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Wavelength, Your Internal Campus Newsletter!

Welcome to the 2004-05 academic year. As the University's internal newsletter for faculty and staff, we consider *wavelength* your newsletter and source for sharing information with the campus community. While there are point persons designated from each area to submit items, we encourage **all** individuals to contact Richard Suenaga, communications specialist, at ext. 8940 or richard.suenaga@csuci.edu with items or submissions. *Wavelength* is published on the first and third Fridays of each month. The deadline for items is the Wednesday prior to publication.

Faculty Proposals for 2004-5 Due by September 15

The Office of Faculty Development announces its call for proposals to all tenure-track and temporary faculty for projects to be conducted during the 2004-5 academic year. Proposals are due by **September 15**. The Faculty Development Advisory Committee will review all proposals and submit its recommendations to Dean Stephen Lefevre. Faculty may request assigned time up to three "weighted teaching units" for the spring 2005 semester and/or up to \$3,000 in mini-grants to cover publication, equipment or supplies, student assistants, travel, and other projected-related expenses.

For more information, contact Phil Hampton, professor of chemistry, at ext. 8869 or phil.hampton@csuci.edu.

Catch THE WAVE – CSUCI's New Electric Bus Is Now in Service

In keeping with its green campus commitment, the University has partnered with the Ventura County Transportation Commission to provide a free and environmentally friendly electric bus that is available to the campus community, including residents of University Glen. The bright yellow bus begins its daily route at 7:30 a.m. in front of the library at the regular bus stop (see attachment for route). It is out of service for charging from 2 – 3:30 p.m., then resumes operation until 10 p.m. Smoking, eating, or drinking are not permitted on the bus. For more information, contact Transportation and Parking Services at ext. 8430 or 8950.

Food Service Begins on Campus

Café a la Cart, located near the Art Complex, is now open to the campus community, offering pre-wrapped sandwiches and salads, coffee, bottled beverages, and fresh-baked pastries and bagels. The 95-seat facility, managed by Eric Shimabukuro, is open from 7:30 a.m. – 8 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. In a couple months, a grill will be installed, allowing hot entrees to be offered, including pizza and pasta. In addition, a Dolphin Dollars debit account system will be available for convenience and faster service.

For more information, contact Eric Shimabukuro at ext. 8917.

Two Campus Mail Boxes Now Available to Campus Community

For the convenience of the campus community, two mail boxes have been placed on campus for personal, outgoing U.S. mail. All letters must have postage **and** return addresses on them. Packages and thick envelopes are not to be placed in these letter boxes. One box is located in the Administration Building, in the hallway near Human Resources, directly across from the break room. The second box is located in the Bell Tower, directly across the hall from The Cove bookstore. Mail box contents are collected at the same time Campus Mail is picked up in the morning and afternoon, Monday through Friday, and processed and delivered to the Camarillo Post Office. These boxes may be used by all students, faculty, staff, and visitors.

For more information, contact Cindy Ulisse, mail services, at ext. 8927 or cindy.ulisse@csuci.edu.

Kudos

Trae Cotton, associate dean of Student Life and Resident Director, was chosen as one of the *San Fernando Valley Business Journal's* “40 Under 40” local professionals who are making an impact in the region. In a special edition, the publication interviewed forty individuals from a variety of companies, agencies, and organizations, asking them to comment on key issues in the workplace, including the value of diversity. Cotton was also profiled in a separate article, focusing on his new position.

William Cordeiro, professor of management and chair of the business and economics program, was recently named vice president of the Oxnard-based Pacific Agribusiness Alliance, an organization that creates partnerships among agriculture, business, commerce, and educational institutions. In its mission to promote agribusiness in the region, the organization provides regular tours of local facilities and as well as experts speaking on a variety of related topics.

