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News Briefs

Inaugural Class of Presidential Scholars Selected

Sixteen of the West's brightest high school graduates have arrived at Cal State Northridge this fall as the university's first class of Presidential Scholars.

"We are delighted with the first group of Presidential Scholars, with their creativity, their academic abilities and with the enthusiasm for learning they bring to CSUN," said university President Blenda J. Wilson. "We have an exciting and challenging program planned for them."

The program includes a scholarship (covering the university fee of \$1,584 per academic year, a partial book allowance and free on-campus parking); a mentorship program offering work experience by studying or working closely with a faculty member or administrator, and special opportunities for continuing contact with the university president.

Eligible students are incoming freshmen who typically rank in the top 5 percent of their high school graduating glass and achieve either 1) a combined SAT score of 1,300 or higher, or 2) a composite ACT score of 30 or higher. Students who demonstrate special talent in such areas as the arts, writing, math/science or athletics can apply if their high school grades place them within the top 10 percent of their class and they meet the SAT or ACT requirements.



The university's first class of Presidential Scholars includes (l. to r.): Front two: Nicholas Hamlin of San Diego, Michael Vogel of Simi Valley. Second row: Mollyanna Simison of Castaic, Arwen Vidal of Northridge, Mandy Kuntz of Saugus and Camila Dizon of North Hills. Third row: Timothy Tresierras of Oxnard, Rhonda Higgins of Gardena, Sarah Lawless of Santa Maria, Edit Tanahan of Glendale and Joshua Midtlyng of Granada Hills. Back row: Kyle Houston of Seatac, Wash., Megan McLeod of Glendale, Cindy Puckett of Newhall and Jennifer Nelson of Saugus. Not pictured: Teodora Manolova of Los Angeles.

Annual AIDS Walk Coming in September

Cal State Northridge is inviting the surrounding community to join its faculty, staff, students and alumni in the 13th annual AIDS Walk Los Angeles on Sunday, Sept. 28.

Last year, more than 25,000 people-including a record 650 from CSUN-raised more than \$3.4 million for AIDS Project Los Angeles, Southern California's most comprehensive AIDS service, education and advocacy organization. CSUN's team raised more than \$18,500.

CSUN's team last year was the largest in the event's history, and officials are hoping to increase the team size this year. Proceeds from the walk will be used to provide basic, life-sustaining services to Los Angeles County men, women and children with HIV and AIDS.

"The university is committed to community service and the fight against AIDS," said Amy Reichbach, the CSUN team coordinator. "This event is an inspiring reminder of our ability to come together to pursue an important goal. The more of us out there, the louder the message will be."

There is no fee to participate in the AIDS Walk, but pre-registration is required. For more information and registration forms, contact Reichbach at (818) 677-3683.

New Animation Program Launched

Building on its initiative to prepare students for careers in the entertainment industry, Cal State Northridge is launching a new animation program this fall.

The university kicked off the new program in July with a four-week, intensive summer workshop open to high school students and animation professionals. This fall, CSUN's art department is adding an animation program to its curriculum.

"We're excited about the program because there is a lot of opportunity out there for people who have animation skills," said art department chair Joe Lewis. "Animation is a really broad area. It's not just drawing and painting. It's acting, poetry, sculpting, all kinds of things."

Lewis said the fall program will cover all aspects of the profession, offering professionals and students the chance to brush up on the skills needed in a growing field. Entertainment industry employers are constantly looking for skilled animators and a diverse workforce, he said.

The animation program is part of CSUN's new Entertainment Industry Institute, which aims to establish a strong alliance with Hollywood by developing curricula and degree programs, coordinating internships, providing on-site classes in studios and supporting research.





For Your Information publishes announcements of public meetings, notices, events, deadlines and classes and courses of interest to the university community. **The deadline for submitting items is noon on Monday one week before the issue appears. The deadline for the next issue of Sept. 8 is Tue., Sept. 2 due to the Labor Day holiday.**

We will strive to include all items submitted by deadline occurring during the two-week period until the next issue. Items further in advance will be run on a space-available basis. Please submit items by sending them to mail drop 8242, faxing them to (818) 677-4937, or e-mailing them to to <u>pubinfo@exec.csun.edu</u>. E-mail is the preferred method of submitting. Note: *fmi-means for more information*.



Revised MarketCenter Plans

Cal State Northridge officials will present revised plans for the proposed University MarketCenter at a community meeting at 7 p.m. Mon., Aug. 25, in the Grand Salon of the University Student Union. The new plans for the proposed retail development on Devonshire Street between Zelzah and Lindley avenues incorporate suggestions and comments from area residents, Los Angeles City Councilman Hal Bernson's Citizens Advisory Committee and the university's own North Campus Task Force, as well as suggestions from community business leaders. Among the changes is a reduction of more than 70,000 square feet of retail space, bringing the size of the proposed development to about 150,000 square feet of retail space.

Faculty Executive Committee

The Faculty Executive Committee will meet from 1 to 5 p.m. Thu., Aug. 28, in the President's Conference Room A.

Foundation Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the Cal State Northridge Foundation will hold its quarterly meeting at 6 p.m. Wed., Sept. 10, in Chisholm Hall at the National Center on Deafness. *fmi*-x2150.



University Holiday and Closure Schedule

CSUN President Blenda J. Wilson has determined the university holiday and closure schedule for the 1997-98 academic year as indicated below. Please note that in accordance with this holiday and closure schedule, the university will be closed from Thu., Dec. 25, 1997, through Fri., Jan. 2, 1998-reopening on Mon., Jan. 5, 1998.

Please note that there are an insufficient number of holidays to cover all the days of the closure. Specifically, on Fri., Jan. 2, 1998, the campus will be closed, but we will not be observing a holiday. As a result, pursuant to system policy and collective bargaining agreements, employees will need to charge their accrued vacation or personal holiday (which all employees receive each Jan. 1), or take a leave of absence without pay to cover this day.

Employees eligible for overtime may also use compensatory time off (CTO) to cover Jan. 2. A summary sheet detailing how various groups of employees are affected by the campus closure has been directed to all heads of administrative units. All employees should check with their supervisors to establish a plan to cover this day of closure.

Monthly rate employees are entitled to the paid holidays on the day they are observed on campus unless they are in a non-pay status on the holiday, or they are required to work to perform necessary services. Hourly employees are eligible for prorated holiday pay pursuant to the table provided to all departments by memo dated Dec. 18, 1996.

Employees who are required to work on a holiday will receive holiday compensation or compensatory time off. The holidays listed below are in addition to the personal holiday which every employee receives each Jan. 1 and which must be used before Dec. 31 of that year. Part-time employees and hourly employees are entitled to a personal holiday on a prorated basis.

The university will be closed on the holidays and campus closure day listed below. Essential services, such as campus security, will be maintained on all the days of closure. If you have questions, please call the Office of Human Resource Services, x2118.

University Holiday Schedule

Labor Day	Mon., Sept. 1
Thanksgiving Day	Thu., Nov. 27
Admission Day observed	Fri., Nov. 28
Christmas Day	Thu., Dec. 25
Columbus Day observed	Fri., Dec. 26
Veterans' Day observed	Mon., Dec. 29
Lincoln's Birthday observed	Tue., Dec. 30
Washington's Birthday observed	Wed., Dec. 31
New Year's Day	Thu., Jan. 1
Campus closed	Fri., Jan. 2
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Mon., Jan. 19
Memorial Day	Mon., May 25
Independence Day observed	Fri., July 3

Employee Promotions Announced

CSUN President Blenda J. Wilson announced the following promotions effective Aug. 20:

To professor: George Barker, Dorothy Barresi, Julio Blanco, Nancy Burstein, Brian Castronovo, Kenneth Chapman, Marilynn Filbeck, Karen Kearns, Linda Lam-Easton, H. James Lawrence, Geraldine Luethy, Maria Helene Noronha, Stephen Walton and Gholam-Ali Zakeri.

To associate professor: Janet Adams, Jeffrey Charonnat, June Downing, Dennis Halcoussis, Phil Kligman, Rita Kumar, Lillian Lehman, Say-Peng Lim, Gloria Melara, Carol Shubin, Michael Spagna, Shari Tarver-Behring, Viken Tchakerian and Ruqian Wu.

To librarian: Linda Keenan.

To student services professional, academic related III: Lee Axelrod.

Campus Emergency Procedures

Do you know what to do during a university emergency? Procedures are posted in every classroom and office on campus. This reference guide describes the steps that should be taken in the event of an emergency, according to Ron Norton, CSUN manager of environmental health and safety. Some of the emergency situations covered include fire, earthquake, medical emergencies and building evacuation. To ensure all members of the campus community are familiar with these procedures, the following steps should be taken:

- Make sure a copy of the procedures are posted in your classroom or work area. Additional copies can be obtained by contacting Environmental Health and Safety at extension x2401.
- Review the information regularly with all students, faculty and staff. Suggested forums for reviewing the procedures include a five-minute overview of the procedures during the first class meeting of the semester, staff meetings, monthly safety meetings, new employee orientation and training.
- In particular, all students, faculty and staff should know how to evacuate the buildings they frequent and where to go after leaving these buildings.

fmi-x2401.

Archaeological Field Trip

A fall field trip to Baja California, Mex., to visit the newest archaeological research sites is planned by the anthropology department Oct. 31 through Nov. 3. The trip will include the region between La Paz and San Jose del Cabo, the area of the newest archaeological research program and will coincide with the traditional Mexican holiday, El Dia de los Muertos, on Nov. 1. The weekend will include points of archaeological, historical, geological and biological interest. Field and laboratory work conducted in this area over the last six years has evolved into the establishment of a formal exchange program with the Universidad Autonoma de Baja California Sur in La Paz, resulting in the new certificate program in coastal archaeology in the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences. *fmi*-x3331.

State Phone Directories Available

The Service Coordination Center has a limited supply of 1997 State of California telephone directories. They may be purchased for \$7 each by submitting a technology service requisition to mail drop 8223. *fmi*-x1400.

Master's Degree Exams

Comprehensive examinations for master's degree candidates in history will be administered as follows: Nov. 7, first area; Nov. 14, second area. Students who complete all other program requirements must be enrolled in History 697 during the semester that they take their M.A. exams and may enroll in the class only once. *fmi*-Sue Mueller, x3566

Intensive English Program

Student Services for the College of Extended Learning's Intensive English Program has moved its headquarters in the Matador Bookstore from room 222 to room 101 (off the main lobby). The program handles housing and other services for foreign students who study English at CSUN. The telephone number, x3923, and fax number, x2700, remain the same. The e-mail address is esl.off.@csun.edu. *fmi*-x3923.

