News

Forum coming Sept. 17 on new campus Master Plan
Sacramento State has begun work on a new campus Master Plan that will guide the development of the physical campus over the next 20 years. The Master Plan will identify sites for new facilities, including classroom buildings, housing, parking structures, recreational fields/facilities, open space and a new Student Event Center. The Master Plan also will address campus circulation (vehicle, pedestrian and bicycle) and transit facilities. It will include long-range landscape, infrastructure and sustainability plans.

Your input is important to this process. We invite the campus community to a forum on Tuesday, Sept. 17, from 10 a.m. to noon in University Union Ballroom I or from 6 to 8 p.m. in The WELL Terrace Suite. You are welcome to attend part or all of a session. These first sessions are designed to gather input and ideas, and to present information about existing campus conditions. The Master Plan team wants to know what students, faculty, staff and the community want to see as Sacramento State develops over the next two decades. The team will use your input to develop a series of alternative Master Plan concepts that will be presented for discussion at the second set of campus forums in late October.

This is your opportunity to tell us how Sac State should change to meet the challenges of the future. Don’t miss this chance to tell us!

Submitted by Facilities Services

Hornet Weeks of Welcome
With the start of the semester, Student Engagement and Success is introducing the inaugural Hornet Weeks of Welcome. Hornet WOW celebrates the start of the school year by spotlighting signature campus events for all new and returning students – more than 40 events in 23 days. Highlights include WELLcome Back, La Raza Bienvenida, Phлагleblast, IN-QUEER-Y, the ASI Block Party at the residence halls, the Swarm photo with President Alexander Gonzalez, Tim Wise’s lecture on class and racism in America, a Hornet pep rally and much more. Hornet WOW ends Saturday, Sept. 21, with a fireworks show following the home football game vs. Southern Utah. All are invited to participate in welcoming our new and returning students. Please visit our website at www.csus.edu/hornetwow.

Questions or comments can be sent to hornetwow@csus.edu.
Submitted by Planning, Enrollment Management and Student Affairs

Sacramento State Leader: Now every two weeks
Beginning Tuesday, Sept. 10, the Sacramento State Leader will be sent out every other Tuesday of the month. Produced by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy, the Leader will continue to showcase University news and events, now in a new, even easier to navigate format. Watch for the e-publication to land in your inbox.

Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy
This week on Made at Sac State: College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Get to know all about the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics when the second episode of Made at Sac State – The Video Magazine airs at 6:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 12, on KQCA My58. Produced by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy, in partnership with Academic Technology & Creative Services, a unit of Academic Affairs, each half-hour show features a different college within the University. The series continues every Thursday through Oct. 24. To learn more or see last week’s episode on the College of Health and Human Services: www.csus.edu/made/tv/. Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy

ABA Speaker Series: Social media
The Division of Administration and Business Affairs (ABA) is proud to announce the ABA Speaker Series for fall 2013. Please join ABA for a morning with Jeannie Wong, associate vice president of University Communications, and Jack Vaughn, director of Web Communications in the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy, on Thursday, Sept. 19, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Alumni Center. They will speak on “Social Media – Tips and Best Practices.” They will share how they helped grow audience for the University’s Facebook page by more than 100 percent in a year, and how you can turn your social media accounts into valuable information and engagement tools.

The purpose of the series is to provide an open forum for the exchange of ideas and bring intellectual enrichment to the campus community. Each series is open to students, faculty, staff and auxiliaries. RSVP to Kimberly Donaville by Sept. 13 at 278-6312 or kdonavil@csus.edu. Submitted by the Division of Administration and Business Affairs

Deadline to install SafeConnect wireless laptop protection is Sept. 16
Last year, IRT implemented SafeConnect protection for all student, faculty and staff laptop computers connected to the campus wireless network. If you are new to campus, or if you have a laptop computer that you use on campus and have not yet downloaded SafeConnect, you have a two-week grace period at the start of this semester to get your computer protected. We strongly encourage you to install SafeConnect now by going to www.csus.edu/safeconnect. SafeConnect protection must be in place by Monday, Sept. 16, for computers to be able to access the wireless network. Mobile devices other than laptop computers are not affected.

During the two-week grace period, campus users of unprotected laptop computers will begin receiving SafeConnect warning messages when they log on to the University’s wireless network. Users who have not yet downloaded the SafeConnect application will continue to receive repeated warnings and will be unable to use the Internet outside of campus.

