book Bin sales is used to buy new books, materials and equipment for the Library.

Individuals interested in making a large donation should call Sally Hitchcock, University Library, 278-5954.

For more information, visit the "Sacramento State Recycles" website at www.fm.csus.edu/iwm/.



Jazz Ensembles

Sacramento State's Jazz Ensembles I and II will perform at 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 22, in the Music Recital Hall of Capistrano Hall. Tickets are \$5 and \$8 and available at the Sacramento State Ticket Office, 278-4323 or www.tickets.com. Contact the Music department at 278-5155 or www.csus.edu/music for more information.

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ATHLETICS

Katz begins tenure by signing Aaron Wilson

Sacramento State first-year head coach Brian Katz announced his first signee of the 2008-09 recruiting class with the news that 6-6, 215-pound Aaron Wilson has committed to play for the Hornets. [Full Story](#)

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University to conduct critical incident test

In light of critical incidents at Virginia Tech and Northern Illinois University, Sacramento State is stepping up its campus crisis communication procedure with a test run of a new emergency notification system and a simulated critical incident on Friday, April 25.

The emergency exercise will test the campus' new automated Emergency Notification System, known as ENS. The notification system automates delivery of urgent announcements to large groups of people, such as students, faculty and staff, via text, voice and e-mail broadcasts.

"The safety of our students, faculty, staff and campus visitors is paramount, and the implementation of the new emergency alert system is a significant step toward that end," says University President Alexander Gonzalez.

The alerts would only be used in the event of an emergency that threatened the campus community's health and safety, as well as provide protective action recommendations. Examples of such events would be a campus shooting, bomb threat, hazardous materials spills, flood or fire.

During the simulated critical incident, a select group of faculty, staff and students on campus, and in the area of the training exercise, will receive a text message stating that an "ENS Police Emergency" test is being conducted.

Public Safety officers will conduct a drill in a yet-to-be-specified building or buildings on campus, simulating a critical incident involving an active shooter.

The test is a simulation of the communication system that can be triggered in the event of an emergency, in which a text alert may be sent, a voice mail alert sent, and an e-mail message sent in succession.

In the event of an actual emergency event, Public Safety may send a text message, pre-written for a variety of emergency scenarios. A follow-up e-mail can be sent thereafter, with more specific details of the event and safety procedures, and an all-clear message sent upon incident resolution. The community will also be alerted to visit the campus' homepage, www.csus.edu, for more information.

"We're testing the system in order to exercise our new processes and ensure a seamless integration of the system in the event of an emergency," says Public Safety Chief Ken Barnett. "The key to the success of this system will be an up-to-date database with the correct contact information for the university community." Students, faculty and staff are strongly encouraged to provide accurate contact information at www.csus.edu/ENS.

For more information, contact the Public Affairs office at 278-6156.

Mechanical gladiators to turn Sacramento State into battle zone

Some robots build cars and some run factories. Then there are those that fight to the death.

A group of those robots will engage in combat at the annual Smackdown in Sactown battle of the bots, noon-5 p.m., Sunday, April 27 in the University Union.

The Smackdown, sponsored by students from the College of Engineering and Computer Science, is part of the Engineering Expo, an annual event that showcases student projects.

Last year's Smackdown drew about 100 entries. Robots battle until they are disabled, flipped over or pushed into a hole. To even the playing field, robots are limited in weight to one pound or less.

"That forces people to be more creative in their design," says Sue Holl, faculty advisor for competitive robotics. "Since all the robots are light, they can't just crush their opponents. The operator has to be clever and use levers and claws to grab, flip and push."

Although the expo is run by the students, anyone can enter the Smackdown, according to Bryan Solari, a Sacramento State mechanical engineering student.

"To build a robot you need a power supply and a way to control it," he says. "But the challenge is to build the better robot. If you only put a little time into engineering it, it might not last long in competition. Put more work in, and it probably stands a better chance."

The winner receives \$300, but for many engineering students, the real prize is the opportunity to display their skills.

