



UC Davis Campus Update March 2012

Thank Goodness for Staff 2012 Planning Moves Forward

Significant planning began on the annual UC Davis Thank Goodness for Staff activities, which culminates in a picnic lunch, held on May 09. Staff Assembly has recruited 13 staff members for the 2012 TGFS Planning Team, who will work together with TGFS Chair Nanci Francesconi and Staff Assembly Coordinator Pam Nardinelli to plan the numerous components from sports events, to Staff Idol competition, to TGFS picnic food and drinks. The tasting committee selected Panera Bread Company to cater this event, which is expected to have over 5,000 participants. UC Davis administrators, managers and department chairs typically volunteer to serve at the event as a way of thanking staff for their hard work.

Staff Assembly Promotes Staff Wellness

As part of efforts to help staff focus on their personal physical and mental health during these difficult times, UC Davis' Staff Assembly issued the special Wellness Edition of its Staff Voice newsletter. Contributions were gathered from a broad perspective of campus such as Occupational Health and Services, Sports Medicine, Dining Commons, and the UC Davis Retiree Association. Articles focused on good nutrition, exercise, proper ergonomics, sleep, meditation, and a variety of other practices intended to increase staff wellness. The article provided additional links, resources and schedule of courses and programs to help them. The special article can be reviewed at http://staff.ucdavis.edu/News/staff_voice_wellness_issue.

Staff Assembly Forming HR Subcommittee

An HR subcommittee is being formed to address the lack of career management at UC Davis. The charge letter is being finalized and will include examining existing programs, tools, and processes and make recommendations for ways to improve UC Davis' ability to recruit, retain, develop and promote talented staff. Specifically we are looking for a way to integrate the entire career process, from recruitment, hiring, training, and advancement.

Staff Scholarship –

UC Davis Staff has been notified that we are now accepting Staff and Staff Dependent Scholarship Applications. The deadline for submitting a Scholarship Application is June 1, 2012.

Social Media

Please follow us on twitter @UCDAVISSTAFF. Staff Assembly has also been working on establishing a Facebook page that will be up and running in the near future. Student interns have been instrumental in moving this process forward.

Staff Assembly Student Interns

We have a group of 4 unpaid interns that have been helping with the many different projects. Currently one intern is working on Social Media; another has been assigned to our TGFS Vender Committee as well as to the chair of Citations for Excellence. The others are working on marketing events and updating the Staff Discount and Pin Partner Programs. Each student has also been assigned an article to write for submission to our Staff Voice Newsletter.

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