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Students Approve Student Recreation Complex Project

California State University, Stanislaus students have overwhelmingly approved a referendum to fund construction of a student recreation complex scheduled to open in 2008.

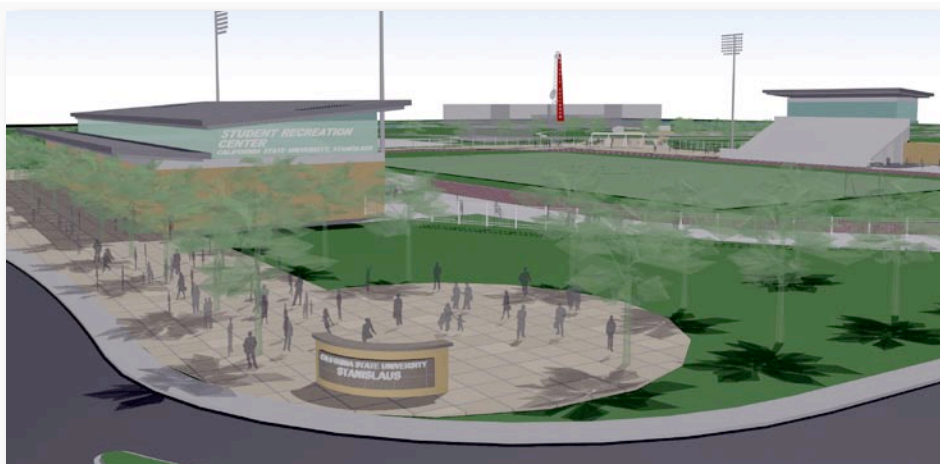
Sixty-eight percent of student voters approved the measure. A higher than normal number of student voters took to the polls on May 3 and 4 to vote for the referendum and student body officer elections.

"I am very pleased to see that students are so supportive of this project because it will really be an asset to the University and the community," California State University, Stanislaus President Hamid Shirvani said. "This is a project that captures the spirit of this University and contributes to physical education and fitness as one of the four essential pillars of education along with the spiritual, intellectual and personal components. It's also one of the major elements of establishing Turlock as a college town."

The complex, which will be located on the east side of campus at the corner of Geer Road and Christoffersen Parkway, will feature a 21,000-square-foot fitness center, a 2,500-seat lighted soccer/football stadium with a state-of-the-art all-weather turf and track, a lighted intramural competition field and a soccer practice field. A field events site for the relocated track and field program is also included in the project.

Under the plan approved, students will pay an additional \$80 in the fall, spring and summer terms, and \$27 in the winter term. However, the fees will not be implemented until 2008. Students who take more than half of their classes at the Stockton Center will not be required to pay the fees, and monthly rates will be available for those students who are not taking classes during the summer.

A unique feature of the project is the campus commitment that half of all donations and profits related to the facility will be directed toward reducing the student fee after the complex is opened. Other donations will go to athletic scholarships and future expansion and improvements of the complex.



"The complex is going to be a fabulous addition to our campus and I know students are excited about this as something coming in the near future," said Chelsea Minor, Associated Students, Inc. President. "With this vote of 68%, it's very apparent to me that students have a want and a need for this facility. That was very important to the student leadership as we went about making sure that students were supportive of this project."

Addition of a lighted intramural field will provide CSU Stanislaus with its first dedicated facility for that program. Participation in intramurals has increased dramatically with the University's steady enrollment growth and improved student-generated recreation programs.

Presidential Inauguration

Set For June 2

Members of the University community are invited to attend the inauguration of Dr. Hamid Shirvani, who will be inaugurated as the seventh president of California State University, Stanislaus on Friday, June 2. The ceremony will take place at 4 p.m. in the Arts Quad, followed by a 6 p.m. reception.

Invited guests will include dignitaries and leaders at other universities and colleges as well as people from the CSU Stanislaus region.

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Jamie McCreary



Nancy Taniguchi



Jane Howard



Betsy Eudey

California State University, Stanislaus faculty members **Dr. Jamie McCreary**, **Dr. Nancy Taniguchi** and **Dr. Jane Howard** have been named 2005-06 Outstanding Award recipients and **Dr. Betsy Eudey** is recipient of the Elizabeth Anne B. Papageorge Faculty Development Award.

McCreary was named winner of the University's featured Outstanding Professor Award, Taniguchi as Outstanding Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity Professor, and Howard as Outstanding Community Service Professor. Eudey's award, named in honor of the late CSU Stanislaus education professor Elizabeth Papageorge, recognizes and encourages outstanding achievement by up and coming faculty members. All four were honored at the University's 2006 Faculty Recognition Dinner on May 5.

McCreary, a Professor of Psychology and a faculty member for 31 years who will retire at the end of the academic year, is commended as a dedicated educator whose teaching, mentoring and activism for quality education mark her for distinction as one of the "best of the best" at CSU Stanislaus. She has drawn high praise for her work in training graduate psychology students and was a pioneer in developing the University's Honors Program.

Taniguchi, a Professor of History, is known for her passion for history and has a distinguished record of publishing her historical research. She has written two books on Utah history, the most recent having been recognized as best book on the state's history in 2004. Taniguchi has published numerous historical articles and regularly presents her research at major scholarly conferences.

Dedicated Work

Howard, a Professor of Psychology and member of the University faculty for 28 years, is known for her dedicated work at two important centers, both of which she founded. Those centers have brought psychological services to the community which make a big difference for many children and families in the region. She has done extensive research and publishing in her field and has been actively involved in community service since her first year on campus.

In 1979, Howard founded the Center for Direct Instruction, which has provided remediation to more than 2,000 children and enabled many of them to close the CSU Stanislaus liaison to Valley Mountain Regional Center's Behavioral Intervention Program for people with developmental disabilities, melding the service needs of the community with training needs of CSU Stanislaus students. Howard helped found the Kendall School for autistic children in Modesto that has developed effective treatments, creating success stories with students. She teamed with other psychologists to conduct a recently published study that dispels some popular notions about how to treat autism.

Eudey, an Assistant Professor and Director of Gender Studies who joined the CSU Stanislaus faculty in 2003, was commended for her ability to spread to her colleagues enthusiasm for teaching and dedication to student learning. In addition to her extensive research, Eudey has developed new Gender and Ethnic Studies courses, concentrations and certificate programs.

William Covino Named New Provost



William Covino

Dr. William A. Covino, Dean of the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters at Florida Atlantic University since 2001, has been named Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at California State University, Stanislaus.

CSU Stanislaus President Dr. Hamid Shirvani said Covino will assume his new post on Aug. 1.

