

Staff Assembly

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Staff Celebration Week, May 9-16, 2014



UCSB's Annual Staff celebration week is set for the week of Friday, May 9th through Friday, May 16th. 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 Luncheon on Friday, May 9th from 11:30-1:30 on the Faculty Club Green. Ten Staff members will receive an award of recognition and \$500 for their outstanding service to UCSB. Come celebrate your co-workers!

Staff Celebration Week Highlights

- "KICK OFF" Friday, May 9th: Chancellor's Lunch, 11:30-1:30, Faculty Club Green
- Monday, May 12th: Staff Ice Cream Social, noon-1:00, SAASB Courtyard
- Friday, May 16th: Staff Social and Arts & Crafts Bazaar, 2:30-4:30, RecCen Pavilion Lawn
- Thursday, May 15th: Staff Cookie Taste-off, Noon-1:00, SRB Multi-purpose Rm

Staff Assembly Events



Staff Citation of Excellence Awards and Celebration Week Drawing
Friday, May 9th from 11:30 to 1:30 at the Chancellor's Luncheon on the Faculty Club Green

- **SA Citation of Excellence Awards:** 2014 Citation of Excellence Awardees will be announced at the Chancellor's Luncheon.
- **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 Chancellor's Luncheon on Friday, May 9th.

Winners need not be present to win. Simply complete and return the entry form by the deadline on Friday, May 2nd, 2014. Entries will not be accepted after the deadline or at the luncheon.

- **Staff Assembly Prize Drawing Entry Form** — <http://bit.ly/1oRgSrx>

- **Entry Deadline:** Friday, May 2nd, 2014 - no exceptions

- Send via Campus Mail to: Erica Losada, Executive Vice Chancellor's Office, Mail Code 2035



Staff Ice Cream Social

*Monday, May 12th from noon to 1:00, SAASB Courtyard
Ice cream scooped and served by your favorite UCSB administrator*

Sponsored by Staff Assembly, the Staff Ice Cream Social will be held in the SAASB Courtyard.

Come meet and socialize with fellow staff members. Staff Assembly would like to acknowledge Housing and Residential Services and Athletics for helping make this event possible. Senior campus administrators will be serving up various flavors, such as Mocha Almond, Cookies n Cream and many more.



Staff Social

Friday, May 16th from 2:30 to 4:30, Recreation Center Pavilion Lawn

The 8th 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.

Staff Assembly Website: <<http://www.staffassembly.ucsb.edu/>>

Save the Date...

SA participated events during Staff Celebration

MAY 9&16	May 9th (Fri): Chancellor's Staff Luncheon and Staff Assembly Citation of Excellence Awards May 16th (Fri): Staff Social & Crafts Bazaar
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SA sponsored events during Staff Celebration Week

MAY 12	Staff Ice Cream Social (Mon, May 12th at noon to 1:00pm - SAASB Courtyard) - Meet co-workers! Administrators serve staff ice cream during lunch.
MAY 15	Staff Cookie Taste-off (Thu, May 15th at noon to 1:00pm - SRB Multi-purpose Rm) - show off your cookie-baking skills in a competition with co-workers.

Update from the Staff Assembly Co-chairs



During the Council of UC Staff Assemblies' (CUCSA) quarterly meeting at Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, the council members had the opportunity to meet with President Napolitano to discuss issues pertinent to staff.

The President emphasized the integral role UC staff play in the mission and teaching of the University. She told CUCSA that she would like to create a consistent salary plan for staff, and she is looking for ways to ease the burden on staff through the elimination of unnecessary work and by utilizing technology when possible.

Staff Spotlight — Luz Martinez

- **Hometown:** Sinaloa, Mexico
- **Department:** Ortega Dining Commons
- **Position:** Senior Cook
- **UCSB employment:** Eight years



How did you come to UCSB? I was looking for a more stable job. I liked the environment here. At the time, I was looking for a job with a more set schedule because of my kids. I applied and got a job as a cook in-charge of breakfast at Ortega Dining Commons.

