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One of the world's best Charles Dickens collections will come to the Oviatt Library courtesy of its owner, scholar Harry Stone. Pictured with works by the Victorian novelist are (from left) Special Collections and Archives Curator Tony Gardner, President Jolene Koester, Stone and Library Dean Susan Curzon.

Professor Donates Prized Dickens Collection to University

Retired English Teacher Harry Stone Spends Lifetime Amassing Thousands of Books, Writings, Illustrations

Retired Cal State Northridge English professor Harry Stone, who quietly spent a lifetime amassing one of the world's largest and finest collections of books and other materials on famed English novelist Charles Dickens, has agreed to donate the priceless collection to the university and its Oviatt Library.

"This Dickens collection is one of the three or four best in the world," said Stone, a professor emeritus who taught at Cal State Northridge from 1960 until his retirement in 1992. "Cal State Northridge will have a treasure that I hope will be utilized by the world and one that also will add greatly to the prestige of the university," Stone added.

University President Jolene Koester praised Stone, a 77-year-old Westside resident, for his generosity in donating the vast collection through a bequest in his estate plan. "These kinds of gifts are so special because we would never have them without the extraordinary generosity of our very dedicated faculty members, such as professor Stone," Koester said.

A sampling of the thousands of items in the Harry Stone Dickens Collection is on display now through Wednesday, November 26 on
the second floor, west wing, of the university's Oviatt Library. The university also will honor Stone's gift with a $75-per-person "Traditional Dickens Dinner" on Friday, November 21, at 6 p.m. in the Oviatt Library.

A world renowned Dickens scholar who has authored or edited nine books on Dickens and contributed sections to more than a dozen others, Stone has spent the past 60 years building his personal Dickens collection literally piece-by-piece. The collection includes prized writings by Dickens, handwritten letters and photos from throughout the author's life, and an array of other items relating to Dickens and his many works.

"The power of the collection is in its wide range and completeness, offering anything you might want to study by or about Dickens. A lot of these items you won't find in any other collection," said Stone, who taught English literature at the university and specialized in Victorian literature and Dickens during his long and distinguished career.

Dickens, who authored such classics as "David Copperfield," "Oliver Twist" and "A Tale of Two Cities," is often considered the greatest novelist ever to have written in the English language. He was born in 1812 and died in 1870.

Under the terms of Stone's bequest, the collection will remain in his family during his lifetime and then pass to the university, where it will be kept in its entirety in the Oviatt Library's Special Collections area. The collection is so large that Tony Gardner, the university's curator of Special Collections and Archives, has worked for months just beginning to catalog it.

"We are honored that this magnificent collection will be entrusted to us," said Susan Curzon, dean of the University's Library. "This is the collection of a distinguished scholar who devoted his professional life to understanding the greatest novelist of the Victorian Age. The collection will be an extraordinary resource for scholars," Curzon said.

"This resource will be of great interest to scholars from across the nation and the globe, and is a truly magnificent gift to Cal State Northridge, the community of Dickens enthusiasts, and the reading public generally," added Donald Hall, chair of the university's English Department and himself a specialist on Victorian literature.

A contemporary of Stone, veteran Northridge English professor John Clendenning, who retired this year after 43 years on campus, called him "perhaps the most distinguished scholar the English Department ever had." Clendenning added, "Professor Stone's collection is absolutely priceless. He is a bibliophile in the best sense of the word."

Stone credits his love of books and Dickens to the influence of his father Bernard, an Oxford University graduate and voracious reader, and a home environment filled with many different kinds of books. "My first exposure to Dickens occurred as a child before I could even read," Stone said, recalling seeing illustrated versions of Dickens tales in his earliest years.

After beginning to collect Dickens materials in his late teens, Stone became more active in the early 1950s when he was doing research for his doctoral degree in English literature and his dissertation on Dickens. Not only did the collecting nourish his love of books and Dickens, but it also provided the practical benefit of having his research materials close at hand.

Thus through the decades, whether at home in Los Angeles or while traveling abroad for his research in
England and elsewhere, Stone made purchases with his personal funds whenever an opportunity arose. "I did it because I loved these things. I did it because they were useful to me. A whole variety of reasons came together for me to do this," he said.

Stone came to Cal State Northridge in 1960 when the then two-year-old institution was known as San Fernando Valley State College. Apart from the current exhibition in the Oviatt Library and a prior display Stone hosted at the campus in 1962, his collection has never been publicly available. That means it may be the finest private Dickens collection in the world.

Among the hundreds of Dickens items now on display in the Oviatt Library are a handwritten Dickens letter, all the first editions of "The Life and Adventures of Nicholas Nickleby," an original steel etching plate used to create an illustration for "Nicholas Nickleby," a set of Royal Doulton bone china figurines of Dickens' characters, and a Dickens board game invented by his great great granddaughter.

The broader Harry Stone Dickens Collection includes complete sets of all of Dickens' novels as they were variously published during his lifetime, including his novels as they first appeared in monthly parts and later were published as bound books.

The collection also includes books from Dickens' personal library, drawings and illustrations about Dickens' works, books by other authors including Stone about Dickens and his characters, and even books by and about Dickens printed in other languages including French, German, Italian, Japanese, Chinese and Hebrew.

"There is a huge universe of laughter, sadness, satire and social comment in Dickens' writings," Stone said, explaining his admiration for the author. "The great thing about Dickens is he wasn't a narrow writer. He went all over the map, literally. You could be interested in many different aspects of human life and thought, and it would all be connected together.

"Studying Dickens has been a joy and a revelation to me. It was something that gave joy and meaning to my life," Stone said. "Having this collection at Cal State Northridge will allow the world to appreciate what this man did and what this man was capable of."

