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A Guaranteed Ride Home program is available for commuters who use alternate transportation.

In the event a pre-registered participant or their commute partner is required to work unscheduled overtime or experiences a qualifying emergency, guaranteed transportation is provided via taxi, or a rental car for those who live more than 20 miles from campus, up to six times in a 12-month period. Employees who travel to and from campus at least three days per week—or 60 percent of their work schedule—by bicycle, bus, carpool, vanpool, light rail or walking may participate in the program. Some restrictions apply.

For details or to register, visit the Sacramento Transportation Management Association’s website at www.sacramento-tma.org or contact Alfredo Orozco at orozcoa@csus.edu or 278-7527.

Golf Classic kicks off Homecoming activities

Homecoming activities get under way on Friday, Sept. 29 with the annual Stingers’ Homecoming Golf Classic at the Woodcreek Golf Club in Roseville. For more information call 278-4323 or visit tickets.com.

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University pride runs deep again during this year’s Sacramento State Homecoming Week—from Oct. 2 to 7—with numerous opportunities for alumni, faculty and staff to reconnect with their University. Activities span a range of interests and include a visit from Sacramento Kings announcer Jerry Reynolds, class reunions, the University’s annual Green and Gold Gala and the Homecoming football game.

The week kicks off with an Alumni Association Breakfast Club event featuring Jerry Reynolds, the TV voice and former coach of the Sacramento Kings. Reynolds, the first in this season’s series of Breakfast Club speakers, will share his experiences in professional sports on Tuesday, Oct. 3 at 7:30 a.m. in the Alumni Center. Admission is $10 general, free to Alumni Association members. Call 278-6295 to reserve a space.

Later in the day, alumni, students, faculty and staff are invited to join the giant inflatable mascot Herky the Hornet in the annual “Swarm Day photo” at noon in the Library Quad. The photo, updated every year, is used in University publications and on the website as the “face of the campus” and reflects the spirit of the University.

The Golden Grads Lunch will provide a reunion of the Sacramento State classes of 1949-1957 on Wednesday, Oct. 4 at 11:30 a.m. in the Alumni Center. Reservations are $30. Call 278-6295 to reserve a space. Entertainment includes live music from the ’50s and ’60s.

A rousing rally will be held on Thursday, Oct. 5 at 6 p.m. in the University Union Serna Plaza featuring athletes, coaches, Sacramento State’s marching band and dance team, pep squad and Herky the Hornet. The Homecoming King and Queen coronation will follow the rally. After the rally and coronation, a free outdoor screening of Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man’s Chest will be held in Serna Plaza.

A highlight of Homecoming Week is the University’s Green and Gold Gala. This year’s gala will celebrate the University’s 60th year and philanthropists Eli and Edythe Broad. The event, which promises an evening of arts, music and the unexpected, will be held Friday, Oct. 6 in the University Union Ballroom, beginning at 5:30 p.m. For ticket information, visit www.csus.edu/gala or call 278-7043.

The 2006 Fall Faculty and Staff Homecoming Event will round out Homecoming week this year. The event, held on Saturday, Oct. 7, from 3 to 6 p.m., will take place at the Alumni Center. Activities will include a barbeque, live music, dance performances and a "Kids Zone" with face painting, games and prizes.

Homecoming activities include:

(Events are free unless otherwise indicated)

Tuesday, Oct. 3
Breakfast Club Speakers Series featuring Jerry Reynolds, TV commentator for the Sacramento Kings, 7:30 a.m., Alumni Center, $10 general/free for Alumni Association members. RSVP required. 278-6295.

Wednesday, Oct. 4

Thursday, Oct. 5
Homecoming Rally and King and Queen coronation, 6 p.m., University Union Serna Plaza.

Outdoor screening of *Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man’s Chest*, 7 p.m., University Union Serna Plaza.

Friday, Oct. 6
Green and Gold Gala, 5:30 p.m., University Union Ballroom, for tickets call 278-7043 or visit www.csus.edu/gala.

Saturday, Oct. 7
Fall Festival, 3 p.m., Alumni Center, reserve tickets for Festival and football game at www.csus.edu/president/ffsr.htm.

Football game, Sacramento State vs. Weber State, 6:05 p.m., Hornet Stadium, tickets 278-4323 or tickets.com.

Additional homecoming week activities may be added. Visit www.calendar.csus.edu/ for a list of University events.

Chair outlines Faculty Senate priorities for year ahead

Faculty Senate Chair Michael Fitzgerald says that a number of priorities for the Senate emerged from the Senate’s August retreat, some of which continue from the 2005-06 Senate deliberations.