"Engineers like to compete with each other to solve problems in innovative ways," says Holl. "Engineering is a study in compromise. You might want to do things one way, but have to do it another, so you have to be innovative and creative. Our students like to show off what they are involved in."

The expo will also feature projects built by students in the college's competitive clubs. Displays will include a concrete canoe, a Baja, racer and a hover craft.

The Engineering Expo is free and open to the public. For more information, visit www.sacbots.org.

Professors who make a difference honored at annual event

The University is honoring faculty members who make their mark in the lives of students, in the community and University at this year's annual Outstanding Teaching, University and Community Service Awards event, 3-5 p.m., Tuesday, April 22 in the University Union Ballroom.

"This ceremony is an affirmation of the importance of teaching and the role our faculty members play as professors, in the governance of the University and the application of their knowledge and skills in addressing community needs," says Bruce Bikle, chair of the Faculty Senate.

The Outstanding Teaching Award is given to one faculty member in each of the University's Colleges and the Library. Recipients are honored for their teaching effectiveness and their impact on the lives and careers of their students. Recipients are:

- Matthew McCormick, philosophy, College of Arts and Letters;
- Laura Riolli, management, College of Business Administration;
- Marielle Brandt, counselor education, College of Education;
- Perry Heedley, electrical and electronic engineering, College of Engineering and Computer Science;
- Michael Wright, kinesiology and health science, College of Health and Human Services;
- Tim Horner, geology, College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics;
- Rachel August, psychology, College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies; and
- Reza Peigahi, Library

The Outstanding Community Service Awards recognize the faculty's community engagement throughout the Sacramento region and the contributions they make in adding to the public good. Recipients include:

- Jana Noel, teacher education, College of Education;
- Beth Kivel, recreation, parks and tourism administration, College of Health and Human Services; and
- Rebecca Cameron, psychology, College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies

The University Service Awards honor faculty for their participation in the governance of the University as members or chairs of committees, for their efforts in curriculum development, advising or special assignments at the department, College and University level. Recipients are:

- Val Smith, communication studies, College of Arts and Letters;
- Akihiko Kumagai, mechanical engineering, College of Engineering and Computer Science;
- Katherine Pinch, recreation, parks and tourism administration, College of Health and Human Services;
- Peter Urone, physics and astronomy, College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics; and
- James Sobredo, ethnic studies, College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies

For more information, contact the Faculty Senate at 278-6593.

Have fun and learn Spanish in Cuernavaca

Teachers, teaching candidates and undergrads still have time to apply for a trip to Cuernavaca, Mexico, that makes learning a new language seem like a vacation.

Sacramento State's College of Continuing Education is sponsoring the trip, June 28 through July 12, that immerses the traveler in Mexican culture, history, education and people while strengthening the participant's Spanish-language skills. Beginners are welcome and it is open to the community.

Led by Peter Baird, professor of bilingual/multicultural education, the trip will supplement the participant's language study with a seminar on current issues in Mexican education.

Attend an orientation in Sacramento on June 4, then travel on your own to Mexico City and take a one-hour bus trip to Cuernavaca. The two-week stay includes optional trips to pre-Columbian sites and villages, markets and museums in the region. Group members may also participate in cultural activities such as weaving, cooking and music.

Spanish classes are held during the mornings and seminars in English are held four times each week with Baird.

"The experience was rewarding both intellectually and emotionally," says Sacramento State professor Catherine Christo, one of last year's participants.

The cost, which includes classes, family home stay, seminar and three units, is \$1,935. That does not include plane fare to Mexico City. The deadline is Friday, May 16.

For more information, contact Baird at 278-4916 or pbaird@csus.edu. You may also contact Deborah Hansen at 278-4554 or deborah.hansen@csus.edu. Or visit www.edweb.csus.edu/bmed/mexico for an application, photos and testimonials from last summer's participants.

