



April 11, 2016

News

Festival of the Arts starts this week, on and off campus

Sacramento State's annual Festival of the Arts kicks off this week. Join the College of Arts and Letters for five days of creative performances, exhibits, lectures, and master classes. Highlights of the festival, which begins Wednesday, April 13, include:

- The return of the popular U-Create! street faire in downtown Sacramento on Thursday, April 14, to celebrate faculty and student projects.
- The fourth annual Sunday Funday on April 17, an open house for the College of Arts and Letters with free admission and free parking in Parking Structure II. The family-friendly event includes a kids zone, live performances, and cultural events.

More information about the festival can be found at www.csus.edu/festival.

Submitted by the College of Arts and Letters

Sac State's Earth Day coming Thursday

Come celebrate the Earth from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, April 14, in the Library Quad! This is an exciting opportunity to engage in learning more about campus sustainability and understanding what you can do to make a difference. Highlights of the campus Earth Day celebration include:

- Presidential tree-planting: 10 a.m.
- Children's book-reading: 10 and 10:45 a.m.
- Greeks' recycling competition: 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Food trucks: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Live band: 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Cooking demonstration at The WELL: 3 p.m.
- Educational booths
- Electric vehicle display
- Scooter the clean air mascot
- Recycling, including collection of electronic waste, light bulbs, medication, and batteries

For more information, email sustainability@csus.edu.

Submitted by Sustainability at Sac State

University Union to celebrate 40 years

The University Union will host a celebration from 2 to 6 p.m. Thursday, April 14, in the Union Ballroom in honor of its 40th anniversary. (It opened in 1975.) It's free! The celebration will include:

- 2 p.m.: A cake-cutting ceremony and party kickoff with President Robert S. Nelsen
- 2:15 p.m.: Live performance by the Element Brass Band
- 3 p.m.: Quetzalcoatl Citlalli Aztec Dancers

- 3:30 p.m.: Funkengruven, '70s funk and R&B
- 5 p.m.: DJ'ing by KSSU

Plus: commemorative giveaways, free dessert, and more (while supplies last). The celebration will continue at 7 p.m. with a free concert by Ozomatli and Sol Peligro in the University Union's Serna Plaza.

Submitted by the University Union

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Sacramento State has been a leader in sexual violence awareness, prevention, and victim advocacy for many years. The University's commitment to keeping the campus a safe place to study, live, and work is detailed in the "We Care. We Will Help" campaign at www.csus.edu/titleix. April is an opportunity to bring more attention to the issue of sexual violence, which affects many students, faculty, staff, and the Sac State community. Sexual Assault Awareness Month allows us to address the issue and change the conversation surrounding sexual assault. For a list of events related to sexual assault awareness, visit the Student Health and Counseling website at <https://shcssacstate.org/wellness-promotion/programs-services>.

If you have questions, comments, or concerns, please contact Reva Wittenberg at Reva.Wittenberg@csus.edu or call 278-2036.

Submitted by Student Health and Counseling Services

2016-2017 Pedagogy Enhancement Awards

The Center for Teaching and Learning congratulates the recipients of the 2016-2017 Pedagogy Enhancement Awards. Recipients are awarded monetary grants and release time for projects that increase their effectiveness as teacher-scholars by acquiring currency, developing innovative strategies, or changing or restructuring education programs to improve student learning and/or the quality of programs of study. The recipients are:

- Karen Lee Hansen, Civil Engineering Department
- Jacqueline Houston, Chemistry Department
- Cynthia Kellen-Yuen, Chemistry Department
- Clare Lewis, Doctorate of Physical Therapy
- Toran D. MacLeod, Doctorate of Physical Therapy
- James Miranda, Chemistry Department
- Kimberly Mulligan, Department of Biological Sciences
- Jeffrey Paradis, Chemistry Department
- Bridge Parsh and Denise Wall Parilo, Division of Nursing
- Michael Vann, History Department
- Debra Welkley, Sociology Department

Submitted by the Center for Teaching and Learning

Matt O'Connor is the University's new director of Student Conduct

Matt O'Connor joins the Division of Student Affairs today as director of Student Conduct. From his first experience in student development as a resident assistant at Providence College in Rhode Island, Matt has worked in Student Affairs at public and private college communities on both coasts.

Matt arrives at Sacramento State with more than nine years' experience as a student conduct officer and with an education that includes a bachelor's degree in philosophy and a master's in theology. Most recently, he served as a judicial officer in the Office of Student Support and Judicial Affairs at UC Davis. At UC Davis, he administered an extensive caseload of student grievances, academic misconduct cases, and social misconduct referrals.

Matt is very enthusiastic about joining Sac State and developing collaborative relationships with faculty and staff to support student success. Please join Student Affairs in welcoming him to the Hornet family.

Submitted by the Division of Student Affairs

Faculty film screening today as part of One World Initiative

The film *The 11th Day*, a documentary sponsored by Alex Spanos and written and produced by Sac State Professor Michael Epperson, will be screened from 3 to 5 p.m. today in Mendocino Hall 4004. *The 11th Day* chronicles the story of the Cretan resistance movement in World War II as told firsthand and on location by several of its surviving members, as well as through dramatic reenactments.

