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IT'S A QUOTE

"There is more to life than simply increasing its speed."

—mahatma gandhi

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ARIZONA STUDENT UNIONS

ENJOY THE RIDE!

—dan adams

AS WE ALL know, the end of August signals the beginning of a new semester and academic year. Lines are long and the questions many. It is both an exciting time and a time that takes its toll on our energy as we work hard to meet campus needs and reopen our many operations.

The word "new" takes on a special meaning this time of year...we have new employees, new students, new operations, new programs, a new football coach, new ideas, and on and on. It seems the pace of activity is lightning fast and there is barely time to catch our breath before our next challenge is in front of us.

Be patient...in about another week the pace will settle into a more predictable pattern. Folks will have learned that eating lunch at exactly noon may not be the best plan if you hope to avoid lines. Students will have figured out that college has an academic component and faculty expectations has slowed their return-to-school party life. Our new employees will have a better feel for what the Unions are about and what job expectations we have for them...some will adapt, others will choose to move on to something else (probably looking for an easier job elsewhere).

As for our full-time employees, we can learn a little something from the western heritage of the Southwest. Many who ride horses will tell you to tighten up the saddle cinch, sit on the horse, ride a little and then retighten the cinch. That helps to make sure the rider and the saddle are adjusted well to the horse. The same holds true as we move into the next few weeks...we've started the semester (saddled the horse) and its time to make the adjustments (tighten the cinch) that permit us to move through the semester. With your help and dedication to doing the best we know how to do, we can all enjoy the ride! ■



Dan Adams, Arizona Student Unions Director, speaks to Union employees at the Fish Refresher course.

ATENCION-A TODOS LOS EMPLEADOS:

Recuerda la fecha limite para asegurar los servicios de salud, dental, vision y seguros de vida etc. Septiembre 10 es el ultimo dia de asegurar los beneficios necesarios para cada persona. De lo contrario usted no podra ser elegible hasta el proximo ano 2005.

Si usted tiene alguna pregunta por favor llame Rosemarie o Betsy en 621-9460, o Patti en 621-5735. Usted puede recibir también la ayuda llamando (800) 304-3687. La dirección de sitio Web para matricularse de nuevo es: www.benefitoptions.az.gov

BIRTHDAYS

FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES CELEBRATING THEIR SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS. HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

September

- 1 Marylyn Shilling
- 3 Kevin Nutter
- 9 Corrie Knoll
- 11 George Ortega
- 14 Grace Godoy
- 14 Mao Maple
- 14 Peter Mendivil
- 16 Terry Pichardo
- 16 Corey Seemiller
- 19 Ana Villalva
- 20 Eddie Contreras
- 23 Jose Enriquez
- 26 Nick Adamakis
- 26 Jorge Madrigal
- 27 Terence Thompson
- 28 Guadalupe Lopez

October

- 2 Eduvigis Arvizu
- 2 Robert Keiser
- 4 Ernest Dawson
- 5 Paul Carter
- 7 Alfred Pesquera
- 8 Dolores Dilk
- 9 Martina Light
- 10 Paulina Rocha
- 12 Gordon Steffens
- 18 Virginia Alonso
- 20 Andrew Sandate
- 23 Socorro Burke
- 26 Lawrence Alston
- 27 Kristi Van Os
- 28 Kimberly Celaya
- 31 Margaret Lowe



WE ALSO WISH A "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" TO ALL OF OUR STUDENT EMPLOYEES!

EMPLOYEE NEWZ

IQ Fresh Opens

IQ Fresh opened August 23 to a rousing success. IQ Fresh offers healthy, tasty and unique food options students have been asking for.

With specialty wraps, gourmet salads, breakfast bagels and signature IQ smoothies, the University community now has more healthy options than ever before for breakfast, lunch and dinner in the Union food court.

David Galbraith, Dining Services Director said "in response to parents requests as well as feedback from the campus, we developed IQ Fresh to specifically offer healthy options over traditional fast food type operations."

David added "gauging student response during the first week was beyond our expectations and we think we have met the need for providing the campus with fresh, healthy food alternatives."

OPEN ENROLLMENT

The September 10th Open Enrollment deadline is fast approaching. We have many benefits eligible employees that have yet to enroll. Remember, if you do not re-enroll by September 10th you will be **without benefits** (health, dental, vision and standard life insurance) until the following year, **October 2005**.

If you have any questions please call Rosemarie or Betsy at 621-9460, or Patti at 621-5735. You can also receive help by calling (800) 304-3687. The web address to re-enroll is:

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Director's Advisory Group

The Directory Advisory Group (DAG) is currently working on the strategic plan and other important Union issues. If you have any questions, feedback, or issues you want discussed, please contact a member directly (see below).



