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## 12th Annual Social Issues Conference

Please join us for the 12th Annual Social Issues Conference, "Practicando La Paz y Justicia/Practicing Peace and Justice," April 6. Conference sessions will be from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the UC, with a keynote address in the Jenny Craig Pavilion by Dr. Cornel West from 7:30 to 8:30 with a question and answer period and book signing to follow. Professor of Religion and Afro-American Studies at Harvard University, Dr. Cornel West has been described as one of America's most vital and eloquent public intellectuals. In ground-breaking books such as *Race Matters*, *Restoring Hope*, *The American Evolution of Philosophy*, *Jews and Blacks: Let the Healing Begin*, *The War Against Parents*, *The Future of American Progressivism*, and his latest, *The Cornel West Reader*, he teaches how growing divisions in our society fosters the despair and distrust that undermine our democratic process. By working to create an ongoing dialogue between the myriad voices in our culture, Dr. West pursues his vigilant and virtuous efforts to restore hope to America. Brochures for the Conference will be available soon. You are encouraged to bring students, colleagues, and friends. Tickets are free for USD students, staff, and faculty. You will receive two tickets per I.D. For more information please contact the Office for Community Service Learning at ext. 4798. For ticketing questions, please contact Guadalupe Corona, Assistant Director for Student Activities, at ext. 4716.

## Academic Publications

### Faculty Newsnotes Publication Dates and Deadlines

Listed below are the remaining dates of publication for 2000–2001 *Faculty Newsnotes*. Please direct all entries to Stacy Cunningham Miller, Academic Publications, Founders Hall 108, or e-mail to [stacyc@acusd.edu](mailto:stacyc@acusd.edu).

<u>Publication Date</u>	<u>Submission Deadline</u>
March 26, 2001	March 16, 2001
April 30, 2001	April 20, 2001
May 7, 2001	May 1, 2001

## Dining Services

Join us on Tuesday, February 27, for a Mardi Gras Dinner in Main Dining (4:45 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.). Future special events include a Dessert Bar in Faculty/Staff Dining on Thursday, March 1, and the Seven Seas Lunch on Friday, March 9 (available in the Faculty/Staff and Main Dining Rooms). For more information visit Dining Services' new Web site at: <http://dining.acusd.edu>.

## Human Resources

### Retirement Planning

Plan to meet with a representative from TIAA-CREF or Scudder in March to discuss your retirement investments. One-on-one sessions for Scudder are planned for March 13 and 14 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. TIAA-CREF sessions are scheduled on March 21 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For Scudder, you may make reservations by dialing ext. 6537. For

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TIAA-CREF, call (877)209-3140, ext. 2626. Reservation times fill quickly. TIAA-CREF will return to campus April 18 and 19 and May 9 and 10 for additional meetings.

### **Kaiser Update**

Just a reminder that lab services and x-rays are offered to subscribers at no charge by Kaiser Permanente. If you find you have been charged this year, please take your Kaiser receipt to a cashier at Kaiser for a full refund.

### **Health Care Reimbursement Reminder**

Due to IRS regulations, canceled checks and credit card receipts cannot be accepted as proof of services for a health care reimbursement account. Please submit an itemized statement or explanation of benefits (provided by your health insurance provider). Necessary information includes date of service, name of provider, name of patient, and the out-of-pocket expense incurred.

### **TIAA-CREF Financial Education Seminars**

A complimentary series of financial education seminars is planned this spring by TIAA-CREF. On Thursday, March 22, a seminar on "Reaching Your Financial Goals" will be held at La Jolla's Salk Institute from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. On Wednesday, April 18, a session on "Investing with Stocks" will take place at USD's UC 107 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. To make reservations, please call TIAA-CREF at (877)209-3140, ext. 2615.

### **Health Insurance Option for Low Income Families**

The Healthy Families Program, a low cost health insurance program, is available to children in low income families who currently have no insurance and don't qualify for Medi-Cal. For further information contact Healthy Families at (800)880-5305 or Kaiser Permanente Cares for Kids Health Plan at (800)255-5053.

