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Incorporating Sept. 11's lessons into the classroom

The terrorist attacks on Sept. 11 five years ago are serving as the backdrop to discussions in numerous classes today at Sacramento State on issues ranging from Islamic religion and culture to American foreign policy and terrorism.

While no formal campuswide program is planned to mark the fifth anniversary of the World Trade Center attacks, professors who teach subjects related to issues surrounding Sept. 11 plan to devote class time to the subject.

For example, Ayad Al-Qazzaz, a sociology professor who for many years has taught a course on Middle Eastern societies and culture, says he will allow students ample time to discuss their views on the fifth anniversary of Sept. 11. He says he always allows class time for discussion when significant events in the Middle East make news. During the recent summer session, Al-Qazzaz said, he used class time to discuss the Israeli bombing of Lebanon.

"I normally encourage the students to say whatever they want to say and to ask any questions so we can have serious dialogue on the subject," said Al-Qazzaz. "I definitely will do the same thing about the fifth anniversary of Sept. 11."

The subject of Sept. 11 will be the subject of discussion in the four criminal justice classes taught by Timothy Capron: two sections of a class on violence and terrorism, a course on police and society and a graduate management course. And they all meet on Monday.

Each year Capron reviews the events of Sept. 11 on or about the anniversary in his classes. He then leads his class through a thought-provoking exercise. "I do an assessment of how safe we currently are in a number of different areas and overall," Capron said. "For example, overall I think we have gone from a "1" on a scale of 1 to 10 before 9/11 to a "3" currently and then we have a discussion about this." Using Capron's example a 1 is unprepared and a 10 is very prepared.

Capron said that in his classes he emphasizes to students that they have a responsibility to understand the stakes and the situation. "In my classes on violence and terrorism I spend a great deal of time on Islam," he said. "It is basically at war with itself, moderates versus radicals. I usually do an entire lecture on the history of the conflict between Islam and Christianity that week as well." Capron said that lecture is based on a talk by Rex Gurney of William Jessup University, who is an expert on the history of religion and was a visiting scholar to campus last year.

Other faculty members have responded by altering their courses to reflect the attack and its implications. For example, William Dorman, a government professor who is taking part in the faculty early retirement program this semester, says his course on American foreign policy since World War II previously had been divided between two parts: the Cold War from 1945 to 1989 and the period following. Now Dorman has added the post Sept. 11 period as a third part of the class.

In the five years since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, Sacramento State has responded in other academic areas as well. Last fall a minor in Middle East and Islamic Studies was created through the Department of History in the College of Arts and Letters. The interdisciplinary minor covers topics such as Islamic civilization and government and politics of the Middle East.

And in the Department of Foreign Languages there is now much more interest in classes to learn Arabic, says Eva Aramouni, who teaches Arabic and French. Two sections of elementary Arabic are being offered this fall.

In addition to changes in the classroom, the University has created the Iranian and Middle East Studies Center, under the direction of Bahman "Buzz" Fozouni, chair of the Government Department. The center, part of the Destination 2010 effort to increase the globalization of the curriculum, also aims to strengthened ties with the Iranian and Middle Eastern community in the Sacramento region.

Reaching out to prospective students

In the wake of declining enrollment at Sacramento State over the past few years, Sacramento State's office of Outreach, Admissions and Records is focused on the challenge at hand: convincing new students to make Sacramento State their university of choice.

Outreach is working to meet that challenge by using web-based technology and strategic planning. The goal is not only to encourage attendance at Sac State, but to also make the application process as streamlined and user-friendly as possible.

"Our full-time enrolled students, or FTEs, are what drives the funding for the campus," explains Emiliano Diaz, director of Outreach, Admissions and Records. "Therefore, student recruiting is an important part of meeting the enrollment goals of the University. Our enrollment declined concurrent with the budget cuts a few years ago, so we've had to increase our promotion efforts to get the message out to prospective students that Sacramento State is the place they want to be."

A vital part of reaching out to prospective students and their parents is the Internet, and Outreach has been enhancing the look and interactive features of their website. A student message board and blog are in the works and are due to be available on line in mid-October. The blog, which is short for "web log," will chronicle the day-to-day experiences of six university students as they navigate their way through classes as well as life outside the classroom at Sacramento State. Each blog which will include photos of the bloggers and will be updated every two weeks to encapsulate various student experiences on campus as they happen.

