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University to Salute Top Graduates at Honors Convocation

Seven Students to Receive Special Honors; Distinguished Alumnus Vincent Barabba to Give Keynote Address

More than 1,500 graduating seniors and master's degree candidates have been invited to participate in Cal State Northridge's annual Honors Convocation recognizing academic excellence. The event will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 27, at the University Club.

Vincent Barabba, chairman of the Internet Home Alliance and former head of General Motors' Corporate Strategy and Knowledge Development Division, will deliver the keynote address. Barabba, who served as director of the U.S. Census Bureau under two presidents, was honored by CSUN as a Distinguished Alumnus.

Seven students will receive special recognition for their outstanding academic performance and contributions to the community.

- Brian Onderdonk, 22, of Simi Valley, is this year's Wolfson Scholar, an honor given each year to the university's top graduating senior. Onderdonk is receiving a bachelor's degree in music. He would like to become a conductor, and has already composed several musical pieces.
- Adam Krisan, 26, of Northridge, who is getting his master's degree in exercise science, has been selected to receive an Outstanding Graduate Student Award. He plans to attend UCLA in the fall to pursue graduate studies in biomedical sciences.

Kathleen Cone, 41, of Burbank, also will receive an Outstanding Graduate Student Award. Cone is earning a master's degree in family studies and plans to pursue a doctoral degree.

Four graduates will receive "Outstanding Graduating Senior" awards:

- Maral Farsi, 22, of Calabasas, is receiving her bachelor's degree in health education. Farsi plans to pursue a master's degree and eventually a doctorate in health administration. She now works as a health policy intern for state Sen. Sheila Kuehl.
- Jennifer Gomez, 21, of Canoga Park, is earning her bachelor's degree in women's studies with a minor in Central American studies. She plans to begin her graduate studies at Ohio State University in the fall.
- Odi Osonkie, 21, of Northridge, is earning a bachelor's degree in biochemistry. He plans to begin graduate work in biomedical science at UCLA in the fall.
- Nelson "Ari" Soto, 24, of Canoga Park, is receiving his bachelor's degree in manufacturing engineering. He has a job with General Electric.

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Cheryl Atienza Chosen as CSUN Employee of the Year

Administrative Assistant in College of Education Honored for Helping Ensure Successful Accreditation Visit

When Cal State Northridge's Michael D. Eisner College of Education received the news that it had been fully re-accredited by two important oversight agencies, the college celebrated its success and Associate Dean Arlinda Eaton thought of the behind-the-scenes staff member who had helped make it happen.

To prepare for an intense, five-day campus visit last November, Eaton had turned to her administrative support assistant, alumna Cheryl Atienza, who made miracles happen and worked day and night, weathering a death in her family a week before the visit, to ensure the college's re-accreditation.

For that role and other exceptional service, Atienza was honored by President Jolene Koester as CSUN's 2003 Employee of the Year during the 37th annual Staff Services Recognition Ceremony on Friday, May 16. Atienza received a \$1,000 check from Matadors Community Credit Union and had her name inscribed on the plaque listing prior award winners.



"It was truly an honor just to be nominated for the award. When I got the call that I received the award, I was so excited," said Atienza, a CSUN staff member since 1995. "I am so thankful that I have a job that I enjoy so much. But I am most grateful to work with people I admire, respect and consider family," she added.

Eaton credits Atienza with a key role in helping CSUN host 26 education professionals who spent a week at the campus last November as part of a dual accreditation visit by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing and the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education.

Starting a year in advance, Atienza ultimately orchestrated the arrival and departure of team members; arranged a business dinner for 50 people; prepared individual and team interview schedules; designed banners and printed materials for the visit, prepared 40 storage boxes containing hundreds of files holding documentation for 14 college programs, and coordinated the publication of more than 200 lengthy program documents for the reviewers to read ahead of their visit.

"The contributions she made to the college and the university during the past year far exceed those of any employee I have observed during my 24 years here," said Eaton. "Cheryl is the consummate professional. She is absolutely impressive in her work efforts. She has the strongest commitment to her work and colleagues that I have ever witnessed."

After enrolling in fall 1989, Atienza worked as a student assistant in the associate dean's office in the College of Business and Economics from 1989 to 1992. She then moved in 1993 to the education college's dean's office, and in 1995 was hired on staff.

In her job, Atienza assists with the coordination of special events, commencement, credential receptions, national board certification receptions, and scholarships.

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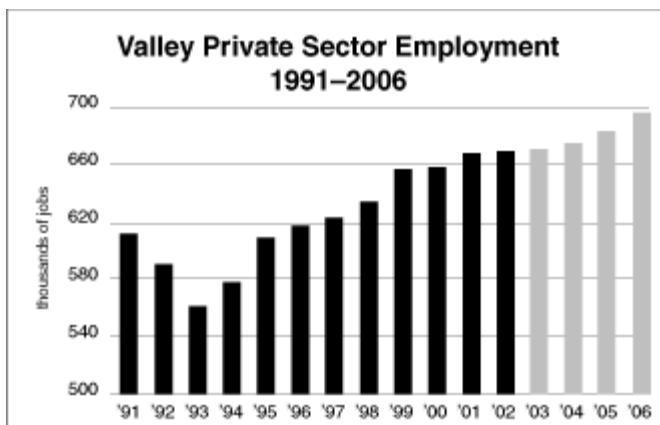
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Cautious Economic Outlook at CSUN's Forecast Conference

Economics Professor Daniel Blake Says Valley Can Expect Modest Job Growth, Continuing Rise in Real Estate

Three respected economists offered a cautiously positive outlook on future economic trends in the San Fernando Valley, Los Angeles County and the nation during Cal State Northridge's inaugural San Fernando Valley Economic Forecast Conference at the Sheraton Universal Hotel.

