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University Awarded \$950,000 Amgen Foundation Grant

The University has received a \$950,000 grant from the Amgen Foundation. Amgen's support will help provide some of the most sophisticated scientific instrumentation used in research and industry today—equipment that will be used by CSUCI students and faculty, and accessible via the Internet to their counterparts at California Lutheran University, Pepperdine University, Moorpark College, Oxnard College, Pierce College, Ventura College, and Westmont College. The state-of-the-art equipment will include X-ray diffraction, nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometry, and gas chromatography/mass spectrometry instrumentation.

Former NCAA President to Advise University on Athletic Programs

Cedric Dempsey, former president of the National Collegiate Athletic Association and a nationally recognized authority on collegiate sports, met with the CSUCI Athletic Advisory Committee this week to begin discussions on the creation of University athletic programs. Serving on the committee are Greg Sawyer, vice president for Student Affairs, Ed Lebioda, assistant vice president for Student Affairs, Mitchel Sloan, assistant director of University Advancement events, Dr. Cynthia Wyels, associate professor of mathematics, and Dr. Damon Aiken, assistant professor of marketing; students Sara Piper and Cris Powell, as well as community members Steve Thomas, Sr., owner and president of Steve Thomas BMW, and Tim Gallagher, president and publisher of the *Ventura County Star*.

University Welcomes Community to Open House Saturday

Members of the community at large will be invited to a University Open House Saturday, October 29, from 10 – 2 p.m. on campus. The event will feature presentations on academic programs, admissions, financial aid and housing. A University Marketplace will be located in the South Quad with many campus and student services participating in the event.

For further information, contact Nancy Gill, special assistant to the vice president for Student Affairs, ext. 8456.

Dramatic Readings Scheduled for November 3, 11

Dramatic readings of new scripts will be performed at the 2005 Fall Festival of Short Plays Thursday, November 3, and Friday, November 11, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Bell Tower Collaboratory. This year's readings, with a landscape and environment theme, will be held in conjunction with the Celebration of Reading event that features writer and environmentalist Terry Tempest Williams.

For more information, contact Bob Mayberry, associate professor of English, at ext. 2786.

World History Author to Speak on November 4

Dr. David Christian, professor of history at San Diego State University, will speak on “What is the Use of Big History” Friday, November 4, at 4 p.m., in the Science Building Auditorium. The lecture is based on Christian’s book, *Maps of Time*, which recently won the World History Association prize for best work. The talk is part of the University’s lecture series titled “Global Histories and Their Futures.”

For more information, contact Rainer Buschmann, associate professor of history, at ext. 8995.

Media Arts Festival Scheduled for November 4 – 6

This year’s Media Arts Festival, which allows CSU students to present their film, video, and interactive media work for critical review, is scheduled for November 4 – 6 on campus. The event will feature five CSUCI student nominees for awards, the most from any CSU campus. The festival includes seminars, to be held in Bell Tower classrooms, screenings in Conference Hall 1 on Friday, November 4, at 7 p.m., and an awards ceremony on Saturday, November 5, also at 7 p.m. in Conference Hall 1. Nominated for awards are Christopher Paterson for “Project Mysterio Website,” in the interactive media category; Jennifer Rhymes for “Jennifer Rhymes Portfolio Website,” interactive media category; Charles White for “Los Angeles Toros Website,” interactive media category; Brad Honda for “Jerome,” documentary category; and Michael White for “Response,” experimental category. This is the fourth year in which the festival has been held at CSUCI.

For more information, contact Jack Reilly, professor of art and chair of the Art Program, at ext. 8863, or Liz King, assistant professor of art, at ext. 8556.

Author Williams to Speak at Celebration of Reading Events

Environmental author Terry Tempest Williams will speak at Campus Reading Celebration events Tuesday, November 8, at 1 p.m., for students, faculty, and staff, and on Wednesday, November 9, at 8:30 a.m., for selected classes. The public is invited to join the campus community at another session Tuesday, November 8, at 6:30 p.m. All events will be held in Conference Hall 1. Williams will discuss her book, *The Open Space of Democracy*, which has been provided to the campus community free of charge by the University’s Foundation.

For more information, contact Renny Christopher, professor of English and chair of the CSUCI Campus Reading Celebration, at ext. 8994.

Expert on National Economic Issues Set for November 10 Lecture

Robert T. Parry, an authority on national monetary issues, will be the featured speaker at the CSUCI’s Distinguished Lecture Series presentation Thursday, November 10, at 6 p.m. in the Science Auditorium. Parry, who is a director of the National Bureau of Economic Research and a board member of Countrywide Financial, Janus Capital Group, and PAACAR, Inc., will speak on “Globalization: Threat or Opportunity for the U.S. Economy?” The lecture is presented by the CSUCI Economics and Business Program and sponsored by the *Ventura County Star*. A reception begins at 5:30 p.m.

For further information or to RSVP, contact Diane Wei, Development assistant, at ext. 8420.

All Aboard

Welcome new employees for the month of September: Sara Lujan, receptionist, Academic Advising; Sandy Echarren, receptionist, University Math and Writing Center; Aaron Kay, information technology consultant, Information Technology Services; Linda Rice, police dispatcher, Police Department; Debabrata Chakraborty, director, Facilities and Planning; and Guy Spevak, electrician, Engineering Department.

Kudos

- Liz King, assistant professor of art, is showing her artwork in the exhibition titled “The Figure Obscured” at the Channing Peake Gallery in Santa Barbara from October 24, 2006 through January 6, 2006. The show was organized by the Santa Barbara County Arts Commission’s County Art in Public Places Committee and the John and Dori Holaday Foundation.
- Terri Goldstein, coordinator of disability accommodations, made two presentations at the state-wide convention of California Association for Postsecondary Education and Disability (CAPED): “Comprehensive Program Review in Student Affairs” and “Utilizing Volunteers in Alternative Media Development.” Goldstein also edits the organization’s publication, the *CAPED Communique*.

Construction Report

- **More campus parking available:** Lots on either side of the old administration building have been closed for the duration of the library construction period. Available parking has been expanded on Rincon Drive to compensate for lost spaces. All signs on Rincon Drive, except for areas with red zone markings and the curbs of the roundabout, have been covered to create additional parking. Other steps to improve availability of parking are being planned.

For further information, contact Ray Porras, director of Transportation and Parking, at ext. 8434.

- **Library status:** Construction fencing and screening has been installed. The contractor has mobilized equipment and its workforce to prepare the site for construction.
- **Wheelchair accessible ramps:** Ramps along Ventura Street, adjacent to student housing and the recreation center, were installed this week.
- **Manzanita Hall:** Renovation began this week and access to the site is now being prepared.

For more information, contact Paul Calderwood, campus planner, at ext. 3290.



Around Campus

London Actors

Chris Donnelly, a member of The Actors From The London Stage (AFTLS), who recently performed Shakespeare’s Twelfth Night at local venues, entertained members of the President’s Circle with a performance titled



“Dr. Johnson’s Time Traveler. The AFTLS also performed on campus and conducted discussions on acting with students and faculty.

Photos by student Ben Hipple.

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