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Dear Campus Colleagues,

Welcome to the 2005 fall semester. I hope you were all able to get some well-deserved rest and relaxation over the past few months. I know that many of you were here for much of the summer, planning and preparing for the coming academic year. Thanks to your dedicated efforts, this promises to be another richly rewarding semester for our growing numbers of students.

We will also have the opportunity to join together for exciting events on our young campus as we celebrate the University at the annual President's Dinner on October 1 and break ground for the John Spoor Broome Library on October 7. We will also see work begin on the expansion of Lewis Road which will provide a safer commute for our campus family. In addition, we will celebrate the tremendous contributions of one of our founding fathers, Benjamin Franklin, with special events held throughout the year, culminating with noted author David McCullough providing our keynote address at this year's commencement ceremony in May.

To all of you who have recently joined the campus community, I offer a special welcome and I encourage you to visit with your fellow faculty, administrators, and staff. At CSUCI, we understand that we never stop learning, and we are committed to working together and sharing ideas that will continue to help Cal State Channel Islands thrive.

-Richard R. Rush, president

Share Your News – wavelength Is Your Campus Communications Vehicle

wavelength is an electronic, internal newsletter for the campus community. Its purpose is to provide faculty, staff, and others with timely updates on campus developments and to help strengthen internal communications across the University. This publication is sent out via e-mail every other week on Fridays. If you have information you would like shared throughout the campus, please contact Richard Suenaga in Communications and Marketing (richard.suenaga@csuci.edu or ext. 8940). We encourage your participation and input as we consider this your newsletter and invite you to share with your campus colleagues.

Peggy Hinz, director of Communications and Marketing

New Academic Year Begins with August 28 Welcome BBQ

The Welcome BBQ will be held Sunday, August 28, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. With food, games, and activities for all ages, the event is an opportunity for students, their families, and the CSUCI community to come together and usher in the new academic year. Games will begin at 11a.m. and lunch will be served at 12 noon.

For more information, contact Student Leadership & Community at ext. 8998.

CSUCI Students Awarded Scholarships

Four CSUCI students have recently been honored with prestigious scholarships. Winners of the Edison International Teachers for Tomorrow Scholarship Awards, who each won \$5,000, are Herman Barragan of Oxnard, who is entering the University's Education Specialist Program, and Alexandra Echeveste-Corona of Camarillo and Kathy Roche of Ventura, both of whom are entering the Multiple Subject Program. Roche also won a \$1,000 Wilson C. Riles Education Scholarship which goes to CSU students enrolled in teacher credential programs. Yvette Espinoza of Brawley, a psychology major, was awarded a \$5,000 Dale M. Schoettler Scholarship, which provides assistance to full-time CSU students who are visually impaired.

Summer Orientation Sessions Attract 400 Students

Thanks to the collaborative efforts of individuals and departments, this year's Island View Orientation was enjoyed by students and parents alike. Approximately 400 students and more than 300 family members attended, according to Lisa LaFrenz, coordinator of Student Leadership and Community. Students and their families participated in two days of orientation programming and academic advising sessions, staying overnight in Anacapa Village to get a preview of campus life at the University. The Division of Student Affairs extends its appreciation to everyone involved in this year's success.

All Aboard

The University welcomes new staff and faculty members. Staff members recently joining the University are Dr. Philip McGough, associate vice president of Faculty Affairs; Maureen McQuestion, chief information officer, IT; Michael Leathers, director, information management, IT; Marc D. Aten, information technology consultant – Web, Information Technology; Gary L. Corlett, project manager, Facilities and Planning; and Susan B. Young, senior financial aid counselor, Financial Aid.

New faculty members beginning their duties this fall are: Damon Aiken, Ph.D., assistant professor of marketing, previously employed at Pepperdine University; Sean Anderson, Ph.D., assistant professor of environmental science and resource management, previously employed at Stanford University; Manuel Correia, Ph.D., assistant professor of education, previously employed at the San Francisco Unified School District; Elizabeth Hartung, Ph.D., professor of sociology, previously employed at California State University Fresno; Tiina Itkonen, Ph.D., assistant professor of education-special education, previously employed at the University of California Santa Barbara; Bradley Monsma, Ph.D., professor of English, previously employed at Woodbury University; Gregory Wood, Ph.D., assistant professor of physics, previously employed at California State University Northridge; and Cynthia Wyels, Ph.D., associate professor, mathematics, previously employed at California Lutheran University.

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Professors who have previously taught at CSUCI are: Andrzej Bieszczad, Ph.D., assistant professor of computer science; Blake Gillespie, Ph.D., assistant professor, biochemistry; Kimmy Kee-Rose, Ph.D., associate professor of psychology; and Bob Mayberry, Ph.D., associate professor of English.

University Web Site Redesigned

The official CSUCI Web site has a new look. The homepage has been redesigned and reorganized by the University Web Steering Committee and IT staff members Peter Mosinskis, web administrator, Marc Aten, web developer, and Ryan Garcia, assistant web designer. To view the new homepage design, visit www.csuci.edu.

CSUCI Chorus Auditions Scheduled for August 29

Auditions will be held for the California State University Channel Islands Chorus on Monday, August 29, at 7 p.m. at the Spiritual Living Center, 340 Mobile Ave., Camarillo. The chorus' first rehearsal is scheduled for Monday, September 12, at 7 p.m. at the same location. Conducting the auditions will be Kuan-Fen Liu, chorus director.

For more information, contact Kuan-Fen Liu, CSUCI Chorus director, at 805-643-8430 or choraldances@yahoo.com.

Osher Offers Financial Advice for Individuals 50 Years of Age and Older

Workshops on financial information and advice for individuals 50 years of age and older will be held on Thursdays, September 8, 15, 22, and 29 and October 6. The "Financial Savvy: Survival Information for Boomers and Beyond" workshops address topics such as frauds, Medicare, long-term insurance, living wills, advanced care directives, and more. The featured speaker is Joan Virginia Allen of the National Association of Working Seniors and a member of the Financial Abuse Specialist Team of Ventura County. The workshops are offered in conjunction with the fall session of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) program on campus. Enrollment is free to OLLI members. Non-members will be charged \$50.

For more information, call ext. 2748 or visit http://www.csuci.edu/exed/Osher.html

Members of Campus Community Invited to Join OLLI Italy Tour

University faculty and staff are invited to join Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) members on a trip to Italy, visiting Venice, Florence, and Tuscany, from March 19-28, 2006. Cost for the trip is \$2,499, including airfare from Los Angeles, or \$1,819 for those making their own air transportation arrangements.

For more information, contact Marty Kaplan, director, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, at ext. 8583.

Around Campus

Helping Hands

At recent orientation sessions, staff greeted incoming students and their parents, answering questions, offering advice, and helping them to learn about the campus. Four sessions were offered to allow participants to receive individual attention.

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