

# JULY 2023

#### Thank you for a great year!



With the fiscal year ending, it is also the end of term for our current Staff Council President, **Lisa Rigtrup**. Under Lisa's leadership, the council has flourished, reaching more members of the U's staff than ever before while orchestrating a framework that will allow the Council to be even more effective at representing staff interests moving forward. The example she has set during her term as President is one of hard work, dedication and caring, and I know that the collective staff community at the University of Utah is being and will continue to be positively impacted by her efforts for years to come. Thank you, Lisa, for your service to both the Council and the entire staff community!

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David Thomas President-Elect, University of Utah Staff Council

# **Staff Excellence Award Nominations**

#### Deadline is June 30th





Nominations for the University of <u>Utah's Staff & District Excellence Awards</u> (USEA) are open NOW!

Nominations can be made on our <u>online nomination website</u>, and will be accepted until **Friday, June 30.** 

NOMINATE ONLINE

# WellU Update

In order to allow additional time for health plan claim processing, the WellU discount will continue for all current participants until the August 22nd paycheck. At that time, the discount will only be applied for employees who have had all requirements reported. The discount will begin later if completion of all requirements prior to July 1st is reported after that date. For employees not currently participating, who have completed all the requirements, the discount will be effective July 1st (reflected on the July 22nd paycheck).

If you have questions about WellU, please go to <u>https://benefits.utah.edu/wellu-wellness-program/</u>.

# Child Care Survey

The Utah Higher Education Staff Association (UHESA) is gathering information about how the issue of Child Care is impacting our employees, so that we can help those at the institutional and state level consider options to address those issues for our employees.

Please take a few minutes to complete the survey located here: Survey

We would like to have this survey completed by **June 30th**.

# UUSC Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion BOOK CLUB

Join us for a discussion of

**Blind Spot: Hidden Biases of Good People** 

by Mahzarin R. R. Banaji & Anthony G. Greenwald

August 8th at 4:15pm

#### **REGISTER NOW**



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### Tom Loveridge Memorial Scholarship Application Deadline August 31st

Staff Council offers a specialized scholarship specifically for courses taught through the University of Utah and is awarded twice a year to a full-time staff member who exemplifies the service and dedication that our former colleague and friend, Tom Loveridge personified.

This scholarship offers **up to \$1,250** toward tuition for Fall semester.

LEARN MORE

#### **Management Essentials Certificate**



Are you wanting to build your skill level and increase your knowledge of management best practices? Or maybe you want to advance your career? We have the perfect certificate for you. For only \$100 (paid via chartfield) you will take a total of 12 classes/workshops (6 workshops, 3 electives & 3 on-demand classes).

You will have the opportunity to attend virtually or in-person. Our next virtual sessions begin in September. Take control of your career and come and learn. Earn your certificate today through UHRM Training and Development Department. We welcome all questions, please contact us at <u>training@utah.edu</u>.

ENROLL NOW

#### EAD 2023 Sneak Peak

Thursday, September 28th 10am - 2pm Rice-Eccles Stadium



You may hear the clacking of keys echoing across the concourse at this year's Employee Appreciation Day (EAD), so be sure to stop by and receive a beautifully written souvenir courtesy of <u>The Poem Pros</u>!

MEET THE POEM PROS

# Did you know that the University of Utah Campus is a State Arboretum?



In 1930, Dr. Walter P. Cottam, co-founder of The Nature Conservancy and chairman of the Botany Department at the University of Utah, began using campus land for plant research. For more than 30 years, he evaluated plants to determine their adaptability to our region.

In 1961, the Utah State Legislature formally recognized Cottam's impressive collection by designating the University's campus landscape as a State Arboretum. The original legislation mandated that the Arboretum "provide resources and facilities for cultivating a greater knowledge and public appreciation for the trees and plants around us, as well as those growing in remote sections of the country and world."

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# **Upcoming Events**

- May 1 September 30 <u>Hogle Zoo Discount Tickets</u> when you buy online!
  September 28 <u>Employee Appreciation Day</u>

#### Resources

- Visit<u>Red Butte Gardens FREE</u> with your UID card
  <u>OneUCares</u> Faculty and Staff Emergency Fund
  <u>Special Discounts Available to Health Plan Members</u>

#### Contact Us

Have an event or announcement you'd like us to share in an upcoming newsletter?

GIVE US THE DETAILS

#### **COVID-19 Resources**

Coronavirus.utah.edu **Vaccine Opportunities** General Campus Questions Hotline 801-213-2874 Health and Testing Hotline 801-587-0712



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