One of the first items – and potentially the most complicated Fitzgerald says – is review of the University’s proposal for the independent doctorate in educational leadership, expected to be offered in fall 2007. The program will provide advanced training for administrators in elementary and secondary schools and community colleges.

Sacramento State’s plan, due in the Chancellor’s Office Nov. 1, will cover issues such as admission standards, program structure, curriculum and faculty. Once the plan for the program is established and approved by the campus, it will need to be approved by the CSU Board of Trustees, the California Postsecondary Education Commission and the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. Sacramento State is one of seven CSU campuses that will be offering the doctorate.
“This is an important program for the University and the Faculty Senate wants to help the doctorate get off to a strong start,” says Fitzgerald, a professor of Journalism.

Another priority for the Faculty Senate is enrollment management, especially in the area of student retention, he says.

“We believe the faculty can help the University with the problem, which affects all of us,” says Fitzgerald. He noted that in recent years fewer students are returning to Sacramento State to continue their education. “We want to look at the data to see what is happening to our students. We need to find out why students aren’t returning to our campus and where they are going instead.”

Fitzgerald says another priority is better coordination of the various faculty awards and recognition programs the Faculty Senate administers. Those annual award programs include the Livingston Lecture as well as the outstanding faculty teaching awards and the outstanding community service awards. “We need to have a better way of coordinating awards and recognition so they all get the attention they deserve,” he says.

Fitzgerald served previously as chair of the Faculty Senate in 1996. In the 1990s, he served as a member of the Faculty Senate for six years. After his stint as chair, Fitzgerald went on to serve three years as a statewide academic senator. A member of the Sacramento State faculty since 1986, Fitzgerald is returning to serve his fourth year on the Faculty Senate since ending his statewide status.

As chair of the Faculty Senate this second time, Fitzgerald says he has several goals in mind.

First, he would like the Faculty Senate to become more of an open forum for the entire campus. “I see the Faculty Senate as a place for not only faculty but also for staff and students to provide input on policy issues. One of my goals is to see the Faculty Senate used as a forum to talk about issues before we provide the President with policy recommendations,” he says.

Second, Fitzgerald would like to work to help junior faculty take more leadership positions in the Faculty Senate and across the University. Untenured faculty make up as much as 60 percent of the Faculty Senate today, he says.

And third, Fitzgerald wants to help develop a more collegial atmosphere on campus. “We should be able to discuss ideas, disagree, but in the end still be able to get along as colleagues and professionals,” Fitzgerald says. “Everybody on campus has something to contribute.”

**Gubernatorial debate puts campus in spotlight**

As many as 250 media representatives are expected on campus Saturday, Oct. 7 for the only scheduled debate between the state’s two leading candidates for governor - Gov.
Arnold Schwarzenegger and State Treasurer Phil Angelides.

The debate is being co-hosted by Sacramento State and the California Broadcasters Association. It will be held in the Music Recital Hall in Capistrano Hall.

The debate begins at 6 p.m. and will last for one hour. It is expected to be carried live on the major networks, as well as some cable channels and radio stations, and it will include a simultaneous Spanish translation and closed captioning. It will also be televised via closed circuit at a number of campus locations.

Seating will be limited to about 300 guests. As a co-host, Sacramento State will receive a share of those invitations, as will the Broadcasters Association and the two campaigns.

Sacramento State will be inviting 50 members of the campus community – including at least 15 students – and 25 friends and supporters from the community. The Associated Students, Faculty Senate and University Staff Assembly are assisting with those invitations.

There will be a strong security presence around Capistrano Hall the day before and the day of the debate, including on- and off-campus law enforcement personnel. Campus access to the entire building will be somewhat limited late Friday and there will be no access on Saturday.

Hosting gubernatorial debates is nothing new to the campus. Along with the California Broadcasters Association, Sacramento State hosted the 2003 Recall Debate featuring the five leading candidates – an event that attracted worldwide attention. And in 1998, the campus and Broadcasters hosted a debate featuring Gray Davis and Dan Lungren.

As with those other debates, units from across campus are involved with making this one a success. As a co-host, the campus is handling issues such as parking, facilities, telecommunications and general logistics – and is assisting with media relations and security. The Broadcasters Association is responsible for debate format, media access and additional hard costs related to the event.

For more information, contact Sacramento State Public Affairs at 278-6156 or infodesk@csus.edu.

