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Library Hours Extended

Beginning on Saturday, Dec. 1, the library will have special hours.

Saturday, Dec. 1 – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 2 – 10 a.m. to midnight

Monday, Dec. 3 to Thursday Dec. 6 – 8 a.m. to midnight

Friday, Dec. 7 – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 8 – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 9 library opens at 10 a.m. and is open 24 hours to Friday, Dec. 14 at 5 p.m.

Library is closed Saturday, Dec. 15 and Sunday, Dec. 16

For more information contact the library, ext. 8561.

Science Seminar focuses on Chumash Ethnobotany

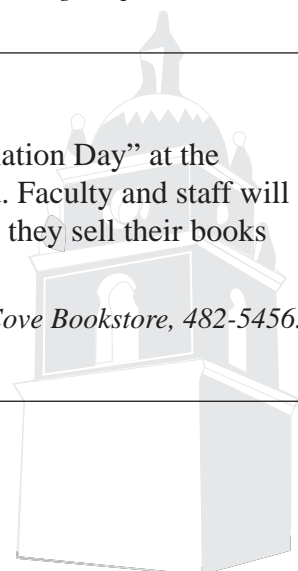
CSUCI will present "Chumash Ethnobotany, Plant Knowledge Among the Chumash People of Southern California" on Tuesday, Dec. 4. The keynote speaker for this event is Jan Timbrook, Curator of Ethnography at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. This interdisciplinary science seminar begins at 7:30 p.m. and will be held in the Aliso Hall Auditorium.

For more information about this event contact Blake Gillespie, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, 805-437-2796 or blake.gillespie@csuci.edu.

'Faculty and Staff Appreciation Day' at The Cove Bookstore

The Cove Bookstore invites everyone to save-the-date for the "Faculty and Staff Appreciation Day" at the bookstore. The event begins at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 6. Refreshments will be served. Faculty and staff will receive an extra 30% discount on that day, and students will receive an extra 10% when they sell their books and take a bookstore gift card. There also will be prize drawings.

For more information contact The Cove Bookstore, 482-5456.



Art Program's 'Student Art Sale Extravaganza!'

Beginning on Thursday, Dec. 6, the CSUCI Art Program will present the fourth-annual "Student Art Sale Extravaganza!" This three-day benefit art sale, ending Saturday, Dec. 8, will feature hundreds of artworks in painting, drawing, design, photography, ceramics and sculpture. Art sale hours are 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 6; from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 7; and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 8. The sale will be held in the Topanga Hall art complex.

There will be a reception that is open to the public, with music, refreshments and art demonstrations by CSUCI students, from 4 to 8 p.m. on Dec. 6. Refreshments will be provided by Bob Smith BMW.

This student sale has become a tradition for the CSUCI Art Program, and 50% of all money generated by the sale of student artwork is earmarked to benefit local and international non-profit organizations. The other 50% goes to the contributing artist. When making the purchase, this year the art buyers have the choice of which program they wish to contribute to including the Ventura County Arts Council, the United Nations World Food Program, and the CSUCI Art Program exhibition fund.

For more information contact Jack Reilly, CSUCI Art Department Chair, 805-437-8863 or art@csuci.edu or visit <http://art.csuci.edu/gallery>.

Business & Technology Partnership Holiday Mixer

The CSUCI Business & Technology Partnership (B&TP) will host its fifth-annual Holiday Mixer on Thursday, Dec. 6. The event will begin with a reception at 5:30 p.m. and will be followed by a presentation beginning at 6:30 p.m. given by Dr. James W. Beletic, Teledyne Imaging Sensors, Director of Astronomy & Civil Space. Both the reception and presentation will be held on the CSUCI campus at the Aliso Hall Auditorium. The event is open to the public. Tickets are \$35 for B&TP members and \$50 for non-members. Reservations are required for this event and can be made by contacting Eva Gomez, University Advancement Coordinator, 805-437-3271 or eva.gomez@csuci.edu.

James W. Beletic is the Director of Astronomy and Civil Space at Teledyne Imaging Sensors (TIS) in Camarillo. TIS is a world leader in the development and production of high performance visible and infrared focal plane arrays. TIS arrays are used by nearly every major astronomical observatory, on the ground and in space, including the Hubble Space Telescope. TIS arrays are also in several planetary exploration missions and Earth science missions, such as the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter, GOES weather satellite and the Orbiting Carbon Observatory.

Are you a graduate working on campus?

