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Blue Shield Healthy Lifestyle Rewards Program presentation Feb. 12

Blue Shield of California will conduct an informational presentation for CSUCI employees regarding benefits and the “Healthy Lifestyle Rewards Program” on Tuesday, Feb. 12 in the University Hall Training Room. The first 30 minutes of the 60 minute presentation begins at 2 p.m. and will provide information on the Healthy Lifestyle Rewards Program. The remaining 30 minutes will provide information regarding benefits.

Seating for the presentation is limited to the first 50 employees and RSVPs are required. A drawing for an iPod will be held at the end of the presentation.

Those who currently are enrolled in Blue Shield for medical coverage may sign up for Healthy Lifestyle Rewards and earn $50 when an online Wellness Assessment at www.blueshieldca.com/hlr is completed. Additionally, $50 may be earned for each 12-week period of program participation for a total of up to $200.

Those currently not enrolled in Blue Shield for medical coverage but would like to learn about this program for possible future enrollment (during open enrollment), are encouraged to RSVP for this presentation.

For more information and to RSVP for this presentation contact Diana Enos, Benefits and Compensation Manager, ext. 8426 or diana.enos@csuci.edu

Actors From The London Stage performance Feb. 14

The Actors From The London Stage will visit campus to lead classes and offer a performance in February. They will lead classes beginning on Tuesday, Feb. 11 through Friday, Feb. 15. On Thursday, Feb. 14 they will be performing “Taming of the Shrew” in Malibu Hall 140. The performance begins at 7 p.m. Tickets are free for students with an identification card and are $10 for the campus community. They also will perform “Taming of the Shrew” at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 16 at the Ventura Center for Spiritual Living, 101 South Laurel St., Ventura. Tickets may be purchased at the door and are $20 for general admission; $15 for senior citizens and teachers; free of charge for CSUCI students with a student identification card; and $15 for students of other institutions.

For more information contact Jacque Kilpatrick, Professor of English, ext. 8865 or jacquelyn.kilpatrick@csuci.edu.

Alumni, faculty invited to special alumni five-year celebration Feb. 16

The CSUCI Alumni & Friends Association is hosting “A Time to Celebrate,” a special reception for CSUCI alumni to celebrate the University’s fifth-year anniversary from 5 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 16. Staff members who are alumni or members of the Alumni & Friends Association and faculty members are encouraged to attend. The event will be held on campus and will feature guest speaker University President Richard R. Rush. The cost to attend is $15 and this fee goes to support alumni programming and communication. RSVPs may be made online at www.csuci.edu/alumni/ or by calling ext. 8952.

For more information contact Tania Garcia, Associate Director of Alumni Relations, ext. 8952 or tania.garcia@csuci.edu.
Author, business consultant David Allen to present Feb. 19

The Martin V. Smith School of Business & Economics at CSUCI will host David Allen, an author and the founder and president of the David Allen Company, a management consulting, coaching, and training company, on Tuesday, Feb. 19. Registration and a mixer for the event will begin at 4:45 p.m. and Allen’s presentation will begin at 5:30 p.m. The location for this event will soon be announced.

Allen’s presentation titled “Getting Things Done: the Art of Stress-Free Productivity” is free and open to the campus community and the public but seating is limited. An RSVP is required and can be made by calling ext. 8598. Parking will be available on the campus and will be complimentary. Signage will be posted for the event parking.

Allen is an international best-selling author of two books, “Getting Things Done: the Art of Stress-Free Productivity” (Viking; 2001) and “Ready for Anything: 52 Productivity Principles for Work and Life” (Viking; 2003).

This event is sponsored by the Martin V. Smith School of Business & Economics.

For more information about the David Allen event contact Amber Weir, Events Coordinator, ext. 8548 or amber.weir@csuci.edu.

Campus community invited to Lovette lecture Feb. 22

The Osher Life Long Learning Institute’s Harlem Renaissance course will have Le Roy Lovette as its guest speaker from 9 to 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 22. The campus community is invited to join the OLLI students. The class will be held in Malibu Hall 120. Lovette contributed to the Harlem Renaissance and worked with Nobel Sissle, one of the composing icons of the 20s and 30s, and then later Lovette worked with Nat King Cole.

For more information contact Marty Kaplan, Director of OLLI at CSUCI, ext. 8583 or marty.kaplan@csuci.edu.

‘Now & Then’ African American male panel Feb. 28

The “Now & Then” series will feature an African American male panel from 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 28 in Malibu Hall 100. The event will include a reception. High school, community college and CSUCI students, faculty and staff will have the opportunity to ask questions and discuss with distinguished panelists topics and issues that have affected the African American community for generations.

For more information contact Jennifer Chapman, Coordinator of Student Leadership Programs, ext. 3243 or jennifer.chapman@cscui.edu.
Share your talent at ‘Secret C.I.ety’ Block Party March 7

This semester welcomes a new series of block parties aimed to inspire excitement on campus. The school-spirited block party titled, “Secret C.I.ety: Are you In?” will be held from 9 p.m. to 12 a.m. on Friday, March 7 and will be a celebration of CSUCI and campus culture. The block party will be located on Ventura Street between Santa Cruz and Anacapa villages. The Student Programming Board would like to invite faculty, staff, and students of CI to perform and share their talents at this event.

Led by Student Life and coordinated by a collaboration of areas across campus, block parties are designed to support University retention efforts and develop a weekend campus culture by providing weekend programming.

For more information or anyone interested in performing at the block party (deadline Feb. 22) may contact Chelsey Bente, President of the Student Programming Board, ext. 2730 at chelsee.bente@csuci.edu.
Food service program earns top marks

Although they are still a relatively small operation on campus, they are accomplishing some pretty big things at CSUCI. “They” are the hard working management and staff of CSUCI’s dining service provider, Sodexho Campus Services. Sodexho is diligently working to provide high quality dining selections at the Islands Café for the University’s young, growing, and hungry campus, all the while striving to maintain a safe working environment.

