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Will it be Easy to be Green?

The Chancellor's Committee on Sustainability is leading the UCR effort to become a green campus.

By Lisa O'Neill Hill

Chancellor France A. Córdova has formed a committee devoted to making the campus more environmentally friendly. That could mean small actions such as using citrus grown on campus in the sauces and drinks served in the dining hall, or big ones, like changing the way architects design new UCR buildings.

The efforts are among many at UCR aimed at meeting the needs of today's population without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. That philosophy and movement is called "sustainability."

On the second Monday of each month, the Chancellor's Committee on Sustainability meets to explore, among other initiatives, making UCR's landscaping drought tolerant, training managers to use energy-efficient equipment and recruiting students for a recycling program.

"Sustainability is a very broad-based initiative," said Ross Grayson, director of environmental health and safety. "You have to involve many different kinds of people from different organizations in order to fairly represent the subject as well as to take advantage of shared knowledge and synergy of the group. The committee was formed to bring all the stakeholders to the table."

Part of the committee's mission will be to help put in place sustainability initiatives supporting the UC President's Policy for Green Building Design and Clean Energy Standards.

Sustainability efforts already are evident all over the UCR campus, from fleet services, which has the largest alternative fuel vehicle fleet in the UC system, to physical plant, which has replaced standard light fixtures with low-energy ones. And at Lothian residence hall, students will soon drink orange juice made from UCR-grown fruit. An important component of the sustainability movement is using foods that are locally grown, rather than those that have been shipped across the country.

"Our students are very excited about having products from our own campus," said Kipp Dougherty, director of dining services.



Bus driver Benny Iverson stands next to UCR's Trolley Express line. The bus, which runs on biofuel made from soy beans, has been in use on campus for about two months and is part of the campus' sustainability effort. The campus also has two buses that run on compressed natural gas.

Students also have been pushing for more environmentally friendly practices. A student group, Sustainable UCR, has lobbied campus administrators to advance and promote sustainable programs. They have organized a vegetable-oil vehicle demonstration around the bell tower and are working toward bringing farmers' markets onto campus to support local, organic farming.

In other efforts, the university also has joined the California Climate Action Registry, a nonprofit, voluntary registry for greenhouse gas emissions. UCR will report its emissions from 2006 to the registry later this year. The university joined the registry in the wake of a recent law that seeks to reduce the state's greenhouse emissions to 1990 levels by 2020.

"So many on campus are working toward sustainable programs to benefit our community," said Margaret Souder, an environmental/hazardous materials specialist. "For one, it has potential energy cost savings and increased productivity."

Although far from a new movement, sustainability is gaining momentum, partially because of growing awareness about global warming, Grayson said.

"It's important for society that we all engage in this," Grayson said of sustainability practices. "I think it's important for UCR to set an example in this community of what can be done and how it can be done."

For more information about UCR's sustainability efforts, visit ehs.ucr.edu/sustainability/default.asp

Help Sustaining the Campus Environment:

- Buy computers only when necessary; recycle your old system; replace it with energy-efficient equipment. Recycle old computers through equipment management.
- Shut down your computer at the end of the day and use power management to put your computer to sleep when you aren't using it.
- Join a carpool, use public transportation or ride your bicycle instead of driving alone.
- Take your name off junk mail lists; use less paper or print on both sides.
- Recycle paper, cardboard, bottles, cans and newspapers in the blue recycling containers around campus.
- Choose recycled products.
- Support renewable energy on campus.

UCR Hires Family Medicine Scholar as Vice Provost for Health Affairs

Kiki Nocella will help plan proposed medical school.

By Iqbal Pittalwala

Kiki Nocella, a family medicine scholar, has been appointed the founding vice provost of health affairs at UC Riverside.

Nocella, a clinical assistant professor of family medicine at the University of Southern California's Keck School of Medicine, will play a leading role in developing UCR's medical school plans, while building research and health care delivery programs to improve the health of the medically underserved in Inland Southern California.

During her tenure at USC, Nocella also served as the vice chair for finance and administration for the Family Medicine Department at the Keck School of Medicine. Prior to working there, she served as the divisional administrator for the Department of Medicine at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, and as a fund-raising executive and consultant to a variety of non-profit organizations.

"Kiki is an energetic and inspiring leader," said UCR Chancellor France A. Córdova. "With her expertise in the physician workforce, residency program design and financing of graduate medical education, she brings invaluable knowledge to the start-up

of our medical school."

Initially, Nocella will assist in building components of the business plan for the medical school and developing plans for UCR's Center for Clinical Medical Education. She also will develop critical infrastructure for managing health-related fields on campus. Already, she has been advising UCR administrators in the development of medical residency programs.

