



## **Campus Update June 2007**

### **Thank Goodness For Staff**

Staff Assembly hosted our annual Thank Goodness For Staff (TGFS) picnic. This event not only provided lunch for nearly 5,000 employees, but also gave staff a fun day full of entertainment, raffle prizes, games, merchandise, and a chance to mingle with fellow employees. The Chancellor and Administration volunteered to assist in serving food and greeting people. The Provost's office granted us a budget increase due to the fact that we needed more transportation to reach staff in the outer lying areas of UC Davis. The event took place on Wednesday, May 9th and was a great success.

### **Citations for Excellence**

This year we were pleased to give out 120 awards to deserving staff members who went above and beyond the call of duty. People received citations in the categories of General Contributions, Campus Service or Supervision. The citations were presented at an evening ceremony at the Chancellor's Residence.

### **Staff Scholarships**

Staff Assembly, working with the UC Davis Retirees Association, has awarded nine staff members a scholarship for the 2007-2008 year. Staff Assembly had a total of \$4,000 and contributed \$500 to eight winners, and the Retirees contributed \$500 to two winners. This award is open to all campus and health systems career staff who are pursuing their undergraduate, masters or doctoral, and can be attending any institution of higher learning.

### **Staff Dependent Scholarship**

Staff Assembly has created a brand new scholarship for dependents of UC Davis staff. The award is based on demonstrated academic potential, community service, leadership skills, and UC Davis volunteer service and activities. The UC Davis Staff Dependent Scholarship is supported through the efforts and fundraising of the UC Davis Staff Assembly, such as the monies raised on merchandise sold at TGFS, and is for dependents that are currently attending or will be attending UC Davis as an undergraduate during the 2007-2008 academic year.

### **Staff Lapel Pin**

Staff Assembly is selling a "UC Davis Staff Lapel" pin. This pin will not only allow staff members to show their UC Davis pride, but will also generate funding for staff activities and the Staff Dependent Scholarship. When staff members wear their pin to a Staff Assembly event, they can receive goodies and prizes. This is just another way to show unity and boost morale amongst staff.

### **Staff Summer Fun and Staff Discounts**

Staff Assembly kicked off our summer fun at the Sacramento Rivercats baseball game on May 30<sup>th</sup>. Our future summer events include UC Davis days at Paramount's Great America, Six Flags Discovery Kingdom and the San Francisco Giant's game.

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