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IT'S A QUOTE

“Genuine listening means suspending memory, desire, and judgment—and for a few moments at least, existing for the other person.”

—michael p. nichols

UNION NEWZ

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I WILL IF YOU WILL

—dan adams

I GOT ANOTHER email reminder from Nick Adamakis, our newsletter editor, reminding me to submit an article for this month's newsletter. I said another reminder because I am perpetually the last to submit my article. It seems that I wait for an inspirational moment to write just the perfect article...sometimes my moment never seems to arrive and here I sit pondering what to write.

I go through all kinds of reasons why the article I submit is not that important. I tell myself that I am too busy. I tell myself that no one will miss the article if it is not included in the newsletter. I tell myself I have nothing to say. I have a hundred excuses. Nick reassures me that he will hold me to the deadline and that my article is important, and he will always find space to include what I write. That sounds good but what I think keeps me submitting each month is that I believe in our newsletter as an important communication tool. It is where we share information about each other, how things are going in our operations, and generally what is important in the life of the student unions. We have staff members who agree to submit articles and struggle with the same excuses I do. Some give in to their excuses and don't write anything.

The newsletter is important. Our staff does read it. Let's all make the commitment to share experiences and information so we can continue to grow in our understanding of each other. The result will be a stronger group of people who work at the unions. Write an article for the newsletter and let's agree to get past our excuses...I will, if you will. ■

Yo lo haré si Usted lo hace

Recibí un recordatorio vía e-mail de Nick Adamakis, nuestro redactor del boletín de noticias, recordándome someter un artículo para el boletín de noticias de este mes – y digo otro recordatorio, porque soy siempre el último en someter mi artículo. Parece que espero un momento de inspiración para escribir el artículo perfecto...

A veces parece que ese momento nunca llega y me siento a pensar que escribir. Paso por toda clase de razones por las que el artículo que someto no es tan importante. Y me digo a mí mismo que estoy muy ocupado y me digo que nadie va a extrañar el artículo si no está incluido en el boletín de noticias. Y me digo otra vez que no tengo nada que decir. Tengo cien excusas. Nick me asegura que mi artículo es importante y que esperará hasta el último momento, y siempre habrá un espacio para incluir lo que escribo. Eso suena muy bien y así me tiene obligado a someter un artículo cada mes, y pienso que es bueno ya que el boletín mensual de noticias es una fuente importante para comunicarnos unos a los otros de lo que pasa dentro de nuestra organización, y compartir que es lo mas importante dentro de nuestra union de estudiantes. Dentro de nuestro personal tenemos miembros que acceden a someter un artículo y pelean con las mismas excusas que yo y algunos se aferran a sus excusas y terminan no escribiendo nada.

El boletín de noticias es muy importante ya que todo nuestro personal lo lee. Hagamos un acuerdo de compartir experiencias y información para así seguir creciendo y entendiéndonos unos a otros. El resultado será un grupo fuerte de gente trabajando juntos en la union de estudiantes. Escribe un artículo para el boletín y acordemos de olvidar nuestras excusas. Yo lo haré si tu lo haces. ■

BIRTHDAYS

FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES CELEBRATING
THEIR MARCH & APRIL
BIRTHDAYS. HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

March

3	Bonnie Arriaga
6	Jose Hernandez III
6	Melissa Villafane
9	Felix Ruiz
15	Rosalba Acuna-Siqueiros
15	Brian Keintz
16	Cindy Wells Hintze
17	Rosalia Ruiz
18	Michael Montrois
18	William Shiba
22	Maria E. Osuna
23	Norma Juarez
25	Leonor DeVega
25	Paul Ewer
25	Carime Inclan
26	Daniel Davis
27	Jesse Gomez
28	Manual Ramirez
29	Irma Nava
29	Becky Thomas
1	Elizabeth Freeman
3	Longina Bustos
4	Gregory Stinnett
5	Don Bennett
5	Anthony Diaz
6	Amporn Gullock
6	Hilda Leon
6	Kathryn Adams Riester
7	Erasmus Valenzuela
9	Gloria Fierros
14	Kenneth Davis
14	Mark McGehee
14	Olga Rodriguez
16	Willis McQuirry
17	Yolanda Canez
20	Annette Rivers
20	Carol Underwood
21	Patricia Lopez
25	Saul Rodriguez
28	Alan Wetzel

April



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

EMPLOYEE NEWZ

Employee Recognition

■ Spring is almost here and that means it's time once again to nominate the Full Time, Student, Supervisor and Part Time employees of the semester! Nomination forms and drop boxes will be located at PSU and SUMC Information desks. We are also pleased to announce that the Arizona Student Unions have four student scholarships available this year. Applications will be located at the SUMC Information desk. The deadline to submit the nomination form and scholarship application is Monday, April 4, 2005.

The Employee Recognition Committee has also been busy planning our upcoming Employee Recognition Week. The week will kick off with our annual Service Awards Banquet on Monday April 25, 2005, an afternoon "Happy Hour" on Tuesday, April 26th, and our favorite "Early Bird Employee Breakfast" on Wednesday, April 27, 2005. We will end the week on Saturday, April 30 with our Employee Picnic. Check out next month's Union Newz for more details!

Off-Campus Housing Fair

■ Next week, UA students, faculty and staff will have the opportunity to master the art of off-campus living—without ever leaving campus—at the annual Off-Campus Housing Fair, March 8–9, from 10am to 2pm on the UA mall. Representatives from local apartment complexes, University housing, Tucson utility companies and local realty companies will be present to promote their products and services. They will hand out promotional information, bonus goodies and friendly smiles to educate students about living off-campus.

New Addition

■ Chrissy and Ari Lieberman have a new baby boy, Noah Harold Lieberman! Noah was born February 26 and weighed in at 5lbs, 6oz. He's about a month early, and both Mom and Noah are doing well and are home already. Noah is the 4th baby to join the Union family in 3 months! Who's next?

CSIL NEWZ

—corey seemiller

THE ARIZONA COLLEGIATE Leadership Conference (ALCLC) was held February 18–20 at the SUMC, and brought together 300 college students from 20 different colleges and universities in Arizona. Offered were 61 workshop sessions, three speakers, seven service projects, a teambuilding event, and lots of great entertainment.

The conference started with a bang with motivational speaker Derek Greenfield, who told us that attitudes are contagious, make your's worth catching! He inspired everyone to meet new people, collaborate, and try to make a positive influence on the world. Afterwards, attendees headed to the Cellar for a step show and performances by three bands.

Saturday began with our morning speaker, Shirley Jennings who got everyone excited to head into a day of workshops, service projects, entertainment, teambuilding, and networking. The evening closed out with Paul Loeb, our keynote speaker, sharing stories of people throughout history who have made a difference—tying into the conference theme "leadership for a lifetime."

Afterwards, participants went to the Cellar for a night full of fun! UAB hosted an incredible late night event with both ALCLC participants and UA students to come together for a casino night, open mic, poker tournament, and many other great events. Despite the torrential downpour 30 minutes before the event, things went off without a hitch!

The conference wrapped up Sunday with two more workshop sessions, a poetry slam, more teambuilding, and closing ceremonies. What a time! We have much to be thankful for the success of this event and all the great support and assistance of so many Student Union departments. So, in the essence of event planning, we are thanking everyone for their help, celebrating a job well done, and already planning for ALCLC 2006! ■

