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The U.S. Supreme Court affirms
the ban on segregation in public
schools in Brown vs. Board of
Education.

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CSUCI Officially Signs International Exchange Agreement

By: Eva Klein

On February 20, 2009, President Rush met with Zeppelin University President Stephan A. Jansen for the official signing ceremony of the international exchange agreement that was initially created in February 2008.

The idea behind the creation of this agreement is to "promote effective and mutually beneficial cooperation and to develop academic and cultural exchange in education, research and other areas." This first anniversary of the agreement marked the first of many productive, successful years to come for both CSUCI and Zeppelin University.

For those who are not aware of Zeppelin University, it is a private institution located in Friedrichshafen, Germany. The University emphasizes an "Individualized, international and interdisciplinary approach" while "Bridging Business, Culture and Politics." Zeppelin offers "Future-oriented degrees for a global environment" with degrees in corporate management and economics, communication and cultural management, and public management and government.



President Rush and Zeppelin University President Stephan A. Jansen sign the international exchange agreement

Photo by Bon Hippl

While Zeppelin has proven itself to be an innovative and successful institution, it is still considered to be rather new, just like CI. Zeppelin was founded in 2003 which is just one year after CSUCI was founded. This is just one of the similarities that can be found between Zeppelin and Cal State Channel Islands.

It is clear why these two institutions for higher education decided to team up. Both CI and Zeppelin are committed to interdisciplinary and international pedagogy and are going to help each other to achieve the goals set out by both President Rush and President Jansen. "We want to bridge the islands of knowledge in the academic ocean," said Jansen, who also threw in a well received joke about the beautiful architecture

on the CI campus, only adding to the uplifting atmosphere at the ceremony. Sociology professor, Dr. Daniel Lee, plans to take 15 of his students to Zeppelin as part of University 392 course that he is teaching. This course, "involves comparative analysis of educational institutions of the United States and Germany."

Students at CI seem very excited about the agreement. Sophomore Elizabeth Bingham feels, "It will be a good learning experience for both students here [CI] and students over there [Zeppelin]." Senior Kari Hilmer, who was not aware of the initial agreement, also had very positive things to say about the news, "It is a good thing for our University to go on a more global scale."

The signing ceremony was a sight to be seen. Both President Rush and President Jensen exchanged jokes and made the audience laugh. There was an exciting buzz about the conference room as President Rush expressed his gratitude and kind words towards President Jansen and Zeppelin University on behalf of CSUCI. The feelings were mutual as President Jansen offered his open invitation to President Rush to, "come to Germany to visit." The ceremony ended with President Jansen presenting President Rush with a novelty Zeppelin blimp.

Overall, this event was full of positive energy and optimistic outlooks on the past and future relationships between Zeppelin University and California State University Channel Islands.

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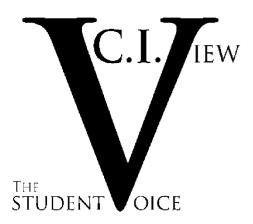
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Letter from the Editor

Eva Klein

John F. Kennedy once said, "Too often we enjoy the comfort of opinion without the discomfort of thought." When I first read this quote, I felt like I needed to share it with regards to what we try to accomplish in the CI View. Lately, we have gotten a lot of feedback regarding what we write, how we write, why we publish what we publish, etc. The list goes on. I want you all to know why we exist and what we believe our purpose to be.

The CI View represents the student voice. We are a publication that encourages student participation and student growth. If a student comes to us, and wants to write about something, we are all for it. This not only applies to hard news stories or soft news stories, but also opinion pieces as well. Everyone is entitled to their own opinions, but it is also important to understand others viewpoints. In my opinion (no pun intended) this is a great strategy to help one navigate through the challenges of life. If you are only set on your own views and you are unwilling to appreciate the opinions of others, it is likely that you will miss out on opportunities to expand your own learning. A diverse mind is something to be celebrated.

I get it- we publish some controversial things sometimes and you are all entitled to your opinions. I love the fact that we publish things that cause controversy amongst our readers. These types of things spark the human mind to think critically. Controversial issues have the ability prompt valuable discussions which can lead to teachable moments. Even if you do not agree with someone's opinion, it is important to acknowledge and value the fact that they have their own views. After all, what progress would our world make without opinion and debate?