### **Late Entrants to Kaiser, Blue Cross, and Simnsa**

You must provide a certificate of coverage from your previous health insurance company if you are a late entrant to a USD health insurance plan. (A late entrant is someone who is entering the plan outside the open enrollment period.) Please keep in mind that only a change in family status will allow you to modify your insurance coverage during the year. All other changes must be made during the next open enrollment period.

### **Joan Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice**

The Institute for Peace and Justice presents "Can Violent Conflict be Prevented through Development Assistance?", featuring Peter Wallensteen. Dr. Wallensteen is a well-known scholar in peace research at Uppsala University in Sweden. His research includes causes of war, economic sanctions, military conversion, and development-conflict connections. This event will be March 13 at 5:30 p.m. in UC 107. No RSVP is necessary.

The Institute for Peace and Justice is having its March Open House on March 28 from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. in Harmon Hall, Room 111. Come share your thoughts and ideas and meet the staff.

### **Residential Colloquium Series**

The Faculty in Student Housing program (FISH) would like to thank Dr. Michael Soroka, Dr. Gary Macy, and Dr. Evelyn Kirkley for their participation in the FISH colloquium series. Colloquia are held on the first Tuesday of each month in the Alcalá Vista Apartments, Palomar Lounge. The series is part of an ongoing effort by the Housing and Residence Life staff to encourage meaningful faculty/student interaction outside of the classroom. Next month's colloquium will be held on Tuesday, March 6, and is co-sponsored by Students and Teachers Against Rape (STAR), a new student organization assembled to address the various sexual assault issues that affect the USD community.

FISH would also like to announce that the Palomar Lounge offers ideal facilities available for evening midterm review sessions. If any faculty members have an interest in participating in the FISH colloquium series or conducting a review session at the Alcalá Vistas, please contact Rafik Mohamed in the Department of Sociology at ext. 2716 or rmohamed@acUSD.edu.



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## USD Blood Drive

### Give the Gift of Life

Date: Wednesday, March 7 and Thursday, March 8

Location: Forum A in the Hahn University Center

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Phone: 260-4796; contact Tonis or Kily to make an appointment.

Walk-in donors are welcome. Don't miss the opportunity to help the San Diego community.

## School of Nursing and Health Science

### Thirteenth Annual Nursing Lectureship

The Hahn School of Nursing and Health Science Thirteenth Annual Nursing Lectureship is scheduled for Tuesday, March 13, in the Manchester Conference Center Auditorium on the USD campus. The lecture will begin at 4:00 p.m. with a reception following.

This year's presenter is Geraldine (Polly) Bednash, PhD, RN, FAAN, Executive Director of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN). The title of her presentation is *A Nursing Futures: Assured or Endangered?*

In her role as Executive Director of AACN, Dr. Bednash oversees the educational, research, governmental affairs, databank, publications, and other programs of the organization that is the national voice for baccalaureate and graduate-degree education programs in nursing – the nation's largest health care profession. Representing more than 500 member schools of nursing at public and private institutions nationwide, AACN is the only national organization dedicated exclusively to furthering nursing education in America's universities and four-year colleges.

Dr. Bednash served as an Army Nurse Corps staff nurse in Vietnam; a nurse practitioner and consultant to the family practice residency program at DeWitt Army Hospital at Fort Belvoir, Virginia; A Robert Wood Johnson Nurse Faculty Fellow in Primary Care at the University of Maryland; and as assistant professor at the School of Nursing at George Mason University.

## Special Sessions

All employees wishing to take summer courses at USD should have on-file with Human Resources an *Annual Tuition Remission Application* which includes the number of units requested for Summer, 2001. If you have a spouse or dependent wishing to take summer units, you must file a *Space Available Application for Spouse or Dependent, Summer or Intersession Classes*. This form is used exclusively for Summer and Intersession, and must be filed in addition to the annual application for Fall and Spring. If you have any questions about filing these forms, please call Susan Pilsbury in Human Resources at ext. 2063 or Celeste Weinsheim in Special Sessions at ext. 4800.

## Varia

Edward F. DeRoche, School of Education, was the major speaker at the 7th Annual Home Education Conference in Ramona on January 20th. He talked about "Character Education: Building Bridges Between Home and School."

