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Bike to Campus Day coming Thursday
University Transportation and Parking Services is proud to host Sac State Bike to Campus Day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, May 8. We’ll be on campus at the bicycle compound adjacent to the Guy West Bridge for the event.

Members of the campus community who stop by the UTAPS booth will be able to sign up and log their miles online. Those who pledge to bike at least 50 miles in May will receive a free bicycle light or water bottle.

Experts from ASI Peak Adventures will be giving out complimentary bike maintenance checks and displaying their bike services. Sac State Sustainability and Zipcar also will be available to answer questions that students, faculty and staff may have. University Police will be on hand to help you register your bike.

Submitted by University Transportation and Parking Services

Fix50 project continues through mid-June
Caltrans is conducting a massive repair project through mid-June on Highway 50 through downtown Sacramento, 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 specific dates, updates and more information from Caltrans, as well as commute alternatives as the project moves forward.

Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy

Sheree Meyer named as dean of Undergraduate Studies
The Office of the Provost and Academic Affairs are pleased to announce that Dr. Sheree Meyer will become dean of Undergraduate Studies effective Tuesday, July 1.

Meyer has served as associate dean of Undergraduate Studies since 2010, establishing an outstanding record of leadership. She has worked to revise important aspects of General Education and has collaborated with the Faculty Senate, deans and advisory groups to improve undergraduate teaching and learning across the University – all while making time to help students on a one-on-one basis. She also has overseen special majors and minors, as well as key initiatives that include the Honors Program, One Book, the Community Engagement Center and our First Year Experience Program.

Her role has expanded considerably since she became associate dean, and the new position recognizes the scope of her duties. She began at Sacramento State as a faculty member in 1991, becoming chair of the English Department in 2004.

Submitted by the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Community Engagement Center reception will honor retiree, new staff
The Community Engagement Center will host a reception from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 8, in the Library Gallery to honor Sheila Macias, the former Community Engagement Center director who retired in December, and to introduce the new CEC staff to our campus and community partners. Hors d’oeuvres and beverages will be served. This event is open to the campus community.

Sheila joined the center, then known as the Office of Community Collaboration, in December 2000 as the community partnership coordinator. She eventually became administrative director. B. Dana Kivel became interim director in January; Francine Redada, the community partnership coordinator, began in mid-April; and Valerie Powell, administrative coordinator, began in mid-March.

Submitted by the Community Engagement Center

Farewell celebration for Helen Norris
Information Resources and Technology is hosting a farewell celebration for Associate CIO Helen Norris from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 8, in Library 11. Refreshments will be provided.

We are both congratulating Helen and saying a fond farewell as she moves to Southern California to accept the position as chief information officer at Chapman University. Helen has been on campus since 2009 and is well known as a vibrant and active IT leader whose friendly manner and skills have assisted the campus immensely.

Please join us in wishing Helen good luck and thanking her for her service. If you would like to include a personal message to Helen on a poster we’re preparing, please contact Jesseca Sanchez at 278-2900 for information. We’d appreciate an advance RSVP to jsanchez@csus.edu to help us better plan the event. View the event announcement.

Submitted by Information Resources and Technology

This week in the One World Initiative
On Wednesday, May 7, the Asian Studies Program and the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences will present “Hands-on Workshop: Wave of Korean Aesthetics Through Creating Korean Traditional Pouches” by Dr. Juyeon Kim, visiting scholar, Asian Studies Program; and Dr. Minjeong Kang, Asian Studies Program and Department of Family and Consumer Sciences (Fashion Merchandising and Design Program). The workshop will run from 3 to 5 p.m. in Mariposa Hall, Room 3030; supplies will be provided. For a full listing of One World events, visit www.csus.edu/oneworld.

Submitted by One World

Meet candidates for director of Student Organizations and Leadership
The Division of Planning, Enrollment Management and Student Affairs invites the campus community to attend open forums for candidates for director of Student Organizations and Leadership.

- 3-4 p.m. today, Lassen Hall 1013: David Adams, assistant director for Campus Activities, Pittsburg (Kan.) State University
- 3-4 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, Lassen Hall 1013: Tom Carroll, interim director, Student Organizations and Leadership, Sacramento State
- 3-4 p.m. Thursday, May 8, Lassen Hall 1100: Margaret Ortega, Ed.D., former Student Life coordinator, Hartnell College, Salinas
Individuals who attend are encouraged to submit written comments to Beth Lesen, associate vice president for Student Engagement and Success, at beth.lesen@csus.edu no later than 5 p.m., Wednesday, May 14.