The May 14 event, presented in partnership with Chicago Title, marked the first time Cal State Northridge has turned to economic forecasting for the region. Prior to this year, the university only had produced annual and much anticipated reports on current conditions and recent trends in the Valley. Those reports will continue.



About 200 guests turned out to hear Daniel Blake, CSUN professor of economics and director of the university's San Fernando Valley Economic Research Center, provide an in-depth overview of the San Fernando Valley economy. Blake predicted modest growth overall, but continued vibrancy in real estate.

"Economic growth in the San Fernando Valley will remain modest in 2003, as labor markets produce some new jobs, mostly in the services sector," Blake said. "New job gains are limited by the lack of housing and infrastructure constraints. The retail climate will stay sluggish this year, picking up in 2004 as the California and national economies strengthen.

"Real income in the Valley rises throughout the forecast period, with population growth minimal over the next two or three years," Blake said. "Migration will be greater out of the Valley than into the Valley through 2006, and birth rates do not begin to turn up among the resident population until 2006. The rate of job creation in the Valley continues to be the dominant influence on general population growth.

"As for employment, the San Fernando Valley economy was hard-hit by the recession of the early 1990s, shedding 46,000 jobs or 7.5 percent of its private sector employment in the first two years, with the manufacturing sector being hardest hit. From the 1993 employment trough of 567,000 jobs, the Valley added 100,000 jobs through 2001. While some of this job growth reflected the re-creation of jobs lost in the downturn, most of these jobs were new and represented substantial changes in some Valley industries.

"The lost manufacturing jobs have not and will not return to the Valley," the professor said. "In place of those jobs, Valley service sector jobs rose dramatically from 228,000 in 1993 to approximately 310,000 today and will continue to expand. In total, about 3,000 new jobs will be created in the Valley this year, and 6,300 in 2004.

Turning to the local real estate market, Blake said, "Fears of a housing price bubble in the Valley are unfounded. The median Valley home price last year was \$321,000, and is anticipated to rise another 7 percent this year, with modest 2 percent inflation-adjusted appreciation expected in 2004 and 2005.

"Development of new residential housing will continue at roughly its current pace, but the mix of new housing provided continues to shift decidedly in favor of condominiums and apartments, with Generation Y growing older and needing housing, and less developable land available. The increased density of future Valley development may further congest public facilities and tax existing infrastructure," Blake added.



Professor Blake included in his presentation the results of a recent study undertaken by his center, with the assistance of Davis Research and J.D. Power and Associates, of some 600 businesses in the Valley. Results were consistent with the expectations of the overall forecast.

For a look at the Los Angeles County economic forecast, CSUN turned to Mark Schniepp, director of the California Economic Forecast and senior economist in the California State Controller's Office.

"Economic growth in Southern California in general was impressive in 2002, compared to the northern half of the state," Schniepp said. "Employment in services such as health care, retail trade and professional services remains strong. However, employment growth in the export sectors—manufacturing, motion picture production, and wholesale trade—remains weak.

"For the current calendar year, Los Angeles County job growth, per capita income, and consumer spending will be positive, but limited. A return to the hyper-expansion scenario that characterized 1999 and 2000 should not be expected."

But because of housing shortages throughout much of the county, Schniepp said labor markets cannot expand with much momentum. Employers may want to hire, but large numbers of workers will not and cannot relocate into many areas of Los Angeles County.

"High costs of doing business in the City of Los Angeles and in many parts of the county will continue to induce defections to inland counties, or to the Santa Clarita and Antelope Valleys. Small business growth becomes the dominant method of economic expansion in much of Los Angeles County now and for the foreseeable future," Schniepp said.

Sung Won Sohn, executive vice president and chief economic officer for Wells Fargo Bank, led off the morning's presentation with an overview of the national economy. He said consumers at the lower end of the income spectrum have been keeping the economy afloat, partly through refinancing. But that trend cannot continue.

"Consumers are tapped out and pent-up demand is very limited. The economic baton needs to pass from consumers to businesses. Unfortunately, capital spending has been lackluster. Almost half of total capital spending comes from utilities, telecom, autos, housing and financials. It is hard to see these industries boosting capital spending significantly.

Turning to the stock market, Sohn said, "Investors are not convinced that the economy will be

turbocharged anytime soon. Recent optimism in the markets does not portend another bull market yet. There are similarities between the 1968-1974 bear market and the recent plunge in equity prices.

In addition to Cal State Northridge and Chicago Title, conference sponsors included media sponsor the Daily News and founding sponsors Arter & Hadden LP; Bank of America; Citibank; City National Bank; Economic Alliance of the San Fernando Valley; First State Bank; Kirsch, Kohn, Bridge; Marvin R. Selter; Paris Industrial Parks; RAP Communications Inc.; Sternberg, Horner and Associates; The Gas Co.; Told Partners; Valley Economic Development Center; and Wells Fargo Bank.

