



Campus Update June 2005

Staff Celebration Week

A successful and fun Staff Celebration Week at UCSB occurred May 9-13, 2005. The UCSB Staff Assembly sponsored numerous activities during the week including:

Ice Cream Social

Campus administrators, including Chancellor Yang, scooped McConnell's ice cream for the staff. Although the day started off rainy, there was sunshine by noon when the scooping began.

Staff Arts and Crafts Show

Staff members showed off their talents by displaying arts and crafts in the Faculty Club during Staff Celebration Week. The art works included photos, paintings, handmade cards, and quilts.

Cookie Taste Off

Staff Assembly held its first annual Cookie Taste Off. A total of 24 staff members entered their best cookie recipes. Fourteen staff members served as judges. Entries were narrowed down to one winner—Peanut Butter Chocolate Chunk. First and second place ribbons were awarded within five categories. The grand prize winner received a gift basket donated by McConnell's Ice Cream. The recipe will be available on the Staff Assembly web site in the near future.

Drawing

Staff Assembly provided entry forms inside its spring newsletter for staff to enter a drawing for prizes donated by campus and local businesses. Over 300 staff members entered their names. Prizes include gift certificates for lunch, a soccer ball autographed by the men's soccer team and two 5-in-1 Brother printers donated by OfficeMax.

Staff Citation of Excellence Awards

Ten staff members were honored at the Chancellor's BBQ with the Staff Citation of Excellence Award. Staff Assembly received 60 nominations for the award. Those selected were presented with a plaque and a check for \$500.

Staff Assembly Merchandise for Sale

Staff Assembly now has logo items for sale on www.cafepress.com. One can see the designs at www.cafepress.com/staffrecreation, www.cafepress.com/staffblood, www.cafepress.com/staffflower.

Staff Assembly Executive Board:

Greta Halle, Co-Chair
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Check out the website at www.staffassembly.ucsb.edu.

Campus News

UC Santa Barbara Offers Admission to 19,753 for Fall 2005

The University of California, Santa Barbara has offered a place in its fall 2005 entering class to a total of 19,753 high school students. The prospective freshmen were selected from a pool of 37,498 applicants. Of those admitted, 93 percent are enrolled in California high schools. Both the academic quality and diversity of the class of students accepted appear to be the strongest ever for UC Santa Barbara. Applications from 8,668 students seeking to transfer to UCSB are still under review, with decisions to be announced in May. The campus expects to enroll some 1,400 transfer students in the fall.

UCSB Graduate Student Wins International "Science as Art" Competition for Image of Nature's Nanoworld

Scientific research into of the world of the very small led one student to develop a beautiful, artistic image of the natural world using the "eyes" of the scanning electron microscope. And the image has attracted international attention. A graduate student in the Interdepartmental Marine Science Program at UC Santa Barbara won a first place prize in the "Science as Art" competition at the international conference of the Materials Research Society recently in San Francisco. There were over 200 entries and three first prizes were given.

National Academy of Sciences Elects Two from UCSB

Two members of the UC Santa Barbara faculty have been elected to the National Academy of Sciences in recognition of their distinguished and continuing achievements in original research, the academy announced today.

Anthony G. Evans, a professor of materials in the College of Engineering, and Joseph G. Polchinski, a professor of physics and a permanent member of the Kavli Institute for Theoretical Physics, were among the 72 new members and 18 foreign associates elected today during the business session of the 142nd annual meeting of the academy.

The National Academy of Sciences is the country's most prestigious scientific organization, and election to membership in the academy is considered one of the highest honors that can be accorded a U.S. scientist or engineer. Those elected today bring the total number of active members to 1,976. The election of Evans and Polchinski brings to a total of 25 the number of current UCSB faculty members who have been elected to the National Academy of Sciences.

Three UCSB Professors Elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences

University of California, Santa Barbara professors Joseph H. Connell, Reginald G. Golledge, and Galen Stucky have been elected fellows of the prestigious American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Academy announced Wednesday. Connell is a research professor of ecology, evolution, and marine biology. Golledge is a professor of geography. Stucky is a professor of chemistry. The three were included in the AAAS's 2005 class, which includes 196 new fellows and 17 new foreign honorary members. Their election brings the number of UCSB faculty elected AAAS fellows to 21.

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