In an effort to assist CSUCI with the University's ongoing sustainable practices and endeavors, we have included what is called a SWOT analysis below for you to complete. We want to hear what you, the students, have to say about how sustainable you fell that our campus is. This is your chance to voice what things you feel the university is doing well, and what areas you think have room for improvement.

This feedback with then be shared with the ASI Board and the University Planning and Construction Committee. You may wish to include your personal information, but you can also turn this information in anonymously. Please fill out this page and return it to the University Hub or mail your completed SWOT analysis to:

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Creative Writing

Dmitri the Sheep

By: NICK RESTER Dmitri stands four inches tall sending me good thoughts from my bedside table His thoughts are brief introspective and to the point "Leave" his eyes say like the desperate repeating eyes on an abandoned roll of photo booth snapshots "Leave" says the toy sheep never having left my table "Leave" says the tiny muse of wander lust He is the phone call I will not make

and family I'm leaving He is the train ticket

telling friends

I will not look at but go

wherever it takes me He is the reason I can hate work

I can hate my life I can hate my friends

"Leave" he says

with his frozen mouth sending shivers

through me like the death rattle

of a sinking ship

"Leave"

he says

like tortured notes

of a silent raging

orchestra "Leave"

he says

"and never come back"

Endless

BY: RAYMOND BALLESTEROS

At dusk in the moonlight where we lie in two Our eyes grasp each other once anew Day into night is where our love should be Where your love glistens and sets me free

The scent from your skin breaks through the air That circles your face and curves through your hair It charms my soul and my heart will surrender For nothing in the world can be this tender

This astounding sensation has left me in awe Leaving me touched with what I just saw An aspiring splendor that can only be felt That's left my heart swinging and ready to melt

The endless beauty that breathes through your skin All this time, I've wondered where you've been Your endless beauty has now sheltered my heart Me and you, from the world, we shall part

Ten Fun Things to Do Over Spring Break

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- 3. Sell Your Skills—Earn some extra cash by walking dogs, babysitting, cleaning, or any other skills that you may have.
- 4. Volunteer—In this tough economy, there are plenty of people who need help year-round.

- Volunteer at your local Boys & Girls Club, United Way, soup kitchen, Animal Rescue, homeless shelter, or anywhere that interests you. Check out http://www.volunteerventuracounty. org/volunteer/ to search for a volunteer opportunity that suits you.
- 5. Go to a Concert/Show—Now is the time to see your favorite band or act in person! You can go any night of the week without worrying about having class the next day.
- 6. Reconnect with Old Friends—Have you lost touch with your hometown friends like I have? If they have the same Spring Break as you do, why not suggest meeting up to discuss how things have been? You might be surprised by how much you miss talking to them...
- 7. Veg Out—Now is the time to relax. Read books, play games, watch movies, and most importantly, catch up on lost sleep!
- 8. Write an Article for the CI View—We could always use more student input! Deadline for the May issue is April 20th by 5pm. Email your articles to eva.klein@csuci.edu. Tell us what's on your mind!
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Spotlight Meet Your 2009 Senior Orientation Leaders

BY: EVA KLEIN

It is official: orientation season is beginning at CSUCI. Many CSUCI students are currently applying and interviewing to become a part of the 2009-2010 orientation staff. For those of you who are unaware, this staff plays an essential role in the transition for students coming to CSUCI. Orientation Leaders are responsible for helping to create and facilitate freshman and transfer orientations and work long hours on campus over the summer to ensure that students feel welcomed and prepared to enter college life at CI. So who is responsible for helping them out behind the scenes? That would be the role of the Senior Orientation Leader. This year, CI has two of the brightest student leaders on campus stepping up to fill the role as Senior Orientation Leader. Rebecca Torres and Brandon Dowling have already started planning for the wonderful few months that the Orientation Leaders will get to experience over summer.

