WASC Supports University’s Candidacy Status for Accreditation

Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) commissioners recently voted to give solid support to grant candidacy status to California State University Channel Islands, which is a significant step in the University’s efforts to attain accreditation from the association. The next step in the WASC accreditation process is the University’s preparations for the Institutional Capacity Report.

CSUCI Psychology Students to Present Research at Regional Conference

Eight students from the psychology program of CSUCI have been selected to present their research at the April meeting of the Western Psychological Association in Portland, Oregon. The students were part of a research program begun in the spring of 2004 by Virgil Adams, assistant professor of psychology. The research examined issues of quality of life and hope. “I am really proud of them,” Dr. Adams said. “They spent the summer collecting data and returned this fall to do analyses and prepare their submissions.” Presentations of research at regional conferences often facilitate admission to graduate programs. The students are Michael T. Collinson, Lisa A. Dickinson, Angela M. DeLaRosa, Nicole M. Gregorvich, Deidrea M. Mullally, Maria T. Tilkens, Kelli Slayback, and Mathew R. Wagner.

DVDs of Commencement 2005 May Be Ordered Online

Orders for commencement 2005 DVDs are now being taken through the University Bookstore Web site. The DVD, the official video coverage of the 2005 CSUCI graduation, is expected to be available approximately 30 days after the event. Cost is $15. To order, visit www.csuci.bkstr.com and click on “Apparel & Gifts.”

Experts to Debate Weapons in Space at March 3 Campus Event

A World Affairs Council debate, titled “Weapons in Space?,” will be held Thursday, March 3, in the University’s Science Auditorium. The event will feature Peter L. Hays, Ph.D., policy analyst, Science Applications International Corporation, and Philip Coyle, senior advisor to President George W. Bush, Center for Defense Information. The debate, open to the public, costs $20 per person. Students with CSUCI identification cards will not be charged. Registration begins at 2 p.m., followed by the debate at 2:30 p.m. Complimentary parking is available in Lot A10.

For more information, contact Cindy Eaves, academic events coordinator, at ext 8548.
Seminar to Focus on Privacy of Student Education Records

A Family Education Rights & Privacy Act (FERPA) seminar will be held Thursday, March 3, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., in the Professional Building, Room 155. Lissa Wayne, manager, Client Solutions, will speak on federal laws that protect the privacy of student education records.

To RSVP, contact Sherrie Frame, administrative assistant, Enrollment Services, at ext. 8518. For more information, contact Colleen Bennett, HR administrator, at ext. 8846.

March 4 Workshop Offers Advice on Workplace Violence

A workshop on workplace violence will be held Friday, March 4, from 1 to 3 p.m., in the Administration Training Room. The event will provide information on how to recognize potential violent acts and threats in the workplace, how to avoid or stop them, and, when necessary, how to report them.

For more information, contact Colleen Bennett, HR administrator, at ext. 8846.

Professor Grzegorczyk to Host March 11 CSU Math Program Meeting

Ivona Grzegorczyk, professor of mathematics and chair of the mathematics programs for CSUCI and the CSU system, will host the CSU Math Program meeting Friday, March 11, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., in the Administration Training Room.

For more information, contact Ivona Grzegorczyk, professor of mathematics and chair of the mathematics program, at ext. 8868.

Student/Faculty/Staff Basketball Teams to Begin Play March 3

Students, faculty, and staff interested in participating in five-on-five basketball games are forming teams for league play that begins Thursday, March 3. Teams must pay a fee of $25. A captains meeting will be soon be scheduled by Recreation and Leisure Services.

For more information, contact Nathan Avery, coordinator of Recreation and Leisure Services, at ext. 8902.

Chinese Author to Speak at March 30 Event

Anchee Min, who wrote a memoir about surviving three years in a labor camp as a teenager during the Chinese Cultural Revolution, will be the featured speaker at campus event to be held Wednesday, March 30, at 6:30 p.m. in the Science Auditorium. As part of her presentation, she and her daughter will dramatize a part of her memoir. The author’s books may be purchased at the event and she will be available for autographs. The presentation is sponsored by the English and history programs, in conjunction with the Multicultural Women’s and Gender Center and the CSUCI Foundation.

For more information, contact Joan K. Peters, assistant professor of English, at ext. 8448.
Construction Report

Town Center
Subcontractors have been asked to park within the boundaries of the Town Center project fence rather than on Rincon Drive whenever possible. Some construction vehicles will still be parking in front of the construction trailer only. There are no anticipated street closures related to the Town Center construction along Rincon Drive or Chapel Drive.

Campus Water Main
The recent heavy rainfalls caused the campus water main to break at Long Grade Canyon Creek. Although the campus has a reserve of water that will sustain its activities for a short time, everyone is encouraged to conserve water as much as possible. A temporary waterline to replace the broken water main has been installed across the bridge to supply water to the campus. Repairs to the water main will soon begin to restore permanent water service to the campus.

For more information, contact Juan M. Beltranena, director of Facilities, OPC, at ext. 8496.

Around Campus
On Friday, February 19, 2005, CSUCI received a charter for the Rotaract Club at CSUCI at a banquet hosted by the Camarillo Rotary Club. Twenty-six students were inducted into the club (shown below) with President Richard Rush and his wife Jane, CSUCI faculty, staff, and administration in attendance. Also in attendance were representatives from Rotary clubs throughout Ventura County and Rotary International. More information about the club can be found at www.rotaractcsuci.org.