Nocella has worked with various rural hospitals and communities in California regarding their operations, governance, business development and medical workforce. She has also consulted for various academic medical centers and regional health systems on the intricacies of graduate medical education financing and residency program design. She has established and moved multiple family medicine residency programs.

Nocella completed her Ph.D. in public administration at USC. Her dissertation was on the characteristics of family physicians who trained in California and who practice in rural areas. For the past three years, she has been the principal investigator on two federal grants focusing on planning and implementing health information technology in a rural community of California. Her research grants will follow her to UCR. She teaches both in the USC School of Policy, Planning and

Development and the Keck School of Medicine, and has lectured nationally and internationally on issues of rural health delivery, quality and workforce.

A certified member of the American College of Medical Practice Executives, Nocella serves on a variety of boards and advisory groups, including Secretary of the Board of the California State Rural Health Association, Center for Health Justice and the Board of the California Academy of Family Physicians Foundation. She also has served on multiple state-level rural committees and task forces.

In November 2006, UC Riverside's preliminary proposal to establish a School of Medicine received initial approval from the UC regents. The endorsement authorized UCR to proceed with planning for the school and to submit a full proposal for final approval. The university has begun a national search for a founding dean for the school.



Kiki Nocella

Campus Programs Target Student Success

By Kris Lovekin

UCR's success in graduating low-income students earned the campus some ink on the front page of the Chronicle of Higher Education recently. But that doesn't mean the campus can rest.

In fact, the subject of making sure students succeed and continue on to graduate has been getting a lot of attention on campus lately.

UCR's Academic Senate recently endorsed a 99-page report created over a period of 10 months by a Student Success Task Force chaired by Dean Reza Abbaschian.

The report makes these recommendations:

- Create first-year learning communities.
- Provide training and additional administrative support for student advisors, including a job classification that has a higher rate of pay and recognition for success.
- Make use of information gained from current student surveys to make changes in UCR programs.
- Provide advising resources for students who are undeclared.
- Get the word out about the campus' "first-year experiences" such as CHASS Connect, CNAS Scholars and the University Honors Program.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of the Freshman Discovery Seminars.
- Increase the use of instructional technology in the classrooms.
- Raise more money for scholarships.
- Make sure the campus Learning Center reports to the Vice Provost of Undergraduate Education.
- Integrate the UCR libraries into instructional support and student success programs and initiatives.
- Create a Center for Instructional Innovation to draw together tools for effective instruction.

"The campus is working quickly to implement these recommendations and we are already starting to see results," said Abbaschian. "I am proud of the work of this group and I think it will make a difference in the long-term success of UC Riverside."

In addition to Abbaschian, members of the Student Success Task Force included Executive Vice Chancellor Ellen Wartella, Vice Chancellor Jim Sandoval, Assistant Vice Chancellor Susan Allen Ortega, Steve Angle, former dean of the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences, Associate Professor Lynda Bell, Assistant Vice Provost Pam Clute, Associate Dean David Fairris, Vice Provost Andrew Grososky, University Librarian Ruth Jackson, Professor Richard Luben, Professor Tim Paine, Associate Vice Chancellor Charles Rowley, Assistant Executive Vice Chancellor & Provost Carolyn Stark and Assistant Director of Human Resources Marilyn Voce.

A full report is available on the Web at www.chancellor.ucr.edu/documents/success.html.

Nominees Needed for UCRP Board

UCOP is seeking nominations for two employees to serve four-year terms as members of University of California Retirement System Advisory Board.

Active UC Retirement Plan (UCRP) members who are not members of the Academic Senate are eligible to serve on the board. Members serve without compensation but are reimbursed for necessary expenses. Elected UCRS board members must be from different university locations.

Applications must be received by May 4. A nomination form and additional information is available online at atyourservice.ucop.edu/ucrs_election.

Get to Personal



Daphne Fairbairn

Name: Daphne Fairbairn
Department: Biology
Job: Professor
Length of Employment at UCR: Started July 2001
My work focuses on: Evolutionary biology with emphasis on the evolution and adaptive significance of dimorphic traits. I am excited about my most recent project, an edited volume on sexual dimorphisms titled "Sex, Size and Gender Roles" which will be published by Oxford University Press in the summer of 2007. I enjoy teaching evolution and evolutionary theory. To me, everything is more interesting when viewed from an evolutionary perspective, and I try my best to pass this enthusiasm on to my students.
Things you should know: I have been married for 30 years to Derek Roff, also a professor of biology at UCR. We have a son (a computer engineer in San Diego) and a daughter (a graduate student in geography in Canada). We are relatively recent migrants from Canada and we enjoy the great weather, biodiversity and dramatic topography of Southern California. We hike, mountain bike and go on multi-day backpacking trips. When not out adventuring, I enjoy the tranquility of our backyard where two ponds, an artificial stream and many native and drought-tolerant plants provide a haven for the local wildlife. Occasional travel and the luxury of getting absorbed in a good book round out my recreational repertoire.

