

CHANNEL Islands View

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CSU campuses filling up fast while coping with cutbacks and fee hikes

(Sept. 8, 2003) -- The California State University system has begun the new academic year with a net budget reduction of \$304 million, a 30% fee increase for students and an anticipated record enrollment of 414,000 students.

Because of the state's budget crisis and deep budget cuts for the CSU, the system has been forced to limit this year's growth from a projected 7 percent to 4.3 percent. The state's 2003-04 budget imposed an 11 percent reduction to CSU's \$2.6 billion General Fund budget.

Despite facing the largest budget reduction in its history, the university has preserved most of its fall classes.

"We have been preparing for the past 18 months to manage the budget reductions, and as a result, we will be able to serve the students who were admitted this fall," said CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed. "The campus presidents and system administrators deserve credit for appropriately planning for this difficult year and preserving high quality instruction."

Some incoming students, however, will feel more dramatic effects of the budget cutbacks in spring 2004 given that 11 of the 23 campuses have had to close to mid-year admissions. (1)

In 2004-05 the system must maintain enrollment at the 2003-04 levels to comply with the 2003-04 budget language stipulating that the CSU and the University of California will not receive funding for enrollment growth next year.

"This budget language, along with the

severe budget cuts, put limits for the first time on the CSU's long-standing promise of providing unlimited educational opportunity to California students," Chancellor Reed said. "This presents a new challenge for the CSU and the state because higher education is vital to California's economic

to conform to cutbacks during the budget crisis, the university will focus on providing "authentic access." That is, preserving quality instruction, and ensuring that those enrolled get the courses they need to make steady progress toward graduation.

to cope with cutbacks included larger classes, a systemwide reduction or freezing of 2,300 staff and faculty positions, a \$4.5 million reduction in the Chancellor's Office, which included the elimination or freezing of 40 positions and a 30 percent increase in student fees. In addition, the system

announced that there will be no salary increases for management employees and executives in 2003-04, which includes the Chancellor and 23 campus presidents. Furthermore, this year's budget language stipulates no salary increases for any CSU employee in 2004-05.

(1) To obtain the list of campuses open or closed for Spring 2004 click on the following link: <http://www.csumentor.edu/Filing/Status/Default.asp>



PIZZA RUSH

prosperity."

Until now, the CSU had accommodated significant enrollment growth resulting from the increasing demand for higher education dubbed as "Tidal Wave II." Projections by the state's Department of Finance show that the CSU will have to accommodate 107,000 additional students by fall 2011 when total enrollment is estimated to reach approximately 513,550 students.

While student growth has been slowed

In spite of financial challenges, growing student demand, and fee increases, CSU's fees continue to be the lowest when compared with similar public higher education institutions in the country. Annual undergraduate fees, including campus fees are \$2,544 on average, and graduate students pay an average of \$2,754 per year. Out-of-state undergraduate students pay \$ 11,004 and out-of-state graduate students pay \$11,214 annually on average.

Measures implemented by the CSU

The California State University is the largest system of senior higher education in the country, with 23 campuses, approximately 414,000 students and 45,000 faculty and staff. Since the system was created in 1961, it has awarded about 2 million degrees. The CSU is renowned for the quality of its teaching and for the job-ready graduates it produces. Its mission is to provide high-quality, affordable education to meet the ever-changing needs of the people of California. With its commitment to excellence, diversity and innovation, the CSU is the university system that is working for California.

Erika's View

Channel Islands Bus Service is in Jeopardy!! Associated students launch campaign to promote students using the bus.

