Students receive scholarships to pursue academic excellence

Five students representing Biology and Nursing programs received scholarships at the 2011 Business & Technology Partnership (B&TP) Leadership Dinner on April 28. Shown left to right: Jamie Gonzales, Susanna Sukiasyan, President Richard Rush, Tatsiana Parker, Brittany Lampman, and Lace Granatelli. The event also honored B&TP Business & Community Leader of the Year George S. Leis, President and COO, Pacific Capital Bancorp; B&TP Technologist of the Year Umrao Mayer, President, Zindagi Games; and B&TP Faculty Leader of the Year Kathryn Leonard, CI Assistant Professor of Mathematics. For more information, visit http://www.csuci.edu/btp/index.htm.

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CI students awarded for community service

Congratulations to CI seniors and AmeriCorps members Maria Oliver and Jessica Rodriguez who were honored at the Center for Community Engagement’s Celebration of Service, receiving a Presidential Volunteer Service pin and a Certificate of Award for serving 300 hours in the community.

Oliver, a Psychology major, served at Casa Pacifica and Join the Farm where she provided academic support and worked on an organic farm harvesting vegetables. Rodriguez, a double major in Sociology and Psychology, served at El Centrito in their afterschool program. Each will receive an educational award of $1,132 for their service.

For additional information contact Pilar Pacheco, Associate Director Center for Community Engagement, at ext. 8851 or pilar.pacheco@csuci.edu.

Biology student wins Thematic Best Poster Award

Ashley Bonneau, Biology, won the Thematic Best Poster Award at the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB) annual meeting held in Washington D.C. last April. The meeting was attended by more than 10,000 scientists and students from across the globe. Thematic Best Poster Awards are given each year at the Society’s annual meeting in an effort to encourage the research of young scientists. Her poster entitled “Double knockdown of the Rheb gene in mammalian cells using RNA interference” garnered the top award and a cash prize, chosen out of more than 1,000 posters in the RNA Theme category.

Bonneau has been working with Nitika Parmar, Assistant Professor of Biology, for the past thirty months investigating the effects of gene silencing on the growth of human cells. She will soon be joining Yale University to pursue a Ph.D. program in Molecular Biology. Congratulations to Ashley for this remarkable achievement!

For additional information contact Nitika Parmar, Assistant Professor of Biology, at ext. 8873 or nitika.parmar@csuci.edu.
CI Student Veteran accepted into Nursing Program

River Rose is one of only 33 students who have been accepted into the fall 2011 CI Nursing cohort. Nursing is one of the most impacted programs on campus and received 330 applicants for the limited cohort openings.

Rose is a 24-year veteran of the Navy, serving as a sonar technician on submarines. One of her assignments in the 1980’s was a four-year stint at Pt. Mugu. When researching universities to pursue her nursing degree after retirement, Rose fondly remembered her time in Ventura County and made CI her first choice. She transferred from Fresno City College to CI this year not knowing if she would be accepted into the program. River has carried a 4.0 GPA and outstanding TEAS scores. Her military experience was an additional positive factor in getting into the Nursing program.

Rose is thinking about pursuing a career as a surgical nurse when she graduates in May 2014. She believes that a great way to end her career in nursing would be serving at a Veterans Hospital. She has a desire to serve those who have so faithfully served our country.

We congratulate River Rose on this exceptional achievement!

For additional information contact Jay Derrico, Coordinator of Veteran Affairs, at ext. 2745 or jay.derrico@csuci.edu.

Announcing DOCK Online

CI students, faculty, and staff with a campus I.D. card now have access to DOCK (Dolphin One Card Kiosk) Online within their myCI account. Access to DOCK Online allows DolphinOne Card holders to view six months worth of statement history for all stored value accounts and meal plans, add funds to Dolphin Cash and Dining Cash, freeze and unfreeze card use, setup low balance warnings and automatic deposits, and delegate the ability for up to 10 guests to login.

Users adding funds to Dining Cash at the DOCK Online or at DOCK stations in the Library or Student Union receive bonus incentive Dining Cash when the following dollar amounts are added:

- $100.00 to $149.99: 2.5% incentive
- $150.00 to $199.99: 5% incentive
- $200.00 or more: 7.5% incentive

For additional information contact DOCK Online or DolphinOne Card at cardservices@csuci.edu.
Indoor Air Quality Action Plan explained

CI uses Publication EPA 402-K-98-001 as a basis for CI’s Indoor Air Quality Action Plan. With demand control ventilation, the buildings control system, CI can ensure a learning environment that requires the CO2 levels for the classrooms and offices to be maintained at less than 1000 PPM. When CO2 levels rise from the set 800 PPM, the controls automatically open the outside air dampers to introduce more fresh air and remove the CO2 content.

To keep the conditions comfortable and ensure a proper flushing of contaminants, CI has adopted an ASHRAE (The American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers) standards of a minimum of four air changes per hour. In addition, CI performs annual checks of CO2 sensors that provide the primary input for controlling the concentration of CO2.