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The enhanced homepage is designed to work well with web templates that were introduced in fall 2005. In addition, an enhanced set of design templates is now available on request from Public Affairs and will soon be online at www.csus.edu/web.
The new design incorporates feedback that the existing homepage is not sufficiently engaging and does not provide enough “depth” of information. Public Affairs along with University Computing and Communications Services conducted an extensive review of best-practices at other universities, and reviewed statistics of actual web usage in order to determine features and hierarchy for the new page.

Comments on the new design are welcome at infodesk@csus.edu.

Fall Renaissance Society open forums announced

Sacramento State's Renaissance Society offers up its open forums this fall to the University community with a wealth of subjects and speakers.

The Renaissance Society, a partnership between the retired community of the Sacramento area and Sacramento State, offers up a free forum open to the general public every Friday from 3 to 4 p.m. Each forum features invited speakers of note who share their views with members, followed by question and answer sessions.

All forums will be held in Mendocino Hall 1003. Scheduled forums include:


October 6: Ayad S. Al-Quazzaz, "Islam, Democracy and the war on terror: Will the result of the invasion of Iraq be a broken Iraq, civil war, neighbors nurturing generations of terrorists?" Sacramento State professor Al-Qazzaz, Department of Sociology, graduated from the University of Bagdad and U.C. Berkeley. He is a specialist in the sociology and politics of the Middle East with emphasis on American Middle Eastern foreign policy.

October 13: Bill Durston, "A case for universal health care - is the U.S. ready?" Dr. Durston is a practicing physician and a member and past president of Physicians for Social Responsibility. He is an outspoken advocate for health care reform.

October 20: Scott Fishman, "Are You In Pain? It Can Be Managed?" Dr. Fishman is chief of the Division of Pain Medicine and a professor of Anesthesiology and Pain Medicine at the U. C. Davis. He was formerly medical director of the Massachusetts General Hospital Pain Center at Harvard Medical School. He lectures on all aspects of pain and its treatment and has authored the book, *The War on Pain*.

October 27: Joe Moore, "From Slavery to Freedom: Slaves in California, A Free State, And The Underground Railroad," The Sacramento State Underground Railroad Project is under the guidance of Joe Moore, along with his wife, Professor Shirley Moore, History. They are experts in the African American experience in Gold Rush-era California.
November 3: Ed Weiss, “The Flying Dentists: Providing Dental Treatment to Indigenous People in the Third World Countries,” Dr. Weiss joined The Flying Doctors in 1993 on a mission to provide medical and dental treatment in Sonora, Mexico. He has returned to Mexico 20 times on similar missions. His team of dentists have traveled to Micronesia, Nepal, Uganda and recently returned from Guatemala where they provided needed dental treatment.

November 17: Amy Chance, “Let’s Cover the Statewide Political Campaigns: Governor Schwarzenegger, the Legislature, and Statewide Ballot Measures,” Chance, State Capitol bureau chief and political editor for 22 years, joined the Sacramento Bee as a city hall reporter in 1984 and moved up to bureau chief two years later. She has covered most of the state’s political figures during that time.

Dec. 1: Celia Esquivel, “The 2005 White House Conference on Aging: The Booming Dynamics of Aging: What’s Next?” Esquivel, associate state director, AARP California, was one of several delegates from California to the White House Conference on Aging in 2005. The conference is held every five years to review trends in aging, services for older persons, funding for necessary services and other issues pertinent to American seniors.

Faculty Senate

Tuesday, Sept. 26
1:30 p.m., Program Review Oversight Subcommittee

3 p.m., Executive Committee

Wednesday, Sept. 27
9 a.m., Writing and Reading Subcommittee, Camellia Room, University Union

3 p.m., General Education Course Review Subcommittee

Thursday, Sept. 28
3 p.m., Faculty Senate, Foothill Suite, University Union (Tentative)

All meetings are in Sacramento Hall 275 unless otherwise noted.

Professional Activities

Student Spotlight

Henry Lyle, Anthropology graduate student, delivered a speech at the Human Behavior and Evolution Society Annual Conference in Philadelphia, in June 2006. His paper was titled "Risk-taking and Competitive Status Signalling in P2P File-Sharing Networks." The paper was co-authored with his supervisor, Roger Sullivan.
Scholarship

Craig Gallet, Economics, and Hyrum Doegey (recent M.A. graduate in Economics) had their paper entitled "The Impact of Smoking Bans on Alcohol Demand" accepted for publication in the Social Science Journal.


Mark L. Emerson, Art, is among several artists whose work is included in an exhibition at the Old Sugar Mill in Clarksburg from Sept. 28-Nov. 11, artists' reception, 6-8 p.m. on Sept. 28. Also represented in the show, which is sponsored by JayJay Gallery, is Emeritus Art Professor Joan Moment.

