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#### 'Be A Part from the Start' continues

The "Be a Part from the Start" series kicked off on Aug. 26 and will continue with its third week on Sept. 9 with another themed week of programming based on the CSU Channel Islands' Dimensions of Development. The program actively engages students with co-curricular learning opportunities that assist in their transition to CSUCI.

For a listing of events, visit the University Calendar at http://www.csuci.edu/calendar/.

# Author Sandra Cisneros on campus

Author Sandra Cisneros will be on campus at 7 p.m. on Sept. 10 for a reading and book-signing event. Cisneros is the author of "The House on Mango Street" and "Caramelo." The event will be held on campus in Malibu 100. Admission is free. There will be free shuttle service from the Metrolink Parking lot in Camarillo. Permit parking on campus is \$6.

For more information contact Kathleen Contreras, education lecturers, ext. 8976 or kathleen.contreras@csuci.edu.

# The Cove, drawing, grand opening planned

The University's bookstore, The Cove Bookstore, will hold its official grand opening ceremony at 1 p.m. on Sept. 25 at the bookstore. On Sept. 10, a drawing box will be in the bookstore for the following prizes: a 15-inch LCD TV, and a bicycle.

Books by Patch Adams, M.D., a nationally known speaker on wellness, laughter, and humor as well as on health care and health care systems, are available at the bookstore. Adams is the author of "Gesundheit!" and "House Calls" and will be on campus on Sept. 26 for a series of lectures.

Hours for the bookstore are as follow: Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Sunday closed.

For more information contact The Cove Bookstore, 482-5456.

#### Dietician at Islands Café

Sodexho's registered dietician will present nutritional information and answer questions from students, faculty and staff from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sept. 11 at the Islands Café. The dietician also will demonstrate the proper use of a new nutritional kiosk that is located in the dining area. The kiosk will provide information on health and nutrition. There also is an information rack located at the east entry (University Drive side) of Islands Café that contains information including notices on upcoming special events, schedules, and staff information.

For more information contact Caroline Doll, director of special projects for Finance & Administration, ext. 3232 or caroline.doll@csuci.edu, or Paul Boulger, general manager of Sodexho campus food services, ext. 8917 or Sodexho@csuci.edu.

#### Library to sponsor an Art Walk

On Sept. 13 the library will sponsor its second annual Art Walk on the sidewalk in front of the library. Throughout the day, students, faculty, and staff will create chalk drawings on the sidewalk surrounding the library. The event is free and open to the CSUCI community. Stop by throughout the day and watch the artists at work!

For more information contact Debi Hoffmann, assistant librarian, ext. 2701 or debra.hoffmann@csuci.edu.

# Open Enrollment for Employee Benefits begins Sept. 17

The annual Open Enrollment period for CalPERS health, CSU dental, Dependent Care Reimbursement Account (DCRA), Health Care Reimbursement Account (HCRA), and FlexCash is Sept. 17 through Oct. 31, 2007. The effective date for all changes made during Open Enrollment will be Jan.1, 2008. Additional Open Enrollment information will be sent soon via email.

For more information contact Diana Enos, interim benefits manager, ext. 8426 or diana.enos@csuci.edu.

# Poetry Reading scheduled

On Sept. 19 authors Maria Melendez and Paul Willis will be on campus for a poetry reading titled: "Poetry, Science, Spirit." The event will be held at 7:30 p.m. on campus in the Aliso Hall Auditorium. Admission is free.

Melendez serves as Associate Editor for Momotombo Press and as co-coordinator for Poetas y Pintores: Artists Conversing with Verse, a traveling exhibition of contemporary Latino art and poetry. Her collection of poetry, "How Long She'll Last in This World," was published in 2006 by the University of Arizona Press.

Paul Willis has taught at Westmont College since 1988. He has published numerous poems in journals such as Poetry, Ascent, Askew, Wilderness, and Christian Century. His most recent chapbooks are "Poison Oak" (Mille Grazie Press, 1999), "The Deep and Secret Color of Ice" (Small Poetry Press, 2003), and "How To Get There" (Finishing Line Press, 2004).

For more information contact Brad Monsma, professor of English, ext. 8948 or brad.monsma@csuci.edu.

## President to speak at campus breakfast

All faculty and staff members are invited to attend a breakfast from 9 to 10:30 a.m. on Sept. 20 to hear from University President Richard R. Rush as a new academic year begins. Information on the University Foundation's payroll deduction program also will be presented. The breakfast event will be held in Salon A.

