Macdonald Named CSUCI's Alumni Advocate of the Year

Camarillo, Calif., May 6, 2008-Representatives from California State University Channel Islands joined members from the other 22 campuses in the California State University system for the CSU Alumni Legislative Day in Sacramento on April 28.

In addition to meeting with legislators about issues impacting the CSU, another component of the Sacramento visit is recognition of Alumni Advocates of the Year. Each CSU campus selects one alumni advocate to honor based on advocacy efforts he or she has made at the local, state, or federal levels. CSUCI has named Lori G. Macdonald as its 2008 CSU Alumni Advocate of the Year.

Macdonald and others were honored at a luncheon attended by CSU trustees, legislators, and CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed.

Macdonald ('05 Liberal Studies) became active in the CSUCI Alumni & Friends Association in 2005. It was her thorough knowledge of CSUCI and higher education that led to her becoming part of the campus Advocacy Team.

Macdonald attended the 2006 and 2007 CSU Alumni Legislative Days and was consulted in 2005 for her knowledge on Cal Grants and on student access, EOP, and EAP programs. She also was a strong advocate on Proposition 1D, the successful initiative that brought more than $80M to the CSUCI campus and has continually supported the CSU in its budget advocacy for the last three years.

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