There's Something Fishy Going On at USD

After a day at sea, a group of USD employees returned to shore with a few fish, not to mention a few "big fish" tales to tell.

The Staff Employees Association and campus recreation recently rented the Fisherman III for a half-day fishing expedition along the coastline, from Imperial Beach to the Point Loma kelp beds. About 40 USD employees, students, families and friends dropped their lines and hoped the fish were biting. John Frazer, who helped organize the trip, came home with a vermillion rockfish.

"I would definitely go again," says Frazer, a member of SEA’s social committee, who works in instructional tech services. "It's great fun to be out on the boat with new and old friends, breathing the salt air and having a chance to see all the marine life. There were a couple huge sea lions hanging off our stern most of the morning, and the kids enjoyed seeing them up close."

1) Steve Garner, an HVAC systems technician with building maintenance.
2) Kara Weller (right), USD's campus scheduling coordinator, with her mom, Laura Braniff.
3) School of Education instructor Jim Julius.
4) Pat Moulton, an executive assistant in the School of Business Administration.
5) Marti Hans, an executive assistant in law school administration.
6) John Carroll, an HVAC systems technician with building maintenance.
Taking Action to Reach USD’s Long-Term Goals

In the past two years, USD has updated its mission statement and core values, created a vision statement and defined five strategic goals. This month, President Mary E. Lyons and the university’s vice presidents will begin evaluating proposed action plans designed to advance the university toward achieving those goals over the next five years.

Ideas underlying the proposed action plans were developed in a brainstorming workshop hosted by the president in February and a series of open forums held in March. A forum was held for each theme highlighted at the workshop: Catholic social teaching; marketing; internationalization; diversity and inclusion; information technology; student life; and the School of Peace Studies.

Learn More on the Web
For a summary of the comments offered at the open meetings, log on to www.sandiego.edu/administration/president/strategicdirections/actionplans/action.php.

To review a comprehensive timeline for the strategic directions initiative, log on to www.sandiego.edu/administration/president/strategicdirections/timeline.php.

“The open forums gave us a chance to narrow down the ideas that came up at the workshop,” says Larry Gardepie of the Office of Institutional Research and Planning, which is facilitating the strategic directions process. “They were a chance to filter down and focus on what was doable. Now we’re working toward taking action.”

Each action plan proposal briefly outlines what will be required to accomplish the plan’s objective, such as who is in charge of implementation, what steps are necessary to achieve results, what measurable indicators can be used to monitor progress, what types of resources the institution needs to commit and a timeline of what must be accomplished in each of the plan’s five years.
Expanded Services at Health Center

Have you checked up on the USD student health center recently? Last year, the center expanded both its physical location and its services under Dr. Regina Fleming, the center’s director and its first full-time physician. This year it’s again expanding services, this time to employees who need basic nursing services such as blood pressure checks, immunizations, simple first-aid and treatment of non-urgent illnesses.

Employees can be seen for these types of simple services for $5 per visit. Because the health center’s primary focus is on students, however, if staff determines that an employee needs antibiotics, other prescriptions or more extensive care, the employee must seek follow-up appointments with his or her own primary care physician.

Bike to Work Day

Need a break from the high gas prices, the long commute to work or the frustrating search for campus parking? Break the cycle and cycle to work.

Bike to Work Day 2005 is May 20, and USD is one of the pit stops for thousands of San Diegans who are expected to bike, run, walk, carpool or take public transportation to work. Snacks will be served to participants from 6-9 a.m., in front of the Degheri Alumni Center, by members of USD’s Fresh Air Commuter Club, who are dedicated to regularly taking public transportation to work. For more information about Bike to Work Day, log on to www.ridelink.org/bicycle.html or www.keepsandiegomoving.com.