Recently, Sodexho-CSU Channel Islands received a perfect score of 100% in its Occupational Health & Safety and Food Safety Audits, earning Sodexho’s Double Gold Award. Out of approximately 400 teams in California, only 1.5% has received the Double Gold Award. Congratulations to Paul Boulger, General Manager, and his entire team for their hard work to insure not only good quality food but a safe working environment.

Sodexho’s Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Audits address the most important work-place safety standards. Monthly self-inspections are required with focus on unsafe conditions, and a more comprehensive OHS audit is conducted at least twice annually. In addition, Sodexho is audited randomly by an independent, third-party safety auditing company. Similarly, the Sodexho Food Safety Audit focuses on the importance of complying with food safety standards. Random audits are conducted by a reputable, independent, third-party food safety auditing company, NSF International. Self-inspections are required, including a daily food safety “walk-through”; monthly food safety audits—with a focus on personal hygiene, time/temperature control and cross-contamination; and a more comprehensive food safety self-inspection at least annually and whenever there is a change in management of the operations.

Sodexho is one of the largest contracting food services companies in the world and, as such, it is held to extremely high health and safety standards. In addition to higher education institutions, Sodexho provides food for many organizations including elementary schools, high schools, hospitals, private businesses, and some military bases.

For more information contact Paul Boulger, Sodexho-CSU Channel Islands, ext. 8917 or sodexho@csuci.edu.
VoIP upgrade coming soon

IT is pleased to announce that the VoIP Phone System has been successfully upgraded. The upgraded system provides more features and expanded storage space for voice mail messages. Later this semester, IT will be turning on the upgraded service building by building. Training will be provided shortly before the switchover. IT will provide ongoing notices regarding the rollout and training schedules as they are finalized.

For more information or answers to questions contact the IT Help Desk, ext. 8552 or helpdesk@csuci.edu.

Adobe Creative Suite 3 headed your way

In response to popular demand, IT has purchased 100 concurrent licenses for Adobe Creative Suite 3, Premium Edition. Adobe Creative Suite 3 includes Photoshop, Illustrator, Acrobat Pro, and Dreamweaver. The software is hosted on a Key Server that allows campus users to share the software and significantly reduce costs. All lab computers are configured to access Adobe Creative Suite 3. If you would like access to these programs, please contact the IT Help Desk at ext. 3254. A technician will be scheduled to install the Key Server client on your machine so you can access the software.

Spring sweatshirts now available at The Cove Bookstore

Spring sweatshirts are now available for $19.95 at The Cove Bookstore. A variety of colors are available but quantities are limited. The Cove Bookstore thanks everyone who purchased their books for the spring semester at the bookstore or through the bookstore’s website.

For more information contact the Cove Bookstore, 482-5456.
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OLLI adds new class to mini-class series in Thousand Oaks

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at CSUCI is offering its “Taste of OLLI” mini-course series in Thousand Oaks this winter. The original eight courses that were offered filled immediately. A new class has been added to meet demand, “Early Rock and Roll Pioneers.”

This class will discuss important social and musical elements that led to the rise of rock and roll in the 1950s and will survey early rhythm and blues artists and pioneering early rock and roll legends including Little Richard, Chuck Berry, Jerry Lee Lewis and Elvis Presley. It will be taught by Dr. Paul R. Murphy, a CSUCI faculty member. Murphy has been a professional musician in Los Angeles for the last 16 years performing in film, television, musical theatre, jazz concerts and club dates.

The lecture will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, March 8 at the CSUCI Extended Education Facility, 501 Marin St. (near the Oaks Mall). Advance enrollment is recommended. Enrollment fee is $10. Call ext. 2748 to enroll.

For more information contact Marty Kaplan, Director of OLLI at CSUCI, ext. 8583 or marty.kaplan@csuci.edu.

CSUCI Grad Fest 2008 gearing up

Degree candidates who plan to participate in this year’s Commencement ceremony are encouraged to attend the CSUCI Grad Fest, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12 and Thursday, March 13 at the Hub. A multitude of services and information will be available at this location to assist degree candidates as they prepare for the ceremony.

Grad Fest 2008 will provide a one-stop shop for degree candidates to:

- Confirm eligibility to participate in the Commencement ceremony
- Complete the new online Application to Participate process
- Arrange for disability accommodations
- Take senior portraits
- Purchase caps/gowns/tassels
- Order announcements
- Order school rings
- Purchase diploma frames
- Research career and graduate school opportunities
- Join the CSUCI Alumni & Friends Association
- Find out about parking and transportation services and processes for Commencement...and much more!

Any area of campus that is not already participating in Grad Fest and would like to should contact Lisa Power, Coordinator of Special Projects, ext. 8517 or lisa.power@csuci.edu. Students with questions should contact the Commencement hotline at 805-437-3100 or email commencement@csuci.edu.
More than 250 people, including local high school students and teachers, community members, and Channel Islands faculty, students, and staff enjoyed an evening with Poet Gary Soto on Thursday, Feb. 7. Soto spoke about his writing, answered numerous questions from the audience, and read many passages from his various works of poetry and fiction.

Soto is a Fresno-based poet as well as a well-known writer for young adults. He is an award-winning author of more than 10 books of poetry. Among his books of poetry are: “A Simple Plan” (Chronicle Books, 2007); “One Kind of Faith” (2003); and “Junior College” (1997). His novels include “Amnesia in a Republican County” (University of New Mexico, 2003); “Poetry Lover” (2001) and “Nickel and Dime” (2000).and participation across the University through timely updates on campus developments and activities.