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Meet with the Candidates for the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Position

Interviews for the four finalists for the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs position will take place from Monday, February 23, through Friday, March 5. Students, faculty, staff, and members of the public are invited to attend the evening receptions and general meetings. In addition, faculty have the opportunity to meet with each candidate at a brown bag lunch question and answer session, and students are urged to attend the meet and greets in the Bell Tower Student Lounge. The successful candidate for this position will report to the President and will be responsible for providing leadership in the development and implementation of academic programs and policies for the University. The Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs will be instrumental in shaping the University's academic vision and the programs that support that vision, conveying and nurturing the mission of the University, and completing the process of achieving accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

For a schedule or more information, contact Melissa Remotti, support assistant in the Office of the President, x8901.

Biology Student Wins Scholarship

Senior biology major Taylor Murphy was awarded an Apple Seed of Excellence Award, a scholarship of \$1,000, by the Camarillo Health Care Organization. The award was presented to him at the Los Posas Country Club on Saturday, January 31. Taylor was one of only two students from Ventura County who received this award. Attending the awards ceremony were eight members of Taylor's family, President Rush, and a number of faculty members and administrators from CSUCI.

For more information, contact Ching-Hua Wang, professor of immunology and microbiology, x8870.

Faculty Member Presents Research on National Parks

Donald Rodriguez, assistant professor of environmental science and resource management, recently presented the results of his research on national parks at the Social Aspects and Recreation Research Symposium in San Francisco. "Minority Visitor Use Patterns in National Parks" is a two-year study aimed at determining what factors limit minority involvement with National Parks in general and Rocky Mountain National Park in particular.

For more information, contact Donald Rodriguez, assistant professor of environmental science and resource management, x8494.

Bioenergy Partnering Forum

The campus community is invited to attend the Bioenergy Partnering Forum at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, February 23. Presented by the CSUCI Business and Technology Partnership (B&TP) Committee and the Channel Islands Bioenergy and Bioproducts Consortium (CIB2C), the forum will feature federal and state government entities, private companies, and non-profit organizations working in the energy sector using new applications of biological technologies. The event will be held at the Gold Coast Innovation Center on the CSUCI campus.

For more information, contact Mitchel Sloan, events coordinator, x8916.

Acclaimed Author To Speak at CSUCI

Maria Amparo Escandon, author of the novel *Esperanza's Box of Saints* and screenwriter for the film "Santitos" will be giving a lecture at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 24, in the Science Auditorium. The acclaimed author, whose novel has been translated into seventeen languages and made the *Los Angeles Times* and *New York Times* bestseller lists, will discuss writing fiction and film. A book signing will follow the event. The film "Santitos" will also be screened in the Science Auditorium on February 24 at 4:00 p.m. There will also be a screening of "Santitos" at Café on "A" in Oxnard (438 South A Street, 805-216-4530) on February 20 at 6:30 p.m. The lecture and screenings are free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Lacey Allen, faculty support coordinator, x8545.

Black History Month Celebration

The campus community is invited to attend a Black History Month Celebration on Wednesday, February 25, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in Conference Hall 1. Student Development has invited Kim Russell from Las Vegas to present *Sojourner Truth: "I Sell the Shadow."* There will be musical performances by CSUCI students Kristi Adame, Ryan Gillienwater, and community member Lisa Houston, and student presentations of famous African Americans from history. The event will be followed by a reception.

For more information, contact Toni Rice, coordinator of orientation and student life, x8962.

Elder Care Seminar

Tasha Clark, an elder care counselor from Pacific Care, will be leading a seminar on elder care, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 26, in the Banquet Room of the Administration Building. The seminar is free and open to the campus community.

For more information, contact Colleen Bennett, human resources administrator, x8846.

February and March Madness

The Students vs. Faculty Basketball Game will take place at 6:00 p.m. at Hagerty Gym on Friday, February 20. There will also be a 3-on-3 Weenie Roast Basketball Tournament for students, faculty, and staff on Friday, March 5; those who are interested should sign up at the gym by Friday, February 27.

For more information or to participate, contact Nathan Avery, special consultant, x8902.

Grand Opening of the Multicultural and Women's & Gender Center

As the kick off for the International Week Celebration (March 8 through 12), there will be a grand opening for the Multicultural and Women's & Gender Center on Monday, March 8, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the courtyard area by the student lounge (near the food truck). The center is intended to heighten the awareness, understanding, and appreciation of various issues of diversity and gender equity for the entire CSUCI community. Various programs will be sponsored through the center as well as the establishment of a library and a common place for students to meet to discuss issues of multiculturalism and gender identity.

For more information, contact Lisette Rodriguez, EOP and outreach coordinator, x8923.

Volunteers Needed for International Week

There will be an International Feast and Fashion show on Wednesday, March 10, at 6:30 p.m. in Conference Hall 1, as part of the International Week Celebration (March 8 through 12). Volunteers are needed to participate in the fashion show by wearing clothing that is representative of their country. Also, volunteers are needed to bring in their favorite dish for a potluck style feast.

To volunteer for the fashion show, contact Toni Rice, coordinator of orientation and student life, x8962.

To volunteer for the potluck, contact Lisa La Frenz, student development assistant, x8998.

Women's History Month Essay Contest

Student Development is seeking entries for the Women's History Month Essay Contest. The national theme is "Women Inspiring Hope and Possibility." Applications are available in the Office of Student Development (Bell Tower, Room 1211), and essays should be turned in to that office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 19. Awards for the top three essays will include a trophy from Student Development and book stipends in the following amounts from CSUCI Student Government: 1st place \$200, 2nd place \$125, 3rd place \$75. The first-place winner will read his/her essay at the Women's History Month Celebration at the University HUB on Wednesday, March 24, at 12:30 p.m.

For more information, contact Toni Rice, coordinator of orientation and student life, x8962.

Student Honors Convocation Date Set

The Annual Student Honors Convocation Ceremony for CSUCI and CSUN@CI students will be Thursday, May 6, at 7:00 p.m. in Conference Hall 1.

For more information, contact Cindy Eaves, events coordinator, x8548.

Around Campus

CSUCI staff members put up a good fight, but were unable to defeat the students, who enjoyed a 3-0 victory in the Students vs. Staff Volleyball Game on Thursday, February 12. The staff team roster included Peter Mosinkis, Hannah Ocampo, Dale Velador, Jay Lesseig, Kirsten Moss, Tom Emens, Melissa Remotti, Rhonda Tyacke, Noel Buena, Herb Aquino,



Rich Paulson, and Theresa Hernandez. The student team roster included Kelli Vargo, Kristina Cervantes, Karissa Predmore, Carla Doerr, Blake Baron, Tim Maurer, Gitana Serna, Josh Linn, Sean Burns, Blake Monson, Eric Bensley, Jennifer Crease, Katie Wolfinger, Nichole White, and Justin Stein. Lisa La Frenz officiated the event.



Student Government presented a Valentine's Day poster to President Rush, on which they described the many things they love about attending CSUCI.

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