Additional information concerning the San Fernando Valley Economic Forecast is available by calling Debi Klein in the College of Business and Economics at (818) 677-3621.

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Outstanding CSUN Professors and Lecturers Honored at Reception Ceremony

Honorees Include Outstanding Professor, Other Awardees and 25-Year Faculty and Lecturers

CSUN President Jolene Koester and Faculty President Michael Neubauer hosted the university's 2003 Honored Faculty Reception and breakfast on Thursday, May 15, in the Grand Salon of the University Student Union, highlighting the best in achievement and service by the university's faculty.

Seven CSUN faculty members received individual awards led by English professor Robert Chianese's selection as Outstanding Professor for 2003. In addition, 28 faculty members were granted emeritus status, 16 were honored for completing 25 years of Cal State service, and nine lecturers were honored for 25 years of service here.

In addition, Neubauer held an installation ceremony for two new Faculty Senate officers: Veda Ward, department chair in the Leisure Studies and Recreation Department, as Faculty Vice President for 2003-2004, and Sister Rita Basta, lecturer in the Mathematics Department, as Faculty Secretary/Treasurer for 20032004

Outstanding Professor Award

Robert Chianese
English Department

Professor Chianese (*right*) is widely regarded as an excellent teacher and mentor of his students. The selection committee for the Outstanding Professor Award had the pleasure of reading numerous testimonials to his inspiring teaching and his willingness to mentor students outside the classroom. Chianese and retired biology professor Joyce Maxwell together created the course "Different Ways of Seeing Nature," an interdisciplinary general education course that connects the humanities and the sciences. His interest in many different fields of knowing earned him the description of "renaissance man." In the community, Chianese spearheaded the project "Limits to Growth and Quality of Life in Oxnard," which brought together the Oxnard community and several CSUN departments to design "sustainability indicators" for the city of Oxnard.



Distinguished Teaching, Librarianship and Counseling Awards



Karen Kearns
Cinema and Television Arts Department

Professor Kearns (*left, center*) has been a member of the CSUN faculty since 1985. During her tenure at the university, Kearns has distinguished herself as a scholar, professional radio and television producer, advisor, mentor, coach and, above all, as a teacher. She has been the recipient of numerous awards, including the prestigious Golden Mike Award. Kearns' excellence as a teacher clearly extends to her students, who also have earned numerous awards and accolades in both the academic and professional arenas. Under Kearns' tutelage, CSUN students have won Rosebud Awards in the CSU Media Arts Competition and several Christopher Awards.

In her letters of nomination and support for this award, a recurring theme among students and faculty alike is Kearns' passion for teaching and her dedication to the subject matter and, above all, to her students. Again and again, students and faculty colleagues cite her ability to help students realize their dreams, but always tempered by a strong dose of exposure to the hard realities of production work in the entertainment industry.

One student refers to her as a "mover and shaker." Another student refers to her as a "priceless conduit for taking my learned skills and applying them in the real world." And finally, a student summarizes eloquently the reason that Kearns is so deserving of this award: "With Professor Kearns as my teacher and mentor, I feel that I lucked into an academic guardian angel, a woman who will not quit until I succeed."

Nagi El Naga
Electrical and Computer Engineering Department

A CSUN faculty member since 1979, Professor Naga (*above, left*) was instrumental in developing the Computer Engineering graduate program, and he has directed more than 50 master's theses and projects. He has been the recipient of numerous awards, reflecting both on- and off-campus honors, including the College of Engineering and Computer Science's Outstanding Faculty Award, CSUN's Tau Beta Pi Professor of the Year Award, and the Outstanding Engineering Achievement Merit Award from the Engineers' Council, a professional organization in his field.

Consistently, his students and faculty colleagues praise his superior interpersonal skills, his down-to-earth manner, and his warmth and compassion as a teacher and mentor. His students emphasize again and again his singular and "unparalleled concern for his students' learning and his dedication to serving as a mentor, counselor, and role model."

In a letter of support, one student observes, "He is truly an awesome teacher in every sense of the word, since his greatness awes and inspires us." Another student captures the essence of the kind of teacher and person that Naga embodies: "Nagi El Naga is a man of compassion, of honesty and integrity, and of tolerance and humility. He is not only a great teacher, not only a great engineer; he's the kind of person whom we'd all like to grow up to be."

Omar Zahir
Chemistry Department

Professor Zahir (*above, right*) has been a faculty member at CSUN since 1990. During the past decade, Zahir has taken a major leadership role on campus in the advancement of pedagogy and the scholarship of teaching. Among a myriad of achievements and contributions, in one exemplary case, Zahir redesigned a "gateway" course that not only resulted in remarkable improvement in student performance in just one year's time, but also has become a model for course redesign and pedagogical development for other

faculty in other departments across the university.

Zahir has been an ardent advocate of exploring and implementing new teaching approaches and methods, and this commitment has been realized in his service as a campus leader of a committee charged with examining the relationship between teaching, student learning and graduation rates. Zahir also is cited repeatedly in letters of support as a mentor to students, as an academic who practices what he teaches. A testament to his mentoring of students is apparent in his list of publications since arriving at CSUN: in virtually every instance, an undergraduate or graduate student has co-authored the publication with Zahir.