Campus community shows pride in self with PRIDE Week events

The PRIDE Center and Queer Straight Alliance club will hold their annual Pride Week events April 21-25. And this year, they're gaining support from an array of campus departments and organizations.

An additional seven campus departments and organizations, in conjunction with the PRIDE Center and QSA, will help sponsor Pride Week events making the goals of Alexa Harris, PRIDE Center coordinator and QSA administration chair, a reality.

"My main goal for this week was to get many departments on campus to be involved," Harris says. "It's so empowering to see that we have support from these big departments on campus who aren't necessarily part of the LGBTIQQA (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex and Queer, Questioning and Ally) community."

Pride Week will kick-off Monday, April 21 with informational booths in the Library Quad and music provided by KSSU. Julia Serano, author of the *Whipping Girl* and a spokesperson for the Transgender community, will join the week events with a presentation at 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 22 in the University Union Ballroom III.

The popular campus guessing game "Guess Who's Gay" will be presented from 6:30-8:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 23. Audience members will have the chance to ask panel members a series of questions before guessing their sexual orientation or what part of the community they belong to.

"'Guess Who's Gay' breaks down the stereotypes of what gay and lesbian is," Harris says, noting that the audiences' guesses are typically far from actuality.

The "Kings of Drag" will take center stage from 7-9 p.m., Thursday, April 24, in the University Union Hinde Auditorium for performances that include acting and singing.

To close out Pride Week events, the seventh annual "Gender Bender Extravaganza" will take place from 7-9 p.m., Friday, April 25 in the University Union Hinde Auditorium, a favorite for Harris. "People in the community get to dress up and be fun and airy—it's people telling their story."

April 25 marks the national Day of Silence, a day that recognizes those who have been silenced by hate crimes.

"The purpose of Pride Week is to give the campus community and the community as a whole a sense of comfort—to be proud of who you are," Harris says.

For more information on the Pride Week events, contact the PRIDE Center at 278-8720. For more information on the Day of Silence, visit www.dayofsilence.org.

Edgar Zapata to reflect on Mexican Revolution

"Reflections on the Impact of the Mexican Revolution" will be presented by Edgar Zapata at noon, Wednesday, April 23, in the University Union's California Suite. The event is free and members of the community are invited to attend.

Zapata, director of the Pro-Veterans of the Revolution of the South Institute, has a direct connection with the revolution as the great grandson of revolutionary hero Emiliano Zapata.

With the 100th anniversary of the Revolution coming up in 2010, organizers felt this was a good time to reflect on the conflict, its continuing impacts and the plans to commemorate it, says Ted Lascher, interim director of the Serna Center and a professor in the Department of Public Policy and Administration.

Zapata has another connection to the Revolution: his family remains close to that of Pancho Villa's. "He is steeped in the history of the Mexican Revolution," Lascher says.

Zapata's appearance at Sacramento State came about through the efforts of Martin Ramirez, who teaches economics, American government and Latino-Latina Studies at Luther Burbank High School. Ramirez, a Sacramento State alumnus, met Zapata during a trip to Mexico last year and later arranged to have him speak at the University.

The Mexican Revolution has had lasting impacts on Mexico and the United States, Ramirez says. It triggered the first major wave of Mexican immigrants back into California and the Southwest, he adds. The offspring of those immigrants later became part of the Zoot Suit Culture of the 1930s and 40s—a generation caught between their Mexican heritage and the American culture, he continues.

Zapata's presentation is sponsored by Sacramento State's Serna Center, the Department of Ethnic Studies, the Community Engagement Center and the Multi-Cultural Center.

For more information, call the Serna Center at 278-4512.

Graphic novelists bring their works to Sac State

The world of graphic novels is the subject of two events sponsored by Sacramento State's Design department.

Kazu Kibuishi, author/illustrator of *The Last Train* and *Amulet, Book 1: The Stonekeeper*, will speak on the process of creating graphic novels. His presentation is 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 29, in Room 301 of Sequoia Hall.

