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University Community Asked to Arrive Early for May 21 Commencement

Approximately 5,700 people are expected to attend the University's third annual commencement ceremonies, to be held Saturday, May 21, beginning at 9 a.m. on the South Quad. Because of the high volume of people, extremely limited parking, and traffic on campus, students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to arrive as early as 7 a.m. Those who are participating in the ceremony should be prompt in arriving at their designated areas. On that day, faculty and staff are asked by Parking Services to park in designated areas, to be announced at a later date. If traffic congestion begins early, faculty, staff, and University Glen residents may consider using the Potrero entrance to the University. Each graduate will receive one on-campus parking pass for his or her vehicle and one pass for a guest vehicle to be parked in an off-campus site, and they will be shuttled to campus.

For more information, contact Peggy Hinz, director of communications and marketing, at ext. 8947 or peggy.hinz@csuci.edu.

Reminder: Make Reservations for May 6 Honors Convocation

Faculty who are planning to robe and participate in the processional of the 2005 Honors Convocation, Friday, May 6, should RSVP to Cindy Eaves at ext 8548 or cindy.eaves@csuci.edu for seating reservations. Staff, students, and other faculty members who wish to attend the event should also RSVP. The convocation will be held in Salon A with a reception to follow in Conference Hall 1.

Faculty-Student Art Show to Begin April 23

A faculty-student art show, titled "Interpretation and Innovation," will be presented from April 23 – May 21 at the Studio Channel Islands Art Center gallery. The exhibit will include approximately 125 works of art, from traditional drawing and painting to experimental mixed media, sculpture and ceramics, graphic design, digital photography, multimedia and hi-tech, and digital video art. Jurors from the art community outside of the University will judge student art in various categories. The event, which is free and open to the public, will begin with a reception on Saturday, April 23, from 4 – 6 p.m. at the gallery. Refreshments and music will be provided.

For more information, contact Jack Reilly, professor of art and chair of the Art Program, at ext. 8863 or visit <http://art.csuci.edu>.

CSUCI Lecturer and Author to Present Literary Reading on April 26

Sean Carswell, CSUCI lecturer in multiple programs, will perform readings from his latest short story collection, *Barney's Crew*, on Tuesday, April 26, at 7 p.m. in the Library Collaborative Study Room. The author's novel, *Drinks for the Little Guy*, has been optioned by Hymliques Films, and *Fifteen Bucks and a Cookie*, a short story from his collection titled *Glue and Ink Rebellion*, is now in post-production as a short film. The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. After the reading, the author will participate in a question-and-answer session on writing and publishing.

Just for Fun, Join the Grunion Run

Students and faculty of the Biology Club are organizing an outing to a local beach to observe a grunion run, from 11 p.m. on Wednesday, April 27, to 1:40 a.m., Thursday, April 28. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Melissa Mirkovich, president, Student Programming Board, at ext. 2730.

Students' 2nd Annual Picnic to Be Held April 30

The 2nd annual picnic, sponsored by the Student Programming Board, Student Government, and the Office of Student Leadership and Development, will be held Saturday, April 30, from noon to 5 p.m. on the North Quad. This year's event will feature entertainment, headlined by the musical group, Sugarcult. In addition, Funk Union Local 805, a local band, and Sky Walker and 7-4-7, both student bands, will be performing. Local vendors, clubs, and organizations will offer arts and crafts for sale. Sodexo will have food for sale. Outside food and non-alcoholic beverages will be allowed but ice chests will be searched before entry. Since children's water games will be featured, attendees are encouraged to bring towels. Pets are not allowed. The event is free for all University students, including CSUN at CI students. Faculty, staff, and members of the community will be charged \$10 per person, with children 12 and under free. Follow event signs to parking.

For more information, contact the Student Programming Board at ext. 2730 or visit asi.spb@csuci.edu.

For disability accommodations, call ext. 8510.

Winners Announced in Student Elections

The results of this week's Associated Students, Inc. student elections have been announced. Anneka Busse and Uriah Anderson have been elected Student Government president and vice president, respectively. Meghan Ciuffetelli is the new president of the Student Programming Board. Student Government senators are Kris Behr, John Bickford, Elisabeth Freeman, Cody Fullenwider, Lindsay McCarthy, and Elijah Ecker-Smith. ASI Board members are Chris Hoffmann and Mark Kirkpatrick.

Math-Science Talk Scheduled for April 28

A Math-Science Talk, featuring experts who will discuss math and computer science topics aimed at undergraduate students, will be held Thursday, April 28, from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., in Bell Tower room 1726. The event, which is free and open to the public, is sponsored by the Math and Computer Science Departments. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, contact Jorge Garcia, assistant professor of mathematics, at ext. 2769.

‘Dealing with Difficult People’ Workshop Offered on April 29

A Human Resources Department workshop, titled “Dealing with Difficult People,” will be held Friday, April 29, from 9 – 11 a.m., in the Administration Building Training Room. The event will focus on identifying personality/communication styles, realizing how to deal with different personalities, and discovering the do’s and don’ts for managing difficult interactions. The event is free and open to the public.

May 6 Workshop Helps People to Deal with Grief

“Dealing with Grief and Loss,” a Human Resources Department workshop, will be held Wednesday, May 6, from 1 – 3 p.m. in the Administration Building Training Room. The event will offer advice on dealing with a significant loss and discovering ways to better handle difficult situations. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information on either of these workshops, contact Colleen Bennett, Human Resources administrator, at ext. 8846.

Five Administrative Policies Approved by the President

The following policies were recently recommended by the President’s Council and approved by the President: Policy on Admission Exceptions; Policy on Intent to Enroll; Policy on Application Roll-Over; Policy on Issuing Official Transcripts; and Policy on Submission of Official Transcripts. Details of these policies and others may be viewed on the Administrative Policy Web site, <http://policy.csuci.edu>.

Kudos

- Three history students have been accepted into graduate programs that will begin in the fall of this year. Jeffrey Dinkler has been accepted into the masters/doctoral program, with a concentration in the history of science, at UC Santa Barbara. Thomas Barker has won a fellowship to pursue a master’s degree in east Asian history at the University of Kansas. After that, he plans to obtain a Ph.D. degree in pre-modern Japan. His article, “Silver, Silk and Manila: Factors Leading to the Manila Galleon Trade,” appeared in a recent issue of *I.D.E.A.S.*, an online journal for university students. Sheila Attarchi will pursue a master’s degree in psychology, with a concentration in marriage and family therapy, at Chapman University.
 - Renny Christopher, professor of English and chair of the Academic Senate, was a featured guest on *Impact*, a production of the Adelphia Cable Company, speaking about National Women’s History Month and the University’s Multicultural and Women’s & Gender Center.
 - Terry Ballman, professor of Spanish and chair of Multiple Programs, recently gave the keynote address, “Assessing Our Students Oral Language: Meeting the Standards,” at the annual conference of the Hawaii Association of Language Teachers in Honolulu. In addition, she and Antonio Jiménez-Jiménez, assistant professor of Spanish, recently gave a presentation, titled “Promoting Speaking: Engaging Students in Fun, Task-based Activities,” at the California Language Teachers Association annual meeting in Ontario.
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Welcome Aboard

Say hello to new University employees for the month of April: Jennifer A. O'Brien, administrative assistant, Communications and Marketing, and Rachel Ochoa Tafoya, ASI and Student Leadership and Development support assistant, Student Affairs/Student Life/ASI.

Around Campus

Discover CI

At the recent Discover CI event, new and prospective students and their families visited the campus to learn more about the University. Workshops focused on academic preparation for admission to CSUCI, and staff provided information on a variety of academic and student programs.

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