Many students on the Channel Islands campus get up in the morning about an hour before their first class. They get their coffee and jump in their car to get to school just to find that there is not parking close to their class. Well Associated students would like to remind everyone that the bus is a safe, easy low cost way not only to keep our campus beautiful but also allows you to spend a few more minutes in the morning to relax and not deal with the frustrations of parking. If that is not a good reason then remember this, some of our students do not drive and if there was no bus service they would not have a way to get to school. Now is the time we should all pitch in and ride the bus. Associated students want to ensure that all students have equal opportunity to access the campus. Without the Vista bus service some students would not be able to get to school. If more people do not start riding the bus it will not run any longer. The first day of the campaign the students who rode the bus were rewarded with soda. Show your support for your fellow students and ride the bus. If you are not able to ride the bus everyday, then maybe try riding a couple days a week.



Demmy's World



by Emiko Cothran

New Associated Student Fee

Last semester the students of California State University Channel Islands voted overwhelmingly to incorporate the student body. Now Student Government has been formed and elections have been held and your new representatives have been planning activities and services all summer. Currently this is difficult, if not impossible, because there is no Associated Student Fee. The students will have an opportunity to rectify this situation on September 30 and October 1 when the vote for the Associated Student Fee is held. The fee will be \$62 per semester and is comparable to Northridge's student fee, which is \$66, and Cal State Hayward's, which is approximately \$70. Virtually every college and university in the country has an Associated Student Fee and the fee pays for many activities and services that improve our campus.

As a general rule, the Associated Student Fee pays for student activities, like concerts or speakers; recreation, like the gym and intramural sports; some aspects of campus communication, like message boards and student e-mails; support for clubs, tutoring services, child care, and the development of men's and women's athletic programs. In addition to these services that students directly benefit from, the fee also supports the mechanisms through which the student's ideas, concerns, and complaints are brought to the attention of the faculty and the administration.

All over our campus there is evidence of how our university is growing and expanding. From the new science building to student housing to hiring new faculty, CSUCI is developing its identity. We don't want the students, the most important part of Channel Islands, to be left behind. The establishment of this fee is the next necessary step in the development of Cal State Channel Islands and will allow the students to have more of an influence and a voice in their university. Don't let this moment in the history of our university pass you by: vote on the **fee** September 30th and October 1st.

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An Interdisciplinary Symposium

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In connection with the exhibition:

