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News

Spring University Convocation is today at the Union
The campus community is invited to join the Spring University Convocation from noon to 2 p.m. today in the University Union Ballroom. The event, hosted by the President’s Committee to Build Campus Unity, is titled “Challenging Opportunities and Courageous Conversations,” and addresses how we can better engage in constructive dialogue on difficult and emotional subjects. Following the lunchtime roundtable conversation, panelists Ron Owens (Government/Journalism ’86); student Sean Johnson; Counselor Education Department Professor Rose Borunda; J’Lissabeth Faughn, director of the Multi-Cultural Center, and the PRIDE and Women’s Resource centers; and History Professor Jessie Gaston will share their personal accounts of courageous conversations and how they led to change. Submitted by Advancement Communications and Stewardship

How you can help with the 2014 March for Babies
The March for Babies takes place in less than three weeks, and the final fundraising push is in high gear. There are many ways you can help Sacramento State be a leading contributor to the cause. It can be a lot or a little, but every bit counts.

- Want to contribute but can’t be at the walk?
  - Donate to “Team Herky” at www.marchforbabies.org/team/teamherky
  - Donate at these eateries on campus through Wednesday, April 30: www.csus.edu/marchforbabies/documents/POS_flier.pdf

- Walk on Saturday, April 26, and help raise funds.
  - Join a Sacramento State team. Find instructions on signing up: www.csus.edu/marchforbabies/documents/signupflier.pdf
  - There is still time to start your own Sacramento State team: www.csus.edu/marchforbabies/documents/createteam.pdf

- Show your support and help spread the word.
  - “Like” the Sac State March for Babies Facebook page: www.facebook.com/sacstatemarchforbabies
  - Follow Sac State March for Babies on Instagram (http://instagram.com/sacstatem4b/) and Twitter (https://twitter.com/sacstatem4b)

- Volunteer.
  - Help out at the event or the day before. The March of Dimes has many volunteer opportunities. Email bpagel@marchofdimes.com or call (916) 922-1913.

- Check out the matching funds.
  - For the first $10,000 raised by students, Western Health Advantage will match funds dollar for dollar.
If your family or friends are making donations, have them check whether their employers support matching-funds programs.

Submitted by Sac State March for Babies

Future events to support the March for Babies
The University Union and The WELL will host several events in further support of the March for Babies. The University Games Room on the first floor of the Union will host extended hours for family, the general public and the campus community from 10 a.m. to noon Sunday, April 13. For $5 per person per hour, you get access to billiards, console games and table tennis. A special glow zumba event at 5 p.m. Saturday, April 12, will be hosted in the University Union, Redwood Room, also for $5 per person. All proceeds from these events will go to support the March for Babies.

Additionally, a free photo booth will be hosted in the University Union lobby from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 10, 17 and 24 in an effort to promote further awareness of the cause. For more information, call 278-6997 or visit www.facebook.com/sacstateunion.

Submitted by the University Union

Campus eateries accepting March of Dimes donations
Sac State Campus Dining is proud to announce that campus eateries operated by University Enterprises Inc. will accept donations to the March of Dimes, starting today through the end of the month. Signage announcing the March of Dimes participation will be posted at Courtyard Market, Ecogrounds, Epicure restaurant, Good Eats!, Java City at the Library and at the Roundhouse, RF Greens, The Buzz and Togo’s. No purchase is necessary. Simply let the cashier know you wish to make a donation to the March of Dimes. For hours of operation, visit the campus dining website at www.dining.csus.edu/.

Submitted by University Enterprises Inc.

Prepare to avoid Fix50 gridlock
It could take a lot longer to get to campus from late April through mid-June. That’s when Caltrans will conduct a massive repair project on Highway 50 through downtown Sacramento, likely causing backups in each direction and jamming many side streets and alternate routes. This will have an impact on Sac State during the last weeks of instruction and finals. Continue to monitor the University’s web page, www.csus.edu/Fix50, for more information from Caltrans.

Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy

Guy West Bridge restoration project
The city of Sacramento will be making repairs to the Guy West Bridge, which provides a primary access route for pedestrians and bicyclists traveling between the Campus Commons residential area and Sacramento State. Construction is scheduled to begin in early June and to be completed by the end of the year. It generally will take place during daylight hours Monday through Friday, and possibly Saturday and Sunday.

The bridge will remain open to the public throughout most of the project, although the city will narrow its available width for bicyclists and pedestrians. Bridge users also may experience some construction-related noise and dust. Although the bridge will be accessible for most of the project, short-term closures may be necessary, on weekends only, to complete tasks that cannot be safely conducted with public traffic on the bridge. These closures will be performed after advance public notice. Detour route signage will be posted to help guide users to the nearby H Street Bridge. For questions, contact Ricky Chuck at (916) 808-5050 or rchuck@cityofsacramento.org.