CSUCI graduates are invited to attend a special evening of networking and mentorship at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 6 on campus in the Bell Tower Collaboratory (BT 1302). Alumni will hear from a special guest speaker on how best to build business relationships and make connections and will be paired with a community leader mentor for one-on-one advice. As part of the event all alumni attendees and their mentors will also receive free entry to that evening's Business & Technology Partnership Annual Holiday Mixer. If you are an interested alumnus or know someone who is, RSVPs are required to Alumni Relations at (805) 437-8952 or alumni.friends@csuci.edu. Attendance is limited.

Psychology Program Poster Session

The CSUCI Psychology Program is hosting a fall 2007 Psychology Program Poster Presentation from 5 to 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 7. The event will be held in Bell Tower Room 1302. It is open to the public and refreshments will be provided.

This event highlights students' empirical studies conducted as culminating assignments in the two-semester research methods courses, and students' original work presented at regional and national conferences. This year students have posters highlighting their original investigations into such diverse topics as: self esteem, how music affects mood, and sexual identity. The event is sponsored by the Psychology Program.

For more information about this event contact Jerilee Petralba, Faculty Support Coordinator, 805-437-8835 or jerilee.petralba@csuci.edu.

'Understanding the Channel Islands: An Interdisciplinary Approach'

The CSUCI Biology Program presents "Understanding the Channel Islands: An Interdisciplinary Approach," a symposium set for 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 7. The symposium is free and open to the public, and those who plan to attend are asked to register at the following website: <http://biology.csuci.edu/islandviews>. The event will be held in the Aliso Hall Auditorium.

This symposium focuses on educating the public with the knowledge of and the issues related to the Channel Islands. The symposium will explore the biological, ecological, conservation, anthropological, and political aspects of the Islands.

The Islands and the surrounding ocean environment provide a wealth of natural and cultural resources. The Channel Islands are home to more than 2,000 terrestrial plants and animals, of which 145 are found nowhere else in the world. Like the Galapagos Islands of South America, isolation has allowed evolution to proceed independently on the islands. Marine life ranges from microscopic plankton to the blue whale, the largest animal to live on earth. Archeological and cultural resources span a period of more than 10,000 years of human habitation.

For more information about the symposium contact Catherine Hutchinson, Instructional Support Tech for Biology and Natural Sciences, 805-437-8403 or catherine.hutchinson@csuci.edu.

Visit the Channel Islands

On Saturday, Dec. 8, the CSUCI Biology Program is hosting a trip to the Channel Islands. The trip is free of charge and space is limited to the first 100 registrants. Transportation via boat will be provided by Island Packers. To register for the trip visit <http://biology.csuci.edu/islandviews>.

For more information about the trip contact Catherine Hutchinson, Instructional Support Tech for Biology and Natural Sciences, 805-437-8403 or catherine.hutchinson@csuci.edu.

Winter Break Schedule for Islands Café

Beginning on Friday Dec. 14, the Islands Café will have special hours.

Friday, Dec. 14: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 15 & 16: CLOSED

Monday – Friday, Dec. 17-21: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Winter Break, Dec. 22 – Jan. 1: CLOSED

Wednesday – Friday, Jan. 2-4: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, Jan. 5 & 6: CLOSED

Monday – Friday, Jan. 7-11: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, Jan. 12 & 13: CLOSED

Monday – Thursday, Jan. 14-17: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Friday – Monday, Jan. 18-22: 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Resume regular schedule on Tuesday, Jan. 23

Tuesday, Jan. 23 - Thursday: 7:30 – 8 p.m.

Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Saturdays & Sundays 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

For more information contact Paul Boulger, general manager of Sodexho campus food services, ext. 8917 or Sodexho@csuci.edu.

Winter Mini-Courses Available in Thousand Oaks

The CSUCI Osher Lifelong Learning Institute returns to Thousand Oaks with a mini-course series on Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the CSUCI Extended Education Center at 501 Marin St. (near The Oaks shopping mall). The lectures are one-session versions of courses regularly offered at the CSUCI campus for adults over 50. The winter mini-courses are intended to provide superior intellectual enrichment in a variety of topics. Enrollment is open to all interested parties, regardless of age. CSUCI personnel are particularly invited – it's on a Saturday!

The enrollment fee is \$10.00 per single module, or \$65 for the entire series if paid in advance. Participants may pre-enroll with a credit card by calling 437-2748, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Early enrollment is recommended; a similar series filled up quickly last spring.