Smile Dube, Art, presented a paper, "The AK 90 Model In The Tropics: Time-Series Evidence From South Africa," at Stellenbosch University, South Africa on July 17. The paper had been scheduled for the third African Journal Finance Conference in Accra but had to be presented in Cape Town instead following an abrupt cancellation of the flight from Johannesburg to Accra.

Robert Brady, Art, has a sculpture currently on view at the Fresno Art Museum: Sculpture 1989-2005. The exhibit is open through Nov. 19.

Robert Ortbal, Art, has a recent work on view at the Cabrillo Gallery at Cabrillo College in Aptos, CA. Oxygen's Shadow will be on exhibit from Sept. 29-Nov. 3. He will give an artist talk at the Cabrillo Gallery on Sept. 28.

Rachel Clarke, Brenda Louie and Marcelle Wiggins, Art, are among the 25 regional women artists whose studios will be featured in a day of tours on Saturday, Sept. 30. "Celebrating Our Working Women Artists" is co-sponsored by the Center for Contemporary Art, Sacramento and the California Museum for History, Women, and the Arts. Also included in the tour are the studios of Sacramento State art students Shirley Hazlett and Liv Moe. For further information: http://www.ccasac.org

Sue Anne Foster and Brenda Louie, Art, are among the artists whose work is featured in the debut exhibition of the new City Hall Gallery in Sacramento. Also represented in the New City Hall's public art collection are several Sacramento State alumni.

Suzanne Green, associate vice president for Finance, received the NACUBO 2006 award for professional development in July. NACUBO is the National Association for College and University Business Officers. The national award recognizes college and university business professionals for notable contributions to NACUBO’s professional development program.

Bill Leach, Center for Collaborative Policy, has published an article "Collaborative Public Management and Democracy: Evidence from Western Watershed Partnerships" which will
appear in *Public Administration Review*, in December.

**Rachel Clarke**, Art, has a show at the Center for Contemporary Art, Sacramento, titled, "The Present Moment". The show runs through Oct. 29.

**Mary Mackey**, English, had her short story "Third Initiation: A Gift From the Land of Dreams" published in the anthology *Paraspheres: Extending Beyond the Spheres of Literary and Genre Fiction* gave a lecture to the San Francisco Town and Country Club entitled "The Time Traveler's Wife Time: Travel as Metaphor in Contemporary Fiction" on Sept. 14; read her poetry at a benefit for the Oakland Public Library on Sept. 16; read some her short fiction at Diesel Books in Oakland on Sept. 17; participated in a panel at the Book Group Expo in San Jose, spoke on the subject "Authors Who Write Both Poetry and Fiction"; read her poetry at Anna's Jazz Cafe in Berkeley as part of a benefit to raise money for disabled people who had become homeless due to Hurricane Katrina on June 25; read her poetry as part of the Sacramento Poetry Marathon on July 30; taught screen writing at the Sacramento State Writers' Conference and did a public reading of her recent poetry on Aug. 19 and 20.

**In the News**

**Leo Eylar**, Music, was featured in the May 18 *San Mateo County Times* about his role as music director of the California Youth Symphony.

**Tom Decker**, Art, was featured in the May 18 *Davis Enterprise* about his ceramic sculptures on display in an art exhibit in Davis.

**James Sobredo**, Ethnic Studies, was quoted in the May 16 *Stockton Record* about the Daguhoy Museum in Stockton.

**Doug Bell**, Biological Sciences, was quoted in the May 30 *San Jose Mercury News, San Ramon Valley Times* and *Contra Costa Times* about vegetation levels and how they may help wind energy become environmentally acceptable.

**Kevin Wehr**, Sociology, was quoted in the *Santa Cruz Sentinel* on June 2 about using the Internet to keep up with old acquaintances and in the May 18 *Sacramento News & Review* about Sacramento’s ranking in a study that measures a city’s preparedness for an oil crisis.

**Tim Hodson**, Center for California Studies, was quoted: in the June 7 *San Francisco Chronicle* about the contest for the Democratic nomination for California’s lieutenant governor; on Capital Public Radio on May 5 about the infrastructure bond approved by the California Legislature; on KQCA Channel 58 on June 5 about last-minute gubernatorial campaigning; and on KCRA Channel 3 on June 6 about the primary election.