Nocturnal Symphony: The Legacy of James McNeill Whistler

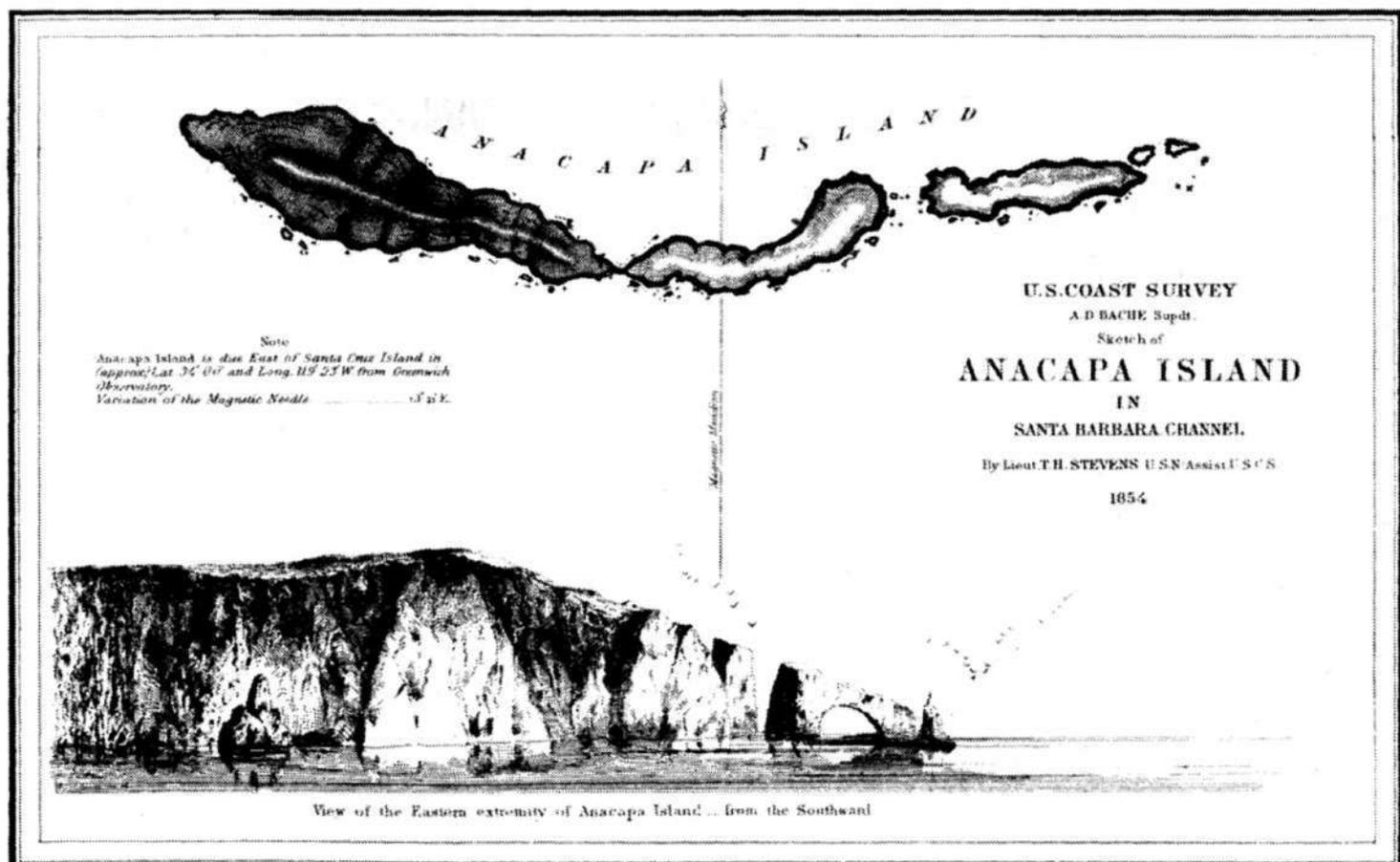


James McNeill Whistler

Studio Channel Islands Art Center
Saturday October 4th, 2003
9:30am to 2:30pm
Free Admission

RSVP (805) 383-1368

Studio Channel Islands Galleries
Located on the campus of CSUCI in Camarillo
From 101 take Lewis Road to University Drive
On campus, take Santa Barbara Street to Ventura Street
SCIAC is 2nd building on the left



Whistler, View of the Eastern Extremity of Anacapa Island from the Southward (1855-56)

NICHOLBY'S Nightclub Is Proud to Announce:

The Return of the New:

Wednesday nights Live, Local, & new music showcase.

On Wednesday September 17th Nichoiby's nightclub will be launching its "Wednesday night new music showcase." This wiii be a free weekiy event featuring three local bands or musicians. The doors wiil open at 8:30 pm with the first band starting by 9:30 offering the publiic a full night of exposure to new music. This night is not dedicated to only new bands but rather to anyone interested in developing as artists. Our goal is to help the "Local Music Scene" solidify itself by providing an established venue as well as offering a support group of professional industry people. We hope to attract both aspiring and accomplished musicians interested in exploring Music & Entertainment as a lifestyle or career. This environment will allow bands to cultivate there sound, expose new bands to the area, show bands what it takes to perform in a small pro sound venue as well as build audiences for there music. We are taking a more personal approach to this project in hopes we will put a new spin on the old local rock night.

For more info contact:

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Local band showcase

Nichoiby's nightclub is actively seeking local musician of all types to participate in our Wednesday night new music showcase. This is new take on the old local rock night. Our goal is to provide an environment that will help you to grow as artists as well as strengthen the local music scene. We have come up with some ideas to make this a positive experience for all involved.