Submitted by the Division of Planning, Enrollment Management and Student Affairs

New web page showcases Sac State’s ‘Points of Pride’
Did you know that Sacramento State is one of just 20 universities worldwide chosen to compete in the U.S. Energy Department’s prestigious Solar Decathlon? That Sac State ranks eighth in the nation in future salaries for our health profession majors? That ours is a Tree Campus USA – and that Sac State has been on the U.S. President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for five consecutive years? Prepare to be impressed with these facts and many more as you read through the new “Points of Pride” web page developed by Public Affairs. From our outstanding faculty to our vibrant campus life, this page showcases Sacramento State’s excellence. Visit the page at www.csus.edu/excellence/2014 – and check back frequently for updates.

Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy

Sac State Magazine seeks correspondents, authors
This summer’s Sac State Magazine is going abroad, and we want to hear from faculty, staff and alumni who are doing the same. We also are in the market for books with Sac State ties for our Summer Reading List.

We’re recruiting world travelers to act as “foreign correspondents” for the summer magazine. If you or one of your students is leaving the Sacramento area this summer for an academic purpose (sabbatical, research project, etc.), we’d love to hear from you. Send us details on where and when you or your students are going and what you’ll do while you are there to sacstatemagazine@csus.edu.

For our Summer Reading List, we’re looking for books authored by Sacramento State faculty, staff and alumni. Send your reading list recommendation with a short summary of the book and where readers can find it to sacstatemagazine@csus.edu.

Submitted by Advancement Communications and Stewardship

Recognition ceremony seeks participants
The Chican@/Latin@ Recognition Ceremony Committee is accepting registrations from students, faculty and staff interested in participating in the recognition ceremony scheduled for 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, May 16, in the University Union Ballroom.

The committee is dedicated to organizing a ceremony for Chican@/Latin@ students who have fulfilled the requirements toward receiving a baccalaureate degree, master’s degree or educational doctorate from Sacramento State. Students graduating in spring and fall 2014 are eligible to participate. The recognition ceremony positively portrays the accomplishments of Chican@/Latin@ students to siblings, parents, friends and the community. Additionally, the ceremony provides guests of all ages a friendly and familial atmosphere that celebrates degree attainment.

Faculty, staff and students who would like more information or are interested in participating can contact the College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP) at 278-7241.

Submitted by the College Assistance Migrant Program

Guardian Scholars commemorate National Foster Care Month
Join the Guardian Scholars Program for two events as it recognizes National Foster Care Month:
• Tuesday, May 13: Student panel discussion: “What Does It Mean To Be a Foster Youth?” from 1:30 to 3 p.m., Lassen Hall, Room 1100
• Wednesday, May 14: Financial literacy workshop by Julie Carroll, titled: “That Makes Cents!” from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Lassen Hall, Room 1100

Appetizers will be served at both events. RSVP is encouraged but not required. Contact Soua Lee, Guardian Scholars coordinator, at 278-7837 or soua.lee@csus.edu.
Submitted by Guardian Scholars

Call for nominations: 2014-15 John C. Livingston Distinguished Faculty Lecture
The Faculty Senate is pleased to call for the nomination of faculty members to deliver the 2014-15 John C. Livingston Distinguished Faculty Lecture. The lecture traditionally is on a topic of general interest to the University community and is chosen by the Livingston lecturer. The faculty member will be selected this spring and will deliver the lecture during the fall semester at a convocation held in his or her honor.

This award recognizes a sustained and unique contribution to the campus community in providing intellectual leadership and one that has important significance to the life of this university. The nomination letter or letters should include a detailed description of the nominee’s qualifications and a copy of the nominee’s vita. Nominations are to be submitted via email to kathy.garcia@csus.edu by Friday, May 9.
Submitted by the Faculty Senate

Apply for the 2014 Research and Creative Activity Mini-Grant Program
For academic year 2014-15, approximately $138,000 has been received from the Chancellor’s Office in support of research, scholarly and creative activity. These funds will be distributed via the Research and Creative Activity Subcommittee of the Faculty Senate, in collaboration with Academic Affairs and the Office of Research Administration. The purpose of the Research and Creative Activity Mini-Grant Program is to support faculty research and scholarly and creative activity, as well as to encourage faculty contributions to their disciplines. Recipients must produce a deliverable such as a paper, grant proposal, performance, etc. The Research and Creative Activity Subcommittee is responsible for managing the peer-review process. Faculty may apply for one of the following types of awards: three units of assigned time to be used in fall 2014 or spring 2015, $5,000 for summer salary during 2015 (through Aug. 31, 2015) or up to $5,000 for research support expenses (travel, student assistants, supplies, equipment, other).