The film has received critical acclaim in publications including the *Chicago Tribune*, Canada's *National Post*, *The Sacramento Bee*, and *Newsday*. Exhibitions have included a special advance screening requested by members of Congress, held at the U.S. Capitol; and at the British Embassy in Athens.

Submitted by the History Department

Physics and Astronomy Colloquium on Thursday

The Physics and Astronomy Colloquium Series will resume at 4 p.m. Thursday, April 14, in Mendocino 1015 with UC Berkeley Professor Bob Jacobsen presenting "The LUX & LZ Experiments – Not Finding Dark Matter (Yet)." The abstract can be viewed on our website, where you also can see what we know of the remaining schedule for this semester: www.csus.edu/physics/events/colloquia.html. We hope to see many of you there!

Submitted by the Department of Physics and Astronomy

McNair Scholars Research Symposium coming April 18

The effort and creativity of this year's McNair Scholars will be showcased in an afternoon of academic enrichment and scholarly exchange at the 2016 McNair Scholars Research Symposium from 1:30 to 5 p.m. Monday, April 18, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium. The scholars will introduce their research projects through oral presentations and posters. The poster presentation will be held at 3:10 p.m. in the University Union, Lobby Suite. The campus community and the general public are invited to support the scholars' research efforts and celebrate their academic achievements. For more information, please visit www.csus.edu/mcnair/symposium.html or email mcnair@csus.edu.

Submitted by the McNair Scholars Program

Four-day Africa/Diaspora Conference begins April 20, marks 25th year

Sac State's Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution will hold the 25th annual Africa/Diaspora Conference, April 20-23. The theme is "Peace & Conflict Resolution, 25 Years Later ..." The program will begin with a pre-conference workshop by Pastor James Wuye and Imam Muhammad Ashafa from Nigeria, on mediating violent extremism, from 2 to 5 p.m. April 20. The keynote lecture will be delivered by Dr. Pauline Baker from the Fund for Peace in Washington, D.C., from 1:30 to 3 p.m. April 21. Other scholars, jurists, and

policymakers from various parts of the United States, Africa, and Europe will make their presentations through April 23. A welcome reception and film screening of *Beasts of No Nation* is scheduled for 4:30 to 8 p.m. April 21 and will include a talk by a former child soldier from Liberia. The conference presentation includes a workshop on U.S. Foreign Service careers and internships for students.

All sessions and related activities will take place at the University Union. The event is open to the public and free to the campus community. A preliminary conference program is available at www.csus.edu/org/capcr or by contacting Professor Ernest Uwazie at uwazieeee@csus.edu or 278-6282.

Submitted by the Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution

Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution's Peace Awards Dinner

The Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution will hold its 25th annual Peace Awards Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 23, in the University Union Ballroom. (Event flier: www.csus.edu/org/capcr/2016%20HTML%20Email/2016PeaceAwards.htm.) Awardees are five exemplary leaders from Sacramento and Africa being recognized as peace heroes. The keynote presentation will be by former Nigeria President Goodluck Jonathan.

General admission is \$65, and VIP reserved tables for 10 persons are \$800. Tickets can be purchased at commerce.cashnet.com/csusacevent; click on "Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution."

Submitted by the Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution

Korean Cultural Awareness Day event is April 21

The Korean Concentration Program team will hold the second Korean Cultural Awareness Day event from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 21, in the International Programs and Global Engagement conference room (Library 1001). The event will include a keynote by the Consulate General of Korea in San Francisco, followed by congratulatory remarks, Korean traditional and modern performances, and social time with Korean food.

EunMi Cho of the College of Education, Art Professor Pattaratorn Chirapravati, and numerous Korean American faculty have been volunteering to develop the Korean Concentration Program within the Asian Studies Program by collaborating with the College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies, and the College of Arts and Letters. In response to increasing demand from students for Korean topics and Korean language learning opportunities, the Korean Concentration Program has offered Korean language courses and Korea-related courses since 2013.

Submitted by the Asian Studies Program

Register for the Sac State 5K Fun Run and get \$3 off

Please join us for the Sac State 5K Fun Run, a campus tradition. The eighth annual fun run starts promptly at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 21. For \$3 off your registration, use the coupon code "MondayBriefing."

Sign up at unionwellinc.webconnex.com/2016-sac-state-5k. For more information about the race or to volunteer, visit www.thewell.csus.edu/5k.

Submitted by The WELL

Internship Awareness Week begins April 25, concludes with Internship Fair

The Career Center's Internship Awareness Week will take place April 25-29. Workshops are Monday through Thursday and will offer students information on internship success and opportunities. All workshops will be in the University Union, Forest Suite (second floor). Presentations will be held daily at 10 and 11:30 a.m. The week will culminate with the Fun in the Sun Internship Fair from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 29, in the Library Quad. Attendees will have the opportunity to discuss summer internship opportunities with a variety of companies and organizations. Visit www.csus.edu/careercenter/iaw/index.html for more information and the week's schedule.