"Dr. Covino brings a solid academic portfolio to California State University, Stanislaus as an experienced and accomplished administrator," President Shirvani said. "He has been an active scholar and published extensively on literature, theory and rhetoric. We are excited to welcome him to our community."

As Dean of Arts and Letters at Florida Atlantic University which serves 26,000 students at seven campuses in the Palm Beach area, Covino oversees 11 academic departments and six interdisciplinary degree programs, including a PhD. in Comparative Studies. He joined with faculty to develop a School of Arts and a Center for Interdisciplinary Study and has implemented an active fundraising program, with gifts and pledges totaling \$6.5 million over the last four years.

"I am delighted to be joining CSU Stanislaus at this exciting moment in its history," said Covino, who earned his college degrees in California. "So many of the ingredients are in place for advancing our academic distinction, achievement, and growth: a dedicated and accomplished faculty, a dynamic and visionary president, an energized administrative team, and a vibrant and welcoming regional community. Becoming part of all this is a great privilege. I grew up in California, and began my career in the CSU system, so it feels like I'm coming home."

Prior to joining Florida Atlantic in 1998 as Chair of the Department of English, Covino served on the faculties of the University of Illinois at Chicago and San Diego State University, where he held administrative positions, such as department chair, director of undergraduate studies and director of composition.

Covino received his Ph.D. in English and Master of Arts in English from the University of Southern California, another master's degree in English from California State University, Northridge and his undergraduate degree from the University of California, Los Angeles.

His major fields of interest are history and theory of rhetoric, focusing on persuasion and imagination. Covino has published five books on those topics and contributed to many other books and published articles.

President Shirvani Names Acting Deans of Four New Colleges

California State University, Stanislaus President Hamid Shirvani has gone to the faculty ranks to appoint acting deans of four newly formed colleges.

After considering nominations submitted by the University's faculty following the March 7 approval by the Academic Senate to restructure the current College of Arts, Letters, and Sciences into four new colleges, President Shirvani announced his acting dean appointments on April 4. They are: **Dr. Stephen Thomas**, College of the Arts; **Dr. Gary Novak**, College of Human and Health Sciences; **Dr. Marjorie Jaasma**, College of Humanities and Social Sciences; and **Dr. Jane Bruner**, College of Natural Sciences.

"These acting deans bring excellent leadership and interpersonal skills dedicated to planning for a strong, vibrant college and addressing transitional implementation issues," President Shirvani said.



Stephen Thomas



Gary Novak



Marjorie Jaasma



Jane Bruner

Leadership Plan

Acting deans have begun to provide leadership in working with their respective faculty in planning for the new colleges, with the new structure scheduled to be officially operational by July 1. A national search has begun for founding deans of the four colleges.

Members of the Academic Senate overwhelmingly approved the restructuring of the College of Arts, Letters, and Sciences, on March 7 after several months of consultation and discussion.

The new alignment of the University's largest college will increase the number of colleges at CSU Stanislaus to six and is comparable with other universities of similar size and mission.

Newly Restructured Colleges at California State University, Stanislaus

Restructuring By Department:

College of the Arts

- Department of Art
- Department of Music
- Department of Theatre

College of Humanities and Social Sciences

- Department of Agricultural Studies
- Department of Anthropology and Geography
- Department of Communication Studies
- Department of Criminal Justice
- Department of Economics
- Department of English
- Department of Ethnic and Gender Studies
- Department of History
- Department of Liberal Studies
- Department of Philosophy and Modern Languages
- Department of Politics and Public Administration
- Department of Sociology

College of Natural Sciences

- Department of Biological Sciences
- Department of Chemistry
- Department of Mathematics
- Department of Computer Science
- Department of Physics, Physical Sciences and Geology

College of Human and Health Sciences

- Department of Nursing
- Department of Psychology and Child Development
- Department of Social Work

Shakespeare Play and Children's Production Scheduled For July

California State University, Stanislaus will offer a premiere summer season of entertainment in July with an outdoor production of William Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew" and an indoor children's production of "Pooh Stories."

Drew Sutherland, Festival Director and a CSU Stanislaus Drama Department faculty member, said plans call for the July festival to become an annual event at the University. The Shakespeare performances are scheduled for 8 o'clock Thursday through Sunday evenings at the University Amphitheatre and "Pooh Stories" are scheduled for a pair of weekends, July 22, 23, 29 and 30.

"The thing that excites me the most about this is that we get to offer high quality children's theatre inside during the heat of the summer," said Sutherland, architect of the University's exciting new summer program. "Then, the evenings can be spent under the stars watching exceptional theatre. This kind of entertainment will be great for the whole community. I've been very impressed with the way the community has responded with sponsorships to help support this program."

The festival will have, at its core, a company of 16 students who will all receive full scholarships and be housed at CSU Stanislaus during the eight-week rehearsal and performance period. All proceeds from the event will go into an account earmarked for the next summer program's scholarships.

Student Performers

Student performers in the productions directed by CSU Stanislaus Theatre Professor Jere O'Donnell are Colleen Albert, Emily Gomes and Virginia Olivera of Modesto; Jason Bayless, Ashley O'Bryan, Matt Valaderez and Amber Wallen of Turlock; Kelsey Bennett and Carl Lindberg of Manteca, Lyz Buttucci of Merced; Tim Sutton of Sonora; Susan Brummet of Hollister; JC Wilde of Duarte; Kitty Keim of Avalon; Megan Lynch of Truckee; and Leila Ghaznavi of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Sutherland also will participate as an actor in the Shakespeare production. Shakespeare's classic comedy, "Taming of the Shrew," centers on one man's attempts to control the willful, bad-tempered Kate (the shrew). Complete with plot twists, disguises and rollicking language, Petruchio's clever attempts to "tame" the shrew have delighted audiences for centuries.



Jason Bayless (left) and Susan Brummet get into the spirit for "Taming of the Shrew."

FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

"Taming of the Shrew"

July 13-16, 20-23, 27-30 in University Amphitheatre

Show times: 8 p.m. Gates open 6:30 p.m.

Admission: \$10 general, \$7 students with ID,
\$4 children under 16

"Pooh Stories Part Duex"

July 22, 23, 29, 30 in University Theatre

Show times: 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m.

Admission: \$4 adults, \$3 students, \$2 children under 12

Information: University Theatre Box Office, (209) 667-3166
or on the web at:

www.csustan.edu/Theatre/Data/Announcement/index.html

"Taming of the Shrew," featuring an impressive working Italian café set designed by CSU Stanislaus expert Noble Dinse, will play for 12 performances the last three weekends in July (13-16, 20-23, 27-30). The Amphitheatre will open at 6:30 each evening to accommodate people who want to spread blankets out and enjoy picnic dinners and their favorite beverages. An art walk featuring the work of local artists will be set up at the Amphitheatre entrance.

