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## Full Slate of Activities Highlight Next Week's Dolphin Days

A week of activities will be featured at the annual Dolphin Days event to be held March 14-18 on campus. Opening ceremonies will be held at noon on March 14 in front of the Bell Tower. Throughout the week, student competitions, movies, a trivia bowl, a carnival, and many other activities will be offered. Most of the events will be held in the Bell Tower/Mall area and in the South Quad. Efforts will be made to minimize disruptions to classes. Dolphin Days is sponsored by Academic Affairs, Associated Students, Inc., Alpha Pi Zeta, the Business Student Association, Quicksand Imprinted Sportswear, Student Government, Sodexo, Student Leadership and Development, Student Programming, and Zeta Pi Omega.

*For more information, contact Student Leadership and Development at ext. 8998.*

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## March 17 Event to Honor Legacy of Albert Einstein

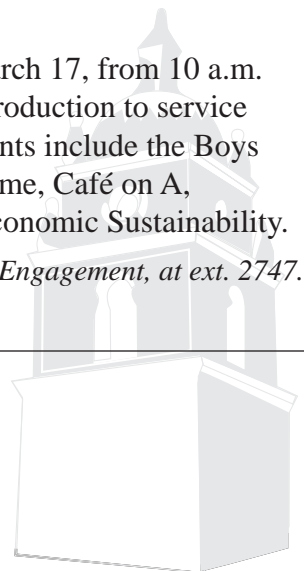
The University is hosting a celebration of one of the most famous physicists of our time, Albert Einstein, at a March 17 event to be held in the Science Auditorium. Professor Zvonimir Tom Hlousek of California State University Long Beach will review Einstein's scientific contributions, particularly his work, "The Special Theory of Relativity, which was published 100 years ago. The event will also include a brief reflection of the present state of physics as a part of the World Year of Physics global celebration.

## Community Service Learning Event Scheduled for March 17

A "Community Partner Service Learning Orientation" session will be held Thursday, March 17, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Room 263 of the Professional Building. The event will provide a general introduction to service learning for new community service learning partners, followed by a luncheon. Participants include the Boys and Girls Club of Camarillo, the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Oxnard and Port Hueneme, Café on A, California Conservation Corps, Camarillo Center, and the Coastal Alliance United for Economic Sustainability.

*For more information, contact Michael Jones, coordinator of Service Learning and Civic Engagement, at ext. 2747.*

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## Faculty Presentations Scheduled for March and April

The CSUCI Spring 2005 Faculty Presentations continue with talks presented on Thursdays from 1 to 2 p.m. in the Science Auditorium (except where noted elsewhere). Upcoming presentations include:

- March 17 – **Frank Barajas**, assistant professor of history, “The Oxnard Civil Gang Injunction: A Counter Perspective.”
  - March 31 – **Jesse Elliot**, assistant professor of mathematics, “The Science and Art of Mathematics.”
  - April 7 – **Jorge Garcia**, assistant professor of mathematics, “Grading Your Students with ScoMan,” Technology Center.
  - April 14 – **Amy Denton**, assistant professor of biology, title to be announced.
  - April 21 – **Maria Denney**, assistant professor of education, and **Jeanne Grier**, assistant professor of secondary education, “Electronic Portfolios: Teacher Education Assessment Pilot Project.”
  - April 28 – **Mary Adler**, assistant professor of English, “Language Play or Language Development? Analyzing Fiction by High School Seniors.”
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## Kudos

- At the recent Mathematical Association of America conference, CSUCI math student Juan Zuniga, with assistance from part-time instructor Victor Moreno, won first prize for best student research project, competing against outstanding math programs that included USC, UCLA, and Harvey Mudd College.
  - C. B. Claiborne, professor of marketing, is currently exhibiting his black and white landscape photographs in the Founder’s Room Gallery of the Studio Channel Islands Art Center. The exhibit is titled “Morning Light.”
  - Senior history student Jeffrey Dinkler was recently admitted to the master’s/doctoral program in history at the University of California at Santa Barbara. He will concentrate his graduate studies on the history of science.
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## Nominations for Student Leaders Sought by Student Affairs

The Division of Students is asking faculty, staff, and administrators to nominate students for outstanding leadership awards which will be announced at the May 6 Honors Convocation ceremony. Nominations, due by Wednesday March 16, should be based on leadership within the University community (thirty percent); service to peers, the University, and community (thirty percent); and scholastic aptitude with a minimum 2.75 GPA (forty percent). Students are required to submit an application; recommendation letters from a faculty member, staff, and student; a cover letter describing contributions as a student leader; and supplemental information that includes academic transcripts, service projects, notable awards, and participation in activities demonstrating leadership. Nominations should be e-mailed to Toni Rice, interim director of Student Leadership and Development. Members of the administration, faculty, or staff may nominate more than one student.

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## Book Chosen for 2nd Annual Celebration of Reading Program

*The Open Space of Democracy*, written by Terry Tempest Williams, will be the featured book for the second annual Campus Reading Celebration next fall. The author’s work focuses on issues of environmentalism, sustainability, and democracy—subjects that will be explored during the celebration. Students will obtain the book by the end of the semester, provided free by the University’s Foundation. Faculty, staff, and community members are invited to buy and read the book to participate in the event. Discussion of the book will be

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incorporated into courses across disciplines and at special events that will include the campus community. Williams is scheduled to visit the campus in early November.