Sacramento State professor Mario Estioko will exhibit images from his new graphic novel, *The Peck*, in the Design Gallery, Mariposa Hall Room 4000, April 28 through May 9. Gallery hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 9:30 a.m. to noon on Friday.

Estioko is an associate professor of graphic design whose comic work has appeared in magazines and college newspapers throughout the country. This is his first foray into the graphic novel genre.

For more information on the Design department, contact 278-3962 or www.csus.edu/design.

Annual Africa/Diaspora Conference to focus on African youth in America and Africa

"African Youth in America & Africa: Bridging the Gaps" is the theme of Sacramento State's 17th annual Africa/Diaspora Conference, May 1-3, in the University Union. The conference is presented by the Center for African Peace & Conflict Resolution and the Pan African Studies Program. The conference is open to the public, but a registration fee is required.

The conference will examine the state of African youth in Africa and the United States, focusing on intercultural, intracultural and group issues, including crime and conflicts. Conference sessions will explore common and differing challenges facing African and African-American youth and the prospects for bridging gaps between them, and will seek to identify best practices and models for youth empowerment, leadership development, crime prevention, networking and family stability.

More than 70 scholars from Africa and the United States will participate in the conference's 20 presentations and panel sessions. The keynote address, Friday, May 2 at 10 a.m. in the Redwood Room, will be delivered by Mukoma Wa Ngugi, the co-editor of *Pambazuka News*, a forum focusing on social justice in Africa.

In addition, New York-based Nigerian artist Fatimah Tuggar will lecture and display some of her works at a Sacramento State art department event at 7 p.m., Wednesday, April 30 at Mariposa Hall room 1001. Admission is free and the public is invited. Her talk will serve as a supplement to the African Diaspora.

Tuggar is noted for digital montages that reflect technology as a metaphor for power, with scenes juxtaposed from the daily lives of Africans and Americans. She says her images of people surrounded by technology serve to convey an understanding of how technology affects culture and life.

For more information, call 278-6282, or visit www.csus.edu/org/capcr.

Faculty Senate

Monday, April 21

2 p.m., Committee on Diversity and Equity (CODE), Capital Room, University Union

3 p.m., General Education/Graduation Requirements Policies Committee, Sacramento Hall 275

Tuesday, April 22

1:30 p.m., Program Review Oversight Subcommittee, Sacramento Hall 275

3 p.m., Outstanding Faculty Awards, University Ballroom I

Wednesday, April 23

9 a.m., Writing and Reading Subcommittee, Camellia Room, University Union

3 p.m., General Education Course Review Subcommittee, Sacramento Hall 275

Professional Activities

Scholarship

Barbara Carle, Foreign Languages, published an essay, "The Lexicon of Costellazione anonima: a paradigmatic poem," in the book *Alfredo de Palchi, La Potenza della poesia, Edizioni dell'Orso, Alessandria, (Italy) 2008*, pp.51-57. In New York City she gave a presentation and a poetry reading ("Don't Waste My Beauty: Translating with Antonella Anedda") at "The Cruellest Month Italian Poetry and American Poetry in New York" Conference.

Linda Goff, Library, presented, "InfoLit Global: Building a Directory, Sharing Ideas and Resources," at the California Academic and Research Libraries conference in Irvine, California, April 2-5. The session highlighted the work done on a UNESCO-funded project which created a web-based international directory of resources on Information Literacy. Goff also co-presented, "Understanding our First Years; Three studies and a comparison," with colleagues from CSU San Marcos and Sonoma State. The presentation explored the results of the "Project Baseline" grant to establish a baseline measurement of the information competence skills of freshman seminar students, using the ETS iSkills assessment instrument. She was also profiled in the March 2008 American Library Association/Library Instruction Round Table newsletter.

