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Staff Celebration Week *April 29 - May 5, 2017*

UCSB's Annual Staff Celebration Week is set for the week of Saturday, April 29th through Friday, May 5th. Planned and sponsored by the Chancellor's Staff Advisory Council (CSAC), Staff Celebration Week will honor Staff throughout the extended week with many activities.

Staff Assembly will present the Staff Citation of Excellence Awards at the Chancellor's Staff Luncheon on Tuesday, May 2nd from 11:00 - 1:00 on The Club Green Lawn. Ten staff members will receive an award of recognition and \$500 for their outstanding service to UCSB. Come celebrate your coworkers!

Staff Assembly Events During Staff Celebration Week

Staff Ice Cream Social
Monday, May 1st from noon to 1:00, Student Affairs & Administrative Services Bldg Courtyard



Come meet and socialize with fellow staff members. Senior campus administrators will be serving up your favorite flavors. Sponsored by Staff Assembly, the Staff Ice Cream Social will be held in the SAASB Courtyard. Staff Assembly would like to acknowledge Housing, Dining & Auxiliary Enterprises, Athletics, Furniture Services, and the Coral Tree Café for helping make this event possible.

Staff Citation of Excellence Awards
Tuesday, May 2nd from 11:00 to 1:00 at the Staff Luncheon on The Club Green Lawn

SA Citation of Excellence Awards: The 2017 Citation of Excellence Award Winners will be recognized at the Staff Luncheon: **Jane Castillon, Louisa Dennis, Jen Johansen, Jane Kittle, Craig McComb, Anna Roberts, Robert Sams, AJ Sims, Sara Sterphone, and Melissa Warren.**

Staff Cookie Contest

Staff Celebration Week Highlights

MAY 1	Staff Ice Cream Social Noon - 1:00pm SAASB Courtyard
MAY 2	Chancellor's Staff Luncheon 11:00am - 1:00pm The Club Green Lawn
MAY 3	Staff Cookie Contest Noon - 1:00pm Library, Room 1312
MAY 5	Staff Social and Arts & Crafts Bazaar 2:00 - 4:00pm The Club Green Lawn

Staff Assembly Celebration Week Prize Drawing

Entry Form

Entry Deadline:
Friday, April 28, 2017

Send via Campus Mail to:
Stephanie Coghlan
Student Health, Mail Code 7002

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Staff Cookie Contest

Wednesday, May 3rd at noon, Library, Room 1312 (Instruction and Training)



Calling All Staff Bakers! To enter, send the name of your cookie and the recipe to Dana Huffman (via [email](#) or by mail at SHS/Mail Code 7002). On the day of the contest, simply bring a dozen or two of your delicious cookie creation and let the judging begin!

Entry Deadline: Friday, April 28, 2017

Staff Social, Spring Arts & Crafts Bazaar, and Celebration Week Drawing Friday, May 5th from 2:00 to 4:00, The Club Green Lawn

Staff Social: The 11th Annual Staff Social is hosted by ABOG, CSAC, PWA and Staff Assembly. Come relax with friends, food, and fun! Enjoy an afternoon of refreshments, live music, prize drawings, and the Spring Arts & Crafts Bazaar! Don't forget your wallet.



SA Arts & Crafts Bazaar: Shop local by supporting the talents of your fellow staff members. Staff artisans will be selling their own arts and crafts during the Staff Social. Check back on our website after April 27th for a list of vendors and items for sale.

Everyone who brings an item for the AS Food Bank will receive a ticket to enter our drawing for items made and donated by the vendors. Check out their [website](#) for a list of items needed.

Vendor Information:

- No charge to participate but vendors are asked to donate at least one item for a drawing benefiting the UCSB Associated Students Food Bank.
- Provide your own tables, tent, and chairs (two table limit per vendor) and be responsible for set up and clean up.
- Send an email by Friday, April 21st with your name, contact information, a description of what you would like to sell (please note we cannot allow food or beverages to be sold), and the dimensions of your tables to Greta Halle at greta@cs.ucsb.edu.

SA Celebration Week Drawing: In appreciation of all UCSB staff and the services they provide, many local businesses and campus organizations have donated prizes for this year's Staff Assembly drawing. Drawing winners will be announced at the Staff Social on Friday, May 5th.

Winners need not be present to win. Simply complete and return the [entry form](#) by the deadline on Friday, April 28, 2017. Entries will not be accepted after the deadline or at the Staff Social.

Staff Spotlight

Name: Robin Testa

UCSB Staff T-Shirts



Available During Staff Celebration Week

Purchase your UCSB Staff T-Shirt for only \$7.99 here:

- Monday, May 1st, at the **Staff Assembly Ice Cream Social**
- Tuesday, May 2nd, at the **Chancellor's Staff Luncheon**

Employee Discounts

Looking for discounts on activities, services and items? Check out the new [Employee Discounts page](#) on the [Human Resources website](#)!



Job Title: Budget Assistant

Department: Instructional Development

How long have you worked at UCSB? “8 years.”

Where were you prior to coming to UCSB? “I was working at UC Santa Cruz and when one of the accounts ended that was funding my position, I applied to several UCs. My wife wanted to come to UCSB for her Master’s Degree.”

Tell me a little more about you: “I’m from Yolo, a small town near UC Davis with a population of 350. My Mom works for UC Davis.

I met my wife, Katie, at UCSC while working at the dining commons while I was a student. Then I started working with the Education Department as an Assistant III where my duties were working at the front desk distributing and paying checks.

I currently work as an Assistant III where I do purchasing in the Instructional Development department, keep track of inventory, greet people, do invoicing, create financial journals, etc. My job is to make all the numbers add up to zero at the end of the day. I’m grateful that I am competent to do this.”

What do you like best about your job? “I enjoy helping others. When I was younger, we had a computer and only one person could play a game—flight simulator—and I liked giving advice. This job has similar childhood appeal. If someone needs to know about reports, I can help them figure things out. It’s fulfilling to be in a role where there is a larger system and I can be helpful in analyzing the information.”

What next? “I just completed the Grant Certification Program and will be looking for a grant liaison position. This would provide a whole new perspective of the university that I’m not currently involved with. Tracking grants would be a new and exciting challenge.”

What special hobbies and interests do you have? “My wife and I have a son, Jasper, who will be 2 years old soon. He consumes most of my spare time. I enjoy taking him to the beach, on walks at butterfly cove, and to the zoo. I am excited about seeing things with my son in a different perspective. He likes pinecones, trains, and Elmo.

I also enjoy listening to podcasts.”

What is your claim to fame? “I won the recent Staff T-Shirt Contest. I had a flash of inspiration and decided to enter the contest. The winning design went through several changes before I submitted the final design. I originally started with the UC seal in the labyrinth and it was going to be a shield. I felt that the labyrinth needed a ‘way out’ so I extended it and included mountains. This provided the look of the key design. I also kept in mind that all staff have a square key. I submitted 8 color schemes for the contest.”