The current Harry Stone Dickens Collection exhibition at the Oviatt Library is free and open to the public through November 26. The Dickens Dinner honoring Stone on November 21 in the Oviatt Library has limited seating. Those interested in purchasing the $75 per-person tickets can contact the Oviatt Library by November 17 at (818) 677-2638.
Scholar's Fascination with Dickens Traced to Boyhood

Family's Early Influence Inspires Harry Stone's Lifelong Pursuit of 'All Things Dickens'

Harry Stone, English professor emeritus at California State University, Northridge, not only is an internationally renowned scholar on English novelist Charles Dickens, but also has devoted some 60 years of his life to amassing one of the world's largest and finest Dickens collections that he now has pledged to the university where he taught for 32 years, from 1960 to 1992.

Stone's fascination with Dickens, and with a wide range of other literary and artistic pursuits, began as a youngster growing up in Mt. Vernon, New York, and continued when his family moved to Los Angeles. By age 14, Stone had read all of Dickens' novels, and upon reaching college age, the future professor began a lifelong personal pursuit of collecting all things Dickens. The resulting Harry Stone Dickens Collection encompasses thousands of pieces, including first editions of Dickens novels in bound and monthly series formats, books and articles by and about the author, his letters and personal books, photographs, music, figurines and much more.

During a prolific career spanning nearly four decades, Stone has authored or edited nine books on Dickens, contributed sections to more than a dozen other books, and written scores of articles on the famous novelist. Stone came to Los Angeles in 1938 at age 12, attending John Burroughs Junior High School, Fairfax High School, and the University of California at Los Angeles. At UCLA, he earned his bachelor's degree in 1946 in physics, naval science and political science, and then went on to advanced studies in English literature, earning his master's degree in 1950 and his doctoral degree in 1955.

After leaving Los Angeles to launch his teaching career at Northwestern University in Illinois from 1955 to 1960, Stone returned in 1960 to accept a position as assistant professor of English at Cal State Northridge, which then was known as San Fernando Valley State College. Stone arrived as one of the early faculty members at the then two-year-old institution, helping build its English Department during an ensuing Northridge teaching career that spanned 32 years. Stone became an associate professor in 1963 and then a full professor in 1966, before retiring in 1992.

During his Cal State Northridge years, Stone taught English literature, specializing in Victorian literature and Charles Dickens. He won a Guggenheim Fellowship, a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship, and a California State University Fellowship. Those awards and several sabbaticals enabled Stone to spend several years living abroad, mostly in London doing research, and to lecture in countries around the world. He also helped build the English literature collection in the university's Oviatt Library by overseeing thousands of acquisitions.
Stone credits his father Bernard Stone, a voracious reader who graduated from Oxford University after winning a prestigious national scholarship, with fostering his love of books and Dickens. The entire family, including his mother Annie Stone and older sister Vera, read to Stone as a youngster in a home filled with books. Stone's father, a prominent Zionist, also devoted his life to promoting the creation of a Jewish nation, working closely with Chaim Weitzman, who later became the first president of Israel.
Mild Upswing in Valley Job Rate Seen by Researchers

Northridge's Economic Research Center 'Report of Findings' Optimistic on Valley Trends

Despite ongoing job losses in the rest of Los Angeles County and the state of California, the San Fernando Valley experienced growth in 2002, according to a new study by Cal State Northridge researchers.

The Valley's private sector added 2,000 jobs in 2002 after losing nearly 4,900 in the recession the year before. The region's mild 0.3 percent job growth contrasted with private sector job losses of 1.6 percent in Los Angeles County and 1 percent in the state, the report said.

"Relatively speaking, the Valley is in good shape," said Daniel Blake, director of Northridge's San Fernando Valley Economic Research Center. "Jobs in the Valley are growing slowly, and unemployment is slowly dropping. And though the large entertainment and manufacturing industries lost some jobs, they were more than made up for by job growth in other areas."

Located in the College of Business and Economics, the center detailed the state of the region's economy in its yearly "Report of Findings," released at the Valley Industry and Commerce Association's 15th annual Business Forecast Conference.

Blake noted that the information industry, including entertainment, remains the Valley's top employer, with 92,500 jobs and 22 percent of the private sector payroll. Manufacturing is second with 82,900 jobs and 13 percent of the payroll.

While both industries lost jobs in 2002, information shed 6 percent and manufacturing dropped by nearly 10 percent. Job growth in the Valley's other industries made up for the loss. Among the growth industries were health care and social assistance, about 10 percent; finance, insurance, real estate and leasing/rental, 4.6 percent; retail trade, 3.5 percent; biotech, 2.7 percent; and construction, 2.5 percent.

Seasonal factors and extended benefits accounted for eight-year highs in unemployment insurance claims during the second quarter of 2002, Blake said. Though subsequent claims waned, they still were at...
elevated post-recession levels.

Blake and his team found hope in Valley housing and home prices. Though home prices continued their steep ascent this summer, with median prices rising to $369,000 and average prices close to $420,000, a recent rise in mortgage rates seems to be slowing the rate of increase.

"There's some hint now of moderation within the September numbers in the rate of growth in prices," Blake said.

The report noted that home sales continued at a record pace this past year and inventories fell to a 2.1-month supply, down from 2.8 months last year.

Valley apartment vacancy rates remain below 3 percent, signaling a persistently tight rental market. In response, average rents in large complexes rose 6.3 percent in 2002, and are on course for an annual increase of 8 percent in 2003.

