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Update on the State Budget

You may have heard rumors that the state may be forced to pay minimum wage to its employees until an agreement can be reached on the fiscal year 2003/2004 budget. The latest information on the budget situation indicates that all employees will be paid full salaries for the July payroll period, effective July 30, and for the August payroll period, effective August 29. We trust that the members of the assembly and the senate as well as the governor will be able to reach an agreement so that minimum wage will not need to be paid. In the meantime, employees can email their state assembly members or state senate representatives on this matter. The University will keep you apprised of any further developments as they become known.

For more information, contact Art Flores, associate vice president for human resources programs, x8423.

Annual Service Awards/Employee Recognition

The Annual Service Awards/Employee Recognition event will be held on Thursday, July 10, at 9:30 a.m. in Conference Hall 1. Six employees will receive service awards, and others will be recognized. The theme is "Good Ol' CSUCI Country Times." All employees are invited to don their best country outfit for the occasion.

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New Staff for the University Library

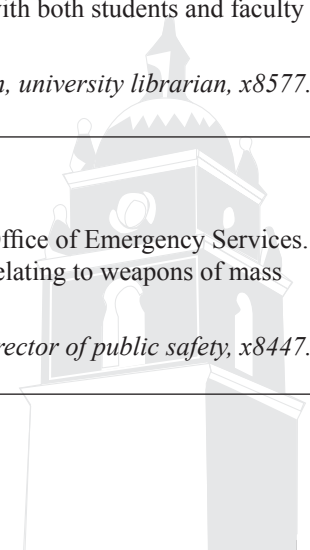
The University Library has recently added two library faculty members and one information technology consultant to its staff. Amy Wallace, head of public services, comes to Cal State Channel Islands from UC San Diego where she worked with faculty and students on integrating information literacy into the curriculum. Stephen Stratton, head of collection development and technical services, comes to us from Virginia Commonwealth University where he worked with faculty on developing both print and electronic collections. Judy Swanson, head of digital initiatives, formerly worked at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo where she interacted with both students and faculty in planning and developing electronic courseware, database applications, and digital collections.

For more information, contact Paul Adalian, university librarian, x8577.

Office of Public Safety Receives Grant

The Office of Public Safety was awarded a \$50,000 State Homeland Security Grant from the California Office of Emergency Services. The funds will be used to purchase equipment to handle disasters affecting the campus, especially those relating to weapons of mass destruction.

For more information, contact Jeff Young, director of public safety, x8447.



Public Speaking Seminar

The Ventura County Community Foundation and the Ventura County Volunteer Coordinators' Council will present a public speaking seminar on Tuesday, July 15, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Petite Salon. "Speaking from the Heart" will be taught by author/trainer/keynote speaker Arlene Stepputat. Admission is \$30 for CSUCI employees (\$40 with lunch).

For more information or to make reservations, contact the Ventura County Community Foundation, 805-988-0196.

Campus Construction Report

Construction activities during the first two weeks of July continue in earnest and will have some impact on the campus community. Following is an update:

- The Science Building is nearing completion. The University will take possession of the building on July 17.
- Phase 1 of the student housing project is going well. Dirt is being excavated and re-compacted. You can expect heavy traffic along Potrero Rd. for the remainder of the summer.
- Construction has started in the west wing of the Bell Tower Building. A temporary door has been constructed in the hall to prevent entry into the construction site.
- Renovation of Unit 18 for faculty offices is progressing well and on schedule.

For more information, contact Juan Beltranena, director of facilities, x8496.

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