



Center Points

Direct from the University Center

Notes from Director Iowa Mwilambwe

Welcome back Roadrunners! The UC and all its partners have been busy this summer planning for the new academic year. As you return to campus, there are a few notable changes here in the UC.

First, Gallery 23, the UC's art gallery, will open on September 1, 2010, with President Romo's photographs of South Africa. This new service area enhances our program offerings and provides a new cultural touchpoint for all UC guests.

Second, The UPS Store has moved to its permanent location near the entrance by the Fiesta Dancers. The new location has more than 600 mailboxes for rent and will

have a large-format printer for posters and banners available by mid-September.

Third, due to the success of the hydration station near The UPS Store we have expanded the program. Guests can now refill their water bottles with fresh, filtered, and sanitized water at the new hydration station by Chili's Too.

Fourth, we will be separating the Information Center from our retail sales of Ticketmaster, testing supplies and discounted movie and Fiesta Texas tickets. The new Information Center will be located on the stairway end of the Fiesta Dancers entrance lounge area. We anticipate this change to be

complete by the middle of October.

Finally we are looking to add more furniture for your comfort at the UC entrance by Subway and will maintain building cleanliness by consolidating newspaper and magazine distribution to three locations.

Last but not least, our staff has undergone significant training during the summer and stands ready to support your events and programs.

Be sure to check our facilities, resource and labor fee schedule online for a list of services we offer to the university community. Best wishes to all for the new year.

August/Sept.

UC Events

- **8/19 Frost Bank Welcome Back Coffee**, 7:30 to 9 a.m., Starbucks
- **8/22: Fall into the UC**, 4:00 pm, UC
- **8/22: UCinema Night**, 6:00 pm, UC Retama
- **8/25: Coffeehouse**, 8:00 pm, UC Ski Lodge
- **9/1: What's Up Wednesday**, 11:00 am, UC Paseo
- **9/1: Coffeehouse**, 8:00 pm, UC Ski Lodge
- **9/7-9/10: Poster Sale**, All Day, UC Corridor
- **9/8: September Health Drive**, 9:00 am, UC Mesquite
- **9/9: Expert Learner Series**, 4:00 pm, UC Oak
- **9/13: BestFest Information Meeting**, 2:00 pm, UC Hidalgo
- **9/14: Student Affairs True Colors**, 1:30 pm, UC Bexar
- **9/15: Volunteer Fair**, 9:30 am, UC Corridor
- **9/17: UCinema Night**, 9:00 pm, UC Retama
- **9/18: UCinema Night**, 7:00 pm, UC Retama

"Fall Into the UC" on Aug. 22

Roadrunner Days kicks off with *Fall into the UC*—the University Center's annual welcome event for all new freshmen and the UTSA community on August 22 from 4 to 6 p.m.

All UC-based departments and service providers will be on hand to welcome guests and educate them regarding their mission, products or services.

The UC will be decorated with a school spirit theme, and visitors will learn about UTSA and UC history by finding the "Did you Know" trivia posters throughout the event.

Participants will be given a map of the UC and will have the chance to stop by each map destination for activities, food, giveaways and fun. Activities this year include karaoke, putt-putt golf, take-and-go "graduation photos" along with many others.

Visitors can enjoy a tasty snack by redeeming a food voucher for a select menu item at Chili's Too, Starbucks, Panda Express or Taco Cabana.



Students make edible candy art at the Campus Activity Board office during last year's Roadrunner Days UC welcome event.

Any guest who visits 10 map destinations will receive a free water bottle (made from recycled materials). Those who visit all 20 will receive a free t-shirt and water bottle. All activities run from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The fun moves into the Retama Auditorium at 6 p.m. with a blockbuster favorite sponsored by the University

Center Program Council.

"Fall into the UC is a great way to experience everything the UC has to offer," said Jared Jones, assistant director for UC marketing. "If you need it, you can find it here. We hope everyone brings their school spirit and enjoys the fun."

