



Helping Hands Program Update

The Living Our Values award program has been reinstated at UCI and Staff Assembly is now represented on the selection committee. The Living Our Values Awards honor members of the UC Irvine community whose embody the university's values of respect, intellectual curiosity, integrity, commitment, empathy, appreciation and fun. Any current UC Irvine student, staff member or faculty member may be nominated. Each person receiving an award will direct a \$1,000 contribution to the UC Irvine program of his or her choice. Honorees will also be invited to a special luncheon with the chancellor at Tierney University House.

UCI Staff Assembly Night On The Ice

162 staff, faculty, students, family and friends took part in the UCI night to watch the Anaheim Ducks take on the Minnesota Wild on January 28th. The Ducks created a link for UCI employees to purchase promotional rate tickets. UCI employees who purchased tickets from the site were also entered into a monthly drawing for Ducks apparel. Six staff members won ducks apparel and two staff from Medical Center won Zamboni rides during intermissions. A portion of the silent auction proceeds, equal to \$340.34, will be remitted to Staff Assembly. Funds received from the Anaheim ducks have been earmarked for Staff scholarships.

Career Enhancement Scholarship Update

UC Irvine career staff are eligible for the Career Enhancement Scholarship if they are continuing their education at an accredited college or university. The application window closed on January 31, 2014. We received a total of 18 applications down from fiscal year 12/13 when we had 23 applicants. As a result of the small applicant pool, we have made the application form available for download and will accept late applications through the close of business on February 14th. The first selection committee meeting will be held the week of February 24th.

Staff Assembly Involvement In Campus Search Committees

Discussion with Provost & Executive Vice Chancellor/Interim Chancellor Howard Gilman about staff inclusion on search committees has been received positively. Subsequent to the dialogue, Staff Assembly has been asked to nominate a member for two recent searches. Dahlia Aguirre, Staff Assembly Vice Chair, has been selected to represent staff assembly on the search advisory committee charged with recruiting candidates for the position of vice chancellor for health affairs and dean of the School of Medicine. Staff Assembly has also been asked to nominate a representative to serve on the search committee for the UC Irvine Chancellor.

Staff Assembly Presentations

In an effort to generate greater awareness out our Staff Assembly, we are carrying out informational presentations across the campus. To date we have presented to Campus Human Resources, the School of the Arts, Academic Senior Managers and the Chancellor's Advisory Council. Presentations provide growth opportunities for members and exposure.

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