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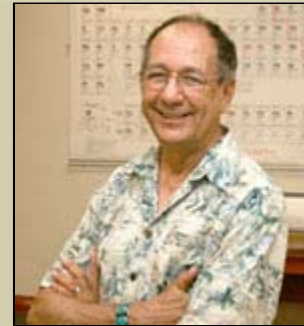
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Sacramento State employees may ride all Sacramento Regional Transit fixed-route transit services, including Light Rail, by presenting a valid Sacramento State OneCard with an employee transit pass. Passes are \$10 and are valid for six



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EVENTS



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Sacramento State's Piano Series presents Faina Lushtak at 7:30



months (Jan. 1 to June 30 and July 1 to Dec. 31). They can be purchased at the Student Financial Service Center in Lassen Hall or at the University Transportation and Parking Services (UTAPS) office at 7667 Folsom Boulevard.

For more information on the employee transit pass, contact Noel Carolipio, Employee Transportation Coordinator, at ncarolip@saclink.csus.edu or call extension 87527. For information on SacRT visit www.sacrt.com or call 321-BUSS.

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p.m., Saturday, Oct. 4 in the Capistrano Music Recital Hall. She will perform a concert of favorite encores including Bach, Rachmaninov and Prokofiev. Tickets are \$10 for students and seniors and \$12 general admission. Tickets are available at Sacramento State's Ticket Office, 278-4323 or www.tickets.com.

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ATHLETICS

Endowment created to honor Hank Elespuru

Sacramento State athletics announced that alumni and admirers of the late Henry 'Hank' Elespuru have raised \$50,000 to fund an endowed scholarship in his name.

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Mayoral debate heads to campus

Sacramento mayoral candidates Heather Fargo and Kevin Johnson will square off at Sacramento State in a live, televised debate from 6:30 to 8 p.m., Monday, Oct. 6, in the University Union Ballroom. The non-partisan debate will be broadcast on KCRA Channel 3 and Capital Public Radio, FM 90.9.

The invited audience will be composed almost entirely of Sacramento State students, and debate questions will focus on issues important to the students. The format will include three moderators, KCRA's Pamela Wu and Walt Gray and Capital Public Radio's Jeffrey Callison. Candidates will field questions from audience members and pre-taped questions from Sacramento State students.

"We brought this debate to campus to give Sacramento State's students the opportunity to ask the questions that they want answered," says University President Alexander Gonzalez. "Our students have a profound connection to the region, and this thoughtful, important discussion will inform both the campus community and the mayoral candidates as we work to build a greater future for Sacramento."

KCRA was on campus Tuesday, Sept. 24 in the University Union, asking students what issues mattered to them and what they would ask the candidates. The taped questions will be posed to the candidates on air during the debate.

"Every election cycle, there is talk about 'engaging younger voters', but that rarely extends beyond the races at the top of the ticket," says government professor Kimberly Nalder. "It's refreshing to see the campus host not just gubernatorial debates, but to allow students to get answers first-hand from Sacramento's mayoral candidates."

For more information, contact Sacramento State's Public Affairs office at 278-6156.

Professor Donath to deliver John C. Livingston Lecture

Jackie Donath, a Sacramento State professor of humanities and religious studies, will deliver the annual John C. Livingston Lecture, at 3 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 7, in the University Union Ballroom.

Donath is the recipient of the 2008 John C. Livingston Award given by the Livingston Lecture Committee. By tradition, the recipient of the award presents a speech to faculty members in the fall.

Donath's lecture will pay tribute to Livingston by examining what words of wisdom he might share with colleagues if he was alive today. Livingston died in 1981.

"John Livingston is a model of what the best type of professor should be, and it is appropriate that we have this forum in his name," says Donath. "In choosing my topic I realized how important each of the previous lectures had been to me, and that each time, I've left the lecture feeling more dedicated and energized."

The Livingston Lecture is a prestigious award for faculty at Sacramento State. The 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 strong commitment to students while remaining active in creative and scholarly work.

"Jackie has been very active in the creation of a quality university and in helping improve what we as faculty do here," says Bruce Bikle, Faculty Senate chair. "That fits in perfectly with the legacy of John Livingston and we are very excited that she will be sharing her vision of where we are, where we are going and what John would think."

Donath has been a faculty member on campus since 1991.