**Michael Semler**, Government, was quoted in the May 31 *San Francisco Chronicle* about Angelo Tsakopoulos’ donations to Phil Angelides’ campaign for governor.
Barbara O’Connor, Communication Studies, was quoted: in the May 27 San Francisco Chronicle, the June 1 San Jose Mercury-News and Contra Costa Times and the June 2 Pleasanton Valley Times about negative television ads in the primary race for governor of California; in the May 22 Hayward Daily Review about the challenges Gov. Schwarzenegger’s opponents face in light of California’s budget surplus; in the May 28 San Francisco Chronicle and the June 1 San Francisco Examiner about undecided Democratic voters in the primary gubernatorial race; in the May 11 San Ramon Valley Times about the role the state controller plays; in the June 3 Pleasanton Valley Times, Contra Costa Times and San Jose Mercury-News about Proposition 82; in the June 4 Sacramento Bee about the possibility of campaign contribution limits in Placer County elections; and in the June 3 Sacramento Bee about the Service Employees International Union. She was interviewed: on KQCA-WB on May 4 about the accuracy of political ads on television; on KCRA Channel 3 on May 8, 11, 22, 23 and 29 and June 1 for a political campaign ad watch; and on KXTV News 10 on May 29 and June 2 and KFBK on June 5 about the gubernatorial race and TV ads.

Robert Mogull, Business Administration, was featured in a May 25 article in the Land Park News about his study on poverty rates among ethnicities within the Hispanic American community.

Suzanne O’Keefe, Economics, was quoted in the May 4 Pocket News about Sacramento’s ranking in a prosperity study.

Timothy Capron, Criminal Justice, was quoted in the June 13 Sacramento Bee about studying crime trends in the correct context.

Amy Liu, Sociology, was interviewed on KCRA Channel 3 and Capital Public Radio on May 5 about her poll of Sacramento residents and how they feel about a new Kings arena.

Robert Fountain, Applied Research Center, was quoted on Capital Public Radio radio on May 11 and 12 regarding a study on the future of education and jobs.

Robert Waste, Public Policy and Administration, was interviewed on KCRA Channel 3 and KQCA Channel 58 on May 29 and June 1 for a political campaign ad watch.

Kimberly Nalder, Government, was interviewed on Capital Public Radio on May 30 about undecided Democratic voters.

Ted Lascher, Public Policy and Administration, was interviewed on Capital Public Radio on June 5 about the role of California’s governor.

John Syer, Government, was interviewed on KXTV News 10 on June 5 about politicians’ reasons for not wanting to talk with the press.

Sanjay Varsheny, College of Business Administration, was quoted in the June 2006 prospermag.com about how Sacramento’s job market competes nationally.
Campus Announcements

Green and Gold Gala ticket information
Tickets are still available for the Sacramento State Green and Gold Gala on Friday, Oct. 6, celebrating the University’s 60th year and honoring philanthropists Eli and Edythe Broad. Tickets are available at www.csus.edu/gala/ or 278-7043.
Submitted by University Advancement

Fall Faculty and Staff Event
The 2006 Fall Faculty and Staff Homecoming Event will round out Homecoming week this year. The event, held on Saturday, Oct. 7, from 3 to 6 p.m., will take place at the Alumni Center. Activities will include a barbeque, live music, dance performances and a "Kids Zone" with face painting, games and prizes.

Sacramento State employees will be entitled to up to four meal vouchers redeemable at the event and up to four game tickets to the Homecoming football game, when the Hornets take on Weber State at 6:05 p.m. at Hornet Stadium. Additional game tickets can be purchased for $6 each upon check-in at the Alumni Center.

RSVP your total ticket needs no later than Friday, Sept. 29, by visiting www.csus.edu/president/ffsr.htm. For more information, call 278-7043.
Submitted by University Advancement

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

Fire alarm system installation will commence in the Sequoia Building this week. Work will mainly be conducted in the corridors after hours.

Starting October 12, 2006, the infrastructure project will be installing a 35,000 gallon sewage storage tank across the street from Parking Structure I. Traffic in both directions on State University West shall be maintained, however, lanes will shift due to construction. Construction will last approximately six months. Alternate routes for pedestrians and bikes will be available.

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

Dorman to give Livingston Lecture on Oct. 17
Bill Dorman, professor of government, will present the 2006 Livingston Lecture on Tuesday, Oct. 17 from 3 to 5 p.m. in the University Ballroom. Dorman is the first faculty member to have been selected twice to deliver the lecture. The title of his lecture is "A Teaching Life:"
Values Then and Now.

The Livingston Lecture is among the most prestigious awards at Sacramento State. The lecture is named in honor of the late Jack Livingston, a respected Sacramento State government professor and faculty leader from 1954 to 1981, who is remembered as an inspiration to both faculty and students.

The annual lecture, organized by the Faculty Senate, recognizes a faculty member who has played an active role in the life of the University and has shown a strong commitment to students while remaining active in creative and scholarly activities.