Who Says?

"It's kind of a magic molecule... If you can find this, you'll be famous."
Jiayu Liao, assistant professor of bioengineering, on a specific type of molecule that would stimulate insulin production.
 SAN BERNARDINO SUN
"It's huge. Wow. We're down the street, we're in LA ... the excitement is as high as it can get. Then you have an opportunity to be in the NCAA tournament, the opportunity to be close to home so that people can get to it; what better situation."
John Margaritis, women's basketball coach, on playing the opening round game of the NCAA tournament against Arizona State University at the USC campus.
 THE PRESS ENTERPRISE
"We have an advantage being a college station where we are not driven by market pressure."
KUCR station manager, Louis Vandenberg, on the benefit of the campus radio station's freedom in programming, in response to the move of a popular FM classical music station to a less accessible AM station.
 DAILY BULLETIN

Ancient Greece, Medieval Europe and Teenage Girls

Renowned science writer and commentator Margaret Wertheim traces the history of women's exclusion from science and physics.

By Ricardo Duran
 What do ancient Greek mathematician Pythagoras, the medieval Catholic Church and teenage girls have in common?
 A lot, according to internationally renowned science writer and commentator Margaret Wertheim, who spoke and signed books at an ALPHA Center-sponsored event at the Pentland Hills Residence Hall on March 21.
 These links are a central theme of her 1995 book "Pythagoras' Trousers: God, Physics, and the Gender Wars."
 Pythagoras' link of mathematics and religion gained currency in medieval Catholic Europe, which added its male bias, Wertheim's book says. This bias has lingered today in the death of women in the sciences and particularly, in physics.
 The germ for her book came after a career of writing science for the non-scientist in publications such as the "New York Times, Los Angeles Times, The Sciences, New Scientist, The Times Literary

Supplement, Salon and Wired.
 After doing her own studies of popular scientific publications, Wertheim determined they were written for mostly affluent white males age 40 and older.

"What about the female audience? Who's writing for them," she asked.

As it turns out, it's been Wertheim for the past decade, writing science articles for such women's magazine giants as Elle, Glamour, and Vogue, all of whose readership dwarf those of magazines such as Popular Science.

She's also produced two award-winning television series: "Catalyst" for the Australian Broadcasting System and "Faith and Reason" for the Public Broadcasting System in the United States.

So how have women been shut out of the scientific picture?

Pythagoras, the Greek mathematician and philosopher credited with laying the foundation of physics, argued for mathematics as a window into the mind of the universe's creator by explaining the



Margaret Wertheim, seated, signs copies of her book for attendees of a recent lecture at UCR.

workings of the natural world.
 "Ultimately, femaleness became equated with the material and mundane and maleness became equated with the transcendent," she said. "This Pythagorean thrust became the driving force behind western scientific thought."

When universities emerged during the 12th century, they trained the all-male clergy, leaving women shut out. This system persevered well into the 19th century and, in some cases, the early 20th century.

"This explains the current belief among young girls that love of science and math isn't feminine and so, they avoid it," Wertheim said.

Research & Scholarship

UCR Professor Bets Math Can Help Fight Terrorists

Assistant Professor of Computer Science **Christian Shelton** will work over the next three years on algorithms to help the U.S. Air Force conduct computer modeling that will help predict the behavior of groups ranging from several dozen people to the dynamics of nations - known as social and cultural modeling.

The project is designed to help U.S. leaders to better determine the behavior of terrorist cells; decision-making vulnerabilities of a squad of soldiers doing anti-insurgent work; and how leadership of a rogue state will react to cajoling, threats or military force.

Shelton said the new developments in this research will be in extending what computer scientists call discrete time processes - slices of time analyzed and sequenced - into continuous time processes, which attempt to fill the gaps between those slices of time and

improve estimates of likely future moves.

The Air Force Office of Scientific Research's Young Investigator Program is funding Shelton's project to be carried out with other scientists, sociologists and anthropologists.

Diamonds are a Researchers Best Friend

Diamond, built by densely packed carbon atoms, is valued as a gemstone and for its extraordinary hardness and transparency.

But for geologists like **Larissa Dobrzhinskaya**, diamonds have another meaning.

