Hello! I hope this finds all our families doing well and enjoying the spring weather. Students are busy wrapping up mid-terms, making summer plans, and getting ready for our 31st Annual Sun God Festival.

The Sun God Festival is an annual tradition at UC San Diego that usually takes place the seventh week of the spring quarter. Put on by Associated Students, the festival contains a fair, as well as multiple stages which feature art performances, DJ performances, and a main stage which features a mix of underground/indie bands with headlining mainstream groups. The festival and concert provide an opportunity for students to enjoy themselves after mid-terms.

As you come across questions or concerns, please remember to call us using the Parents’ Helpline (858) 534-7273 or email us at parents@ucsd.edu.

Happy Reading!

Laci Weeden
Director, Parent & Family Programs

When they are not in class or studying, students can be found at the beach this time of year.

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Lace up your running shoes! UC San Diego Chancellor Pradeep K. Khosla invites the campus, local community, family and friends to participate in the Triton 5K: Race for the Future. Slated for Saturday, June 8, the 3.1 mile adventure through campus will take participants past King Triton, the world-famous Geisel Library and many of the famous Stuart Collection art pieces—all to support student scholarships at UC San Diego. This year, thanks to the Parents Innovation Fund, 100 percent of students’ race registration fees will go towards scholarships. (Continues on pg 3)

Parent Giving Supports Scholarships at Triton 5K

Join us on June 8th!
Celebrating John Muir...

Last week we celebrated John Muir Week with weeklong events such as the Trashion Show, where students designed outfits out of recyclable items; the eco-challenge, where students challenged themselves to take cold showers or take the stairs to help the environment; and many other activities! On Friday, Muir College hosted its annual concert, Muirstock, and students had the opportunity to paint tiles that will be displayed near the coffee shop. On Sunday, a group of students went on a service trip to the Stein Family Farm to help feed the animals and work on the farm.

Happy Mother’s Day to all of our families!

SAVE THE DATE!

October 18-20, 2013

Join us in San Diego for Triton-style fun!

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“Thanks to the generosity of parents and families, all of the students who participate in the 2013 Triton 5K will be scholarship donors,” said Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Penny Rue, who designated $15,000 from the Parents Innovation Fund to underwrite student participation in the race. “This event is a great, healthy way for students to de-stress prior to finals, while also giving back to support future Tritons.”

Established in 1996, the Triton 5K (formerly the Chancellor’s Challenge 5K Run/Walk for Scholars) is a favorite campus tradition. The annual event has raised more than $3 million since its inception, benefiting more than 900 motivated and ambitious students with scholarship support.

“I don’t know how to express my gratitude,” said Conrad Holda, a freshman planning to major in aerospace engineering. Holda chose to attend UC San Diego over UCLA and UC Berkeley largely because of the Chancellor’s Scholarship he received, which is supported by the 5K.

“With the scholarship support, I am able to focus more on my studies and service, with less concern about my financial situation,” he added. “Thanks to Triton 5K donors and participants, I will have a memorable college experience that will help me grow as an engineer.”

This year, for the first time, the Triton 5K will be sanctioned by USA Track and Field (USATF). The race has also been moved from October to June to become an integral part of Alumni Weekend, June 6-9. The 5K will now feature a festival, Kids Fun Run and “virtual race” option. Event organizers hope that by moving the race to a weekend, more alumni, families and community members will be able to participate, in addition to students, staff and faculty.

Created with families in mind, the new Kids Fun Run portion of the event features a kid-friendly short course that includes a 100-meter dash with King Triton, wave starts based on age groups, a Triton Treasure Hunt and medals for children who complete the course. Children ages 12 and under are welcome to participate.

Following the race will be a festival with live music, a healthy living fair and runners market, among other activities.

We’d like to extend a special invitation to parents and families to join this campus tradition and contribute to a legacy that will last long into the future. Whether you run or walk the course, “virtually” participate by supporting an existing team, or simply make a gift to scholarships, your involvement will help build a bright future for today’s students and generations of future Tritons.

For complete information about the Triton 5K, including registration, festival activities, sponsorships and more, visit 5k.ucsd.edu.

The Triton 5K is one of many ways that parents and families can get involved and make a difference in their students’ college experience. To learn more, visit parentfamilygiving.ucsd.edu or contact Suzanne McClain, director of Parent and Family Giving, at (858) 822-2867 or summclain@ucsd.edu.
Make Hotel Reservations Today!

Families are encouraged to make travel plans, hotel arrangements, and car rental reservations early. Approximately 4,000 undergraduate students graduate from UC San Diego each year, and therefore hotels in the area reach occupancy quickly.

UC San Diego Parent & Family Programs has partnered with Bartell Hotels to offer parents, students, families, alumni, and friends reduced hotel rates at some of the finest properties in San Diego. Every time you stay at one of the Bartell Hotels’ seven distinguished properties, they will donate a percentage of that total room cost to support student scholarships at UC San Diego and promote university events. To take advantage of these special rates and make a reservation for your family, call (800) 345-9995 or visit tritonfamilydestinations.com.

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Warren College Commencement Information

Congratulations on your student’s wonderful achievement! The following tips will help ensure a successful commencement ceremony for our students and their guests.

- The ceremony starts PROMPTLY at 8:00 AM on UCSD’s RIMAC Field on Sunday, June 16. Graduates should arrive NO LATER THAN 7:00 AM; guests should arrive early as well. Please keep in mind that there will be a significant amount of vehicular traffic on campus that morning, so allow ample time to find parking and secure seats on the field. We expect the ceremony to last approximately 2 to 2.5 hours.

- Tickets are not required for guests at the Earl Warren College Commencement. Only graduates are required to have tickets to enter the graduate seating area. Graduates will receive their tickets when they rent their caps and gowns from the UCSD Bookstore in June. Please note that only graduates are permitted in the graduate seating area.

- We encourage you to carpool to campus, as parking is limited. Please enter campus from the North Point entrance and follow the parking signs and directions from parking attendants. Parking spaces in lots directly adjacent to RIMAC Field will fill early and attendants will direct traffic to additional campus lots as necessary.

- There is a wealth of Commencement information for graduates and guests on the Warren College website. We encourage you to refer to our website for parking directions, special information for disabled guests, and additional details about the ceremony: warren.ucsd.edu/academics/commencement/

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