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News

President Gonzalez to deliver Fall Address on Thursday
President Alexander Gonzalez’ Fall Address to the campus community will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 29, in the University Union Ballroom. The event will begin with coffee and conversation at 9 a.m. The President’s address will follow at 10.

Submitted by the Office of the President

Food trucks back on campus this week
If you loved the Sacto MoFo food trucks this summer, they’ll be back on campus from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day this week. Your favorites will be here: Squeeze Inn, Chando’s Tacos, Drewski’s Hot Rod Kitchen, Krush Burger and others. From Monday through Thursday, the trucks will be between the Library Quad and Capistrano Hall. On Friday, you’ll find them in Parking Lot 6. For more information, “like” the Sac State Campus Dining Facebook page at www.facebook.com/uei.SacStateDining. For questions, please contact Nicole Johnson, University Enterprises Inc. Dining Services, at 278-6376 or nicolej@uei.csus.edu.

Submitted by University Enterprises Inc. (UEI)

Improved Epicure reopens Tuesday
Epicure Restaurant in the University Union will reopen Tuesday, Aug. 27, with interior enhancements. This summer, a private dining room was completed, and artwork, greenery and furnishings were added to complement the entryway and dining space. The restaurant serves lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you enjoy savory entrees, fresh salads, appetizing sandwiches and mouthwatering desserts, make your reservations now at www.dining.csus.edu/epicure/reservations/ to beat the crowds returning to campus after Labor Day.

Submitted by University Enterprises Inc. (UEI)

College Colors Day
College Colors Day is Friday, Aug. 30. Show your Sac State pride by wearing your green and gold gear! This friendly competition encourages school spirit on our nation’s college campuses. Visit www.collegecolorsday.com for more information. And don’t miss the Hornet Bookstore’s annual Back to School Event. Save 20 percent on select logo apparel and gifts, and enjoy games and prizes. Refreshments will be served. See store for details. Exclusions may apply.

Submitted by the Hornet Bookstore

Staff Awards Luncheon coming next month
The annual Staff Awards Luncheon will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 27, in the University Union Ballroom. The event will honor University staff and administrators as well as employees of University Enterprises Inc. and Associated Students Inc. for 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 years of service.
Tickets are on sale until Tuesday, Sept. 10; the price is $10 per person. Individual tickets may be purchased from the following sellers: Denise Anderson, Riverside 2014E, 278-6127; Ashley Ciraulo-Stuart, Eureka 432, 278-5728; Robin Eicher, Facilities 103A, 278-4895; Cossette Leos, Bookstore 3200, 278-7001; Linda Kay Soriano, Sacramento 118, 278-3922; Michelle Bianco, Sequoia 320, 278-8607; and Angel Thayer, Sacramento 259, 278-7458.

For table purchases (groups of 10), please contact Mimi Phothichack at bphothi@csus.edu or 278-2783. For additional information about the Staff Awards Luncheon, please visit the University Staff Assembly website at www.csus.edu/usa and click on the “Events & Activities” link.

*Submitted by the University Staff Assembly*

**Faculty and staff ticket discounts for Hornet football**

As Sacramento State faculty and staff, you can purchase discounted football season tickets for $50 in Reserve Section 215 of Hornet Stadium. This special offer includes all six home games, which include the contests against Montana and rival UC Davis in the 60th Causeway Classic. To purchase a faculty and staff season ticket online, please follow the directions below:

1. Click here to purchase tickets online
2. Scroll to the bottom of the page and find the “Group Sales” section
3. Type in the promo code “Hornets” in the “Group Sales Password/Promo Code” box
4. Buy your tickets (Visa or MasterCard accepted)

To choose your seats or if you have questions, please call T’Ante Sims at 278-2222 or visit www.hornetsports.com. For all sports except football and men’s basketball, faculty and staff also can receive free admission for their immediate family by using their OneCard.

*Submitted by Intercollegiate Athletics*

**Bring your recyclables to WELLcome Back**

Sac State Sustainability will be at the WELLcome Back event Thursday, Sept. 5. We’ll be collecting all types of recyclables, so bring your old batteries, light bulbs and personal electronic waste — no University property, please. You also can help us initiate Sac State’s newest diversion stream by bringing your expired or unused prescriptions or over-the-counter medications for responsible disposal at The WELL Pharmacy. Or if you just want to learn more about Sac State Sustainability, stop by and see us — we’ll be happy to answer all your questions.

