October Staff Spotlights

Jon "JB" Brooks, Audio Visual Specialist

A word from his colleague:
"Have you ever wondered who that man with the long dreadlocks is that moseys on in to an event and sits by the tech equipment in the back of the room? Well – that is Jon Brooks, or J'b as he is affectionately known about campus! J'b is a busy man, that takes care of over 180 events per year. He makes sure the audio and video needs of the event are all set for the event coordinator. He is an incredible asset for the campus that has worked here since 2002! Not only does he help our campus in an extraordinary way, but he is also a musician and DJ who takes part in community events throughout the county and beyond! If you have never introduced yourself, be sure to stop by his spot at an event, or his van - when he is rolling around campus, to say hi, and thank him for the work that he does to make the events run smoothly."

Sergio Melano, Irrigation Specialist

A word from his colleague:
"Sergio Melano has been employed by the campus since 2011. He began as a Groundsworker, worked as a Facilities Worker for a period of time, before returning to his Groundsworker position. In 2014, he shifted into the position of Irrigation Specialist. Sergio has served the campus well, in its water conservation efforts that brought us though the drought of 2015. You can often see him putting in extra time, during daylight savings time hours, on special projects to help the campus. If you happen to see him out and about on campus, working hard as always, be sure to take a moment to say thank you for all of his efforts."

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. Please share a picture of staff nominee to be featured!
October 30 - CSUCI Biology Fall Harvest Festival
Carving and Decorating Contest at Modoc Hall
3 PM - 6 PM  The Biology Program, The Basic Needs Program and Staff Council, invite you to come carve or decorate a pumpkin! Join us, individually, or bring your team for some team building, camaraderie, fun, music and snacks. **Judging will occur from 5pm to 5:30pm, so be sure to get there to work on your masterpiece on time!** The top 3 vote-getters will receive a prize!

October 31 – Department Halloween Decorating Contest and Individual Costume Contest – Cheers for Fears!

**Department Decorating:** Get your department together and select on a theme! Sign up [HERE](#) by **Thursday, October 24** to be included in the contest. We will post a list of the participating Departments in the News Center and the Staff Council Newsletter.

**Vote for your favorites HERE** by 8 AM, Nov. 1st! The top 3 vote-getters will receive a prize!

**Individual Costume Contest:** Feel like dressing up “to the nines” for Halloween? Participate in the Individual Costume Contest, by submitting your photo to: **Tom Emens by 11 AM on Oct 31.** The photos will be placed into an official electronic ballot that will be accessed from the News Center or Facebook around noon. **Voters be sure to vote by 8 AM, Nov. 1st.** The top 3 vote-getters will receive a prize! Votes for both contests will be tallied on Friday, November 1, by 9 AM. Photos of all contest participants will also be posted on our CSUCI social media pages.
October Fundraising

Chocolate Lovers Re-Unite!
Satisfy your chocolate cravings with your favorite World’s Finest chocolate bars!
Cost: $1
Where to Buy:
- **Sage Hall** - Room 2117
- **Trinity Hall** - Room: IT Offices
- **Lindero Hall** - Rooms: 2770 & 1804
- **Ironwood Hall** - Room: Facilities Work Center Front Office
- **Bell Tower West** - Room: 2158

Big Savings with Big Brand Tire & Service
CI Staff Council is currently selling certificates for Big Brand Tire & Service, that are valued at over $200! These certificates include two separate visits for oil/filter change, tire rotation/inflation, and maintenance /fluid top off services. This certificate also has some coupons for discounts on tires, brakes, shocks and more. They available for purchase for only $25 and 100% of the proceeds go back to the CI Staff Council. They are valid for one year from date of purchase and can be used at any Big Brand Tire & Service location for your vehicle needs. If you are interested in purchasing a big brands tire certificate, or have any questions, please contact Martha at martha.ferguson@csuci.edu.
Pink Patch Project has returned! Proceeds from CSUCI’s Pink Patch Project will go to support a scholarship for CSUCI students who have had cancer or who have been impacted by cancer. To make a donation, please click here.

In addition to Pink Patch Project’s on campus fundraising efforts and online sales, this year they will be hosting the following two fundraiser events at local restaurants:

1. **California Pizza Kitchen Pizza with a Purpose**  
   **Date:** 10/9/2019 (Wednesday)  
   **Time:** Lunch – Dinner – Take Out  
   **Location:** The Lakes @ Thousand Oaks  
   2200 E. Thousand Oaks Blvd.  
   Thousand Oaks, CA  
   805 -777-1778  
   **Bring This Flyer With You When Attending**

2. **Toppers Pizza Night**  
   **Date:** 10/23/2019 (Wednesday)  
   **Time:** 3:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
   **Location:** Toppers Camarillo  
   425 Arneill Rd. Camarillo, CA  
   805-385-4444 or 805-495-4444  
   **Bring This Flyer With You When Attending**

Please help spread the word about these two events and pass along the associated flyers!
CI Staff Council invites you to support our Dolphins at an upcoming game!
See following link for up to date Intramural Sports home game schedule:
Google Calendar

Not sure which game to attend? Consider attending the Women Soccer home game on October 26 (see google calendar link for details). President Beck will be attending and distributing ice cream to all attendees.

GO DOLPHINS!
The President’s Advisory Council on Inclusive Excellence will be hosting the second round of Courageous Conversations About Campus Climate. Last spring, the inaugural Campus Climate survey results were released, and the Council is continuing to facilitate campus-wide discussions focusing on specific data points, found on pages 23-25 section 4.2, from the report found here. This past May, the Council facilitated a campus-wide discussion focusing on Sources of Stress for faculty and staff, with an emphasis on Experiences of Prejudice and/or Acts of Bias.

The President’s Advisory Council is continuing these discussions throughout the Fall and Spring semesters, and the second and third rounds of our Courageous Conversations will focus on Perceptions of Respect Among Employees on Campus. All faculty and staff (non-MPP) are invited to participate in these conversations to create a more supportive campus climate.

Faculty Discussion:
Respect Among Employees on Campus
October 8, 2019
2:00-4:30pm
Library 1320
RSVP Here

Staff & MPP's Discussion: Respect Among Employees on Campus
October 8, 2019
2:00-4:30pm
Malibu 100
RSVP Here

Faculty and Staff (non-MPP): Respect Among Employees on Campus
November 19, 2019
2:00-4:30pm
Malibu 100
RSVP Here

During the Spring 2020 semester, the fourth and fifth rounds of Courageous Conversations will focus on Perceptions of Institutional Priorities and Experiences of Harassment and/or Insensitive Remarks. Details and information will be forthcoming.
CSUCI Science Carnival - Request for Volunteers!

CSUCI's Annual Science Carnival is looking for additional volunteers. Please click here for contact info to sign-up!

Please click here for Spanish & English flyer - post, share, forward, attend!

Last but certainly never least...

Thank you to everyone for your support for CI Staff Council! Our previous Chipotle fundraising event was a success and we thank you for your attendance! ❤

Curious about Staff Council?

We send you emails, invite you to lunches, 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, October 15 from 10:00am-11:00am in Broome Library 2533. No need to RSVP. Feel free to stay the full hour, or as long as your schedule permits.
Thanks For Stopping By!
Thank you to our fellow staff who stopped by the Benefits Fair last month to say hello. And congrats to those who won a desk plant from us! We hope you enjoy!