- > Free live recording.
- > Gift certificate to Luner's \$25 per band member (max 5)
- > Use of a pro stage, monitor and sound system
- > Comp drinks and free passes
- > Full pro sound check
- > Technical, practical, and promotional advice.
- > Each group will get 30-45 min. of playtime
- > Access to a pro video/ photographer

There will be no cover charge for Wednesday night. This is a great chance to play with other local musicians. This night is not dedicated to only new bands but rather to anyone interested in developing as artists.

Campus Events

Bienvenidos BBQ at Channel Islands

To all that attended the welcome BBQ, you know what a wonderful event it was. For all who missed it, the Channel Islands View is here to fill you in. Bienvenidos, was a welcome program that was the kick-off for the Welcome BBQ. Bienvenidos was a 1/2 hour program in the south quad. All students who wore their CI shirts were given a prize and were entered to win 1 of 10 \$50 book stipends from the book store, brought to you by the Associated Students Northridge at Channel Islands CSUNCI. Many of the clubs had informational tables and there were many giveaways...

Bienvenidos Speakers:

1. President Rush
2. Dr. Ted Lucas, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs
3. Dr. Greg Sawyer, Vice President of Student Affairs
4. Dr. Renny Christopher, Chair for Faculty Senate
5. Becca Glazier, Student body President for AS@CSUCI
6. Leon Aragon, President of Associated Students CSUN @ CI

The BBQ was a hit! There was a jungle bounce house, laser tag, dunk tank- where Toni Rice was this year's victim. Sumo wrestler suits, and jousting.

Pizza with the President Gives Students the Opportunity to Discuss Issues on Campus

Thursday, August 27, 2003 President Rush took the opportunity to hear from the students and find out what it is that concerns them on the campus. Students could be seen walking in and out of the student Lounge either on a break or to hear the entire presentation. President Rush addressed many issues on campus that students submitted questions about. Some of the questions addressed were about parking, athletics, clubs, academics, student life, food service, where Channel Islands is going in the next year, as well as many other issues that were important to the students. Cal State Channel Islands is special because there are few schools where you would have the opportunity to ask questions directly to the President. The event lasted from 11:00 am till about 1:00 pm. The turnout was good and it was nice to see that students care so much about the issues that are being dealt with on our campus.

Taste For Channel Islands

This was the second annual "Taste" enabling local area restaurants and food purveyors to introduce themselves to our campus community and was even more successful than last

year's event. 15

restaurants/food purveyors including the following:

Avant Garde Catering (the same people who have the food service truck on campus)
Burger Barn
Camarillo Quiznos
Carrows
De Leon's Fine Mexican Food
El Tecolote
Krispy Kreme Donuts
La Bella Roma
Little Thai Restaurant & Fine Dining
Michael D's Santa Rosa Cafe
Mrs. Field's Cookies
Presto Pasta
Sizzler
Souplantation
Verona Trattoria

brought menus, coupons, tasting samples and job applications for over 400 students, faculty, and staff. The event was part of "Welcome Week" and the "Be A Part From The Start" Program from the Division of Student Affairs, Office of Student Development. Community member and student volunteers through the University and Community Volunteer & Service Program (UCVSP) (Room 1418, Bell Tower Building) helped make the event fun and festive for all.

Upcoming events **through** the Office of C.H.A.P.S

Include the First Annual Volunteer & Service Fair, Wednesday, September 17 from 10:00 am - 12:30 pm. Will be held in front of the Bell Tower Building and are for students, faculty and staff. The Volunteer & Service Fair will have representatives from over 25 local area organizations seeking volunteers and sharing information about upcoming events and activities including Habitat For Humanity, American Cancer Society, Camarillo Hospice and many more.

CSUCI Skills Challenge

Congratulations to the following winners:

1st Cal State Channel Islands Indoor Skills Challenge. This competition demonstrated skills in Basketball, Volleyball, and Soccer.

Out of 21+ Participants, the winners are:

Winners:

Emily Feinberg- Student

Ross Calasin- Student

Presidential Shoot-Out Winners

30+ participants, This competition included skill in Basketball. 60 seconds was the time limit to obtain as many points as possible. Each shot had designated points according to difficulty.

