October 29, 2012

News

2012 California State Employees Food Drive
It's time for the California State Employees Food Drive! This year's food drive at Sacramento State runs from Monday, Nov. 5, through Tuesday, Dec. 18. The University has participated in this important community event for nearly 40 years.

Continued high unemployment and the slow economy have contributed to record levels of food-insecure households, making this year's food drive more important than ever. Please reach as deep as you can to help make the holidays and the new year a little better for the many children and families helped by your donations.

Monetary donations and canned goods: Your monetary donations go the farthest, as bulk food can be purchased at lower costs. Make checks payable to "California Emergency Foodlink" and mail them to Nancy Fox, department zip code 6076. Food collection boxes for canned goods soon will be placed in most department offices and information booths at the campus entrances.

Turkey drop: For the second year, Sacramento State will be participating in a turkey drop; this year's drop is from 7:30-10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 15. Drop off your frozen turkey at an information booth at either campus entrance or the University Transportation and Parking Services office, 7667 Folsom Blvd. All turkeys will be delivered directly to Foodlink that morning. Frozen vegetarian and vegan options may be dropped off as well.

Holiday events: As you plan your department holiday events, please consider doing one or more of the following:
- Ask folks to bring canned or monetary donations to holiday parties, potlucks, luncheons and gatherings.
- Put out donation jars so people can drop in their change.
- Hold a silent auction with donated items.
- Ask folks to bring canned goods to campus events.
- Have a book or rummage sale.

More information will be forthcoming regarding the food drive. Watch for mass emails or go to www.csus.edu/utaps. If you have questions, contact Nancy Fox, food drive coordinator, at foxna@csus.edu or 278-5241.
Submitted by University Transportation and Parking Services

Seventh annual Fall Ethics Symposium
Join the Philosophy Department for the annual Fall Ethics Symposium, "Ethics in Biology and Medicine," which runs today from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. in the University Union, Redwood Room. Up for discussion will be the moral dimensions of biology and medicine, including how they often intersect and occasionally seem to be in competition.
As always, this event is free and open to the public. The department especially welcomes colleagues and community members active in the biomedical, health care and related fields to participate.

Submitted by the Philosophy Department

This week’s One World events
Monday, Oct. 29: The Asian Studies Program presents “Mind Like Water, Mind Like Sky: The Flow of Meditation,” a talk by Sylvia Sensiper, program director, UC Davis Extension, research associate, Department of Anthropology; from 4:30-7:20 p.m., Amador Hall 262.

Tuesday, Oct. 30: The Departments of Geology and Biological Sciences, and the U.S. Geological Survey conduct a special joint geology-ecology colloquium presentation by Karen Thorne (USGS and LCC) titled “Climate Change and Sea Level Rise”; from 4:30-5:30 p.m., Mendocino Hall 1015.

Submitted by One World Initiative/Geology

One Book available through USA Book Loan Program
In cooperation with the One Book Program, the University Staff Assembly is making a limited number of copies of the current One Book available to staff through the USA Book Loan Program.

The 2012-13 selection is One Amazing Thing by Chitra Divakaruni. To borrow a copy (two weeks maximum), please contact one of the following USA reps:

Aaron Eichenberger CLV 104 278-5745 aeichenb@csus.edu
Rachel Frame LIB-S 3523 278-7092 framer@csus.edu
Veronica Pruitt RVR 3018 278-5843 vpruitt@csus.edu
Rachel Garcia NPA 2008 278-4547 regarcia@saclink.csus.edu

For more information about the One Book program, visit www.csus.edu/onebook.

Submitted by One Book Program/University Staff Assembly

Hornet Bookstore hosts Halloween “Boo” Yah
Join us at the Hornet Bookstore for our Halloween “Boo” Yah event from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31. Stop in for refreshments, prizes, giveaways and more. Enter our Halloween photo contest on Facebook – take a picture of your jack-o’-lantern or Halloween costume for a chance to win a prize!

Submitted by the Hornet Bookstore

University Union Gallery hosts Don Ray McKinney’s artwork
The University Union Gallery is hosting the artwork of Don Ray McKinney. This exhibition will feature a series of abstract acrylic paintings from the last 20 years. “Works From the Last 20” runs through Thursday, Nov. 15, with an opening reception 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 1.