Due to its chemical inertness and stability over geologic time, diamond is a perfect "container" for fluid and solid inclusions - many at the nanoscale - that are



Larissa Dobrzhinskaya

trapped during diamond growth. Examining diamond formations in ancient terrains in Kazakhstan, China, Norway, Germany and Greece, Dobrzhinskaya and colleagues used high-resolution analytical instruments and sophisticated spectroscopic techniques to study the chemistry and structure of nanoscale inclusions in diamonds.

According to Dobrzhinskaya, this approach can shed light on the main processes - chemical reactions, elements partitioning into crystal structures, and mineral phase transformations - operating in Earth's deep interior at very high temperatures and pressures.

Dobrzhinskaya is the lead author of the paper on this work, published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, March 19-23 (online). She was joined in the study by UCR's **Harry W. Green II** and Geoforschungszentrum's Richard Wirth.

"This is a very important and strategic acquisition for the University and for the UC research community. In its 52 years, UCR has evolved into a leading research institution that is unique among Southern California universities. Today we turn to the next chapter - one written by technology pioneers inspired by a spirit of discovery and fueled by a passion for innovation."

Chancellor **France A. Córdoba**, on the acquisition of the SGI Altix 4700 supercomputer, which will serve as a resource for a new generation of studies in computer-based modeling and simulation, Internet architectures, bioinformatics, machine learning and data mining.
 MAINFRAME COMPUTING

"We have models but they need to be extended mathematically and algorithmically. By doing this we can have a higher degree of accuracy in approximating inferences as to how a group of people will react."

Christian Shelton, assistant professor of computer science, on the computer modeling work he will do to help predict the behavior of groups, such as terrorists.
 PHYSORG.COM

"It's very nice work. Some people have always said that if we make these things transgenic, they'll just be so unfit because they're genetically altered that they'll never be of any use. [So] it's actually very encouraging news."

Peter Atkinson, professor of entomology, on a recent discovery that transgenic mosquitoes out compete normal mosquitoes when feeding on infected blood.
 THE SCIENTIST.COM

"... proteins typically are not what we'd like to use in large quantities in the lab because they are expensive. We will work on finding chemicals that mimic the action of neurotrophin. Compared to proteins, chemicals compounds are much easier and cheaper to make in a very pure form."

Michael Pirrung, a professor of chemistry and the holder of the UC Presidential Chair in Chemistry. He was one of two UCR professors to receive funding to conduct research on the growth of human embryonic stem cells in the laboratory, and to explore whether a type of RNA - a single-stranded molecule that translates genetic information - can help stem cells differentiate into specific kinds of cells.
 THE BUSINESS JOURNAL

Who says? You can. To become a media source, announce upcoming published research or an award, contact the Office of Strategic Communications at

Did You Know?

UCR research discoveries help industries, such as agriculture, remain competitive and stimulate development of new technologies. Recent innovations emerging from campus research include a variable gaseous fuel engine technology to allow cars to run on a mixture of hydrogen and natural gas, new varieties of citrus and asparagus, and a process to efficiently and cleanly transform a variety of waste materials into a sulfur-free diesel fuel. For a complete list of UCR research centers, visit or.ucr.edu/VCR/Centers.aspx

Regent Blum Visits UCR



Richard Blum, chair of the UC Board of Regents, toured UCR with Don Cooksey, interim dean of the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences, and Chancellor Córdoba. During his March 15 and 16 visit, Blum learned more about campus initiatives, such as the downtown ARTSblock, genomics research, engineering and education.

UC News

UC Seeks Applications for Information Technology Award

The University of California is seeking applications for the Larry L. Sautter Award for Innovation in Information Technology.

Named for UCR's former associate vice chancellor for computing and communications, the award is open to faculty and staff from all UC campuses, the Office of the President and the three UC-managed national laboratories. The honor recognizes information technology innovations that have the potential to improve UC administrative or academic processes.

The Sautter Award Program annually presents two Golden Awards for best IT practices in business processes and services or innovation and entrepreneurship in IT and two Silver Awards for achievement in university computing.

Award recipients will be announced July at the UC Computing Services Conference in Santa Cruz. Winners will receive a commemorative wall plaque for permanent local display and will have the opportunity to give presentations about their projects at the conference.

Applications and information are available at www.ucop.edu/irc/ttc/sautter/welcome.html. The application deadline is 5 p.m., May 18.

Regents Approve Fee Increase, Administrative Appointments

During their recent March meeting, the UC Board of Regents has approved student fee increases for the 2007-08 academic year.

As a result, mandatory systemwide fees will increase by 7 percent starting in summer 2007. Professional school fees will also increase by 7 percent for most programs, and an average total of 10 percent at selected law and business schools.

For undergraduates, the governor's budget proposes a \$16 million increase in Cal Grant

awards to offset the fee increases for UC Cal Grant recipients. The university will also return an amount equivalent to 33 percent of revenues generated by the undergraduate fee increase to financial aid.

