Happy Retirement, Chief Morris!

Chief Morris has been a fixture of the CSUCI Police Department since 2006, when he joined as a Lieutenant. A law enforcement officer since 1992, Chief Morris served in the police departments of both CSU Bakersfield and the City of Lemoore before coming to CSUCI. In 2017, he was appointed as the Chief of Police at CSUCI, a position which includes oversight of not only the University Police Department, but also the Transportation & Parking, Environmental Health & Safety, and Emergency Management programs.

Chief Morris's last day is May 31, 2021. Please join us in congratulating him on his new life adventure!
To all Administrative Professionals:

You’re the first to arrive, last one to head out,
Your contributions are everywhere,
When we need a helping hand,
Without hesitation you are always there,

You look out for us, protector of departments,
Attention to detail, not one email missed,
You know what we want before we ask,
You’re always happy to assist,

You wear many hats, big and small,
Many of them we seldom see,
Your superpowers include super strength, juggling,
And big time smarts, knowing practically everything,

You’re working on this, those, and that,
Somehow all at the same time,
We see you here, there, everywhere,
Never a complaint from you, not even a whine,

You’re our fire fighter, event planner,
Contract pro, project manager, and more,
Excel sheets, lots of monitor screens,
Your high-level skills we adore (and envy),

You are friendly, sweet as syrup,
Your personality always shines,
When dealing with the difficult kind,
You are professional and your presence is still divine,

Although not much, we hope you enjoy this poem,
There is so much more we could say,
We share with you a virtual hug,
And wish you a happy administrative professionals’ day!

Thank you for all that you do.
COFFEE & TEA
Staff Appreciation Day
Friday May 7th

RAGAMUFFIN
111 N. Reino Rd.
HOURS: 7am - 6pm

CAMARILLO
2364 Ventura Blvd.
HOURS: 7am - 12pm

OXNARD
550 Collection Blvd
HOURS: 8am - 6pm

VENTURA
1124 S. Seward Ave
HOURS: 7am - 12pm

BROOME LIBRARY
HOURS: 7am - 9:30am, 11am - 1:30pm

*If you're working on campus, please complete this RSVP form by May 3rd.

Cl Staff Council invites you for a coffee/tea and a pastry at any of these locations!!!

Please bring your Staff ID and check-in at the location
Fundraisers!

Celebrate Mom!

Help Staff Council by Ordering See’s Candies!

Order Here!

Available Now – April 30th

THANKYOU
Fundraisers are in support of the CI Staff Council. If you can support the fundraiser, you will be helping to build funds to bring back some of our annual events and staff activities, such as professional development, community building, etc.

AVON
CSUCI STAFF COUNCIL FUNDRAISING

15% OF ALL PROCEEDS GO TO STAFF COUNCIL WHEN YOU SHOP AT WWW.AVON.COM/FUNDRAISER/CSUCISTAFFCOUNCIL

Need a Mother's Day gift?
Sunscreen for your summer vacation? A new favorite scent?
A make-up refresh?

Fundraiser runs from April 20th to May 4th!
The Pink Dolphins:
The Pink Dolphins was created as a support community where we can talk about breast cancer treatment options, health tips, share hopes and fears, and provide a virtual nod of understanding as we have each walked this path. Healing happens when we help others, so join us and let us provide the positive support that promotes optimum health.
- For meetings:
  - Monthly meetings via Zoom (for now), and a Teams group where we can connect with questions and answers between meetings.
- To join, please email bonnie.landau@csuci.edu.

Book Club Affinity Group:
- This is a fun, informal opportunity to read one book a month and meet with your colleagues once a month to discuss it. Meetings with the group usually occur the last week of the month during 12-1 p.m. on the day that the group selects and then a new book is selected by the group. If you are interested in joining, please email christine.joyau@csuci.edu.

Self Care Affinity Group:
- A support group to learn self care tips, spend time with one another, express feelings, and more.
  - If you are interested in joining, please fill out our welcome survey.

1:1 Coffee Affinity Group:
- Members will be paired monthly to have a “Get to Know a Co-Worker” virtual coffee, at a time that works best for the pair. This will be an informal group to allow each person to get to know a colleague better and to expand our network of support at CI!
- To join, please email annie.block-weiss@csuci.edu.

Challenge!: There is an earth 🌍 hidden within the newsletter. First 3 people to email ci.staffcouncil@csuci.edu with a screenshot of the earth will receive a small prize!
Cl Staff Council Celebrates

YOU!

Have you or will you be hitting a milestone in your service to CI? Let us know by filling out this form! We would like to feature you in our next Newsletter and on Instagram in honor of your dedicated service.

Thank you

A message from the Division of Business & Financial Affairs:

It is hard to believe that it has been more than a year since the stay-at-home order was initially set in place. No doubt you have had many challenges and you have adapted to keep CSUCI providing the high-level educational experience we are all proud of. These adaptations come in many different shapes and sizes, but each are important. As we near the close of the 20-21 fiscal year, take a moment to reflect on the changes and adaptations you have made. Many of these changes have provided you with increased efficiency and helped you and your team work even better than before. Each year the Organizational Effectiveness program collects all the campus efficiency improvements into an annual report that is submitted to the President's Cabinet and the Chancellors Office. In FY 19-20, CSUCI saved $607,573 in efficiency savings! We are hoping to surpass that number in FY20-21, but we need your help to identify and submit your improvements!