McKinney is known for abstract acrylic paintings with intense exploration of color, light, movement and iconographic mythology. His work has been featured in many galleries and museums, most notably a multi-museum national tour, the San Diego Museum of Art and the Butler Institute of American Art, where he has a painting in the permanent collection.

The University Union Gallery is open free to the public from 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, with special evening hours from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday.

Submitted by the University Union Gallery
First Fall Draw-in
Join the Painting and Drawing Club for a night of figure drawing and performances by students and local artists from 7-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2, in the University Union, Redwood Room. We will be drawing models with backgrounds in the performing arts, actors, dancers and runway models. You can also watch performances by models, local musicians and singers on campus.

This event is free and open to the public. The Painting and Drawing Club especially welcomes photographers, fashion designers and artists of all kinds to come and create amazing images that will be submitted to a gallery on campus in the spring. This event will be a great chance to see what all realms of the arts are doing at Sac State.

Submitted by the Art Department

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. Upcoming trainings (both 9-10 a.m. in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium):

- Tuesday, Nov. 6
- Tuesday, Dec. 4

To RSVP for the training, please email barnettkj@csus.edu.

Submitted by the Department of Public Safety

President Gonzalez’ town hall meetings available online
President Alexander Gonzalez held town hall meetings Sept. 25 and 27 to share information and answer questions from the campus community. The town halls were co-sponsored by the University Staff Assembly. A link to the President’s sessions is available on Public Affairs’ Budget Central page: www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/budgetcentral/.

Submitted by the Office of the President

Professional activities
The latest professional activities are available at www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2012/10/ProfessionalActivities10-15-12.html.

Submitted by the Office of Public Affairs and Advocacy

Faculty Senate schedules
The Faculty Senate schedule for November is available at www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2012/10/FacultySenateNov2012.html.

The Faculty Senate schedule for December is available at www.csus.edu/sacstatenews/Articles/2012/10/FacultySenateDec2012.html.

Submitted by the Faculty Senate
**Student fee forms**
The Student Fee Advisory Committee is accepting 2012-13 Category II and Category III fee proposal forms. Executive Order 1054, governing fees and the fee proposal form, can be found at [www.csus.edu/aba/sfac](http://www.csus.edu/aba/sfac).

The Category Fee II (Campus Mandatory Fee) deadline is Wednesday, Nov. 21.

The Category Fee III (Materials, Service and Course Fee) deadline is Friday, Feb. 8, 2013.

Send questions regarding the fee process to Julie Carroll at 278-7401 or carrollj@csus.edu.  
*Submitted by Student Fee Advisory Committee*

**Administrative Forum on Technology, hosted by IRT**
Information Resources and Technology is pleased to announce the second Administrative Forum on Technology. The forum is scheduled from 3-5 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31, in the University Union, Orchard Suite.

This semester's forum features a discussion about business process analysis – is this the most boring topic possible, or is it essential to the future of our campus? We will discuss topics such as:

- Can we afford to continue doing our business the way we have in the past?
- Does it improve our jobs or eliminate them?
- Why do so many of our administrative processes require paper forms or face-to-face contact?
- What’s required to put them online, automate them or make them available for self-use?
- Why can’t we use the tools we have now to start right away?
- Does it increase or decrease our campus costs in times of severe budget cuts?

The panel will include Teri Bennett, CIO (retired), CalPERS; Brigette Wikidal, director, Project Management Office, CSU Chancellor’s Office; Seung Bach, interim associate dean, College of Business; Veronica Hodge, associate vice president, Employment Services; Kjell Framnes, Manager of Portfolio Analysis and Support, VSP; and Sarah Whyte, director of Strategic Planning and Quality Improvement; and will be moderated by Helen Norris, associate vice president for Administrative Computing. The panel will respond to a series of questions posed by the moderator and then will respond to questions from the audience. Light refreshments will be provided.  
*Submitted by Information Resources and Technology*

**Security quick tip**
Educational records, including those related to disability, are subject to privacy laws; if they are compromised, the Information Security Office must be notified immediately. For more information, contact the Information Security Office. You will find contact information on their website at [www.csus.edu/irt/is](http://www.csus.edu/irt/is).

*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.htm#Disability, by visiting the Human Resources Disability Leaves office in Del Norte Hall, Suite 3002, or by calling 278-3522.

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

Florence Jackson, UTAPS
Geetha Ramachandran, Math Department