Additional provisions will make available a 45-percent return-to-aid for graduate academic students and a 33-percent return-to-aid will be implemented for professional school students to mitigate the impact of the fee increases.

The governor is proposing an increased state contribution to the university in his 2007-08 budget, but addressing UC's needs requires an increase in the contribution from students as well.

The regents also made several administrative appointments during their recent March meeting.

Diane M. Griffiths, chief counsel of the California State Assembly Rules Committee, is now the new secretary and chief of staff for the board. With Griffiths' appointment, the position's title and role have been expanded to include additional duties and responsibilities, reflecting the changing role of governing boards in today's university setting.

Griffiths has worked for the California State Assembly for the past 18 years. She will receive an annual salary of \$225,000.

The regents also approved the appointment of Katherine N. Lapp, former executive director and CEO for the New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority, as UC's executive vice president for business operations. The position is newly established as part of a management restructuring of the systemwide Office of the President.

Lapp led the MTA for five years until stepping down at the end of 2006.

For more information visit www.universityofcalifornia.edu/news.

Awards & Honors

Dance Student Receives Two Fulbright Awards

Ahalya Satkunaratnam, a student of Assistant Professor Priya Srinivasan of the dance department, has been awarded two Fulbright awards from the U.S. Department of Education for 2006-07.

Satkunaratnam, a Ph.D. candidate in dance history and theory, received a Fulbright Award and a Fulbright-Hayes Doctoral Dissertation Research Award for her work on Bharata Natyam dance practices in Sri Lanka, which examines the interrelationship of war, identity and cultural production.

A native of Malaysia who was raised in Canada and the United States, Satkunaratnam has choreographed dance works for several performance artists and is a co-founder and dancer with Jaggerly, an eclectic dance duo in San Francisco.

Hanson Chosen as Top Physicist

Gail Hanson, a distinguished professor of physics, is one of 40 physicists profiled in the recently published book "Out of the Shadows: Contributions of Twentieth-Century Women to Physics," edited by Nina Byers and Gary Williams.

Hanson, who is the only woman to have won the American Physical Society's W. K. H. Panofsky Prize in experimental particle physics, discovered the phenomenon called "jets" in elementary particle interactions. The discovery resulted in establishing quarks as one of the basic

building blocks of matter. It also led to the theory of fundamental particles and their interactions called the Standard Model.

More recently, Hanson, along with a few other UCR physicists, has been involved in designing and building the Compact Muon Solenoid experiment at the European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN) in Geneva, Switzerland.

"We are concentrating on searches for the origin of electroweak symmetry breaking and for new physics," Hanson said.

CAREER Award Presented to Zandi

Roya Zandi, an assistant professor of physics who joined UCR in January 2006, is a recipient of the National Science Foundation's CAREER award, a prestigious honor recognizing the early career development activities of scholars most likely to become the academic leaders of the 21st century.

At UCR, Zandi researches viral self-assembly and how external influences shape their geometry, which has potential applications in bionanotechnology and the drug industry. Her studies have shown that viruses' spherical shells acquire structures that minimize their total energy, and thus are stable and the best bet for self-preservation.

CAREER awardees are chosen

on the basis of creative, career-development plans that integrate research and education. The award includes a \$400,000 stipend.

Top Title for Teens

UCR Associate Professor of Creative Writing Chris Abani's book, "Becoming Abigail," has been selected as one of the best works published for teenagers in 2006 by the New York Public Library.



Chris Abani

The title will be listed in the library's publication "Books for the Teen Age 2007." This publication highlights works that are best suited for readers ages 12 to 18. It is available to schools and public libraries internationally.

Extension's Director of Education Honored

The California Association for the Gifted (CAG) awarded Sue Teele, director of Education at UCR Extension, with the CAG Distinguished Service Award this month at the 45th Annual CAG Conference in Santa Clara.



Sue Teele

CAG Distinguished Service Award recipients are chosen based on commitment to gifted children, and service to CAG and other organizations for gifted learners. Teele, one of 10 recipients this year, represents the Joshua Tree Region, which encompasses Riverside, San Bernardino and Inyo counties.

Since 1980, Teele has served as administrator for more than 900 courses, inservices, credentials and certificate annual programs, and oversees Extension programs approved by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

She also serves as administrator for 25 UCR certificate programs, including the Gifted and Talented Education Certificate.



Roya Zandi

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Nominations Sought for Mentor/Advisor

The Graduate Council and the Graduate Division is seeking nominations for the Doctoral Dissertation Advisor/Mentoring Awards.

