



UCI QUARTERLY UPDATE CUCSA – SEPTEMBER 2004

Nine Anteaters Participated in 2004 Summer Olympic Games in Athens, Greece

Nine UCI affiliates are official participants in the 2004 Olympic Games – five members of the U.S. Men's Water Polo team, one member of the Iceland Women's Swimming team, two members of the U.S. Sailing team and one assistant coach for the U.S. Sailing team. Including this year's participants, a total of 39 athletes and coaches who have participated in 71 Olympic games have been affiliated with UC Irvine.

Chancellor Cicerone Nominated as President of NAS

UCI Chancellor, Ralph Cicerone, announced his nomination to be elected as President of the Council of the National Academy of Sciences and Chair of the National Research Council. If he is formally ratified by NAS members, he will assume the position in Washington D.C. July 1, 2005. Chancellor Cicerone has been at UCI for the last 15 years –as founder of the Department of Earth System Science, Dean of the School of Physical Sciences, and Chancellor.

His departure will necessitate the search for a new chancellor. The role of staff representation in the recruitment for a new chancellor will be discussed at the Council's next meeting with the EVC.

Staff Events

On September 15, Staff Assembly will hold its annual Staff Appreciation Picnic in Aldrich Park. This year's winning theme is "Wild Spirits Safari," and it will feature challenges like the "Tribal Tug-of-war," and the "Tarzan & Jane Yell" competition as well as contests for the best safari themes and a banana-eating contest. Prizes for the mightiest warriors will be awarded, and a barbeque lunch catered by the U Club will be provided for all.

U.S. News & World Report Ranks UCI in Top 20

The annual *U.S. News & World Report* "America's Best Colleges" has ranked UC Irvine's undergraduate program 12th among the nation's leading public universities, and 43rd among all national public and private universities combined. UCI was also one of 36 campuses mentioned for "Undergraduate Research/Creative Projects," which, according to the report, fosters student success.

2004 Staff Assembly Excellence in Leadership Award

This year, we received 50% more nominations than last year. The program recognizes annually three staff supervisors who, through outstanding leadership, enhance staff morale, build an enriching work environment, and serve as a mentor or otherwise support the career development of their staff... all to the benefit of our UCI community. To be eligible for nomination, supervisors must have staff appointments. Supervisors may be nominated every year, but may only receive an award every three years unless the supervisor moves to a different job or department.

2004 UCI Staff Assembly Council Members

Staff Assembly officers for 2004 are: Chair – Jacob Godfrey, Vice Chair – Ramona Agrela, Immediate Past Chair – Penny White, Finance Rep. – Helen Chang, Council Communications Rep. – Christie Campbell, Elections, Rules & Jurisdiction Rep. – Sherry Main, Campus Rep. at Large – Lynda Brewer, Medical Center Rep. At Large – Sandra Longnecker, Sr. CUCSA Rep – Samara Larson, Jr. CUCSA Rep. – Stephanie-Jean Hinojosa, Communications



Chair – Irene Graff, Scholarship Chair – Frank Wessel, and Training Chair – Alice Parsons, Workplace Issues Chair – Jeri Fredrick.