The Winners Are:

Division

Men Faculty & Staff- John Yudelson
Women Faculty & Staff- Summer Emens
Men Student- Ross Calasin
Women Student- Hannah Ocampo

Extended Education Receives Funding for Special training Program

Extended Education has received funding from the Employment Training Panel (a California State agency) to provide training to Ventura County businesses. The initial program funds a series of courses in production and inventory management for Technicolor in Camarillo. However, plans are in place to extend this funding to other businesses and training programs in the future.

Between the Stacks (Library News)

Mc Naughton Collection at the University Library

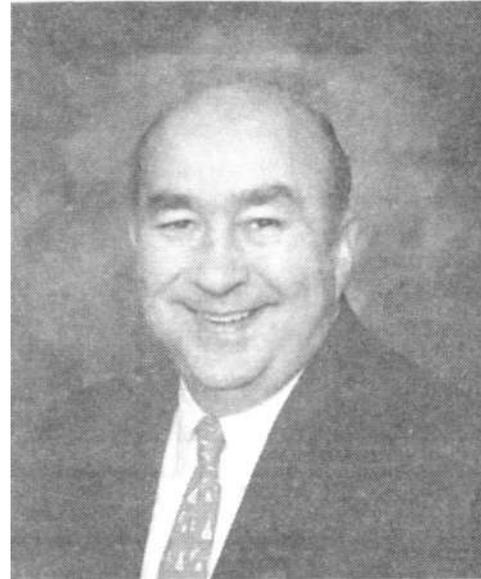
The McNaughton collection at the CSUCI library is a collection which contains a well- rounded selection of books, including current best sellers, popular writings(Both fiction and non-fiction), self-help books, and personal finance guides. Because the McNaughton books are currently not in the catalog, the best way to survey the titles is to browse through the books, which are located across from the circulation/reference desk.

University Library Compiles Video Collection

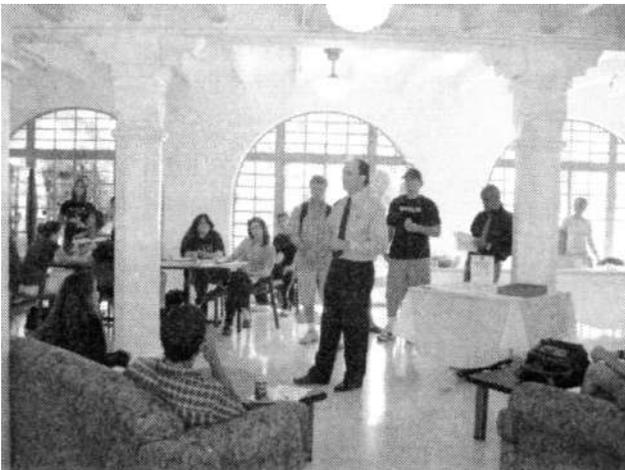
As part of its mission to be a digital learning environment, the CSUCI library is currently purchasing videos to support teaching and learning at the University. The videos are available for faculty, staff, and students. The videos cover a diverse range of topics, from world religions to molecular biology to the American film institute list of the 100 best movies. To find out what videos the library owns ,access the CSUN library catalog and limit your search to Cal State Channel Islands. The videos are located across from the reference desk.



Bienvenidos BBQ at Channel Islands



Chancellor Reed



Pizza with the President Gives Students the Opportunity to Discuss Issues on Campus



Taste For Channel Islands

Dear CSU Students:

Welcome to a new academic year at the California State University, and thank you for choosing to be a part of our university system.

Over the past year, California's severe budget crisis has resulted in deep budget cuts for the CSU and other state-funded agencies and institutions. The 2003/04 budget approved by the Legislature and Governor Davis this summer will result in a net reduction to the CSU of \$304 million after fee revenues are considered, an amount that comes to approximately 11 percent of the CSU's General Fund appropriation.