Submitted by the City of Sacramento
Progress Meters coming soon to My Sac State Student Center
In support of the Graduation Initiative, some exciting changes are coming to the My Sac State Student Center. Soon, students, advisors and administrative support staff will see “Progress Meters.” These meters will measure each student’s progress to degree completion for general education, major and overall graduation requirements. Each student’s Progress to Degree Meters will be activated when we assign registration appointments for this coming fall. The Progress Meters will go live the week of Monday, April 14.

All faculty, advising staff and administrative support staff are invited to attend a progress-to-degree demonstration from 1 to 2 p.m. or 2 to 3 p.m. today, or 2 to 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 8. All are in Library 11. The Registrar’s Office also has created a web page with more detailed information and frequently asked questions at www.csus.edu/Registrar/Progress_To_Degree.
Submitted by the Registrar’s Office

Farmers Market returns Thursday
ASI’s Farmers Market is back from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, April 10, in front of the Hornet Bookstore. A special event, “Spring Has Sprung,” will take place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., featuring music from KSSU DJs, giveaways (while supplies last) and an opportunity to grab a photo with Kenny the Carrot. Vendors will offer roasted nuts, hummus, strawberries, flowers, produce, honey, baked goods, preserves and more. Come and kick off spring at the ASI Farmers Market; the first 100 people to buy an item will get a free collectable tote bag.
For more information: www.asi.csus.edu/farmers.
Submitted by Associated Students Inc.

Hornet Bookstore sale is Tuesday
The Hornet Bookstore is having a sale Tuesday, April 8. Save 25 percent on all T-shirts, shorts, hats, backpacks, laptop/tablet cases (except Apple), bargain books, and Windows 8 and Android tablets. Save an additional 25 percent on clearance merchandise. See store for details and exceptions.
Submitted by the Hornet Bookstore

2014 Homecoming theme and design contest
Calling all Hornets: The Office of University Advancement and the Sacramento State Alumni Association are excited to launch the 2014 Homecoming theme and design contest. We encourage students, faculty, staff and alumni to use their creativity and school spirit to develop a theme and logo that showcase Hornet pride.

Not only will the winner receive a fabulous prize, but the chosen entry will be incorporated into various Homecoming publications and displayed on Homecoming promotional materials across campus. For more information or to submit your winning entry, please visit the Homecoming website at www.csus.edu/homecoming/Contest.html. For inquires, email homecoming@csus.edu. The submission deadline is Friday, April 18.

Homecoming week is Oct. 13-19. The Hornet football team takes on Cal Poly on Saturday, Oct. 18, in the week’s concluding event.
Submitted by University Advancement

Get your copy of the new Sac State Magazine
The Spring 2014 issue of Sac State Magazine is a real conversation-starter: Would Alexander Graham Bell have summoned Watson via text message? What would Walter
Cronkite’s Twitter handle be? In an era of a “new digital divide,” we surf, we share, we like. Find out if we’re really communicating, and more, including:

- A look at social media’s influence on relationships.
- Views on the future of communication today by successful Sac State alumni who are industry insiders, including former Good Morning America host Joan Lunden, The Sacramento Bee’s Cheryl Dell, the Sacramento Kings’ Scott Freshour and others.
- A behind-the-scenes tour of the Department of Physical Therapy’s new home.

All that plus Alumni Month, an introduction to the 2014 Distinguished Alumni Award recipients and lots more in the new Sac State Magazine. To pick up a copy (or copies), stop by Sacramento Hall 169, call 278-2140 or email advancementcomm@csus.edu. Or check out the online version at www.csus.edu/sacstatemagazine.

Submitted by Advancement Communications and Stewardship

Second annual Mulching Mania is April 18
In the spirit of the celebration of Earth Week at Sac State, a spring tree-mulching event will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 18, in the Library Quad, near Saigon Bay and Capistrano Road. Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity volunteers and the Sacramento Tree Foundation will partner to spread tree mulch around trees in an effort to conserve water.

Gov. Jerry Brown has declared a drought in California, and regional water providers are encouraging and sometimes requiring a significant reduction in water use. Tree mulch made of leaves, finely chopped bark and wood is ideal, as it creates nutrient-rich compost that will keep soil evenly moist while providing trees essential nutrients. For more information, please visit Sac State Sustainability’s Facebook page at www.facebook.com/SustainabilityatSacState or email sustainability@csus.edu.