Show Your Solidarity in the South Quad

The CSUCI Student Programming Board announces its “Hands Across CSUCI” event, to be held Tuesday, September 7, from 2 – 4 p.m. in the South Quad of the campus. All members of the campus community are invited to participate by joining hands in a demonstration of school spirit and pride. In addition, participants will be able to make hand prints on a canvas which they can sign. The canvas will be later displayed, tentatively in Hagerty Gym. The event, sponsored by the SPB, Student Life, and Student Government, will also feature a number of booths providing information on University facilities and programs, including the library, bookstore, and Multicultural and Women’s & Gender Center.

For more information, contact Melissa Mirkovich, SPB president, or Marie Graves, SPB vice president, at ext. 2730.

Author Victor Villaseñor to Visit Campus

This is a reminder to join the campus community September 14 – 16 at several events that will feature *Rain of Gold* author Victor Villaseñor. For a complete listing of campus activities, refer to posters around campus or visit the website at <http://www.csuci.edu/students/enrolled/reading/index.htm>.

English Department, Drama Club Host Fall Festival of Short Plays

Dramatic readings from eight plays will be presented by local actors on October 7 and 8 at Conference Hall 1. The original scripts, some of which were authored by CSUCI student Josh Overton and faculty members Paul Adalian, Andrea Marzell, Christina Pages, and Bob Mayberry, are based loosely on scenes and characters adapted from a poem by one of California's most honored poets, B.H. Fairchild. Proceeds support the CSUCI Drama Club and help fund next year's festival. After the performances, the audience will be invited to chat with the playwrights. Tickets are \$3, sold at the door only.

For more information, contact Cindy Eaves, faculty events coordinator, at ext. 8548 or cindy.eaves@csuci.edu or Bob Mayberry, lecturer in English, at ext. 2786 or bob.mayberry@csuci.edu.

September 12 Jewish Festival Expected to Attract 5,000

The Ventura County Jewish Festival, a celebration of 350 years of Jewish life in America, will be held on the South Quad of the campus Sunday, September 12, from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. The event, which expects to draw approximately 5,000 people, will feature professional entertainment, food, and arts and craft items for sale. Admission is \$6 per person (children under 5 are free). Members of the campus community are encouraged to use the Portrero access to the campus since the main entrance will be used to admit festival attendees through a security check system. Those with campus identification will be allowed access to the South Quad area.

For more information, contact Mitchel Sloan, events coordinator, at ext. 8916 or mitchel.sloan@csuci.edu.

Generic CSUCI Brochure Now Available to Campus

A new generic brochure has been created by Communications and Marketing for use by the University community. The publication, titled "Envision, Explore, Create," was designed to provide a sense of the University and its mission in a brief and attractive manner. Copies of the color brochure have been delivered to the campus community. If you would like more of the publication for use at various venues, contact Lisa Breckenridge at ext. 8415.

University Offers Tips to Avoid West Nile Virus

The CSUCI Environment, Safety, and Risk Management Office offers advice in preventing infection from the West Nile Virus (WNV), which has recently arrived in Ventura County. As you know, mosquitoes are the primary concern. At CSUCI, the most common species is the day-biting or salt marsh mosquito, which is relatively ineffective at transmitting disease. The night-biting mosquitoes are the ones usually responsible for human infections. Here are some tips: When outdoors, wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants and socks to cover exposed skin; avoid the outdoors between dusk and dawn; use insect repellent containing DEET; report areas of

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standing water to Operations, Planning, and Construction, which cooperates with the Ventura County mosquito control program to control local breeding areas; and report dead animals such as crows, ravens, jays, or birds of prey to OPC. According to experts, serious human illness is rare. Only one out of every 150 people who become infected with WNV will develop a serious disease.

For more information, contact Bill Kupfer, director of Environment, Safety, and Risk Manager, at ext. 8847 or bill.kupfer@csuci.edu.