With equal degrees of respect and affection, students highlight Zahir's "vibrant personality," his "unique accessibility" and, above all, his ability to "mentor and inspire students to achieve their best, and then go beyond their best."

Visionary Community Service-Learning Award

Debra Sheets
Interdisciplinary Gerontology Program

Professor Sheets' (*right*) service-learning activities include integrating service learning into three courses, receiving eight service-learning related grants, serving as team leader for the Health Sciences team that was selected to attend the CSU Engaged Department Institute, being selected as a Community-Campus Partnership for Health (CCPH) Fellow, and organizing and presenting at the regional Intergenerational Service-Learning Conference held at CSUN in 2002. Sheets also is the recipient of many grants.



Exceptional Creativity Accomplishment Award

Temma Kramer
Cinema and Television Arts Department

Professor Kramer's (*far left*) original story and teleplay for the highly acclaimed Hallmark Hall of Fame television movie "Little John" reflects the highest levels of artistry and creativity. Moreover, the selection committee was impressed by the critical recognition and professional support this work has received, as evidenced by its reviews in the Los Angeles Times and Daily Variety and as a ranked ratings winner by Nielsen Media Research. The committee found that Kramer's work has brought significant recognition to CSUN and judged it a true honor for a faculty member to have an original story produced by one of television's most respected production entities.

Preeminent Scholarly Publication Award

Betty Ann Brown
Art Department

The selection committee commended Professor Betty Ann Brown (*above, left*) for her work, "Gradiva's Mirror: Reflections on Women, Surrealism and Art History." In this scholarly survey of the life and work of 11 women artists, from Valentine Hugo to Frida Kahlo, from Paris to New York and Mexico City, who made important contributions to the Surrealist art movement of the early and mid-20th century, Brown, according to one reviewer in Art New England, "gives a new dimension to the study of surrealism and its women" and "reclaims female surrealists from neglect and obscurity."





Faculty Completing 25 Years of Service in the CSU

<i>Name</i>	<i>Department</i>
Curt Dommeyer	Marketing
Nagi El Naga	Electrical & Computer Engineering
Stephen Gadowski	Civil Engineering & Applied Mech.
Jorge Garcia	Chicano/a Studies
Adele Gottfried	Educational Psychology & Counseling
Kim Greenhalgh	Business Law
I-Nan Hsu	Chemistry
Rajabali Kiani-Aslani	Accounting & Information Services
Jack Kranz	Technical Services
David Miller	Chemistry
Janet Reagan	Health Sciences
Diane Schwartz	Computer Science
Owen Seiver	Environmental & Occupational Health
Mary Shamrock	Music
Gerry Simila	Geological Sciences
Shirley Svorny	Economics



Lecturers Completing 25 Years of Service at CSUN

<i>Name</i>	<i>Department</i>
Eugene Berg	Chemistry
Melvin Carter Jr.	Deaf Studies
Roberta Dominguez	Elementary Education
Terry Hatkoff	Sociology
Catherine Jeppson	Accounting & Information Systems
Edward Julius	Accounting & Information Systems

Robert Ryan	Mechanical Engineering
Martha Schwarzbein	Modern & Classical Lang. & Lits.
Gerald Tyner	Geography

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Twenty Eight CSUN Faculty Granted Emeritus Status

CSUN President Jolene Koester, based on recommendations from the university's Personnel Planning and Review Committee, has granted emeritus status to 28 current and former faculty members.

Emeritus faculty continue to enjoy many of the rights and perquisites of regular faculty members, even though they have retired from full time, tenured faculty service or have left the campus after serving at least 15 years as full time, tenure track faculty. CSUN faculty emeriti are listed in the University Catalog.

Campus resources permitting, faculty emeriti receive a university ID, lifetime campus parking permit, courtesy admission to campus events, the right to administer grants, and office space and staff support, if the needs of active faculty members have been met. The following are CSUN's emeritus faculty chosen in 2003.

James Allen

Geography

Jim Allen has won a number of distinguished publishing awards for two of the books he co-authored: "We the People" and "The Ethnic Quilt." He is one of the most well-known and highly regarded scholars in American geography. Jim shared his interests in ethnicity and population through his classes on the "Geography of Los Angeles" and "Population Geography." Each year, CSUN students had the opportunity to take a field trip with Jim to downtown Los Angeles. The giant globe, which is a landmark at the north entrance of Sierra Hall, was one of Jim's inspirations. He persuaded World Savings to donate the globe to the Geography Department. His colleagues and students have appreciated Jim's boundless enthusiasm for geography and his wonderful sense of humor for many years.



Paul Baum

Systems & Operation Management

Paul Baum was hired as a lecturer in Management Science in spring 1969. Paul has served the university in many capacities through the years. He has served on committees as diverse as Personnel Planning and Review, Research and Grants, College Personnel, and the data group of the Graduation Rates Task Force. He is currently the College of Business and Economics' assessment director and serves on the college's Strategic Planning Committee and its Accreditation Committee. Within his department, Paul has helped with major curriculum changes and new course designs, including courses in statistics and quality management.

Mary Ellen Clemons

Theatre

Mary Ellen Clemons joined the CSUN faculty in 1974. She has served in a wide range of capacities,

including as acting chair in 1996-97. She has directed, choreographed and performed in numerous Theatre Department productions in her almost 30-year tenure at CSUN. Of particular note are the 16 years (1984-1990) she served as executive/administrative director of the TeenAge Drama Workshop, a well-respected Los Angeles summer program housed at CSUN. Clemons will continue to work at the university each year for the next five years under the Faculty Early Retirement Program.