Robin Datel, Geography, co-authored a chapter, "Immigrant Space and Place in Suburban Sacramento," in *Twenty-First Century Gateways: Immigrant Incorporation in Suburban America*, recently published by Brookings Institution Press. This work was featured on the front page of the March 2 *Sacramento Bee*. Datel also recently served as a technical consultant to the Sacramento Superior Court in the development of a video and website on Ukrainians and Russians in the Sacramento region.

Campus Announcements

Hands-free cell phone law

Section 23123 of the Vehicle Code, which prohibits drivers of motor vehicles from using a hand-held mobile phone, will go into effect on July 1. After the effective date, drivers may only use a cell phone with a hands-free device. The law will apply to all motor vehicle operations on public thoroughfares, including driving on University business, but will not apply to driving on campus.

Faculty and staff are urged to prepare for implementation of the law by purchasing and becoming familiar with a hands-free device. Hands-free devices come in two types: "Bluetooth" (cordless) devices and

standard/wired (with a cord) devices. Members of the University community are urged to purchase hands-free equipment early as some product lines may become temporarily unavailable just prior to July 1.

Submitted by Risk Management

Thesis/Project Binding

Due to many requests for a convenient way to purchase hard bound extra copies of theses, the Copy Graphics Center is now offering hardback binding services. While this service does not replace original thesis materials submitted through the Office of Graduate Studies, it does offer students a way to get extra copies of their thesis professionally bound for their personal use. The Copy Graphics Center is located near the Patio Cafe in the River Front Center and is open from 7:45 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday and 7:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fridays. The Copy Graphics Center is a service of University Enterprises, Inc. For more information, call 278-6960.

Submitted by University Enterprises, Inc.

2008-09 STEM Faculty Fellows Program

The Sacramento State Center for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Excellence and the Office of Research Administration announce the 2008-09 STEM Faculty Fellows Program. The Program provides assigned time for faculty to work with the Center for STEM Excellence to write integrative and innovative grant proposals in the following areas:

- Program Development to Support Pathways into STEM Careers;
- Student Retention and Success;
- Campus STEM Curriculum, Equipment and Infrastructure; and
- Math/Science Teacher Recruitment and Preparation.

The Program is available to full-time tenured or tenure-track faculty members. Assistance with identifying potential funding sources, concept development, proposal writing and budget development is available for applicants. For further information please see <http://www.csus.edu/STEM>. Proposals must be submitted electronically (via e-mail) in Microsoft Word or PDF to Tom Landerholm at landerholm@csus.edu. The deadline for receipt of proposals is 5 p.m., on May 15. Awards will be announced by May 30. For more information, contact the Center for STEM Excellence at 278-2789.

Submitted by the Office of Research Administration

Asian Studies Program Symposium

The first Asian Studies Program Symposium, "Re-thinking Asia: Cultures, Politics and Society," will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, April 26 in Mariposa 1000. Professor Pattaratorn Chirapravati, director of the Asian Studies Program, will open the events and Otis Scott, dean of the College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies, will make opening remarks. Professors from multiple departments will present throughout the day's events. A closing reception will be held at 5 p.m. in the Anthropology Museum on campus. For more information, contact Pattaratorn Chirapravati at pchirapravati@csus.edu.

Submitted by the Art Department

Administrative Professionals Buffet

Acknowledge the contributions and hard work of team members who are administrative professionals at the University Center Restaurant's special buffet in their honor. The buffet will feature grilled cod, vegetarian quiche, grilled chicken, wild rice pilaf, assorted vegetables and a salad bar. Dessert items include assorted cakes, cookies and brownies. This special buffet is available from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday, April 23 and 24. The University Center Restaurant is located at the west entrance to the University Union across from Round Table Pizza. Students, faculty, staff and campus visitors are welcome. For more information, visit <http://www.enterprises.csus.edu/dining/area/ucr.html>. Reservations suggested for groups of 5 or more at 278-6100.

Submitted by University Enterprises, Inc.