SEA Snippets

The following issues were discussed at the April meeting of the Staff Employees Association:

• The SEA is accepting nominations from staff members for the Administrator of the Year Award, which will be given out at the employee picnic on June 24. Administrators must have been a full-time administrator for five years, show dedication to the department and USD’s values and mission, promote staff leadership and development and demonstrate a strong working relation with others. Nominations can be sent to Perla Bleisch in Warren Hall, Room 218 by May 9.
• The SEA voted to donate $150 in movie tickets and campus cards as door prizes for the employee picnic.
• Tickets are available at the Hahn University Center box office for two Padres games. Employees can buy tickets for the June 3 or Sept. 16 games at a discounted price of $16. Students will be able to purchase tickets for $18 beginning three weeks before each game.

SEA meetings are open to all employees, especially staff. The next SEA meeting is at 2 p.m., May 11, in the Hahn University Center, Room 103.

Construction Corner

The pedestrian mall project is right on schedule. Here’s what to expect:
• Concrete sidewalks were expected to be poured at the end of April, followed by the layout of the walls. The entrance to Maher Hall will be reconstructed by June 1, and then construction will begin on the Serra Hall side. The project is expected to be completed by Aug. 15.

— Roger Manion
Assistant Vice President of Facilities Management
Dining Services Hours

May 24 — Last Day of Finals
- Aromas, Bakery and Market: 7 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Deli: 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
- La Paloma: 7 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Main Dining: breakfast from 7-9:30 a.m.; continental breakfast from 9:30-10:30 a.m.; lunch from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; and dinner from 4:45-8 p.m. Meal plan meals end with dinner on May 24.
- Faculty/Staff Dining: 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- Torero Grille: CLOSED FOR THE SUMMER

May 25-27
- Aromas: 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Bakery and Market: 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Deli: 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
- La Paloma and Main Dining: CLOSED until summer hours begin on May 31.
- Torero Grille and Faculty/Staff Dining: CLOSED FOR THE SUMMER

May 29 — Commencement
- Bakery and Market: 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Please note: Hours are subject to change without notice. All areas are closed on May 30 in observance of Memorial Day.

Summer Hours

Retail Areas (Monday through Friday)
- Deli: 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Bakery and Market: 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
- La Paloma: 8 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Aromas: 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Main Dining: (Monday through Sunday) Breakfast from 7-8:30 a.m.; lunch from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; dinner from 5-7 p.m.
- Torero Grille and Faculty/Staff Dining: CLOSED FOR THE SUMMER

Please note: Summer session classes begin on June 6. All retail areas are closed on weekends during the summer.
Service Awards

The five-year service award ceremony will take place at 10 a.m., May 11, in the Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice theatre. The event recognizes employees who completed five years of service and were hired between July 1, 1999, and June 30, 2000. This list was provided by the human resources department:

- Alan Alvord, Law School Administration
- Norman Ausen, Tram Services
- Pamela Avila, Mail Center
- Larry Barnett, Public Safety
- Emily Baxt, Career Services
- John Bennett, Mail Center
- Kirk Bennett, Bookstore
- Stephanie Boomhower, Law School Career Services
- Lise Bretton, Copley Library
- Gonzalo Briseno, Custodial Services
- Cynthia Castillo, School of Business
- Samir Chala, School of Business
- Frank Chmura, Dining Services Administration
- Nail Cho, Desktop Support
- Margaret Clark, Student Health Center
- Thomas Coffin, Facilities Management
- Timothy Doudna, Facilities Management
- John Ferber, School of Business
- Claudia Gonzales, University Relations
- Evangelina Gonzalez, Custodial Services
- Steffanie Hoie, Undergraduate Admissions
- Rana Icho, Financial Aid Operations
- Dayanne Izmirian, Student Learning and Inclusion
- Terry Kalfayan, Controller
- Rocío Lopez, Law School Admissions
- Adele Lynch, Legal Clinic
- Kimberly Mackie, Dining Services Administration
- Kay Manansala, Law School Administration
- Donna Matias, Law School Administration
- Michael Matoso, Athletics Administration
- Michael McDonald, Torero Grille
- Melissa McElvain, Women's Softball
- Maura McHugh, School of Business
- Timothy McKernan, Advertising and Marketing
- Maria Menezes, School of Education
- Jeffrey Middlebrook, Banquets and Catering
- Tiffany Mineo, Continuing Education
- Michelle Mullins, Manchester Child Development Center
- Patricia Myers, Manchester Child Development Center
- Sue Presley, Law School Graduate Program
- Stephen Pultz, Enrollment Management Administration
- Nicole Raymundo, Continuing Education
- Christopher Redo, School of Business
- Gustavo Rivera, Building Maintenance
- Cynthia Sanchez, Bursar
- Karen Scheer, Financial Aid Operations
- Nina Sciuto, Human Resources
- Paul Signorelli, Sports Medicine
- Jerry Singleton, School of Business
- David Todd, Information Tech Services
- Kerri Van Duyne, Development
- Valerie Villi, Undergraduate Admissions
- Mary Whelan, University Design
Community Event
The 21st annual Peace Officer's Memorial Service will be held at noon, May 11, at the Organ Pavilion in Balboa Park. The service is free and open to the public. The event is sponsored by the San Diego County Law Enforcement Memorial Foundation. Among those to be remembered are Lassen County Sheriff's deputy Larry D. Griffith, son of former purchasing department manager Mary Griffith, and Stephen M. Sullivan, a U.S. Border Patrol agent and son of Graduate Career Program Director Susan Sullivan.