Livingston was a well-respected professor of government and a member of the Sacramento State faculty for 27 years (1954-1981). His colleagues established this award in his honor after his retirement. The genesis of the award dates to 1959 when the first Distinguished Faculty Convocation Address was given by Livingston. In 1986 the award was renamed in his honor.

A reception in Donath's honor will be held following the lecture.

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

Project helps high school students view college life

High school students interested in attending Sacramento State can now get a virtual snapshot of campus life from their home computer.

Sacramento State's offices of Public Affairs and Student Affairs recently produced nine short, YouTube-style videos that address common questions high school juniors and seniors tend to ask about the college experience.

The videos are part of a larger project called the Voluntary System of Accountability. The project, established by the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges (NASULGC), and the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU), is designed to help prospective college students and their families compare public universities.

"The national project, to a large extent, emerged as a response to calls for increased accountability regarding the characteristics of institutions and students, the cost of attendance, student engagement with the learning process and core educational outcomes," says Lori Varlotta, vice president for Student Affairs.

Sacramento State began developing the videos in February when the California State University system directed its 23 schools to host the Portrait on their websites.

Each school was required to adhere to a pre-designed template called the College Portrait for most of the five-page project, but had the freedom to be creative in the "frequently asked questions" section. That section features nine interactive "buttons," and schools could decide what information to assign each button.

"We decided to go a different route from other schools," says Ed Mills, associate vice president for enrollment management. "Instead of linking each button to an existing text-based site like other schools did, we decided to start fresh and produce a short video for each button. Now, instead of trying to visualize the college experience by reading about it, students can click on a button and actually see what campus life is all about."

The stars of each video are Sacramento State students. They cover a variety of topics from applying for financial aid, to living on campus, to student activities. Each video is about 90 seconds long.

Visit the website at www.csus.edu/checkusout/.

For more information on the College Portrait project, contact Mills at 278-6060.

Sacramento State student overcomes injuries and odds to receive Hearst/CSU scholarship

A Sacramento State therapeutic recreation student, who survived 10 back surgeries over the course of her educational career and a ruptured disc in her back during her first semester at Sacramento State, recently received a \$3,000 scholarship for outstanding achievement from the William Randolph Hearst Foundation and the California State University.

Sandra Howery was one of 23 CSU students selected to receive the 2008/09 William R. Hearst/CSU Trustees' Award. One student was chosen from each campus in the system.

Howery is currently attending Sacramento State, pursuing a B.S. in recreation, parks and tourism administration with a concentration in therapeutic recreation and a minor in gerontology. Born in Torrington, WY, Howery realized her true passion after graduating from high school and working for several

years as a nursing assistant. Discovering that she liked the field of therapeutic recreation, Howery decided to stop working and go back to school to obtain a degree.

Despite rupturing a disc in her back during her first semester, Howery continued to pursue her college degree. After 10 back surgeries over the course of 14 years, including four spinal fusions, she finally completed her A.S. degree. Howery will graduate from Sacramento State in May 2009, and plans to work for the Veterans Administration as a therapeutic recreation specialist. She aspires to be a role model for older adults and individuals with disabilities to further their education. She says she believes that an education is the answer to many of life's problems.

The Hearst/CSU Trustees' Award provides a \$3,000 scholarship to students who have demonstrated financial need, experienced personal hardships and have attributes of merit including superior academic performance, exemplary community service and significant personal achievement.

The Heart Foundation originally established an endowed scholarship fund in 1984 to honor William Randolph Hearst, founder of the Hearst Newspaper chain. In 1999, the William Randolph Heart Foundation partnered with the CSU Board of Trustees to supplement the endowment with contributions from trustees and private donors.

Faculty Senate

Tuesday, Sept. 30

3-5 p.m. - University ARTP Committee – Summit Room, University Union

3-5 p.m. - Executive Committee - Faculty Senate – Sacramento Hall 275

Wednesday, Oct. 1

1-2:30 p.m. – Faculty Policies Committee – Sacramento Hall 275

Thursday, Oct. 2

3-5 p.m. - Faculty Senate - Foothill Suite, University Union

Friday, Oct. 3

2-3:30 p.m. – Academic Policies Committee – Sacramento Hall 275

Professional Activities

Scholarship

Francie Dillon, Teacher Education, has been invited to be the keynote speaker for the Young Readers' Conference at Fort Hays State University, Ft. Hays, KA., Oct. 10-11. Approximately 600 young people and their sponsors from locations in western Kansas will attend. The conference enables children, teachers, parents and librarians to meet nationally known writers, storytellers, poets, and/or illustrators.