Rebecca Torres is a sophomore Biology major working towards completing her bachelor's degree so that she can pursue a career in dentistry. Ultimately, Rebecca plans to "promote physical and mental well-being while being able to inspire others to want to have a healthy lifestyle." On top of going to school full time and serving in her current role as the Senior Orientation Leader, Rebecca is also the manager of the New Student Center located in the Bell Tower. Rebecca loves working at The New Student Center because she is able to connect with students around campus and work with incredible people. "Everyday when I wake



hoto by: Michael Milligar

up in the morning, I ask myself-'How can I be a better person today?' ... A better student, a better daughter, girlfriend, friend, sister, Senior Orientation Leader and role model," said Rebecca. Some of her previous accomplishments at CI have included working on the 2008-2009 Orientation Staff as an Orientation Leader. "Being an Orientation Leader changed my life- I appreciated every moment of it and cannot wait to do it again this summer as the Senior Orientation Leader along with my co-worker and good friend, Brandon Dowling," said Rebecca.

So how did Rebbeca end up at CI? Rebecca said, "I chose Channel Islands because of the welcoming atmosphere." When Rebbeca finds free time in her busy schedule, she likes to dance, sing, eat sushi, workout, and of course, socialize. Her favorite location off campus is old town Pasadena because it reminds her of all of the memories that she has made with her family and friends. It is no doubt that Rebecca has a bright and promising future at CSUCI.

Brandon Dowling is sure to have a bright future at CI as well. Brandon is also a sophomore at CI. He is majoring in both Political Science and Psychology.

Brandon was also on the 2008-2009 Orientation Staff and works closely with Rebecca managing The New Student Center. One of Brandon's most notable accomplishments at CI has been his Presidential Scholarship Award. Being one of the few Presidential scholars at CI means that Brandon stays on top of his studies, but he also finds time to have fun. When you can't find Brandon in the Center or in the residence halls studying, he might be exploring one of his other interests which include computers, books, video games, sleeping, music, cars, or funny YouTube videos. CSUCI appealed to Brandon because he went to a smaller high school and he wanted to enjoy the same family-like atmosphere. "When I visited CI for the first time, I was taken aback by how beautiful the campus was and how friendly the faculty and staff were. After receiving a scholarship to CSCUI, my choice was solidified," said Brandon. Brandon often visits back to his hometown which is located in the high desert, more specifically Palmdale, California. After CI, Brandon plans to continue his education at Stanford University to get a degree in law so that he can start a career in international law.

New Art Show Coming Up This Month

CSUCI Exhibitions Gallery features: Luminous Abstract Calligraphy,

Paintings by Beverly Decker.

Camarillo, Calif., March 5, 2009--CSUCI Exhibitions gallery in Camarillo has announced that its next show will be paintings by artist and CSUCI professor Beverly Decker. The exhibition will begin on Thursday, March 12, 2009 and continue through Friday, April 10, 2009. Regular gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. There will be an artist's reception at the gallery from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 12, 2008. The reception is open to the public.

Beverly Decker is a an artist and educator who's philosophy is to make art that is on the one hand, technically & aesthetically sound, and on the other, one that reflects the spiritual and cultural zeitgeist of her life. Decker's recent series of paintings is titled "Luminous Abstract Calligraphy". It is inspired by her studies over the last forty years in Sufism, Buddhism, Eastern and Western philosophies and spirituality in general.

As in many cultures that identify calligraphy with drawing, Beverly Decker uses writing in her paintings as a form of visual meditation. Her colorful hand-written script visually repeats calligraphic incantations over and over again in all four directions of

the pictorial plane.

The text listed below, inspired by Buddhist practice, is painted in each piece. There are four repetitions, one for each quality--peace, love, joy, and compassion:

"With the thought of peace (love, joy, compassion), let me contemplate the world, and may this peace extend to its four horizons. And peace (love, joy, compassion), increasing beyond measure, let me encompass the whole cosmos up to its confines."

CSUCI Exhibitions is located at 92 Palm Drive in Old Town Camarillo, Calif., 93010

For additional information, contact the, CSUCI Art Program, 805-437-8570, email art@csuci.edu, or visit the Web site http://art.csuci.edu/gallery.

Art Review: "Steps of the Synthesized Figure"

By: Elise Stringham

The newest art exhibition for CSUCI, "Steps of the Synthesized Figure," features the works of Nicholas Capaldi, James Cox, and Chippy Todd. The show opened on Thursday, February 5th, and is located at the CSUCI Exhibitions Gallery in Old Town Camarillo.