2008 WAC Faculty Development Retreat

Writing Across the Curriculum invites full and part-time professors to the 2008 WAC faculty development retreat, "Writing Across Borders." The retreat will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday, Aug. 25, at

the Sacramento State Alumni Center. RSVP to Dan Melzer, University Reading and Writing coordinator, at melzer@csus.edu or 278-6925. For more information, visit www.csus.edu/wac.

Submitted by the English Department

Wells Fargo One Book Program

The One Book Program will host a free informational luncheon at 11:30 a.m., Friday, April 25 for Sacramento State faculty interested in curricular, co-curricular, and community-based participation in the One Book Program. Sacramento State's Wells Fargo One Book Program was recently established under the auspices of the Sacramento State English Department and Community Engagement Center in collaboration with California Lectures, a public service literary arts non-profit organization in Sacramento. To RSVP for the luncheon, e-mail the Community Engagement Center at cecenter@csus.edu.

The Wells Fargo One Book Program would also like to announce the selection of its inaugural "One Book," Firoozeh Dumas' national bestseller, *Funny in Farsi: A Memoir of Growing Up Iranian in America*. Dumas will join the Sacramento State community for a day of engaging discussion on Wednesday, Oct. 15.

Submitted by Community Engagement Center

Free Concert

Professor Laurel Zucker will present the Claude Bolling Jazz Suites I and II for flute, piano, bass and drums at 4 p.m., Tuesday, April 22 in Capistrano Hall Room 151. Musicians Joe Gilman, Matt Robinson and Tim Metz will join in for the one hour concert. Claude Bolling has highly recommended Laurel Zucker's Skywalker Studio (owned by George Lucas) recording as "outstanding in every way!" The event is free and open to the campus and community. For more information, e-mail lizz@aol.com.

Submitted by the Music Department

Annual Report on Budget, Expenditures and Financial Information

The Annual Report on Budget, Expenditures and Financial Information is complete and available at the Budget Planning and Administration Office website at www.csus.edu/aba/budget. To directly access this report, use the PDF link www.csus.edu/aba/budget/Final_ABER_with_Bookmarks_4-04-08.pdf.

A limited number of report copies were printed and will be distributed to Administrative Council members, the Faculty Senate Executive Committee, Associated Students Board and a small number of additional areas. Several copies have been delivered to the University's Library for inclusion in its collection. For questions about the annual report, contact the Budget Planning and Administration Office at 278-3909.

Submitted by the Office of the President

2008-09 John C. Livingston Distinguished Faculty Lecture

The Faculty Senate is announcing the call for the nomination of faculty members to be considered for presentation of the 2008-09 John C. Livingston Distinguished Faculty Lecture. The faculty member will be selected this spring and will deliver the lecture during the fall semester at a convocation held in his or her honor. This award recognizes a sustained and unique contribution to the campus community in providing intellectual leadership and has important significance to the life of this university.

The criteria used in the selection of the annual Livingston Lecture Award recipient reflect the character and principles of its namesake. Recipients of this award are recognized for having transcended their disciplines and in so doing having positively affected the life of the University through their teaching, their service, or their creative and scholarly activities – displaying a consistent and engaging collegiality and a strong commitment to students throughout their careers at California State University, Sacramento.

The nomination letter (or letters) should include a detailed description of the nominee's qualifications and a copy of the nominee's resume. Nominations must be received in the Faculty Senate Office, Sacramento Hall 254, zip 6036, by 2 p.m., Monday, May 5.

Submitted by Faculty Senate

Private giving continues to be strong

The latest quarterly report from the Office of University Development shows that in January through March

of this fiscal year, the University recorded \$1,087,258 in new gifts and pledge payments. The total for fiscal year 2007-08 stands at \$4,765,336. Of this, more than 61 percent of the new funds raised—or \$2,929,454—is designated for student financial aid, including several new major scholarship endowments which include \$1 million for the Curien Scholarship Endowment, \$514,000 for the Stremple Math and Science Scholarship Endowment, \$500,000 for the Cramer Scholarship Endowment and \$342,333 for the Marian Weed Scholarship.