Additional Internet help comes via a postcard from Admissions that directs students who have turned in applications to the "What's Next" website. The site provides step-by-step instructions on what to do after the student's application has been turned in, as well as the status of an individual's application.

The Internet is not the only way Admissions makes contact with students. "It's critical to have an Internet presence and utilize that technology to connect with and bring students to the campus," says Diaz, "but we also need one-on-one contact and printed materials when we speak to counselors, prospective students and parents." Representatives from Outreach, Admissions and Records make several visits to the top 100 high schools and 20 community colleges that supply students to Sacramento State. "While the majority of our students come from the surrounding counties, we are currently expanding our recruitment efforts to other parts of California," explains Diaz.

"We also try to get a feel for what the students are looking for in a campus during our visits," Diaz says. "Through these interactions, students and parents learn things about Sacramento State that can mean the difference in their college choice."

And, for the first time, Outreach taking its message to the airwaves, through a series of radio ads. "We're using the ads to gain better access to prospective students and spark interest in the University. The ads will encourage future students to visit our website and learn more about Sacramento State—both how to apply and information about the University in general," says Diaz. The ads will run in the beginning of October through November.

Diaz emphasizes that the Destination 2010 campaign has helped to highlight the message that Sacramento State is a destination campus. "We're the seventh largest campus in the state," he says, "and are looking forward to increasing the options for students to live on or near the campus. We are becoming a university of choice for students near and far."

Sacramento State did see growth in new student enrollment this semester. "We won't have the final numbers until the census report is released in a month," Diaz says, "but the data indicates we will see an 8 percent growth in student enrollment, and perhaps even as much as 10 percent."

Are young people prepared for life after high school?

Students, teachers, parents, policymakers and others will examine the question of how well California's schools are preparing young people for life after high school during the 18th annual Envisioning California Conference Sept. 21 and 22 at the Sacramento Convention Center.

The conference will focus on critical issues facing California's high schools such as retention rates among African-Americans and Latinos, California's high school exit exam and innovative ideas in career preparation. Participants will work to propose solutions to problems and determine outcomes to move high schools and the state forward in the global economy.

The conference is presented by the Center for California Studies at Sacramento State and the Center for Southern California Studies at California State University, Northridge.

California State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jack O'Connell will present the opening keynote address on Thursday evening, Sept. 21.

Other speakers scheduled to appear include James Lanich, president of California Business for Education Excellence; California state Sen. Deborah Oritz, chair of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee; Joe Nunez, a member of the state Board of Education; Ting L. Sun, senior education advisor for the California Charter Schools Association; Linda Darling-Hammond, co-director of the School Redesign Network at Stanford University; Granger Ward, California state director of Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID); Jill Tucker, an education writer at the *San Francisco Chronicle* and Brian Coaxum, a graduate of Elk Grove's Franklin High School and current sophomore at UC Merced who has frequently addressed the California Legislature on issues facing high school students.

Panel sessions will include such topics as "Retention Rates: Why Are so Many Young Men Disappearing from Our Schools?" "Improving Teacher Education for Pupil Success," and "A-G (the state's academic subject requirements): Is College Prep for Everyone?"

The conference also will include the 12th annual California Journalism Awards, co-sponsored by the Center for California Studies and the Sacramento Press Club. The awards, which honor excellence in media coverage of state government and politics, will be presented on Friday, Sept. 22 at lunch from noon to 1:30 p.m. and include a discussion with California education reporters.

Registration is \$125, however, participants who do not want to attend the entire conference are able to register for specific days or events. Educators, Capital Fellow alumni and students with ID receive a substantial discount. Students also may attend panel discussions at no cost.

For more information, visit www.csus.edu/calst or call the Center for California Studies at 278-6906.

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Offensively, Sacramento State features five returning receivers and a talented backfield of running backs. The receiving corps includes senior Ryan Coogler, juniors Billy White and Phillip Perry, and sophomore Bobby Mooshagian. Senior transfers Andre Taylor and Jason Barnes are also expected to make an

immediate impact in their first season with the team. Senior running back Kris Daniels will anchor a backfield which has numerous weapons. Daniels amassed 347 yards over the final four games of the season, including 132 yards at Montana State. Sophomores Torrell Baker and Gerwin Williams and freshman Dalen Mason will also see time.

