For this edition of the Chair’s Corner, I want to take some information you may have missed in Purdue Today and Purdue News since the beginning of the year, and bring it to your attention again. As I have busy days where important things may be missed, I wanted to highlight these campus news items and give staff a second chance to read them.

**Board approves winter recess for 2016-17**

February 26, 2016 - At the recommendation of President Mitch Daniels, the Board of Trustees on Friday (Feb. 26) approved for 2016 the addition of a three-day winter recess on Dec. 27-29 for faculty and staff on all Purdue campuses.

The three days are in addition to approved University holidays already scheduled on Dec. 23, 26, 30 and Jan. 2.

“We’ve heard from many of our staff that providing our campus community with an extended break during this time of year is a wonderfully welcome benefit,” Daniels said.

Purdue first offered the extended three-day recess during December 2015 after adding two half-day leaves during December 2014.

For the coming year, the University will be officially closed Dec. 23, 2016, through Jan. 2, 2017.

**Center for Healthy Living celebrates 3-year anniversary, extends hours**

February 15, 2016 - The Center for Healthy Living on Purdue’s West Lafayette campus will begin offering extended hours for medical visits today (Feb. 15). February 2016 marks the center’s third anniversary.

“We have been gathering feedback and working on behalf of our faculty and staff to continue to provide the highest quality, most convenient services possible at our center,” says Eva Nodine, director of benefits in Human Resources.

“Through the Healthy Boiler initiative, we have received additional feedback that extending the hours of service for appointments and providing more availability for same-day appointments are what employees need and we are excited to make that happen this year.”

As of today, the hours at the center will be 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Friday hours will remain the same, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and lab hours will also remain the same, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

In recognition of the three years of success on the West Lafayette campus, it’s a good time to remind employees of the many valuable resources available at the center, including high-quality health care offered at a great value, Nodine says.

Clients of the center have access to a full-service health center, including preventive care services as well as same-day sick visits, with expert services provided by health care professionals as part of the holistic, team approach that is at the heart of the center. They include:

- Physicians
- Nurse practitioners
- Medical assistants
- On-site Mid America Clinical Labs Tier 1 lab
- Phlebotomist

In addition, no-cost wellness programs are offered at the center and include employee assistance counseling, health coaching, medication therapy management, tobacco cessation and more. No-cost workshops on a variety of topics are offered through the year as well. Center for Healthy Living workshops are free for benefits-eligible faculty and staff and spouses/same-sex domestic partners and adult dependents covered on a Purdue medical plan. Workshops are designed to educate attendees and improve their overall health. These programs do not require a referral.

For more information, see the full Purdue Today article here: [www.purdue.edu/newsroom/purdutoday/releases/2016/Q1/center-for-healthy-living-celebrates-3-year-anniversary,-extends-hours-.html](http://www.purdue.edu/newsroom/purdutoday/releases/2016/Q1/center-for-healthy-living-celebrates-3-year-anniversary,-extends-hours-.html)

For medical consultation after hours or on weekends, employees can contact the Anthem NurseLine at 888-279-5449 for assistance.
Each spring, the Professional Development subcommittee of APSAC organizes the Richard A. Hadley APSAC Professional Development Series presentation. This year it will be on March 1, 2016 from 2-4 pm in STEW 302-306. Michelle Gladieux, Purdue alum and Executive Coach, will present on “Presence and Productivity: Pursuing ‘Work-Life Balance’”. She will discuss how can you be highly effective at work and at the same time live your days with more enjoyment. How does less worrying, smart risk-taking, and communicating with less fear sound? This workshop will help you understand your unique purpose in three main relationships: the one you have with yourself, with others, and with your work. Join us at her presentation in March! Create space to get clear about your passions and plan logical next steps.

The Hadley presentation is now at capacity but it will be live streamed. If you are interested please go to the following link (https://purdue.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_8wvC1MRm6TN-PVPf) and provide the requested information. Those who sign up will receive an email on the day of the event, with directions to stream the event.

APSAC is now accepting applications for its individual professional development grants.

Examples of funded grant applications include but are not limited to professional education or certification; attendance at lectures, conferences and seminars; or tuition assistance for academic classes. The maximum award amount is $750. Applications for spring grants will be considered for activities occurring from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016. The application process will be completed online, and the deadline is March 1, 2016 at 11:59pm for this grant period. More information and a link to the online application are available at www.purdue.edu/apsac. Questions may be directed to the Professional Development Subcommittee at APSAC-PD@purdue.edu.