Director's Advisory Group members, 1 to r--front row: Bill Shiba, Tori Christie, Kathy Adams-Riester, Chrissy Lieberman, Chelsea Ewer, Gina Broussard. 2nd row: Heidi Canfield, TJ Willis, Patti Waters, Brett Brestel.

EMPLOYEE PROFILE

—carrie clark

THIS MONTH'S EMPLOYEE profile features Melissa Dojaquez, the Meal Plan office's new shining star. Melissa graduated from Sabino High School and continued on to Graduate from the UA in 1998 majoring in Family Studies and Psychology. While attending school here she spent two years working as an orientation leader. Melissa has volunteered in several community areas such as hospitals, schools and kindergardens, and worked for resorts, hotels and banquet bartending. She started working in the Meal Plan office as a temp and says she just sort of fell into accounting and found that she loves it!

Melissa is a Tucson native born at Tucson Medical Center and grew up with three sisters. One sister works at UMC as a Genetic Counselor and in poison control and her two younger sisters still in school are avid ballet dancers performing in such programs as the Nutcracker. Dad is a calculus teacher and football coach at Sahuarita High School while Mom is an activities director for a retirement community. Melissa's husband also works on campus for the cryogenics department.

Melissa and her husband Francisco enjoy camping, hiking, running, gardening and movies. Vacationing in San Diego to visit friends is also tops on recreation. They enjoy walking and playing with their two dogs Samson (rescue) and Foe (wolf Shepard). Currently they have a new project in the works. Planning and preparing a nursery for the new baby expected in December. Congratulations!■



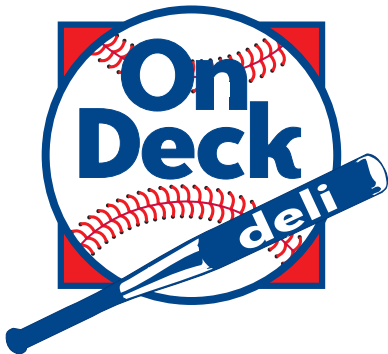
DINING NEWZ

—tori christie

LETS GET IT STARTED! (IN THE DELI, THAT IS)

THEY'RE BACK AND they're demanding, demanding more choices, great quality, fast service, and value for the dollar! And the good folks at the On Deck Deli have answered. Under the direction of **Martha Mantione**, Supervisors **Grace Alaya**, **Carol Underwood** and **Pete Medevil** have added a new layer of dimension to the Deli in the form of customer service and added choices for your dining pleasure.

When you stop by for a terrific sandwich be sure to try one of the new bread selections, such as the Sicilian Hard Roll, or new meat options. You might have a hard time making up your mind what goes inside! Gone are the days when you had only mayo and mustard to choose from. How about some Horseradish Sauce? Or maybe the Avocado Cream? Chipotle Aioli? No wait! It has to be the Wasabi cream! Top it off with some refreshing Tazo Iced Tea and you'll be in Deli heaven.■



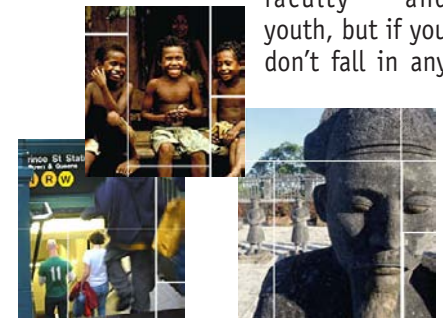
RETAIL CORNER

STA TRAVEL

HAVE YOU EVER thought of trekking up to Machu Pichu or about taking that cruise down the Mexican Riviera? STA Travel can help you achieve these goals and others. We can help you on your trip to see Mom and Dad, or that trip around the world that you have always done. STA Travel is the world's largest student travel agency. We have over one hundred offices across the United States (with one at the Student Union Memorial Center), and over four hundred around the world in sixteen different countries.

We can help you with everything about your trip. We have access to hotels and hostels all around the world that give us contracts that they don't give others, plus we can show you pictures of the properties. We can book your family vacation to Disneyland.

We do specialize in the student market, but we do also have discounts for faculty and youth, but if you don't fall in any



of these categories don't give up, we are still here for you and can help you out. We will do everything to make that next trip magical. So come by if you need advise, need some tips, or need to make the plans for that next vacation, we are here for you.

Located on the main floor of the SUMC, we are open Monday through Friday, 9:30am to 5:30pm. Please stop by or call us at (520) 626-0054.

