



## **Campus Update December 2004**

### **Halloween in Isla Vista**

Several members of Staff Assembly spent Friday night of Halloween weekend walking in Isla Vista, the college community adjacent to campus. This weekend is known for rowdiness, and thousands of students came out to celebrate. For several years, staff members on campus have been going to Isla Vista during Halloween weekend to look out for the welfare of our students. Luckily, it proved to be a fairly uneventful evening.

### **Career Development Workshops for Staff**

Along with the help of Human Resources, Staff Assembly will be sponsoring a series of workshops on career development in the Winter quarter. Workshops will be held two times during the week, one morning and one afternoon, to increase availability to staff members. The first workshop will be held January 25<sup>th</sup>. Planned topics include “Changing Jobs”, “Understanding the Reclassification Process”, “On-line Applications and Interviewing” and “Succession Planning”. Staff members from across campus are being contacted to donate their time to present at the workshops.

### **Walk on Wednesdays Group**

Staff Assembly is organizing walking groups to meet every Wednesday at lunch time beginning January 12<sup>th</sup>. Groups for different walking levels will be formed. Staff Assembly has secured donations from local businesses for water, fruit and nutrition bars to distribute to the walkers. Other giveaways of items such as water bottles, pedometers, gym bags, etc. will be conducted during the quarter.

## **Staff Assembly Executive Board:**

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## **Campus News**

### **Two more Noble Laureates for UCSB**

UCSB was honored with two Noble Prizes this year. Finn Kydland, a professor in Economics won the Noble Prize in Economics and David J. Gross, the Director of the Kavli Institute for Theoretical Physics won the Noble Prize in Physics. This increases UCSB's Noble Laureate count to 5.

### **National Science Foundation Picks UCSB for New International Center for Materials Research**

The University of California, Santa Barbara has been selected by the National Science Foundation to host a new center under the International Materials Institutes Program. The International Center for Materials Research (ICMR) has received initial funding of \$3.5 million over 5 years (from 2004 to 2009). The mission of the center is to promote global excellence in materials science and engineering through a series of research and educational programs. The ICMR will provide an international forum that convenes scientists and engineers with common interests in the future of materials science. It will implement a variety of international programs, including workshops, exchange programs, visitors programs and summer schools.

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