



CSUCI Student Organizes 'Prom Dresses For Princesses' Event

WHO: Ventura County female high school seniors

WHEN: Saturday, April 7 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

WHERE: California State University Channel Islands campus, The Hub

WHAT: California State University Channel Islands student Sara Parker, sophomore, is hosting an event that will help provide prom dresses for Ventura County female high school seniors regardless of the students' financial situation.

The event began with Parker posting a notice on a bulletin board that read, "Why not make more room in your closet, and help another in need? The young women of Ventura County high schools deserve to enjoy such a fantastic and memorable event such as prom, regardless of their financial situation. Help every senior 'Princess' find her perfect gown to ensure her a magical night she will remember forever."

For nearly a year Parker has been soliciting friends for gently-used prom dresses, bridesmaid dresses and formal gowns, evening bags, jewelry, shoes, disposable cameras, unused makeup gift certificates and helpful coupons - all of which will be offered for free to high school students who wish to attend their prom, but may not ordinarily have the means to do so.

On Saturday, April 7 at The Hub on the campus of CSUCI, Parker and her friends will "open shop" and permit high school students welcomed by invitation to select an entire ensemble to wear to prom and keep forever.

For more information, visit their Web site at www.myspace.com/PromForAllPrincesses.

PHOTOS: Photo opportunities are available for this event. Contact Ceal Potts, Communications Specialist at CSUCI, at (805) 437-8940.

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