Among other findings in the report:

**Population growth:** The area's population grew faster than previously reported, especially in the Valley's Los Angeles city portion, which has averaged 1.8 percent growth since 2000, instead of 0.6 percent, as previously estimated. The Valley population grew by 27,500 (1.9 percent) people in 2002, with more than 13,000 moving into the area and the remainder coming from a natural population increase.

**Payroll:** The Valley's private sector payroll also grew by 1.5 percent in 2002, but its inflation-adjusted real payroll slipped by 1.2 percent relative to 2001. L.A. County's real private sector payroll dropped by 2.6 percent and California's by 4.5 percent.

**Tourism:** Recent Valley tourism and travel activity has been a mixed bag. Airport passenger traffic returned to pre-9/11 levels in the first half of 2003, but hotel occupancy rates remain about 5 percentage points below their pre-9/11 levels, and inflation-adjusted real room rates are 10 percent below their pre-9/11 levels.

**Schools:** Enrollment at Valley public schools grew 4.5 percent in 2002-2003, with the Los Angeles Unified School District growing the most at 5.7 percent. Valley private school enrollment fell 0.4 percent.

A roundup of Census 2002 data revealed that Valley residents are mobile; nearly 50 percent changed residence in the last five years. Most moved from within the county, but about 6 percent moved from elsewhere in California, 7 percent from another state and 11 percent from another country.

Faculty and students at the San Fernando Valley Economic Research Center aim to support the Valley's economy by collecting, analyzing, and reporting on economic, social, and demographic data. For a copy of the "Report of Findings," contact the center at (818) 677-7021 or at sfverc@csun.edu.
Achievements/Honors and Awards

Robert Danes (Undergraduate Studies) received the Outstanding Staff Member Award at the 19th annual Recognition Award Ceremony sponsored in June by the Center on Disabilities at the Hilton Hotel in Woodland Hills.

Cynthia Desrochers (CELT/Education) has been elected to serve as president of the Faculty Development Council by the faculty development center directors from the 23 CSU campuses.

Desrochers also has been elected to serve a two-year term as the CSU's Faculty Development Council representative to the advisory board of the CSU Institute for Teaching and Learning.

She has been elected chairperson of the Bright Idea Award Committee for the Professional and Organizational Development Network in Higher Education, the largest faculty development organization in North America.

Peter Grego (Theatre) directed the Eugene O'Neill play, "A Moon for the Misbegotten," at the Spotlight Theater in Bakersfield, in September.

Martha Highfield (Health Sciences) received the 2003 Outstanding Alumna Award from the College of Nursing, Harding University, Ark., in October.

Mary Hirt (Kinesiology) received the National Teacher of the Year Award from the American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance at an April convention in Philadelphia.

Amir Hussain (Religious Studies) has been selected as the Jerome Richfield Memorial Scholar for the 2003–2004 academic year.

Liviu Marinescu and David Whitwell (Music) have received the 2003–2004 American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers Award.

Robert Marshall (University Library) has been honored with an Award of Excellence from the California Heritage Preservation Commission for his leadership in compiling a directory of archives and collections about Los Angeles.

Robert Masuda (Health Sciences) won Cal State Northridge's "Work-Study Supervisor of the Year" Award.

Evelyn McClave (English) served as an invited reviewer of grant applications for the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders at the National Institutes of Health in July.
Steven Oppenheimer (Biology) was invited to serve on the National Institutes of Health, National Institute of General Medical Sciences research grant review panel in October.

As part of his duties on the editorial board of Acta Histochemica, an international journal on structural biochemistry, Oppenheimer has been engaged in manuscript evaluation.

He also received the Senator Richard Alarcon Community Award, through a California State Senate resolution, for his work with teachers. He received a similar honor by way of a California Board of Equalization resolution.

Mindy Puopolo (Psychology) received the Outstanding Faculty Member Award at the 19th annual Recognition Awards Ceremony sponsored by the Center on Disabilities at the Hilton Hotel in Woodland Hills, in June.

Tarek Shraibati (Manufacturing Systems Engineering and Management) received a lifetime honorary membership in the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers for his significant contributions to the organization.

Veda Ward (Leisure Studies and Recreation) has been appointed to the Leisure Time Advocacy Board for Hilton Hotels. The board aims to promote awareness of the health and societal benefits of leisure time.

Peter Weigand (Geological Sciences) received the Distinguished Educator Award from the Pacific Section, American Association of Petroleum Geologists, at the organization's Long Beach convention.

David Whitwell (Music) was the guest conductor of the Sinfonisches Jugendblasorchester der Stuttgarter Musikschole on May 5, in Stuttgart, Germany.

Maria Elena Zavala (Biology) received a Local Hero of the Year Award from Union Bank of California in partnership with the Los Angeles public television station KCET, during Hispanic Heritage Month.

Zavala also was selected as a "Powerhitter in Business and Technology" by the editors of Hispanic Engineer & Information Technology magazine.
Research and Sponsored Projects

Research Larry Allen (Biology) received $145,703 from the California Department of Fish and Game in continuing support of a project titled "White Sea Bass Sampling."

Kathryn Anderson (Financial Aid) received $40,000 from EDFUND, a service provider in the student loan industry, in support of a project titled "Debt Management."

Lisa Banner (Biology) received $7,500 from The American Society for Cell Biology in continuing support of a project titled "The American Society for Cell Biology Minority Affairs Committee Linkage Program."

Kenneth Berry (Secondary Education) received $120,932 from American River College in continuing support of a project titled "Engineering/Technology Consortium Project for the Los Angeles Area."

Berry also received $3,000 from the Solid Works Corporation in support of a project titled "Robo Educators."

Nancy Burstein (Special Education) received $200,000 from the U.S. Department of Education in continuing support of a project titled "Providing Competent Special Educators for Urban Schools."