More than 12 percent of total gifts received has been designated for capital purposes, representing both donations of gifts in-kind, such as equipment for instructional purposes and collections of artwork, and project funds given toward the completion of the Broad Athletic Facility.

Submitted by University Development

Bike-walk survey

The City of Sacramento Department of Transportation is conducting a Southeast Sacramento Bike and Pedestrian Access Study. The aim of the study is to promote walking and bicycling in southeast Sacramento by identifying the elements most important to potential users.

To take part, visit: www.cityofsacramento.org/southeast-bikewalk.

Human Resources

Catastrophic Leave

Sacramento State employees may voluntarily donate to other employees up to a maximum of 16 hours of sick or vacation leave credits each fiscal year in one-hour increments. CSUEU, MPP, Unit 4, Unit 6 and confidential employees may donate up to 40 hours per fiscal year.

If employees are interested in donating time, a donation form can be obtained at www.csus.edu/hr/forms.htm#Disability, or by visiting the Human Resources Disability Leaves office in Sacramento Hall 162, or by calling 278-3522.

The following employees have been approved for the Catastrophic Leave Donation Program:

Martha Jean, University Transportation and Parking Services
Lisa Collins, Admissions and Records
Mark Perry, Facilities Services
Julie Villescascas, Photocopy and Technical Support
*Sabrina Conklin, Student Health Center
Sharon Kelley, Academic Information Resources Center

*only vacation credits may be donated to this employee

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There are about 35 core, non-student employees involved in those operations. But Worley notes that students comprise the major share of workers.

Worley also works with the ASI board of directors, a panel that includes the 14 elected student body officers and five non-voting members. Worley and the other non-student board members provide support and guidance to the student officers as they pursue their responsibilities.

After getting a bachelor's degree from Santa Clara University, Worley came to Sacramento State for her teaching credential followed by a master's degree in child development at UC Davis.

Worley credits her husband, Michael, for her return to Sacramento State. She was working in another child-care program and coming home in tears every night because the operation did not match her expectations for quality child care and early development. Her husband said she should just quit and was the one who found the job announcement for the Sacramento State position.

After that, one opportunity led to another until she attained her present post. "It's a good match for me, personally," Worley says.

The job can be difficult at times, but Worley doesn't view that as a problem. "Some of the very same things I find to be the most interesting and enjoyable aspects of my job are also the most challenging," she says. And the nature of the education system means there's always a new challenge waiting around the corner. "I absolutely enjoy the fact that no two days are ever exactly alike," Worley says.

The changes in campus facilities during her 25 years here get high marks from Worley. She observes that the Children's Center was in a temporary trailer when she first started, and the Aquatic Center operated out of a cargo container. First-class facilities enhance the quality of education and services to the students, Worley says.

Worley also enjoys the people with whom she works. The group is a nice balance of full-time employees and students. The students may change from year to year, but that can be exciting, Worley says. "I find it very rewarding and enjoyable to find a meaningful role in participating in their learning and their growth," she says.

This Week in Hornet Action

Baseball

Tuesday, April 22

Sacramento State at San Francisco, 2 p.m.

Friday, April 25

Sacramento State vs. New Mexico State, 1 p.m.

Saturday, April 26

Sacramento State vs. New Mexico State, 11 a.m.

Sunday, April 27

Sacramento State vs. New Mexico State, 1 p.m.

Softball

Saturday, April 26

Sacramento State at Santa Clara, noon

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Outdoor track

Friday, April 25

Sacramento State at the Causeway Classic Meet in Davis

Men's tennis

Friday, April 25-Sunday, April 27

Sacramento State at the Big Sky Tournament

Women's tennis

Friday, April 25-Sunday, April 27

Sacramento State at the Big Sky Tournament

Women's golf

Monday, April 21-Wednesday, April 23

Sacramento State at the Big Sky Championships in Phoenix

Rowing

Saturday, April 26

Sacramento State at UC Davis, 8:30 a.m.