Recognition

Members from campus divisions received recognition in the first-annual Division of Finance & Administration’s Seven Core Values awards held earlier this month. See story on page 7.

The Seven Core Values include safety, sustainability, teamwork, stewardship, innovation, excellence, and integrity.

The awards will be presented monthly at the Division of Finance & Administration’s all-hands meeting.

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CI Waterfront Program Receives $40,400 Grant

For the third consecutive year the CI Waterfront program has been the proud recipient of the Aquatic Center Grant through the Department of Boating and Waterways (DBW). The Aquatic Center Grant was established for not-for-profit agencies that provide on-the-water boating safety education instruction to the general public. Annually, more than 43 Aquatic Centers apply for funding that is administered by the U.S. Coast Guard Office of Boating Safety in Washington, D.C.

The CI Waterfront Program is a component of Campus Recreation established in 2002 and has consistently grown since that time. The program, located at Channel Islands Harbor, offers a wide range of boating instruction and safety classes in sailing, kayaking, windsurfing, and rowing. These programs can be instructional, recreational, or competitive in nature, in order to promote and encourage recreational concepts to the whole campus and surrounding community.

This year’s grant award will assist the Waterfront program in maintaining a diverse fleet of boats, offering free instructional classes to students and providing scholarships for participants in the Youth Watersports Camp during the summer.

Please contact Joshua Wade at ext. 3212 or joshua.wade@csuci.edu if you have any questions about the DBW Grant or the CI Waterfront Program.

Faculty Volunteers Sought for Fall 2010 Osher Discussion Series

For the last few years, the Center for Community Engagement has collaborated with the Osher Institute and the Camarillo Council on Aging to present a series of discussions in which faculty talk with members of the local community about topics relevant to their research. For example, Sean Kelly has talked about health care reform and Jorge Garcia will talk soon about Paradoxes in Mathematics. This series has been so well-received that we have expanded to Thousand Oaks.

We’d like to continue this program and are writing to solicit volunteers for fall 2010. Below is information about the time and location of the two series. We hope you will consider volunteering for one or both (it can be the same or a different presentation) venues for the fall semester.

If you have already spoken to one group, please consider the other group, or a different topic for the same group.

Please respond to andrea.grove@csuci.edu with your preferred topic and preferred location (both locations if you wish).
Events

Campus To Welcome Back Dr. Muhammad Yunus, Feb. 26

CI students, faculty, and staff look forward to welcoming back Dr. Muhammad Yunus for Friday’s Campus Reading Celebration activities.

Friday’s activities include a Presentation and Book signing with Professor Yunus on Feb. 26 at 12 noon, in Salon A. At this event, Professor Yunus will speak more about innovation and creativity in addressing social issues – a continuation of his book, *Creating a World Without Poverty – Social Business and the future of Capitalism*.

The off-campus public event with Professor Yunus will be at 4 p.m. at the Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Plaza (TOCAP). CI spouses, guests, or the general public who are interested in attending the public event may purchase tickets by contacting TOCAP at 805-449-ARTS or through Ticketmaster at www.ticketmaster.com.

Posters continue to be on display in the Broome Library lobby of Nobel Peace Prize Laureates Nelson Mandela, Dalai Lama, Martin Luther King Jr., Al Gore, and U.S. Presidents.

*Questions or additional information for the on-campus events may be directed to Amber Weir at ext. 8548 or amber.weir@csuci.edu.*

*Questions or additional information for the public off-campus event may be directed to Marti DeLaO at ext. 8919 or marti.delao@csuci.edu or by visiting http://www.csuci.edu/crc/index.htm.*

Women’s Recognition Luncheon March 3rd

Each year Multicultural Programs hosts a Women’s Recognition Luncheon to honor women who foster the growth and development of our community through leadership, service and dedication. This year’s Women’s Recognition Luncheon will be held on Wed., March 3 at 12 p.m. in the Broome Library Exhibition Hall.

The event will honor the National Women’s History Project theme: “Writing Women Back into History.” The luncheon is open to all campus community members and will feature a guest speaker, faculty, staff and student readings, and journal making opportunities. This year in lieu of giving awards, we will recognize the accomplishments of our CI students, staff and faculty as they present original works of writing based upon women’s history and empowerment.

*Please RSVP for the event by emailing Jennifer Chapman, Coordinator of Multicultural Programs, at jennifer.chapman@csuci.edu.*
Alcohol Awareness Week March 9 - 11

Personal Counseling Services invites everyone to participate in CI’s Alcohol Awareness Week beginning Tuesday, March 9 and ending on Thursday, March 11. Alcohol Awareness Week is a three-day event intended to bring awareness to the CI community on ways of having a fun and safe spring break. Scheduled events include:

**National Alcohol Screening Day**, March 9-11, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Student Union and South Quad.

**“Mock DUI”**, March 10, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Student Union. Participate in DUI “roadside” tests with the CI Police Department. Students will use specialized goggles to imitate being intoxicated and the Police Department will conduct DUI sobriety tests.

**“Safe Spring Break Pledge”**, March 9-11, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Student Union and South Quad. Materials distributed that address how students can experience a safe spring break.

**“Mocktails”**, March 10, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the New Student Center. This is a fun and exciting opportunity for students to mingle and enjoy non-alcoholic beverages.

For more information contact Dr. Alan Pasternak, Coordinator of Student Counseling Services at ext. 3144 or alan.pasternak@csuci.edu.