Piano for Youth

The music department's "Piano for Youth" program is accepting applications for fall enrollment for beginning piano students ages 7 through 10. Students are accepted by interview only. For information or to make an interview appointment, call Jeanine Jacobson's office, x3167.

Student Success in Archives

The National Archives chose three CSUN students to fill three openings for archivists at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library. They are David Bridge, Shelly Jacobs and Josh Tenenbaum. The students participated in either an internship program coordinated by Merry Ovnick or an archival focus program coordinated by Robert Marshall of the Urban Archives or both.

Paul Humphreys Joins LMU

Paul Humphreys has announced that he is joining the faculty in Loyola Marymount University's music department this fall. Humphreys served as an assistant professor in the CSUN music department since 1990. During those years, he helped bring a variety of musical events to the CSUN campus and represented the university as a presenter at scholarly conferences. Humphreys continues to serve as a staff member of the CSUN-based site of the California Arts Project.

Laurel Ashley-Petersen Dies

Laurel Ashley-Petersen, a part-time faculty member in the anthropology department since 1991, died June 19 of lung cancer. She leaves her husband, Donald, and five children.

Our Deepest Sympathy

The campus extends its sympathy to:

- Judy Kirksey (*University Corp.*) and her family on the loss of her husband, Richard (*Physical Plant Management, retired*);
- Maria Bustamante (Financial Aid) and her family on the loss of her sister;
- Betty Laurie (Student Health Center) and her family on the loss of her mother;
- Amy Reichbach (Student Health Center) and her family on the loss of her grandmother;
- Sue Mueller (*History*) and her family on the loss of her sister;
- Angela McHugh (Financial and Accounting Services) and her family on the loss of her father;
- Lorna Fenenbock (Social and Behavioral Sciences) and her family on the loss of her mother, and
- the family of Frank Melton (Physical Plant Management), who died May 25.



Lectures by Cancer Experts

The biology department and the Center for Cancer and Developmental Biology are sponsoring a series of free lectures on cancer by top experts in the field from 6 to 7:40 p.m. Mondays, beginning **Aug. 25**, in Science room 2131. The tentative schedule is:

- Aug. 25, introduction to cancer types, diagnosis, treatments;
- Sept. 8, cancer causes, and
- Sept. 15, a video and lecture on cancer in underdeveloped countries.

The lectures-open to CSUN community, faculty and staff-are part of a course taught by Steve Oppenheimer.

President's Picnic Welcomes Students

CSUN President Blenda J. Wilson and hundreds of faculty and staff members will don aprons Wed., **Aug. 27**, to welcome new and returning students with a picnic. The annual President's Welcome Picnic will take place on the university's Oviatt Lawn from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. to serve evening students. Faculty and staff volunteers will join Wilson and other administrators in dishing out hamburgers, hot dogs, vegetarian burgers, baked beans, soft drinks and other goodies to thousands of students.

Meet the Clubs Day

Meet the Clubs Day, an event to introduce the various student opportunities and organizations on campus, will be held from noon to 4 p.m. Wed., **Aug. 27**, in the Sierra Quad. This is an opportunity for faculty and staff to display projects as well as to recruit students for internships, fellowships, research projects, employment or organizations. fmi-Kelly Kuchenbrod, Office of Student Development & International Programs, x2392, e-mail <u>kelly.a.kuchenbrod@csun.edu</u>.

Family Focus Resource Center

The Family Focus Resource Center will hold programs for students, faculty, families and staff in the Education Building, room 3118.

On Thu., **Aug. 28**, and Thu., **Sept. 4**, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., a parent mentor program for families with children ages 3-12 with developmental disabilities is scheduled. Call Laura Taylor at x7063 for information or if you plan to attend. Child care is available if requested in advance.

On Sat. **Aug. 30**, from 10 a.m. to noon, a seminar, "Making and Being a Good Friend," for adults with developmental disabilities, their families, friends and professionals is planned. A panel of adult consumers and professionals will share their experiences and tips on how to make friends, keep friends and be a good friend. Call Kathryn Lincoln at x7063 for information or if you plan to attend.

San Fernando Mission Bicentennial

The CSUN history department, in cooperation with the San Fernando Mission and the Historical Society of Southern California, will commemorate the bicentennial of the San Fernando Mission with an all-day symposium on Sat., **Sept. 6**, at the mission. Noted scholars will present papers on various aspects of mission history and architecture. The morning session will start at 9:30 a.m. in the Mission Church. Reservation forms for the symposium are available in the history department office, Sierra Tower 612. Reservations should be made no later than Sat., **Aug. 30**, to assure seating. Admission to the symposium is free.

For those who wish to order a box lunch, a \$9 check, made payable to San Fernando Mission, should be included with the reservation form. Parking is available at the mission and on the nearby grounds of Alemany High School. *fmi*-x3566.

Volunteers Needed

The Career Center is seeking volunteers on Sat., Sept. 20, to help beautify local schools, community centers, hospices etc. during the United Way's Day of Caring from 8 a.m. to noon, and to participate in the International Coastal Cleanup Day from 9 a.m. to noon. Volunteers also are needed for Students Talk About Race training on Sun., Sept. 21, in the Grand Salon of the University Student Union. Those trained will lead discussions at local high schools. **fmi-x2871.**



Computer Literacy Classes

The Office of Academic Technology offers free computer literacy classes to students.

Writing a Term Paper with Microsoft Word is scheduled at the following times:
6 p.m., Mon., Aug. 25, in Education 1117;
5 p.m., Tue., Aug. 26, in Oviatt 2;
6 p.m. Wed., Aug. 27, in Education 1117;
5 p.m. Thu., Aug. 28, in Oviatt 2;
5 p.m., Tue., Sept. 2, in Education 1117;
6 p.m., Wed., Sept. 3, in Oviatt 2, and
5 p.m. Thu, Sept. 4, in Education 1117.

Using the E-Mail System at CSUN is scheduled at the following times: 5 p.m. Mon., Aug. 25, in Education 1117; 6 p.m. Tue., Aug. 26, in Oviatt 2; 5 p.m. Wed., Aug. 27, in Education 1117; 4 p.m. Thu., Aug. 28, in Oviatt 2; 6 p.m. Tue., Sept. 2, in Education 1117; 5 p.m. Wed., Sept. 3, in Oviatt 2, and 4 p.m., Thu., Sept. 4, in Education 1117.

Designing Spreadsheets with Microsoft Work and Using Netscape as an Academic Research Tool also will be taught later in September. *fmi*-x3970 or x7809.

Ceramics Lab Classes

The Ceramics Lab in the University Student Union offers classes in wheel throwing and hand building. These small, eight-week sessions offer individual instruction plus additional time to work outside of the classes. Students, staff and community are welcome. Register early as class size is limited. fmi-or to enroll, x2798.







Northridge In The News

For those of you who missed it, **Lewis Yablonsky** (*Sociology*) was quoted in a Los Angeles Times Column One story on April 25 on effective drug treatment programs in prison. "Many convicts are amenable to changing their behavior," he said.

May

Eugene Turner and **James Allen** (*both Geography*) and their new study "The Ethnic Quilt: Population Diversity in Southern California" were the topic of "The Issue This Week" segment on KCOP Channel 13's news show on May 17. Turner was asked if the study meant that the definition of who was an "Angeleno" was changing. He said yes. "We've noticed that the white population is in general leaving the area, while we have an influx of Hispanics and Asians," Turner said. Allen also made an appearance on KCET's "Life and Times" on May 23, adding that he and Turner "wanted to describe Southern California in the richness of its diversity. We wanted to look at social class dimensions. We wanted to look at occupational specializations. We wanted to look at intermarriage. When we try to answer the question why these patterns occur as they didÉwe felt we could we could do a pretty good job at explaining."

Later, the pair's study was the focus of a May 26 Daily News article that took at look at some of their findings, including the widening wage gap between minorities and whites in the region, contrary to a national trend. The income gap clearly seems to be "one source of resentment on the part of low-income minorities, who probably expected that improved civil rights and the passage of time would bring them closer to whites in income levels," the article said in quoting the study.

Carol Docan (*Business Law*) was quoted in two articles that appeared in the Business section of the Anchorage Daily News on May 18 about the responsibility of employers for workers who harass each other to the point of injury and lawsuits. "The employer really has a duty to prevent workers from abusing and harassing each other," she said. She pointed out, though, that a worker who is abused or harassed has the obligation to report it.

Kenyon Chan (*Asian American Studies*) showed up on CNN the morning of May 19 to talk about a recent American Council on Education study in which Chan took part on performance of minorities in higher education. Referring to the stereotype of Asians as super students, Chan said "It separates Asian Americans out as somehow odd and separates them from the issues that face other minorities. It's no less problematic than a negative perception of Asian Americans that was here 20 years ago."

Chan also appeared on KPCC radio's "Talk of the Town" show May 23 to talk about the results of the study. He was quoted in newspapers across the country, including the Los Angeles Times and the Honolulu Advertiser on May 19. Chan also was quoted in a Chronicle of Higher Education story on May 23, saying, "It would be wrong to assume that Asian Pacific American students are somehow linked genetically to science and math and can't do anything else."

Peter Marston (*Speech Communication*) was quoted in a May 20 article in the Daily News about MTV's new "Loveline" show. "The good thing about 'Loveline' is that it gets information out to the public about things that schools and parents may be reticent to discuss," Marston said.

The face of **Jorge Garcia** (*Humanities*) graced an ad in the May 21 Los Angeles Times that pays tribute to the newspaper's 1997 Community Partnership Awards Honorees. Garcia, who helped judge the competition, also was mentioned in a story about the recipients that same day.

Peter Marston (*Speech Communication*) also weighed in on the debate over the new Bugs Bunny stamp in a front page article in the Los Angeles Times on May 22. Marston said Bugs deserved the recognition because he represents an American Ethos. "He represents the ability to overcome problems by outsmarting the enemy, by being ingenuous (and creative)," he said.

Adrian Herzog (*Physics and Astronomy*) was quoted in a May 22 Los Angeles Times article on a new agreement between the university and NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory. "We can do things they can't do, and they can do things that we can't do," she said. "We can offer assistance to JPL in the form of researchers and college credit to participating students, while JPL can offer the scientific expertise and information available to them as a national laboratory of NASA." The agreement also was featured in a Daily News article on May 22.