Ticket prices are \$10 general admission, \$7 for college students and CSU Stanislaus staff and \$4 for those 16 and under. Tickets are on sale at the University Theatre Box Office, (209) 667-3166.

The week after the Shakespeare event opens, the actors will put on a children's theatre performance in the University Drama Building Mainstage Theatre. Showtimes for the weekend programs are 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m. Tickets are \$2 for children, \$3 for students and seniors and \$4 general admission.

For more information on tickets or sponsorship opportunities, please contact the School of Fine and Performing Arts office at (209) 667-3959. Or check out the website at: <http://www.csustan.edu/Theatre/Data/Announcement/index.html>.

Enrollment Increase Means More Resources for University

California State University, Stanislaus full-time enrollment numbers increased during the 2005-06 academic year, a development that will translate into more class offerings and services for students in the coming year.

After establishing new records for student enrollment in the fall 2005 semester and winter term in January, CSU Stanislaus continued its growth momentum during the current spring semester with a slight increase over the previous year. The University increased its overall enrollment 2.7% for the year and is preparing for more growth in the coming 2006-07 academic year.

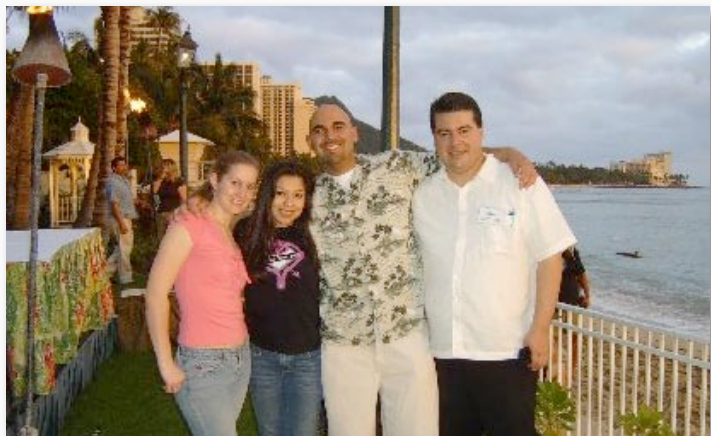
“This is exciting news for California State University, Stanislaus because the increased enrollment will generate an increase in funding that will benefit students in the upcoming academic year,” CSU Stanislaus President Hamid Shirvani said. “We are pleased to be able to serve an increasing number of students as the University strives to serve the education needs of the region and the state. That will pay off with an increase in planned enrollment funding for 2006-07.”

Human Resources Team Shoots For National Title After Regional Win

The California State University, Stanislaus Human Resources Team cleared a major hurdle on April 8 in its bid for a national championship, mowing down the competition to win the 2006 Pacific Western Region Championships in Honolulu.

The CSU Stanislaus victory in the finals over defending national champion Fresno State set the stage for a national title rematch with three-time champion Cornell University who captured the title in 2004. The other three regional powerhouses expected to compete in the Society for Human Resources Management Games in Washington D.C., on June 24-25, are University of Minnesota, University of South Carolina and University of Texas.

CSU Stanislaus College of Business faculty member and team coach Ed Hernandez said the student team of Rosie Borjon of Escalon, Crystal



Team members (from left) Crystal Jack, Rosie Borjon and Alfonso Valencia celebrate with faculty member Ed Hernandez near Waikiki.

More Funding

The nearly \$900,000 in additional funding CSU Stanislaus expects to receive in its 2006-07 budget from the enrollment increase will go toward academic programs designed to help students attain their graduation goals, President Shirvani said.

More CSU Stanislaus students have taken larger class loads during the current academic year. Full-time equivalent student ranks increased to 6,732 in 2005-06, up from 6,557 in 2004-05. Boosting the full-time student equivalent count in the spring semester was a jump in enrollment at CSU Stanislaus-Stockton which experienced an increase of more than 5% over the previous year. The Stockton Center, with more than 1,000 students enrolled, increased the number of its course offerings within its high-demand degree programs. This allowed students to enroll for more courses at the Stockton Center and reduced the need for its student population to travel to the main campus. In addition, plans are in the works to continue to offer more classes in the popular majors and to have classes available online.

Boosted by the largest number of incoming freshmen in its history and growing numbers in Stockton, CSU Stanislaus reached a new all-time enrollment high in the fall 2005 semester. The University's freshman class of 872 was a 17 percent increase over the 2004 fall entering group of 746.

Jack of Volcano and Alfonso Valencia of Winton nearly doubled the score of its Fresno State opponent in the lopsided finals victory, rolling up 11,600 points to Fresno State's 6,500. That overwhelming win, featuring the second highest score in national tournament history (CSU Stanislaus set the previous mark in the state event), avenged a narrow 4,400-4,000 preliminary round loss to Fresno State. In the semi-finals of the 10-team tournament, CSU Stanislaus easily defeated Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo.

Crystal Jack Honored

Team member Crystal Jack, President of the University's Student Society for Human Resource Management, was later named the national Society's Leonard Brice HR Student Leader of the Year. She was recognized as the top student in her field in the country for academic excellence and overall organizational leadership.

“California State University, Stanislaus takes great pride in congratulating this team on its bringing recognition to the University in a very challenging academic competition,” said Dr. Hamid Shirvani, President of CSU Stanislaus. “Team members have once again demonstrated strong evidence of their superior knowledge in the human resources management field. Their ability to compete and win against teams from much larger and well recognized universities is a tribute to the high quality and excellence of the CSU Stanislaus College of Business.”

Since joining the human resources competition in 2004, the record-setting CSU Stanislaus team has compiled a 42-5 record, including a 20-1 mark this year.

During the winter of 2004-05, the University's Human Resource Management program set a national record previously held by much larger universities as 15 CSU Stanislaus students passed the rigorous Professional in Human Resources examination during the designated testing period. That surpassed the previous record of 12 established by students at the University of Illinois the previous year.

Service Learning Leader Julie Fox Receives State Award



Julie Fox

Julie Fox, who has championed faculty and student involvement in the community as the California State University, Stanislaus Service Learning Coordinator, is the 2006 recipient of the prestigious Richard E. Cone Award for Excellence & Leadership.

The annual award, bestowed by the California Campus Compact, recognizes those at colleges and universities for cultivating successful partnerships in higher education. Fox and other recipients from across the United States received their awards on April 19 at the Continuums of Service Conference in Bellevue, Washington.