Nancy Burstein and Sue Sears (Special Education) received $345,000 from the Los Angeles County Office of Education in continuing support of a project titled "California State University, Northridge Special Education Intern Program."

Ana Cadavid (Physics and Astronomy) received $18,117 from the California Institute of Technology, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, in continuing support of a project titled "Modeling of Solar Influences on Atmospheric Dynamics."

Laurence Caretto (Mechanical Engineering) and Karla Johnson-Majedi (Engineering, Student Services/EOP) received $6,250 from UC Berkeley as supplemental support for a project titled "MESA/MSP-NSF Scholarship Grant."

Edward Carroll (Science and Mathematics), Steven Oppenheimer (Biology), and Gerry Simila (Geological Sciences) were awarded $127,052 by The Regents of the University of California for their project titled "San Fernando Valley Science Project."

Edward Carroll (Science and Mathematics) and Karla Johnson-Majedi (Engineering, Student Services/EOP) received $151,186 from the U.S. Office of Naval Research in continuing support of a project titled "Raising Interest in Science and Engineering."
Gary Chapman (Physics and Astronomy) received $81,712 from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in support of a project titled "A Study of Solar Variability Using Precise Ground-Based Photometry from Full-Disk Images."

Deborah Chen (Special Education) received $1,000 from WestEd in continuing support of a project titled "WestEd Training Coordination and Support."

Xueming Chen (Urban Studies and Planning), Richard Horowitz (History) and Christa Metzger (Educational Leadership and Policy Studies) received $1,000 faculty development grants from the university's China Institute to conduct China-related studies.

Xue-Wen Chen (Electrical and Computer Engineering) received $363,127 from the U.S. Army Research Office in support of a project titled "Hyperspectral and Polametric Military Target Detection Using Supervised Learning Systems."

E. Audrey Clark and Alyce Akers (Family and Consumer Sciences) received $149,745 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in continuing support of a project titled "Higher Education Hispanic Services Partnerships Grants: CSUN and San Fernando Valley Head Start."

Irene Cota (Elementary Education) received $383,310 and $55,448 from the Los Angeles Unified School District in continuing and supplemental support of a project titled "Multiple Subject University Internship Credential Program."

Cota also received $1,250 from the Glendale Unified School District in support of a project titled "Glendale Unified School District Intern Program."

Norman Dean, Eric Kelson and Taeboem Oh (Chemistry) received $171,852 from the National Science Foundation in support of a project titled "MRI-RUI Acquisition of a Mach-3 Single Crystal Diffractometer to Support Synthetic Chemistry Research at CSUN."

Herman De Bose (Sociology) received $145,000 from the Los Angeles County Probation Department in support of a project titled "County-Wide Juvenile Crime and Anti-Gang Strategies Program."

Roger Di Julio (Civil Engineering and Applied Mechanics) received $164,126 from The Regents of the University of California in support of the "MESA-LAUSD Project."

Colin Donahue (Facilities Planning, Design and Construction) received $250,000 from the City of Los Angeles in support of a project titled "Prop. K: Abbott and Linda Brown Western Center for Adaptive Aquatic Therapy."

Peter Edmunds (Biology) received $13,606 from the University of Puerto Rico in continuing support of a project titled "The Demographics of Changing Coral Community Structure in St. John, USVI."

Edmunds also received $24,045 from the University of North Carolina at Wilmington in continuing support of a project titled "Global Climate Change and Coral Recruitment: The Interactive Effects of Temperature and Ontogeny on Biology of Porites Astreoides Larvae."

Janice Eckmier and Christine Smith (Secondary Education) received $510,538 and $163,931 from the Los Angeles Unified School District in continuing and supplemental support of a project titled "Single Subject University Intern Program."

Michael Fronmueller (Management), Deborah Cours and Judith Hennessey (Marketing) received $1,372,419 from the U.S. Small Business Administration in support of a project titled "Los Angeles Region SBDC Lead Center."
Warren Furumoto (Science and Mathematics) received $49,500 from San Francisco State University in continuing support of a project titled "Alliance for Minority Participation Academic Year 2002-2003." Furumoto also received $81,000 from San Francisco State in continuing support of a project titled "Alliance for Minority Participation Summer Bridge Program 2003."

He also received $2,233,116 from the U.S. Department of Education in support of a project titled "Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP)."

Alan Glassman (Management) received $64,000 from the California Department of General Services as supplemental support for a project titled "California Acquisition Training Program."

Glassman also received $99,000 from the City of Los Angeles in support of a project titled "Los Angeles Department of General Services Training Program."

Charles Hanson (Educational Psychology) received $1,714 from the County Department of Children and Family Services in support of a project titled "Aftercare Support Program," and $316,083 from the department in continuing support of a project titled "Community Family Preservation Network Program."

Susan Henry (Journalism) received a major research award from the Commission on the Status of Women of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, in support of her research on women in journalism. The award was based on Henry's book about the uncredited work of wives who partnered on projects with their renowned male journalist spouses.

Donald Jacobs (Physics and Astronomy) received $25,000 from the California State University Program for Education and Research in Biotechnology in support of a project titled "Bioinformatic Study on Correlating Protein Flexibility with Function."

Mehran Kamrava (Political Science) received $30,315 from the United States Institute of Peace in support of a project titled "Shi’ite Thought in Contemporary Iran."

Nicholas Kioussis (Physics and Astronomy) received $235,000 from the U.S. Army in support of a project titled "Acquisition of a Parallel Beowulf Cluster for Computational Materials Research and Education."

He also received $35,700 from Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in support of a project titled "Electronic Structure of Defect Reactions in KDP."