Another key element in ensuring the proper CO2 levels and particulate filtration, CI has a preventative maintenance (PM) program in place to ensure correct equipment and filtering operation. The dust efficiency ratings for the HVAC air filters are high efficiency filters (85%). They are changed during the normal scheduled PM process or if the system detects a high differential pressure across the filter. To ensure the reliability of the filtration all filter bank seals are inspected during PM’s.

The University takes air quality complaints very seriously. Complaints are logged into the Operations, Planning & Construction work order system, CMMS, for proper tracking and resolution. Actions would include meeting with the complainant, identifying possible causes and steps that may include verifications of air flows, a recheck on control sensors, and physical checks on all equipment. Adjustments or actions are made as needed at that time and verified for mitigation of the issue.

For additional information contact Dave Chakraborty, Associate Vice President of Operations, Planning & Construction, at ext. 8496 or dave.chakraborty@csuci.edu.
Honors Convocation and Commencement – May 6 & 21

The University will bestow honors on graduating seniors at the annual Honors Convocation, Friday, May 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the John Spoor Broome Library Plaza. The ceremony is open to all students earning honors and graduating from Fall 2010 through Summer 2011. In addition to recognizing honors at graduation, CI also celebrates the outstanding achievements of graduating seniors in areas that span the campus and program honors. Graduating President’s Scholars and Mortar Board initiates will also be recognized during the ceremony.

Over 10,000 guests are expected to attend the University’s ninth-annual Commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 21 at 9 a.m. where CI will graduate its largest class to date with 1,311 students eligible to receive degrees and credentials. 169 students will receive master’s degrees, 68 will receive teaching credentials, and 1,074 students will receive bachelor’s degrees. Former State Superintendent of Public Instruction and longtime supporter of CI, Jack O’Connell, will receive an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters (L.H.D.) and will be Commencement’s keynote speaker.

The campus community is also invited to attend a Commencement rehearsal on Friday, May 20 at 11 a.m. in the South Quad.

Third-annual Faculty-Student Research Forum – May 14

The third-annual CI Faculty-Student Research Forum will be held Saturday, May 14, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the John Spoor Broome Library. Registration begins at 9:15 a.m., followed by a continental breakfast, presentations, and poster viewing. The event, sponsored by SAGE Publications and the Division of Academic Affairs, is free and open to the public.

The Forum will highlight research, scholarship, creative activities, and grants featuring faculty-student collaborative presentations, faculty research presentations, and student research/capstone presentations. There will be 90 posters on display around the room representing the students’ final projects.

The 30 faculty-student presentations will cover topics as diverse as:
- Congressional Appropriations Earmarks and Representation in American Politics
- Psychosocial Adjustment and Recidivism in At-Risk Youth
- The Urbanization of Wildlife: A Case Study Focusing on Humpback Whales within Breeding Grounds
- Homeless Women in Ventura County
- Solar Power Integration for California State University Channel Islands
- Lost and Found: A Dance Film Short Collaboration

For additional information about the Forum contact Merissa Stith, Events Coordinator, at ext. 8548 or merissa.stith@csuci.edu.
CI Choir to present “Ain’t Necessarily So” – May 15

The CSU Channel Islands Choir will present “Ain’t Necessarily So” at St. Columba’s Episcopal Church in Camarillo. Children from the Los Primeros Chorus will also perform. The concert is scheduled for May 15, 3 to 4:40 p.m. and will feature opera choruses, arias and duets, familiar songs from the screen and stage, and a Gershwin medley. The event is free and open to the public; donations to support the choir will be accepted at the door. The concert is sponsored by Channel Islands Choral Association.

For additional information contact KuanFen Liu, Director, CSU Channel Islands Choir, at 805-278-0375 or kuanfen.liu@csuci.edu.

Island View Orientation resources deadline – May 15

It’s that time of year again! You are cordially invited to promote and introduce your program, club or organization to first-year students at Island View Orientation. There are two ways for you to share your resources:

1. Share your informational materials (i.e. brochures, flyers, etc.) on the Freshman Flash Drive, a sustainable flash drive provided to students and guests upon check-out.

To include your documents on the flash drive, please e-mail accessible digital files to Tanya Yancheson at tanya.yancheson@csuci.edu by May 15. Only those documents in accessible format will be accepted.

2. Participate in the University Marketplace during Island View Orientation.

The University Marketplace is a great opportunity to showcase your club or organization and introduce your program to first-year students. Participants will have a table to staff and display their information.

To RSVP for either the Marketplace or the Freshman Flash Drive visit https://cidsa.wufoo.com/forms/island-view-orientation-2011/.

For additional information contact Tanya Yancheson, Senior Orientation Leader, at tanya.yancheson@csuci.edu.

Times & Dates:

Freshman orientations
12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- June 21
- August 19
- June 24
- August 19
- June 28
- July 5
- July 8

Transfer orientation
- August 19
OLLI Literature Students “Get On the Bus”

Literature students in the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute recently rallied to gather blankets for the upcoming “Get On the Bus” event which brings children to visit their parents in prison. Statistically, nearly 9% of California children have a parent involved in the state’s criminal justice system.