STA TRAVEL

WE'VE BEEN THERE.

Editor's note: The Retail Corner features monthly articles on the Arizona Student Unions' retail partners—STA Travel, Great Clips, CatCard, Wells Fargo, and Kaplan Test Prep.

OPERATIONS CORNER

—dave parker

WELL, I CAN honestly say that this was the most productive Operations and Maintenance summer that I have experienced. Maintenance worked tirelessly to complete the Modern Language Cart, IQ Fresh and the Highland Market. In addition they have painted all over both buildings (and continue to do so), connected water in bathrooms, run new electrical circuits, serviced all kitchen and HVAC equipment, installed quieter wheels on a select group of dining service carts, and in their spare time tackled an additional 500 work requests.

Not to be outdone, Event Services waxed, mopped, shined, and cleaned everything that wasn't moving (and even a few moving items) during the summer. They also managed to get every piece of furniture in the SUMC steam cleaned and scotch-guarded, in addition to managing one of the busiest summers of events and conferences yet. Computer Support does what they always do, provide a quality system with a minimum of downtime (I only remember one all summer and it wasn't our fault).

At PSU, it looked slow on the outside, but inside and around the building, the contractors did finish the long punch-list of items that had been carried over from January. Take a friend to lunch at PSU and look over our new and finished addition. On the construction side, the Alumni Plaza continues on. The completion date has held over the summer and is still the end of October. The good news is that they were able to completely open the North/South path past the food court prior to school opening.

Finally, I wanted to announce some of our recent personnel moves. We hired five new Operation Managers for PSU and SUMC: **Paul Williamson**, **Deva Coopamah**, **Javier Escobar**, **Kris Cabulong**, and **Jamie Huber**. In addition, **Xavier Diaz** was hired as Evening Event Services Mover. We also had a few promotions, **Glenn Loftis** is our new Morning Event Services Coordinator, **Tony Diaz** is our new Multi Media Instructional Associate and **Mark McGehee** is our new Custodian Lead. Please introduce yourself to the new staff and congratulate our promotees. ■

CSIL NEWZ

OFF-CAMPUS ONLINE

—heather gasser

A NEW OPTION for finding off-campus housing! Students looking for a new place to live have even more resources available to them now that the Arizona Student Unions' Off-Campus ONLINE is officially up and running. Off-Campus ONLINE, a new website run by Commuter Student Affairs,



was officially launched in the middle of this summer. The website contains three primary sections, "Find A Place," "Find A Roommate" and "List Your Place." Students can search the housing listings in the "Find a Place" section based on specific

criteria (location, price, type of residence, etc.), or they can look for another student to live with them by exploring the "Find a Roommate" listings. Currently, there are over 100 housing listings and over 120 roommate ads posted on the website.

Property owners who have a place to rent that they would like to advertise to students can quickly and easily place an ad to run in the "Find a Place" listings by setting up a free advertiser's account and then placing an ad in the "List your Place" area. Ads are currently only \$15 for 15 days (much cheaper than classified ads).

Happily, the volume of visitor traffic on Off-Campus ONLINE has exceeded all expectations by becoming the 3rd most frequented site on the Union homepage. Visit Off-Campus ONLINE at: www.union.arizona.edu/offcampus/online ■

PSU NOW OPEN

—tamara destefanis

THE WAIT IS over as Park Student Union opened this semester with many new services to brag about. Six TVs were installed along with the return of the big screen TV up in the dining space. All of these are wired into satellite TV and with NFL Sunday ticket, students can see just about every NFL game! A study lounge has been added with more computers for internet access. The courtyard looks great! Concrete was completed this summer and the landscaping has been planted. Two billiard tables have been placed upstairs in the dining area. The bookstore also opened up and looks incredible. We also have many exciting programs planned such as Jazz night every first and third Wednesday night of each month. Stay tuned for more events! ■

The new Park Student Union is now open. Check it out!

PSU Food Court HUNGRY? Check out... <ul style="list-style-type: none">• On Deck Deli• Route 66 Grill• IQ Smoothies• Hot Line PSU Food Court hours: Mon - Thur 10:30a-9p Friday 10:30a-7p Saturday 12p-6p Sunday 12p-9p	Park Place Convenience Store food options: Bruegger's, Coffee Cart, Domino's, Panda Express, PSU Food Court services: ATMs, Bookstore, CS Kiosk, E-mail stations, Fast Copy, Games Room, Info Desk, KAMP Radio, Meeting Rooms, Residence Life, Study/Computer Lounge, Student Media
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