From the Desk of Our Director

“Embracing our past, enhancing our present to inspire our future”

On behalf of the staff of the WSU Multicultural Student Center (MSC), I would like to wish you and those you hold dear all the good fortunes of life, health, peace, and prosperity throughout the year!

The Center is thriving with many successes as visits are continuously on the rise. Connecting you with the guidance and support to be successful at the University is our priority. We look forward to meeting you at the Center!

Warm Regards,
Michiko Nakashima-Lizarazo, Director

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**Block Party**

This year the block party was a success for the Multicultural Student Center and for many other departments that are on and off campus. Many students visited our booth with interest of our services, others were already aware and stopped by just to say hello. This was my very first year going to the Block Party and I enjoyed it. There is so much information you receive from other departments and opportunities to get involved at Weber State University. I honestly recommend people to attend the Block Party in the future you will meet some awesome people and receive some free goodies.

-Eileen Hernandez

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Dr. Forrest Crawford

Dr. Crawford was recognized on October 3rd for his work for the university and the community. There was a reception and presentation in the Student Union Ballrooms in the evening. Crawford served as the Assistant to the President for Diversity and as the Secretary General for the International Society for Teacher Education, a worldwide organization focused on the exchanging of ideals and pedagogies in line with teacher education. Crawford has helped our department in numerous ways such as funding numerous events and helping the Black Scholars United organization remain strong for students on campus. The Dr. Forrest C. Crawford Distinguished Stewardship Award was also created in honor of Dr. Crawford for graduate students. It acknowledges Dr. Crawford’s remarkable energy and commitment to Weber State University (WSU), and, especially, his leadership of the University’s Diversity Initiative.

This award will be given to Weber State University graduate students who “have made exceptional contributions to the University, their profession or the public.”

Thank you for everything you have done for Weber State, Forrest. You are a blessing!
Now that fall has settled in, we hope you’ve adjusted to being back on campus. We had a fantastic turn out for our first Tasty Thursday of the year.

To celebrate North America, we served free Mexican cookies, Ginger Ale (Canada Dry), tomato soup, and over 100 grilled cheese sandwiches! We also learned fun facts about cultures of North America. Every month we’ll be serving free food to celebrate each continent.

For our next Tasty Thursday, we’ll serve South American food on October 31st, from 11:00-2:00. Come by the Multicultural Student Center on Halloween for delicious food!

-Ashlee Cawly

**Black Scholars United**

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-Chelsea Bybee

-Christopher Jackson

**American Indian Council**

Well it’s that time of year again! Fall leaves and crisp air all remind us of the upcoming holidays of the fall season. But there are a couple holidays that we all tend to forget.

Native American Day, a holiday celebrated on the fourth Friday of September, it’s celebrated to honor Native American cultures and contributions made to the United States. Another holiday, most known to Americans is Columbus Day. This day takes place on the second Monday of October. We are most familiar with it being the day that Christopher Columbus arrived in North America.

As we all look forward to Halloween and Thanksgiving, we shouldn’t forget the days that started the legacy of the great country we have today.

-Chelsea Bybee

-Jeff Henry

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**Hispanic Area Council**

HAC of Weber State University is committed to assisting the Hispanic Student population with the struggles of everyday life as a multicultural student in the academic space. They bring a sense of awareness to the Hispanic culture and life through educational events and activities held at Weber State University along with community involvement service projects such as:

- HAC Booth
- Outreach
- Scholarships/Internships
- Service

**Events for October**

- Multicultural Youth Leadership Summit

**Social Events**

- College Town Color Dash

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**National Hispanic Heritage Month**

According to hispanicheritagemonth.gov, “Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15th to October 15th, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America” (website). A well-known Latino celebration that takes place is Dia de Los Muertos. Dia de Los Muertos begins on November 1st and ends on November 2nd. According to ladayofthedead.com, “Dia de los Muertos is one of Mexico’s traditional holidays reuniting and honoring beloved ancestors, family and friends. It is an ancient and enduring ritual when the living commune with the dead” (ladayofthedead.com).

Dia de Los Muertos is celebrated in Mexico, Guatemala, Peru, Venezuela, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Honduras, and Costa Rica. It is important to emphasize that Dia de Los Muertos is not a day of grieving or sadness. Dia de Los Muertos is a day of honoring and celebrating the lives of loved ones who have passed on. During Dia de Los Muertos, graves of loved ones who have passed are decorated and altars are set up in people’s homes honoring deceased relatives. On the altar, people place pictures, food, and drinks for their deceased loved ones. Sometimes people even bring mariachis or play music at the grave to make the celebration even more enjoyable.

-Stephanie Quinn

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- Outreach
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