Submitted by the Career Center

Celebrate Asian Pacific Islander heritage at API Fest Day on April 27

The Full Circle Project and Student Organizations and Leadership will present Asian Pacific Islander Fest Day on Wednesday, April 27, in celebration of API Heritage Month. Come, learn, and enjoy performances from Sac State's Asian Pacific Islander (API) community. Various cultural performances and activities will be featured, and snacks will be provided. Student clubs and organizations also will be tabling to provide information about their missions and how students can get involved.

For a full list of activities, visit csus.edu/fcp/Calendar.html.

Submitted by the Full Circle Project

API Graduation Celebration is May 8

Join us for the third annual Asian Pacific Islander American Graduation Celebration (API Grad) on Sunday, May 8. API Grad is an annual event that students graduating in Fall or Spring 2016 can take part in to celebrate their successes and achievements with family and friends in an intimate setting. This year, we are especially excited to host it on Mother's Day, to make the day even more meaningful for students' mothers and families.

For a \$20 participation fee, graduating students will receive a unique APIA Cord of Gratitude, a program pamphlet listing all graduating seniors, and light refreshments. Students can invite as many friends and family members as they like, and walk with peers from different majors. Visit csusapiagrad.wix.com/csusapiagrad to sign up.

Submitted by the Full Circle Project

University Staff Assembly seeks committee nominations

The University Staff Assembly is seeking nominations for election/appointment to several campus committees that have openings for staff representation. More information about these committees and positions may be found at www.csus.edu/usa/events%20%20activities/election.html.

If you or someone you know is interested in serving on one of these committees, please submit the following to usa@csus.edu by 5 p.m. Friday, April 22.

- Name
- Phone extension
- Department
- Email address
- A brief explanation of why that person should sit on the committee or why you would like to sit on the committee.

If you are nominating someone, please obtain that person's permission and that of their supervisor and HEERA designee before submitting the name. If you are nominating yourself, please obtain permission from your supervisor and HEERA designee. Permission via email is acceptable. Elections will commence once all nominees have been confirmed.

The voice of the staff on campus is invaluable. Please consider serving the staff and the University.

Submitted by the USA Election Committee

Results of the Listening to Students Study available online

To learn more about the needs of students from a variety of backgrounds and educational paths, including this week's section, "Listening to First Generation College Students," please visit <http://www.csus.edu/saseep/listeningtostudents>.

Submitted by the Department of Communication Studies

Violence in the Workplace Prevention Training

This is a one-hour presentation, with additional time for questions, on information regarding University policy on violence in the workplace, applicable campus statistics, crime prevention information, reporting practices, and available resources. The course will give attendees information on how to prepare, recognize, document, and report incidents in their respective areas as it pertains to violence in the workplace or unacceptable behavior. Materials will be provided. Class participation every three years is required of all faculty, staff, and student employees by Cal-OSHA and Sacramento State. Training is in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium:

- 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 20
- 9 to 10 a.m. Thursday, May 12

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

Submitted by the Sacramento State Police Department

Building coordinator/floor marshal training

An annual two-hour training session will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 10, in the University Union, Hinde Auditorium, covering the following:

- Program overview and history
- Multi-Hazard Emergency Plan/Building Emergency Action Plan
- ICS/interaction with first responders
- Pandemic/infectious disease threat
- Responsibilities of building coordinators, floor marshals, and faculty
- Evacuation procedures/rally areas and evacuation chairs
- Active shooter preparedness
- IFAN
- ENS

Attendance is mandatory for all members of the building emergency preparedness teams, building coordinators, floor marshals, and faculty who have responsibilities during a disaster or emergency. Seating is limited to the first 150. Register by emailing gnagywb@saclink.csus.edu.

Submitted by the Sacramento State Police Department

Faculty professional activities

The latest faculty professional activities are available at www.csus.edu/news/articles/2016/4/1/Professional-activities,-April-June-2016.shtml.
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: Information security best practices

Take stock: Know what kind of protected and confidential information you have, who can access it and where it is stored.

Scale down: Keep only the information you need, and develop policies for safely handling it.

Lock it: Protect information, both digital and print, by locking offices and password-protecting files.

Pitch it: Properly and securely dispose of information you no longer need.

For more information, contact the Information Security Office. You will find detailed information on its website at www.csus.edu/irt/is.
Submitted by the Information Security Office

Human Resources

Summer hours begin May 31

This summer, in an effort to conserve energy, we will continue the practice of a modified work schedule with normal business hours for the campus of 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a 30-minute lunch break. These hours are effective Tuesday, May 31, and continue through Friday, Aug. 19. As always, authorized supervisors may modify individual work schedules to address special situations.

As in past summers, this schedule enables the University to realize substantial budget savings by reducing energy consumption during the late afternoon hours when energy demand is highest. We hope that this change also permits many of our employees to get the most from the longer summer days.

If you have questions or concerns that cannot be answered by your supervisor or manager, please contact Veronica Hodge, associate vice president for 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:

- Martin Biskowski, Anthropology
- Marcelino Coelho, Facilities Services
- Noreen James, Center for Collaborative Policy