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Chaparral and Manzanita Halls Now Open for Academic Use
Two buildings on campus will be now used for academic purposes. Chaparral Hall (formerly the Science Building Annex, adjacent to the Science Building) will be used for chemistry and biology research. Manzanita Hall, across the street and north of Chaparral, will provide three 40-ft. classrooms for lectures and four faculty offices.

For more information, contact Dan Wakelee, associate dean of faculty, at ext. 8542, or Paul Calderwood, campus planner, at ext. 3290.

Flu Shots Now Available on Campus
The Student Health Center has flu shots available on a first-come, first-served basis for all currently enrolled students, faculty and staff. The flu shots are free to students; faculty and staff will be charged $2. According to the Student Health Center, the flu season has not officially ended, and vaccinations are still recommended. Some people should not be vaccinated without first consulting a physician. They include people who have a severe allergy to chicken eggs; people who have had a severe reaction to an influenza vaccination in the past; people who developed Guillain-Barré syndrome (GBS) within six weeks of getting an influenza vaccine previously; children less than six months of age (influenza vaccine is not approved for use in this age group); and people who have a moderate or severe illness with a fever should wait to get vaccinated until their symptoms lessen.

For more information, contact Adele Hutchinson, receptionist, Student Health Center, at ext. 8828.

New Recreation Field to Officially Open January 25
A ribbon-cutting ceremony for the University’s new Recreation Field will be held Wednesday, January 25, at 12:15 p.m. The event, which will feature a barbecue and “Punt, Pass, and Kick” contest, officially opens the field for use by the campus community. According to Nathan Avery, coordinator of recreation services, anyone with a Dolphin Passport may also check out equipment such as soccer balls and footballs for use on the field. Cheerleaders from the Los Angeles Avengers arena football team will also be in attendance.

For more information, contact Nathan Avery, coordinator of recreation and leisure services, at ext. 8902.
Osher Presents Winter String Quartet Concert Series


For more information, contact Marty Kaplan, Ph.D., director, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at ext. 8583.

University to Hold Grad Fest to Inform Students of Services, Commencement Deadlines

To facilitate and serve student commencement needs, the Division of Student Affairs will host a one-stop shop event, the first annual CSUCI Grad Fest, designed to highlight available campus services and increase student awareness of pertinent deadlines related to this year’s commencement ceremony, scheduled for Saturday, May 20. Any division on campus that wants to communicate directly with students regarding commencement or graduation-related issues, such as eligibility, access, or parking to name just a few, should send a representative to a planning meeting Thursday, January 26, from 3 - 4 p.m. in the University Hall Training Room.

To RSVP or for more information, contact Shannon Soczek, coordinator of special projects in Student Life, at ext. 8539.

University Plans Community Celebration of 300th Birthday of Ben Franklin

The 300th birthday of Benjamin Franklin will be the focus of a CSUCI community-wide celebration presented to the campus community as well as the general public. The “CSUCI Benjamin Franklin Distinguished Lecture Series” will feature four of the most preeminent scholars on Franklin’s life, as well as Pulitzer Prize-winning author David McCullough, who will be this year’s commencement speaker.

On Thursday, February 9, Carla Mulford will speak on “Benjamin Franklin, Traditions of Liberalism, and the Plan for an Academy at Philadelphia” at 2 p.m. in Conference Hall 1, and Michael Kammen will speak on “Seeing and Being Seen: Franklin’s Visionary Fame in the Context of the Nation’s Founders” at 6:30 p.m. in the Science Auditorium. On Thursday, March 30, Gordon Wood will speak on “The Americanization of Benjamin Franklin” at 2 p.m. in Conference Hall 1, and J.A. Leo Lemay will speak on “Franklin’s Intellectual and Personal Characteristics” at 6:30 p.m., also in Conference Hall 1. Lemay will also be available for signing copies of his latest Franklin biography. The University’s Web site will also feature a special Ben Franklin 300th birthday celebration page, with access to the national Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary site (http://www.benfranklin300.org) as well.

Nian-Sheng Huang, associate professor and chair of the history program, who is spearheading these activities, began the celebration by attending the national birthday commemoration, “300 Years and Still Counting: America Celebrates Franklin’s 300th Birthday,” held Tuesday, January 17, in Philadelphia. See photo on page three.

Graduate School Information Fair Set for February 22

The annual Graduate School Information Fair will be held Wednesday, February 22, from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on campus. This event provides an opportunity for graduate school representatives from California and other areas to introduce students and community members to degree programs available at their schools. The Graduate School Information Fair also provides students, alumni, and community members with a forum to obtain valuable information and insight from school representatives.
B&TP Leadership Dinner Scheduled for April 18 at Reagan Library
The 2006 Business & Technology Partnership Leadership Dinner, sponsored by the California State University Channel Islands Foundation and the Santa Barbara Bank & Trust, will be held Tuesday, April 18, at 5:30 p.m. at the Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley. The event will honor the 2006 Business Leader of the Year, the 2006 Technologist of the Year, and the 2006 Faculty Leader of the Year, as well as present five $2,500 scholarships to CSUCI students. The B&TP fosters collaboration between the University and Ventura County businesses, and promotes technological excellence among the University’s students, faculty, and staff for the benefit of the region’s economy. Past recipients of the Faculty Leader of the Year Award are Ivona Grzegorczyk, professor and chair of the mathematics program, and Ching-Hua Wang, professor of immunology and microbiology and chair of the biology program.

For more information, contact Dianne Wei, administrative assistant, Development Office, at ext. 8420.

Around Campus

Happy Birthday, Ben!
In honor of Benjamin Franklin’s 300th birthday, a special event was held Tuesday, January 17, at the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia with 300 invited guests, including Nian-Sheng Huang, associate professor and chair of the history program. The event, “300 Years and Still Counting: America Celebrates Franklin’s 300th Birthday,” featured a large birthday cake with 300 candles. Dr. Huang is the second person to the left of the kite (see yellow arrow).

Note: In general, event announcements in wavelength are presented in chronological order.
It is advisable to submit items at least four weeks in advance of the event.

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