*Submitted by Facilities Services*

**Preterm birth program**

The Family and Consumer Sciences Department and the March of Dimes will host an open-to-the-public event at the Terrace Suite of The WELL from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, to raise awareness about the risks and causes of, and methods for reducing preterm births in the United States. The topic will be introduced by the documentary *Born Too Soon*, produced by Kentucky Educational TV, Johnson & Johnson and the March of Dimes. An informal discussion will follow, with personal and local perspectives provided by a panel of experts: Dr. Olivia Kasirye, Sacramento Department of Public Health officer; Laura Dennis, registered dietitian, San Juan Mercy Medical Center Neonatal Intensive Care Unit; and Mical Shilts, associate professor of Family and Consumer Sciences and the mother of a preterm child.
Faculty interested in incorporating this event into their lesson plans can get more information from Lynn Hanna, Family and Consumer Sciences, at lhanna@csus.edu.

Submitted by the Family and Consumer Sciences Department

**Sac State Torchlight features inaugural Gonzalez Scholarship recipient**
Katie Williams is taking another step on her inspiring journey as she begins the Fall semester. In March, the senior psychology major was awarded the President Alexander and Gloria Gonzalez Public Service and Community Leadership Scholarship at the Green & Gold Gala. Read about Williams and other examples of how private support is making a difference on campus in the latest issue of Sac State Torchlight.

Submitted by University Advancement

**Estate Planning 101**
The Office of Planned Giving hosts Estate Planning 101 seminars throughout the year for members of the Sacramento State community who are considering their estate plans. Topics covered include property and inheritance planning, wills, living trusts, charitable gift annuities, disability planning, estate taxes and probate. The upcoming Estate Planning 101 seminar is Wednesday, Sept. 4. Reservations are required.

Please visit [www.csusgift.org](http://www.csusgift.org) for more information on Planned Giving or [www.csus.edu/giving/estateplanning.stm](http://www.csus.edu/giving/estateplanning.stm) for more information on Estate Planning 101.

If you are interested in making a gift through your will or estate, or you have questions regarding Estate Planning 101, please call the Office of Planned Giving at 278-3922.

Submitted by University Advancement

**Peer-reviewed studies in educational leadership**

Submitted by the Doctorate in Educational Leadership department

**Faculty professional activities**
The latest faculty professional activities are available at [www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2013/07/ProfessionalActivities07-08-13.html](http://www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2013/07/ProfessionalActivities07-08-13.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

**Security quick tip: Be careful with IDs**
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 crimes. Almost 90 percent of the crimes began with attackers logging on to accounts with IDs they obtained inappropriately. While IDs are sometimes illegally obtained by the use of password, such as cracking programs, many are obtained the “old-fashioned way” – by collusion with people in the institution who share IDs and passwords, sometimes simply for convenience.

Submitted by the Information Security Office
Human Resources

CalPERS Dependent Eligibility Verification Project
The California Public Employees’ Retirement System (CalPERS) Dependent Eligibility Verification (DEV) Project is in progress and in the verification phase through Thursday, Sept. 12. During this period, the eligibility of your dependent(s) enrolled in a CalPERS health plan will be verified by CalPERS’ contracted vendor, HMS Employer Solutions.

On Friday, July 26, HMS mailed letters to CSU employees who have dependents enrolled in a CalPERS health plan. Employees should carefully read the information received from HMS – there are important deadlines included in the letter that can impact your dependents’ coverage if deadlines are not met. Please submit required documentation in a timely manner. Contact HMS directly (contact information will be included in the letter from HMS) with any questions related to the DEV project, required documentation or your specific situation.

The DEV Project is an independent review conducted by CalPERS and HMS. Questions regarding the verification process and/or documentation required must be directed to HMS (contact information will be included in the letter from HMS). Learn more about the CalPERS DEV project on the CalPERS website at www.calpers.ca.gov/index.jsp?bc=/member/health/dev.xml.

CalPERS Retirement Planning Fair
CalPERS is hosting retirement planning fairs this summer to help members achieve a more financially secure future. More detailed information about the 2013 CalPERS retirement planning fairs is available on the CalPERS website. Members are encouraged to pre-register for their preferred fair date to aid CalPERS in planning for staffing and materials, but it is not required.

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

Priscilla Llamas-McKaughan, Financial Services
Jamie Jones, Services to Students with Disabilities (vacation donations only)
Carlyn Ster, College of Arts and Letters Dean’s Office