Fox has drawn praise for her dedication to creating an effective Office of Service Learning at CSU Stanislaus that has increased the level of civic engagement by students and faculty while pioneering beneficial partnerships in the region.

“Julie Fox’s service to the external and campus community has been outstanding,” CSU Stanislaus President Hamid Shirvani said. “Her commitment to community service and her work with the faculty in promoting service learning for our students is well deserving of this kind of recognition.”

An Award For All

“This is an award for all of us at California State University, Stanislaus as well as our community partners who have worked so hard to collaborate with the University to create a meaningful service-learning program,” Fox said. “It showcases the fact that CSU Stanislaus students have the opportunity to learn, make connections with the community through civic engagement and realize the difference they can make in the lives of those who are struggling to achieve their full potential in the San Joaquin Valley.”

Nearly 2,000 students a year make that connection by participating in and volunteering for a variety of public service programs in the region. Fox has worked with faculty to expand the service-learning component to more than 40 University courses, linking students with a long list of community projects.

Leading by example through her involvement in many projects, the Office of Service Learning leader has been the driving force behind service-learning course development, more than 50 community partnerships and more than a million dollars in grant funding. The long list includes a resource center for the homeless in Turlock, an income tax assistance program for low-income families in Empire, a home-based literacy program that pairs students with low-income families in Stanislaus County, a resource center in Modesto that helps Southeast Asian refugees adjust to life in the San Joaquin Valley and mentor programs teaming University students with elementary school children.

A graduate of CSU Stanislaus where she earned her bachelor’s and master’s degrees, Fox started her involvement in service learning as a student. Her strong commitment to community-based education led to her recognition as “Outstanding Volunteer” by Community Housing and Shelter Services in 1996. Fox opened the University’s Office of Service Learning as coordinator in 2000 and has determinedly promoted civic engagement and community building in her leadership role as a campus ambassador to students, faculty and the community.

Students Honor Faculty With Appreciation Awards

Twelve California State University, Stanislaus faculty were honored by appreciative students on May 1.

Receiving plaques from student presenters at the annual Faculty Appreciation Awards Ceremony were Jack Able (Criminal Justice), by Johnny Clark; Margaret Crumpton-Winter (English), by Matthew Moberly; Jack Doo (Business Administration), by John Calhoun; Marty Giamrita (Geology), by Jason Shaw; Lynn Johnson (Accounting & Finance),

by Chris Gomez; Connie Kane (Advanced Studies in Education), by Joseph Robertson; Susan Marshall (English), by Larry Lopez; Keith Nainby (Communication Studies), by Chelsea Minor; Todd Nelson (Psychology), by Leah Knipe; Cecil Rhodes (Criminal Justice), by Andrea Rinker; Nhu-Y Stessman (Chemistry), by Chance Carrico; and Hope Werness (Art), by Chau-Marie Griffiths.

Students Chelsea Minor and Larry Lopez served as masters of ceremonies during the program that opened with a photo presentation put together by Bill Brosmer of the University Union staff.



Faculty honorees and their student nominators pose with President Shirvani prior to the presentation ceremony.

University Teams With Delta College on New 2+2 Business Degree Program in Stockton

California State University, Stanislaus-Stockton Center and San Joaquin Delta College will partner starting this summer to offer a 2+2 business degree program in Stockton that will include Friday evening and Saturday morning classes and some course offerings via the web.

The program is designed to give Delta students the opportunity to complete a business degree through a transfer program to CSU Stanislaus that will enable them to take all of their degree classes in Stockton. Students will complete their first two years of lower-division general education and pre-requisite classes at Delta and then transfer to CSU Stanislaus-Stockton Center where they can complete upper-division courses to earn a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration with a selection of concentrations in accounting and general business.

“Development of this program in collaboration between San Joaquin Delta College and California State University, Stanislaus is a major plus for students in the San Joaquin County region who want to earn a business degree and take their classes in Stockton,” said Dr. Hamid Shirvani, President of CSU Stanislaus. “The classes will be offered at convenient times at CSU Stanislaus-Stockton Center and be available online for working professionals and others seeking to achieve their educational goals.”

Program Meets Demand

Dr. Raúl Rodríguez, Superintendent/President of San Joaquin Delta College, said the new program will meet a demand in the Stockton region.

“We are pleased to work with CSU Stanislaus to facilitate an easy transition for students seeking a bachelor’s degree,” he said. “This new program will enable many Delta College graduates majoring in business to pursue their undergraduate degrees closer to home. The program provides flexibility for

students who need to work while attending college or who have other non-traditional schedule requirements or circumstances.”

Noting that the average age of CSU Stanislaus-Stockton Center students is 32 and that most are working full-time jobs, President Shirvani said this program is tailored to meet the needs of those students.

Core business major courses, set up in a progressive block format, will get under way at CSU Stanislaus-Stockton Center in June. Since most students entering the program typically work full-time, 8 to 5 Monday through Friday, classes will be available on Friday evenings and Saturday mornings. Some of the courses and class subject matter will be made available online and at the Stockton Center.

“One of the primary focuses of the program is to meet the needs of our constituents in the San Joaquin County region, so we are really excited about the partnership we have in serving community college students,” said CSU Stanislaus College of Business faculty member Dr. Ashour Badal Mavaneh, coordinator of the Stockton Business Degree program. “Based on a series of focus group meetings we’ve held with community leaders, they’ve made it very clear that there is a need for more degree program classes in Stockton offered at convenient times for busy adult professionals. It’s our responsibility to provide that for them and we are committed to bringing it to Stockton.”

Business Community Supportive

Members of the Stockton business community are welcoming the new partnership program.

“Having an opportunity like this available in the San Joaquin County region is a giant step toward getting many more people in the

community involved with and supporting public higher education in Stockton,” said Tom Beard, President and CEO of Stockton Eastern Railroad and Stockton Terminal Co. “It’s a great way of building a relationship between the schools and the community to offer another quite appealing tool for businesspeople.”

Sedrick Mitchell, a former Stockton resident and Deputy Director of External Affairs for the California Department of Parks and Recreation, is enthused about the new program as a CSU Stanislaus graduate serving on the University President’s Council.

“This is another example of this University’s commitment to a student-centered high-quality educational experience,” Mitchell said. “Those students who avail themselves to this program will discover a clearer pathway to both academic and professional success.”

Kevin Huber, President and CEO of Grupe Commercial Company in Stockton, which is developing University Park, feels the higher education opportunity will help boost the local economy.