Applications must be emailed by 5 p.m. Thursday, May 15, to research@csus.edu. Proposal reviews take place in June with decisions announced by Tuesday, July 15. For additional information: www.csus.edu/research/funding/RCA-Mini-Grant-Program.pdf. For questions, please contact Vicki Pearson-Rounds at 278-4918 or pearson_rounds@csus.edu.
Submitted by the Office of Research Administration

Hornet Marketplace is Tuesday and Wednesday
Student Organizations and Leadership invites students, faculty and staff to the Library Quad on Tuesday, May 6, and Wednesday, May 7, for the Hornet Marketplace Vendor Fair. Unique vendors specializing in handcrafted and imported jewelry, textiles and leather products will participate. Join us from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and get a jump-start on Mother’s Day shopping and graduation gifts for your friends and family.
Submitted by Student Organizations and Leadership
Hornet Bookstore’s end-of-year sale is Thursday
The Hornet Bookstore Spring Festival and Sale is 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, May 8. Save 20 percent on logo apparel, hats and gift merchandise. Join the festivities outside the bookstore, including booths, refreshments, games, prizes and snow cones!
Submitted by the Hornet Bookstore

De-Stress Fest for students on Tuesday
Health and Wellness Promotion will be holding a De-Stress Fest from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 6. The event will be on the South Green of The WELL and will showcase fun activities such as an inflated obstacle course, lawn bowling, recreational games, puppy therapy and water balloon art. We welcome everyone and hope you can stop by to release some of your stress as we move into the last days of school. This event will have amplified sound. If sound disrupts your class or activity, please call event coordinator Katie Hodgson at 278-2618 and the volume will be adjusted.
Submitted by Student Health and Counseling Services

Parking permit fees for 2014-15
The cost of semester parking permits for managers, administrators and students will increase by 2 percent for the 2014-15 academic year. This adjustment occurs annually as part of the parking fee plan implemented in spring 2009.

Permits for managers and other unrepresented employees will increase beginning Tuesday, July 1. The monthly permit cost will be $48. Other administrator permits will increase by 2 percent above their current rate. Permit costs for faculty and staff vary and are set by their respective bargaining unit contracts.

The increase for student semester permits takes effect with the purchase of the 2014 fall permit. The semester permit cost will be $165; residence hall student permits will be $214.

University Transportation and Parking Services, which administers the parking program, is by law a self-supporting unit that receives no funding from the state. UTAPS’ sole source of revenue for operations, construction and maintenance of parking facilities is from the sale of parking permits. For more information, visit www.csus.edu/utaps.
Submitted by University Transportation and Parking Services

Building coordinator and floor marshal training
A two-hour building coordinator and floor marshal training will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Thursday, May 22, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. Attendance is mandatory for all members of the building emergency preparedness teams, building coordinators, floor marshals and faculty who have responsibilities during an emergency. Training covers the following areas:

- Program overview and history
- Multihazard 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 information
Seating is limited to the first 150. Register via the LearnerWeb schedule calendar at https://learnerweb.saclink.csus.edu/csusEnterprise/ or by emailing Bill Gnagy at gnagywb@saclink.csus.edu.

Submitted by University Police

**Faculty professional activities**
The latest faculty professional activities are available at www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2014/04/ProfessionalActivites04-14-14.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 ‘insider-type’ crimes**
A study of criminal prosecutions found an average associated financial loss of $3 million per incident for “social engineering” or “insider-type” crimes. Many institutions, including universities, were targets of these types of crimes. Almost 90 percent of the crimes began with attackers logging onto accounts with IDs they obtained inappropriately. While IDs are sometimes illegally obtained by the use of passwords, such as cracking programs, many are obtained “the old-fashioned way” – by collusion with people within the institution who share IDs and passwords, sometimes simply for convenience.

Submitted by the Information Security Office

**Human Resources**

**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:

Marty Diaz, Graduate Studies
JoAnn Campbell, College of Health and Human Services (Dean’s Office)
Melisa Cervantes, Department of Theatre and Dance