Downloading SafeConnect will not interfere with your computer use. It protects your computer and our network from malware, and gives plenty of warning and time to correct the few computer security problems encountered. As always, comments or questions can be referred at any time to itfeedback@csus.edu. Thanks for your cooperation in protecting our network. Submitted by Information Resources and Technology

Homecoming tickets for faculty and staff
President Alexander and Gloria Gonzalez invite University faculty, staff and their families to the Homecoming Festival and football game Saturday, Oct. 5, when the Hornets take on Northern Colorado at 6:05 p.m. at Hornet Stadium.
Faculty and staff can reserve up to four complimentary game tickets before the game through University Advancement at www.alumniconnections.com/olc/pub/CSN/membershipform/showGivingForm.jsp?form_id=158792. Please include your name, your campus email address and the number of tickets requested. Tickets and a Sac State gift for faculty and staff can be picked up in the Alumni Center parking lot during the Homecoming Festival, beginning at 3 p.m. on game day. Visit the Homecoming website (www.csus.edu/homecoming) for more information.

Submitted by University Advancement

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

Children’s music lessons through the String Project
The Music Department’s String Project has openings for 20 children of Sacramento State faculty and staff. The project provides low-cost group lessons on stringed instruments to young people from the fourth grade up, taught by Sac State music students. A 10-week session, which includes lessons from 4:45 to 5:35 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, costs $100. The first lesson is Wednesday, Sept. 18. For more information and registration forms: www.csus.edu/stringproject.

Submitted by the Music Department

Beat the flu bug – get vaccinated
Student Health Services will offer flu immunization clinics in September, October and November while the supply lasts. Times and dates are:

- Noon to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 11, in front of The WELL
- 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 19, Oct. 10, Oct. 24 and Nov. 14, in the University Union lobby; and Sept. 26 and Oct. 3 in front of The WELL

Flu immunizations are free for registered Sac State students, $15 for faculty and staff. If these days and times don’t work for you, flu immunizations also are available by appointment in Student Health Services in The WELL. Appointments can be made at https://shcssacstate.org/ by logging onto the patient portal or by contacting SHCS at 278-6461.

Submitted by Student Health Services

Constitution Bowl coming Sept. 19
As part of Constitution Week, the Center for California Studies and the Project for an Informed Electorate are sponsoring a Constitution Bowl at noon Thursday, Sept. 19, at the
University Union. Demonstrate your knowledge of the U.S. and California constitutions, and win prizes! For more information: www.csus.edu/calst/upcoming_events.html.

Submitted by the Center for California Studies

Fall 2013 Career Fair
The Fall 2013 Career Fair is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25, in the University Union Ballroom. Attending employers will recruit students and alumni for full-time and part-time jobs as well as internship and volunteer opportunities in numerous industries. Students and alumni can obtain additional information, including a list of attending employers, by visiting www.csus.edu/careercenter and following our Career Fair events link, or by connecting with us via Facebook at www.facebook.com/sacramentostate.careercenter.

Submitted by the Career Center

CCE wins marketing-communications honor
Congratulations to the College of Continuing Education’s Marketing-Communications Team, which won a silver award from the University Professional & Continuing Education Association for its work on the college’s 2013 print calendar.

The calendar highlighted the college’s mission, vision and values while incorporating Sacramento State’s new “Redefine the Possible” tagline. CCE will receive its award at the UPCEA’s marketing seminar Nov. 6-8 in Austin, Texas.

Submitted by the College of Continuing Education

Epicure’s first birthday celebration and Sac State Magazine launch party
Come celebrate at the launch party for the Fall 2013 issue of Sac State Magazine and commemorate Epicure Restaurant’s first birthday from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 17. Dig into the magazine’s theme, “A Fresh Take on Food,” as it serves up a generous helping of the University’s and our alumni’s place at the farm-to-fork table. Faculty and staff are invited to Epicure for happy hour and small bites, plus a delicious “eatertainment” showcase. University Catering chef Aaron Franco and faculty from Family and Consumer Sciences will highlight healthy farmers market choices and recipes for innovative and delicious entrees. Plus, get your copy of Sac State Magazine!

RSVP and your first drink is on us! Visit www.csus.edu/sacstatemagazine/SSMLaunch.html or email sacstatemagazine@csus.edu.

