April 20, 2015

News

One World’s year-end celebration is this week
Sacramento State’s third annual One World End-of-Year Event, focusing on this year’s topic of “Happiness,” will be staged this week. Here is the schedule:

- Today, 11 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. – Student symposium on “Happiness,” University Union, Redwood Room. Students from across the campus will offer their perspectives on happiness through oral presentations, posters, and exhibits.
- Tuesday, April 21, 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. – Faculty panel: “What We Think About When We Think About Happiness,” University Library Gallery. Faculty representing very different disciplines and perspectives will discuss how happiness fits into their academic and creative work, and will answer questions from the audience; moderated by Professor Patrick Ettinger, Department of History.
- Wednesday, April 22, 6 to 8 p.m. – A keynote presentation by Eric Weiner in the University Union, Redwood Room. Weiner is a former foreign correspondent for National Public Radio, a philosophical traveler and a recovering malcontent. That restless spirit is reflected in his New York Times bestselling The Geography of Bliss: One Grump’s Search for the Happiest Places in the World.

Submitted by the One World Initiative

WASC Forum on Graduate Student Success coming April 27
You are cordially invited to the WASC Forum on Graduate Student Success, “Discussions that Build on Great Success.” The forum will be from noon to 1:30 p.m. Monday, April 27, in the Terrace Suite of The WELL (second floor). The forum is open to the campus community and will provide an opportunity for input and dialogue on supporting the work of graduate student success. Come share in this time of collaboration while helping to support student learning and success across all sectors of the campus. To RSVP, please see www.csus.edu/saseep/GraduateStudentSuccess. Lunch will be provided. If you are unable to attend the forum, your valuable input can be sent to saseep-01@csus.edu.

Submitted by Student Academic Success & Educational Equity Programs

McNair Research Symposium showcases achievements
The effort and creativity of Sacramento State’s McNair Scholars will be showcased in an afternoon of academic enrichment and scholarly exchange at the 2015 McNair Research Symposium from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday, April 27, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium and Ballroom III. The scholars will introduce their individual research projects through poster and oral presentations. The campus community and the general public are invited to support the scholars’ research efforts and celebrate their academic achievements. For more information, please visit www.csus.edu/mcnair/symposium.html or email mcnair@csus.edu.

Submitted by the McNair Scholars Program
Center for Cal Studies’ visiting scholar to make Delta presentation
Join the Center for California Studies for a free presentation by our visiting scholar, Dr. Robert Benedetti, with Margit Aramburu, former director of the Nature Resources Institute at the University of the Pacific. The presentation, from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 22, in The WELL’s Terrace Suite, regards efforts by the center and the Delta Protection Commission to illuminate and capture the 10,000-year history of the people, cultures, and heritage of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. Topics include the literary and artistic heritage of the region, the impact of reclamation and restoration strategies, and the development of immigrant communities. Students, staff, and faculty are welcome to attend; light refreshments will be provided. For more information or questions, please contact Alexandria Smith (Alexandria.Smith@csus.edu) or call us at 278-6906.
Submitted by the Center for California Studies

OWP Water Seminar Series continues May 1
Join the Office of Water Programs (OWP) at noon Friday, May 1, for the second offering in our inaugural series of seminars that bring together water professionals with the Sacramento State community to educate and collaborate on the broad topics of water use, management, and protection in California.

Our May 1 seminar will be on the EchoProject, the Sacramento region’s historic wastewater system renovation project that will produce cleaner water for discharge into the Sacramento River and provide potential reuse as recycled water. Our speaker is Ruben Robles of the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District. The seminar will take place in Santa Clara Hall, Room 1207. Food will be provided for the first 20-25 people to arrive (starting at 11:30 a.m.). Seating is limited; RSVP at www.owp.csus.edu/water-seminars/index.php.
Submitted by the Office of Water Programs