The OLLI course focused on the bestselling tome *I Know This Much Is True*, written by Wally Lamb—who also teaches writing workshops at a maximum-security women’s prison. When discussing this fact about the author, instructor Shannon Diffner casually mentioned the non-profit organization’s charity event, which requests new or hand-made blankets for all the young people making the long journey to see their mother or father.

By the next class meeting, several OLLI students brought more than two-dozen blankets: some new, some knitted, some crocheted, and all beautiful. The charity’s mission meshes perfectly with the book’s themes of alienation and connection, power and abuse, and devastation and renewal. Pictured here is the class with their bounty.

*To make a donation or to learn more about “Get On the Bus,” visit [www.getonthebus.us](http://www.getonthebus.us) or call (818) 980-7714 ext 11.*

Community Safety Day Event – May 28

The 7th Annual Community Safety Day sponsored by CI’s Police & Parking Services and University Glen Corporation is scheduled for Saturday, May 28 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. More than 300 participants from the University Glen and campus community are expected to attend this year; this community-building event has become one of the largest and most popular for our residents, faculty, staff, and guests.

This year’s event will include information on police/bike safety, fire prevention, emergency preparedness, safety demonstrations, equipment displays, Sheriff’s helicopter, K-9 demonstration with Hero, and a free BBQ lunch provided by University Glen Hospitality Services.

This year, our community partners include the National Police Dog Foundation, Ventura County Fire Department, California State Parks, Ventura County Sheriff, Ventura County Public Health and the California Highway Patrol. Vendors will include a wide array of services and community groups, including Southern California Edison, CI Campus Recreation Summer Youth Waterfront Sports Camp, our neighborhood Cub Scout Pack, SOS Survival Products, plus many more. In addition, there will be lots of entertainment for children.

Road closures for the event will be at the following University Glen locations: Channel Islands and Anacapa Island Drives and Channel Islands Drive and Elephant Seal Cove beginning May 27, 4 p.m. to May 28, 6 p.m.

*For additional information about Community Safety Day, visit [http://www.csuci.edu/police](http://www.csuci.edu/police) or contact Deanne Ellison, Police & Parking Services, at ext. 3151 or deanne.ellison@csuci.edu.*
Registration open for summer day camp – August 1-5

Hosted by the Girl Scouts and held at CI’s El Dorado Hall, MiCasa ‘Movie Madness’ Summer Day Camp, Aug. 1-5, is open to any girl completing grade K-5 this year. The $85 registration fee includes a t-shirt, daily snacks and programming in the areas of outdoor skills a discovery, science, music, art, and more.

For additional details and to register for the camp, visit http://gscamarillo.shutterfly.com/eventsactivities (scroll down for the registration form) or contact Camp Directors Nicole Carr and Michelle Kienitz at kienitzncarr@aol.com.

For additional information contact Lisa Racine, Coordinator of Student Housing Conferences, at ext. 8961 or lisa.racine@csuci.edu.
Showdown at Staples Center

More than 80 spirited CI alumni attended the first ever Showdown at Staples Center Alumni Hockey Night on Saturday, March 19 in downtown Los Angeles to watch the Freeway Faceoff rivalry between the Los Angeles Kings and the Anaheim Ducks.

Thanks to special donors, the Alumni & Friends Association was able to offer a discount of more than 70% to premiere level seating, enticing many alumni to become re-engaged as members of the Association. CI was given a special intermission spotlight in front of the 18,000 fans present. Tickets for the event sold out in one night and will return as an annual event due to its popularity.

For additional information contact Tania Garcia, Director of Development, Alumni Relations, at ext. 8952 or tania.garcia@csuci.edu.

During the 16th California Higher Education Student Summit (CHESS), the student leaders of all 23 CSU campuses joined forces in Sacramento to defend a California dream that is “Made in the CSU.” The California State Student Association offered two days of preparation and training, on April 16 and 17, during which time students learned to lobby the legislature as well as developed leadership skills and knowledge of statewide issues. CI had a huge presence at the conference including winning the campus spirit award and having Vice President Greg Sawyer as the keynote speaker. You may visit the blog site and comment at: http://blogs.calstate.edu/voicesviews/?p=1029.
LEAP facilitates Reader’s Theatre at Camarillo Public Library to Celebrate Latino Heritage Month

On Friday, April 22, Camarillo Public Library was home to magic and excitement as the CI’s Leaders in Education Awareness Program (LEAP) facilitated Reader’s Theatre, an event celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month. A total of 55 children from grades kindergarten through 5th grade and 44 adults watched LEAP volunteers bring the pages of Gracias, Thanks and Margaret and Margarita to life.

These two books, read in both English and Spanish, depict the Hispanic culture while embracing friendship and diversity. Those in attendance also enjoyed an arts and crafts activity where children and their families were able to create new “friends” in a variety colors, shapes and sizes.

This event chronicles yet another way that LEAP does outstanding work reaching out to children in the community, creating positive and motivational experiences for them to learn from as they become the leaders of tomorrow.

*For additional information contact Vanessa Mendoza, University Outreach Counselor, at ext.3174 or vanessa.mendoza@csuci.edu.*

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