



UC Santa Cruz

## **Santa Cruz Update December 2007**

### **UC Santa Cruz New Chancellor speaks at his first Staff Brown Bag Forum**

Chancellor George Blumenthal updated staff on a number of ongoing campus issues and answered questions about salaries and benefits, parking costs, and child care in his first staff brown bag forum as permanent chancellor October 17.

[http://www.ucsc.edu/news\\_events/text.asp?pid=1669](http://www.ucsc.edu/news_events/text.asp?pid=1669)

### **UCSC to host Women's Forum on Career Advancement Dec 6th**

Associate President Linda Williams, Presidential Staff Fellow Amy Levine and Assistant Vice Provost, Equity and Diversity Sheila O'Rourke from UC Office of the President, are visiting all the UC campuses, UCOP and labs to solicit ideas and collect information on innovative local programs that address the challenges faced by women at UC.

[http://www.ucsc.edu/news\\_events/messages/text.asp?pid=1730](http://www.ucsc.edu/news_events/messages/text.asp?pid=1730)

### **Protests on UCSC "Science Hill" regarding the construction of a new Biomedical Research Facility**

Two related protests on campus November 6th resulted in the arrest of six individuals, the issuance of citations, the impounding of vehicles, and a clash between protestors and law enforcement personnel. The incidents, which occurred on two parking lots proposed for the Biomedical Sciences Facility, involved a number of individuals not affiliated with the campus, including five people who scaled trees early in the morning on the site.

<http://messages.ucsc.edu/text.asp?pid=1731>

## **UC Santa Cruz's staff organization 'Women at Work' to hold a holiday craft sale Dec 7<sup>th</sup>**

The event is sponsored by the Student Affairs Division and 10 percent of all proceeds will go to the Women at Work Retreat Scholarship Fund.

[http://www.ucsc.edu/news\\_events/press\\_releases/text.asp?pid=1357](http://www.ucsc.edu/news_events/press_releases/text.asp?pid=1357)

## **UCSC Staff participating in a variety of charitable events**

It has become tradition at UCSC that staff, faculty and students participate in such holiday fundraising efforts as United Way and Second Harvest Food Bank. This year, however, some inspired staff have taken on new endeavors including the 'Giving Tree' where trees are adorned with toy and clothing requests from children. Each tree benefits a different local organization serving needy children. The other project is called 'Annie's Blankets'. The mission of Annie's Blankets is to provide comfort and warmth to lost, sheltered, and injured animals. All items will be donated directly to local animal shelters, veterinary clinics, and animal hospitals. More info about the program:

<http://www.anniesblankets.org/>

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