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President’s Fall Address set for Aug. 28
President Alexander Gonzalez will give his annual fall address to the campus community at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 28, in the University Union Ballroom. The event will begin with coffee at 9 a.m. University staff members who wish to attend should secure the permission of their supervisors.

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SIGN UP—The University’s digital sign went live Aug. 5, promoting Sac State’s events, academics and programs.

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Romanian Art
"Traces: Contemporary Romanian Art," will be on display Sept. 2 through Oct. 3 in the Else Gallery in Kadema Hall. Gallery hours are noon - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. A reception will be held 6-8 p.m., Monday, Sept. 8. The Romanian curator and two of the artists discuss "Romanian Art Now" at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 11 in Kadema 145. Cristian Nemescu’s "California Dreamin’" will be
Carpooling
Sacramento State has a carpool matching system- alternetRides- just for Sacramento State faculty, staff and students. To log on to the system and for more information regarding carpooling, visit the University Transportation and Parking Services web page at www.csus.edu/utaps. Click on Alternative Transportation and then the AlterNetRides button. Or visit www.sacregion511.org for a Sacramento regional carpool matching system.

A carpool consists of two or more occupants. On days when carpool members drive to campus alone, a Faculty/Staff carpool permit is valid in Faculty/Staff spaces and a Student carpool permit is valid in Student spaces. Carpool permits may be obtained at the University Transportation and Parking Services office in 7667 Folsom Blvd.

For more information contact Noel Carolipio, Employee Transportation Coordinator, at ncarolip@saclink.csus.edu or call extension 87527.

Bulletin Staff
The Bulletin is distributed on Mondays of the academic year. Campus news may be submitted by e-mail to bulletin@csus.edu. Deadline for all materials is 10 a.m. on the Wednesday before publication. For more information call 278-6156.
Digital sign spreads the Sacramento State word

Sacramento State’s new digital communication sign is generating a lot of interest and enthusiasm, and has already helped law enforcement spread the word about a missing child.

The new era of communications began Aug. 5 as the sign went into operation, touting Sacramento State’s “Great Professors” for its first message. Motorists passing by on Highway 50 have also been told about shopping opportunities at the Hornet bookstore, and the University’s upcoming home football opener on Saturday, Aug. 30 against Humboldt State.

Three days after its inauguration, the sign got its first test as a law-enforcement tool, displaying an Amber Alert Aug. 8 in connection with the abduction of a 16-year-old girl and her 1-year-old daughter in Yolo County. The two were eventually found unharmed and a suspect was arrested.

Up to eight messages will be displayed every 64 seconds, and Sacramento State will have one of those eight-second messages in each lineup to promote the University and its events. The University is using its time to promote events and programs and acknowledge the achievements of students, faculty and staff.

Faculty members will benefit from the sign, too. Clear Channel is paying the University $750,000 in an initial payment. University President Alexander Gonzalez has set aside $300,000 of that for grants to cover costs of faculty research and travel to academic conferences.

Go to www.enterprises.csus.edu/sign/posting_policy.html to view criteria for posting a message on the sign. A message request form is available at www.enterprises.csus.edu/sign/submit.html.

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This year the free event returns to a picnic-style gathering and will be held from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 28, at Serna Plaza, just outside the Hornet Bookstore. Visit www.csus.edu/president/fallwelcome to reserve a spot for you and your family.

Barbecue fare will be served, and there will be a bounce house for children, as well as live music from the Steve Roach Quintet.

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For a complete menu, visit http://sacstatenews.csus.edu/news/?p=575.

Fine Art

First up is “Traces: Contemporary Romanian Art,” a collection of more than 50 pieces from artists who have shaped their talents in the years following the 1989 fall of the dictator Nicolae Ceausescu. The exhibition will be in the Else Gallery of Kadema Hall, Sept. 2 through Oct. 3 and will include a reception, artists’ panel and
screening of Romanian director Cristian Nemescu’s *California Dreaming*. Gallery hours are noon - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Two exhibitions begin the new school year at Sacramento State’s Library galleries.

“The Storyteller’s Art” features a 40-year retrospective of Kit Hinrichs’ work. A graphic principal of the San Francisco office of Pentagram, Hinrichs’ work can be viewed in diverse places such as catalogs, exhibits and books. The show runs Sept. 5 through Nov. 15 in the Library’s main gallery, open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday and includes a lecture by Hinrichs.

At the same time, the Library’s annex gallery will show *Children of the Wind*, Kent Lacin’s collection of color and black-and-white photographs documenting homeless teenagers in the Sacramento area. The show runs Sept. 5 through Oct. 4 and includes a panel discussion on teen homelessness, an artist’s reception and a benefit concert.