Student Spotlight

Rachel Blackeye, Russell Clayton and Michelle Watterson, master's students in Chemistry, attended the National American Chemical Society meeting in Philadelphia, PA., Aug. 17-21, where they presented their research in the Carbohydrate Chemistry Division. Blackeye and Watterson were additionally chosen to participate in the Sci-Mix session at the conference.

In the News

Tim Hodson, Center for California Studies, was quoted in the *Oakland Tribune*, *Hayward Daily Review*, *Pleasanton Tri-Valley Herald*, *West County Times* and the *Hayward Sunday Review* on June 4 regarding election results and in the *San Francisco Chronicle* June 19 regarding state budget negotiations.

Barbara O' Connor, Communication Studies, was quoted in the *San Francisco Chronicle* June 19 regarding the presidential election; in the *San Francisco Chronicle* June 25 regarding the 2010 race for California governor; and in the *Santa Rosa Press Democrat* regarding the politics of coastal drilling.

Roberto Pomo, Film Studies, was quoted in the *Sacramento Bee* June 20 regarding Latino stereotypes in film and the career of movie star Carmen Miranda.

Nancy Shulock, Institute for Higher Education Leadership and Policy, was quoted in the *Sacramento Bee* and the *Fresno Bee* June 17 regarding a report on community colleges.

Campus Announcements

Budget briefing postponed

To allow UBAC to review the implications of the recently passed State budget for our campus, the budget briefing previously set for Oct. 1 has been postponed and will be rescheduled. For more information about the budget's impact for the University, visit www.calstate.edu/PA/news/2008/budget_final.shtml.

Submitted by the Office of the President

Employees of the month

Catalina Archuleta and Maggie Fuchs were named employees of the month.

Catalina Archuleta is a cash room assistant with University Enterprises, Inc. She was described by her nominator as "Having a very strong work ethic and a firm belief in teamwork." Her colleague mentioned that "she supports the University's core values of excellent customer service and demonstrates them every day with a smile."

Maggie Fuchs is an administrative support coordinator in the Department of Communication Studies. She was described as "the department's link in helping new faculty and staff learn the ropes, staying in touch with retirees and uniting staff, faculty, and graduate assistants." Her nominator mentioned that "she has been the stable voice that provides consistency and departmental memory for more than 30 years."

Nominations for this month are being accepted. Names of the recipients will be announced in November. Details regarding eligibility, criteria and nomination procedures are available on the website link: www.csus.edu/president/staffrec/index.stm.

Submitted by the Office of the President

New website

The Southwestern Anthropological Association has a new website hosted by Sacramento State. The site, www.csus.edu/org/swaa, has information about SWAA and its annual conference in Las Vegas, April 30-May 3. For information, contact Dr. Liam Murphy in the Department of Anthropology at lmurphy@csus.edu.

Submitted by the Department of Anthropology

Hours change

Customer service hours for the Student Financial Services Center, the Outreach, Admissions and Records Office, Services to Students with Disabilities and the Financial Aid Office are now 9 a.m.-5 p.m. An information table will be open in the lobby at Lassen Hall from 8-9 a.m. The change in hours will allow for staff training and completion of administrative processing.

Submitted by the Student Financial Services Center

Discussions about education

"Courageous Conversations about General Education and Graduation Requirements," the first in a series of three campus-wide events this fall, will take place from 3 to 4:30 p.m., Monday, Sept. 29, in Douglass Hall Room 208. The second event takes place from 1 to 2:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 16, in the University Union Summit Room.

It all culminates with a reception honoring all faculty teaching courses within the General Education program from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 17, in the University Center Restaurant in the University Union. The events will be co-sponsored by the Faculty Senate and Academic Affairs.

The entire campus community—permanent and temporary faculty, staff and students—are welcome and encouraged to participate in these important discussions. For more information, contact Janet Hecsh at jhecsh@csus.edu.

Submitted by the College of Education

Serna Center

The Serna Center Seminar Series presents Sam Quinones' *Mexican Immigration: The Stories Behind the Headlines*, at 12:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 20, in the University Union's Summit Room and Gary Segura's *Latino Political Mobilization* at 12:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 16, in the Union's Lobby Suite.