Up front, the Hornets will have an entirely new look. Sophomore Tyrone Davis is the lone offensive lineman who has played a snap for Sacramento State. Other notables on the line include Matt Gaughen, a JC All-American last season at Grossmont JC, and Matt Russell, a transfer from Missouri.

The Hornets home schedule features games against Cal Poly, Weber State, Montana State and Northern Colorado. The 52nd Annual Causeway Classic will take place on Nov. 18 at UC Davis.

Volleyball

Armed with four returning all-Big Sky Conference performers, including the league MVP-junior middle hitter Lindsay Haupt-the Sacramento State volleyball team is primed to make a run at its unprecedented 10th-consecutive conference regular season and/or tournament championship.

Upon joining the Big Sky for the 1996 season, it took head coach Debby Colberg (769-278 record over 30 years with the program) exactly one year before the Hornets began winning championships. The run began in 1997 when the team won both the league's regular season and conference titles, and has culminated with eight NCAA Tournament appearances, seven Big Sky Tournament championships (1997-98, 2000, 2002-05) and six Big Sky regular season titles (1997-01, 2005).

Leading the Hornets will be Haupt, senior outside hitter Atlee Hubbard (first team all-Big Sky), senior Kristin Lutes (Big Sky Libero of the Year, second team all-league) and junior middle hitter Michelle Franz (Big Sky Newcomer of the Year, honorable mention all-Big Sky). Last year, the four combined for more than 50 percent of the team's total number of kills, blocks and digs.

A total of nine Hornets return for the 2006 campaign, and that list includes seniors Shannon Roland and Leah Klemenhagen, junior Jennifer Ferguson, and sophomores Rose Burke and Brittany Ferguson. When you combine the strength of the returners with a balanced crop of five newcomers, Sacramento State should be right back in the thick of things for yet another Big Sky Conference title.

Men's Soccer

The Sacramento State men's soccer team expects to build on what was a record-breaking season in 2005. The Hornets finished the year 9-7-2, their best record in more than 10 seasons, and also had a program-best six players receive all-Mountain Pacific Federation honors.

The Hornets return first team all-MPSF defender Utodi Madu to anchor the back line along with six additional starters from last year's squad. Last season's leading scorer, Oscar Sandoval, returns after putting away eight goals and four assists, earning MPSF second-team honors. Sandoval won't be alone in his offensive efforts, with senior Ryan Rhoads, who buried five goals and assisted on five others, returning as well.

Sacramento State was ruthless on its home field, finishing with a Division I program-record eight-game unbeaten streak that included a 2-0 shutout over Causeway-rival UC Davis and a 1-1 tie with eventual NCAA runner-up New Mexico.

All-MPSF honoree Pedro Lupercio returns to the midfield for his final season, while defenders Jesse Manton and Eric Ortiz, who helped Sacramento State to four shutouts last season, will be playing their final year. Jack Jones and Josh Zimbrich return for their sophomore campaigns after combining for one goal and four assists as rookies.

Head coach Michael Linenberger will welcome in his 18th season at the helm of the program after earning co-MPSF Coach of the Year honors in 2005 for the second time in his career.

Women's Soccer

In 2005, the Sacramento State women's soccer team finished second in the Big Sky Conference standings, a program best, and also advanced to the postseason tournament for the first time since 2001. And there is even more good news for 2006.

In her third season, head coach Katie Poynter returns seven starters, including the top five leading scorers from a year ago. In addition, Poynter has again brought in another top-ranked recruiting class, with *Soccer Buzz Magazine* ranking her seven-member class second in the Big Sky.

Leading scorer Katie McCoy, who earned first team all-conference honors last season with seven goals and six assists, returns for her junior year, while senior Kelly Novak approaches her last campaign after netting a career-best four goals with one assist in 2005. Junior Kayelyn Satkowski, a sure-fire scorer off the bench in 2005 with two goals and two assists, is in her best form yet entering her junior season.

Last year's freshman class contributed immensely to the Hornets' success, with defender Kara Taylor anchoring the back line and earning co-Big Sky Defender of the Year honors along with being named to the first team. Midfielder Sarah Howard served as the link between the Hornets' defense and offense and was named to the Big Sky all-tourney team while goalkeeper Jenny Lawrence posted five shutouts and spent every minute in goal for Sacramento State.