“I believe the 2+2 program will be beneficial to the region as it will retain local business students by offering them an accessible and affordable business education,” Huber said. “The 2+2 will be a great opportunity for working adults to advance their education, while continuing to work. By capitalizing on the success of San Joaquin Delta College’s and CSU Stanislaus’ existing successful business programs, this unique opportunity will result in a better educated workforce in San Joaquin County, thus attracting more industry and jobs to the region. With CSU Stanislaus and education as the core of our University Park project in Stockton, we at Grupe are excited about 2+2, and what it will mean to our community.”



CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, STANISLAUS
 STOCKTON CENTER
 UNIVERSITY PARK



San Joaquin Delta College

CSU Stanislaus Students Capture State Research Competition

California State University, Stanislaus student Gabriela de la Mora captured a first place and fellow student Kyle Tobin Williams took a runnerup spot in the California State University Student Research Competition at CSU Channel Islands on May 5 and 6.

“Equal Opportunity Education? Information Resources of Hispanic Students at Turlock High School” was the title of de la Mora’s multi-media presentation. Graduating in June with honors as a Sociology major, she has been mentored by Helena Janes of the Teacher Education faculty.

Selected Turlock High students were asked to fill out questionnaires about how they attain their information about attending college as part of de la Mora’s project. She also interviewed CSU Stanislaus Outreach and Recruitment staff to gather their input and detail how they provide information to high schools. Her research revealed that Hispanic students are less likely to meet college entrance requirements and do not have as much access to information about college as Caucasian students.

Williams, a Liberal Studies major who will also graduate in June, made a multi-media presentation titled “Tillie Lewis: The Tomato on Top.” Her faculty mentor was Nancy Taniguchi of the History faculty.

In her presentation, Williams takes on the identity of the late Stockton food production magnate Tillie Lewis to present a first-person inside look at the woman who became California’s first independent female industrialist and built the fifth largest cannery in the United States. Williams has done extensive research on Tillie Lewis, who was known as “The Tomato Queen” and “The Duchess of Diet.” Lewis was named Associated Press Woman of the Year in 1951 and died in 1971.

In the March 8 CSU Stanislaus Student Research Forum, winner included Grant Ashley (History) who spoke on “Stockton’s Black Pioneers” and Teresa Herron (Curriculum and Instruction) who addressed the topic “Engaging Teachers in Collaborative Science Education Reform,” both in the graduate division, and Sara Tait (Biology) with a presentation titled “Phylogenetic Analysis of Nemertean.”



Celebrating triumphs at the state level are (from left) Dr. Helena Janes of the Teacher Education faculty who mentored state champion Gabriella de la Mora, runnerup Kyle Tobin Williams and her mentor, Dr. Nancy Taniguchi of the History Department.

College of Education Partners With New School at University Park

The California State University, Stanislaus College of Education has formed a significant partnership with the Stockton Unified School District and its new K-8 Professional Development School in University Park.

Pittman School is located near the University's Stockton Center and will open this fall. The school will serve high needs students from the surrounding area and is being planned with a number of innovative curriculum and delivery modifications, which are designed to improve student achievement.

CSU Stanislaus leaders said the joint venture presents the University with a great opportunity to research and assess innovations in teaching, learning and schooling. It will also provide the College of Education an outstanding place for modeling effective practice and preparing new teachers, she added.



The Stockton Unified School District's Pittman Elementary School campus for kindergarten through eighth-graders will also open this fall at University Park near the CSU Stanislaus-Stockton Center.

Ed.D. Program Targeted for 2008 Startup

California State University, Stanislaus is one of six California State University campuses given approval to plan for an initial offering of the educational doctorate (Ed.D.) program as early as fall 2008.

"The University's placement in one of the first two sets of campuses to receive approval to develop an Ed.D. speaks well of the high quality of our programs and for the level of confidence and stature we are developing within the CSU system," CSU Stanislaus President Hamid Shirvani said. "We have faculty with the ability to develop and teach a unique program that will serve California and the Central Valley extremely well."

The Ed.D. programs in the CSU will be developed with extensive consultation with school superintendents, K-12 principals and community college partners. Of the 60 credits required in the degree program, at least six must be from a college other than the College of Education. State legislation approved in 2005 cleared the way for CSU to offer the higher degree, in addition to its current bachelor's and master's degree programs.

Joining CSU Stanislaus in approvals to pursue a Fall 2008 implementation are Bakersfield, East Bay, Los Angeles, Northridge and San Jose. Seven campuses were approved to plan for the earliest initial offerings in fall 2007: Fresno, Fullerton, Long Beach, Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Diego and San Francisco.

"This designation clearly confirms and strengthens the role of California State University, Stanislaus as a major force in meeting emerging workforce demands for advanced training for administrators in California's public K-12 and community colleges," President Shirvani said.

Former Trustee Anthony Vitti To Receive Honorary Doctorate at Commencement



Anthony Vitti

Anthony M. Vitti, who served on the California State University Board of Trustees from 1989 to 2005, will receive an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree at the CSU Stanislaus Commencement on Saturday, June 3.

More than 2,000 CSU Stanislaus students are expected to receive bachelor's and master's degrees during the morning ceremony in the University Amphitheatre.

Vitti, who made a number of visits to CSU Stanislaus during his 16-year tenure on the CSU Board, has been praised for his advocacy efforts that have helped the University become one of the best in the West.

"This honorary degree is an honor and a tribute to Anthony Vitti's many years of superior service and dedication to the objectives and ideals of the California State University system and CSU Stanislaus," said Dr. Hamid Shirvani, President of CSU Stanislaus. "He provided extremely intuitive and trustworthy guidance and advice during a time of challenges faced by the CSU system and its campuses. His exemplary support for California State University, Stanislaus and its objectives is much appreciated."

Vitti was recently recognized by the CSU Board of Trustees with a formal resolution conferring on him the title of Trustee Emeritus. He was appointed as a CSU Trustee by Governor George Deukmejian and reappointed by Governor Pete Wilson in 1997.

A private practice attorney since 1971, Vitti has been involved in real estate development and the mortgage brokerage businesses for many years. He is a co-founder of CommerceBank in California and served on the board of directors of Stagg Food, Inc., a Los Angeles canned food company.

University Students Take Literacy Program Into Homes

Students from California State University, Stanislaus are helping children achieve literacy at an earlier age through their participation in the Parent Child Home Program established in 2005.

The program, run through a University partnership program with the Parent Resource Center and Stanislaus County Office of Education in Modesto, places student fieldworkers into homes twice a week for two years to foster positive parent-child interactions and help youngsters develop their language skills. Student fieldworkers work with selected client families for about 12 weeks during the fall and spring semesters as part of the literacy instruction regimen.

CSU Stanislaus Psychology Professor Gary Novak is overseeing University student participation in the program.