Submitted by the Faculty Senate

New appointments in Student Affairs

The Division of Student Affairs has announced that searches for the positions of University Registrar and the Director of Financial Aid are completed. Joining the University on Oct. 2 are Dennis Geyer as the new Registrar and Craig Yamamoto as the new Director of Financial Aid. Geyer comes to Sacramento State from his position as the University Registrar from California State University, Monterey Bay. Yamamoto most recently was the Financial Services Manager at Sierra College and he was the Associate Director of Financial Aid at Sac State in the mid 1990s.

Submitted by Student Affairs

Visitor parking database ends Sept. 29

The method to electronically request visitor parking permits for campus guests is migrating from the Visitor Parking Database (VPD) in the IBM system to Visitor Parking in the Common Management System (CMS). Current VPD users are being contacted by University Transportation and Parking Services (UTAPS) and provided with training and instructions for the use of the new Visitor Parking system.

Employees will need to migrate away from VPD no later than Sept. 29 and begin using the new Visitor Parking system in CMS. Campus staff who would like to become new users of Visitor Parking may contact Carla Blanton, UTAPS Office Coordinator.

Several new enhancements will help to make the new Visitor Parking system easier to use. Visitor Parking in CMS is the campus method for requesting parking for campus visitors. For more information, contact Carla Blanton at eventparking@csus.edu or 278-5244.

Submitted by Business Operations

Serna Center to present talk by Tony Platt

The Serna Center will present a talk by Tony Platt, professor of social work and author of the new book, Bloodlines: Recovering Hitler’s Nuremberg Laws, from Patton’s Trophy to Public Memorial, on Oct. 4 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. in Hinde Auditorium of the University Union. A reception begins at 12:30 p.m. in the Lobby Suite.

Platt’s book looks at a wide range of issues ranging from war-time looting, remembrance of the Holocaust, German and American eugenics, and the public responsibilities of museums
and cultural centers. The talk is free and open to the public.

Submitted by the Serna Center

Homecoming Week debate Oct. 3
The Sac State debate team will host its annual Homecoming Week Public Debate on Oct. 3 at 4 p.m. in the Alumni Center. The topic for this year’s debate is the proposed Arena Tax - measures Q and R. Assembly member Dave Jones will represent the No on measures Q and R side of the issue. The representative for the Yes on measure Q and R side of the issue has yet to be announced. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Kristen Tudor, director of debate, or call 278-5489.

Submitted by Kristen Tudor of Communication Studies

Physics colloquium talk Oct. 5
Jeffrey Neaton of the Molecular Foundry at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory will present a talk on Oct. 5 at 4 p.m. in Mendocino Hall 1015. Neaton’s talk, titled “Theory and Simulation of Electrical Transport at the Nanoscale,” is part a colloquium series sponsored by the Physics and Astronomy Department.

Submitted by Physics and Astronomy

Faculty/Staff Appreciation Day
The Hornet Bookstore announces that Oct. 10 will be Faculty/Staff Appreciation Day. Mark your calendar and watch for future announcements regarding this event. The day will be highlighted with prize drawings, discounts, and refreshments.

Submitted by University Enterprises

Former Hungarian official to visit
The former Hungarian foreign minister, Geza Jeszenszky, will give a guest lecture on campus on Oct. 25 at 5 p.m. in 151 Capistrano Hall. The title of the talk is “The 50th anniversary of the 1956 Hungarian Uprising.” For more information, call Professor of Sociology Tom Kando at 278-6694.

Submitted by Tom Kando of Sociology

Academic Resources Conference upcoming
Looking for an opportunity to network with counterparts from other CSU campuses? Register now to attend the annual Academic Resources Conference (ARC). Take advantage of a special discounted registration rate of $199 for Sacramento State employees with early bird registration by Oct. 1. ARC will be held at The Radisson Hotel in Sacramento Nov. 7-9.

Speakers and conference sessions will include topics such as campus leadership in a changing environment, ethics and compliance, revenue management program. One session is titled “Supercharged: Running 90 mph with Your Hair on Fire and Feeling Great!” For more details regarding the agenda topics and how to register, visit the website at: www.csus.edu/ssis/arc/ or contact Leigh Barber at 278-6778 or barberl@csus.edu.

Submitted by the College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies

Poetry readings this week
The Library Gallery will host two poetry readings this week. Craig Paulenich will read from his book of poetry, Drift of the Hunt, published by Nobodaddies Press. The reading will take
place on Sept. 26 at 7 p.m. in the Library Gallery. Professor of English Peter Grandbois will read from his first book of fiction, The Grave Digger, on Sept. 28 at noon in the gallery. For more information about the readings call 278-5435.

