August 9 E-Update

Dear Student Affairs Staff,

To celebrate the beginning of another school year, I look forward to seeing everyone at the Opening of School Luncheon on Aug. 20 at 11:30 a.m. in Ballroom B. President Wight will join us. And don’t forget to attend the President's Opening of School Breakfast on Aug. 19 from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Staff Updates. Please join me in welcoming the following new staff: Ashlee Reese, Academic Support Centers & Programs, Brande Barnet, Resident Director for Housing, Rebecca Curtis, Student Involvement and Leadership Davis, Michael Henderson, Campus Recreation, Scott Ball, Community Partner Coordinator in CCEL, and Aubrey Morrison, Counseling Center. Unfortunately, we are losing Jerry Gansey, Talent Search, Kathryn Strebel, Student Support Services, and James Shepherd, Veterans Upward Bound, who is retiring in September.

McKell Christensen, Campus Recreation, welcomed her first baby boy, Ren, and Mackenzie Olsen, Scheduling Events and Conferences, had a baby boy, Ezra. Beginning August 19, she has elected to become a fulltime mom.

The Counseling and Psychological Services Center received confirmation that it has been accredited by the International Association of Counseling Services (IACS). Achieving this status involved the completion of a comprehensive self-study and an extensive site visit from external evaluators. This status certifies that the CPSC meets the highest established standards in the field. Congratulations!

Congratulations to Sean Peak who has been promoted to Coordinator, Student Services Testing Center. Brett Perozzi was recently invited to represent NASPA (Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education) in Brussels, Belgium at a learning-outcomes best practice exchange and the chartering ceremony of the first global, professional association for student affairs administrators (IASAS). Brett chairs NASPA’s International Advisory Board.

Everyone probably knows by now, but Adrienne Andrews, Diversity & Unity Center, was selected by President Wight to serve as Special Assistant to the President for Diversity. Adrienne officially began this new 50% time position on July 1. Way to go Adrienne!

Speaking of the Center for Diversity and Unity, it was selected to participate in a radio broadcast with KSL's Cultural Connections program to spotlight the 50th Anniversary of the March on Washington and Dr. King's "I have a dream" speech. Adrienne Andrews will be participating along with Barry Gomberg, Lola Moli (WSUSA VP for Diversity) and Bryan Duquette (Diversity Board MLK Chair). The program will air on Sunday, August 18 at 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Show your support as an Ally: The Faculty/Staff Gay Straight Alliance will be repeating an ad in the welcome back edition of the Signpost that lists the names of allies. If your name was not on the list last spring and you want to have your name on this list this time, please email Tom Mathews at tmathews@weber.edu.
Check out the 2012-2013 Student Affairs Annual Report at weber.edu/SAAssessment/annualreport13.html. Thanks to Jessica Oyler for putting it together.

The 2013 Student Employee Training “Get Set” will be held Aug. 21 from 8:30 - 2:00 p.m. in the Shepherd Union. The training, for both Student Affairs student staff and WSU 50-50 students, will include Keynote Speaker Jay Zarr. For more information or to register students go to www.weber.edu/getset

The WSU Davis ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled on August 29 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. To help activate the building, a Davis Student Services Showcase will be held on Sept. 5 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. outside between the two buildings. The Showcase is similar to the annual Student Services Expo held every September in the Shepherd Union. For information or if you want to showcase your program, contact Jenni Unguren (3517) or Jennifer Grandi (3443).

Don't miss the Grand Opening of the Wildcat Village Residence Hall 3, the final phase of WSU's student housing community, on Aug. 14 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. (Ribbon Cutting, Open House, Tour & Refreshments.)

Registration is now open for the Wildcat Block Party 2013, "Wildcat Wonderland." Go online to register www.weber.edu/blockparty/registrationform.html

The Exempt Staff Advisory Committee (ESAC), formerly PSAC, and the Non-Exempt Staff Advisory Committee (NESAC), formerly CSAC, are discussing the feasibility of combining both committees to form a single, unified association representing all WSU staff employees. The purpose of joining the two organizations is to create a cohesive, unified association with larger representation, improve the dissemination of information, and enhance an inclusive culture and WSU spirit. A survey will be sent out to staff on Aug. 19. Please complete the survey or contact Student Affairs representatives Carey Anson (ESAC) or Cindy Meyer and Marlen Avalos (NESAC) to express your opinion, thoughts or concerns.

Congratulations to the Social Science Testing Center and Tammy Critchlow, for being selected from 3 Testing Centers in the country to conduct focus groups and one-on-one usability interviews with potential GED® test-takers in preparation for the launch of the new 2014 GED® Test. GED Testing Service chose to spearhead this study working closely with USOE, Ogden Adult Ed, & Weber County Adult Ed.

The deadline for Staff Development Grant applications is August 30. For more information and to apply go to weber.edu/staffdevelopment

Ogden City is now offering glass recycling at three different sites: Ogden High (south parking lot), Bonneville Park (360 Monroe Blvd.), and the Green Waste Disposal site (1845 Monroe Blvd). Let's be sustainable!

Construction/Renovation Updates: A shut down of a main campus gas line is planned over the weekend of August 9-11. The gas line runs between the Education Building and the Student Services Building. Construction in ISSC, Disability Services, and SIL will be completed next week.

Tech Trivia: By default, when you add an all-day event to your Google calendar, the event will show you as available. This is to allow you to easily add reminder events like birthdays or special occasions without being marked as busy all day. If you are marking yourself out of the office all day and need to have the event show as busy, make sure you click on the busy radio button at the bottom of event details under Show me as. Follow Student Affairs Technology on Facebook to get helpful TechTrivia and win prizes! www.facebook.com/WSUSAT
Don't forget to use our division listserv if you have an announcement, event or activity that is related to the division. Send it to sainfo@lists.weber.edu

As always, please send Marlen or me your suggestions or ideas for future Division E-Updates. I hope everyone is ready for the opening of school and a great year ahead!

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