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UCOP Staff Appreciation Week (9/18-9/21/12)

Our first annual UCOP Staff Appreciation Week in September was a wild success. The weeklong staff appreciation event included a bevy of festivities at various UCOP locations – something for everyone. More than half of UCOP employees turned out to participate in one or more activities. The week kicked off with Taco Tuesday featuring taco bars with all the fixings, info tables manned by UCOP’s affinity groups, and plenty of free giveaways including samples of the new line of UC-branded merchandise. Despite the chilly weather, the crowds arrived and stayed for Wednesday pancakes with President Yudof and Provost Dorr behind the grill. And the Friday event featured arts and crafts exhibits, wine and cheese, and of particular note, some very lively on-stage talent which included the Uke-Cs, an all-girl quartet featuring ukuleles and voice, and one particular singer who literally had staff dancing in the aisles to her rendition of “Superstition”.

UCOP Wellness

OP Staff Assembly is partnering with Wellness at UCOP to sponsor Weight Watchers at Work at UCOP, an offering that has received a great response from staff and an enthusiastic group of paid participants for the onsite weekly meetings which began in mid-November.

UCOP Book Drive

OP Staff Assembly sponsored a book drive this year to collect book donations for the Oakland Unified School District. UCOP staff donated approximately 130 books and just over \$1,200 towards the purchase of books identified as part of the California Young Reader Medal (CYRM) program. The books will be maintained in the libraries of participating schools to supplement resources needed by individual classroom teachers. As the project winds to a close, UCOP volunteer staff will be processing the books for circulation, entering the information into local library catalogues – and delivering the books to participating schools.

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