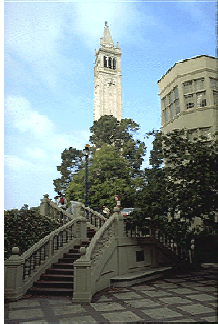




News from the Berkeley Campus
Council of University of California Staff Assemblies
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The Search for BSA's Sponsor



Chancellor Robert J. Birgeneau, has redefined the top-level administrative duties of the former Vice Chancellor for Business and Administrative Services into two new roles: Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration and Vice Chancellor for Budget and Resource Planning. The search to replace VC-BAS Horace Mitchell will begin this summer. Acting Vice Chancellor for Business and Administrative Services Steve Lustig, has expressed support of staff input for interview questions and staff serving on the interview panel.

BOI Campus Forum

Once you have attended the systemwide **Business Officers Institute**, you are forever a member of a special group of people who are, at least on the Berkeley campus, twice annually invited to a business-related forum designed to provide information of a local nature to Berkeley business officers. This spring the local Business Officers Group (BOG) is offering a forum called, "We Need a Contract for That!"

The forum will discuss the topic of writing contracts, including what kinds of agreements are contracts and who is authorized to sign for them. Barbara Van Cleave Smith of the BOG presented the topic in brief to the staff assembly Coordinating Committee before rolling it out to the campus.

Holiday Food, Gift and Toy Drive – Successful Beyond Expectations

Berkeley Staff Assembly has sponsored a holiday food and toy drive for more than 15 years, partnering for the past two years with UCB's **Black Staff and Faculty Organization**. This year's drive exceeded all expectations.

Almost 400 toys and stuffed animals were donated by the campus. One hundred young Social Services clients and group-home residents attending the annual BSFO holiday party received a substantial toy, a cuddly stuffed animal, a nutritious lunch and a photo with Santa Claus.

The **UCB Student Parent Association** received 80 toys and 100 stuffed animals that were a hit at their holiday party. **St. Mary's Center** received 60 toys and 82 items of new clothing – soft hats, scarves, lap blankets, robes, sweaters and gloves – for their clients. More than 60 similar items of clothing were distributed to **Vale Healthcare**, a senior home serving the elderly and disabled. **Stege Elementary School** received 61 books for their ongoing literacy program.

The Prison Ministry Outreach of St. John’s Missionary Baptist Church received 40 toys and 18 stuffed animals that were given to 22 children of incarcerated parents.

The campus set a new record this year by donating 3,862 pounds of food items to the **Alameda County Community Food Bank**, surpassing last year’s previous record by an astounding 1,567 pounds.

Inauguration of Chancellor Birgeneau

Chancellor Robert J. Birgeneau will be inaugurated as ninth Chancellor of the University of California, Berkeley at the 137th Charter Anniversary of the University of California on Friday, April 15, 2005.



The three-day schedule of events begins on April 14 with a barbecue and ice cream social in Sproul Plaza and the kickoff of the Frontiers of Education Symposium, followed by a reception for faculty and staff. On April 15, education symposia continue, the annual student Charter Day games and the Inauguration ceremony will be held. On April 16 – Cal Day, the Berkeley campus annual open house – Chancellor Birgeneau will address visiting parents and prospective students. Finally, the Charter Banquet will be held at Fort Mason, sponsored by the California Alumni Association.

Excellence in Management Awards

Chancellor Robert Birgeneau joins the Berkeley Staff Assembly in the important Berkeley tradition of honoring outstanding managers and supervisors with the **Excellence in Management Awards**. This year’s awards ceremony – themed “Embodying the Spirit of Cal” – will be held on Monday, April 25, 2005 at International House.

The Excellence in Management Award provides an opportunity for administrative staff to nominate managers and supervisors whom they consider to be providing outstanding leadership. This award is open to all levels of employees, with the proviso that nominees must have supervisory or managerial responsibilities of at least one year in their current position and must be nominated by at least one-half of the staff they supervise.

Holiday Luncheon

The BSA annual holiday luncheon was combined with a new member welcome on December 9, 2004 at that traditional Berkeley establishment, Larry Blake’s. Thirty BSA members enjoyed a no-host lunch, door prizes and an opportunity to network and mingle.