Ask yourself these questions:
- Have I started using a program or system that has replaced a manual or paper process?
- Are there any processes that were made simpler or now have fewer steps?
- Are you noticing you are spending less time on something that used to take a longer time?

If you can respond “yes” to any of these please contact Brian Lindgren in the Organizational Effectiveness office to report the efficiency improvement (brian.lindgren@csuci.edu).
Please submit your recipes and look for the Virtual Cook Book in the Newsletter: https://csuci.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6qV7J7KQ1KB1Zj
GOING GREEN
Green isn’t just a fad, green is fueling the future of energy.

SOLAR ARRAY
BY ROXANNE BEIGEL-CORYELL
CSU Channel Islands is thrilled to see the start of construction on the university’s first solar array. The system being installed in the flood plain adjacent to University Drive and Lewis Road is designed to provide approximately 68% of the university’s electricity from the sun. Adding this solar power to CI’s energy mix will reduce the campus’s greenhouse gas emissions an estimated 14% compared to electricity purchased from Southern California Edison (SCE). The project is being completed through a 30-year Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with REC Solar. Using a PPA means the university will pay for the power generated by the system and incurs very few upfront costs for the project design and construction. The PPA also provides a less expensive cost for electricity than power purchased from SCE, saving the university an estimated $8 million over the 30-year contract. The system will consist of more than 12,000 solar panels mounted on piles designed to be above the maximum flood level to ensure the panels do not get submerged in a severe storm event. CI hopes to start energizing the campus with the sun’s rays upon completion of construction this summer. To learn more, link to the Facilities Services Sustainability site.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING
BY MAGGIE DOMINGO
There are 9 EV parking stalls on campus: two stalls in parking lot A1, five stalls in parking lot A3, and two stalls in a courtyard behind Chaparral Hall. A valid parking permit is required to avoid citation in these stalls. To maximize the benefit for everyone, some of these stalls have a time limit of four hours to increase stall turnaround. In addition to parking, other sustainability efforts in transportation and parking include Alternative Transportation Resources.

TIPS FOR HOME AND WORK
BY ROXANNE BEIGEL-CORYELL
- Turn off lights, use daylight
- Unplug non-use electrical devices
- Close and seal windows and doors
- Use water refill stations
- Reduce paper use, go digital
- Fix/report leaky faucets

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Earth Month Events
April 1-30: CSU wide Eco Challenge - sign up! (Prizes included)

Campus Sustainability Events Link
A Message from the newly formed Asian/Asian American Pacific Islander Faculty & Staff Association (AAPIFSA):

Hello all,

We are a taskforce members of the Asian/Asian American Pacific Islander Faculty & Staff Association (AAPIFSA), which has been recently created to provide support as well as increase campus awareness of the needs and challenges faced by CI students, staff, and faculty from Asian and Pacific Islander heritages. Increased racial violence and the growth of hate crimes exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic have made the formation of AAPIFSA even more urgent and necessary.

Our main action items are to 1) create a Campus Prevention Guide and Toolkit for Hate Crimes/Violence, 2) propose Ethnic Studies courses focusing on Asian American Communities and Cultures, 3) write grant proposals to secure funds for activities, events, and programs to promote a sense of belonging and facilitate academic and professional success for students, staff, and faculty from Asian and Pacific Islander heritages, and 4) form a faculty and staff association to serve on the needs of these communities.

To have well-represented collective voices from the community and to stand united against racism in order to stop it, we believe creating an effective communication system including a listserv is imperative to share our thoughts and support each other.

We invite you to join our Association.

If you are interested in joining or learning more about our collective efforts for the movement, please fill out this form.

Or copy and paste the URL below into your internet browser:
https://csuci.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_393jj2EQ8yl4ohE

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Sincerely,
Taskforce Team:
Jill Huang, Kimmy Kee-Rose, Mayumi Kowta, HyeSun Lee, Sohui Lee, Zhong John Lu, Hyunsook Youn

DO YOU CURRENTLY SERVE ON A CSUCI COMMITTEE? We are collecting which staff are serving on which committees! Please email us & let us know: ci.staffcouncil@csuci.edu
April is Stress Awareness Month

Learning to cope with our stress and finding healthy ways to deal with these situations can go a long way in living a healthy and positive life. After all, stress can impact many aspects of your body.

Try to...

- Recognize when you don’t have control, and let it go.
- Avoid getting anxious about situations that you cannot change.
- Take control of your reactions and focus your mind on something that makes you feel calm and in control.
- Develop a vision for healthy living, wellness, and personal growth, and set realistic goals to help you realize your vision.

Staff Spotlight - Now With a Gift from Staff Council!

Do you know a fellow colleague who deserves to be recognized in our next In the Loop Newsletter Staff Spotlight section? Please click here to nominate! Your nomination message can be quoted here so that everyone can learn just how awesome that staff member is.

New for 2021: Special gift provided to featured staff!

Curious about Staff Council? Join our Monthly Meeting!

We send you emails, put on staff community events, and ask you to attend or participate in our fundraisers - but what does Staff Council really do? Learn more by attending one of our monthly meetings. Meetings are open to anyone who wishes to attend. We meet the third Tuesday of every month.

Mark your calendar, our next meeting is Tuesday, May 18 from 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m., via Zoom. Please visit our Minutes and Agendas page on our Staff Council webpage to access each month's Zoom link. Feel free to stay the full session or as long as your schedule permits.

Connect with YOUR Staff Council!

@CI_StaffCouncil

Questions? Comments?

https://www.csuci.edu/staff/council/