Nominations from both current and former graduate students are invited. In the letter of nomination, students should specify what made the faculty advisor an outstanding mentor and why that person should receive this year's award.

A faculty committee composed of members of the graduate council will review the nominations. The committee will take into consideration not only the letters of recommendation received but also the number of students the faculty has mentored, a history of effective mentoring and comments from other faculty or departmental chairs.

Nominations should be received no later than Friday, April 20. Address nominations to Graduate Division Dean Dallas Rabenstein via e-mail at graddean@ucr.edu.

Osher Foundation Gives Grant for Reentry Students

Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Jim Sandoval landed a \$50,000 grant from the Bernard Osher Foundation that will provide support for students who have had more than a five-year gap in their college career.

The recipients will be called the "Osher Reentry Scholars." UCR already has a notable partnership with the Foundation. The Osher foundation has provided an endowment for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UCR Extension. The Lifelong Learning Institute provides classes for adults age 50 and older.

The Osher Foundation was founded in 1977 and focuses giving to projects that will advance student scholarships or the world of arts and culture.

More information is available from the foundation's Web site www.osherfoundation.org/index.php?foundation.

People

In Memorium

Caril Dundon, an admissions assistant in the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, died on March 15. Dundon, a UCR

alumna, worked at UCR for more than 10 years.

She is survived by her husband, James Dundon; daughter, Laura Paulsen and sister, Janis Kraus.

Women Highlanders Give it Their All

The UCR women's basketball fans included a large contingent of faculty, staff and alumni.

By Ross French

It was an exciting game Saturday, March 17, as the UCR's women's basketball team played in the first round of the NCAA tournament against Arizona State at USC's Galen Center in Los Angeles.

For the better part of 40 minutes, the UCR women looked like they were going to knock third-seeded Arizona out of the competition.

But as dozens of headline writers across the country were crafting their "Cinderella" headlines, the Sun Devils came back from a 15-point second-half deficit to post a 57-50 win, ending the Highlanders' bid on the national stage, at least for this year.

An estimated 500 Highlander fans made the hour-plus trip to Los Angeles, which increased the excitement level. A pair of university-sponsored buses brought fans in for the game, as well as a pre-game reception at the nearby Radisson Hotel.

The UCR Pep Band, augmented by members of the UCR Pipe Band, the UCR Cheer Team and Highlander Girls Dance Team and Scotty the Bear gave the game a homey feel.

"The fan support was outstanding, and we are appreciative of our fans coming out to root for us," UCR Head Coach John Margaritis said. "I hope that their support will continue into next season."

The Highlanders reached the "Big Dance" for the second year in a row, winning the Big West Conference Tournament Championship for the second time with a 70-67 win over UC Santa Barbara on March 10 in Anaheim. On March 12 they were thrilled to find out that they would make only a short trip to Los Angeles.

Following the loss, Chancellor France Córdova visited the locker room and addressed the team, telling the squad that they had made all of Riverside proud.

"It was such a hard loss for them," Córdova said. "I got to see how painful this was to come so close. I am such a big fan of this team and how hard they play. I definitely think we will see them back at the NCAA next year."



PHOTO BY PAUL KILPATRICK

Sophomore forward Ronéy Friend gives it her best shot during the NCAA Tournament first rounds.

UCR's Holds Cesar Chavez Run/Walk

UCR's 6th Annual Cesar E. Chavez 5K Run/Walk, a fund-raising event created to raise money for UCR scholarships and community programs, will be held on Saturday, April 7 beginning at the UCR Bell Tower.

Participants have the opportunity to help the local and UCR community, as well as win awards for their effort. Participants will receive a t-shirt, a commemorative token and will have their registration fees waived when their fund-raising goal is met. The top finishing team and top finishing male and female will also receive awards.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. and is open to individuals and teams. The 5K run/walk will begin at 8:30 a.m., and there will be a 1K Kids run for children 12 and under that will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Sponsor forms and pre-paid pledges must be submitted to Chicano Student Programs by March 29.

For more information call Chicano Student Programs at (951) 827-3821 or visit www.cspraza.ucr.edu.

Campus Calendar

ONGOING

Exhibition: "Eloi: Stumbling Towards Paradise" questions human concerns of perfection, failure, reality and paradise in an exhibit inspired by H.G. Wells' "The Time Machine." Various artists bring together a series of photographic works that individually highlight aspects of the theme. The exhibition will run through April 14. The UCR/CMP is located at 3824 Main St., Riverside. Information, hours and admission: www.cmp.ucr.edu or (951) 784-FOTO.

