



### **Lunch with Leadership**

Each month UCI Staff Assembly invites staff to have lunch and engage in casual conversation with a member of the UCI leadership team. The event provides campus and medical center staff the opportunity to openly exchange with executive leaders. All events are held from noon to 1 p.m. at the University Club.

### **Staff Appreciation**

Staff Assembly hosted its 24th Annual Staff Appreciation Picnic on Thursday August 28th. The campus voted for *Rock n' Zot*, as this year's theme. Activities included competition for the best 50's Rock n' Roll department display, the best 50's Rock n' Roll themed outfit, 50's classic water balloon toss, and a 3-legged Rock n' Roll romp. Staff Assembly provided giveaways, food and transportation to the event.

### **Career Enhancement Scholarship Program**

The Scholarship Committee helps UC Irvine career staff employees continue their education in associate, bachelor's, graduate, or continuing education certificate programs (Extension) at accredited private or public state colleges or universities via the Career Enhancement Scholarship Program. The program relies on fundraising and donations from UC Irvine staff and the community. Recent fundraisers have included: beer tasting, wine tasting, staff bake sale and a See's Candies sale. New ideas are in the works.

### **Seminars/ Forums**

Periodically throughout the year, Staff Assembly sponsors special events featuring campus speakers. Examples of past events include forums with campus leaders discussing issues relating to work environment, budget, and future directions for UCI. Seminar topics have included presentations and workshops on topics of interest to staff including personal financial and retirement planning, career enhancement, and campus growth. Planning is in progress for our Annual: Fall Chancellor's forum and our Spring Provost & Executive Vice Chancellor's forum. Events are announced through Zotmail and through our web site's main page.

### **Education and Enrichment**

The Lunchtime Series offers free lectures, workshops, seminars, and panel discussions on various topics of interest to staff. Periodically light refreshments are provided by UCI Staff Assembly and participants are encouraged to bring their lunch. Past events have included tours of several buildings and historical sites on campus. Most recently, on Thursday August 7<sup>th</sup>, a walk-around tour, mannequin demonstration and brief Q&A session was held at UCI's Medical Education Simulation Center.

### **Partnerships**

UCI Staff Assembly will showcase information about various other staff efforts and resources available to staff on campus and at the medical center. Information is promoted on our web site's main page, and our events flyer. Examples include: link to the UCI Medical Center volunteers page; link to the UCI Living Well Calendar; and link to Campus Communications site seeking input on exceptional staff.

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