Pairs of student fieldworkers, one acting as trainer and the other as observer, go to homes of people who sign up for the program to work with 2 and 3-year-old youngsters and their parents. They nurture learning and playing interactions with toys, games and books that help children develop critical literacy skills with the involvement of their parents. More than 40 percent of the parents involved in the program are 20 or younger and benefit from the program supervision in learning to positively interact with their children and encourage them to learn.

“The youngsters are at a crucial time in their literacy development at that age,” said Julie Fox, CSU Stanislaus Service Learning Coordinator. “This program also works with parents to encourage them to become actively involved in their child’s development and education.”

Parents and children are evaluated eight times during their two years in the program to monitor their progress. Since many parents in Stanislaus County have language and literacy issues of their own, they are able to improve their English and reading skills during the process. Some are taking literacy classes at the Resource Center to improve their skills.

University students receive hands-on teaching experience and raise their awareness of the world around them, and the situations and living conditions of many families in the region.

Denise Hopkins Serving as Dean at St. John’s University



Denise Hopkins

Denise Hopkins, '90 BA English, former Associated Students Administrative Director at California State University, Stanislaus, was promoted in January 2005 to Dean of Student Life at the Staten Island Campus of St. John’s University in New York City.

Hopkins served in her Associated Students advisor role at CSU Stanislaus for more than nine years (1992-2001) before moving to New York to earn a Master’s of Education from Columbia University Teachers College in 2005. She was Director of Student Affairs at

Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology for more than two years before joining St. John’s as an Associate Director of Student Development at the main campus in Queens.

As a CSU Stanislaus student, Hopkins graduated summa cum laude with an English degree and was active with the English Club, intramural sports and the Child Care Subsidy Advisory Committee.

CSU Stanislaus Alum Earns Ph.D. and Returns to Teach at His Alma Mater



Steve Arounsack

Steve Arounsack, who earned both his bachelor’s and master’s degrees at California State University, Stanislaus, has returned to teach courses in anthropology and biology and recently completed his Ph.D. in ecology at UC Davis.

Arounsack, 29, has been teaching courses at the University related to biology, global issues and ecology for more than a year. He finished his Ph.D. work in March.

“It’s really an honor to come back and teach at a place that is close to my heart,” Arounsack said. “I am continually impressed by the sharp minds and compassionate hearts of my students here at California State University, Stanislaus.”

The former honors student studied Biological Science and Chemistry as an undergraduate and earned a master’s in Interdisciplinary Studies with a concentration in Ethnoecology. As a CSU Stanislaus student, Arounsack was selected as a Gates Millennium Scholar and a Rogers Scholar. Arounsack was also awarded the Burton Vasche Award for scholastic achievement and leadership and the 1999 Judge and Alverta Hughes Humanitarian Award for community service.

Aside from his many academic achievements, the Lao native has devoted much time contributing to the Southeast Asian culture. At the age of 19 he co-founded Lao Vision Magazine, which was distributed to more than 2,200 people worldwide, and in 2000 he coordinated, produced and directed a documentary about the lives, perspectives and talents of Southeast Asian musicians in the Central Valley. The documentary aired on Sacramento’s public TV, which broadcasts to more than 2 million viewers. Arounsack is also the founder of Pacific Arc Media LLC, a company that focuses on documentaries and media that highlight Southeast Asian culture.

Secretary of State Speaks to Class

Bruce McPherson, California’s Secretary of State, addresses a group of students at California State University, Stanislaus on April 27. McPherson talked about elections issues and then fielded questions from students.



University Invites Businesses to Join the Warrior Card Program for Student Customers

California State University, Stanislaus launched the “**WARRIOR CARD**,” a new campus identification card for students, faculty and staff, at its Turlock and Stockton campuses during the Fall 2005 semester.

The digital image card is now required for all students for identification, access to essential campus services, and with “Warrior Cash” functions as a convenient payment method for services on and around campus.

Warrior Cash is a prepaid spending account on the Warrior Card designed to eliminate the need for members of the University community to carry cash around campus. The card is accepted as a form of payment at the campus bookstores, dining locations, Health Services and other campus locations.



This spring, a pair of businesses in the CSU Stanislaus Turlock neighborhood started accepting the card. Liberty Market, located at the corner of Geer Road and Monte Vista Avenue, and Subway Sandwiches & Salads in the Raley's Center on Geer became the first off-campus businesses to accept Warrior Cash.

The University is inviting other businesses to join the Warrior Card Program as the start of the 2006-07 academic year approaches. Businesses can learn more about how the program works and how it can grow revenues from the University community by visiting the web at: www.warriorcard.com/merchants.

Former University Official Richard Patterson Mourned

Richard Patterson, Jr., who served as Director of the California State University, Stanislaus Office of Community and Minority Affairs and was one of the University's leading ambassadors as a community leader, died March 15 in San Bernardino. He was 57.

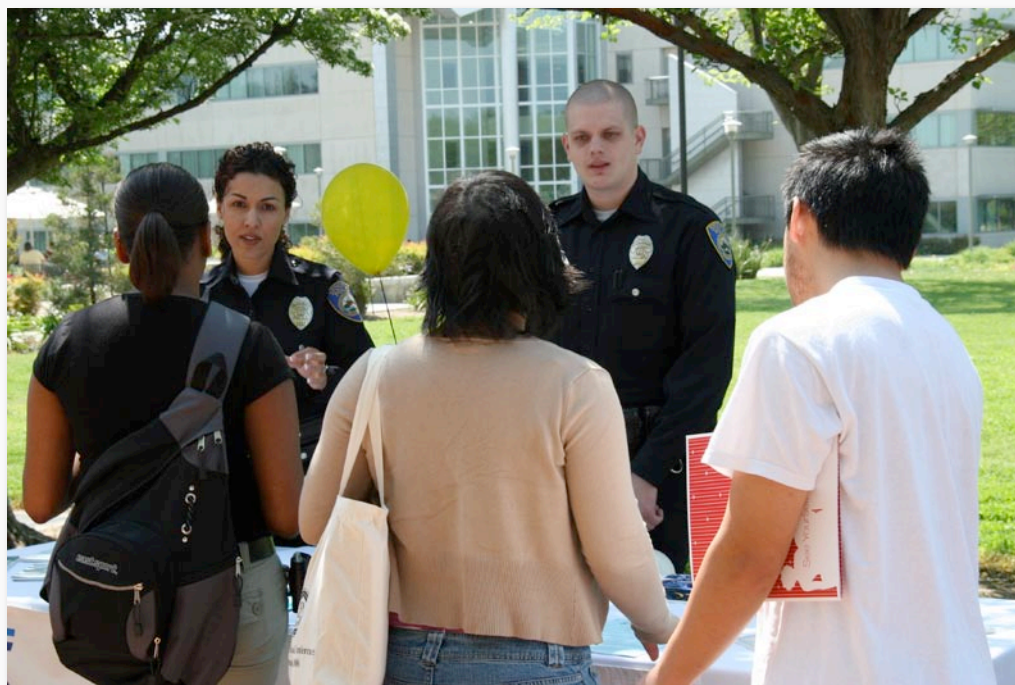
Patterson also served on the Modesto City Council and Modesto City Schools Board of Trustees. A series of strokes in 1993 forced him to withdraw from public life and he took official retirement from the University in 1995.