Kioussis also received $18,000 from the Naval Research Laboratory in support of a project titled "AB initio, Tight-Binding and Monte Carlo Simulations of Surface Growth of Quantum Dots," and $10,000 from Lawrence Livermore in support of a project titled "Third International Workshop on Electron Correlations and Materials Properties."

Victor Liu (Environmental and Occupational Health) received $24,600 from UCLA in continuing support of a project titled "Occupational Safety and Ergonomics Training and Intervention in the Maquiladora Industry."

Kathleen Marsaglia, Gerry Simila, Vicki Pedone and J. Douglas Yule (Geological Sciences) received $297,409 from the National Science Foundation in continuing support of a project titled "Mentoring Through Research: Catalyst for Success in the Geosciences."

Kathleen Marsaglia (Geological Sciences) received $25,984 from Texas A&M Research Foundation in support of a project titled "LEG 210 USSSP Program."

Gillian Massey (Engineering, Educational Equity Program) received $76,800 from Project GRAD Los Angeles in continuing support of a project titled "GEAR UP Project GRAD for MESA."
S.T. Mau and Karla Johnson-Majedi (Engineering and Computer Science) received $6,250 from The Regents of the University of California in support of a project titled "MESA/MEP Caltrans Recruiting Subagreement."

Richard Moore (Management) received $199,996 from the City of Los Angeles in continuing support of a project titled "Performance Management."

Juana Mora (Chicano/a Studies) received $102,000 from Lodestar Management/Research, Inc., in support of a project titled "Neighborhood Data Use Collaborative."

Helena Noronha (Mathematics) received $96,225 from the National Science Foundation in support of a project titled "A U.S. Brazil Collaboration for Research Experiences in Mathematics."

Steven Oppenheimer (Biology) was awarded $288,686 from the National Institutes of Health for a research project titled "Minority Biomedical Research Support SCORE Program Supplement: Mechanisms of Adhesive Interactions."

Steven Oppenheimer (Biology), Norman Herr (Secondary Education), Gerry Simila (Geological Sciences), and Virginia Vandergon (Biology) received $278,294 and an additional $42,000 from the California Postsecondary Education Commission in continuing support of their Superfunded Science Leader Initiative at CSUN.

Steven Oppenheimer, Paul Tomasek and Maria Elena Zavala (Biology) received $97,294 from the National Institutes of Health in support of a project titled "Limited Competition for Equipment Supplements to Minority Biomedical Research Support RISE Awards."

Amalie Orme (Geography) received $5,000 from the County of Los Angeles in support of a project titled "Community Advocacy Partnership Monitoring Program."

Clara Park (Secondary Education) received $247,719 from the U.S. Department of Education in continuing support of a project titled "Los Angeles TEP: Bilingual Teacher Education Project." She also received $383,254 in continuing support of a project titled "Project Los Angeles: Transition to Teaching Program."

Merri Pearson (National Center on Deafness) received $1,000,000 from the U.S. Department of Education in support of a project titled "Western Region Outreach Center and Consortia."

Pearson also received $292,782 from the U.S. Department of Education in continuing support of a project titled "Demonstration Projects to Ensure Students with Disabilities Receive a Quality Higher Education."

Harry Rizer (Center on Disabilities) received $106,255 from the California Department of Rehabilitation Services in continuing support of a project titled "Work Ability IV Contract with the California Department of Rehabilitation Services."

Paul Robinson (Geography) received $47,036 from the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science in support of a project titled "Project ExportNUsing GIS to Better Understand and Eliminate Health Disparities."

Maureen Rubin (Community Service Learning) received $111,341 from the Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism in support of a project titled "Cesar Chavez: Living His Legacy Through Reading and Seeding."

Rubin also received $125,000 from the Corporation for National and Community Service in support of a project titled "University/Community Partnership to Reduce Gang Activity."
Carrie Saetermo (Psychology) received $285,513 from the National Institute of Mental Health in continuing support of a project titled "Facilitating Minority Advancement in the Social Sciences."

Carrie Saetermo and Jill Razani (Psychology) received $211,080 and $65,222, respectively, from the National Institute of Mental Health in support of a project titled "Center for Psychological Study of Urban Diversity."

Debra Sheets (Health Sciences) received $50,000 from UniHealth Foundation's David R. Carpenter Initiative: Advancing Healthy Aging in support of a project titled "Training for Dignity: Basic Dementia Care Training Program."

Donna Sheng (Physics and Astronomy) received $100,000 from the National Science Foundation in support of a project titled "Novel Transport Properties in Strongly Interacting Electron Systems."

Michael Summers (Biology) received $214,706 from the National Institutes of Health in continuing support of a project titled "CSUN Bridges to the Doctorate."

Janice Tolan (Leisure Studies and Recreation) received $27,300 from the Lily Academy of Japan in continuing support of a project titled "2003 Lily Academy of Japan Recreation Institute."

Paul Tomasek (Biology) received $16,025 from the California State University Program for Education and Research in Biotechnology in support of a project titled "Development of Bioelectrode to Rapidly Detect Pathogenic Bacillus Cereus and Bacillus Anthracis."

William Toutant (Arts, Media, and Communication) received $397,400 from the U.S. Department of Education in support of a project titled "Technology and Other Expenses to Develop an Entertainment Engineering Curriculum."

Susan Wasserman (Elementary Education) received $908,952 from the Los Angeles Unified School District in continuing support of a project titled "Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment Program."

Ann Watkins (Mathematics) received $72,965 from Western Michigan University in continuing support of a project titled "Core-Plus Mathematics Revision Project."