Michael Dunn

Finance, Real Estate, & Insurance

Michael Dunn has ably served the College of Business and Economics and the university since 1968. On three separate occasions, Michael served as chair of the Department of Finance, Real Estate, and Insurance. In addition to his service on numerous university committees, he has served the community as a member of various boards of directors and as a business consultant. His finance courses are well known by students and the faculty for their academic rigor and for blending financial theory with practical business considerations.

Bonnie Faherty

Health Sciences

Bonnie Faherty came to the nursing program and brought humor, a passion for political justice and a wealth of experience to be shared with the students. She has been a mentor to many students who still keep in touch and remember her. We miss her very much, but her spirit, professionalism and humor is with us through her many e-mails that inform us and also cause us to chuckle and think, "That's our Bonnie." We wish she was back with us. She is an inspiration and role model.



George Ferrell

Educational Psychology and Counseling

In his 30-year career, George Ferrell has gained the respect and appreciation of colleagues and students for his effective and caring teaching, scholarly standards and contributions, and dedicated service to the advancement of our university. He has ably filled a wide variety of teaching, advisement, governance and service roles at all levels in the university, often in a leadership capacity, including chairing the Department of Elementary Education and the Department of Educational Psychology and Counseling.

Jack Foley

Leisure Studies & Recreation

Jack Foley became known as the "baseball" professor due to his devotion to the sport and to the Cal State Northridge team. Jack not only played baseball himself, but attracted many students to the Leisure Studies and Recreation major by helping them transfer the qualities needed by a successful athlete to those needed to succeed in other aspects of life. Professor Foley's commitment to extending recreation and leisure activities to the urban poor and underprivileged is well documented throughout Los Angeles.

James Goss

Religious Studies

James Goss joined the faculty in 1969. He is a founding member of the Department of Religious Studies. He was essential to the formation of the department's overall program. He served several years as department chair. His colleagues are profoundly grateful for his contributions to their program and his help to each of them through the years. Jim has an outstanding record as a citizen of this campus. He served as Faculty President and as chair of the Academic Senate. During President Blenda Wilson's tenure, Jim served as executive associate to the president. Moreover, in the history of the campus, Jim Goss is arguably the best tennis player on the faculty.



Shelia Harbet

Health Sciences

Shelia Harbet has made many contributions to the Department of Health Sciences and most specifically to the Health Education Program where she spearheaded the Single Subject Credential Preparation Program

for students seeking to teach health in junior high and high school education. Perhaps her greatest contribution, though, was her pioneering work in the development of the virtual classroom. As a member of CSUN's "Cyber Seven," she was instrumental in helping to develop, implement and evaluate online education at CSUN. This has become an important and leading edge teaching and learning technology that many of our students have had the opportunity to experience. We celebrate her contributions and want her to know we miss her in the department, college and university.

Alan Harris

Communication Studies

Alan Harris has served the Department of Communication Studies since 1978 as a professor, mentor and scholar. He has distinguished himself in the field of linguistics and semiotics, having published numerous articles on these topics in scholarly journals. Using his talents in language, he has taught special sections of public speaking for ESL students. He has overseen the establishment of the Aronstam Library and improved the quality of this very special resource for Communication Studies students and faculty. Professor Harris is a dedicated teacher and scholar.

Adrian Herzog (deceased)

Physics & Astronomy

Adrian Herzog passed away suddenly a little more than two years ago. He served the Department of Physics and Astronomy, the college, and the university with distinction between 1981 and 2001. His contributions in the design of the Donald E. Bianchi Planetarium represent a significant and lasting contribution. Herzog also helped the San Fernando Observatory in many ways, particularly in software development for analysis of solar data. During his last five years, Herzog served as department chair.

Robert Howard

Geography

Robert Howard was instrumental in developing the geomorphology classes in the Geography Department. His own area of interest was the arid lands of the west. Every fall semester, Robert ran a field trip to the Colorado plateau and Grand Canyon, and every spring semester students went to Death Valley. Bob's field trips were so popular that many students went repeatedly. Many of the field trips also included Bob's friends from the Geology Department, thus students learned not only geomorphology but a little geology as well. Bob was a longtime collector of prints by artists who painted the landscapes of the American west at the turn of the century. Recently, Bob donated a number of his prints to the Geography Department.



Linda Huetinck

Secondary Education

Linda Huetinck has many distinguished years of service to the department, the Michael D. Eisner College of Education and the university. She was the recipient of an National Science Foundation grant, "Visualization in Mathematics" or Viz-Math, that supported mathematics¹ master's degree candidates. That was a collaborative project of the departments of Mathematics and Secondary Education. She is the lead author of a highly respected mathematics methods textbook, with the second edition of this book due for publication in fall 2003. Huetinck also participated in the development of the Four-Year Integrated (FYI) Teacher Credential Program in mathematics, a four-year, undergraduate program that leads to the bachelor's degree in mathematics and the single subject credential in mathematics.