Submitted by Facilities Management

Campus Earth Day Celebration
Sac State’s Earth Day Celebration will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, April 17, in the Library Quad. Highlights will include:

- Sustainable/environmental vendors/information booths
- Healthy food trucks
- Sustainable-campus tours
- Arboretum tour (10 a.m. tour, 45-minute duration; please meet at the Arboretum by 10 a.m. to join)
- Sustainable Technology Outdoor Research Center/aquaponics (The open house is from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.; please stop by anytime during the open house for a guided and informative tour. The STORC facility is on the east side of campus, just south of the Guy West Bridge and the Non-Destruct Lab.)
- Sustainable campus highlights (Walking tours are at 11 a.m. and 1:45 p.m.; 45 minutes in duration; please meet at the fountain in the Library Quad.)
- Sustainable scavenger hunt
- Keynote speakers
- Electric vehicles

Recyclable collections will include: electronic waste; ink and toner cartridges; light bulbs; batteries; gently used clothes; gently used shoes; bottles, cans and plastic; used cooking oil; select expired or unused prescription drugs; used car batteries; and latex paint (in its original can and label). Please feel free to bring all your recyclables from home. For more
2013 Campus Climate Survey Report
Per request of the Campus Educational Equity Committee, the Office of Institutional Research conducted the Campus Climate Survey for Students between November 2013 and January 2014. This survey was distributed electronically to 8,885 students. Of those, 1,534 students completed a survey for an overall response rate of 17 percent.

The survey report consists of five sections: classroom experiences, critical issues of campus climate, structured dialogue on diversity issues, personal experiences, and interaction and involvement. Survey findings have been compared with previous years’ results where applicable and are also broken down by college.

Please go to www.csus.edu/oir/Reports.html to view the report.

Submitted by Office of Institutional Research

Doctorate in Educational Leadership to honor four alums
Join the Doctorate in Educational Leadership Program as it honors alums Dr. Kadhir Rajagopal, Dr. Mallory Newell, Dr. Rebecca Berner and Dr. Viridiana Diaz at the Outstanding Dissertation Showcase Panel. Beginning in Fall 2014, an annual Fall Lecture Series will provide an opportunity for the author of a selected outstanding dissertation to present his or her work. This lecture series will serve to showcase the critical research being done by our graduates. The spring panel will launch the lecture series by showcasing previously selected outstanding dissertations. Each panelist will provide a synopsis of his or her research and how the work has been useful in the context of the panelist’s career trajectory. The Showcase Panel is from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday, April 18, in the University Union, Orchard Suite.

Submitted by the Doctorate in Educational Leadership Program

This week in the One World Initiative
On Wednesday, April 9, the Asian Studies Program will present “Korean Diaspora” by Greg Kim-Ju, Department of Psychology; and “Jewish Migrations to and from India” by Mitch Numark, Department of History. The first talk is from 3 to 4:15 p.m.; the second is from 4:30 to 5:50 p.m.; both are in Amador 250. For a full listing of One World events, visit www.csus.edu/oneworld. To submit your event to the One World calendar, email oneworld@csus.edu.

Submitted by One World

One World End-of-Year Celebration coming April 21
The campus is invited to join in the second annual One World End-of-Year Celebration, which will close out the 2013-14 One World theme, “Global Perspectives on Migration.” The celebration on Monday, April 21, will include three special events:

- 11 a.m.-12:50 p.m., University Union, Hinde Auditorium: Student Symposium on Migration. Sacramento State students present their perspectives on migration through talks, posters and exhibits.

- 1:30-2:45 p.m., University Union, Ballroom III: Faculty panel, “What I Think About When I Think About Migration.” Faculty members share how migration fits into their academic and creative work.

Submitted by One World
• 3-4:15 p.m., University Union, Ballroom III: Keynote panel discussion, “Perspectives on Migration,” featuring Dr. James Allen, professor emeritus of Geography, CSU Northridge; Debra DeBondt, CEO of Opening Doors Inc.; and Carlos González Gutiérrez, the Mexican consul general in Sacramento. These three distinguished speakers will present their local and global perspectives on migration.

Submitted by One World

Educator Expo set for April 23
The Educator Expo will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 23, in University Union Ballroom I. This event connects credentialed and noncredentialed future educators with school districts and educational organizations. Employers attending the expo will recruit students and alumni for full- and part-time jobs, internships and volunteer positions in education. Interviews will be conducted at this event. Résumés and professional dress are highly recommended. Find additional information, including a list of attending employers, by visiting www.csus.edu/careercenter (follow the Educator Expo events link) or by connecting via Facebook at www.facebook.com/sacramentostate.careercenter.

