# Miss your Pets? Show Your Love!
Submit items now through Mon, Jan. 20, to Programs Office, Room 133
For more info: Rosalyn, rbathric@ucsc.edu
If you love and miss your pets, then we’d love your photo (or other visual artwork)! The Dizikes Art Cases will display images of our community members loving their pets...items should include you and your pet(s) (or just your pet if you’re shy), and must be accompanied by a short info slip (available from the drop-off location). Watch for January flyer with details, but NOW’s the time to select your photo/art piece so it’s ready to go in January! Image size must not exceed 8x10 please.

# Ugly Sweater Study Break
Friday, December 6; 7-8:45 pm; Fireside Lounge
For more info: Julissa, jespindo@ucsc.edu
Take a break from studying! Come, relax, eat, and make your own ugly sweater! Number of sweaters provided will be limited, please bring your own sweater or other shirts, hats, bags, etc if you can.

## Important Reminders

### Winter Break – Residences Closed
**Friday, Dec 13 at Noon ~ Friday, Jan 3 at 10am**
Plan your holiday now! The campus residential facilities, including apartments and residence halls, will be CLOSED for the Winter Break. Last meal served will be dinner on Thursday, December 12. You can apply for an exception to stay through the weekend after finals, December 14-15. Request an extension through the Student Housing Online page by December 6. For details, or if you have questions, contact the Residential Life Office (below the Dining Hall) at 459-2173.

### Power Outage Planned During Winter Break
Electric power will be shut off for 2 days during the Winter Break. Before you leave, please do the following: empty your refrigerator and freezer, unplug electronics – turn off your alarm clock, take out your trash and recycling, clean your dishes, turn off heat, lock your windows and door.

### Mail Call
**For more info: cowellmr@ucsc.edu**
The mailroom will be closed from December 13th to January 2nd. We will not be accepting ANY packages at this time. We will not store any packages during closure - please pick up all packages BEFORE Friday, December 13th or they will be returned to sender. Please plan accordingly.

## Handout
**Cowbell College Programs, Rm. 133, (831)459-2255**
also online at cowell.ucsc.edu

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**Deadline: Housing Extension App.**
10:30-11:45a: CAO Open Forum, Fireside Lounge
7-9p: Ugly Sweater Study Break, Fireside Lounge
10p: Someone Always Dies, Fireside Lounge

**Noon: Residences close until January 3**

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**UCSC Tobacco Free**

On January 1, 2014 UCSC will become smoke and tobacco free. This means smoking and all tobacco products are prohibited on UCSC property. UC implemented this policy system-wide because we are committed to providing a healthy, safe, and productive work and learning environment for the entire UC community. A good resource is the website tobaccofree.ucsc.edu, where there are campus specifics as well as state and national resources. Another good resource is 1-800-NO-BUTTS, California Smokers’ Hotline, nobutts.org.

**Balloon Art Brigade**

Mondays, 9-10pm; Apartment Community Room  
For more info: slugballoons@gmail.com

Learn a new skill! Meet new people and volunteer at the Balloon Art Brigade! More field trips coming soon in winter quarter.

**The Senate Minute**

Thursdays, 7:30-9p, Conference Room 132  
For more info: Matt, mfwillia@ucsc.edu

If you haven’t been to Cowell Senate yet, now is your time to learn about student government at Cowell College. With only one meeting left this quarter, your representatives are sure to get down to business. Join us on December 5 to experience the exhilarating funding request process, hear about happenings around campus, and find out how to get one of those classy Senate sweatshirts. Refreshments provided, bring a mug. See you then!

**Hula Hoop Club Start-Up**

For more info: Melanie, (530)574-3177, mmplatt@ucsc.edu  
Attention Cowell students! At the beginning of winter quarter, there will be a Hula Hoop Club! Make hoops and practice with others on Sunday nights. More info in January. If you’d like to receive info about the first meeting, email Melanie.

**Help Pick Cowell’s New Lead Staff Person**

Open Forums: Monday 12/2, 1:30-2:45 pm; Wednesday 12/4, 1:30-2:45 pm; Friday, 12/6, 10:30-11:45 pm; Monday 12/9, 10:30-11:45 am  
All held in the Cowell Fireside Lounge

Did you know that the top administrative staff position at Cowell and Stevenson Colleges (the College Administrative Officer, or CAO) is currently in the process of being filled? This person supervises Res Life, College Office, Programs, Coffee Shop staff and more. The Committee wants your feedback. Attend any or all of the open forums to meet the 4 final candidates and give valuable feedback.

**Core Plenary Lecture: Partners in Health**

Monday, Dec 2; 7pm; Classroom Unit 2  
For more info: Catherine Carlstroom, mastodon@ucsc.edu  
Dr. Peter Drobac and Virginia Farmer will join us to discuss the work of Partners in Health, a non-profit organization that works to combat infection diseases and bring modern medicine to those most in need.

**Want to be an RA in the 2014-15 Academic Year?**

**Kinetic Poetics Project Poetry Slam**

Wednesday, Dec 4; Sign-ups 7:30 pm, Show 8 pm; Fireside Lounge  
For more info: kineticpoeticsemail@gmail.com or Facebook.com/ KineticPoeticsProject

Come out for an evening of performance poetry as an audience member or spoken word poet. This event is in collaboration with some Queer Student Orgs on campus so there will be tons of folks to contribute to the night.

**Someone Always Dies: Free Improv Comedy**

Friday, Dec 6; 10-11 pm; Fireside Lounge  
For more info: Rosie, rglenlam@ucsc.edu

Someone Always Dies is an improv comedy team at UCSC. Come watch comedy being made up right before your very eyes! Shows are free for everyone, bring your friends!

**Now Showing in the Dizikes Art Cases**

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