Have you achieved your goals or diverged from them? I have high expectations of myself. I don't give up easily. At my current job, I consider breakfast as a very important meal. I cook the best way I can even with limited resources for our customers. I want the students to feel that they're in their mom's kitchen since many of the students miss part of their home life.

Being honest with the food is a goal. Let's take posole, for



Spring Arts and Crafts Bazaar

Friday, May 16th from 2:30 to 4:30pm on the Recreation Center Pavilion Lawn

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 May 9th for a list of vendors and items for sale.

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 and chair (two table limit per vendor) and be responsible for set up and clean up.
- There is limited space under the shade tents, so if possible bring an umbrella.
- Send an email by Friday, May 2nd with your name, contact information, and description of what you would like to sell to Greta Halle at greta@cs.ucsb.edu.

**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 web site <http://foodbank.as.ucsb.edu/> for a list of items needed.



Staff Cookie Taste-off

*Thursday, May 15th at noon, Student Resources Bldg Multi-purpose Room
Entry deadline Friday, May 9th*

Calling All Staff Bakers! To enter, send the name of your cookie and the recipe to Dana Huffman (via email at dana.huffman@sa.ucsb.edu 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!

Staff Assembly Wants YOU!



Join SA's Coordinating Council and be a part of shaping campus events for staff. We meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month in the Multi- Cultural Center (MCC), Meeting Rm 1 from 12:00-1:30pm.

Upcoming Mtgs (Thurs): Jun 19, Jul 17

For more info about SA, email Greta Halle <greta@cs.ucsb.edu>

What is Staff Assembly



Staff Assembly is UCSB's chapter of the system wide Council of University of California Staff Assemblies, or CUSCA. UCSB's Staff Assembly is sponsored by the office of the Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services. Staff Assembly's mission is to support the research, teaching, and community service mission of UCSB by serving in an advisory capacity to the Chancellor, Vice Chancellors, senior officers, and other campus organizations seeking staff consultation.

Staff Assembly provides staff representatives to committees as requested by campus entities and facilitates communication among and between all staff employees. Additionally, Staff Assembly serves as a focal point and sounding board for all staff employees in issues that are not the purview of represented job classifications. General membership includes all career UCSB staff members. The Executive Committee consists of at least eight members elected at large from all career staff on campus.

example. Making it from scratch is always the goal and having the best quality ingredients to make this dish is really important. A recipe is then written so that in my absence, someone else can follow the recipe exactly. This is not an easy goal to achieve.

What helpful advice do you have for new staff? Always be welcoming. Do things the right away from the start. Listen to those with experience.

What helps staff advance at UCSB? Always try to achieve something higher. Be honest and truthful in your communication. Be true to yourself in achieving the goals that you have and be honest with yourself.

What do you wish you knew? I used to work for a private family and was earning three times what I am earning now. But, when I got to UCSB, I loved it. I wish I had known this earlier. I would've applied earlier (maybe 20 years ago) because my job here allowed me to spend more time with my family. The time I was and am able to spend with them is priceless. And this is what's important to me.

What do you do for fun? I dance the banda and the ranchero. Believe it or not, I love to clean. Having a clean house makes me happy and I'm having fun while doing it. I find it fun to cook for my kids. Two of them are now in college and one of them is still a senior in high school but will be going to college next year.

Is there something about you nobody knows? I may appear strong and tough because of my honesty in communication, but I am also sensitive and understanding. I listen to the problems brought to me.

What types of staff issues are important to you or would you like to see Staff Assembly or the University address?

Communication to all staff. I think there has to be better outreach to all staff. As a supervisor and because of the nature of the jobs in the Dining Commons, people are busy and often away from offices with computers.

What's your favorite thing about working at UCSB? Getting compliments about the food I cook and my work environment. There is good camaraderie at work. It feels like family.

What motivates you? Seeing my kids go off to college is a big motivation. To see them succeed and help them succeed. And always help others. I do volunteer work. Helping others who are less fortunate makes me realize and appreciate what we have.

— *Interviewed by Val de Veyra, ECE Department*

Staff Assembly Executive Board

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