Submitted by Doug Rice of English

The latest sources for funding
The September issue of Funding Alert is now available. The newsletter is published monthly to alert the campus community to possible sources of external support for research, scholarly and creative activities. Both an abbreviated listing and a more detailed version are available on the web at www.csus.edu/rsp/Funding%20Alert.htm.

Highlights include a profile of the National Science Foundation’s new Discovery Research K-12 Program and targeted funding opportunity notices in the arts, humanities, education, community development, health, mental health, science and engineering. Additional information about any of the opportunities announced in Funding Alert can be obtained by clicking on the web address above or by contacting Research Administration at 278-7381.

Submitted by Research Administration

Book tour at Sacramento State
Author Simon Winchester, whose book A Crack in the Edge of the World: America and the Great California Earthquake of 1906 offers a panoramic blend of history and science at the 100-year anniversary of the 1906 earthquake, will be speaking and signing books at Sacramento State on Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 1 p.m. in the Hornet Bookstore.

Submitted by University Enterprises

Research methods, analysis webcasts
The Office of Research Administration and Office of Graduate Studies will present a fall 2006 live webcast series on research methods and analysis. In collaboration with the Center for the Advancement of Research Methods and Analysis at Virginia Commonwealth University, the offices will offer this program at no cost to allow faculty and students the opportunity to hear the latest methodological developments relevant to their research.

The presentations in the series will emphasize the substantive application of methodological developments and can supplement the education that occurs in traditional courses. Viewing these live webcasts is also an important community building activity for the campus community of scholars and scholars-in-training. Each Friday a presentation will be held in Room 11 of the Library. Coffee and muffins will always be available 30 minutes prior.

For more information and to RSVP, contact Sonya Lovine at 278-3668 or lovinesd@csus.edu. This series is free and open to all faculty and registered students of the University. Off-campus participants may attend at no cost as well, but only if registered in advance.

Here is the schedule:
Sept. 29 (9 –10:30 a.m.) Regression Models for Limited Dependent Variables by David Harrison, Pennsylvania State University
Oct. 27 (8– 9:30 a.m) Robust Regression by William Starbuck, New York University/University of Oregon
Nov. 17 (9-10:30 a.m.) Issues with Internet Data Collection by Jeff Stanton, Syracuse
University; Non-responses to Organizational Surveys (10:30 a.m. – noon) by Steven Rogelberg, University of North Carolina Charlotte; and Methodological Issues in Cross-Cultural Research (noon – 1:30 p.m.) by Michele Gelfand, University of Maryland.

Submitted by Research Administration

Brown bag seminar
Faculty, staff and the community are invited to a brown bag seminar on Friday, Sept. 29, from noon to 2 p.m. in Eureka Hall 213. The seminar, “Brasil (with an S!): Ethnomathematics, Mathematical Modeling and School Outreach in Brasil,” will be presented by Professor Daniel Orey, Teacher Education. Orey will share some of his work while he lived abroad this past year in Ouro Preto, Minas Gerais, Brasil. His talk will include: The Ouro Preto Math Trail, work with Intel, Wimax and Intel and outreach for public schools and the future goals for CELB (The Center for Luso-Brazilian Studies/O Centro) at Sacramento State.

Prof. Orey will also outline possible opportunities presented at Sacramento State for those who might be thinking of visiting, working, and traveling to South America.

For additional information, contact Orey at 278-5531 or orey@csus.edu.

Submitted by Daniel Orey of Education

Foster Youth Education Fund fashion show
The Foster Youth Education Fund will hold a fashion show on Sunday, Oct. 8 at 2 p.m. in the University Union Ballroom. The show will feature Sacramento area foster youths as models. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Guardian Scholars Program at Sacramento State, a comprehensive program of financial aid, life coaching, mentoring, housing and other services for foster youths enrolled at the University.

Tickets are $25 each and are available by calling 944-4935. Information on the Guardian Scholars Program is available at 278-3643.

Submitted by Guardian Scholars Program

Project activity grants
The University Enterprises, Inc. Board of Directors allocates funds for worthwhile campus projects that benefit students, faculty and staff. If you are a member of a recognized student organization, faculty, or staff and have a project or activity that is innovative, shows demonstrable need, and benefits the Sacramento State community, apply now for a Project Activity Grant.