A common feature for all three artists exhibited is the human form. Nicholas Capaldi's figurative paintings show the relationship between the human body and its spatial and temporal constraints. Capaldi uses a strong color palette that displays a well-balanced range between bright and dark hues. The figures in his paintings show a repetition and form of movement that capture the viewers' attention and allow them to create their own interpretation of what may be happening in the painting. James Cox's work is an assemblage of newspapers, paint and other media that give his work a very unique and

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distinctive look. Cox uses texture and vibrant colors mixed with found text to create concealed meaning and symbolism. Chippy Todd's paintings concentrate on the abstracted human form. Each of her pieces is a mixture of organic shapes that indirectly hint at the human body. Todd works with a large variety of colored shapes and lines to create her engaging abstract work.

Opening night proved to be a success. An air of greatness sent a wave of electricity through the space as chatting viewers breathed in the figurative works. An ecstatic customer handed a check to Capaldi before running to tell friends of his worthy investment. Another collector purchased, right before closing time, a work by Cox as well. By the end of the evening crowds still lingered, and the enthusiasm drawn from the successful evening made its way out the doors. Empty plates and wine bottles were a reminder of the large crowd and support drawn in by the artists and tightly knit community that is the CSUCI art department.

For a first-hand experience with the art, visit the CSUCI Exhibitions Gallery between 10AM and 4PM Monday through Friday. The exhibition will remain open until March 6, 2009, and is located at 92 Palm Drive in Camarillo.



The artists: Nick Capaldi, Chippy Todd, and James Cox

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Dolphins in the Swell

By: Gisselle Gutierrez

As winter comes to an end and spring approaches so does La Niña. As a pod of dolphins in the swell. gray dorsal fins breaking the surface, we ride the waves to conserve the energy normally used for swimming from one place to another. So what can we expect from La Niña? According to the Climate Prediction Center El Niño normally brings on warm events and La Niña is the cold counterpart where sea surface temperatures in the tropical Pacific fall below normal. This brings colder-than-normal winters. Both oceanic and atmospheric data indicate La Niña conditions continue. Sea surface temperatures are below average along the equator throughout most of the central and eastern Pacific Ocean. Water temperatures below the surface remain below average. La Niña conditions are expected to continue into spring.

One factor to consider with swells are tides. Tides are the alternating rise and fall of sea level with respect to land, as influenced by the gravitational attraction of the moon and sun. Other factors influence tides; coastline configuration, local water depth, seafloor topography, winds, and weather alter the arrival times of tides, their range, and the interval between high and low water. A tide prediction can differ from the actual sea level that will be observed as a result of the tide. Predicted tidal heights are those expected under average weather conditions. When weather conditions differ from what is considered average, corresponding

differences between predicted levels and those actually observed will occur. Generally, prolonged onshore winds (wind towards the land) or a low barometric pressure can produce higher sea levels than predicted, while offshore winds (wind away from the land) and high barometric pressure can result in lower sea levels than predicted. Thus mariners need to take local conditions into account when considering critical activities with tide prediction information.

Enjoy these swells that bring us waves to ride and bundle up for what is to come.

For more information on tides, wind patterns and swell information check out the swell report on wetsand.com.

	Tides for Ventura County March 5-14, 2009.				
Day	High/Low	Tide Time	Height Feet	Sunrise/Sunset	
March 5th	High	3:40AM	5	6:20AM/5:57PM	
	Low	11:50AM	-0.4		
	High	6:50PM	3.2		
	Low	10:55PM	2.6		
March 6th	High	5:02AM	5.3	6:19AM/5:58PM	
	Low	12:40PM	-0.8		
	High	7:18PM	3.7		
March 7th	Low	12:08AM		6:18AM/5:59PM	
	High	6:06AM	5.7		
	Low	1:22PM	-1.1		
	High	7:45PM	4.1		
March 8th	Low	1:02AM		6:16AM/5:59PM	
	High	6:59AM	5.9		
	Low	1:58PM	-1.1		
	High	8:14PM	4.5		
March 9th	Low	1:50AM		7:15AM/7:00PM	
	High	8:47AM	5.9		
	Low	3:32PM	-1		
	High	9:42PM	4.9		
March 10th		3:35AM		7:14AM/7:01PM	
	High	9:31AM	5.7		
	Low	4:03PM	-0.7		
	High	10:12PM	5.2		
March 11th		4:18AM	-	7:12AM/7:02PM	
	High	10:14AM	5.4		
	Low	4:33PM	-0.3		
	High	10:41PM	5.4		
March 12th	Low	5:01AM		7:11AM/7:03PM	
	High	10:57AM	4.8		
	Low	5:01PM	0.2		
	High	11:10PM	5.4		
March 13th	Low	5:45AM		7:10AM/7:03PM	
	High	11:41AM	4.2		
	Low	5:27PM	0.8		
	High	11:40PM	5.3		
March 14th	Low	6:31AM		7:08AM/7:04PM	
	High	12:28PM	3.5		
	Low	5:51PM	1.4		

