



UC Irvine Campus Update September 2013

Lunch with Leadership

UCI Staff Assembly continues to sponsor our monthly informal lunch program with UCI's Executive Leadership. The event provides campus staff the opportunity to openly exchange with campus leadership at the University Club.

Staff Appreciation

Staff Assembly hosted the 23rd Annual Staff Appreciation Picnic on Thursday August 29th. The campus selected California's Gold, a Huell Howser production, as the theme for this year's festivities. Activities included a water balloon toss, a 3-legged race and competitions for the best outfit and themed department area. Staff Assembly provided giveaways, food and transportation to the event.

Scholarship

The Scholarship Committee helps UC Irvine career staff employees continue their education in associate, bachelors, 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 community. The following fundraisers will take place this upcoming quarter: beer tasting, wine tasting, staff bake sale and a See's Candies sale. The aforementioned, with the exception of the beer tasting event, are additional installments of successful programming.

Engagement Town Hall

Staff Assembly and the Chancellors Advisory Committee on the Status of Staff (CACSS) hosted a joint Engagement Town Hall on Thursday, 7/25. Findings from both the CUCSA Engagement Survey and the CACSS Campus Climate surveys were presented. The town hall was well attended, with 86 participants taking part in both the presentation and breakout session. The presentation video, slides, and discussion questions are accessible online.

Helping Hands

Staff Assembly, in conjunction with the UCI Ombudsman Office, is again sponsoring "Staff Helping Hands". The program provides an opportunity for members of the UCI community to lend their support to staff members who are finding it difficult to provide a holiday experience for their families. This confidential program matches families in need with participants willing to spread holiday cheer. Planning and coordination will take place this October and November, and gift distribution is scheduled for December.

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