Credential Meetings Scheduled

Education faculty have scheduled meetings to introduce prospective students to programs leading to the following credentials:

- Multiple Subject
- Special Education – Education Specialist Level I in Mild to Moderate Disabilities
- Single Subject – Foundational Level Mathematics, Mathematics, English and Science (Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Geosciences, Physics, Specialized)

For more detailed information, including dates and times, contact the credentials staff at ext 8953 or credential.assistant@csuci.edu

Construction Report

Through long, hard hours over the last two weeks, OPC believes it has successfully prepared for the start of the semester. Here are highlights:

- Bell Tower: New signs for offices and classrooms are being installed and temporary numbers showing the old and new numbers are affixed to the doors or side-lights for each office and classroom space.
- Broome Library: A meeting to determine general contractors and teams was held on Thursday, August 26. Among the 38 individuals attending the meeting, led by Jim Corsar, were eight general contractors interested in pursuing the design-build project. Pedro Haberbosch from architect Sir Norman Foster's office was also on campus all last week working on the bridging documents. We are finalizing contracts for the bridging consultants through the University Foundation.
- Information Technology Center: The instructional labs are now functional. A few items need finishing and will be completed without interrupting classes.
- Campus Mall: Curbs along the mall will be painted red this week to preclude parking in this area. Drivers are asked to watch for the painter in the curb areas.
- Student Housing: After the grand opening ceremony held last Sunday, work on a few bedrooms continues. A few repairs and warranty work is ongoing. A problem with one of the elevators has been fixed and cable TV should be running this week. With new enrollments still coming in, Anacapa Village may soon be near capacity. Student and staff reactions to the new student housing have been very positive.
- Food Services: Café a la Cart opened for business last Friday. Work to finish the kitchen and its components is ongoing, with final completion still anticipated for November 1, 2004. The seating and prepackaged food serving area is looking very good. A small scullery station and the kitchen's main exhaust hood are being installed this week. The facility should be ready for food equipment before too long. The main dry storage

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room is now complete and stocked and will also serve as a temporary office. The University is still working with local health department and expects phased approvals without difficulty.

- **Reclaimed Water Line Project:** A “Notice to Proceed” has been issued and materials are on order. As another part of our green campus commitment, construction will soon begin on this project to use the reclaimed water from the Camarosa Water Treatment Plant located next to the campus. A pipeline will be built from the Camarosa facility to the CSUCI tank on top of a nearby mountain. The reclaimed water will be used to irrigate University landscapes.
- **Science Plaza:** Site preparation for construction was deferred to accommodate the start of the semester. The drain pipe excavation and installation will start the project, followed by excavation and re-compaction of the underlying soil and base.
- **University Glen, Phase 3 construction,** continues to move at a good pace. The site is graded and ready to receive building pads, water, sewer, drainage, and other utilities. Construction vehicles are using Channel Islands Drive to enter University Glen. Please drive carefully in this area.
- **Town Center:** Construction activities continue. The second concrete deck is being poured; expect concrete delivery trucks for the next few weeks.

For more information, contact Juan Beltranena, director of facilities, at ext. 8496 or juan.beltranena@csuci.edu.

Around Campus

Riding the First Wave

At ceremonies to announce the University's new electric bus serving the campus community, including University Glen, were, from left, Ginger Gherardi, Ventura County Transportation Commission (VCTC), Ventura County Supervisor Kathy Long, VTTC Vice Chair Patti Walker, councilmember - City of Fillmore, and Richard R. Rush, CSUCI president.

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Around Campus, continued

A Warm Welcome for Students

CSUCI's Campus Interfaith and POD.net organizations welcomed freshmen to their new homes at Anacapa Village last week by providing flowers, cards, and a gift basket. Individuals from both groups, including faculty, staff, and their family members, volunteered their time.



(Left) Ron and Liz King, Terri Blue, Enid Wang and Judy Lucas take a break from preparing gift baskets, which included homemade baked goods. Community vendors also contributed or offered items at special prices. (Right) Before most of the students moved in last Friday, Bob Bleicher and Rosemary Adalian placed the welcome gifts in apartments to greet the students as they entered their new homes.



Funny Faces

One of the highlights of last Sunday's Welcome Barbecue, held after the opening of Anacapa Village student housing, was the pie-eating contest sponsored by the Alumni & Friends Association. The contest promises to be one of the many new traditions established by the association. The barbecue was attended by a large group of students, faculty, staff, and families.

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