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## University Surrounded by Flooding, Road Closures

The campus weathered the recent storms very well, although the surrounding roads were heavily impacted. The University thanks students, faculty, staff, and residents of University Glen for their patience and flexibility in dealing with the numerous road closures and other difficulties brought on by the recent rains. In such situations, to receive the most current information, the campus community is asked to consult e-mails and voice-mail, the University switchboard, and the CSUCI Web site for updates. Information is also provided to area media outlets as appropriate. In addition, campus phone trees for all University divisions may be activated, based on need.

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## CSUCI Launches Relief Fund for Victims of Tsunami Disaster

In response to the global tragedy that struck thousands of people in southern Asia, President Rush announced today a CSUCI relief fund to help those affected by the tsunami. The campus is providing several sites for the collection of monetary donations. Posters placed throughout the campus will also announce a way to make donations through the University bookstore, The Cove. Visitors to the store may simply indicate a donation at the time of a purchase and the donation will be added to their cash or credit card purchases, with an acknowledgement of the donation on the receipt. All money collected from the canisters and bookstore will be sent to the International Relief Fund of the American Red Cross, through the local Ventura County Chapter. In addition, links to other agencies can be found on the University's Web site at [www.csuci.edu](http://www.csuci.edu).

*For more information, contact Therese Eyermann, ext. 8874, Peggy Hinz, ext. 8947, Ed Lebioda, ext. 8547, or Anna Pavin, ext. 8425.*

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## Dolphin Fountain to Be Dedicated as Students Return for Spring Semester

The campus community is invited to attend a dedication ceremony for the new fountain and dolphin statue on the Science Building Plaza, to be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, January 24. As students will be returning to campus for classes on that day and may not be aware of the event, faculty may wish to share information on the event with their morning classes. Present at the dedication will be John Spoor Broome and his family, whose donation made the fountain and statue possible, and artist James "Bud" Bottoms, who created the piece. A Chumash blessing will be part of the ceremony. Refreshments will be served.

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## Ribbon-cutting to Be Held for University Dining Room

The University will celebrate the official opening of the campus dining room, Tuesday, February 1, at noon. Students, faculty, and staff are invited to attend a grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony in the area along University Drive, in front of the dining room. The winner of the contest to name the new facility will be announced at this time. Free pizza and soda will be served throughout the lunch hour by Sodhexo Campus Services.

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## 2005-2006 Application Process to Open for University Preparation School

The University Preparation School application/lottery process for the 2005-2006 school year will be held from January 21 through March 11. Applications are available at the office of Barbara Thorpe, associate vice president for Research and Sponsored Programs, room 226 of the Professional Building. Appointments for informational meetings may be scheduled by calling the UPS office at 482-4608. Siblings of current students have priority in the application/lottery process. Current students do not have to apply.

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## Kudos

Nancy Covarrubias Gill, director of Special Projects and Student Communication, Student Affairs Division, was recently recognized as the 2004 Oxnard Ambassador of the Year. She has been an Ambassador for 10 years and has been actively involved as chair of the annual Ambassador Golf Tournament. She also served as the organization's 2000 consul general (president). The Oxnard Ambassadors are a division of the Oxnard Chamber of Commerce, which was established in 1968 and is comprised of 30 business leaders who become members by invitation only.

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## New Staff Orientation Scheduled for January 19 and 20

Human Resources announces its orientation sessions for new employees, to be held from 8 a.m. – noon on Wednesday, January 19, and Thursday, January 20, in the Administration Building Training Room. The sessions are mandatory for all new full-time staff, who should register by e-mailing Colleen Bennett, HR administrator, at [colleen.bennett@csuci.edu](mailto:colleen.bennett@csuci.edu).

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## Welcome, New Employees

Here are new employees as of December 2004, provided by Human Resources: Jo Ann Stuermer, HR services coordinator, Human Resources; Janet Korsmo, administrative support assistant, Human Resources; Angela Stockmon, CMS technical support, Information Management; and Helina Hong Wu, auxiliary and sponsored programs, Accounting and Budget.

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## Library's 24-hour Final Exam Schedule Is an Overnight Success

Many students expressed their appreciation for the library's 24-hour schedule during the recent final exam period, says Paul Adalian, University library dean. "They made use of computers, studied individually, or participated in study groups", Adalian said. "Some students brought sleeping bags and slept in designated areas of the library which were dubbed with names relating to corresponding book collections." The science collection area was called "Einstein Estates," the literature area, "Hemingway Home," and the art area, the "VanGo to Sleep Suite." Some students also participated in the library's 3 a.m. pajama and slipper contest. Refreshments were offered throughout the night, along with a wake-up call service. To provide breaks from study, episodes of "Get Smart" and the film, "Dr. Strangelove," were screened.

## Construction Report

The Ventura County Transportation Commission recently approved staff recommendations to move forward with the first step in the process of widening Lewis Road.

### *Around Campus*

#### PJ Party

*Participating in the library's recent 24-hour final exam schedule were, from left, students Kathy Thompson, Jason Marks, and William Settle.*



*A photo taken last Tuesday from the bridge at the entrance to the University shows the overflowing Calleguas Creek, caused by severe rainstorms. Due to a levy break on Sunday, a section of University Drive and the agricultural fields on each side were submerged under several feet of water. Lewis Road was temporarily closed but the University remained open.*

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