Iris Engstrand, Department of History, has published a book entitled, *The San Diego Yacht Club: A History 1886–2000*, with co-author Cynthia Davalos, a USD MA history alum. Dr. Engstrand was recognized at the San Diego Public Library Local Authors awards ceremony in January for this and also *Rancho Los Cerritos: A Southern California Legacy Preserved*, published by the Historical Society of Southern California. Dr. Engstrand, along with MA history alum Milford Wayne Donaldson and current MA history student Eileen Magno, received a California Preservation Design Award for their *Rancho Los Cerritos (Long Beach) Master Plan*.

Judith Lewis Logue, Director of Financial Aid Services, is serving on the Board of Directors of the San Diego Education Fund.



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**Sandra Robertson**, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, attended a conference on Spanish literature and film, *Cine-Lit 2000*, at Portland State University last February, where she read "Life is a Virtual Dream: Amenábar Reading Calderón," which is scheduled for publication this year.

In November, Dr. Robertson read a paper entitled, "The Hijacked Soul: Paradigms of Addiction in Spanish Narratives at the End of the Millennium" at the international symposium, *Spain in the Twenty-First Century*, hosted by The Ohio State University.

**Yi Sun**, Department of History, has co-authored an article entitled, "The Butterfly Effect and the Making of Ping-Pong Diplomacy," which was published in *Journal of Contemporary China* (September, 2000). With a research fellowship from the AsiaNetwork-Freeman Foundation, she and Karina Kirana, a USD student to China, conducted a joint research project on the Women's Hotline in Beijing. The research has yielded two articles in the Chinese language: "A Discussion of Women and Suicide in China" was published in an on-line journal *Democratic China* (January 1, 2001), and another article entitled, "Institutional Factors for the High Suicide Rate among Chinese Women" has been accepted by *Chinese Communism Studies*, a referred journal in Taiwan. She also finished four entries on the leaders of the Taiping (Heavenly Kingdom of Great Peace) Movement, a 19th century peasant uprising, which will be included in the *Dictionary of Republican China* (to be published by Greenwood). Her book review of *John King Fairbank: A Critical Biography* was published in *American Review of Chinese Studies* (October, 2000). In addition, she was invited by the American Philosophical Society to review a manuscript "Zeng Baosun: A Confucian Feminist" for publication. Dr. Sun translated a primary document on the Chinese Famine (1959-1962) from Chinese into English, which was included in the application for an NEH grant for a group research project on the famine. She translated another article, "Sex and Gender in China," from English into Chinese for a conference on Women's Studies in Tianjin, China (August, 2000).

Dr. Sun presented a paper "A Closer Look at Sino-Korean Relations" at an Association of Third World Studies Conference in Denver last October. Earlier in the summer, she participated in a round-table discussion "Challenges for China in the 21st Century" in Beijing, and a local conference on "Infusing Women's Studies into the College Curriculum" in Tianjin, China.

Dr. Sun gave two invited talks during the winter break: "Dilemmas of Modernization: the Changing Experiences of Chinese Women" to the history and women's studies faculty at Augusta State University in Georgia and "New Women In Today's China" to students and faculty at Savannah State University.

**Angela Yeung**, Department of Fine Arts, who is on sabbatical leave, traveled between Taiwan and Hong Kong monthly during the first half of her full-year sabbatical leave. In Taiwan, she was invited as a visiting Professor of Music at the National Sun Yat-sen University in Kaohsiung for the Fall semester. During her visit, she gave talks in three graduate seminars, hosted cello master classes, and presented a lecture demonstration to the entire music faculty. Under the invitation of the Taiwan Baroque Music Society, Dr. Yeung also toured with its resident ensemble throughout southern Taiwan in early November. In Hong Kong, she was principal cello for the City Chamber Orchestra of Hong Kong in their Fall concerts, and was guest director for the inaugural concert of the Hong Kong Baroque Music Society in December.

For the second half of her sabbatical leave, Dr. Yeung has been invited to direct two concerts for the City Chamber Orchestra of Hong Kong, and will be given lectures and performances at various locales, including the University of Hong Kong, the HK Baptist University, the HK Alliance Bible Seminary, the HK Chamber Music Society, and Radio Hong Kong. She has also been invited to give a lecture and a performance at the University of Sydney in Australia in April, and will be directing the first baroque music festival at Peninsula College, PA, in May.



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