The Library gallery offerings continue with the annual “Heart Gallery” Oct. 14 through Nov. 21, featuring photos of young people seeking a permanent home through adoption. A reception will be held 5-8 p.m., Friday, Sept. 5. And the Dauer Ceramics Collection will run Dec. 5 through Feb. 28.

Library galleries are open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

The Else Gallery will follow the Romanian art exhibit with a display of wood-fired ceramics, Oct. 6-31, featuring about 60 pieces by 16 artists.

And both the Else and Witt galleries in Kadema Hall will host exhibitions by instructors, students and guest artists through Dec. 19.

For more information, visit [www.al.csus.edu/art/](http://www.al.csus.edu/art/) or call 278-6166.

**Music**

The World Music Series kicks things off on Thursday, Sept. 18, with Chirgilchin, a throat singing group from Tuva, a small Russian province near Western Mongolia. Throat singing is a vocal form in which one singer produces two or more voices at the same time. Other performances in the World Music Series include Rajeev Taranath, “Melody of China,” and violinists Mysore M. Nagaraj and Mysore M. Manjunath. All World Music Series concerts are held at 8 p.m. in the Music Recital Hall of Capistrano Hall.

Guest artists this season include flutist Kathryn Peisart, who will perform at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 30. The prestigious Piano Series features Faina Lushtak at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 4. Both concerts are in the Music Recital Hall.

The annual Festival of New American Music returns Nov. 6-16. This year’s edition of FeNAM features performances by the Cygnus Ensemble, sound and video artist Betsey Biggs, the Seattle Chamber Players, and “Bang-on-a-Bass” by Robert Black. All performances are free.

Sacramento State’s student ensembles also have a full schedule, including concerts by the Symphonic Wind Ensemble, the Concert Band, Symphony Orchestra, Jazz Ensembles, vocal jazz groups, baroque ensemble Camerata Capistrano, the University’s choral groups and the Opera Theatre.

The fall musical season also includes free faculty and individual student recitals throughout autumn. More details are available at [www.csus.edu/music/](http://www.csus.edu/music/) or by calling (916) 278-5155.
University kicks off football season

Sacramento State opens its football season against Humboldt State, 6:05 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 30, at Hornet Stadium.

The Hornets begin the year with four home games in five weeks. The squad returns five defensive starters from a unit which led the Big Sky Conference in rushing yards allowed.

Sacramento State students are admitted free to all regular season home games. Tickets can be redeemed by showing a valid OneCard at Gate 3 of Hornet Stadium. Gate 3 is located on the east side of the stadium and opens one hour prior to game time.

Faculty and staff members may receive up to four free tickets for the Humboldt State game. Tickets are available through the Sacramento State Ticket Office, and faculty and staff must present their OneCard. Ticket office hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Additional tickets can be purchased from the Sacramento State Ticket Office or at the game.

A “Salute to Spirit” tailgate party begins at 4 p.m. in the parking lot north of the Alumni Center.

In addition to Humboldt State, the Hornets will play home games against Southern Oregon, Weber State, Portland State, Montana State and Northern Colorado. The Portland State game features second-year Hornets coach Marshall Sperbeck against former NFL coach Jerry Glanville.

For more information on the football program, contact the Athletics Department at 278-5429.

University convenes first statewide learning community conference in Northern California

Sacramento State’s First Year Programs Office, in collaboration with the California Learning Communities Consortium (CLCC) and the First-Year Experience Committee at Sacramento State, is set to convene “Partnerships and Practices: the 2008 First-Year Experience Regional Conference” Tuesday, Aug. 26, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. in the University Union.

The hallmark event will bring together faculty, staff, students, and administrators statewide to share strategies and showcase best practices in the effort to ensure student success. That effort has particular importance to students of color, says David Leon, chair of the Ethnic Studies Department.

“Research shows that many students of color have a higher attrition rate, but it appears that students involved in an intensive first-year program are more likely to be successful in their second year,” Leon says. “Ethnic Studies is participating to share our success with our freshman seminar course—Ethnic Studies 21—and to learn from experts around the state.

“If we can replicate positive, progressive and effective first-year programs statewide we may be able to amplify student success at our college and throughout the state,” Leon says.

Selected in 1997 as one of the first campuses in the state to be included in the Washington Center on Improving the Quality of Undergraduate Education learning communities’ pilot project, Sacramento State has emerged as a leader in the implementation and study of first-year initiatives and collaborative learning practice. Student Academic Success director Marcellene Watson says it is the University’s time to showcase the hard work of students, staff, faculty, administrators and researchers.