Submitted by the Career Center

Help recruit talented students for McNair Program
The Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program at Sacramento State is now recruiting students for the 2014-15 cohort that will begin in Fall 2014. The program prepares first-generation, low-income or underrepresented juniors and seniors for admission and studies at the doctoral level. It is a nationwide program sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education, created in memory of Ronald E. McNair, Ph.D., an African American physicist killed in the space shuttle Challenger accident in 1986.

Students interested in pursuing a career in academic research and/or teaching at the university level should contact the McNair Scholars Program at 278-5118 or mcnair@csus.edu, visit www.csus.edu/mcnair/ or come to the McNair Scholars Office in River Front Center 203. Help us recruit academically promising undergraduate students with an interest in attending graduate school; we are here to motivate, support and help them reach their highest academic goals.

Submitted by the McNair Scholars Program

2014 McNair Research Symposium
Please join the McNair Scholars Program from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, April 14, in the University Union, Redwood Room, to celebrate the research, scholarship and creative activity of its scholars and their faculty mentors. This year’s symposium will provide a public forum for McNair scholars to share their work and talent. The symposium is open to the campus community and the public. For more information, go to www.csus.edu/mcnair/symposium.html.

Submitted by the McNair Scholars Program

Hornet Club Wine and Food Classic is May 2
The eighth annual Hornet Club Wine and Food Classic is from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, May 2, at the Alumni Center. Tickets are $40 via www.hornetsports.com/tickets. This is a very special event for those who know and love great wine and food. Not a wine lover? We’ll have beer tasting on the patio, too! All the wineries, breweries and restaurants featured are owned or operated by Sac State alumni. So come out and support your fellow Hornets!

Submitted by the Athletics Department

Physical Therapy fundraiser
The Physical Therapy Department is having a McGinty Cup golf fundraiser at 3 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at Haggin Oaks. The cost is $100 per player for golf and lunch, $25 per person for lunch only. Check-in is from 6:30 to 7:15 a.m. The shotgun start (teams of four) is at 7:30. Lunch and awards are at 12:30 p.m. All proceeds go to the students for testing and scholarships. For questions, contact Karen Salatti at 278-6426 or karen.salatti@csus.edu.

Submitted by the Physical Therapy Department

Identity theft seminar
The Office of Planned Giving is partnering with VALIC to offer a free seminar covering various topics related to identity theft. Come to the Alumni Center from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 29, and listen to a senior special agent with the U.S. Secret Service speak about the current types of identity theft, how to prevent it and what to do if you are a victim. RSVP to giving@csus.edu by April 21 if you would like to attend.

Submitted by University Advancement

Summer Bowling League
The Sacramento State Summer Bowling League is coordinated by University Police and will engage staff and faculty in a fun-filled, six-week competition at Capitol Bowl, 900 West Capitol Ave., West Sacramento. The league will run Thursdays from June 19 to July 24. Practice begins at 4:45 p.m., with the start time at 5 p.m. League play will consist of three games per night. Competing teams will change from week to week. Teams will consist of four players, and substitutes may be used. Sacramento State faculty and staff teams may also include family members or friends. The goal is just to have a great time! The cost is $10 per player per night. Shoes may be rented for $2 per night. Eighteen-team maximum, even number of teams only. The league is expected to fill up fast, so hold your spot ASAP if you plan on bowling. To register, contact Serena Fuson at sfuson@csus.edu.

Submitted by University Police

Estate Planning 101 seminar
The Office of Planned Giving is hosting an Estate Planning 101 seminar from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, for members of the Sacramento State community. Topics include wills, living trusts, property and inheritance planning, charitable gift annuities, disability planning, estate taxes and probate. RSVP to giving@csus.edu by Tuesday, April 29, if you plan to attend.

If you are interested in making a gift to Sacramento State through your estate plans, or if you have questions regarding Estate Planning 101, please call the Office of Planned Giving at (916) 278-3922.

Submitted by University Advancement

Building coordinator/floor marshal training
An annual two-hour training session will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Thursday, May 22, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. It will cover the following:

- Program overview and history
- Multi-Hazard Plan/Building Emergency Action Plan
- ICS/interaction with first responders
- Responsibilities of building coordinators, floor marshals and faculty
- Evacuation procedures/rally areas and evacuation chairs
- Shelter-in-place
- IFAN
- ENS
Web pages and info

Attendance is mandatory for all members of the building emergency preparedness teams, building coordinators, floor marshals and faculty who have responsibilities during a disaster or emergency. Seating is limited to the first 150. Register via the LearnerWeb schedule calendar at https://learnerweb.saclink.csus.edu/csus_enterprise/.