Alum **Rosa Martinez** was profiled on KABC Channel 7's "Making a Difference Segment" on May 22. Martinez, now executive director of El Projecto Pastoral in East Los Angeles, works with barrio residents providing them with a variety of social services. "The people who live here, who struggleÉthere's a hope. There's a life here," she said.

Rabbi Jerrold Goldstein's (*Hillel*) retirement was featured in a article in the Los Angeles Times on May 24. "He's a patient, warm and understanding person who's taught hundreds of students over the years," said Rabbi Michael Katz, Hillel's interim director.

Students **Jack Hannum** and **Carlene O'Neil** and **William Jennings** (*Finance*) were quoted in a Los Angeles Times article May 24 on the great job Jennings' students have done with The University Corp.'s investment portfolio. In four years, it has gone from \$500,000 to \$850,000 under the guidance of students in an upper-level finance class. "This is real money," Jennings said. "The students have a fiduciary responsibility. They're not held to a different standard because they are students."

The Los Angeles Times May 24 did a eye-catching photo spread of commencement preparations, including a bird'seye view of the set-up in front of the Oviatt Library.

Tearful accounting student **Ana Rosa** Gonzalez graced the front page of the Daily News on May 25 for a story on Latino graduation. Gonzalez was one of more than 100 students, many of them in native costumes, who took part in the ceremony. The story featured **Maria Else Lepe**, who is who is 42. She took seven years to get her degrees while maintaining a marriage and raising three children. "I feel that now I can be a true role model for my kids," Lepe said.

Alum **Darryl James**, owner and publisher of Rap Sheet magazine, was featured in Stacy Brown's Community News column in the Daily News on May 25. "Hip-hop music and its culture demand a viable journalistic instrument to reflect its development and achievements," said James, who also hosts a radio show and has recently written a book.

President **Blenda J. Wilson** was quoted in a Daily News brief on May 25 on the National Science Foundation ranking CSUN first among 529 master's universities for turning out graduates who go on to earn doctoral degrees in science and engineering. "The report by the National Science Foundation confirms what we know on campus," Wilson said. "Cal State Northridge has superior undergraduate programs in science, computer science and engineering." The Los Angeles Times' Valley Focus page did a brief story on the ranking on May 28.

Shirley Svorny (*Economics*) wrote an opinion piece for the Daily News on May 25 on the Los Angeles City Council's decision to allocate money toward race relations. "This type of spending falls into the 'feel good, do nothing' category and will fail to improve life for those dissatisfied with conditions in Los Angeles," she wrote. "Even more troubling, the appearance of action will forestall the day when we really take steps to improve the lot of those who choose civil unrest."

Dianne Appel (Engineering and Computer Science) was featured in a Los Angeles Times front page article May 25 on

the work colleges and universities put into finding commencement speakers each year. Appel recalled the anxious moments her college suffered in February when cloud cover over Florida threatened a timely landing of the space shuttle, which was piloted by Scott Horowitz, the college's speaker last spring. In the end, everything went off OK.

Randy Cohen (*Biology*) tried to reassure Southern Californians that they had nothing to worry about with the recent increase in the local spider population. Among the other insects making a more prominent appearance are crane flies. "They make a tasty meal for spiders," Cohen said. "Spiders are natural predators and they usually increase in number when there are a lot of insect prey for them to eat."

Mother/daughter students **Jo-ana** and **Monique D'Balcazar** were featured in the front page Valley Newswatch column in the Los Angeles Times on May 27. Both were graduating with bachelor's degrees in speech communication.

A computer program called WiggleWorks, run by the university's literacy center, was featured in a Valley Focus story in the Los Angeles Times on May 27. **Phil Kligman**, director of the center, said the program has improved the reading skills of children using it.

Capped and gowned students graced the front page of the Los Angeles Times' Metro section on May 28 as the paper announced the start of commencement week at CSUN. A story inside the section quoted President **Blenda J. Wilson** telling the students that "the most important part of your educationÉwill be the values you have learned here."

The Daily News on May 28 ran a lengthy feature on some of the university's outstanding graduates who overcame adversity to achieve their goals. The story looked at the lives of four graduates, **Vinh Tung Pham** (*Environmental Chemistry*), **Hsifang Huang** (*Economics*), and **Jo-ana** and **Monique D'Balcazar** (*Speech Communication*). "We know that with our education we will overcome financial barriers because the key to success is education," Jo-ana D'Balcazar said.

Alum **Cheech** (**Richard**) **Marin** was featured as one of the Valley 200 by the Los Angeles Times on May 28 in its column commemorating the San Fernando Valley's bicentennial. While in college, the article said, Marin shared a home near campus with three other students and was known more for his academic prowess, his stance on the peace movement and his music than for acting or comedy.

Alum **Thomas Kaufman**, now a biology professor at Indiana University, was quoted in a May 29 article in the Daily News on the math and science graduation ceremony. "I missed my own. I was always too busy," said Kaufman of his own commencement ceremony at Northridge in 1967. Also quoted in the story were President Blenda J. Wilson and graduate Ray Khajeh, who said he was going to use Wilson's speech as a "motivating tool for me" in life.

Dee Shepherd-Look (*Psychology*) and **Lewis Yablonsky** (*Sociology*) were quoted in a Ventura County Star article on what may have caused a Simi Valley man to kill his wife, three children and then himself. "You have to be in an extremely desperate kind of situation, severely depressed to do something as serious as this," Shepherd-Look said. "He just probably assumed that life was no longer worth living," Yablonsky said.

Kenyon Chan and **Teresa K. Williams** (*Asian American Studies*) were quoted in an Asian Week article on May 23 about a conference the university held on Asian American sensuality and sexuality. "This is the first national conference that deals with the various aspects of Asian American sensuality and sexuality," Williams said. "Various types of Asian cultures have restrictions on sensuality and sexuality, and here in the U.S. we also have the added issue of race realities to deal with."

June

Columnist John L. Smith of the Las Vegas Review-Journal wrote a piece in early June about **Lewis Yablonsky's** *(Sociology)* new book, "Gangsters: 50 Years of Madness." "If you want to attack the gang phenomenon in America, Yablonsky says the real battle should be waged on an economic and social level-not merely at the curbline," Smith wrote. "Yablonsky is bound to find allies in the cops who work gangs. Each day they see the tragic results when the gang family replaces the traditional one. They know operating an arrest-and-incarceration mill is no answer."

Paul Klinedinst (*Science and Mathematics*) was quoted in Stacy Brown's Community News column in the Daily News on June 1. Brown wrote about the university being ranked first among 529 master's colleges and universities for producing graduates who go on to other schools for doctorates in science and engineering. "We are No. 1," Klinedinst said.

You never know where our students will turn up. Junior **Daniel Khoshnood** (*Business Law*) made the New York Times on June 3 and the Los Angeles Times on June 4 because of a legal dispute he was in with Microsoft Corp. (yes, the one owned by Bill Gates). Khoshnood named his small Web page design company "The Microsoft Network" and registered it. Needless to say, Microsoft Corp. was upset. "I guess I figured they would come after me," Khoshnood said.

Rodolfo Acuna (*Chicano Studies*) was quoted in a New Times cover story for the week of June 5 about undocumented students who graduate at the top of their classes from high school and are admitted to some of the country's leading colleges and universities- but then are unable to attend because they are not U.S. citizens. "It has taken away leadership from us and condemned undocumented students to a life of minimum-wage [jobs]," Acuna said.

Jack Solomon (*English*) wrote an opinion piece for the Los Angeles Times on June 8 on the wisdom of a college degree. "Rather than waiting for political solutions to economic inequity, we should work both to change attitudes and to make certain that the avenue to higher education is open to everyone who seeks it," he wrote. "Two kinds of attitudes need to be changed: those of students who think that college is a useless bore, and those of taxpayers who regard higher education as an expensive luxury. Turner's and Allen's report suggests that it is not luxury at all, for if enough boats don't rise, the whole ship can be in danger of sinking."

Alum **Dirk Gates** was featured in a Daily News article on June 9 on his gift of \$1 million to the College of Engineering and Computer Science. "When I went to school there, I feel I got a particularly good education," he said. "It contributed to my success and career...In the back of my mind I wanted to repay them. Now I'm at a point of my career where I can do that."

Michael Hammerschmidt (*Development*) and **Dirk Gates** were featured in a Scott Harris column in the Los Angeles Times on June 12. Harris talked about the university's appearance on "The Tonight Show" and about Gates' donation. Gates called his experience at Northridge "an amazing contrast" to those of his friends who went to UCLA.

Adele Scheele (*Career Center*) appeared on NBC's "The Today Show" on June 12 to talk about job interviewing techniques for people over 50 for the show's "Forever Young" segment. Scheele said older people have to prepare even more than younger people for a job interview because "they have to select from their experiences, and they have a lot more experiences." But she said that additional experience is a plus.

Melanie Havens (*Business Law*) wrote an opinion piece for the Los Angeles Times' Valley Perspective page on June 15 on a proposal to exempt the creative community from home-based business taxes. "If the 1st Amendment compelled the government to exempt writers from income tax, they'd have to exempt all writers, not only the professionals," she wrote. "Since we're all writers on some level, and since we are all protected by the 1st Amendment, then the government would be effectively barred from taxing any of us. Wait a minute, I'm starting to warm to the idea."

Professor emeritus **Bob Horn** (*Political Science*) was profiled in a moving piece on NBC's "The Today Show" on June 18 in a segment called "Leonard's Look." Correspondent Mike Leonard interviewed Horn, his family and friends about his life since he was diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's Disease, and about his new book, "How Will They Know When I'm Dead?" "In the end, we would all be better off if we focused on what we have, rather than on what we don't have," Horn told Leonard. "I'm convinced that what I have left is more valuable than what I have lost."

Steven B. Oppenheimer (*Biology*) wrote an opinion piece for the Daily News on June 16 on the new academic concept of "integrated science." "The intentions of the dedicated teachers who are working to implement integrated science in our schools are good. They feel that many non-college-bound and science-phobic youngsters may benefit from this approach if taught well," he wrote. "But to throw out the baby with the bath water, to replace traditional

courses with integrated courses, in a rushed, sometimes poorly taught manner may have resulted in dooming the very program they so deeply believe in."

Images of professionally clad alumni graced page four of the Daily News on June 19 in a photograph of the university's "Alumni Job Fair." Hundreds of job seekers turned out to fill out applications and take part in impromptu interviews at the annual event.

Engineering students **Erick Nerdrum** and **Arbi Karapetian** were featured in a Los Angeles Times Valley Focus page article on June 19 on the car they designed for the 1997 FutureCar Challenge in Detroit. "In any class you have your doubting Thomases when it comes to technology," Nerdrum said of the CSUN car that suffered a last-minute glitch but still ran.