“This event represents an opportunity to showcase the best practices of programs developed at Sacramento State in conjunction with other colleges and universities,” Watson says. “Sacramento State has played an
important leadership role in launching new and innovative initiatives and has one of the largest First-Year Experience programs in the California State University.”

Highlighting the conference proceedings are more than 31 workshops, many presented by University faculty. Topics include technology, assessment, student engagement, diversity, freshman seminar pedagogy, and student excellence. The keynote address will be given by Betsy Barefoot, the co-director for the Policy Center on the First Year of College.

For more information, contact the First-Year Programs office at 278-2804 or go to http://webapps2.csus.edu/saseep/eop/FYE2008/default.asp.

Sacramento State Welcomes the Following  
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More information is available by calling Public Affairs at 278-6156.
Professional Activities

**Scholarship**

**Rob Wassmer**, Public Policy and Administration, presented his paper on "California's State and Local Revenue Structure After Proposition 13: Is Denial an Appropriate Way to Cope?" to a national conference on Out of the Box State and Local Tax Policy at the Andrew Young School of Public Policy at Georgia State in Atlanta on May 14.

**Will Corral**, Foreign Languages, participated in a panel on May 15-17 and presented a paper on Latin American intellectuals at a conference organized by Boston University's Institute on Culture, Religion and World Affairs. His presentation will be published as an article in a forthcoming issue of *Society*. Corral also co-authored an article, "Triumph of the Business Model," that appeared in the June 6 issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.

**Barbara Carle**, Foreign Languages, participated in a discussion at the joint conference of the American Association of Italian Studies and the American Association of Teachers of Italian, held in Taormina (Sicily) from May 22-26, about the "Journal of Italian Translation" by giving a talk and reading of poems in English and Italian. Carle also gave a poetry reading in Rome on May 29 at the Studio Campo. She also read her translation from Danish into Italian of, "The Pleiades at Midnight," by the poet Carsten Hauch.

**Alyson Buckman**, Humanities and Religious Studies, attended the international Slayage conference on the works of Joss Whedon in Arkadelphia, AR in June and presented an essay entitled, "'We stay local... but we live global': Theorizing History Through Place." Buckman also has an essay titled, "'Much Madness is Divinest Sense': Firefly's 'Big Damn Heroes' and 'Little Witches'" in an anthology titled *Investigating Firefly and Serenity: Science Fiction on the Frontier*, edited by Rhonda Wilcox and Tanya Cochran and published by I.B. Tauris.


**Lisa Beutler**, Center for Collaborative Policy, had a case study of her work featured in Loren Mead and Billie Alban's new book, *Creating the Future Together, Methods to inspire your Whole Faith Community*. The book focuses on use of large group methods in religious settings, offers context and the philosophy behind the methods, explains when the methods might be used, and offers case studies, including Beutler's, that demonstrate how the methods may be used.

**In the News**

**Anthony Sheppard**, Recreation, Parks and Tourism Administration, conducted an interview that appeared in the May 15 issue of *Capitol Weekly*. The interview with Tom McCarthy (writer/director) and Haaz Sleiman (actor) focused on their current film, *The Visitor*, and addressed character development, actor motivation, politics, and immigration law.

**Campus Announcements**

**Summer’s over**
This is a reminder that summer hours have ended and the University is back on its regular business hours schedule (8 a.m. to 5 p.m. with an hour lunch) as of Aug. 25.

**New comprehensive regulatory signs**
New signs placed at five locations around Sacramento State are combining several safety warnings that were
previously located on individual signs. The signs have information for bicycle riders, noting that bikes are restricted to designated operating and parking areas and not permitted in buildings or allowed to be parked in any manner that blocks access for disabled persons or creates a safety hazard.

The signs also warn those on campus that the use of some methods of transportation is prohibited. Skateboard, roller-blades, in-line skates, scooters and similar devices are prohibited because of concerns for pedestrian safety and property damage, and the signs have been installed to get the word out to the public and comply with sections of the California Vehicle and Education codes.

Signs have been placed southeast of Capital Public Radio on State University Drive East, north of College Town Drive; on State University Drive West, east of the exit to the Hornet Crossing; and on the west side of the Esplanade entrance to the campus south of J Street. Another is planned for the west side of the Guy West Bridge. The signs also reinforce regulations prohibiting firearms and soliciting.

Submitted by Sacramento State’s Police Department

My Sac State 2.0
Sacramento State’s My Sac State will have a different name and look this fall. My Sac State will be upgraded to My Sac State 2.0 and provide added capabilities, functionality and convenience.