24th Africa/Diaspora Conference begins Thursday
Sacramento State’s Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution will hold the 24th annual Africa/Diaspora Conference from April 23-25 on the theme of "The African Family." UC San Francisco Professor Yewoubdar Beyene will deliver the conference keynote lecture from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Thursday, April 23, followed by a special student panel and other presentations by scholars from the United States, Africa, and Europe through April 25. A welcome reception will be held from 5 to 6:30 p.m. April 23. Presentations will include a workshop on college admission and financial aid, and a community forum on police-community relations on April 25. All conference sessions and related activities will be at the University Union. The event is open to the public and free to the campus community. The preliminary conference program is available at www.csus.edu/org/capcr/Conference%20Documents/2015%20Africa%20Conference%20Preliminary%20Programv3.pdf, or by emailing uwazieee@csus.edu or calling Dr. Ernest Uwazie at 278-6282.
Submitted by the Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution

CAPCR Peace Awards Dinner is Saturday
The 24th annual Peace Awards Dinner of the Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday, April 25, in the University Union, Redwood Room. The awardees are 10 exemplary couples representing seven Northern California communities as role models and mentors on healthy marriage relations for family peace in the community. Kane Swego, a spoken-word poet from Washington, D.C., is the keynote speaker. General admission is $50; VIP reserved tables for 10 persons are $650. Tickets can be purchased at https://commerce.cashnet.com/csusacevent. Click on “Center for African Peace & Conflict Resolution (CAPCR).”
Submitted by the Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution
Housing and Residential Life presents ‘Geek Week’ events
Housing and Residential Life will welcome Joe Gillis, host of the PBS series Beyond Geek, for a presentation, “The Science of Geek,” at 7 p.m. Monday, April 27, in the American River Courtyard’s Large Conference Room. Beyond Geek explores people who are pushing the limits of science, technology, and everything geek. From a group trying to get to space in a balloon to people who dress up as superheroes to fight crime, our host will dive deep into amazing stories that take you on a unique ride about how and why these people do what they do.

At 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 29, in the American River Courtyard, we’ll present “From Pages to Screens: Race, Gender, and Sexuality in Comic Book Media,” featuring panelists including Gillis and moderated by Professor Todd Migliaccio of the Department of Sociology.

This panel will tackle the recent diversification of race, gender, and sexual orientation in comic book-related characters in print and onscreen. We also hope to explore the historical contexts of these changes and the social implications/attitudes that have fostered them.

Both events are free and open to the campus community. For more information, please contact Housing and Residential Life at 278-6655 or housing@csus.edu.

Submitted by Housing and Residential Life

Physical Therapy fundraiser
The Department of Physical Therapy is hosting the 16th annual McGinty Cup Golf Tournament and Lunch on Saturday, May 2, at Woodcreek Golf Club. 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. Shotgun start (teams of four) is at 7:30 a.m. Lunch and awards are at 12:30 p.m. All proceeds are used for the physical therapy licensure exam course and student-related items. For questions, please contact Karen Salatti at 278-6426 or karen.salatti@csus.edu.

Submitted by the Physical Therapy Department

Art Alumni Show accepting applications
The annual Art Alumni Show is coming up, and organizers are looking for entries. The juried show is open to all Sac State alumni, students, faculty, and staff. The exhibit will run June 1-26. The deadline for entering is 5 p.m. Friday, May 1. All artwork must be submitted on CD (the original artwork will not be accepted at this time) and must have been produced by the entering artist between 2012 and 2015. Entrants will receive the judge's notification Friday, May 8. For more information, contact Florence Jones at (916) 903-7270 or florencejones08@comcast.net.

Submitted by the Art Alumni Chapter

Hornet Bookstore ‘Flash Sale’ begins Tuesday
The Hornet Bookstore will have a “Flash Sale” event Tuesday, April 21, and Wednesday, April 22, in the store and online.

