

## **CUCSA Spring 2005 Report** **UC Davis -Campus Staff Assembly**

UC Davis has launched a new look for its new campus web pages. The Staff Assembly Communications Committee is updating its web site to complement the new UC Davis web page style and themes.

The Diversity Awareness Committee is working with the Staff Affirmative Action and Diversity Awareness Committee (SAADAC) to present "Soaring to New Heights." Soaring is an annual event celebrating the UCD Principles of Community. UCD Staff Assembly participates and assists with the event. In addition, Staff Assembly leadership is working with the Academic Senate Affirmative Action and Diversity Committee to promote diverse hiring pools for faculty and staff.

The West Village subcommittee of Staff Assembly is working with the Ad Hoc Advisory committee for the University West Village to develop a report to the general campus. This report is in the final stages of development. John Meyer, Vice Chancellor of Resource Management and Planning will provide presentations to the campus for review and comment. A presentation to the Staff Executive Committee is scheduled for March 15, 2005.

The Staff Insurance and Retirement Committee (SIRC) met during Fall 2004 with emphasis placed on medical benefits and retirement issues. The benefits program appears to maintain equity with adequate access to medical providers.

During Spring 2005, the Assembly will participate in a Cancer Screening event sponsored by the Cowell Student Health Center. It is scheduled for May 2, 2005 and will be held on the MU Quad from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The SIRC theme for the quarter is 'Skin Deep' which translates to encouraging staff and academics to take preventive measures for their bodies starting with the most important part of the body, the skin.

Planning is underway for the 26th annual Thank Goodness For Staff (TGFS) celebration. The activities include: Citations for Excellence; Staff Scholarships; art show; fun run; bowling; golf; tennis; volleyball; and horseshoe tournaments. The main event is a picnic lunch for staff members at Shields Grove. Lunch will be served by the Chancellor, the Provost, and by other members of the campus leadership.