NOMINATIONS BEGIN MARCH 7 FOR APSAC EXCELLENCE AWARD

APSAC will be soon be accepting nominations for the annual APSAC Excellence Award, which recognizes A/P staff members who consistently perform at an outstanding level.

Nominations will be accepted from the period of March 7- April 4, 2016. The award is sponsored by the Office of the Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer.

The award will recognize a full-time administrative or professional staff member from the West Lafayette campus who demonstrates excellence by:

- Showing initiative
- Leading by example
- Showing exemplary customer service
- Acting as a University ambassador
- Being a high performer

The winner of the award will receive a plaque and $1,500 (subject to tax withholdings). Current APSAC members cannot be nominated.

Any member of the University community can make a nomination. Nominations must include a statement that outlines how the nominee meets the areas of excellence listed above. Two letters of support from any faculty, staff or student also are required.

The 2015 Excellence Award winner was Scott Kepner, senior research engineer in the Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences.

For more information, contact Carrie Hanson at 765-494-7397 or carrie@purdue.edu

HADLEY LECTURE AT 2 PM ON MARCH 1, 2016

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APPLY NOW FOR INDIVIDUAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS
NEW CHILD CARE SAVINGS FOR PURDUE FAMILIES

An agreement between Purdue and Children’s Creative Learning Centers (CCLC), which went into effect Monday (Feb. 1), will provide savings on child care tuition for Purdue faculty, staff and students.

Purdue families who enroll their child at a KinderCare Learning Center, Champions before- and after-school program or participating CCLC Child Care Center across the United States will save 10 percent on tuition. Since the program is nationwide, families at all Purdue campuses, as well as Purdue Extension staff, are able to benefit.

Drop-in care is available at any KinderCare nationwide and for full-time, part-time, temporary or even one-day care. Parents schedule care by contacting the center or program directly. Drop-in care is on a space-available basis by center.

CCLC is the provider at the Patty Jischke Early Care and Education Center, as well as the new child care center currently under construction; however, the on-campus centers are not participating in the tuition savings program.

To find a center and take advantage of the child care tuition savings, visit www.kubusinesssolutions.com/purdue or call 877-914-7683. More information on this and other family-friendly initiatives is available at www.purdue.edu/familyfriendly.

MORGAN CENTER BECOMING GATEWAY FOR INNOVATION

Purdue University is co-locating its innovation, entrepreneurship, commercialization and partnership program activities into the Burton D. Morgan Center building in Discovery Park in an ongoing effort to streamline access to these programs.

Purdue’s Office of Corporate and Global Partnerships will relocate to the Burton D. Morgan building. Dan Hirlmezan, chief corporate and global partnerships officer, sees this as a first move toward the long-term vision to position University resources for the future as Discovery Park continues to expand west into Purdue’s rising innovation district. Hirlmezan’s office is part of the Office of the Executive Vice President for Research and Partnerships.

In his current role as the University’s chief entrepreneurial officer, Dan Hasler will serve as the executive director of the Burton D. Morgan Center while retaining his role as president of the Purdue Research Foundation. By more closely integrating the center’s long-standing programs in entrepreneurship and innovation with the interests of corporate and global partners, researchers and companies can work alongside faculty and students, and with entrepreneurs, startups and investors.

The Purdue Foundry, located in the building, will be closely integrated with the Burton D. Morgan Center. The Office of Technology Commercialization, which staffs an office in the building, will also deepen its alliance with the Center. Greg Deason, senior vice president of PRF, will serve as director of innovation and commercialization in the center, and Joe Pekny will take on responsibilities as special advisor for strategic opportunities.

The move aligns and concentrates all of the University’s and the Purdue Research Foundation’s research, innovation and commercialization activities into a single gateway, allowing seamless access for students, faculty, staff and partners. Students will benefit from participation in existing and new entrepreneurship-related educational and research programs, to be enriched through an enhanced partnership with the Krannert School of Management.

This move complements the interdisciplinary research taking place in Purdue’s Discovery Park and campus-wide, and maximizes the exchange of ideas, knowledge and best practices.

The integration of innovation and entrepreneurship with corporate and global partnerships positions the Burton D. Morgan building in Discovery Park as Purdue’s gateway for turning research advances into new technologies, companies and products.