The Serna Center will honor its scholarship award winners 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 23, in the Union's Summit Room. Winners are Lyudmila Fanina, Angel Garcia and Kathleen Gonzalez-Waldteufel. These students were chosen by the Center for their tireless work and service in the community.

Submitted by the Serna Center

Multicultural forum

The Bilingual/Multicultural Education Center will present a forum to enhance personal and organizational ties between people engaged in ongoing workplace and community organizing efforts at 9 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 9, in the University Union's Forest Suite.

Speakers include Bill Fletcher, author of *Solidarity Divided: The Crisis in Organized Labor and a New Path Toward Social Justice*, and David Bacon, author of *Legal People: How Globalization Creates Migration and Criminalizes Immigrants*. The forum is free and open to the campus community.

Submitted by the Bilingual/Multicultural Education Center

Associate dean sought

The College of Business Administration has begun its search for an associate dean for graduate and external programs. Interested individuals should visit www.csus.edu/webpages/employment.stm to view the vacancy announcement and apply online. Priority review of online applications will begin Friday, Oct 3.

Submitted by the College of Business Administration

Weight Watchers at work

The University Enterprises, Inc., human resources department is the site of a Weight Watchers at Work program. Participants meet noon-1 p.m., Fridays, on the third floor of the Hornet Bookstore, room 3900.

If you are interested in joining the program, stop by one of the meetings or contact Nancy Blanton at 278-7006.

Submitted by University Enterprises, Inc.

Primate exhibit

The Anthropology Museum is pleased to invite the campus community to the opening reception of its fall exhibit, "The Order of Primates" from noon-2 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 1, in the Anthropology Museum, Mendocino, Hall, Room 1000.

The exhibit runs through Dec. 5 and is open noon to 3 p.m., Tuesdays through Fridays. For more information, visit the website at www.csus.edu/anth/museum.

Submitted by the Anthropology Department

Graduate school workshops

The Graduate Diversity Program is sponsoring a series of workshops titled, "What You Need to Know About Graduate School." Workshops will be held from 12-1 p.m., Wednesdays in the University Union. Visit www.csus.edu/graddiv for individual workshop titles and room locations.

Office of Graduate Studies

Conference highlights cancer disparities for groups

Sacramento State and the UC Davis Cancer Center will hold their third Collaborative Conference to Address Disparities in Cancer Prevention, Control and Care, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Friday, Oct. 10, at the Courtyard by Marriott Hotel Midtown.

The conference brings researchers, faculty, students and community groups together to address disparities in cancer incidence, mortality, treatment and survivorship in underrepresented or disadvantaged populations.

Small community-based research teams will be formed with community members, faculty/researchers and students to pursue funding for research ideas generated during the conference. Together, the teams will comprise an overall network of academic and community leaders focused on addressing cancer disparities and solutions to eliminate them.

For more information on the conference, contact Patricia Robinson at 734-0823.

Submitted by Research Administration

Visiting speaker

Deborah Stipek, an expert on education, will discuss ways of motivating youth from noon to 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 1, in the University Union California Coastal Suite. Stipek is the dean of the School of Education at Stanford University. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Submitted by Child Development

Graphic Center

Sacramento State's Copy Graphics Center has a new digital color printer that can produce affordable, high-gloss color printouts from original artwork or digital computer files. The printer features 2,400 dpi enhanced images, oversized printing to 12 x 18 inches, duplex printing, and customer finishing options.

Through Oct. 31, the center is offering introductory pricing of 49 cents on 8 1/2 x 11 inch, 28-pound white paper. For more information call the Copy Graphics Center at 278-6960.

Because of numerous requests for a convenient way to purchase hard bound extra copies of theses, the center now offers 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., Mondays through Thursdays and 7:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fridays. For more information call 278-6960.

Submitted by the Copy Graphics Center

UEI grants for faculty, staff and student projects

University Enterprises, Inc. awards grants to faculty, staff and student projects through the Project/Activity Grant program. Eligible members who have a project that is innovative, shows demonstrable need, and benefits the Sacramento State community, should apply for a grant. Applications are due Friday, Nov. 7. Funding guidelines and submittal forms are available at www.enterprises.csus.edu/pag. For more information, contact Ann Carlson at 278-6025.