Patterson thrived in his role as a University ambassador. A star football player at the University of Nevada, Reno, where he earned his degree, Patterson started at CSU Stanislaus in 1972 in the Economic Opportunity Program office and became Director of Community and Minority Affairs in 1986.

Patterson served one term on the Modesto City Schools board and was elected to the Modesto City Council four times. He was elected as a member-at-large of the National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials Board of Directors. CSU Stanislaus presented Mr. Patterson with the Richard Patterson Leadership Award during the 1998 Leadership Forum program featuring keynote speaker Colin Powell, the former U.S. Secretary of State and retired Army general.

Employers Greet Students at Career Fair

Officers from the Merced Police Department talk with students at the annual Career Fair held in the University Quad on April 26. More than 80 public and private agencies, companies and businesses participated in the program as students sought information and talked with prospective employers.



Faculty/Staff Notes

Amin A. Elmallah, Dean of the College of Business Administration, conducted a workshop and gave two presentations. The April 17 workshop was to public safety officials on "Budgeting and Resources Management." His first presentation titled "Selection of the Peer Review Team" was at the May 5 AACSB Accreditation Standards Workshop at CSU Dominguez Hills. His second presentation titled "Ethical Leadership and its Role in the Organization" was at the May 6 Leadership Training Seminar, Golden West Council, Institute of Management Accounting, in Sacramento.

"Displaced Children in U.S. History: Stories of Courage and Survival," an article by Professor **Brenda Betts**, Ph.D., (Teacher Education) was published in *Social Studies and the Young Learner*, a publication of the National Council for the Social Studies, January/February 2006. Dr. Betts also had her work "Multicultural Family History Project" published in the Spring-Summer edition of the *California Council for Social Studies Social Studies Review*.

Jennifer Helzer (Geography & Anthropology) and **Ashour Badal** (Management, Operations, and Marketing) presented their current research, "Immigrants in the Marketplace: Ethnic Entrepreneurship in California's Central Valley" at the annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers in Chicago in March. Their presentation was included in a series of sessions focused on the economic integration of immigrants and transnational experiences in North American cities. Both Helzer and Badal were also invited to talk about their joint project in a panel discussion titled "Connections, Crossings, Collaborations: Recent Research Efforts in Immigrant and Community Studies." Their work aims to better understand socio-spatial assimilation among both longtime and recent immigrant entrepreneurs in the San Joaquin Valley, as well as the impact of business development on social identity and resiliency in ethnic communities.

In Brief

Student Places High in Boston Marathon

Following up on his third place finish in the December California International Marathon in Sacramento, California State University, Stanislaus student Miguel Nuci finished 21st overall in the April 17 Boston Marathon.

Nuci, a former CSU Stanislaus runner and a Physical Education major, ran the 26-mile Boston course in 2 hours, 20 minutes, 45 seconds, averaging 5:22 per mile.

Relay For Life Program at University Track Battles Cancer

The California State University, Stanislaus track will once again be the site for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life in Turlock on June 24 and 25.

Participants will run and walk the track over that weekend to raise money for cancer research, cancer education and patient services. Contact the Stanislaus Tuolumne Counties American Cancer Society office at 524-7242 for more information about how to pledge donations for the Turlock Relay for Life.

Students Meet With Scientists

California State University, Stanislaus Geology Professor and engineer Horacio Ferriz demonstrates some of his research on a monitor during the March 6 Dinner With A Scientist program. Eighty 6th through 12th grade students came to CSU Stanislaus to tour the science facilities and engage in discussions over dinner with area scientists and University faculty.



Arts

Student Singer Owen McIntosh Selected for Worldwide Tour



Owen McIntosh

also accepted into a prestigious vocal institute.

McIntosh's run to fame started when he won Division III honors at the National Association of Schools of Singing Vocal Competition at Sacramento State University. He topped 23 talented singers from the San Joaquin Region that stretches from Fresno to Yuba City.

Tour Includes Salzburg

McIntosh, a student protégé CSU Stanislaus Music faculty member Dr. Joseph Wiggert, was also accepted into the prestigious Bel Canto Northwest Vocal Institute which will be held at Portland State University in July. The highly competitive summer program provides an advanced, intensive and individual three-week training program for dedicated young professional singers. They have the opportunity to work with world-class teachers from Europe and America. While going through rigorous instruction in foreign language diction, vocal technique, style and stage movement, the students will prepare operatic works from the solo and ensemble literature and perform them throughout the region.

In August, McIntosh will travel to Germany for a one-month program with the Festivalensemble Stuttgart under the direction of world-famous conductor Helmut Rilling. The festival will feature performances of major works by Mozart throughout Europe, including an appearance at the Salzburg Festival in Austria. The Salzburg Festival, marking the 250th anniversary of Mozart's death, is planning the largest program in its history.

Owen McIntosh, a California State University, Stanislaus senior majoring in vocal performance, has established his talent on an international scale. The talented vocalist was one of only 55 singers in the world recently chosen to perform with a world-class ensemble in venues across Europe this summer. He took first place in a regional vocal competition and was

University Choir Group Performs on Tour in Brazil

The California State University, Stanislaus concert chorale took a highly successful performing tour to Brazil during spring break in April.

The ensemble spent 10 days in Brazil and had five stellar performances. In Rio de Janeiro, they performed at the Igreja Batista do Méier, the Igreja da Candelária (Rio de Janeiro's former cathedral), the Universidade do Rio de Janeiro and at the Salão Nobre do Centro Cultural da Justiça Federal. They also visited a variety of places in Rio, including the magnificent Opera House (Teatro Municipal), Sugar Loaf Mountain and Corcovado Mountain where the Christ statue is located, and the Itacuruçá islands, just off the coast of Rio.

During a concert performance at the Cathedral de São Pedro de Alcantara, in Petropolis, they were joined by the Coral Canarinhos, a Brazilian boys' choir program with a long and traditional history.

