**Welcome to the Spring 2017 Semester!**

Monthly newsletters will offer information about our campus community such as upcoming events, deadlines, and other essential information for you, our students. Newsletters will be available the first week of each month in print, on the Associated Students Website and on Blackboard. We encourage you to share your ideas, comments, and concerns.

**CSU Rams vs. SDSU Aztecs Basketball Game**

*When:* Saturday, January 28, 2017  
*Time:* 3:00 p.m.  
*Where:* Viejas Arena  
*Fee to offset transportation cost:*  
- Students: $10.00

**Sign-Ups:**  
Begin Wednesday, January 11, 2017 and close Thursday, January 26, 2017. Sign-ups are in the Student Union Building with Melyssa Gonzalez.  
(Sign-up schedule is placed outside office door.)

**A.S. Official Meetings**

The Associated Students Council invites you to attend their weekly spring 2017 meetings. This semester, meetings will be held on Tuesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Nogales Conference Room.

**Scholarship Opportunities**

The Associated Students Council is offering $800.00 Study Abroad Scholarships exclusively to Imperial Valley matriculated students.

*Application Period:*  
Opened: Thursday, December 8, 2016  
Closes: Friday, February 10, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

If interested, visit the URL below:  

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“There is something to be said about SDSU-IV, a message I want people to be clear about is that as little as our campus is, SDSU-IV is not just a “satellite campus” it is a door full of opportunities, knowledge, and great experiences. As a senior expected to graduate in the May 2017 Commencement, I look back and remember all the life-changing opportunities and experiences that I have done at this “little campus”.

A recent life-changing opportunity was from SDSU (West Campus). I was selected, among a few candidates to represent SDSU in an organization called National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA). I managed to compete among these candidates and was selected. This Fellowship has changed my career pathway and life completely. Through this program, I was sponsored to go to a regional conference for four days located in the beautiful city of Seattle, Washington. My experiences at this conference was phenomenal, I got to network with current professionals, current graduate students, and many who were undergraduate Fellows from our Western Region. The four day conference was filled with non-stop networking, and attending sessions. These sessions were similar to TED Talks, filled with professional research and data regarding numerous of topics. The topics varied but there were so many to choose from. The ones I will highlight were “Helping Undocumented Students”, and “Latin@s in higher education”. Aside from the conference I got to explore the amazing city of Seattle, which I am a huge Seattle Seahawks fan so to finally be in the 12th man’s city, I was left in awe to finally be there. In my free time I got to explore the Space Needle, the 1st Starbucks, the Gum wall, Pike’s Place and many other sites that Seattle has to offer. My goal is to one day return this city and visit the friends/colleagues I made during the conference. I would like to give a special thanks to SDSU-IV and the Associated Students Council for presenting me as the “Aztec of the Month” for the month of January it is a true honor.”

Armando Nevarez Jr.

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Class of 2017