Harvest Festival buffet

The University Center Restaurant will offer a Harvest Festival buffet from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 30 through Friday, Oct. 3. Enjoy acoustic music, open mic entertainment (15 minute sets--volunteers welcome!) and a bountiful buffet featuring mesquite BBQ chicken, mesquite BBQ tri-tip, grilled mahi mahi with mango salsa, red beans and rice, mesquite smoked vegetables, assorted gourmet salads, chilled melon and delicious desserts. Students, faculty, staff, and campus visitors are welcome. The University Center Restaurant is located at the west entrance to the University Union across from Round Table Pizza. Reservations are suggested for groups of 5 or more. Call 278-6100 for reservations.

For more information visit www.enterprises.csus.edu/dining/area/ucr.html.

Submitted by University Enterprises, Inc.

Human Resources

Open enrollment reminder

Open enrollment continues through Oct. 24. During that period, employees can make changes, without a qualifying event, to their benefit plans. Changes include medical, dental, vision, flexible spending accounts (HCRA/DCRA) and flexcash programs. For more information, visit the Benefits Office webpage at www.csus.edu/hr/benefits and click on the announcements link.

If you have questions regarding benefits or open enrollment, contact the Benefits Office at 278-6213.

Catastrophic leave donation program

Sacramento State employees may voluntarily donate to other employees up to a maximum of 40 hours of sick or vacation leave credits each fiscal year in one-hour increments. Bargaining Units 1, 8, 10 and 11 may only donate up to 16 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:

*Toni Johnson, Financial Aid
Nancy Hackbart, Career Center
Mary Ann Alvarez, Nursing
Carolyn Ann Hollahan, Academic Information Resource Center
Christine Kellerman, College of Health & Human Services

*only vacation credits may be donated to this employee

Peter Urone, Outstanding University Service Award

Sometimes it's difficult to get people to volunteer but not Sacramento State physics and astronomy professor Peter Urone. In his 35-year tenure here, he has been active on numerous committees, and his volunteer spirit helped earn him the 2007-2008 Outstanding University Service Award.

Urone has been on the University's General Education Committee, the Animal Care and Use Committee, the University Transportation and Parking Committee and has been the director of the Central Valley Science Fair and a member of the Faculty Senate.

He's done it all it seems, but his most impressive work might have been in bringing the American Association of Physics Teachers' annual meeting to Sacramento State in 2004.

"The meeting came off very well and set a record for attendance. We had about 1,100 people for the event," he says. "It was a thrill to see all those folks here."

Although hosting the event required a lot of work and coordination, Urone says it was well worth it. "There is a lot of goodwill created by these types of events, and you gain certain things. For instance, when you seek grants, you are better connected and can do state-of-the-art proposals."

Urone has also been instrumental in bringing distinguished speakers to the campus, including Nobel laureates James Watson and Felix Bloch.

Urone came to the campus in 1973 and says he was the youngest person in the physics and astronomy department. He is now one of the senior members and has elected to participate in the Faculty Early Retirement Program.

"I'll stay active," he says. "I'll still come around for departmental functions, seminars and colloquium."

Part of his legacy will include two textbooks he authored on physics. "I put a lot of myself into these over the years," he says, "about 5,000 hours on one and 18,000 hours on the other."

He says he'll leave it to his co-authors to continue to update the books. "I hope they keep going, but I won't be here for it."

This Week in Hornet Action

Football

Saturday, Oct. 4
Sacramento State at Northern Arizona, 3:05 p.m.

Volleyball

Friday, Oct. 3
Sacramento State vs. Idaho State, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 4
Sacramento State vs. Weber State, 6 p.m.

Men's soccer

Sunday, Oct. 5
Sacramento State vs. San Jose State, 1 p.m.

Women's soccer

Thursday, Oct. 2
Sacramento State vs. Nevada, 1 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 5
Sacramento State vs. Santa Cruz, 3:30 p.m.

Cross country

Saturday, Oct. 4
Sacramento State at the Doc Adams Invitational, Davis, Calif.

Men's golf

Sunday, Sept. 28 to Tuesday, Sept. 30
Sacramento State at the Hartford Hawks Invitational, Hartford, Conn.

Women's golf

Saturday, Oct. 4 to Monday, Oct. 5
Sacramento State at the Hawkeye Intercollegiate, Iowa City, Iowa.

Rowing

No meets scheduled