*For more information, contact Renny Christopher, professor of English: Literature and Writing, chair of the Academic Senate, and chair of the Campus Reading Celebration Task Force, at ext. 8994, or [renny.christopher@csuci.edu](mailto:renny.christopher@csuci.edu), or visit <http://www.csuci.edu/students/enrolled/reading/index.htm>.*

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## Campus Call: Volunteers Needed for May 21 Commencement

Members of the University and community are being asked for volunteer assistance on Commencement day, Saturday, May 21, from 7 a.m. to noon on the South Quad of the campus. The event provides an opportunity to participate in one of the most important and rewarding days for the University community. Volunteers are needed to distribute programs to guests, assist with refreshments and the procession of graduates, and serve as campus guides to guests of the ceremony. All participants will receive an official CSUCI volunteer T-shirt, certificate of appreciation, and refreshments.

*For more information or to volunteer, contact Melissa Frazier, recruitment counselor, at ext. 8522.*

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## Counseling Available to Students with Attention Problems

Faculty and staff members are encouraged to recommend Personal Counseling Services to students who may be experiencing attention problems. Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD) Discussion Groups are held every Thursday from 2:30 to 3:45 p.m. for the remainder of the semester in the Student Life Conference Room. Sessions provide students with support, problem-solving, and coaching strategies. A professional diagnosis is not required and students who simply need help coping with stress are welcomed to attend.

*For more information, contact Laura Forsyth, coordinator of Personal Counseling Services, at ext. 8510.*

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## Young Authors Faire Scheduled for March 26 on Campus

CSUCI and the Ventura County Reading Association will present its “Families Celebrating Their Young Authors’ Faire on Saturday, March 26, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., in Conference Hall 1. The event, free and open to the public, will feature Amanda Irma Pérez, an award-winning author of children’s stories; the writings of local K-8 students; a book-making activity; campus tours; and helpful information on preparing for college. Hosting the event will be President Richard R. Rush and Vice President for Student Affairs Wm. Gregory Sawyer.

*For more information, contact Lisette Rodriguez, EOP and outreach coordinator, at ext. 8923.*

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## Children of University, Community Members to Enjoy Reading Celebration

“The Children’s Reading Celebration,” a free event sponsored by the University library and the English: Writing and Literature program, will be held Saturday, April 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Children of members of the University and community will be invited to listen to classic and award-winning children’s books read by CSUCI students. Children will also be able to make their own books, participate in interactive art projects related to books, and, weather permitting, create chalk drawings of their favorite stories on the sidewalks surrounding the library.

*For more information or to RSVP, contact Debi Hoffman, reference and instruction librarian, at ext. 2701.*

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## Giant Painting to Commemorate Cesar Chavez Day

The University community is invited to celebrate Cesar Chavez Day, Wednesday, March 30, by helping to create a portrait of the activist on a giant 7' x 13' canvas outside the University library, near the Bell Tower. No experience is required. Local artist Peter Tigler will provide a paint-by-number canvas. The event is sponsored by Student Affairs and the library.

*For more information, contact Amy Wallace, public services librarian, at ext. 8911.*

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## Procurement Policy Announced

A policy on procurement was approved and became effective on February 28, 2005. Details of this policy and others may be viewed on the Administrative Policy Web site, <http://policy.csuci.edu>. Policies are recommended by the President's Council and approved by the President.

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## Recreation "Record Breaker Challenge" Events Scheduled

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to participate in recreational challenge events in a variety of physical activities at Hagerty Gym on the first Monday of each month. Activities include three-point shooting in basketball, weightlifting, and many other sporting challenges.

*For more information, contact Nathan Avery, coordinator of recreation and leisure services, at ext. 8902.*

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## All Aboard

Human Resources has announced full-time employees who have recently joined the University community: Jennifer C. Ames, executive administrative assistant for the vice president of Student Affairs; David Morales, lead custodian, Buildings and Ground Maintenance, Operations, Planning and Construction; and A. M. Rice, police sergeant, Police Department.

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## ***Around Campus***

University faculty, staff, students, and residents of University Glen enjoyed a recent nature/native plant walk in and around the campus, hosted by Steven Norris, biology lecturer (at left). With Nancy Mozingo and Amy Denton, professors of biology, Norris has been making an inventory of native plants and wild flowers in the campus natural areas.

*Photos by CSUCI student Janet Wall*



*Renovation of the President's Courtyard has begun, with crews digging and defining areas. The project has begun thanks to the support and efforts of University Foundation member Steve Blois who has been instrumental in obtaining donations for the project as well as supervising construction.*

*Photo by CSUCI student Lupita Gutierrez*

*"Life After a Science Degree" was the subject of a recent panel discussion sponsored by the Business & Technology Partnership. From left are Kenneth J. Larson, Bristol-Myers Squibb; Karol M. Pessin, retired Amgen executive; Gilbert Rishton, CSUCI lecturer, organic chemistry; and Tracy Colahan and emcee John Philpott, both with Miravant Medical Technologies.*



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