The start of the first two classes in the university's Entertainment Industry Institute was noted in the Los Angeles Times on June 21 with a short story on the Art Department's new animation program. "It's going to happen," said **Joe Lewis** (*Art*). "There's tremendous interest in the field."

Barbara Rhodes (*Pan-African Studies*) and student **Jermaine Thompson** (*Black Student Union*) were quoted in a Daily News article June 22 on the university's Juneteenth celebration. The two were asked how they felt about President Bill Clinton's proposed federal apology for slavery. "We worked many years providing free labor and we need to be compensated," Thompson said. "An apology is all words and no action. Action needs to be taken." Rhodes said she supports the apology, but doesn't expect reparations. "Reparations have become more a symbolic issue rather than an expectation," she said. "We live in a market-driven economy. I don't think [the federal government] is going to make that kind of commitment."

Student **Keith Beckstead** (*Electrical Engineering*) was quoted in a Daily News profile of media mogul Rupert Murdoch on June 22. Beckstead maintains a web site on Murdoch. "I see him as being most responsible for degrading journalism and treating news as entertainment," Beckstead said. "He represents more and more concentration of power. The question is, is he willing to abuse that? I think he has demonstrated that he is."

Shirley Svorny (*Economics*) wrote an opinion piece for the Los Angeles Times that ran in all its editions on June 25 on the Valley's efforts to separate itself from the rest of Los Angeles. "There is no valor in sticking with a sinking ship unless, like the politicians and public employee union representatives who oppose reform, the sinking ship contains your primary source of sustenance," she wrote.

Rene Engel (*KCSN*) was asked by the Los Angeles Times to comment on announcer Bonnie Grice's departure from the radio station to join her husband in New York. "I'm happy for Wally, and Bonnie will be missed," Engel said June 25.

Angela Lew (*Library*) was quoted in a front page Daily News article on June 29 on Hong Kong's transition to Chinese control. "The freedom of press is going to suffer tremendously," she said.

Alum **Yvonne Chan** (*Education*) was profiled in a Daily News article on June 29 that examined what she would do with her family and property in Hong Kong once the Chinese took control of the island. "There may be a lot of robbing of the rich. Are they going to play Robin Hood in Hong Kong?" she asked.

July

Crystal Gips (*Education*) was quoted in the Los Angeles Times on July 1 saying, "Reputation is a sort of self-fulfilling prophecy," theorizing that the San Fernando Valley has less than its share of poorly performing schools because teachers and students try to live up to the area's image.

CSUN senior **Oswaldo Servin** and alum **Darcy Arreola** took first place in the men's and women's divisions in the Independence Day Classic 5K Run in Newhall, according to the Los Angeles Times on July 5.

Ah-Jeong Kim (Theater) and Jan Fish (Educational Psychology), along with several students, were quoted in a Daily

News article on July 5 about the university's new Korean Study Abroad in Los Angeles Project. "One of the real reasons for this program is to provide opportunities for our students who cannot afford international exchange education," Fish said. "They don't have to leave jobs and family. They can still have that international experience while living in Los Angeles."

CSUN senior **Arlet Piranian** was one of more than 5,000 people who took part in the 22nd annual Armenian Athletic Games. Piranian took part in the tennis competition, according to the Daily News on July 6.

The Los Angeles Times ran a major piece on the university's campus master plan for the front page of the Valley section on July 7. **Art Elbert** (*Administration and Finance*) was quoted as saying, "I want Cal State Northridge to be something we can be proud of. We're not going to be a success if we don't look like a success." Later on July 13, the newspaper ran an editorial lauding the university's emerging proposal. "Making CSUN the kind of place where commuting students want to linger strengthens the connections not only among students but between students and the school itself," the paper said.

Engineering alum **Jim Sprunck** made the Los Angeles Times on July 9 in a story about an Oxnard company that played a role in the Pathfinder spacecraft's successful landing on Mars over the Fourth of July weekend. Sprunck and his partner designed and built the mechanisms that position and point the stereo camera on the Pathfinder lander that beamed images from Mars back to Earth. "We specialize in rescue type programs," Sprunck said. "We sell ourselves as specialists in rapid development."

The Los Angeles Times reported July 9 that the Los Angeles City Council had confirmed Mayor Richard Riordan's appointment of alum **Gregory Scott** (*Economic Geography*) as director of the city's Bureau of Street Maintenance.

Jeff Levy (*Theatre*) was quoted in a Los Angeles Times article on July 10 about the annual Teenage Drama Workshop, and the Los Angeles Cultural Affairs Department's donation of \$6,000 to help disadvantaged youths attend the prestigious program. "Given the cost of living these daysÉthe cost [of the workshop] prevents numerous kids from attending," he said.

Frederick Kuretski (*Radio-Television-Film*) was profiled in the Los Angeles Times' Calendar Weekend on July 10. The cinematography professor had a photo exhibition at the Orlando Gallery in Sherman Oaks. His show contained several photographic series, including one taken in an empty apartment with a real-life couple. "It doesn't quite tell a story, but it suggests one," he said. "And it seems that you could make a story if you tried hard enough."

Rodolfo Acuna was featured in the Los Angeles Times on July 13 as one of the Valley 200. The column is running 200 days in honor of the San Fernando Valley's bicentennial and recognizes people who have left their mark on the Valley. "The more education you get, the more notoriety you get, the more of a duty you have to help out the society," Acuna said.

Philip Handler (*Arts, Media and Communication*) was quoted in a Daily News article on July 16 touting the selection of internationally recognized architect Robert A.M. Stern to design the new Arts, Media and Communication Building planned on campus. "He had walked around the campus and he described it to us," Handler said of Stern. "We were amazed by what he sensed about the campus and his eye for detail." Handler also was quoted July 17 in a Los Angeles Times article on the selection.

Daniel Blake (Economics) was featured in a KABC Channel 7 segment on July 17 on the Northridge community's recovery since the earthquake. Citing the influx of money from insurance companies and the federal and state governments for earthquake repairs among other economic factors, Blake said the "outlook for the Valley is really good."

John Broesamle (History) was quoted in a Los Angeles Times article on July 18 that described the razing of the Fine Arts Building, which was designed by noted modernist architect Richard Neutra. "This is a very sad day for the university," Broesamle said. "This was its leading architectural specimenÉNeutra was a giant in 20th century Southern California architecture. He could be called the Frank Lloyd Wright of Southern California."

Juana Mora (Humanities) was the focus of a Los Angeles Times' Valley Focus article on July 23. The article announced that Mora had been named an American Council on Education fellow for the 1997-98 academic year.

Julian Nava (History) wrote an opinion piece for the Daily News on July 27 on U.S./Cuba relations. He quoted a highranking Cuban official as saying "You Americans are stupid. After all these years, you don't understand us. If you were to restore normal relations-you know trade, tourism and education-we would get voted out in the next election. Your hostility keeps the party in power."

There are more items from the summer for this section that will run in the next issue.









CALENDAR

August-October



Changing Light: Robert Bassler

Changing Light, a retrospective of senior faculty member Robert Bassler. The exhibition contains more than 100 works dating from 1960 through 1996 and includes paintings, photographs, video, proposals and particularly sculpture

Dates: Mon., Aug. 25, through Sat., Sept. 20 Times: noon-4 p.m. Mon. and Sat.; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tue.-Fri.. Place: Art Dome ML 236 Admission: free Reception: Sat., Sept. 6, 4-7 p.m.

Outlooks: CSUN Alumni

Outlooks, reflecting the diversity of media offered in the art department. The Art Gallery will show works by 11 alumni in illustration (Emek, Farley Magadia); industrial design (Ravi Sawhney); installation (Lynn Aldrich, Linda Hudson and Erin Woodall); painting (Carolee Toon); photography (Steve Peckman); printmaking/artist books (Katherine Ng); sculpture (David Leib); fiber/mixed media (Wendy Wahl). Dates: Sat., Oct. 4, through Sat. Nov. 8 Times: noon-4 p.m. Mon. and Sat.; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tue.-Fri. Place: Art Dome ML 236 Admission: free Reception: Sat., Oct. 4, 4-7 p.m.

Sonar Soundings

Sonar readings-carbon drawings by CSUN art professor Tom McMillin, a licensed captain and officer in the Merchant Marines. McMillin has explored the ocean and used it as the primary stimulus for his art work for the past 20 years. **Dates**: Through Sun., Sept. 28 **Times**: One hour before scheduled events. **Place**: Performing Arts Center **Admission**: free

Athletics (home games)

Basketball

Oct. 20, Matador Basketball Preview, TBA

Football

Sept. 20, Azusa Pacific University, 6:05 p.m. Oct. 11, Weber State University, 6:05 p.m. Oct. 25, Sacramento State (Homecoming), 6:05 p.m.

Men's Soccer

Aug. 29, Grand Canyon University, 5:30 p.m.
Sept. 11, San Diego State, 7 p.m.
Sept. 13, San Jose State, 7 p.m.
Sept. 21, University of Denver, 6 p.m.
Oct. 3, UC Santa Barbara, 7 p.m.
Oct. 5, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, 6 p.m.
Oct. 26, Alumni Game, 4 p.m.

Women's Soccer

Aug. 29, Grand Canyon University, 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 19, University of Hawaii, 7 p.m.
Sept. 21, University of Denver, 4 p.m.
Sept. 24, Cal State Los Angeles, 7 p.m.
Sept. 26, Weber State, 7 p.m.
Oct. 8, Cal State Fullerton, 7 p.m.
Oct. 13, Fresno State, 7 p.m.
Oct. 26, Loyola Marymount, 4 p.m.
Oct. 31, Weber State, 7 p.m.

Men's Volleyball

Oct. 25, Idaho State, 1 p.m.

Women's Volleyball

Sept. 21, Northern Arizona, 1 p.m. Sept. 23, San Diego State, 7 p.m. Sept. 25, Sacramento State, 7 p.m. Sept. 27, Weber State, 1 p.m. Oct. 2, Portland State, 7 p.m. Oct. 4, UC Santa Barbara, 7 p.m. Oct. 6, Cal State Los Angeles, 7 p.m. Oct. 25, Idaho State, 1 p.m.



USU Film Series

Schedule for the first two weeks of the University Student Union Film Series. All films are free. USU-University Student Union. SSU-Satellite Student Union.