EMCS Events Management Tip

Effective Sept. 1, there are new rates for many University Center services and resources.

Please view the [UC Resource, Labor and Fee Schedule](#) for more details.

Center Stage

UC Superstars

The following staff were recognized as UC Superstars for the month of July.

Congratulations!

Professionalism

Diane Nicho
EMCS

Teamwork

Brittany Martinez
EMCS

Customer Service

Andrew Varias
Roost

Performance

Veronica Prado
Info Center

Overall

Kevin Garza
Operations

Full-Time Staff

Laura Rivas
Customer Service & Teamwork
Events Management & Conference Services

UCPC Plans Big for Fall Fun

The [UC Program Council](#) (UCPC)—the student led group focused on programs in the University Center—is entering its second year with continuing program series and some new large-scale events.

Weekly Coffeehouse Wednesday acoustic singer/songwriter performances, begin on August 25 with a night of student artists at 8 p.m. in the Ski Lodge. The popular UCinema Nights movie series begin with [Iron Man 2](#) on August 27 at 9 p.m. and August 28 at 7 p.m. in the Retama.

In addition to these weekly programs, The UCPC has planned a wide variety of activities that are free and open to the entire UTSA community. Visit the [UCPC web site](#) for more details and read here regarding some upcoming events:



Artist Richard Hight performs a [Visual Impact](#) art ad music show at UC Days on Sept 8 and at the UCPC Variety Night on Sept. 9

Poetry Jam Aug. 26, 8-11 p.m. UC Ski Lodge

Enjoy the spoken word from HBO Def Jam poet, and two-time National Poetry Slam Champion. Anis Mojgani

Roadrunners Late Night Dueling Pianos Aug. 28, 9-11:30 p.m. UC Ballroom

Kick-off another fun semester of Roadrunners Late Night programs with a high-

energy dueling pianos show. Presented with the Campus Activities Board.

Casino Night Sept. 2, 8-11 p.m. UC Ballroom

Enjoy food and giveaways along with a selection of card, table games and slot machines.

Variety Night Sept. 9, 9-11 p.m. UC Ski Lodge

Experience Singer/songwriter Michelle Peters along with Visual Impact, a highly engaging music and performance art show.

Roadrunners Late Night Late Night BBQ Sept. 11, 9 to 11:30 p.m. UC Lawn

Come enjoy giveaways and a BBQ dinner with beats spun by DJ Gumby.

UC Days presents 'Best of UC'

The University Center (UC) invites the entire UTSA community to become reacquainted with the variety of products and services available in the UC at UC Days in the UC main corridor September 7, 8 and 9.

Thursday, September 9, will be the highlight of the week with a grand opening ceremony and open house for The UPS Store at 11:30 a.m. The grand opening will feature remarks from UTSA Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Gage E. Paine and the student chair of the UC Advisory Council along with refreshments.

Thursday evening features a Variety Night pre-

sented by the UC Program Council (UCPC) with live music and [a visual art and music show](#).

Tuesday, September 7 through Thursday, September 9 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m., visitors will be able to experience the best of the UC. UC partners and offices will be on hand to provide information, giveaways and answer questions on UC-based services.

Participants include the UC Retail and Information Center, Rios Golden Cut Salons, The UPS Store, Frost Bank and the Campus Technology Store and the UC poster sale. Visit the [UC Web site](#) for a full schedule.

You're Invited to a

Grand Opening Celebration

The UPS Store 

Thursday, Sept. 9, 2010
11:30 a.m.

UC Corridor
Fiesta Dancers Entrance

Remarks by
Dr. Gage E. Paine, Kevin Price
Refreshments to follow

ticketmaster

at the
UC Information Center
Now Accepting
Credit Cards

On Sale	Event Date	Event
Now	8/21	Deftones
Now	8/22	Silver Stars vs. Phoenix
Now	8/28	Texas Football Classic
Now	9/2	MMA Fighting Championship
Now	9/10	Jonas Brothers

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