Submitted by Advancement Communications and Stewardship

One World Initiative returns with ‘Global Perspectives on Migration’
Sacramento State’s One World Initiative is beginning its second year, and the campus community is invited to participate. The theme for 2013-14 is “Global Perspectives on Migration.” This broad topic can include human and animal migration, migration of pollutants in natural systems, the impact of migration on culture and the arts, and even the expression of movement in art and dance.

If you are incorporating migration into your course curriculum, please let us know so we can add it to our website. If you, your student group or your department is organizing a migration-themed event, please let us know so we can promote it for you. Information about the One World Initiative can be found at www.csus.edu/oneyworld. Contact us by emailing oneworld@csus.edu. “Like” us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SacramentoStatesOneWorldInitiative.

Submitted by Geology/One World
Annual state employees charity drive
It’s time to launch the annual California State Employees Charitable Campaign (CSECC). This is the single largest effort among California state employees to support health, human services, environmental, cultural and educational charitable programs. Contributing to the CSECC means you are making an investment in yourself as well as in the lives of your family, friends and neighbors. There are numerous eligible 501(c)(3) charities listed in the CSECC Donor Resource Guide to choose from.

Sacramento State’s 2013 campaign will run Monday, Sept. 9, through Friday, Oct. 18. Watch for the pledge forms – the “key campaigners” from your division will be distributing them to you soon. Thank you for your participation in this important program during a time when our help is needed more than ever. For more information: www.csecc.org.

Submitted by the College of Education

Staff Awards Luncheon coming this 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; LindaKay 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

Safety training sessions
The annual Department of Safety two-hour training session is from 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 24, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. It will cover:

- 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?
- Hazmat procedures
- ENS
- Web pages and info

All members of the Building Emergency Preparedness teams, building coordinators, floor marshals and faculty who have responsibility during disasters or emergencies should attend. Register by e-mailing gnagywb@saclink.csus.edu.

Submitted by the Department of Public Safety
Free technology training workshops available for staff and faculty
Learn about the new SacCT course tool enhancements, such as discussions, calendars, testing analytics, new global navigation and improved threaded discussions. In addition, discover the new social tools for students, such as People, Messages and Spaces, in the SacCT Communications workshop.

We also are excited to offer iPad workshops for staff and faculty; they include updates to reflect new apps and best-use options for cloud computing, presenting from the iPad and meeting virtually via video conferencing. Bring your iPad so you can practice.

And brush up your word processing skills with the 2010 or 2013 Microsoft Office workshops.

Requests or questions? Email training@csus.edu.
Submitted by Academic Technology & Creative Services

2013 Departmental Fact Books available online
The Departmental Fact Books provide a wide range of comprehensive data and information pertaining to each academic department, ranging from student profiles, course offerings, class size, faculty profiles and faculty workload to retention and graduation rates for the past five years. These Fact Books are very useful sources of information for program reviews, accreditation and other assessment needs.

This year, new information was added to the Degrees Conferred table. It now includes degrees conferred by program/concentration within a department.

A paper copy has been sent to all department chairs, and online access is available at www.csus.edu/or. Click on “Data Center,” then “Departmental Fact Book,” and choose a department.
Submitted by the Office of Institutional Research

Faculty professional activities
The latest faculty professional activities are available at www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2013/09/ProfessionalActivities09-09-13.html.
Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy

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

Security quick tip: Accidents happen
What should you do if you accidentally forwarded an email that contains protected information – for example, a student’s disability accommodation request? Immediately address the situation by contacting the Information Security Office and your department head. Records regarding a student’s disability are subject to the protections of FERPA and several other laws. Rely on the instructions of the Information Security Office and your department head regarding how to handle the situation. For more information, contact the Information Security Office by visiting www.csus.edu/irt/is/contactus.html.
Submitted by Information Resources Technology
Human Resources

Academic promotions for 2013-14
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Charles Gossett is pleased to announce academic promotions that became effective at the beginning of the 2013-2014 academic year. Click here to view the list.

New tenure-track faculty
Sacramento State welcomes the new tenure-track faculty for the 2013-2014 academic year. Click here to view the list.

Congratulations to Sacramento State’s 2012-2013 retirees!
President Alexander Gonzalez joins the campus community in congratulating our retirees. We wish you well in the coming years and offer our sincere appreciation for your contributions to the University and our students.

This list reflects individuals with a retirement date during the 2012-2013 academic year.

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.

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