For more information contact Dianne Wei, coordinator of development & special events, ext. 8420 or dianne.wei@csuci.edu.

# 'Talking Guns, Germs & Steel' Community Discussion Series

The Center for Integrative Studies and the Campus Reading Celebration invite the entire campus and local community to a series of discussions of this year¹s book. Each discussion will focus on one section of "Guns, Germs & Steel" to build interest, understanding, and critical perspectives in anticipation of author Jared Diamond's visit on Nov. 14.

All discussions will take place from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Commons Room of Anacapa Residence Hall.

Sept. 25: "From Eden to Cajamarca"

Oct. 9: "Rise and Spread of Food Production"

Nov. 6: "From Food to Guns, Germs, and Steel"

Nov. 27: "Around the World in Five Chapters"

Each evening will begin with a few individuals bringing diverse insights, intriguing questions, and provocative challenges to the table. These discussion starters need not be experts or "talking heads" and will include students, staff, faculty, and community members. Those who have an interest in a particular section and wish to play a role as one of these facilitators, are asked to contact Brad Monsma, professor of English, brad.monsma@csuci.edu or Debi Hoffman, assistant librarian, debra.hoffmann@csuci.edu for more information.

# Author Patch Adams, M.D., to give presentation

"An Evening with Patch Adams" will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Sept. 26. The event will be held on campus in Malibu Hall 100. A book-signing will follow from 8 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets for the event are \$30 for the general public, \$15 for CSUCI faculty and staff members, free for CSUCI students. Tickets can be purchased online by clicking the link to the event on the home page of CSUCI's Web site at http://www.csuci.edu

Free parking and shuttle service to and from the campus will be available from the Camarillo Metrolink Station/ Lewis Road parking lot in Camarillo from 5 to 9 p.m.

Patch Adams, M.D., is a nationally known speaker on wellness, laughter, and humor as well as on health care and health care systems. He is a medical doctor; clown; performer; social activist; founder and director of the Gesundheit Institute, a holistic medical community that has provided free medical care to thousands of patients since it began in 1971; and the author of "Gesundheit!" and "House Calls."

## Author Peter Richardson to visit campus

Author Peter Richardson will present a lecture titled: "American Prophet: The Civic Engagement and Public Scholarship of Carey McWilliams" from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. on Sept. 27. The event will be held on campus in Malibu Hall 120. Admission is free. Free parking and shuttle service to and from the campus will be available from the Camarillo Metrolink Station/Lewis Road parking lot in Camarillo from 5 to 9 p.m. Parking is available on campus and is \$6 for a daily permit.

Richardson is the editorial director at PoliPointPress in Sausalito, Calif. He is the author or editor of numerous works on language, literature, and California public policy, including the biography, "American Prophet: The Life and Work of Carey McWilliams." He holds a Ph.D. in English from the University of California, Berkeley.

For more information contact Frank Barajas, associate professor of history at CSUCI, ext. 8862 or frank.barajas@csuci.edu.

#### Book, Movie & Pizza Night

During the semester, the Library sponsors several Book, Movie & Pizza nights. These events screen movies that have been made from books, and provide pizza and soda for all attendees. September's movie will be the original "Die Hard," starring Bruce Willis and Alan Rickman. The event will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 27 in the Anacapa Residence Commons. The event is free, and open to all CSUCI students, faculty, and staff.

For more information contact Debi Hoffmann, assistant librarian, ext. 2701 or debra.hoffmann@csuci.edu.

#### President's Dinner tickets available

The 8th annual President's Dinner will be Sept. 29 at the Olivas Adobe Historical Park in Ventura. This year's dinner promises to be another spectacular evening celebrating the success of your University. CSUCI faculty and staff may purchase tickets to the President's Dinner for \$125 each. Each faculty or staff member is eligible to purchase two tickets at this special rate. Payroll deduction can be utilized for ticket purchase.

Tickets can be reserved through Dianne Wei, coordinator of Development & Special Events, in room 1543 in University Hall. Do not send payment via inter-campus mail.

For more information contact Mitchel Sloan, director of University affairs, ext. 8916 or mitchel.sloan@csuci.edu.

#### Student Guidebooks available

The 2007-2008 CSUCI Student Guidebooks are now available in various campus locations. For additional copies or if you did not receive a quantity for your campus area, please call the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs at extension 8536.

#### The 2006-2007 Nautical Yearbooks Are Now Available

The Nautical yearbook of California State University Channel Islands has been completed for the 2006-2007 academic year. For the past year, students from across academic disciplines have worked to produce the second edition of this student-operated publication. Much of the campus's current and future growth, faculty, student leaders, as well as the 2007 Commencement ceremony have been captured in this 176-page, full-color edition.