The Rocky Horror Picture Show

Tue., Aug. 26 9:30 p.m. SSU

The 5th Element

Fri., Aug. 29 8, 10 p.m. SSU Sun., Aug. 31 8, 10 p.m. SSU Mon., Sept. 1 10 p.m. SSU

Volcano

Sat., Aug. 30 8, 10 p.m. SSU Mon., Sept. 1 8 p.m. SSU

Austin Powers

Tue., Sept. 2 8 p.m. USU Thu., Sept. 4 8, 10 p.m. SSU Sat., Sept. 6 8, 10 p.m. SSU

Love Jones

Wed., Sept. 3 8 p.m. USU Fri., Sept. 5 8, 10 p.m. SSU

Con Air

Tue., Sept. 9 8 p.m. USU



Admission to all music events (unless otherwise specified): \$6.50 general, \$5 faculty and staff, \$3.50 students and seniors

Noontime Concert

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Date: Wed., Sept. 3 Time: Noon Place: University Student Union courtyard Admission: Free

Voice Recital

Voice students of David Scott perform a Schubert Liederabend. Date: Fri., Sept. 19 Time: 8 p.m. Place: Recital Hall Admission: Free

Music of Brahms

Faculty Artist Series concert of chamber music "Commemorating 100 Years of Brahms." Proceeds to music scholarships. Date: Sun., Sept. 28 Place: Recital Hall

Workshop/Lecture

Indian sitarist Kartik Seshadri will conduct a free community workshop/lecture. Date: Thu., Oct. 2 Time: 8 p.m. Place: Performing Arts Center

Kartik Seshadri

Indian sitarist Kartik Seshadri, a disciple of Ravi Shankar, performs as part of the College of Arts, Media, and Communication's 1997/98 Guest Artist Series. **Date:** Fri., Oct. 3 **Time:** 8 p.m. **Place:** Performing Arts Center **Admission:** \$15 general, \$12 seniors, \$10 students/children

Theater/Performing Arts

Theatrical Quilt

"Quilters," a musical by Molly Newman and Barbara Demashek. The presentation weaves together the lives of frontier women, featuring CSUN professor and actress Maryellen Clemons in the lead role. Part of the theatre department's "Theatrical Quilt of Plays" to be presented during the 1997-98 season. **Director**: Mia Truxaw

Date: Sept. 26, 27, 28, Oct. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Time: 8 p.m. Thu.-Sat., 7 p.m. Wed., 5 p.m. Sun. Place: Little Theatre Admission: \$9 general, \$7 faculty and staff, \$5 students



Decision on Wilson's Job Status Imminent

Selection of New Wayne State President Could Come Aug. 25

Cal State Northridge President Blenda J. Wilson and the entire university community could learn as early as Monday (Aug. 25) whether CSUN's nationally known leader is leaving to become the ninth president of Wayne State University in Michigan.

Wilson, 56, who will celebrate her fifth anniversary at CSUN on Sept. 1, is one of five finalists to head Michigan's third largest public university. WSU's Board of Governors had scheduled an 11 a.m. PST public meeting Monday to make their selection.



In a message to the CSUN community, Wilson indicated that her work at Northridge "remains a constant source of personal fulfillment and pride." But Wilson added that she and husband Louis Fair Jr. "left part of our hearts behind" when they moved from Michigan to California in 1992.

"Wayne State is a very unique place to me. If it weren't Wayne State, I wouldn't be a candidate anywhere else," said Wilson, who served from 1988 to 1992 as chancellor of the University of Michigan at Dearborn, a Detroit suburb, while her husband managed the Detroit City Airport.

Since coming to CSUN, Wilson spearheaded the campus' revival after the 1994 Northridge earthquake, earning national recognition; steered the campus to a more focused and student-centered approach; and at large, emerged as a prominent public advocate of affirmative action.

In the past five years, Wilson said she had rejected all prior offers for posts elsewhere. But Wilson said she permitted her nomination for the Wayne State post because of its standing as a major research university with an urban mission and the prospect of returning "home" to Detroit.

The presidential selection at Wayne, whether Monday or later, is slated to be discussed and decided entirely in public session by the university's elected eight-member governing board-a highly unusual mandate required there by a recently enacted state law.

Wayne State President David Adamany, who has headed the institution since 1982, announced last December he planned to retire this fall and return to teach at WSU's law school. Adamany's current salary is \$186,680, compared to Wilson's \$154,536, which is one of the CSU's highest.

The other finalists are: Jay Noren, former interim chancellor of Minnesota's state university system; Irvin Reid, president of Montclair State University in New Jersey; Edward Sheridan, provost at the University of Missouri-Columbia, and David Young, provost at Colorado State University.

Each of the finalists, since the public announcement of their names July 23, has made required public visits to Wayne

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State, typically undergoing two-hour public interview sessions with WSU's governing board, interviews with the news media, campus tours and other sessions.

In her July 30 session-the first among the five-Wilson surprised and impressed the audience, according to reports by Detroit newspapers, with a blunt question to the board about reported friction between the faculty and president at WSU.

Among the five, Wilson is the most experienced university top executive as well as one of only two minority candidates along with Reid, who also is an African American. Metropolitan Detroit has a largely African American population, although WSU has a smaller share of minority students than CSUN.

CSUN and WSU have some common characteristics: both are in urban settings and have large commuter student populations. But WSU is larger in enrollment, budget and staffing, and has extensive master's and Ph.D. programs that include a medical and law school.

If selected, Wilson said she would expect to remain at CSUN through the fall 1997 semester. Under past practice, the campus could expect to have an interim chief executive named while the Cal State system would launch a search for the university's fourth president in 40 years.

Were that to occur, a new chief executive for CSUN could become one of the very first major decisions to be faced by an incoming new chancellor of the Cal State system, since Chancellor Barry Munitz is leaving in January to head the J. Paul Getty Trust.

The two universities in comparison:

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	CSUN	WSU
Enrollment	27,189	31,185
Minority Students	53 percent	30 percent
Part-time Students	37 percent	55 percent
Graduate Students	21 percent	42 percent
Total Budget	\$189 million	\$542 million
Regular Employees	3,400	7,550
Colleges/Schools	9	14

-John Chandler

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Search to Replace Chancellor Will Proceed with Secrecy

CSU Trustees Praise Munitz, Fear Public Disclosure Could Scare Off Successors

Promising absolute secrecy to candidates, Cal State trustees have begun a national search for a new chief executive to lead the largest senior higher education system in the U.S. once Chancellor Barry Munitz leaves in January.

An eight-member search committee of the CSU Board of Trustees held its first meeting in Irvine last Monday, Aug. 18, to begin mulling a successor to Munitz, who will become president of the \$4.3 billion J. Paul Getty Trust in Brentwood.

The trustees' rapid-fire timetable includes an aggressive recruitment of candidates during September with possible interviews in October and a selection in November. Also likely is a major pay hike that would boost the chancellor's salary from \$197,232 now to as much as \$250,000.

"It's not the job of this board in this case to find a replacement for Barry, because there is no replacement for Barry," said trustee Tony Vitti. "It's the job of this board to find someone that can take this system to its next level, into the 21st Century and beyond.".

Trustees said they will be looking for a sharp administrator who can provide visionary leadership and innovation while also recruiting strong campus and system executives. Ideally, trustees said they'd like someone with a combined business and academic background like Munitz.

(After Munitz's announcement, some media reports touted CSUN President Blenda J. Wilson as a prospect for the chancellor's post. But Wilson, who already is a finalist for the president's job at Wayne State University in Michigan, said she wants to remain on a campus.)

In departures from the past, CSU trustees named a smaller committee to spearhead the search. They also pledged to not make public any candidates' names, even the finalists, prior to announcing their ultimate appointee-essentially precluding any public participation.

Trustees said the change was a reaction to past instances where finalists for campus and university system chief executive jobs have dropped out in the midst of the process once their names were made public, either intentionally or because of leaks to the news media.

"In order to provide the best search possible, we need to make it streamlined, small, minimize the risk, efficient...and make it confidential," said Martha Fallgatter, chair of the CSU board. She said the search committee probably will bring two to four finalists to the full board.

Fallgatter is chairing the committee, joined by trustees Denny Campbell, Bill Hauck, Joan Otomo-Corgel and Ralph Pesqueira, along with trustees Bernie Goldstein representing faculty, Jim Considine representing alumni and the board's student trustee once a new one is named.

The new chancellor will oversee a sprawling 23-campus system that has grown in stature and otherwise under Munitz' six-and-a-half years of leadership. The CSU now has nearly 337,000 students, 37,000 employees, a \$2.6 billion annual budget and more than 2 million alumni.

During his tenure, the charismatic Munitz emerged as a national leader in U.S. higher education, overseeing the development of several new campuses, working to meld the CSU's efforts with those of other public education segments in California and building key alliances.

He helped forge a compact to stabilize state funding for California public higher education, guided the CSU through a national debate over rising numbers of college students who need remedial classes and mostly kept the CSU out of heated affirmative action controversies.

"The CSU has been my heart for the past six years, and it will be very difficult to leave in six months," said Munitz, who came to head the CSU in August 1991. "But this is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, and it coincides with my strong interest in the arts."

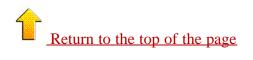
Effective Jan. 5, Munitz, 56, will become the chief executive of the private Getty foundation, one of the richest in the country, just after the scheduled mid-December opening of its new \$1 billion Getty Center arts and humanities complex atop the Santa Monica Mountains.

The six-building campus on 110 acres overlooking the San Diego Freeway-including the new J. Paul Getty Museum, a 450-seat auditorium and a major research library-is expected to draw about 1.5 million visitors annually for activities of more than a half dozen different Getty entities.

On the same mid-July day that Munitz made his disclosure, his controversial predecessor in the CSU chancellor's job, Ann Reynolds, said she was leaving as chancellor of the City University of New York system to be president of the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

-John Chandler









Four Restored Men's Sports Face Uncertain Future

Legislative Action Spurs Return of Teams and Orders Campus Review

After a controversial summer that saw four men's sports canceled and then restored, Cal State Northridge's athletic program begins the semester amid uncertainty about how many teams will survive beyond this year and facing a comprehensive campus/community review.

When Gov. Pete Wilson signed the \$68 billion state budget last week, one legislative mandate allocated \$586,000 to pay for the cost of restoring the four teams for this year, essentially maintaining the status quo at least for now.

Meanwhile, other language prescribed the creation of a university task force to explore how CSUN can have a balanced and financially viable athletic program that also fully complies with gender equity rules under federal Title IX and the Cal State system's Cal-NOW consent decree.

