October 11 E-Update

Staff Updates: Welcome the following new staff: Robert Newman, Shepherd Union Custodial; Daniel Godoy, Shepherd Union Financial Manager; Cash Knight, Union Recreation/Wildcat Lanes Manager; and Tashina Barber, Multicultural Advisor. We wish the following two staff members the best as they have moved on to other opportunities: Joe Limas has moved to a position at Ben Lomond High School, and Devon Trujillo took a position in Health Administration Services.

Congratulations to Brett Perozzi who was recently named to the Class of 2017 Pillars of the Profession, a distinguished award given by the NASPA Foundation. For more information check out their website.

Our next Student Affairs Division Meeting, “When Student Affairs Crosses the Line,” is October 20 from 1-3 pm in SU Ballroom A. We will have roundtable discussions on scenarios derived from issues raised in a July 11 article in the Chronicle of Higher Education with the same title as well as the following article in NASPA’s Leadership Exchange: "Discourse or Disruption: Responding to Student Concerns in Lawful and Meaningful Ways." We hope to have enriching conversation on how we can effectively handle situations that arise on campus.

Weber State University was recently ranked #25 in Top Public Regional Universities in the West by U.S. News & World Reports. Washington Monthly ranked WSU #1 nationally for Adult Learners specifically for the community college portion of our dual mission institution.

The Utah Student Association has identified student mental health as its top priority for the past two years. Student leaders across campuses in Utah produced a video to help raise awareness for mental health challenges faced by students.

The WSU Annual International Symposium on Nov. 17 is gearing up for another great year featuring our best practices for educating and serving international students! The deadline for program submitting sessions is Oct. 15, and presenters each receive a $100 stipend. Send questions and comments to Cliff Nowell or Brett Perozzi. I hope you will consider presenting at and participating in this outstanding program!

We have put together a list of resources regarding educational topics that can be delivered to classes across campus or offered as workshops. Thank you for everyone who contributed. Check out the “Don’t Cancel Class Menu.” If you have something to add, please email Jessica Oyler.

Diversity Update: On average, nearly 20 people per minute are physically abused by an intimate partner in the United States. During one year, this equates to more than 10 million women and men (source). October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and this is a friendly reminder to take the "Haven for Employees" training through eWeber to
learn more about what we can do as staff to prevent domestic violence, harassment, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking. To learn more, visit: http://www.weber.edu/womenscenter

Tech Trivia: Ransomeware has become a problem for many home and business users around the world. Don't get caught by one of these scams. Always use common sense when using your computer and browsing the web and remember if it just doesn't seem right, don't click. For more information about Ransomeware and other threats, visit http://www.weber.edu/iso/ransomware.html

As always, please send Alicia any Division E-Update ideas for the future. In the meantime, enjoy the fall weather and leaves!