



Just one of many reasons to make Spring Fling at Canes a new tradition.

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New traditions at a new venue

Spring Fling hopes to warm things up

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ASI welcomes a new tradition to campus life by hosting Cal State San Marcos's first Spring Fling homecoming event at Canes Bar and Grill in Mission Beach on Friday, March 10.

"It's about time we had a spring

dance," said Tanja Schroeder, director of Annual Events and Traditions, when asked why we are hosting a spring homecoming event. Due to the huge success of the Masquerade Ball hosted in the fall, Associated Students, Inc. introduces a new tradition to the legacy of campus events offered in spring.

"The people at Canes were eager to work with us and accommodate us, and they have good food on their menu for the event," mentioned Schroeder.

With last semester's Masquerade Ball being held at the Hard Rock Café in La Jolla and the upcoming Spring Fling being hosted in Mission Beach, some students are questioning why more North County venues are not being offered instead.

"If we are going to put a lot of money and effort into a dance, we should do it all in style! It's fun to go outside of where we hang out all day for

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school and go somewhere different," said Schroeder. In the past, dances have been hosted at the Escondido Center for Performing Arts as well as Pechanga Casino, but when planning for this year's event, Schroeder anticipated that it would be fun



to party in a 'club-like' venue rather than a formal one. "Hard Rock Café was fun, but the maximum capacity is 50," said Schroeder. "Canes has the same kind of environment and vibe as Hard Rock Café, yet Canes holds up to 800 people."

The Spring Fling is free to CSUSM students with a valid student ID, courtesy of ASI funding. Guests are welcome to attend for a nominal fee of \$5. All attendees must obtain tickets in advance to attend, since tickets will not be sold or available at the door. "Students are advised to get their tickets ASAP," suggested Schroeder. The last day to get tickets is Thursday, March 9, at 4:00 p.m.

"It is important for students to know the name on the ticket must match an ID

card upon entering," added Schroeder. As for the dress code, "there is no strict dress code for this event," said Schroeder; however, Schroeder suggests dressing in club-like attire or appropriately for such a special event.

Although Canes is a bar, the event is not only for the 21 and up crowd. All students are welcome to attend, regardless of age. Alcoholic beverages will be available for students 21 and over, at the cash bar, at the student's expense. Non-alcoholic beverages and food are free. Food will include: pizza, quesadillas with sour cream, mini taquitos, caliente wings, chicken fingers, chips and salsa, with fresh vegetable and cheese and cracker trays.

"We are going to have some great DJs



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that will make everyone wanna get out on the dance floor," said Schroeder. So bring comfortable shoes, because according to Schroeder, "we're going to dance the night away!"