The upshot: the men's baseball, volleyball, soccer and swimming teams are back for this year. But whether they or other CSUN men's teams can survive the general budget constraints and gender equity requirements squeezing the university remains an unresolved question.

"There's a general concern of what's the Matador athletic program going to look like a year from now, five years from now," said Cal State Northridge Athletic Director Paul Bubb, adding that the university could face the same tough choices again next spring.

Last June 11, CSUN officials announced they were proceeding with the previously discussed plan to eliminate the four men's teams this school year to cope with an \$800,000 athletics program budget deficit and the looming gender equity requirements.

The resulting outcry from community members helped spur state Sen. Cathie Wright (R-Simi Valley), whose district includes the campus, to sponsor the legislative bailout plan. But because the governor had yet to sign the budget and time for fully restoring the teams for the fall was running out, CSUN requested a loan from The University Corp.

On Aug. 4, two weeks before the state budget finally was approved, directors of the CSUN auxiliary voted 5-3 to advance the \$586,000 as a loan to athletics in case the state money didn't arrive. And the campus was able to announce the reinstatement of the sports for this year.

CSUN President Blenda J. Wilson, who drew criticism over the original decision to cancel the sports, maintained that the university made the necessary choice at the time. Wilson recently said she also welcomes the opportunity for reassessing the entire sports program.

"I think this provides an opportunity for the broader community as well as the university community to be educated" about the dilemmas facing the campus and its athletic program, Wilson said. The president also said she plans to promptly seek advice from CSUN's Community Advisory Board on appointing the athletics task force.

Under the legislative mandate, the university must submit a report to the state Legislature by March 1 detailing a "balanced and financially viable" athletic program that also will comply with the fall 1998 consent decree deadline for CSU schools to achieve gender equity in athletics.

Wilson said she wants the task force of campus and community representatives formed quickly to permit enough time for its preliminary recommendations and plan to be publicly discussed before a final package is sent to the Legislature by the spring deadline.

Meanwhile, Bubb said he plans to form a separate strategic planning committee in athletics to explore the options. Bubb said he hoped his group, to be composed mostly of campus community members, will be able to complete its report in time to submit it to the task force.

The athletic director noted that his programs already had undergone two different reviews in the past four years that led to the same basic conclusions: CSUN athletics should stay broad-based and find the needed funding to permit that.

The crux of CSUN's dilemma: its preference for gender equity compliance would be to add new women's sports. But campus officials say they can't afford that and won't divert more academic funding into athletics. Given that, how does CSUN avoid cutting men's sports.

At the budget level, the university already had to cover the \$800,000 deficit that the full athletic program ran last school year, and expects to put forward another \$300,000 during the current fiscal year to help balance the books in the \$5 million-plus athletics program.

Although there was loud community protest to the elimination of the four men's teams, Bubb said that sentiment and community backing has yet to translate into substantial public donations to support CSUN athletics. He said the key period, though, will be in coming months.

Meanwhile, in both morale and actual operations, the summer turmoil took a toll in the athletics program. Men's volleyball coach John Price and assistant men's baseball coach Tim Montez both left for jobs at other universities after the cancellations but before the reinstatements.

Of the four teams, Bubb said baseball-long one of the university's strongest sports-has been the hardest hit, losing two top pitchers and several other starters. Coach Mike Batesole publicly warned campus officials against expecting his restored team to bring home a pennant.

But Bubb said there are some looming bright spots: the athletic program has arranged with campus radio station KCSN-FM to broadcast every football game this year, and is talking with a local cable television system about broadcasting perhaps a half dozen of those contests.

Also, the athletic program, in a project in planning for the past two years, is now finalizing a new Matadors logo and identifiers for its teams, with plans for a formal unveiling during homecoming week in October. A new "Cal State Northridge" mark will surface on uniforms before then.

-John Chandler





University Unveils Scaled-down MarketCenter Project

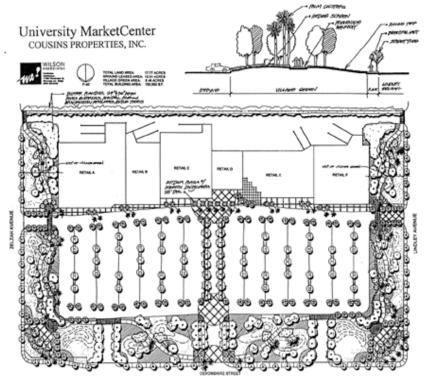
Retail Center With One-Third Less Development Sought to Satisfy Neighbors

Hoping to achieve consensus on beginning to develop the North Campus, Cal State Northridge officials have proposed a significantly down-sized retail project for the area crafted over the summer with advice from local community leaders.

In the latest chapter in a two-year development saga, CSUN President Blenda J. Wilson and campus officials are holding a Monday, Aug. 25, community meeting to unveil a new University MarketCenter project that is about one-third smaller than its predecessor.

"This has been an honest-to-goodness compromise," said Wilson. The latest design, she said, advances CSUN's goal of developing a revenue source to support its education mission with a project "that respects the interests and concerns of neighbors and the community."

Among the changes, the amount of planned retail



development on the 18-acre site has been reduced from 220,000 square feet to about 150,000 square feet. And what had been landscaped buffers on the project's perimeters have been expanded to huge 100-foot-wide green spaces.

"We've listened. We've responded and we've changed the project," said Frank Wein, CSUN's consultant for the venture. "This will look like a park. There will probably be more landscaping on this than on 12 shopping centers combined," Wein said.

The proposed changes, however, would come with a price to the campus. Because of the project down-sizing, the forecast for the amount of revenue the university could expect to receive from the project also has been reduced from about \$1 million to about \$380,000-a-year.

Economics professor Dan Blake, a member of CSUN's North Campus-University Park Development Corp. that has been pursuing the project, expressed dismay at that reduction. But Blake said he probably could accept it if the revised project helps satisfy local residents.

University officials have begun talking about the MarketCenter project as a cornerstone to future development of the

broader 65-acre North Campus area-bounded by Devonshire and Lassen streets north to south, and Lindley and Zelzah avenues east to west.

Wein stressed that the university for now has no specific development plans for the remaining 45-acre area beyond the Devonshire frontage where the MarketCenter would be built. But in the coming months, a development plan will be prepared for that area.

Campus officials said the new shape of the MarketCenter project was the result of input both from the broad-based 28member North Campus Task Force appointed by Wilson last April, and from Los Angeles City Councilman Hal Bernson's North Campus Citizens Advisory Committee.

Wein said the university has tried to satisfy Bernson's group by agreeing to several specific provisions: the reduced size and expanded landscaping, the deletion of several prior restaurant pads, and a promise of no additional retail development on the North Campus.

CSUN's community meeting on the revised project is scheduled for Monday, Aug. 25, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Grand Salon of the University Student Union. Both campus community members and local residents and community leaders are invited to the session.

In recent months, the university has continued to work with its partner in the project, Atlanta-based Cousins Properties Inc., and officials said there is still strong tenant interest in the project. Cousins would build the center and pay CSUN for a long-term ground lease of the site.

Wein said the developer is still talking to prospective tenants such as Bristol Farms Markets, Circuit City and Borders Books and Music. But final agreements on the actual occupants of the planned center cannot be executed until after the project has obtained all necessary approvals.

A major next step for the project could come Sept. 16-17 when several key votes are expected by the Cal State system's Board of Trustees. Those include certifying the project's final environmental impact report, a campus master plan amendment and a master lease agreement.

Although the final EIR issued by the campus in mid-August mostly addressed the larger original project, it also examined the option of a reduced density alternative similar to the latest proposal. Thus Wein said a new or different EIR is not required as a result of the project changes.

If the trustees take their actions, the next step would be for the university's developer to pursue land use approvals from the city of Los Angeles. Those could take some months into next spring, meaning a project groundbreaking could come in the spring or summer.

-John Chandler









Summer Hirings Fill Administrators' Ranks On Campus

University Relations V.P. Remains Vacant, but Two New Deans and Six Others Named

Moving to close the gaps in its senior management ranks, Cal State Northridge has hired eight top administrators and plans to name a ninth within the next few weeks.

More than a dozen top jobs remained open on campus at the end of the spring semester. But since last month, CSUN has hired two new deans, an associate vice president, a permanent controller and three directors.

Also named for the fall semester are an associate dean and two interim associate deans, as well as the chairs for 12 academic departments. Also, campus officials hope to name a new director for the Ventura Campus next month.

Still unfilled are an associate dean's slot in the College of Continuing Education and three key fund-raising jobs-a new vice president of university relations, director of the Annual Fund and assistant athletic director for development.

University Relations:

In July, CSUN President Blenda J. Wilson announced that the search for the university relations chief-who would become CSUN's fourth vice president-was being extended to permit the search committee to recruit and interview additional candidates.

Two finalists visited the campus last spring. But Wilson said, "We came to the conclusion, following reference checks and the feedback from the campus interviews, that we didn't have exactly the right fit."

William Flores, dean of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences and chair of the university relations search committee, said the search is continuing. "We hope to have someone in place by the spring semester of 1998," he said.

CSUN is one of only a few Cal State campuses that does not already have a vice president overseeing university relations. With public funding shrinking, CSU campuses are expected to raise in donations about 10 percent of their state general fund support each year. CSUN received about \$113 million in state support last year and raised an estimated \$5.1 million in donations during 1996-1997. University Relations has a \$6 million goal for the current year.

The new vice president, whose salary is expected to exceed \$100,000, will join the three current ones on campus: Provost Louanne Kennedy, Vice President for Student Affairs Ron Kopita and Vice President for Administration and Finance Art Elbert.

Deans:

The new deans are <u>Edward J. Carroll Jr.</u>, an associate dean at the University of California at Riverside, in the College of Science and Mathematics, and <u>Laurence Caretto</u>, a former CSUN professor and South Coast Air Quality Management District board member, in the College of Engineering and Computer Science.

Faculty Affairs:

John B. Mason, a former English professor at Youngstown University in Ohio and Western Washington University in Bellingham, succeeded Don Cameron as associate vice president of faculty affairs on Aug. 1. Cameron, one of the university's longest-serving employees who is retiring in December, will serve as special assistant to the provost during the fall semester.

Mason was selected from five finalists who were brought to campus for interviews. Most recently, Mason was associate director of the Western Assn. of Schools and Colleges, Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities, in Oakland.

Controller:

Robert J. Kiddoo, a veteran accounting professor, was named CSUN's permanent controller effective July 1 after serving as interim controller since January. He has been helping the campus prepare for one of the most thorough audits in its history.