Time to Turn the Tables: Students Getting To Grade Professors

By: Shira Moskowitz

They lecture you, they teach you, they bore you, and sometimes they even entertain you; but one thing is definite, they grade you. Yes, I am talking about your professors! And finally, the time has come for students to have the chance to grade them! Ratemyprofessors. com is a website where students just like us can rate any professor we like, totally anonymously and truthfully. All professors are listed by name according to which university you choose to rate. Students can rate professors on everything; from the "helpfulness" of the class to the way the professor looks (the famous "hot or not" question). There is even an optional commentary box in which you are free to write whatever you like. Ratemyprofessors. com is a website to tell other students about the professors you have had and whether you

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Recently, one of the most popular living artists in the United States came to CSUCI to talk with the campus community and answer questions. LeRoy Neiman is renowned for his sports paintings, and was the official artist at five Olympiads. He was also a teacher at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago for 10 years and resident artist at Playboy. In 1995 he donated \$6 Million to the School of the

The fact that he chose our school to come and speak at is in of itself a big deal. Having been to previous school

Arts at Columbia University to create

the LeRoy Neiman Center for Print

events with speakers, I wasn't quite sure what to expect, but they made sure to pull out all the stops. The event was professionally catered, and many prominent members of the county's business and artistic community attended as well.

Mr. Neiman was assisted by Tommy Hawkins, who most recently served for 18 years with the Los Angeles Dodgers as the Vice President of Communications and External Affairs. Mr. Hawkins regaled the audience with stories of Mr. Neiman and his accomplishments, calling him "the most prolific painter of the 20th Century."

Before holding the question and

answer session, Mr. Neiman came up to the podium and talked for a few minutes about his experience at the school so far and how much he liked it. When the Q and A time started, several hands around the room shot into the air, eager to find out answers about one of his paintings or his opinions on various art. Mr. Hawkins helped to facilitate the questions, as Mr. Neiman is hard of hearing, and their banter entertained the crowd.

Occasionally Mr. Neiman gave some interesting insight to his painting process. One curious attendee wanted to know if there was a special meaning to his painting of the Notre Dame Cathedral, because it just seemed to radiate energy.

"I have no answer for that, because it was a long time ago, and everything I do I don't know anything about it when I'm doing it, I really just do it because I feel like it."

Mr. Hawkins confirmed his line of thinking:

"...he will be in his studio, and he will confirm this, and there will be maybe five canvases, and on that day he doesn't know which one he's gonna' relate to and at what time."

After Mr. Neiman answered questions for about a half hour, he presented the school library with a collection of books containing his works, and President Rush gave him a framed photograph of CSUCI's iconic Bell Tower. Although his visit to CI was brief, one can only hope that it will, in the future, perhaps lead to bigger and better things.

St. Patrick's Day is Right around the Corner

BY CI VIEW STAFF

Let's face it, there's nothing much happening in the month of March for students to look forward to besides spring break. Since our one week off for spring break isn't until the end of March this year, what are students to do? No- we're not hinting at studying for midterms. There is definitely something fun to do during the month of March, and that is to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

Here are the top 5 things to do in celebration of St. Patrick's Day, as recommended by the CI View staff:

- 1) Color EVERYTHING green
- -You can even try to surprise your roommate and color their face green for them while they are sleeping... "I was just trying to spread the cheer?!"
- 2) Visit the local Irish pubs
- -There are several in Ventura County, but you better be 21!
- 3) Take a trip to Dublin Ohio
- -This Irish town in Ohio celebrates big every year.
- 4) Eat a traditional Irish meal
- -Corned beef and cabbage or stew anyone?
- 5) Learn some new Irish slang
- -Of course some of them cannot be said here. Just Google it!