Sandra Jewett

Chemistry

Sandra Jewett has been a dedicated member of the Chemistry Department, working with undergraduate and master's students who have gone on to Ph.D. programs and industry. She held an NSF instructional improvement grant and two NIH research grants working on the antioxidant enzyme, copper-zinc super oxide dismutase. Sandra has published 10 papers with her students and has presented her research at numerous scientific meetings. She won the first Jerome Richfield Memorial Scholar Award, as well as the George Lefevre Award for Distinguished Faculty Research. She



will continue to volunteer in the department and to promote the efforts of the department to support local high school chemistry teachers.

Ivan Johnson

Economics

Ivan Johnson of the Department of Economics began his career at CSUN in fall 1973. From beginning, he has been considered one of the department's most effective teachers. Ivan also has served with distinction on a very large number of committees at the university, college and department levels. Finally, Ivan has done significant research in macroeconomics.



Carol Kelly

Child and Adolescent Development

Carol Kelly has long held a vision for the Department of Child and Adolescent Development that only recently has become a reality. In 2002 under her guidance and largely in response to her efforts, the interdisciplinary major in Child Development became its own department. Hundreds of former students owe a debt of gratitude to Kelly for her tireless effort on their behalf. She has given unselfishly of her time and energy to ensure that each student maximizes what they take from their experiences at CSUN. Future cohorts of students will continue to benefit from the careful thought she has given to shaping the new curriculum for the department.



Gale Larson

English

Gale Larson received his Ph.D. in English from the University of Nebraska in 1968 and has been a faculty member in the English Department at CSUN since 1967. He served as department chair from 1985 to 1991. He is a nationally recognized scholar in drama studies, particularly the work of George Bernard Shaw. He also is a national leader in Advanced Placement testing and test design.



Angela Lew

Reference & Instructional Service

Angela Lew began her CSUN career in 1981 when she joined the Oviatt Library's Catalog Department, then located in the South Library. Angela has curated several major and very well received library exhibits, including "Sights and Sounds of China," and "Chinese Ethnic Embroidery." Angela is a major contributor to CSUN's China Institute, serving on its board of directors and as its director for several years. Angela co-established that organization's Cultural Exchange Committee and raised funds to establish 28 libraries throughout rural China. Angela has served as an outstanding campus ambassador to China on many occasions.



Gloria Ricci Lothrop

History

Gloria Ricci Lothrop earned her B.A. in English with Honors at Immaculate Heart College in 1956. Her career changed course with a Fulbright Scholar award to the University of Mysore, India, in 1963. Transformed by that experience, she set her sights on a one-room school teaching experience with the Peace Corps in Mogadishu, Somalia, but was persuaded that with her gifts as both teacher and scholar, she should instead direct her energy toward a Ph.D. in history. She will also leave behind a multitude of friends and admirers at CSUN who, along with her students, colleagues, and friends, have so relished the experience of knowing and working with her at CSUN since August 1994. Fortunately, she will leave us glorious memories and continued friendship and partnerships for decades to come.

Esther Nelson

Modern & Classical Languages & Literatures

Esther Nelson came to the Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures Department in 1986 as a peninsular specialist in the Spanish Section. During her stay at CSUN, she served as a member of the Disabled Student Advisory Board and taught elementary Spanish classes for the deaf. Nelson

also was very active in community and volunteer work. She was the executive director of the Villa Mariposa Project, a home for Latino teenage boys who were at high-risk of being involved in gangs and drugs. Social outreach has always been a large part of her life. Now that she is retired in San Antonio, Texas, she looks forward to writing about the moral obligations of individuals, organizations and businesses in alleviating social problems and how this can be done to the benefit of all. Although retired, she intends to teach through the Faculty Early Retirement Program during the spring semesters.

Robert Noreen

English

Robert Noreen received his Ph.D. in English from the University of Chicago in 1969 and has been a member of the English Department faculty at CSUN since 1968. He served as department chair from 1997 to 2002. He is a passionate teacher of Victorian literature and poetry. He also is a state leader in English testing and the creation of placement examinations for college-bound high school students.



Mary Shamrock

Music

Mary Shamrock earned her Ph.D. from UCLA in the Music Education/ Ethnomusicology program. She initiated the offering of World Music courses in the general education component at CSUN, and taught the courses for music majors. She received special training at the University of Toronto and has served as an instructor for short courses and workshops throughout the United States and in Austria, Japan, China and Taiwan. She joined the music faculty in 1978, and served the University in a variety of roles. In addition to her teaching responsibilities, Shamrock served as coordinator of the Music Education Option, assistant chair of the Music Department, and most recently as associate dean of the College of Health and Human Development.

Jeffrey Sicha

Philosophy

Early in his career, Jeffrey Sicha saw that there were a great many philosophical works of substantial merit that deserve to be in print, but that are commercially unattractive to the large academic publishing houses. In this he divined correctly one of the major challenges facing today's scholars. To provide a partial solution to this problem, he established the Ridgeview Publishing Company. Ridgeview has established itself as a significant presence in the philosophical world. Through his efforts, many important philosophical works that would not otherwise have been available, some original and some reprinted, are now accessible to the scholarly reader. Jeffrey has been a tireless and dependable colleague. He was cheerfully willing to teach courses no one else picked up, to advise students at times of the day when no one else was available, to aide the staff, and, above all, to engage in exciting and fruitful philosophical conversation with his students and colleagues.

Richard Smith

Psychology

Richard Smith has been a valued and trustworthy faculty member in the Psychology Department for the past 38 years. Richard Smith is a gentleman and a scholar. He is a truly caring individual who has made the Psychology Department a better place to teach and work. He is respected by his colleagues, staff and students.