Faculty and Curriculum Development
The Faculty and Curriculum Development Program is hosting two events in May.

A Women's Center/Gender Studies Banquet will be held from 5:30-7:30 p.m., May 5, in the Degheri Alumni Center, Room 120. This annual event, co-sponsored by the women's center and gender studies program, will allow faculty, administrators and staff to celebrate graduating gender studies minors and women's center leaders. Gender studies minors will present their research and awards will be given, including the Linda A. M. Perry Award for Outstanding Achievement in gender studies.

A luncheon colloquium, Empowering Students through Theater, will be held from 12:30-1:45 p.m., May 12, in the Hahn University Center. Evelyn Diaz Cruz of the theater arts program will discuss how theater can be used to express experiences of inclusion and exclusion, power and marginalization, and pain and anger. This workshop, for students, staff and faculty, will demonstrate methods for leveling the playing field in the classroom as related to diversity issues.

Vegetarian meals are available at both events. For information, or to register, contact Cecilia Anderson, Department of Theology and Religious Studies, at ext. 4525 or ceciliaa@sandiego.edu, or contact Evelyn Kirkley, Department of Theology and Religious Studies, at ext. 4131 or ekirkley@sandiego.edu.

Specialty Bar
Presented by USD Dining Services, the chef specialty bar for May is Pan-Asian sauté, which will be offered from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., May 12, in the Faculty/Staff Dining Room.

Outdoor Adventures
Outdoor Adventures is offering a number of trips in May. The cost includes transportation, meals while camping, camp gear and other related fees and gear. To register, visit the Outdoor Adventures office, Hahn University Center, Room 136. For information call ext. 4709.

May 1: Surf, Sun and Volley. Day at the beach: 1-5 p.m. $10.
May 5-8: Los Arbolitos Sea Kayaking in Baja California: 3-7 p.m. $140.
May 24-27: Black Canyon Canoe on the Colorado River: 1-9 p.m. $150.
May 25-June 2: Utah Backpacking and Exploration: 7 a.m.-9 p.m. $400.

Doughnut Mania at Manchester
The Manchester Family Child Development Center thanks members of the university community for their participation in its recent Krispy Kreme Fundraiser. The center raised nearly $1,000, which it will use for enrichment materials.

MILESTONES


Sister Dale Brown, former associate director of the Office of Financial Aid Services, passed away April 10. She served USD and its students for more than 25 years. A memorial service will be held in late June. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Sister Dale Brown Scholarship. Checks should be made payable to USD and sent to the Degheri Alumni Center, Room 312.

Edna Chandler, mother of Kathy Grove, adjunct professor in the sociology department, passed away April 9.

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