Project Activity Grant funding guidelines and submittal forms may be obtained from the University Enterprises web site at www.enterprises.csus.edu/projectactivitygrants or in the UEI Contract Administration and Grant Administration office in Modoc Hall, Room 2010. Application due dates are Nov. 20 and Feb. 26. Applications are accepted on a continual basis and are received until noon on the due date. Those received after that time will be considered for the next award cycle.

For more information call Ann Carlson at 278-6025.
Regulatory compliance training e-mail notifications
Risk Management Services on Tuesday, Sept. 26 will launch an automated e-mail process that will serve to remind employees/supervisors of their mandatory compliance training obligations. The automated process will repeat thereafter on a cycle of every 45 days.

Based on PeopleSoft/CMS employee reporting hierarchies, and LearnerWeb Learning Track assignments, a “Supervisor’s...” report will be generated and distributed to all supervisors informing them of subordinate training compliance progress (direct reports only). A second, “Employee’s...” report will be generated and sent directly to each employee informing them of their Learning Track (i.e., mandatory training) progress.

For more information on the automated process, contact Risk Management Services at 278-6456.

Submitted by Risk Management Services

Time management, study skills workshops
The Academic Advising Center will be presenting Time Management/Study Skills workshops this semester. The workshops are open to all students. No pre-registration is necessary.

All time management/study skills workshops will be held in Lassen Hall 3011 on the following dates and times:

Monday, Sept. 25, noon - 1 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 5, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 11, 4 - 5 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 17, 2 - 3 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 23, 3 - 4 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 31, 11 a.m. - noon
Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2 - 3 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 16, noon – 1 p.m.

The schedule may also be viewed on the Academic Advising website at www.csus.edu/acad/usa. For additional information contact Jennifer Druskin at jdruskin@csus.edu or the Academic Advising Center at 278-6351.

Submitted by Academic Advising

Human Resources

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

Randy Morgan, Associated Students
Florie Acio, Facilities Management
Paula McNeil-Shelby, Kinesiology and Health Science
Nabor Lopez, Facilities
Sharon Kelley, Computing and Communications Services
Jennifer O’Neal-Watts, Library

Submitted by Human Resources

Outstanding Community Service Award: Kathleen Moore

Inspiration can strike at unexpected times. Kathleen Moore discovered this while cycling on the American River Bike Trail seven years ago.

“While biking, I started to think about how I could bring language and culture together to a broad audience,” says Moore, a professor in Foreign Languages and an avid cyclist who once rode from Minnesota to Massachusetts. “By the end of the ride, World Language Day was born.”

Moore received the 2005-06 Outstanding Community Service Award for the College of Arts and Letters for her work on World Language Day, which takes place on campus each spring. The Outstanding Community Service Awards program recognizes faculty members who apply their knowledge and skills in the community to enhance the public good rather than for personal income or corporate profit.

“My idea was to bring the regional community together to explore linguistic and cultural diversity,” explains Moore, “but I wasn’t sure where to begin. So I opened the phone book and went from there.”

Her initial calls to Slavic, Hispanic and Russian organizations and the Mexican Consulate were met with enthusiasm. “The response was overwhelming,” says Moore, who says all the organizations she contacted were eager to showcase their languages and culture.

Moore also reached out to other sections of the population by inviting high school and community college students and faculty to participate and display exhibits in the event. “Their participation had a great effect on World Language Day, because they provide a fresh perspective that youth can offer,” says Moore. And as the event grew over the years and word spread about the array of educational opportunities, high school students lobbied for and began receiving class credit for participating in the day’s sessions.

The event is known for its wide variety of presentations and exhibits. Presenters showcase...
their languages through brief language lessons, instructing attendees on the proper way to pronounce common expressions and sentences. Other activities include folk dancing, plays, martial arts demonstrations, origami lessons, lectures and short films. “We’ve had Arabic, Japanese and Chinese presenters teach attendees how to write characters unique to their languages,” says Moore. And both the Sacramento State Career Center and the FBI have booths with information about careers in foreign languages.

The event has evolved over the years, with each year bringing something new and engaging. Last year was no exception. “It occurred to me that it might be fun to do an ‘International Idol’ contest to wrap up the day’s activities,” says Moore. “We had a panel of judges and an audience watch various singing, dancing and juggling acts, among others. It was a big hit. After it was over, we all sang, ‘We Are the World.’ There was a real sense of community.”

This year marks the fifth anniversary of World Language Day, which is held every spring in Mariposa Hall, Eureka Hall and the Library Quad. “It’s a popular event,” Moore says. “Last year more than 1,200 people were in attendance.” It’s a gratifying number to Moore, who says World Language Day activities help to inspire the community to think about not only about language and culture in their own neighborhood, but around the world.