David Wakefield (Child and Adolescent Development) received $91,517 from the National Science Foundation in continuing support of a project titled "African American and Latina/o Adolescents' Perceptions of and Responses to Racial Discrimination."

Maria Elena Zavala (Biology) received $341,745 from the National Institutes of Health in continuing support of a project titled "Minority Biomedical Research Support Development and Enhancement at CSUN (RISE)."

Zavala also received $484,176 from the National Institutes of Health in continuing support of a project titled "MARC Undergraduate Student Training in Academic Research Program."

The following faculty members received support as part of the Minority Biomedical Research Support SCORE Program Supplement from the National Institutes of Health: Jheem Medh (Chemistry), $49,350; Rheem Medh (Biology), $49,350; Steven Oppenheimer (Biology), $144,343; Miroslav Peric (Physics and Astronomy), $169,180; Radha Ranganathan (Physics and Astronomy), $152,221; Laleh Razani (Psychology), $49,212; Debra Sheets (Health Sciences), $49,184; and Maria Elena Zavala (Biology), $10,293.
News Briefs

Golden Key Society Salutes Northridge Chapter

Before an audience of more than 1,000 delegates from around the world, the 335-chapter Golden Key International Honour Society presented its prestigious Key Chapter Award to representatives of the Cal State Northridge chapter at the society's international convention in Chicago this summer.

Applauding the chapter for its participation in regional and international programs, the 25-year-old society cited Northridge excellence in five areas: communication, publicity, meeting management, chapter activities and leadership.

This year, said chapter vice president Charles Beris, the Northridge organization collaborated with the university's Associated Students and other student groups on some of the campus' largest and most popular events.

The chapter also earned the society's International Award for Community Service for its annual philanthropy project, "Books and Bears and Socks and Underwear." During homecoming, the chapter works with Associated Students and other student organizations to collect the items and donate them to the Union Rescue Mission.

Vice President for Student Affairs Terry Piper and Associated Students Activities Coordinator Leanne Vincent are chapter advisors for the Northridge chapter of Golden Key, which provides academic recognition, career development and networking opportunities to college juniors and seniors in the top 15 percent of their class.

Research and Services Director Retires

John Guarrera, founding director of the College of Engineering and Computer Science's Center for Research and Services (CRS), retired on November 1 after 27 years of service to Cal State Northridge.

A retirement party celebrating Guarrera's achievements is planned for 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, in Sierra Center's second floor Special Events Room.

Guarrera's tenure at the helm of CRS was distinguished by his pioneering efforts in creation of the college's Design Clinic concept, in which "client" companies or government agencies sponsor faculty-supervised students who bring their research and design skills to bear in solving "real world" technical problems.
"John is irreplaceable," said S. T. Mau, dean of the college. "He will continue to serve CSUN as a volunteer with the title of director emeritus."

Mau will succeed Guarrera as CRS director.

Guarrera's network of key industrial leaders in the area served as the foundation upon which the college built its initial Professional Advisory Council, now the Industrial Advisory Board, noted the dean. "The workshops and short courses he directed," Mau added, "put the college on the map and served the industry well."

To RSVP for the retirement party, contact Diana Field at (818) 677-4501 by Wednesday, Nov. 26.
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.

The deadline for the Dec. 8 issue is Monday, Dec. 1. 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

Wednesday, Nov. 19

Philosophy Lecture

The Philosophy Department hosts a lecture by USC School of Philosophy Director James Higginbotham titled "The English Progressive," 4 p.m., Sierra Hall 120. fmiDx2757, or www.csun.edu/~philos33.

Friday, Nov. 21

Research and Creative Works Symposium

The Office of Graduate Studies invites the campus to the Cal State Northridge Research and Creative Works Symposium at 8 a.m. in the University Student Union Grand Salon. More than 100 students will provide oral and poster presentations on their research. A lunch reception is set for noon and an awards ceremony for 4 p.m. fmiDwww.csun.edu/graduatestudies.

Saturday, Nov. 22

Dietetic Internship Symposium

The Marilyn Magaram Center for Food Science, Nutrition and Dietetics presents the annual Dietetic Internship
Symposium from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Sequoia Hall 104. All nutrition/dietetic majors are encouraged to attend. fmiΔx3102.

**Saturday, Nov. 22**

**Ceramic Guild Sale**

Cal State Northridge's 41st annual ceramic sale is from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Art and Design Center at 18226 Halsted Street, featuring faculty and student ceramic wares, paintings, live music, raku firings and performers. fmiΔMatt Salyer, (805) 672-0156.

**Monday, Nov. 24 and Friday, Dec. 5**

**China Institutes 2003Ð2004 Lecture Series**

"Environmental Design Art in China: A Woman Architect's Achievements" will be discussed by design artist Ahua Bao at a China Institute lecture from 10 a.m. to noon, Nov. 24, Education Building, room 1214/1216.

The China Institute, the Phi Beta Delta honor society for international scholars, and the Michael D. Eisner College of Education present a lecture by visiting scholars William Chen, Peace Shiping Li and Army Jun Yuan of Shanghai Normal University in China, on education reform in Shanghai. NoonÐ2 p.m. Fri., Dec. 5, University Student Union Lakeview Terrace Room. fmiΔJustine Su, x2138.

**Tuesday, Dec. 2**

**Anthropology Film and Discussion**

The Anthropology Department presents "Oh, What a Blow That Phantom Gave Me," a film by UCLA professor John Bishop and Kansas State professor Harald Prins, at 6 p.m., Sierra Hall's Whitsett Room. Presentation of the film, on the pioneering work of CSUN's founding anthropology chair Edmund Carpenter, honors the late Keith Morton, former anthropology chair. fmiΔx3331.