Kiddoo also is overseeing the conversion of CSUN's financial records from the "legal basis" accounting system to the more stringent GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) method.

"I'm very pleased to have the opportunity to continue what I've started," Kiddoo said. "We need to bring the entire campus community into general accounting compliance. Preparing the GAAP statement [for the audit] was just the first step to a conversion of the campus community to operating under GAAP."

For almost 25 years, Kiddoo has maintained what he called a dual career, working both full-time as a CSUN professor and as an executive in the corporate world. He has been a faculty member since 1970 and retired from his corporate career in 1992 as an executive vice president with Kirk-Mayer Inc.

Kiddoo will retain retreat rights to his CSUN professorship. Facilities Planning:

In another key hire, Tom Tindall, an engineer with Los Angeles County government, will become CSUN's director of facilities planning effective Sept. 1. He replaces Steven Lohr, who resigned last September to take a similar job at USC.

Tindall joins former county colleague Hildo Hernandez, CSUN's director of physical plant management, in the university's Facilities Planning and Operations unit, which handles both new facilities on campus and the maintenance of existing ones. Hernandez came to the university last year.

Tindall holds a master's degree in photogrammetric engineering-geodetic science from Ohio State and worked for more than 20 years with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. During that time, he supervised a department at USC that taught students the leadership and management skills required of Army officers.

During three years with the county, Tindall managed repair projects for facilities damaged by the Northridge earthquake, including the \$11 million San Fernando Courthouse project. Recently he had been overseeing the renovation of the county welfare offices.

At CSUN, Tindall will supervise implementation of the university's proposed master plan, as well as continuing earthquake renovation projects. He also will be involved with the University MarketCenter retail project proposed for CSUN's North Campus.

Institutional Research:

In academic affairs, Fran Horvath, former director of institutional research at Loyola Marymount University, was

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named CSUN's director of institutional research effective July 1, replacing Hans Ladanyi.

Horvath received a bachelor's degree from the University of San Francisco and two master's degrees in marine environmental science and policy analysis/public management from the State University of New York. She obtained her doctorate in higher education from USC in 1992.

Horvath has taught in the biology department at USC and also was an institutional researcher at Kings River Community College. She has conducted research studies in enrollment projections and management, course schedule modeling, financial aid packaging and retention.

"Her experience in institutional research, combined with extensive training in research techniques and statistical analysis, will make her a valuable asset to this university," said Spero Bowman, director of academic resources.

Advising Resource Center/EOP

In undergraduate studies, Elizabeth Teagan, a consultant, writer and educator from Amherst, Mass., is the new director of the Advising Resource Center/EOP.

Teagan held various positions at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, including academic adviser for undecided students in the Colleges of Arts and Sciences and for students in the honors program. She conceived and produced a university-wide majors fair for undecided students and wrote grants to assist EOP and minority students in understanding academic advising services.

Teagan also directed an academic advising center at Mansfield University in Pennsylvania and taught courses in health, physical education, recreation and athletic training at Keene State College in New Hampshire.

She received bachelor's and master's degrees in physical education at Texas Woman's University and her doctorate from the University of Massachusetts.

Oviatt Library:

In the University Library, Susan Parker, who worked in the Harvard University Law School Library for the past 11 years, is the new associate dean for library operations.

She earned a bachelor's degree from Earlham College in Richmond, Ind., and master's degrees in history and library science from Indiana University, Bloomington. Parker also has worked in libraries at various large law firms and corporations.

Other Appointments:

Two new interim associate deans are John Clendenning, a CSUN English professor, in the College of Humanities, and Elliot McIntire, a geography professor, in the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Juana Mora, a Chicano studies professor who served as interim associate dean in the College of Humanities last year, was named an ACE Fellow for the 1997-98 academic year by the American Council on Education. Students demonstrated during the summer when Mora was not named permanent associate dean of the college.

Newly named department chairs are Jon Shively, civil and manufacturing engineering, Philip Gilbert, computer science (acting); Nagwa Bekir, electrical and computer engineering; Miriam Cotler, health sciences; William Vincent, kinesiology; Robert Noreen, English; Elizabeth Say, women's studies (interim); Sandor Reichman, chemistry; Tyler Blake, psychology; David Horne, Pan-African studies; Jerry Abbitt, theatre, and Adam Gifford, economics.

-Mayerene Barker



Science and Math Dean Carroll Arrives to Start the Year

Edward J. Carroll Jr., the newly hired dean of the College of Science and Mathematics, will be on duty at Cal State Northridge for the start of classes on Monday, Aug. 25.



"I'm really looking forward to working with everyone and building for the future," said Carroll, who arrived from the University of California at Riverside. "This is an exciting time for continued development of the College of Science and Mathematics."

Carroll had served as associate dean of the graduate division and associate dean of research in the College of Science and Mathematics at Riverside since 1993 and had been a faculty member in the university's biology department since 1976.

"He is a distinguished scholar with strong experience in science and math education," said CSUN Provost Louanne Kennedy. "He has tremendous energy and he will be a great asset to the college and the university."

At CSUN, Carroll will hold a concurrent appointment as a tenured faculty member in the biology department. Outside work, though, he is an avid motorcyclist and holds a fourth degree black belt in martial arts, having taught an aikido course two mornings a week at Riverside.

In terms of academic background, Carroll received his bachelor of science degree in biology from Sacramento State in 1968 and his doctorate in biochemistry from the University of California at Davis in 1972.

At UC Riverside, Carroll was an active member of the interdisciplinary genetics and biochemistry graduate programs. His research interests are in the molecular aspects of animal fertilization and development. A major emphasis in his recent research involves gene cloning and sequence analysis.

At Riverside, he also had five doctoral students doing research under his direction and will continue to supervise those students until they have completed their degree requirements.

Carroll, 51, will earn a salary at CSUN exceeding \$100,000. He and his wife Alice have two children, Julie, 25, and Steven, 24. He fills a job previously held by Donald Bianchi, who died in March 1996.

-Mayerene Barker





Private Company Chosen to Manage Matador Bookstore

University Hopes for Greater Profits; Operator Promises Lower Prices

The Matador Bookstore at Cal State Northridge begins the fall semester for the first time under private management with the promise of more books, better service and increased revenues for the university.

After working to allay store employee concerns, the Board of Directors of The University Corporation voted in mid-July to transfer responsibility for the \$9 million-a-year operation to Follett College Stores, the largest private college bookstore operator in the country.

Most prior Matador Bookstore programs and practices affecting customers, including hours of operation, will remain in place, corporation and Follett officials said. But they did promise improvements such as a larger selection of books, reduced prices and better customer service.

"Our commitment is if there is any problem, we'll try to fix it as quickly as we can," said Dean Goetz, Follett's new store director at CSUN. "The students need their books. We will get them as quickly as we can," said Goetz, an eight-year company veteran.

CSUN thus becomes the fifth Cal State campus among 22 to transition to private bookstore managers. Follett already runs the Cal State Dominguez Hills store, and other companies run the operations at the Los Angeles, Bakersfield and Stanislaus campuses, officials said.

Follett took over the Matador Bookstore on Monday, July 21, three days after The University Corporation approved a five-year operating agreement. Virtually all of the 60-plus bookstore employees shifted to Follett, although former store manager Bill Lloyd left.

The lure for The University Corporation was the projection that Follett will generate between \$1 million and \$1.2 million in revenues during 1997-98 for the auxiliary to spend on various university activities-about triple the store's 1996-97 year-end proceeds.

Responding to store employees' concerns, the deal with Follett was amended to include provisions such as guaranteed employment for one year except if dismissed for cause, transfer of years-of-service credits and maintenance of prior health benefit subsidies for the first year.

Follett, part of the River Grove, Illinois-based Follett Corp., operates 527 college bookstores in the United States, including nearly 40 in California. Other Follett college stores locally include Cal Lutheran, Pepperdine University and College of the Canyons.

Some of the key provisions of the CSUN deal include the following:

• The University Corporation will get money from Follett based on a sliding scale formula of between 11.1 percent and 12.1 percent of the store's gross revenues. For its part, the auxiliary will fund a one-time remodeling

of the bookstore at an as-yet undetermined price.

- The Matador Bookstore's 27 percent profit margin on textbooks has been reduced to 25 percent, which results in about a 2.7 percent retail price cut. And the bookstore's 10 percent faculty-staff discount has been expanded to more merchandise, including computer software.
- Follett will run the entire bookstore operation, except for the university auxiliary's NetWorks computer store, which remains open for now selling Apple computer hardware at academic discount prices, and the print shop, which also remains an auxiliary operation.
- Follett has agreed to close its Northridge Textbook Exchange (NTX) store near the campus by January 1998 when its lease expires. That could return \$1 million to \$2 million in sales to the Matador Bookstore, which did about \$9.1 million in business last school year.

For the hectic start of the fall semester, Follett officials said they plan to increase the store's number of cash register stations to 28, up from 18 in the past; nearly triple the number of aisle clerks and continue late-night hours and food giveaway promotions done in past years.

On the Monday, Aug. 25 start of classes, for example, Follett is offering special promotions that include 20 percent discounts on CSUN gifts and clothing from 9 to 10 p.m., and 10 percent discounts on all used textbooks from 10 p.m. to midnight, officials said.

In the coming months, Follett officials said they plan to significantly broaden the store's general books section to at least 35,000 titles and expand its payment options to include American Express and ATM cards. They said the store already can accept university purchase orders.

Faculty Senate President Jim Goss said the bookstore change should be accepted by the campus, especially if the increased revenue projections are met. If not, Goss said, "There will be a lot of yelling and screaming. You can count on it."

-John Chandler









Restored Buildings In, Temporary Classrooms Out

Fall Semester Marks Major Return of Permanent Building Space

In the strongest showing yet of tangible earthquake recovery, Cal State Northridge will begin the fall semester with its largest restoration of permanent classroom and office space since the 1994 earthquake after a summer of feverish repair work.

All or most of four major campus buildings that had been closed for restoration-Sierra Tower, Jerome Richfield Hall, Engineering and Kinesiology-are back in operation and often with significant upgrades for the Monday, Aug. 25, start of classes.



In addition to many faculty and staff members finally making it back into permanent offices for the first time in threeand-a-half years, the new semester also marks the first time since 1994 that for most students, classes will be relocated into regular classrooms, campus officials said.

With that return of permanent space, plans already are underway for dismantling the Zelzah Court and Prairie Street bungalow villages, two of seven still dotting the campus. That should reduce CSUN's number of remaining emergency classrooms from about 180 to 110.