Submitted by the Hornet Bookstore

Hiring event at Bookstore is April 29-30
The Hornet Bookstore will stage a Mass Hire Event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 29, and Thursday, April 30. We seek qualified candidates for temporary positions during fall rush. Interviews are being conducted on the second floor of the Bookstore. Please apply online at www.follett.com.

Submitted by the Hornet Bookstore
Building coordinator/floor marshal training
An annual two-hour training session will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 2, 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
- Active shooter preparedness
- IFAN
- ENS
- Web pages and information

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 by emailing gnagywb@saclink.csus.edu.

Submitted by Sacramento State 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 on 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
- Active shooter response

The next session will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 3, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. Seating is limited to the first 150. Register via the LearnerWeb schedule calendar at https://learnerweb.saclink.csus.edu/csus_enterprise/ or with gnagywb@saclink.csus.edu.

Submitted by Sacramento State Police

Violence in the Workplace Prevention Training
This is a one-hour presentation with additional time for questions on information regarding University policy on violence in the workplace, applicable campus statistics, crime prevention information, reporting practices, and available resources. The course will give attendees information on how to prepare, recognize, document, and report incidents in their respective areas as it pertains to violence in the workplace or unacceptable behavior. Materials will be provided. Class participation every three years is required of all faculty, staff, and student employees by Cal-OSHA and Sacramento State. Training is in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium:

- 9 to 10 a.m. Monday, May 4, and Tuesday, May 19

Submitted by Sacramento State Police
**Faculty professional activities**
The latest faculty professional activities are available at [www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2015/04/ProfessionalActivities04-13-15.html](http://www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2015/04/ProfessionalActivities04-13-15.html).
*Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy*

**Faculty Senate schedule**
The Faculty Senate calendar is available at [www.csus.edu/acse](http://www.csus.edu/acse).
*Submitted by the Faculty Senate*

**Online information security training available**
Given the many news stories about information security breaches jeopardizing our personal identity information, we all are painfully aware of the need for vigilance in protecting confidential campus data. You may also be aware that both California law and CSU policy require all CSU employees to complete training on confidential data security and privacy.

In order to assist Sacramento State employees with both protecting confidential data and meeting this requirement, we are making web-based data security and privacy training available through My Sac State. To access the training:

- Log on to My Sac State with your SacLink ID
- Go to the Employee Center channel on the Home tab
- Click on the “Data Security and Privacy” link.

Follow the instructions to complete the online training and complete the confidentiality certification form, and you are done. Completion of this course will help you safeguard your personal information as well as University data for others that you access and use in your work.

All campus employees (including student employees) will receive separate email reminders about the need to complete this training prior to the end of this school year. If you have questions or feedback regarding the data security and privacy training, please contact the Information Security Office at iso@csus.edu.
*Submitted by Information Resources and Technology*

**Security tip: What can malware do, and why do we need protection?**
First, worms or viruses can infect computers. Protected information then is harvested from the computer and disseminated. The computer also can be used as a “zombie” to send out money-making spam or to propagate a virus or worm. Eventually, thousands of zombie computers are collected and can be sold to the highest bidder or used to threaten to attack corporate or government websites. Having constant and updated protection on your computer is essential at all times. For more information, contact the Information Security Office. You will find contact information on its webpage, [www.csus.edu/irt/is](http://www.csus.edu/irt/is).
*Submitted by the Information Security Office*

**Human Resources**

**Next Human Resources Spotlight is May 19**
The next quarterly Human Resources Spotlight is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19, from 10 a.m. to noon in the University Union, Foothill Suite (third floor). We realize all of you are very busy; we hope you will find time to attend, as we will share important information. An agenda will follow soon. We would appreciate your sharing this communication with all managers and staff in your office who have ongoing interactions with HR and would have
benefited from some of the previous HR Spotlight agenda topics. Please remember that all staff need to obtain their manager’s approval to attend. Thank you.

**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](http://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:

- Monica Patterson, Mail Services
- Noreen James, Center for Collaborative Policy
- Som Sayasone, Library (vacation only)