Sylvia Snowiss

Political Science

Sylvia Snowiss has served the Political Science Department with distinction and dedication since 1968. Through her service as the department's pre-law advisor, she has been directly responsible for our tremendous success in placing an ever-growing number of students from across the campus into local and national law schools. She has served as an



unofficial liaison with law schools and with the Law School Admissions Council, and is responsible for the highly successful and invaluable Judicial Internship Program, which allows our students to intern with local judges. The department is fortunate to benefit from Snowiss¹ contributions now that she has decided to join the Faculty Early Retirement Program beginning in 2003-04, and hopes to continue its affiliation with her as she is granted emeritus status.

James Tomberlin (deceased)

Philosophy

James Tomberlin, professor of philosophy at CSUN, died on October 13, 2002. He joined the Philosophy Department in 1969. Jim was a dedicated teacher, especially good at recognizing and encouraging philosophical talent. He was instrumental in the postbaccalaureate success of many of his students. In recent years, his teaching concentrated mainly on logic and critical reasoning. Jim Tomberlin was a renowned and highly respected philosopher, having published more than 90 essays and other works in many areas of analytic philosophy.

Robert Winslow

Leisure Studies & Recreation

Bob Winslow received his master's degree from CSUN and earned a doctorate at New York University. He is well known nationwide for his contributions to therapeutic recreation, and served as president of the National Therapeutic Recreation Society. Bob stepped in as department chair and was able to see the department through several years fraught with faculty retirements and reduced budgets. Bob worked with all majors through academic advising, scrutinizing student research projects and by modeling professional commitment. He will be remembered for his generous spirit and "wheelchair" assignment that placed every Leisure Studies major in the role of an individual with a physical disability for an entire day.



Ben Yu

Economics

Ben Yu joined the Economics Department in fall 1985 and this year took a disability retirement. Ben was a very good teacher. Ben also was a very active researcher and made significant contributions to our understanding of the theory of the firm and the role of technological innovation. Further, Ben provided very fine service to the university and the department.

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FYI

For Your Information publishes announcements of public meetings, notices, , classes and courses of interest to the university community. The deadline for submitting items generally is noon on Monday, one week before the issue appears.

We 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. Submit future items by e-mailing them to pubinfo@csun.edu, sending them to mail drop 8242 or faxing them to (818) 677-4909. E-mail is the preferred method of submitting.

Note: **fmi**-means for more information.

Events

Saturday, May 31

Translation and Interpreting Program Open House

The College of Extended Learning will offer a free seminar to introduce its Translation and Interpreting Program. 9 a.m. to noon, Manzanita Hall, room 130. The event will highlight the use of bilingual skills for careers as state-certified government interpreters. fmix4769 or <http://www.csun.edu/exl>.

Wednesday, June 4

Alumni Job Fair & Discussion

The Career Center is sponsoring a job fair for recent graduates and alumni from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the USU Northridge Room. Meet companies and other organizations looking for all majors. Following the fair, a panel discussion with employers will be held from 1:30-3 p.m. focusing on current employment trends. Students should prepare to meet employers by dressing appropriately and bringing their resumes. To participate, call x2878.

Friday, June 6

Education Leadership Summit

CSUN and the Economic Alliance of the San Fernando Valley will present an Education Leadership Summit on "The ABCs of Smaller Learning Communities." 8 a.m.10:30 a.m. in the USU Northridge Center. Tickets are \$35 including the summit, materials, continental breakfast and parking (Lot G4, off Zelzah Ave.).

Topics and speakers:

- Assessment<Key Priorities to California and San Fernando Valley Education Systems:
State Senator Richard Alarcón; Robert Scott, Civic Center Group
- Best Practices<Smaller Learning Communities:
Calif. Supt. of Public Instruction Jack O'Connell; LAUSD Supt. Roy Romer; Cheryl Mabey, Project GRAD-LA
- Commitment<Gaining Support from All Stakeholders:
First Lady of California Sharon Davis

To register, call (818) 379-7000, x113, or www.economicalliance.org.

Friday, June 27

Alumni Picnic & Concert

The Alumni Association is sponsoring its sixth annual concert event at the Hollywood Bowl, including a CSUN picnic from 7:15 p.m. at the Camrose picnic area on the Hollywood Bowl grounds. CSUN alumni, the campus community and the public can bring picnic lunches or order the catered picnic box dinner. The concert begins at 8:30 p.m. featuring tributes and performances by Hollywood Bowl legends as they are inducted into the Hollywood Bowl Hall of Fame.

CSUN community ticket prices:

Super Seats/Section G1 are \$45. Value Seats/Section G2 are \$28. Optional catered picnic box dinners are \$15.50 and are available for pick up at the Camrose picnic area until 8:15 p.m. The deadline for ordering dinners is Friday, June 20. fmiMerry Bauman-Ashley, x4938, or order at <http://www.csunalumni.com>.

Public Meetings

CSUN Foundation Board

Meets 6 p.m. Wed., June 18
University Hall 250

University Planning and Budget Group

Meets 1:30:30 p.m. Mon., June 23
University Hall 277

Notices

Our Deepest Sympathy

The campus community and the staff of the Graduate Studies, Research and International Programs Office wish to extend their condolences to Scott Perez, director of research, on the passing of his mother.