Exhibition: "Portraits and Equivalents" is a display of the photographic portraits and landscapes left to the UCR/CMP by the late Herbert Quick. This exhibit will present Quick's photography how he intended, allowing for a unique understanding of his works. The exhibition will run through April 14. The UCR/CMP is located at 3824 Main St., Riverside. Information, hours and admission: www.cmp.ucr.edu or (951) 784-FOTO.

MARCH

28 WEDNESDAY

Training: Planning for Performance Discussions, 1-5 p.m., Human Resources Building (Personnel) Suite 1. \$50. Information and to enroll online: hrtraining@hr.ucr.edu.

Recreation: Big Sur Backpacking and Kayaking, 2 p.m.-10 a.m., April 1, Big Sur, CA. \$148 early bird/\$160 students, SRC members; \$196 early bird/\$215 faculty, staff and community. Information and reservations: www.recreation.ucr.edu.

31 SATURDAY

Fund raising: Botanic Gardens Plant Sale, noon-5 p.m., Botanic Gardens Information Center. Also 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. April 1. Free. Information: www.gardens.ucr.edu.

Sport: Women's Softball vs. Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, noon-4 p.m., Amy S. Harrison Field. \$6 general; \$4 under 12. Information: www.athletics.ucr.edu.

APRIL

1 SUNDAY

Sport: Women's Softball vs. Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, noon-2 p.m., Amy S. Harrison Field. \$6 general; \$4 under 12. Information: www.athletics.ucr.edu.

3 TUESDAY

Recreation: UCR Rock Wall Free Climb, 6-8 p.m., Student Recreation Center. Free for members. Information: www.recreation.ucr.edu.

Recreation: SCUBA Certification, 6:30-10 p.m., Student Recreation Center Conference Room. \$235 early bird/\$259 students, SRC members; \$285 early bird/\$314 faculty, staff and community. Information: www.recreation.ucr.edu.

4 WEDNESDAY

Lecture: "The Future of the Humanist Past or on Becoming-Ethical" by Rosi Braidotti, a professor of women's studies in the Arts Faculty of Utrecht University and scientific director of the



Rosi Braidotti

Netherlands Research School of Women's Studies and the Expertise Centre Gender and Multiculturalism, 4 p.m., UCR Extension Center, room E. Free. Information: (951) 827-4332 or ideasandsociety.ucr.edu.

Training: New and Improved Payroll/Personnel System Policy Training, 8 a.m.-noon, Human Resources Building (Personnel) Suite 1. Free. Information and to enroll online: hrtraining@hr.ucr.edu.

5 THURSDAY

Training: Supervisor's Guide to Corrective Action, 8:30-11:30 a.m., Human Resources Building (Personnel) Suite 1. \$10. Information and to enroll online: hrtraining@hr.ucr.edu.

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Sport: Men's Baseball vs. UC Santa Barbara, 7-10:30 p.m., Riverside Sports Complex. \$6 general; \$4 under 12. Information: www.athletics.ucr.edu.

6 FRIDAY

Training: Benefits Orientation, 8 a.m.-noon, Human Resources Building (Personnel) Suite 1. Free. Information and to enroll online: hrtraining@hr.ucr.edu.

Sport: Women's Softball vs. UC Davis, 1-5 p.m., Amy S. Harrison Field. \$7 general; \$5 under 12. Information: www.athletics.ucr.edu.

7 SATURDAY

Campus Event: 6th Annual Cesar E. Chavez 5K Run/Walk, 7:30-11 a.m., Bell Tower. \$15 individual and \$65 for a five-member team. Information: www.cspraza.ucr.edu.

Recreation: Introduction to Surfing, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., San Clemente, Calif. \$45 early bird/\$49 UCR students and SRC members; \$60 early bird/\$66 faculty, staff and community. Information: www.recreation.ucr.edu.

Sport: Women's Softball vs. UC Davis, noon-2 p.m., Amy S. Harrison Field. \$7 general; \$5 under 12. Information: www.athletics.ucr.edu.

Sport: Women's Tennis vs. CSU Northridge, noon-4 p.m., Student Recreation Center Tennis Complex. Free. Information: www.athletics.ucr.edu.

Sport: Men's Baseball vs. UC Santa Barbara, 1-4:30 p.m., Riverside Sports Complex. \$6 general; \$4 under 12. Information: www.athletics.ucr.edu.

Sport: Men's Tennis vs. CSU Northridge, 1-5 p.m., Student Recreation Center Tennis Complex. Free. Information: www.athletics.ucr.edu.

Concert: Chancellor's Carillon Concerts, 3-4:30 p.m., Bell Tower. Free. Information: www.BellTower.ucr.edu.



Chancellor's Carillon Concert

9 MONDAY

Meeting: Chancellor Committee Sustainability, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Science Library 240. Free. Information: www.ehs.ucr.edu/sustainability.