This situation presents a significant challenge for the CSU. We know that higher education is vital to California's economic prosperity, and that our state relies on the CSU to provide high-quality, accessible, student-focused higher education for its citizens. Yet these deep budget cuts, along with budget language stipulating that the CSU would not be funded for any enrollment growth for 2004/05, will for the first time put limits on the CSU's long-standing promise of providing unlimited educational opportunity.

As we work to manage these budget reductions, the campus presidents and I want to make sure that the CSU's promise of providing access to students remains meaningful, and that we preserve the value of your investment in higher education. For the near term, we are going to focus on ensuring that the students we enroll get the courses they need to graduate. For the long term, we will continue to work with the Legislature to create a consistent, predictable higher education funding plan and fee policy that will allow us to serve all qualified students in good economic times as well as bad.

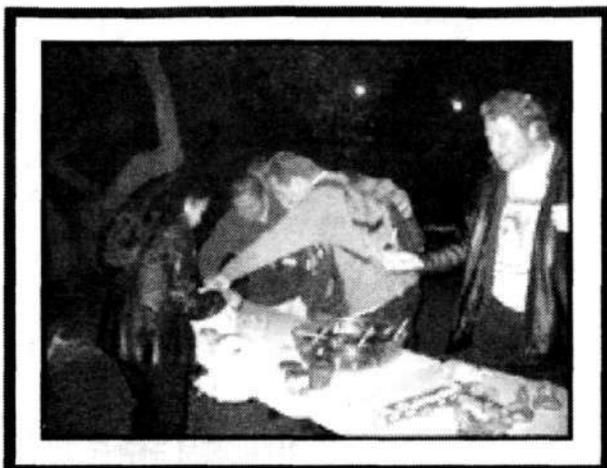
We will call on you in the coming months to assist us in this effort by contacting your local legislators and letting them know how important your CSU education is to you. In the meantime, I invite you to learn more about these issues by visiting the CSU's "Budget Central" at <http://www.calstate.edu/BudgetCentral> or the California Postsecondary Education Commission's "Student Fees Q & A" at <http://www.cpec.ca.gov>.

Thank you again for choosing the California State University. I wish you a rewarding academic year ahead.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,
Charles B. Reed
Chancellor

Club News



University Christian Fellowship



An awesome place to meet new friends!

UCF meets each **Wednesday @ Noon** in CSUCI's **Belltower Room 1333!**

THE STUDENT PROGRAMMING BOARD (SPB)

Do you have ideas for activities and events here at Cal State Channel Islands?

Ideas for areas such as:

- Special Events
- Concerts
- Cinema
- Cultural Arts
- Comedy
- Speakers
- Video Productions

If you do, The Student Programming Board is currently looking for members to get these ideas started.




The SPB meets every Tuesday at 5:30pm at the University Hub

For more information please contact The Student Programming Board @ 437-2756 or csucispb@hotmail.com

SPB presents:

VATS



Ventura Area TheatreSports™

- TheatreSports Live!
- Free!
- 6:30pm!
- Conference hall 1!
- Wednesday Sept. 17th!



For more information contact the Student Programming Board at (805)437-2756 or csucispb@hotmail.com

Chi Iota Greek Society

I think many new clubs and organizations are searching for ways to enhance our University's culture by providing social venues for fellow students. We are a new association, with a philosophical spirit, seeking to develop social, moral, and intellectual aspects of our members. The Chi Iota Greek Society values a comprehensive growth experience for young students entering the college campus. We would like to help play a role in providing that full college experience! A unique focus is attached to these areas: Developing Leadership skills; Fostering Brotherhood and Sisterhood; Promoting Scholastics and Philanthropy; and serving the school and the community.

The formulation of our goals would be ways to help benefit school spirit while educating the traditions of Greek culture. Our Greek letters *X* is Chi and T for Iota that symbolizes the first two initials of Channel Islands. If you are interested in getting involved or just want to have some fun please join us.

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