The campus community also wishes to extend its deepest sympathy to professor Ronald McIntyre (Philosophy) and his family on the loss of his father.

Temporary Change in Student Services Lobby Hours

Starting Tue., June 3, Admissions & Records, University Cash Services and Financial Aid & Scholarships will have new operating hours for services in the Student Services Lobby. The new hours will be in effect until Dec. 12. The new hours are:

Monday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tuesday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Wednesday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Thursday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This temporary adjustment will help the university prepare for the start-up of a new student administration computing system. Students may continue to access their university records information on the Web at my.csun.edu.

Note: During the first three weeks of the fall 2003 semester (Aug. 25 to Sept. 12), hours for Student Services lobby services will be 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fridays.

Catastrophic Leave Requests for CSUN Employees

Monica Wofford in University Counseling Services will begin a six to eight week medical leave of absence at the end of May. Catherine Sluter in Oviatt Library's Technical Services section is unable to return to work until July. Both are in need of catastrophic leave donations.

Most staff employees may donate up to 40 leave credits per fiscal year in one hour increments. Unit 4 employees may donate up to 32 sick and vacation hours and those in Bargaining Units 1, 3 and 8 up to a total of 16 hourly credits.

The "Pledge for Donation of Leave for Catastrophic Illness" form may be accessed at <http://www-admn.csun.edu/hrs/forms/pledge.pdf>. Completed forms should be forwarded to Manager, Payroll Administration, mail drop 8228.

English Program for International Students

The College of Extended Learning will offer an Intensive English Program this summer for international students. The program prepares students studying in American universities and provides English instruction for academic and career enhancement. The program begins July 8. fmix3923 or <http://www.csun.edu/iep>.

Interim Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs Posting

Applications are being accepted for the position of Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Review of applications begins Tue., May 27, 2003, and continues until the position is filled. The effective date of the appointment is August 2003. The interim vice president will serve until the position is filled on a permanent basis, which is expected to be January 2004. For more information about the position and qualifications, please see the management vacancy announcement at <http://www-hrs.csun.edu/employment>.

Clean Out Your Files

As part of the University Recycling Program, the campus community is asked to extend the "Out of the Brown and Into the Blue" recycling drive until the end of May. Use the blue bins in your office and make a difference. Co-sponsored by Physical Plant Management. fmix2477 or <http://www.csunas.org>.

Network Connectivity Outages

Information Technology Resources staff, as part of the Technology Infrastructure Initiative project, are upgrading CSUN facilities. Older cabling and network electronics will be removed and state-of-the-art components will be installed. As part of this work, various CSUN buildings are expected to have a day when their network connectivity will be disrupted, causing the temporary loss of Web and e-mail access at those locations. fmi Yvonne Davis, x4700 or <http://www.csun.edu/itr/tii>. The schedule for outages follows:

Wed., 5/28 Monterey Hall
Mon., 6/16 Student Services
Wed., 6/18 University Hall
Mon., 6/23 Sierra Tower
Wed., 6/25 Jerome Richfield Hall
Mon., 6/30 Women's Center
Asian and Black Houses
HHD Preschool, USU
Children's Center
Tue., 7/1 Nordhoff Hall, Music Building
Wed., 7/2 Faculty Office Building
Sat., 7/5 Sequoia Hall (data center)
Tue., 7/15 PPM
Wed., 7/16 NCOD, Chicano House, H-Complex
Tue., 7/22 Oviatt Library
Thu., 7/24 Education
Fri., 8/1 Engineering
Fri., 8/8 Student Health Center, USU, Boiler House, Green House
Mon., 9/8 Science 4
Tue., 9/9 Science 3
Thu., 9/11 Science 1 and 2

College of Humanities Interim Dean Posting

Applications are being accepted for the position of interim dean of the College of Humanities. Review of applications began May 12, 2003, and continues until the position is filled. The effective date of appointment is August 20, 2003, or sooner. Interested applicants may view the management vacancy announcement at <http://www-hrs.csun.edu/employment>.

New Faculty Orientation and President's Reception

Orientation for all new tenure-track faculty hired for fall 2003 will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wed., Aug. 20, in the Oviatt Library Presentation Room. Continental breakfast will be served at 8:15 a.m. and lunch, courtesy of the Office of Student Affairs, will be served at noon. After the orientation, President Jolene Koester will host a reception for new faculty at 5:30 p.m. in the University Club. Deans, department chairs, new faculty, other administrators and faculty leaders are invited. Refreshments will be served. fmi christie.logan@csun.edu.

Classes

Career Center Workshops

The Career Center is offering the following workshops that focus on assisting recent graduates into the workforce. Alumni registered with the Career Center may also attend. All the workshops will take place in the University Hall,

room 105. fmi or to reserve a seat, x2878. The schedule is:

- Job Fair Success:
Noon1 p.m. Mon., June 2.
1011 a.m. Tue., June 3.
910 a.m. Wed., June 4.
- Intelligent Interviewing I:
911 a.m. Mon., June 2.
Noon2 p.m. Thu., June 12.
- Resume Results:
12 p.m. Mon., June 2.
1011 a.m. Thu., June 12.
- Intelligent Interviewing II:
911 a.m. Mon., June 9.
Noon2 p.m. Thu., June 19.

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