The **Office of Ethnic Programs and Services** embraces the ever increasing diversity of the UC campus by providing quality programs and services that:

- **Enhance** the cultural, ethnic and racial awareness of the entire university community
- **Support** the needs of students of color
- **Build** bridges between the university and the community.

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**Celebrating Women in Computing: Grace Hopper Conference 2013**

As one of the few women in the field of computing at UC, I strive to make a difference by serving as a role model to other women in the field. Each year, the "Grace Hopper: Women in Computing Conference" celebrates the research, ingenuity and progress of women in computing from across the nation. This October, I was given a scholarship out of 950 applicants, to travel to Minneapolis for the conference. The opportunity to connect with Fortune 500 companies, such as Google and Northrop Grumman; interact with cutting-edge researchers, and meet with other motivational women in computing was inspiring.

*Priya Chawla*

Junior

Computer Science/CEAS

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**Spotlight on Service: Scholars for Ashley**

Madeline Mason (center) created a Light the Night (LTN) team, Scholars for Ashley, to fundraise for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS). Her friend, Ashley, began the battle against both lymphoma and leukemia in 2004, days after her 10th birthday. She underwent chemotherapy, radiation, and a bone marrow transplant. After reaching remission, her immune system was still very weak. On February 15th, 2008, Ashley was rushed to the hospital after contracting pneumonia, attempted revival three times, but passed away.

From that day on, Madeline swore to truly make a difference. She has fundraised and volunteered for LLS for about six years, starting with her home LTN team, "Ashley's Team" as co-captain. She also directed a 5K run, *The Race for Ashley*, during her sophomore year of high school raising $1,387.64. This year she decided to create Scholars for Ashley, consisting of Cincinnati Scholars, Turners Scholars, and all others who wanted to be a part of it. The team officially had a total of 35 people. Madeline was able to award 134 service hours. Madeline raised $1,161, and the team total was $2,002.

The wonderful part about Ashley was her steadfast spirit and contagious smile. She loved people, and while having so many reasons to be angry and upset with the world, all she did was treat others well and continue to live her life fully. That is what makes her so admirable. She, and other people like her, are the reason why Madeline is fighting for a cure.

*Madeline E. M. Mason*

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**Asian American Student Association Presents: Raas Garba Night**

Raas and Garba are both traditional Indian dances performed during the nine day hindu festival known as Navratri. For the second annual year Asian American Association celebrated this event with the UC community in order to teach students how to properly do the Raas and Garba dances, the significance of Navratri and spread Asian American culture through native cuisine.
Tips

The Dean’s List

In some cases “all nighters” are usually the result of waiting until the last minute to complete an assignment… plan ahead so you can go to bed see what we did there? Lol #poets #rhymes

Notes from the Director Dr. Brandi N.H. Elliott

I would like to thank everyone for supporting our programs this semester. We have had an exciting fall semester as we celebrated culture and diversity on our campus. As we approach the break, let us take time out to remember those who are less fortunate. It is my hope that you will take some time to relax and celebrate your accomplishments, whether this be your first semester or if you are approaching graduation. No matter how you celebrate the season, the Office of Ethnic Programs and Services wishes you the best holiday ever! Get ready for Spring Semester 2014!

ACROSS

3. A form of discriminatory behavior against persons with mental or physical limitations.
4. Pre-judging, making a decision about a person or group of people without sufficient knowledge.
5. An oversimplified generalization about a person or an entire group of people without regard for individual differences.
8. UC’s Interim Chief Diversity Officer

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1. Location for Disability Services
2. African American Cultural and Resource Center
3. Location for the Office of Ethnic Programs and Services
4. Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning

UC Diversity Puzzle
Test your knowledge!

Dr. Brandi N.H. Elliott

Top 5 fall and winter activities
- Watching The Wizard of Oz
- Watching Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer
- Watching Home Alone (1 and 2)
- Watching A Charlie Brown Christmas
- Spending time with my family and friends and eating holiday cookies

Patrice N. Barnes BA

Top 5 fall and winter activities
- Drinking Apple Cider... yummy!!!
- Watching the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day parade and AKC dog show the morning of Thanksgiving.
- Eating my family’s dressing on Thanksgiving, I can eat that all by itself.
- Watching the Classic Home Alone at least three times during the holiday season (I pretty much know the movie word for word lol)
- I love to go shopping the day after Christmas for all the deals

Mrs. Benita Webster

Top 5 fall and winter activities
- Watching Christmas Movies for 30 days
- Decorate Christmas tree and light up on Thanksgiving
- Have a big family gathering for Thanksgiving
- Go Black Friday Shopping for gifts for family and co-workers
- Get Christmas shopping finished myself and husband on December 26 or before New Year’s Day

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