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To pick-up or purchase a copy of The Nautical, visit The Cove Bookstore, the University's bookstore. The 2006-2007 yearbooks are available for \$55 each. The inaugural 2005-2006 yearbooks, covering the first four years of the campus as well as the history of the grounds, also can be purchased for \$50 each or \$30 with the purchase of the 2006-2007 yearbook for a total of \$85.

For more information or to preview a display copy of The Nautical contact The Nautical yearbook staff, nautical@csuci.edu.

## Visit the Library's Camarillo State Hospital Web page

The Library and University Archives invite you to view the new Camarillo State Hospital Web page at http://www.library.csuci.edu/history/. Go back in time. Find out what the hospital population was in 1937 or who attended the grand opening of the Receiving and Treatment Building. Learn which movies were filmed on campus or view a spectacular historical array of hospital architecture. Read portions of the book, "Keeper of the Keys," an autobiographic account of life at Camarillo. Locate a mural on campus or discover when buildings were built and for what purpose.

#### New Library databases

The Library has added several new electronic databases to its collection: Communication and Mass Media Complete, PsycCritiques, Nature, African Writers Series and Science.

For more information contact the Library's Main Desk, ext. 8561 or visit http://www.library.csuci.edu.

#### Library to sponsor Student Book Collection contest

During fall semester, the Library is sponsoring a Student Book Collection contest. This contest is open to all students who collect books, and wish to showcase their personal book collections in the library. Haven't started collecting yet, but have a "dream collection" in mind? The contest also is open to students who wish to create "virtual" book collections as well.

For more information, or to participate in the contest contact Ellie Tayag, lecturer, ext. 3140 or elnora.tayag@csuci.edu.

## University Police conduct outreach at Casa Pacifica

For the past several months Acting Corporal Ceci DeSoto-Teunis has been meeting with staff and students at Casa Pacifica. Casa Pacifica, located on Lewis Road just north of campus, is a residential treatment facility focused on serving abused, neglected, and severely emotionally disturbed children from Ventura, Santa Barbara, and Los Angeles counties.

The purpose for these meetings was to "be a good neighbor," and to provide an opportunity for Casa's juvenile residents to observe and interact with police officers in a positive, non-threatening, and supportive manner. Many of the juvenile residents at Casa Pacifica have only experienced interactions with police officers during upsetting or traumatic events. Desoto-Teunis and the Casa Pacifica staff developed an opportunity for CSUCI police officers to visit their campus and interact with residents on a regular basis.

During the meetings with the Casa residents, Desoto-Teunis learned they wanted to visit CSUCI and see "first hand" what the University was all about. On Aug. 22, eight juveniles, from eighth to eleventh grade,

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toured campus. They met with Lori Macdonald, coordinator of Early Recruitment, and Melissa Frazier, senior recruitment counselor. Macdonald and Frazier spoke about making a college degree a reality. The Casa residents toured the campus, and had lunch in the South Quad while observing a K-9 demonstration by Corporal Tom Finnerty and his K-9 partner Frieda.

"I'm so proud of my staff's outreach at Casa Pacifica, and I feel it's important that the greater campus community be made aware of one of the many 'non-traditional' ways in which its Police Department supports the mission of this great University," said John Reid, Chief of Police and director of Public Safety.

For more information contact John Reid, Chief of Police and director of Public Safety, ext. 8444 or john.reid@csuci.edu.

### CSUCI lecturer writes chapter in book

Written work by Christine Popok, lecturer of English, has been included in the book "Race, Poverty, and Social Justice: Multidisciplinary Perspectives through Service Learning." Her chapter is titled: Reflections on Service Learning as a Pedagogical Strategy in Composition. The purpose of this volume is to provide examples of how service learning can be integrated into courses addressing social justice issues, while demonstrating the power of service learning in advancing a course content that is community based and socially engaged.

Popok, a CPA, teaches composition at CSUCI with a focus on Service Learning and Civic Engagement. In addition to her academic lectures, she presents continuing education courses to fellow CPAs and attorneys through the Center for Professional Education, Inc. and owns Christine Popok Accountancy. Coach Christine, as she prefers her students call her, has been the Faculty Advisor for CSUCI's Rotaract Club since 2003.

For more information contact Christine Popok, lecturer of English, ext. 8978 or christine.popok@csuci.edu.

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