"We have come a long way thanks to very hard work by people who really care about this university. Faculty and staff have shown great patience throughout the recovery and seem pleased with their newly renovated offices and classrooms," said Art Elbert, vice president for administration and finance.

Elbert added, "The Federal Emergency Management Agency is very pleased with the work that has been accomplished and has cooperated fully toward our progress. We are currently viewed as one of their model agencies in the recovery."

The campus continues to forecast it will achieve full earthquake recovery by the end of 1999, including the completion of multiple replacement buildings. Other public agencies with damaged facilities may take several years beyond that date to complete their repairs.

The latest projections put the total cost of CSUN's earthquake recovery at \$328.7 million, slightly up from prior estimates. As of June 30, the university had spent nearly \$200 million on the recovery, with about \$106 million worth of construction work still ahead.

As planned, university contractors finished demolition of the damaged Fine Arts building by August, with similar removal of the wings of the Oviatt Library and South Library slated for completion during September. New replacement buildings now are planned for each.



During July and August, meanwhile, about 40 CSUN workers and a fleet of trucks led by relocation coordinator Terry Sigrist helped transport furniture, equipment, boxes and belongings of faculty and staff members moving from temporary to permanent facilities around the campus.

More than just repairs, restored buildings often were remade beyond the usual new paint and flooring after structural repairs were completed.

Maureen Shideh, acting director of space planning and management, said 129 faculty offices in Sierra Tower received new sets of office furniture. Most permanent faculty in the tower, who before had doubled up in offices, now have individual spaces.

Richfield Hall received new furnishings in 24 classrooms and substantial renovations to the English writing and foreign language labs, she said. Bathrooms in both the tower and Richfield Hall were upgraded for disability compliance.

In the Engineering building, Shideh said, the entire fourth floor was remade during repairs to accommodate the relocation of the dean's office and all the department offices in the College of Engineering and Computer Science. Many double faculty offices also were converted to singles.

At the start of classes, a much-shortened list of remaining building closures includes the first-floor high bay area of Engineering, due for completion in coming months; portions of Monterey Hall; the fourth floor of Sierra Hall, and the University Tower Apartments, set for demolition.

Yet during the coming months, campus officials predicted a transition back to a much less visible earthquake recovery process as they and architects pursue design work for about a half dozen new replacement buildings or major renovations, all due by 1999.

Meanwhile, other planning also is afoot. During the coming year, faculty, staff and students will be asked for suggestions and comments on a new campus master plan addressing building sites and other features that will be used to guide current and future campus improvements.

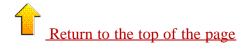
The following is a quick look at the status of various recovery projects around the campus:

- Oviatt Library-Cleveland Wrecking Co. of Covina is nearing completion on a \$1.8 million contract to demolish the west wing and half of the east. Architects Fields & Devereaux and John A. Martin are working on the design for an estimated \$15 million replacement project.
- Fine Arts and South Library-Clauss Construction of La Mesa is near completion on a \$1.5 million combined demolition contract. A new \$14 million Arts, Media and Communications Building will be designed by noted architect Robert A.M. Stern. Plans for a \$6.5 million technology center near the Oviatt are progressing.
- Fall 1997 Building Reopenings-Estimated repair costs include \$6.9 million for the Engineering Building, \$4.2 million for Kinesiology, \$3.5 million for Sierra Tower and \$1.7 million for Jerome Richfield Hall, the latter project handled by CSUN's Physical Plant Management.

- Former Administration/New Student Services-A \$10 million, three-phase project to convert the building into a one-stop student services center is underway. Structural repairs are progressing, with interior reconfiguration work to follow.
- heavily damaged North Campus facility is slated for demolition next spring at an estimated \$3.8 million cost. No replacement is planned.
- Pending Projects-New administration offices estimated at \$8 million, a new health and human development building estimated at \$7.4 million, and the repair and improvement of Monterey Hall estimated at \$2.4 million.
- Dome Retrofits-A \$485,000 project completed early in the summer upgraded the cooling and lighting systems in the three domes-two for administration and one for academic affairs-on the west side of the campus, making them much quieter and cooler.

-John Chandler









State Budget OK Clears the Way for Pay Hikes

Cal State Pool Remains at 4 Percent; Raises Could Surface by October

The long-delayed signing of a state budget has cleared the way for Cal State Northridge represented employees to begin receiving their pay raises for 1997-98, possibly as soon as the checks that will go out in early October, officials said.

The final wage and benefit reopener provisions negotiated between the Cal State system and its 10 union bargaining units, under the adopted state budget, provide a systemwide 4 percent pool of money to fund compensation increases that vary among the units.

Because a proposed \$15.6 million budget augmentation for the CSU did not survive the state budget process, a CSU plan endorsed by the unions to add another nearly one-half percent to the overall compensation pool did not materialize, at least for now.

Half of the \$15.6 million was targeted for compensation. Among faculty bargaining unit members, for example, those missing funds would have boosted the general salary increase, meant extra raises for counselors and increased department chairs' monthly stipends.

As part of the surviving overall package, the raises for CSUN's more than 3,000 employees covered by collective bargaining agreements will include up to three different components: a general salary increase, service-based increases and merit or performance-based raises.

Officials said each of the units again this year will have performance-based pay increases for selected employees, with merit funds totaling about 20 percent of each compensation pool. Those aside, the broader pay increases for each of the nine bargaining units at CSUN are as follows:

- Unit 1 (Physicians)-3.04 percent general salary increase and 1 percent service-based increase for eligible members.
- Units 2, 5, 7 and 9 (California State Employees Assn. including administrative, technical, secretarial and clerical employees)-2.95 percent general salary increase and 1 percent service-based increase for eligible members.
- Unit 3 (California Faculty Assn.)-2.21 percent general salary increase and one service-based step for eligible members equaling about 2.4 percent.
- Unit 4 (Academic Support)-2.48 percent general salary increase and one service-based step for eligible members equaling about 2.4 percent.
- Unit 6 (Skilled Trades)-2.97 percent general salary increase, no service-based increase and an improved dental plan.
- Unit 8 (Public Safety)-2.11 percent general salary increase and one service-based step increase.

Gov. Pete Wilson signed a \$68 billion state budget on Monday, Aug. 18, seven weeks after the start of the new fiscal year after extended wrangling with Democratic lawmakers. But in doing so, Wilson held back about \$203 million in

funding that ultimately could be restored.

Despite the delay in reaching a new state budget, Cal State officials said CSU employees received their regular paychecks on schedule in early July and early August. Likewise, other state employees continued to receive their paychecks without disruption.

Stephen Montgomery, CSUN's director of human resources, said employees' general salary increases could surface as early as their regular September paychecks due out in early October. Separate back-pay checks for the raise amounts retroactive to July 1 also will be issued.

Service-based increases for employees not already at the top of their salary ranges will take effect after their individual anniversary dates, the usual practice. Faculty and staff employees will learn the outcome of the performance-based pay decisions later in the school year.

For only the second time in CSU history and the second year in a row, the system reached agreements with all of its bargaining units prior to the signing of the state budget. Five bargaining units had negotiated agreements and five others had formula-based resolutions.

Of particular interest to faculty members, the CSU and the California Faculty Assn. also agreed to have a half management-half faculty committee study and consider changes to the merit pay system for faculty, known as PSSI (Performance Salary Step Increases).

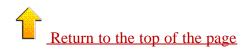
Sam Strafaci, the CSU's interim senior director of human resources, said the group is scheduled to deliver its recommendations by Feb. 1 so they can be considered in the CSU's negotiations with the faculty union, which has a three-year contract expiring next July.

At the CSU Board of Trustees meeting in mid-July where the compensation agreements for the coming year were approved, several union leaders complained about the spring bargaining process while also urging better labor relations in the future.

CFA President Terry Jones said many faculty members are "somewhat disgruntled about their status and their treatment." But looking ahead, he called for "a more mature relationship" with the CSU and added, "We're willing to give the spirit of cooperation a try if you are."

-John Chandler









Back to School Facts

Overall: Forty-one percent of the nation's families, or nearly 30 million, had at least one child aged 5 to 17 enrolled in kindergarten, elementary school or high school in October 1995.

Nursery School: About 4.4 million of the nation's children were enrolled in nursery school in October 1995. This translates to nearly half (45 percent) of 3- and 4-year-olds, considerably higher than the one-tenth enrolled in 1968.

• More than half of nursery school enrollment (54 percent) was in private schools.

Kindergarten: About 4 million children attended kindergarten in October 1995.

Elementary school: About 32 million children were enrolled in elementary school (grades 1-8) in October 1995-not significantly different from 1994, but nearly 5 million more than a decade earlier. n Eleven percent of elementary students attended a private school, down from 15 percent in 1963.

High school: By 1995, about 15 million students were enrolled in high school, roughly 300,000 more than in 1994.

- Eight percent of high school students attended private schools, down from 10 percent in 1963.
- One-third (33 percent) of 15-to-17 year-olds were enrolled below the appropriate grade level for their age in October 1995, up from 23 percent in 1980. Of enrolled 16-year-olds, 60 percent were in their junior year but 27 percent were in their sophomore year and 5 percent were freshmen. But 7 percent were above the appropriate grade level; they were seniors.
- Many high school students held jobs during the school year: more than a quarter (26 percent) ages 15 and above were employed and 3 percent worked full time in October 1995.
- During the year beginning October 1994, 5 percent of all high school students in 10th, 11th and 12th grades dropped out of school.
- The dropout pool (persons not enrolled and not high school graduates) of young adults 18 to 24-years-old totaled 3.5 million people in October 1995-14 percent of this age group. College: More than 43 percent of persons ages 18 to 21 were enrolled in college in October 1995. The same was true for 23 percent of 22 to 24-years-olds, 11 percent of 25 to 29-year-olds, 6 percent of 30 to 34-year-olds, and 2 percent of those aged 35 and above. That added up to 14.7 million college students.
- Six million college students, or 41 percent, were 25 years old and above; of that number, 2.7 million (18 percent of all college students) were ages 35 or older. About 1.7 million students in the 35 plus age group were undergrads.
- More than half of college students (54 percent) were women. Women constituted an even larger share (58 percent) of students 25 and above.
- A total of 12 million persons were undergrads: of these, 8.1 million were enrolled in 4-year colleges and 3.9 million attended 2-year colleges. Among those in 4-year colleges or universities, 3 in 4 attended a public school.
- About 6 in 10 college students (62 percent) worked: 32 percent full time, 30 percent part time.
- About 2.7 million people attended graduate school.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