Student Union Grand Opening March 16 – 18

The Student Union will be hosting Grand Opening festivities March 16-18. Activities will highlight the building’s amenities as well as talent from CI students, staff and faculty. The festivities will include live musical entertainment, game room tournaments, an illusionist, an outdoor movie, an ice sculpture artist and coffee samples. The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will be the culminating event and is scheduled for Thursday, March 18 at 11 a.m. at the Student Union north entrance. An Open House and guided tours will immediately follow. Details regarding the scheduled events can be found on-line at [http://asi.csuci.edu/news-and-events.htm](http://asi.csuci.edu/news-and-events.htm).

As part of the Grand Opening festivities, a Be PROUD marketing campaign has been launched. The Grand Opening committee comprised of CI students, faculty, staff, and administrators requested a motto which encapsulated the purpose of the Student Union in addition to the Grand Opening festivities. Each of the events was intentionally scheduled to highlight the Be PROUD motto: Be Purposeful, Be Respectful, Be Outstanding, Be Unique, Be Dolphins!

For more information contact Dr. Genevieve Evans Taylor, Executive Director, Associated Students Inc., at ext. 3998 or genevieve.evans-taylor@csuci.edu.
CI Administrator and Students to be recognized at Latino Leadership Awards

Damien Peña, Interim Dean of Students and Director of Access, Orientation and Transition programs, has been selected as a recipient of the El Concilio Latino Leadership Award. Damien will be honored on March 20 at the annual El Concilio Latino Leadership Awards ceremony to be held at the Oxnard Performing Arts Center. Damien was selected as one of 8 for the award from 50 applicants. In addition, CI’s student outreach program Leaders in Education Awareness Program (LEAP), will also be honored with El Concilio’s prestigious “President’s Building Bridges Award.” This same award was presented to President Rush in 2008.

For the past 21 years, El Concilio de Condado Ventura has presented awards to members of Ventura County who have significantly contributed to the Latino Community. El Concilio was established in June of 1975 and their purpose/mission is to provide Direct Services and Programs in Family Education and Literacy, Youth Leadership and Development and Citizenship and Immigration to the underserved Latino Community of Ventura County. Awards are presented to an individual and group for their support and dedication to servicing the community.

For more information, please contact Toni Rice at ext. 8963 or toni.rice@csuci.edu.
Division of Finance & Administration Presents First Awards

The Division of Finance & Administration presented their first Divisional awards based on the Division’s seven core values at the quarterly All Hands Meeting held on Tuesday, Feb. 16. Thirteen individuals from the Divisions of Finance & Administration as well as Academic and Information Technology, Academic Affairs, and the Office of the President received awards. Please join F&A in congratulating the following awardees:

The award for SAFETY was given to Nicolas Mendoza – Facilities Worker II in OPC for “taking the initiative several times on safety issues at Student Housing. He is always looking for potential problems. Safety issues in these buildings are critical and cannot be deferred. He communicates with HRE staff and his supervisor to make everyone aware and then has a solution ready to go.”

Recognition for the SUSTAINABILITY award was given to Christine Girardot – Payroll/CMS Specialist in the Payroll Department for “introducing many ideas to improve the Payroll department’s work flow and retention system. Her suggestions now permit records to be maintained in an e-file format instead of hard copy, saving paper and filing space. The share drive is now being used to update the student assistant listing, which up until now was updated manually as many as several times each day.”

The award for TEAMWORK was given to Jerry Garcia – Assistive Technology Specialist in Information Technology Desktop Support for “providing technological support to students and employees with disability related challenges. Working in conjunction with the Educational Access staff, Procurement and the ATI Executive sponsor, Jerry makes sure that the items destined for use by the campus meet 508 compliance. He is a team player helping students, staff and faculty working with colleagues throughout the campus.”

The award for STEWARDSHIP was the first “group” award presented to eight individuals throughout the University: Emily Deakin – Controller in Accounting, Carmen Delgado – Faculty Support Coordinator in Academic Affairs, Diana Enos – Benefits & Compensation Manager in Human Resources, Scott Jacobsen – Associate Director, Logistical Services & Interim Associate Director for Operations in OPC, Valerie Patscheck – Manager of Procurement & Contract Services, Melissa Remotti – Executive Analyst to the President, and Chanda Spence – Faculty Support Coordinator in Academic Affairs, were all recognized for coordinating the campus-wide Office Supply Swap Meet held on August 13, 2009. They were acknowledged for “phenomenal collaborative effort in creating an event to redistribute functional assets, exhibiting and promoting a high level of responsibility and prudent use of campus assets, and ensuring proper and maximum use of University resources.”

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The award for INNOVATION was given to Chris Jetton – Parking Officer in Police & Parking Services for “improving communication between Police dispatchers and Parking staff. He has been instrumental in creating new guidelines for statistical reports which create easier tracking for Police personnel. His efforts and innovative approaches ensure that Police & Parking Services continues to serve the needs of the campus”.

Recognition for EXCELLENCE went to Noleine Blizzard – Administrative Services Manager in OPC for “single-handedly developing an OPC accounting system to track millions of dollars in funds and pay vendors. She selected and established several critical systems saving the University hundreds of thousands of dollars by managing inventory and unnecessary spending.” Another nominator agreed, and added, “Noleine perseveres through furloughs and budget cuts and manages quite well to maintain her professionalism, caring for co-workers, dedication and grace.”

The award for INTEGRITY was presented to Rhonda Tyacke – HR Confidential Support Assistant for “making every effort to make her successor’s transition into supporting the office of the Vice President for Finance & Administration as smooth as possible. She has been consistent in her graciousness for over one year now. It takes a person with admirable ethics and personal integrity to aid a fellow worker in such a manner.”

The next awards will be presented at the Division of Finance & Administration’s All Hands Meeting scheduled for fall 2010.

For more information on the Division of Finance and Administration’s awards, visit the web site at [http://www.csuci.edu/steem](http://www.csuci.edu/steem) or call Pamela Abbott-Mouchou at ext. 2098.