Submitted by University Police

Campus disaster/emergency preparedness training
During the first year of employment and every three years thereafter, Sacramento State faculty, staff and student employees must attend a two-hour presentation of what to expect during a disaster/emergency on campus and how to react to it. The training is mandated by the state and the CSU. Attendees will receive an overview of:

- The campus Multi-Hazard Emergency Plan
- The campus emergency response and management groups
- The important role of faculty in emergency response
- Evacuate or shelter requirements
- The campus Emergency Notification System
- The Disaster Service Worker program
- Home emergency preparedness

The next training is from 9 to 11 a.m. Thursday, April 10, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. Seating is limited to the first 150. Attendance is required at only one session. Register with gnagywb@saclink.csus.edu.

Submitted by University Police

Violence in the workplace prevention training
This training is a one-hour presentation of information regarding University policy on violence in the workplace, applicable campus statistics, crime prevention, reporting practices and available resources. The course will give attendees information on how to prepare for, recognize, document and report incidents in their respective areas. Materials will be provided.

Class participation is required by Cal-OSHA and the University; all faculty, staff and student employees need to attend the training every three years. All training will take place in University Union, Hinde Auditorium. Upcoming trainings are:

- 1-2 p.m. Wednesday, April 9
- 9-10 a.m. Thursday, May 8
- 9-10 a.m. Monday, May 12

To RSVP for the training, please email barnettkj@csus.edu or register on LearnerWeb at https://learnerweb.saclink.csus.edu/csus_enterprise/.

Submitted by University Police

Common Financial System upgrade scheduled for April 17-25
Like all CSU campuses, Sacramento State utilizes the systemwide PeopleSoft Common Financial system (CFS) for financial business processes. It is now necessary for all campuses to upgrade to the most current version. The transition is scheduled for April 17-25, with normal operations resuming Monday, April 28. During this time, CFS and the services it provides will not be available. This means:
April 10 is the deadline for entering and approving requisitions to allow time for sourcing to POs before the down time.

No checks or payments will be available during the down time, including travel advances or reimbursements.

No procurement can be done during this time (other than through the ProCard or OfficeMax).

No budget or expenditure transfers will be processed.

ProCard dates have been adjusted for the upgrade (transactions available Monday, April 28; reconciliations, Friday, May 9; and statements due Friday, May 16).

The Data Warehouse will be available for reporting but will have data as of April 17 until the new system is ready for use.

For these reasons, it is important to plan for your procurement, check and payment needs so as not to be inconvenienced during this time. Please go to www.csus.edu/adminupgrades for further information about administrative systems upgrades.

Submitted by the Office of the Vice President for Administration and Business Affairs

Faculty professional activities
The latest faculty professional activities are available at www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2014/03/ProfessionalActivities03-10-14.html.

Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy

Faculty Senate schedule
The Faculty Senate calendar is available at www.csus.edu/acse.

Submitted by the Faculty Senate

Security tip: Beware of ‘phishing’
You receive an email from “CSUHelpDesk@gmail.com” late Friday afternoon, stating that there is an issue with the email system and that your password must be reset or you will be unable to check your email over the weekend. The email asks you to click on the “reset password” link. Should you do this? Never. Disregard the email as a “phishing attack.” Phishing is a technique in which attackers attempt to fraudulently acquire protected information, such as passwords or credit card details, by masquerading as a trustworthy source in an electronic communication. If you received an email such as this, do not reply. Please forward this and any other suspicious emails to abuse@csus.edu. For more on phishing, www.csus.edu/irt/is/phishing.

Submitted by the Information Security Office

Human Resources

Part-time faculty vacancies
Applications for part-time faculty positions for the 2014-15 academic year now are being accepted. The deadline for résumé submissions is Friday, April 18. More information is available at www.csus.edu/hr/facultyvacancies/PTFaculty%20ad_Spr14.pdf.

Catastrophic leave donation
Sacramento State employees may voluntarily donate to other employees up to a maximum of 40 hours of sick or vacation leave credits in one-hour increments each fiscal year. Bargaining Units 1, 10 and 11 may donate only up to 16 hours per fiscal year. If employees are interested in donating time, a form can be obtained at www.csus.edu/hr/forms.html#disability by visiting the Human Resources Disability Leaves office in Del Norte Hall, Suite 3004, or by calling 278-3522.
The Benefits Office currently has the following employees on an approved CAT Leave:

Cherish Blattler, CCE-General Administration
Marty Diaz, Graduate Studies
JoAnn Campbell, College of Health and Human Services (Dean’s Office)