

# TOX QUARTERLY

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## Welcome to the 2017-2018 Year!

As we approach the middle of the quarter, the ETOX Mini-GSA hopes that the new students have settled into life at UCR, and that current ETOX students are progressing in their research.

This fall, the ETOX Mini-GSA is pleased to announce the circulation of our program-wide newsletter, "Tox Quarterly." Each quarter, the newsletter will feature ETOX program announcements, ETOX Mini-GSA activities, upcoming events, as well as celebrations of student achievements.

Happy Reading!

ETOX Mini-GSA

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Left image: Corey, Lauren, Connie, Stefani, Marissa, and Tori at demonstration exhibit  
 Right image: Jin participated as a science expert consultant

## Annual Science Fair Expo Outreach Event

by My Hua

The UCR ETOX graduate program was well-represented at the Annual Science Fair Expo in downtown Riverside on Saturday, October 28th. Hosted by the Riverside County Department of Education, the Expo aims to encourage elementary, middle, and high school students to explore different ideas when planning their science fair projects. Our volunteers (pictured above) served as consultants to help students develop project ideas or staffed a demonstration on acids, bases, and pH using cabbage and other household items. Overall, we had a great student and volunteer turnout!

If you are interested in volunteering with the ETOX Mini-GSA in future quarters, please keep a look out for volunteer announcements via email.

## GSA Meeting Minutes

by Connie Mitchell

- R'Web now provides students with access to unofficial transcripts.
- There will be a \$20 fee reduction in Winter Quarter '18.
- R'Pantry is hosting a food donation drive from November 20th-December 20th (check your R'mail for more details on how to contribute).
- Graduate Student Researchers (GSR) and other previously unionized workers may now unionize (UAW2865).
- TAs/Readers/etc.: Bargaining contract to be re-negotiated next year (on the table: pay increases with cost of living, post-pregnancy leave, gender neutral restrooms, etc.)

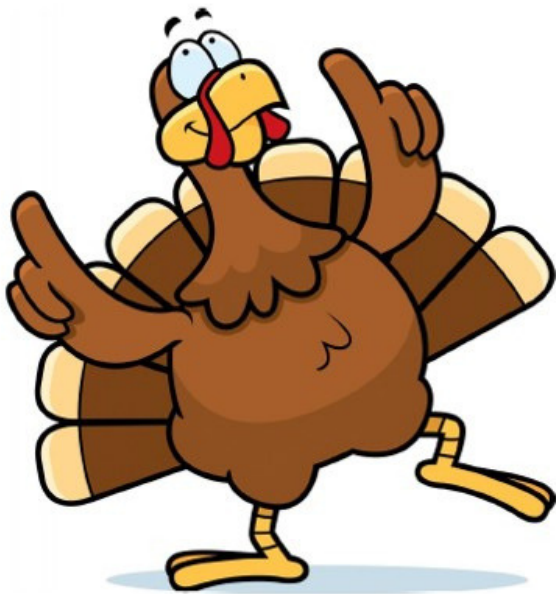
## Student Conferences Presentations

by My Hua

- Connie Mitchell and Sara Vliet: 10th World Conference on Animals and Alternatives
- Esther Omaiye and My Hua: Local Southern California Society of Toxicology Meeting
- Jin Chen: 36th Annual Conference of the American Association for Aerosol Research

# Upcoming ETOX Events: Save the Date!

## ETOX FRIENDSGIVING POTLUCK



When: Thursday, November 30, 2017  
6pm-9pm

Where: Science Laboratories RM 301

Potluck sign up sheet can be found at  
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1s7-61YiKYFolKY25Kny5Pi2hcwXQtj60QvgGyAisb8w/edit#gid=0>

Please sign up to bring something by 11/27  
Be sure to bring utensils!!

**Want to share any announcements for the next  
Winter 2018 issue?**

Please email either Sara Vliet (svlie001@ucr.edu) or My Hua (mhua002@ucr.edu).

Thanks!