**Friday, Dec. 12**

**Professors Golf Association Tournament**

The Cal State Northridge Professors Golf Association sponsors a golf tournament at 10 a.m. at Vista Valencia Golf Course, 24700 W. Trevino, Valencia. Faculty and staff, regardless of skill level, are invited. The $46 fee includes greens fees, prize money and cart. Registration and fmi -Lee Gassert, (818) 998-3021, or leland.gassert@csun.edu.

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**Public Meetings**

**Personnel Planning and Review Committee**

Meets 2Ð5 p.m. Wed., Nov. 19 and Dec. 3
University Hall 250

**University Planning and Budget Group**

Meets 1Ð3 p.m. Mon., Dec. 1
University Hall 277

**Educational Policies Committee**

Meets 2Ð4 p.m. Wed., Dec. 3  
University Hall 277

**Faculty Senate**

Meets 2Ð4:30 p.m. Thu., Dec. 4  
Oviatt Library presentation room

**North Campus-University Park Development Corporation**

Meets at 9 a.m. Fri. Dec. 5  
University Hall 250

**Academic Technology Committee**

Meets 2Ð4 p.m. Fri., Dec. 5  
University Hall 211

**Educational Resources Committee**

Meets 2Ð4 p.m. Tue., Dec. 9  
University Hall 211

**Christian Faculty & Staff Association**

Meets noon Thu., Dec. 11  
University Student Union, Thousand Oaks Room

**Educational Equity Committee**

Meets 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Mon., Dec. 8  
University Hall 211

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**Notices**

**China Studies Scholarship**

Undergraduate and graduate students in all fields of study may apply for up to two awards from the China Scholarship Council to support a full year of study during the 2004Ð2005 academic year at a selected institute of higher learning in China. Submit applications to China Institute Director Justine Su via e-mail at zsu@csun.edu. The deadline is Feb. 14, 2004. fmiDx2138, or zsu@csun.edu.

**China Institute 2004Ð2005 Faculty Development Grants**
Cal State Northridge faculty with an interest in China have an opportunity to obtain $1,000 grants from the China Institute to start a project or study in their discipline to advance the field of China Studies. Applicants should submit written proposals and resumes, in Word file form, to China Institute Director Justine Su via e-mail: zsu@csun.edu. The deadline is Feb. 14, 2004. fmiDx2138, or zsu@csun.edu.

University Student Union Renovation

The University Student Union is undergoing major renovation. Although some services are being relocated within the existing facility, all services will be open throughout the two years of the project. Maps showing building access points are being sent via campus mail and posted at USU entrances. The Satellite Student Union will not be affected by the renovation. fmiDx2491, or usu@csun.edu.

Section 600 and 700 Manuals

All full-time faculty members should have received a copy of the academic year 2003Ð2004 edition of the Section 600 manual. All part-time faculty should have received a copy of the academic year 2003Ð2004 edition of the Section 700 manual. Those who have not received their copies should contact their department secretary. These manuals are also available at www.csun.edu/~facacct/policies. fmiDx2962.

Final Examination Scheduling

Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Linda Bain has released a notice to college deans on final examination scheduling:

University policy regarding final examinations, on page 55 of the current university catalog, states in part that Ôin lecture courses, no final examination may be scheduled by an instructor prior to the regularly scheduled time.Ô Final examinations for the fall 2003 semester are scheduled between Monday, Dec. 8 and Saturday, Dec. 13.

Under no circumstances should faculty change the time or date of the scheduled final examination without written approval of the department chair and college dean. Forward to the provost a copy of any approved deviations from the printed final examination schedule.

Department chairs should be reminded of university policy in this matter, and of the importance of adhering to the printed schedule for final examinations. fmiDx2957.

Examinations and Religious Observations

The Office of Faculty Affairs announces that in administering any test or examination, campus policy states that any student who is eligible to undergo the test or examination will be permitted to do so, without penalty, at a time when the activity would not violate the studentÕs religious creed. The policy requires that faculty provide accommodation to students when an exam conflicts with a religious observation. In addition, faculty are asked to be sensitive to this matter and refrain from scheduling examinations on days that would affect many studentsÕ religious observances. For assistance in evaluating a studentÕs request to re-schedule an examination for purposes of religious observation, contact the Office of Faculty Affairs, x2962.

Physics & Astronomy Lectures

The Physics and Astronomy Department will sponsor lectures at 3:45 p.m. on Wed., Nov 19 and Wed., Dec. 3. in Science Building 1, room 1124. Topics to be announced. fmiDx2775.

Our Deepest Sympathy
The campus community and the staff of Physical Plant Management wish to extend their condolences to the family and friends of Lyle White, who passed away this week.

Toastmasters Club

Toastmasters Club starts on campus, to develop speaking, presentation and leadership skills. Meets twice a week noon–1 p.m. Location to be announced. fmiDAmita Naganand, x3277, or Sabrina Rife, x5700.

Eating Disorder Program

Joint Advocates on Disordered Eating (JADE), a peer education and prevention project sponsored by University Counseling Services, offers campus presentations on eating disorder awareness. fmiDx7500, or jade@csun.edu.

Classes

ITR Computer Workshops

ITR offers "One Hour Photoshop Series" for faculty and staff. Enrollment required. Classes from noon–1 p.m., Sequoia Hall 250 A. fmiDx2204, or www.csun.edu/itr/training/desc/.