Jan. 12	Does Popular Film Influence Society?	Martin Kaplan, Ph.D.
Jan. 19	Charles Ives: An American Original	Charles McDermott, Ph.D.
Jan. 26	Diversity in Law	Rick Besone, J.D.
Feb. 2	The Odyssean Tradition	Bruce Collins, M.A.
Feb. 9	Language Differences in Men and Women	Pamela Klebaum, M.A., J.D.
Feb. 16	Survey of Bluegrass Music	Peter Neff, M.A.
Feb. 23	American Heroism and the Celebrity Curse	John Pendleton, Ph.D.
March 1	Black Sea Flood	Owain Doonan, Ph.D.

For more information contact Marty Kaplan, director of OLLI at CSUCI, ext. 8583 or marty.kaplan@csuci.edu.

Balance, Mind, Body & Soul Kiosk (Islands Café)

On the south wall of the dining room there is a dedicated nutritional kiosk which provides access to a wealth of information and educational materials including special diets, nutritional and caloric content tables of the foods served in Islands Café, a calorie calculator, government links to nutritional information websites, frequently asked questions, quizzes and more! Come check it out.

For more information contact Paul Boulger, general manager of Sodexo campus food services, ext. 8917 or Sodexo@csuci.edu

For the holidays: Dolphin Discount Program

Make the connection between CSUCI and the local business community by taking part in the Dolphin Discount Program. Through this program, faculty, staff, and students receive discounts at participating Camarillo businesses. Dolphin Discount decals are displayed in stores and office windows, and discounts are offered upon presentation of a CSUCI identification card.

Various discounts are available at the following locations:

24 Hour Fitness; Auto Stiegler Enterprises; Bandits' Grill & Bar; Bank of America; Camarillo Premium Outlets (contact Camarillo Chamber of Commerce for complete list of stores, 484-4383); Camarillo Chiropractic Associates; Camarillo Independent Honda; Camarillo Quiznos Sub; Camarillo Sign-A-Rama; Camarillo Vision Center; Casa Del Sol; Chili Peppers; Courtyard by Marriott; Domino's Pizza – Camarillo; Farmers Insurance; Fast Frame; Harley's Camarillo Bowl; Harry and David; Health Insurance Infosystem; Holiday Inn Express; Hook Me Up; Le Blanc Photography; Lumar Jewelry; Massage Envy; Mrs. Jones Boudoir; NAPA Auto Parts; Natural Health Center; Ottavio's Italian Restaurant; Palermo Coffee; Pinnacle Finance Corp.; Safeguard by G.A. Cook & Associates; Sawadee Thai Fresh; Store Safe, Self Storage; The Gum Guy; Trans-Care Transmissions; Trophies Etc.; The UPS Store; Mary Kay Independent Beauty Consultant; Purrfect Auto Service; Neftin Westlake Car Company; Royal Doulton; Dr. Zak Sea Breeze Dental Care

For more information about the Dolphin Discount Program contact CSUCI Student Government ext. 2734 or sgasi@csuci.edu.

Around Campus

Block Parties a Hit with Students

A Birthday Party celebrating CSUCI's fifth anniversary, Halloween, and Football Tailgating were the themes of this semester's block parties, which were a hit on Friday nights this semester! Led by Student Life, the block parties were coordinated by a collaboration of areas across campus: The Hub; Student Programming Board; Student Government; New Student, Orientation and Transition Programs; Communications & Marketing; Housing and Residential Education; and the Residence Hall Association.

Block parties are designed to support University retention efforts and develop a weekend campus culture by providing weekend programming. A survey was administered at the Tailgate Block Party and data from 330 participants was collected and findings were as follows: 28% of respondents have attended all three block parties this semester while 35% attended two, and 34% attended one; 32% of respondents indicated that they would definitely be more likely stay on campus during the weekend of a block party while 55% indicated that they would possibly stay on campus; 48% of respondents indicated that they definitely feel a stronger sense of campus community over the weekend when block parties are held while 46% indicated they possibly feel a greater sense of campus community; and 16% of respondents feel that block parties should be offered every week, while 27% every other week, and 48% monthly.

The Block Party Committee is preparing for three block parties scheduled during the spring semester and invite you to volunteer to assist with the implementation of these exciting events. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Jamie Hoffman at jaimie.hoffman@csuci.edu.



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wavelength is an electronic, internal newsletter that helps strengthen internal communication and participation across the University through timely updates on campus developments and activities. This publication is sent out via e-mail every other Friday. If you have information you would like shared throughout the campus, contact Ceal Potts in Communications and Marketing, cecilia.potts@csuci.edu or ext. 8940. Items should be submitted by 5 p.m. Thursday prior to the Friday publication date. The following are dates in December and January that *wavelength* will be published: 12/14, 1/18. We encourage your participation, input, and suggestions as we consider this your newsletter and invite you to share with your campus colleagues.