The original My Sac State is still active, but will be replaced Sept. 16. On that date, users will notice a significantly different look and additional content. The change affects all Sacramento State students, faculty, staff and applicants. Since each member of the campus community has a Sac Link account, current log-in information and passwords will work on My Sac State 2.0.

Access to My Sac State 2.0 will be available from the https://my.csus.edu web address today, Aug. 25. Users will be able to log on and become familiar with it before the cut-over from the existing version of My Sac State.

For more information on My Sac State 2.0, contact Information Resources and Technology at 278-7337. Submitted by Information Resources and Technology

Move-In Day
Prior to the start of classes each year, nearly 300 current student leaders spend their last Friday of summer welcoming 1,000 new students and their families to campus at the Residence Halls for Move-In Day.

This year we would like to extend the invitation to staff, faculty and administration to join us at Move-In Day. Don’t worry, there will be no heavy lifting involved, rather simply a presence to meet and greet our newest campus residents and their families.

Interested members of the campus community should come to the Student Activities table in the Residence Hall quad on Friday, Aug. 29 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. because the first 50 can pick up their own official “Move-In Day” T-shirt.

For more information, contact Karlos Santos-Coy in Student Activities at 278-6595 or karloss@csus.edu. Submitted by Student Activities

Clery Act information

The statistics include crimes reported on campus over the last three years. Crimes reported on off-campus property owned or controlled by Sacramento State, or on property adjacent to or accessible from campus, are also included.

In addition, the report includes information on campus security policies, crime prevention, crime reporting and other safety matters. Print copies are available in the library from the public safety or student affairs offices. For additional information, call 278-6851. Submitted by the office of University Counsel
Human Resources

Catastrophic Leave
Sacramento State employees may voluntarily donate to other employees up to a maximum of 40 hours of sick or vacation leave credits each fiscal year in one-hour increments. Bargaining Units 1, 8, 10 and 11 may only donate up to 16 hours per fiscal year. If employees are interested in donating time, a donation form can be obtained at www.csus.edu/hr/forms.htm#Disability, or by visiting the Human Resources Disability Leaves office in Sacramento Hall 162, or by calling 278-3522.

The following employees have been approved for the Catastrophic Leave Donation Program:
- Martha Jean, University Transportation and Parking
- Nancy Hackbart, Career Center
- Carolyn Ann Hollahan, Academic Information Resource Center
- Christine Kellerman, College of Health & Human Services

Outstanding Teaching Award: Reza Peigahi

Reza Peigahi exemplifies that librarians no longer fit the stereotype of people who sit at a desk among dusty book shelves answering questions about the Dewey Decimal System.

An instruction librarian, Peigahi was recognized for his classroom expertise with one of Sacramento State’s Outstanding Teaching Awards. He works with students to teach them research skills and information literacy skills. “That’s sort of a jargon term we use in teaching students how to find, evaluate and assess information,” Peigahi says. “And to think critically about that information.”

His instruction usually consists of one-time sessions of about an hour requested by another teacher. Much of the material is general information, covering catalogue systems and basic databases, but Peigahi also gets into specifics, explaining where information can be found for that teacher’s particular course.

Because students are now raised with access to plenty of information on the Internet, they may think they already know how to get around computer databases, but there’s more to doing actual research than typing three words in Google, Peigahi says. “I don’t think they understand the nature of scholarship.”

Students need to be critical consumers of what they find, evaluate the information and determine the author’s expertise in the subject.

Peigahi also guides the students through Sacramento State’s own databases, where students will find some of the best sources of scholarly, verified information. And perusing the library’s data banks is convenient. “They don’t even have to walk into the building,” Peigahi says. “Probably 85 percent of what they need to do they can do from home, in their pajamas.” All it takes is the student’s SacLink account.

Despite the world’s embrace of the computer and rush to the Internet, Peigahi believes there will always be room for university libraries, but they need to more aggressively position themselves as teachers and information educators. Once libraries become more actively involved in the students’ development, they become more important to the university. “They do directly affect retention, student learning and can potentially affect recruitment of both students and faculty members,” Peigahi says.

The award shows that Peigahi is doing his part to increase the role of libraries in delivering a college education. “It was such a privilege,” he says of the award. “It was great to be up on the stage with the other recipients.”

This Week in Hornet Action

Football
Saturday, Aug. 30
Sacramento State vs. Humboldt State, 2:05 p.m.
**Volleyball**
Friday, Aug. 29
Sacramento State vs. Texas-Pan American, 7:30 a.m.
Sacramento State vs. Miami, 12:30 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 30
Sacramento State At Texas State, 9 a.m.
Sacramento State at Louisiana-Monroe, 3 p.m.

**Outdoor track**
No meets scheduled

**Rowing**
No meets scheduled