

## CSN Chronicle: News for Faculty and Staff September 2009

### Calendar of Events

Major CSN events are posted on the web home page. Refer to it frequently so you know what's happening.

We have the Cesar Chavez Scholarship Breakfast on September 22 at the Cheyenne campus. The ground breaking for the fire station is scheduled for September 30, and we've added a college-wide social at the Henderson campus on October 24<sup>th</sup> to which all faculty and staff are invited.

Hispanic Heritage Month has many events and activities. Attend and enjoy.

### Additional Role for the CSN Cabinet

In addition to its communication and coordination role, the cabinet will be the CSN Effectiveness Council, monitoring college-wide assessment and improvement initiatives. We post the minutes of the Cabinet as soon as they are approved so you can stay informed about the College.

### H1N1 Preparations

We continue to monitor H1N1 flu directives from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and other agencies. Jim Nelson and Jean Wolff of the CSN Environmental Health and Safety Office track national and state developments, as they did during spring semester. As needed we will activate the flu web site and continue to provide information for faculty, staff and students. If you have questions, Jim and Jean would be happy to address them. You will be able to find pertinent information regarding H1N1 at the following site: [www.csn.edu/h1n1](http://www.csn.edu/h1n1)

### Registration Fee Increase

One of the outcomes of the Legislative Session was the need for institutions to add a second increase to registration fees. At a meeting of the Board of Regents in June, a registration fee increase of 5% was added to the 5% originally approved for the 2009-2010 biennium. The increase will be effective in January 2010.

### Learning Centers

Another outcome of the Legislative Session was decisions on six centers that were once identified for closure if the Governor's budget were adopted. Here was their disposition:

*A.D. Guy:* The facility has reverted to the owner—the Boys and Girls Club. The CSN staff person was transferred to another assignment within the College. The CSN workforce division has offered to provide classes as needed at the Club's invitation.

*Boulder City:* Mr. Bill Smith has generously offered to fund the Center's operations for three years.

*Downtown:* The center at the Latin Chamber of Commerce was handled in

the same way as the Guy Center. The CSN lease was terminated; the staff person was transferred to another assignment within the College, and the workforce division has offered to provide classes at the Chamber's invitation. In this case, we are also working with Nevada Partners on the possibility of training entry-level nurses at the Chamber facility, if a federal grant is funded.

*Lincoln County:* We have committed to leave this Center open for a year while federal funding under the workforce investment act is requested. Without that funding, the Center will not be viable.

*Moapa:* Credit enrollments at this center have nearly doubled. We have kept it in operation.

*Sahara West:* This facility is now entirely dedicated to workforce development.

### Kudos from the Department of Education

"Nevada is a model state," said a DOE visitor regarding our career and technical education programs and structure. CSN welcomed three individuals from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Vocational and Adult Education (OVAE), two individuals from the State of Nevada Department of Education, and four individuals from CCSD. The visitors were introduced to the CSN health sciences and adult education

program. In the end, the OVAE team appreciated the opportunity to discuss issues and visit CSN.

### **Parking**

As classes begin this week, parking, a continuing challenge for us, will be a problem in Henderson (we're working on an overflow area), and at West Charleston. We expect 440 new stalls available around Labor Day.

### **Financial Aid**

More students now than ever before at CSN are using financial aid to pay for their classes.

Applications for federal aid are up 80 percent over last year. Our financial aid office is doing a tremendous job serving the growing number of students.

### **Congratulations to new Department Chairs**

Randy Harwood,  
Computing and  
Electronics Technology

Clarissa Cota, interim,  
Business Administration

Janice Glasper, Dental,  
Diagnostic, and  
Rehabilitation

### **Welcome new faculty members:**

*Department of  
Accounting & Office  
Administration*  
Sheldon Mendelson

*Department of Applied Technology*  
Benjamin Williams  
Chieko Fukushima  
Nancy Snow

*Department of Biological Sciences*  
Ellis Michael Antoon

*Department of Communication*  
Jenny Farrell  
Michele Fogg  
April Hebert  
Kimberly Huff  
Raymond Puchot

*Department of Dental Sciences,  
Diagnostic Evaluation & Rehabilitation  
Services*  
Dianna Ladesic  
Karen Portillo  
Hosia Towery

*Department of English*  
Elisabeth McLaren  
Nalin Pant  
Edward Baldwin  
Kevin Boyle  
Gerald Ferraro  
Karen Pearson  
Abby Rotstein

*Department of Fine Arts*  
Jennifer Kuk-Bonora

*Department of Health Related  
Professions*  
Cheryll Carlock-Arinwine  
Kathryn Oman  
Roni Mauro

*Department of Hospitality Management*  
Mark DiStefano

*Department of Human Behavior*  
Michael Bakst  
Scott Gregory  
David LeBaron  
Bekki Jo Trusty  
Christopher Whelan  
Benjamin Wilreker

*Department of International  
Languages*  
Amy Litman  
Lori Piotrowski

*Department of Mathematics*  
Eun Cha  
Aaron Harris  
Lois Karasa  
Josh Martin  
Charles Pagan

*Department of Nursing*  
Sherri Lindsey

*Department of Physical Sciences*  
Bud Benneman

*Department of Public Safety &  
Human Services*  
Margaret Clayton

*Department of Social Sciences*  
Kenneth Hochstetter  
Don Mirjanian  
Sheri Perez  
Juliette Stevens  
Chad Waucaush

Welcome to CSN!

### **Furlough Reminder**

Just a reminder on the voluntary program, employees need to select an option or default to the mandated approach for FY 11. Also classified employees cannot be asked to work overtime, standby, etc. during the week of their furlough.

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<http://twitter.com/CSNCoyote!>

--Mike Richards