- Graphics and Multimedia Fri., Nov. 21
- Adding Image Text Fri., Dec. 5

Faculty SOLAR Grading Training

Cal State Northridge faculty will use the Student On-line Administrative Resources (SOLAR) grading module to enter class grades beginning in fall 2003. Presentation/demo-style training and hands-on training workshops will be available for faculty from Mon., Nov. 17 through Fri., Dec. 12, and lab hours to supplement training will be available from Mon., Dec. 15 through Fri., Dec. 19. Review the training schedule and sign up at www.csun.edu/ITR/SOLAR. Enrollment is required for classes but not for the lab sessions. Participants must have a CSUN e-mail account and password. fmiDx7267, or solarsupport@csun.edu.

Deadlines

Human Subjects Research Approval

Faculty and students performing research with human subjects must complete Human Subjects Protocol Approval form. Original forms and nine copies must be submitted to Research Office for review by the Standing Advisory Committee for the Protection of Human Subjects. Next deadline: Tue., Nov. 25. Next committee meeting: Tue., Dec. 9. Protocol submission forms are in the Office of Research and Sponsored Projects, University Hall 265, or downloaded from www.csun.edu/research. fmiDx2901.
CALENDAR

The Associated Students Ticket Office is in the University Student Union sells tickets to many events on campus, excepted for some held by outside groups. The ticket office is open from 9:30 a.m.-5p.m. Mon.-Fri.. For prices not given, call (818) 677-3093, or x2488.

Art and Exhibits

For more info, call (818) 677-2156. Main gallery hours: Mon. through Sat. 12Ð4 p.m. Admission is free unless specified.

Seventh Annual High School Invitational

San Fernando Valley high school students showcase their artwork through a variety of media including painting, sculpture, video and graphic design. Opens Fri., Dec. 5 and runs through Sat., Jan. 10, 2004. Exhibit will be closed Wed., Dec. 24 through Sat., Jan. 3.
Opening reception: Fri., Dec. 5, 7Ð9 p.m.
Gallery Talk: Mon., Dec. 8, 10 a.m.
Cal State Northridge Art Galleries

Donald E. Bianchi Planetarium
"Autumn Sky Tour"

Sat., Nov. 22, 7 p.m.
"An Introduction to Eclipse Chasing"
Sat., Dec. 6, 7 p.m.
No late seating.
For ticket info, (818) 677-2488 or visit www.csun.edu/physics/planetarium

Laserium Show

Donald E. Bianchi Planetarium
Thu.-Sun. through December.
For ticket and schedule info, (818) 677-2488 or visit www.laserium.com
Athletics (home games)

Men's Basketball
11/21 Menlo College 7:05 p.m.
12/3 Montana 7:05 p.m.

Swimming & Diving
11/21 UCSB 2 p.m.

Women's Volleyball
11/25 USC 7 p.m.

Film

The Department of Cinema and Television Arts presents its Cinematheque fall series, "Seven Artistic Cultures," embracing the seven departments of the College of Arts, Media, and Communication and including special tribute evenings. Screenings are free and take place in the Alan and Elaine Armer Theater, on the first floor of Manzanita Hall at the southwest corner of campus. For more info, call (818) 677-3192 or see www.csuncinematheque.com.

AMC Salutes the Art Department

"The Moderns."
Guest: Dave Moon, chair, Art Dept.
Tue., Nov. 18, 7Ð10 p.m.

French Film

"Camille Claudel."
Wed., Nov. 19, 7Ð10 p.m.

Thriller

"Peeping Tom."
Tue., Nov. 25, 2:30Ð5 p.m.

Music Films

"Unfaithfully Yours" and "Bird."
Wed., Nov. 26, 7Ð11 p.m.
Art Films

"The Cradle Will Rock" and "Frida."
Wed., Dec. 3, 7Ð11 p.m.

Music

Admission to all music events (unless otherwise specified): $10 general, $7 faculty, staff and seniors, $5 students.

Piano and Strings Chamber Music

Directed by Franoise Regnat.
Tue., Nov. 18, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

Wind Chamber Music

Directed by Julia Heinen.
Wed., Nov. 19, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

University Chorus, Women's Chorale

Conducted by Elmer Heerema, Katherine Ramos Baker.
Fri., Nov. 21, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center

Faculty Artist Recital

Soprano Deanna Murray and friends.
Sat., Nov. 22, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

Youth Orchestra

Sun., Nov. 23, 3 p.m.
Performing Arts Center

Cal State Northridge Wind Symphony

Conducted by Timothy Howard.
Mon., Nov. 24, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center

Matador Master Chorale

Conducted by Paul Smith.
Tue., Nov. 25, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
Vocal Jazz Ensemble
Directed by Matt Falker.
Wed., Nov. 26, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

Film Scoring and Songwriting Review
Directed by Elizabeth Sellers.
Mon., Dec. 1, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

Opera Workshop
Directed by Ann Baltz.
Tue., Dec. 2, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

CSUN Wind Ensemble
Conducted by William Bing.
Wed., Dec. 3, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center

CSUN Steel Drum Band
Directed by Gee Rabe.
Thu., Dec. 4, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center

CSUN Symphony
Conducted by John Roscigno. Fri., Dec. 5, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center

Northridge Singers Choir of the World
Conducted by Paul Smith.
Sat., Dec. 6, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center

Piano Performance
Brahms Piano Trio
Mon., Dec. 8, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
Admission: $26 general, $23 seniors, $9 students with ID, $5 CSUN students with ID.

Theater/Performance
**Six by Lorca**

Short plays.
Sun., Nov. 23, 3 p.m.
Studio Theatre, Nordhoff Hall 113
$15 general, $13 seniors, $12 faculty/staff with ID, $10 students with ID.

**Riders in the Sky Christmas Show**

Sun., Dec. 7, 2 p.m.
Admission: $45-$30 adults, $15 students with ID, $20-$15 children under 12.
Performing Arts Center