Cross Country

Under the leadership of second year head coach Rodney Rothoff, the Sacramento State cross country team will have the goal of protecting its home turf. The Hornets will host two meets this season, including the Big Sky Conference Championships on Oct. 28.

The men's and women's teams both return their MVP from last season. Sophomore Dominic Vogl led the men in five of their six meets while sophomore Erin Wachter led the women in three meets and finished second on the team in two other.

The Hornets' other home meet will come on Sept. 16. The team competes on a custom-made course at Granite Regional Park, located off Power Inn Road just south of campus.

Delicious treats and tasty eats move to River Front Center

Sacramento State's River Front Center welcomed two local favorites to the campus eateries over the summer for the university community to enjoy. Leatherby's Ice Cream and Creperie and Gordito Burrito Express offer a variety of meal or snack options that run the gamut from cold and sweet to hot and spicy.

Enjoyed those Leatherby's ice cream cones at the University Staff Assembly picnic the past two years? It's now possible to eat a Leatherby's ice cream cone on campus whenever the mood strikes, rather than just once a year. Leatherby's, a Sacramento favorite for more than 20 years known for dishing up ice cream in generous portions, is bringing ice cream and more to its new location in the River Front Center.

In addition to ice cream and all its manifestations—sundaes, banana splits, milkshakes, floats and malts—Leatherby's Ice Cream and Creperie is also offering a wide variety of meal choices. Menu choices include breakfast, lunch and dessert crepes, bagels, muffins, pastries, a variety of Java City coffees, sandwiches, salads, frozen yogurt and low-fat and sugar-free ice cream and, in the mornings, a build-your-own waffle station with simple step-by-step directions posted on the wall next to the waffle irons.

Gordito Burrito Express is bringing its authentic brand of Mexican dishes to the Riverfront Center as well. Like its sister location in the University Union, Gordito Burrito Express! serves burritos, tacos and other Mexican specialty items. The "Express" in its title indicates at least two items on the menu are offered for less than a dollar. For 99 cents, the resaurant! offers a chicken or beef hard shell taco or a mini bean and cheese burrito.

A breakfast menu is also available until 10:30 a.m., providing students, faculty and staff with breakfast burritos to get the day started.

For a complete list of campus eateries, visit www.dining.csus.edu/.

Faculty Senate schedule

Tuesday, Sept. 12

1:30 p.m., Curriculum Subcommittee

3 p.m., Executive Committee

Wednesday, Sept. 13

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

3 p.m., General Education Course Review Subcommittee

All meetings are in Sacramento Hall 275 unless otherwise noted.

Professional Activities

Student Spotlight

Manuel Rios, alumnus and graduate student and **Xico Gonzales**, alumnus, will have their art work on display at an international exhibition sponsored by Intersection for the Arts in San Francisco. The exhibit, "Terror? An Interdisciplinary Project", opens on Sept. 11.

Scholarships

Ed Brazo, Theatre and Dance, was elected to represent Western region members of the Society of Stage Directors and Choreographers on a committee titled "Professionals Working Within the Academic Environment".

Gale Justin, Philosophy, has a review of Terence Penner's and Christopher Rowe's *Plato's Lysis* in the journal *Ancient Philosophy*.

Stephan Kroll, Economics, will have his co-authored paper "*The Impact of Endowment Heterogeneity and Origin on Contributions in Best-Shot Public Good Games*" published in the journal *Experimental Economics*.

Stephanie Tucker, English, had her paper, "A Diptych of Comedy and Carnival: Alan Ayckbourn's House & Garden" published in the *New Theatre Quarterly*, in May.

David Booher, Center for Collaborative Policy, presented a paper at the 50th annual conference of the International Society for Systems Sciences. "Complexity and Adaptive Policy Systems" was co-authored by Judith Innes of U.C. Berkeley.

In the News

Ron Coleman, Biological Sciences, was interviewed by KNX radio in Los Angeles about stingrays and the death of the "Crocodile Hunter" Steve Irwin on Sept. 4.

Stephan Kroll, Economics, was interviewed on Aug. 30 by KCRA Channel 3 news on the economics behind the proposed cap-and-trade scheme to reduce California's greenhouse gas emissions.

