



Santa Cruz Update
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CAMPUS WIDE

Diversity Group brings Kris Perry to campus for speech

UC Santa Cruz alumna Kris Perry, a plaintiff in the landmark lawsuit that overturned California's ban against same sex marriage, described first the process of coming out in college and the decisions that followed later to challenge Proposition 8. Perry described the 2009 lawsuit she and her partner Sandy Stier filed as "putting hate on trial," during a talk Monday (October 13) at Kresge College. "I care about social justice because I care about human rights," said Perry (Merrill, '86, psychology and sociology).

LOCAL SAB

SAB Members have Lunch with EVC Galloway

EVC Allison Galloway took time out of her busy schedule to have lunch with the Staff Advisory Board leadership team. SAB members were able to voice ideas and concerns of fellow campus staff members directly to the EVC. She, in turn, used the opportunity to share some upcoming campus plans with the Board.

Second Harvest Holiday Food Drive & United Way Fund raisers

The Santa Cruz SAB is gearing up for another year of its community support efforts. The SAB members have continued to take a large role in the annual United Way fund raising efforts this fall. Board member John Steele maintains his role as Chair of the Second Harvest Holiday Food Drive. This year's Drive includes a raffle where UCSC affiliates can purchase tickets (100% of the proceeds are donated to Second Harvest) for a chance to win several prizes including lunch for 6 with the Chancellor.

SAB Hosts Fall Forum with Chancellor and Staff Advisors to the Regents

The SAB hosted its Fall Forum on September 22nd where Chancellor Blumenthal spoke on many current campus issues, including: our comprehensive campaign (\$180million of \$300million goal), the campus turning 50 next year and the growing diversity of our student body. For the first time, SAB was able to combine the Staff Advisors visit into the forum where they spoke on current working issues. The audience was able to ask questions of the Chancellor and Staff Advisors, and attendance was close to 200 staff members.

SAB to Host Blood Drive with Red Cross

The SAB will host the annual Staff and Faculty Blood Drive again with the Red Cross of America on January 28th, 2015. UC Santa Cruz staff donates 50-75 units of blood, annually.