10 WEDNESDAY

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Recreation: SCUBA Certification, 6:30-10 p.m., Student Recreation Center Conference Room. \$235 early bird/\$259 students, SRC members; \$285 early bird/\$314 faculty, staff and community. Information: www.recreation.ucr.edu.

12 THURSDAY

Recreation: UCR Rock Wall Free Climb, 6-8 p.m., Student Recreation Center. Free for members. Information: www.recreation.ucr.edu.

Recreation: SCUBA Certification, 6:30-10 p.m., Student Recreation Center Conference Room. \$235 early bird / \$259 students, SRC members; \$285 early bird / \$314 faculty, staff and community. Information: www.recreation.ucr.edu.

13 FRIDAY

Performance: Soweto Gospel Choir, 8-10 p.m., University Theatre. \$30 general; \$28 UCR staff/faculty; \$15 students. Information: www.culturevents.ucr.edu.



Soweto Gospel Choir

14 SATURDAY

Recreation: Astronomy Night Hike, 3 p.m.-midnight, Joshua Tree National Park, CA. \$25 early bird/\$28 students, SRC members; \$33 early bird/\$36 faculty, staff, community. Information: www.recreation.ucr.edu.

15 SUNDAY

Recreation: Introduction to Rock Climbing, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Joshua Tree National Park, CA. \$40 early bird/\$44 students, SRC members; \$53 early bird/\$58 faculty, staff, community. Information: www.recreation.ucr.edu.

17 TUESDAY

Training: Payroll/Personnel System Time Reporting and Online Update Training, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., University Village Suite 1-208. Free. Information and to enroll online: hrtraining@hr.ucr.edu.

Forum: Holocaust Remembrance Day, 12:30-1:30 p.m., Costo Hall, Lower Level III. Free. Information: (951) 827-3337.

Colloquium: World Social Forum Visions, 2:30-4 p.m., Humanities & Social Sciences Building 1500. Free. Information: ucrmellonworkshop.ucr.edu.

Recreation: UCR Rock Wall Free Climb, 6-8 p.m., Student Recreation Center. Free for members. Information: www.recreation.ucr.edu.

Recreation: Kayaking in Baja, Los Arbolitos Pre-trip Meeting, 7-9 p.m., \$148 early bird/\$160 students, SRC members; \$196 early bird/\$215 faculty, staff, community. Information: www.recreation.ucr.edu.

Screening: CHASS Theme Film Series, 7-10 p.m., Arts Building 335. Screening of "My Family, Mi Familia." Free. Information: www.chass.ucr.edu.



"My Family, Mi Familia."

18 WEDNESDAY

Training: Payroll/Personnel System Time Reporting and Online Update Training, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., University Village Suite 1-208. Free. Information and to enroll online: hrtraining@hr.ucr.edu.

Training: Building Team Pride and Purpose, 8:30 a.m.-noon, Human Resources Building (Personnel) Suite 1. \$50. Information and to enroll online: hrtraining@hr.ucr.edu.

Sport: Women's Tennis vs. UC Irvine, 2-6 p.m., Student Recreation Center Tennis Complex. Free. Information: www.athletics.ucr.edu.

Ceremony: Outstanding Staff Awards, 4-5 p.m., UC Riverside Extension Center Rooms A and B. Free. Information and to RSVP: www.staffassembly.ucr.edu/rsvp/index.php.

19 THURSDAY

Training: Identifying Your Style Using the DISC® Profiler, 9-11:30 a.m., Human Resources Building (Personnel) Suite 1. \$20. Information: hrtraining@hr.ucr.edu.

Lecture: UCR Libraries' Author Series Presents Professor Roger Ransom, 3:15-4:30 p.m., Tomas Rivera Library Special Collections Fourth Floor. Free. Information: library.ucr.edu.



Roger Ransom

Recreation: UCR Rock Wall Free Climb, 6-8 p.m., Student Recreation Center. Free for members. Information: www.recreation.ucr.edu.

20 FRIDAY

Training: Benefits Orientation, 8 a.m.-noon, Human Resources Building (Personnel) Suite 1. Free. Information and to enroll online: hrtraining@hr.ucr.edu.

Recreation: Kayaking in Baja, Los Arbolitos, noon-10 p.m., April 22, Baja, Mexico. \$148 early bird/\$160 students, SRC members; \$196 early bird/\$215 faculty, staff, community. Information: www.recreation.ucr.edu.

Performance: Jane Comfort & Company, 8-10 p.m., University Theatre. \$28 general; \$26 UCR staff, faculty; \$14 student. Information: www.culturevents.ucr.edu.



Jane Comfort and Company

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