Kathy Gee, Special Education, Rehabilitation and School Psychology, was featured in the April 14 *Davis Enterprise* for making a presentation to the Davis parent group SKIES (Special Kids in Educational Settings).

Anna Kruger, Music, was featured in the April 19 *Rossmoor News* for playing the viola in the Kirkwood String Trio in the final concert of the Rossmoor Chamber Music Society's 35th season.

Frank LaPena, Ethnic Studies, was featured in a May 14 *Sacramento Bee* story about his exhibit at the b. sakata garo gallery.

Keith Bohm, Music, was featured in an April 17 article in the *Davis Enterprise* about his role in the "An Evening of Saxophone Chamber Music" event at the Mondavi Center.

Henry Chambers, History, was interviewed on KFBK radio on May 1 about the history of May Day.

Robert Fountain, Applied Research Center, was quoted in the April 27 *San Diego Union Tribune* and on KFBK radio about his report on the need for education spending to be stepped up in California to produce highly educated workers for the state.

Frank Garosi, History, was featured in a May 14 article in the *Sacramento Bee* regarding his "Predicting the Future" class.

Tim Hodson, Center for California Studies, was quoted: in the April 2 *Los Angeles Times* about the challenges of commemorating the 1906 San Francisco earthquake; in the April 27 *Los Angeles Times* about the gubernatorial primary election; and in the May 14 *Sacramento Bee* about the state's \$7.5 billion boost in tax revenue.

Ted Lascher, Public Policy and Administration, was quoted in the May 4 *Sacramento Bee* about the lack of competition in certain local primary elections.

Amy Liu, Sociology, was quoted in the May 5 *Sacramento Bee* about the survey she headed regarding a new arena for the Sacramento Kings.

Andrew Luchansky, Music, was featured in an April 11 article in the *Davis Enterprise* about his students' performances in the Cello Festival in Davis.

Barbara O'Connor, Communication Studies, was quoted: in the April 9 *Los Angeles Times*, April 14 *Stockton Record*, April 16 *Tri-Valley Herald* and *Alameda County Sunday Review*, and April 23 *Contra Costa Times*, *Alameda Sunday Valley Times* and *San Ramon Valley Times* about the political ramifications of Gov. Schwarzenegger's recognition of service members who die in the war in Iraq; in the April 29 *San Francisco Chronicle* about Gavin Newsom's advancement in the Democratic ranks; in the April 22 *Times Herald* about the state's prison guards union and its relationship with Gov. Schwarzenegger; in the May 1 *Valley Times* about the gubernatorial primary race; in the April 17 *Woodland Hills Daily News* about ballot designations; in the April 24 *San Francisco Chronicle* and the *San Jose Mercury-News*, and on May 2 on KXTV News 10 about Steve Westly's and Phil Angelides' TV spots in the weeks before the primary election; in the May 3 *San Francisco Chronicle* about the immigration issue in the governor's race; and on Capital Public Radion on April 17 about the primary gubernatorial election.

Tony Platt, Social Work, had an article published in the April 9 *Tri-Valley Herald* titled "What Should be Done with Looted Artifacts?"

Harold Murai, Bilingual Multicultural Education, was featured in the "Wee Pals" comic strip on May 6 in the *Oakland Tribune* for his role as director of the Cross-cultural Resource Center.

John Syer, Government, was quoted on KCRA Channel 3 and KXTV News 10 on April 20 about Gov. Schwarzenegger's difficulties with federal flood help, and on KXTV News 10 on April 22 about President Bush's visit to West Sacramento.

Rob Wassmer, Public Policy and Administration, was quoted in the May 16 *Sacramento Bee* about urban limit lines and how they can affect the price of land.

Robert Waste, Public Policy and Administration, was quoted in the May 6 *Sacramento Bee* about Darrell Steinberg's role in negotiating an arena financing deal with the city and county of Sacramento.

News Digest

"Welcome Back buffet"

The University Center Restaurant will hold a special "Welcome Back" buffet on Tuesday, Sept. 12 and Wednesday, Sept. 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day. Join colleagues and enjoy lunch on campus with a surf and turf theme that includes clam chowder (both Boston and Manhattan), grilled steak, fish and chips, pasta primavera, seafood pasta with bay shrimp, sautéed vegetables, salads, fruits, and assorted desserts. The cost is \$11.95 per person (beverages additional). The University Center Restaurant is located at the west entrance to the University Union across from the Student Health Connection. More information online at www.enterprises.csus.edu/dining/area/ucr.html Reservations are suggested for groups of five or more by calling 278-6100.

Time to Apply for Sabbaticals

Full-time faculty members interested in applying for sabbatical or difference-in-pay leaves for the 2007-08 academic year must submit an application to Human Resources no later than 5 p.m., Friday, September 29, 2006. Application is done online, at www.csus.edu/hr/faculty/sabbatical/sabbatical.stm.

Law school forum

The Sacramento State Fall Law School Forum, featuring representatives from law schools from all over California and across the country, will be held on Monday, Sept. 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Sacramento State Alumni Center. The forum is free and open to all faculty, staff, students and the general public. The event uses an open house format with workshop presentations on how the law school admissions process works and how to prepare for the law school admissions test, the LSAT. The forum includes a question-and-answer session with a panel of law school admissions professionals such as deans and directors of admission. The event will give students an opportunity to learn more about the law school admissions process and meet law school representatives in person. For more information, call 278-6487.

Emergency preparedness

Risk Management Services will present its Emergency Preparedness Fair on Friday, Sept. 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the University Union Redwood Room. The fair will focus on personal emergency preparedness. Find out how to prepare for an emergency, whether at home, work or while traveling. The event is free. For more information, call Staci Louie at 278-6456.

Service learning workshops

The Office of Community Collaboration will sponsor a brown bag workshop for faculty on getting started with service learning on Friday, Sept. 22 from noon to 1 p.m. in Library 4026. The workshop will focus on questions such as what is service learning, how can it be incorporated into the classroom, how to get students enthusiastic about service learning, how much work does it take to incorporate service learning into a syllabus and will service help in tenure and promotion. The workshop also will offer faculty members other tools to bring service learning into the classroom. Registration is not required. However, space is limited. E-mail the Office of Community Collaboration at occ@csus.edu or call 278-4610 for additional information or to reserve a space.

Author on 1906 earthquake

Simon Winchester, author of the book *Crack in the Edge of the World: America and the Great California Earthquake of 1906* will speak and sign books at the Hornet Bookstore on Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 1 p.m. Winchester's book provides a blend of history and science on the 100th anniversary of the 1906 San Francisco earthquake.

Campus Announcements

Submitting to Monday Briefing

Items for the Monday Briefing can be submitted to bulletin@csus.edu by members of the University's Administrative Council—which includes deans, vice presidents and associate vice presidents—who will be responsible for ensuring the items are appropriate and come from a legitimate campus source.

Announcements for Monday Briefing should be sent as text files, be no longer than 100 words, and may include website links to more information. They should usually include a contact e-mail, phone number or both. Items are subject to light editing. They should be submitted to a member of Administrative Council no later than the noon on the Tuesday before publication to provide time for review before the items must be sent to Public Affairs by noon on Thursday.

The Monday Briefing is not intended for commercial messages, except by campus-based operations such as eateries. It is also not intended for political messages. Items related to University partnerships with outside organizations will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Monday Briefing is a way for campus units to communicate items related to the campus and campus-related activities. These items can range from policy announcements from the President's Cabinet to reminders about vacation use to retirement parties. The basic requirement is that the announcement should be of interest to a broad number of faculty and staff members.

USA annual fundraiser

The University Staff Assembly is selling 2007 Entertainment Books for \$40. Select representatives throughout campus are selling the books. A portion of every sale goes to the support of University Staff Assembly projects throughout the year. For more information, visit www.csus.edu/usa/fundraising/entertain.htm or call 278-2783.

Construction update

The Infrastructure II utilities upgrade project continues in various locations. Sanitary sewer pipe installation will occur south of the Baseball Field. Trucks may be entering and exiting State University Drive West to access site. Work on the steam and chilled water pipe installation may at times disrupt pedestrian/service traffic along Sinclair Road. Detours will be available.

Trucks may also be entering/exiting State University Drive West to access the bicycle path project site. A temporary pedestrian pathway which runs parallel, from the Hornet Tunnel to Sinclair is open.

Human Resources

Annual Employee Benefits Faire planned

In preparation for the California Public Employees Retirement System's 2006 Health Plan Open Enrollment period (Sept. 1-29), the Office of Human Resources – Benefits Office will host its annual Employee Benefits Faire on the first day of the semester, Tuesday, Sept. 5, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in University Union Ballroom. Individuals who will not be able to attend can either pick up their new health insurance coverage information at the Benefits Office in Sacramento Hall 162 after the fair, request that the information be mailed to them, or attend one of the open enrollment overviews which will be held later in the month.

Representatives from CSU benefit programs will be available to answer general questions and provide new 2006 program literature for their plans. There will also be special 20-minute presentations from health care representatives every hour addressing topics such as: disease management, health education, preventive services, healthy lifestyles, health risk assessment and a variety of other program features designed to help individuals maintain healthy lifestyle habits. There will be giveaways including donations of eatery tickets from Java City and University Enterprises, as well as drawings for prizes every 30 minutes.

All employees are encouraged to stop by at any time from 9 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Spouses/partners are welcome to attend. No reservations needed. Questions regarding the fair should be directed to the Benefits Office at 278-6213.

Comprehensive review of CSU benefits available

The Human Resources Benefits Office will conduct a comprehensive review of the CSU Benefits Program for new/newly eligible part-time faculty. Workshops will be held from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each day. The schedule is as follows: Sept. 7 in Amador Hall 354; Sept. 19 in Douglass Hall 105; Sept. 25 in Douglass Hall 105; and Sept. 29 in Douglass Hall 105.

Topics covered will include healthcare, insurance, supplemental programs, disability, retirement (CalPERS), tax deferred options, flexible/medical spending accounts, etc. Spouses/partners are invited. Individuals who are interested in attending workshops should contact the Benefits Office at 278-6213 to reserve a space.

Catastrophic Leave Donation Program

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 a maximum of 40 hours per fiscal year.

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

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

Randy Morgan, Associated Students
Linda Brufladt, University Media Services
Florie Acio, Facilities Management
Ondria Small, College of Continuing Education
Robert Lobua, Facilities Services
Fred Angell, Mail Services Center
Sharon Kelley, Computing and Communications Services
*Tala York, College of Continuing Education
(*Only vacation leave credits may be donated to this employee)

On the Job with the Multicultural Center

The Bulletin spoke with Pat Grady, interim director, and Heather Arbuckle, program coordinator/office coordinator, of the Multicultural Center.

What do people think you do?

"People often think we only serve people of color."

What do you really do?

"We cultivate programs and awareness to promote civility and mutual respect for all members of the campus community in spite of race, age, disability, age, sexual orientation and gender. Our goal is to

focus on involving the student population in reflective and interactive engagement with people who are different from themselves.”

Describe your office.

“Our office is small and ‘quaint.’ It is located next to the new Java City, across from the main entrance to the Library. A lot of people have trouble finding it because our address is Library 1010, and they go into the main entrance of the Library, looking for our office inside.”

What surprises people?

“We often are responsible for bringing high-profile speakers to the campus. We’ve sponsored lectures by Winnie Mandela and Cornell West, to name a few. We also work with students with disabilities and the LGBTQQIA (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex and ally) community. They see the word “multicultural” and think that we only deal with ethnic and racial issues.”

What is your biggest challenge?

“It’s tough to engage students in hard conversations about issues and attitudes that still exist in today’s society, especially in regard to sexual orientation and racism. Prejudice, gender bias and inequity are everyone’s problem, and sometimes it can be difficult for students to accept that.”

What do you get asked the most?

“‘Where are you located, and what do you do?’ Come visit our office, next to the new Java City in the Library breezeway, and we’ll show you.”

Shining at the Green & Gold Gala

Sacramento State presents an evening of art, music and the unexpected at this year’s Green and Gold Gala.

The Gala returns this year on Friday, Oct. 6 with a 5:30 p.m. reception and a 6:30 p.m. dinner followed by dancing in the University Union Ballroom. The black tie event celebrates Sac State’s 60th year and honors the contributions of philanthropists Eli and Edythe Broad. Honorary co-chairs for the events are Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and First Lady Maria Shriver. For ticket information, call 278-7043.