The 44-member CSU Stanislaus singing group, which included students from various majors from across the campus, was directed by Dr. Daniel R. Afonso, Jr., associate professor of music and director of choral and vocal studies at CSU Stanislaus.



CSU Stanislaus students pose in front of the Christ the Redeemer statue on Corcovado Mountain above Rio de Janeiro.

Athletics

Bowen, 2 Athletes Honored For Achievements

Former California State University, Stanislaus baseball coach Jim Bowen and Warrior athletes Breanna Vaughan and Ryan Thornberry were honored in March by the Sportsmen of Stanislaus Club in Modesto for their athletic achievements at the 39th Annual Outstanding Athlete Awards Banquet.

Bowen added to his long list of honors with the Darell Phillips Award for coaches. Named after the former Modesto Bee Sports Editor and a founder of the SOS Club, the award acknowledges outstanding coaches for their overall record, as well as their performance on and off the field of play. Bowen coached the Warriors to two NCAA Division III National Championships in 1976 and 1977 and two second place finishes. He had a career record of 639-591-8.

Vaughan, star goalkeeper for the Warrior women's soccer team, was named the Open Division "Outstanding Athlete of the Year." Vaughan was an All-CCAA and All-Far West Region selection in fall 2005. She logged nearly 2,000 minutes in net, allowing just 18 goals all season and making 100 saves. Vaughan recorded a 15-4-2 overall record and a school-record 10 shutouts along with an outstanding .847 save percentage.

Thornberry, a senior on the Warrior golf team, was named "Co-Outstanding Athlete of the Year," sharing the honor with another local golfer Jeff Burda. Thornberry was a first team All-American last year. He had nine top-10 finishes and seven top-5, finishing second in three tournaments. He was also named the California Collegiate Athletic Association's Most Valuable Player.

WARRIOR UPDATES

For the latest on
CSU Stanislaus athletics,
go to the website at:
<http://warriorathletics.com/>

Personnel Notes

April Orientation Participants

Participants in the April New Employee Orientation program included, (front, from left) Lezly Juergenson (Career Services) and Dorali Mitre (Anthropology/Geography) and (back, from left) Stephanie Marshall (College of Education), Kate Evans (Counseling Services), Jean Grech Conde (Housing), Jennifer Wellons (Payroll) and Veronica Bravo (Human Resources).



March Newcomers Welcomed

Participants in the March New Employee Orientation program included (from left) Angie Zimmerman (Teacher Education), Sen Saepanh (Facilities Services), Pamela Burns (Physical Education & Health), Ivy Fitzpatrick (Teacher Education), Mary Pata (Admissions & Records) and Nancy Peters (College of Education).



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Personnel Notes

Staff Recognized at Awards Program

Employees who have chalked up 815 years as California State University, Stanislaus staff members were honored at the annual Employee Recognition Reception on April 28.

The 86 staff members recognized at the program ranged from 53 who have completed five years at CSU Stanislaus to Peggy Press in Chemistry who marked her 35th year. Twelve retirees were also on the recognition list.

This year's award recipients were:

5 YEARS:

Julia Areias
Extended Education Operations

Charlene Bargas
Athletics

Francisco Barron
Facilities & Support Services

Michael Bianco
Facilities & Support Services

Betty Boyer
Child Development Center

Alexander Brown
Auxiliary Business Services

Angela Bugarin
University Communications

Melody Bughi
Financial Services

Janice Camden
Facilities & Support Services

Christina Chavez
Facilities & Support Services

David Chinoraks
Administrative Computing

Lori Cole
Financial Services

Luz-Olivia Cutler
Records

Jean deGrassi
CSUS Stockton

Becky Fields
College of Business Administration

Julie Fox
Service Learning

Carolina Garcia
Facilities & Support Services

Jason Geer
Academic & Institutional Technology

Orton Haley
Facilities & Support Services

David Hamlett
CSUS Stockton

Heather Harden
School of Fine & Performing Arts

Robin Hards
Anthropology

Rose Hefley
Psychology

Graciela Hernandez
Facilities & Support Services

Darla Hodnett
Disability Services

Johnny Huffman
Mediated & Distance Learning

Richard Ingram Jr.
CSUS Stockton

Jacqueline Keeney
Payroll

Amy Kokx
Auxiliary Business Services

Alena Koumarios
Disability Services

Rose Lyons
Information Technology

Ana Magana
Facilities & Support Services

Kelly Mode
Human Resources

Edward Montano
Housing & Residential Life

Donna Moore
General Accounting

Sherie Nelson
Disability Services

Betty Nunez
CSUS Stockton

Samuel Oberholtzer
Facilities & Support Services

Ana Oliveira
Facilities & Support Services

Irma Perrone
Human Resources

Maria Simile Shaw
Health Services

Sukhi Singh
Extended Education Operations

Patrick Smith
Computer Information Systems

Brian St. Denis
Network Services

Francisco Tejada Jr.
Facilities & Support Services

Thomas Kucera
Auxiliary Business Services

Miriam Verduzco
Student Accounts Receivable

Michael VonDohlen
Reprographics

Norman Wagner Jr.
Mediated & Distance Learning

Seth Whitmer
Administrative Computing

Bruce Wilbur
Health Services

Kirstin Wolfe
Facilities & Support Services

George Zambelli
Facilities & Support Services

10 YEARS:

William Brosmer
University Student Union

Steven Graham
Student Outreach & Recruitment

Mary Louisa Herrera
Tutoring Center

Gregory Jacquay
Communication Studies

Cindy Lindo
Student Outreach & Recruitment

Melanie Lourenco
University Student Union

Jaclynn Niemeyer
Health Services

Katie Oliviant
Student Leadership & Development

Scott Phillips
Auxiliary Business Services

Victoria Ramirez
Student Outreach & Recruitment

Tara Ribeiro
College of Education

Wilma Seltzer
Financial Aid

Misty Strode
Public Safety

Victor Takahashi
Facilities & Support Services

Kimberly Valenzuela
Library Technical Services

15 YEARS:

Cathy Bellani
Financial Aid

Frances Davenport
Graduate School

Jouliet David
College of Education

Hildreth Heath
Global Affairs

Sara Hoek
Human Resources

Reggie Thompson
Public Safety

20 YEARS:

Connie Bratten
College of Business Administration

Kim Delmore
Field Services

Helena Orozco
Educational Opportunity Program

Bernadette Sather
Financial Services

25 YEARS:

Beth Baughn
Teacher Education

Julie Benevedes
Financial Services

Gloria Kao
Kiva Bookstore

Ronald Noble
Retention Services

30 YEARS:

Clifford Bailey II
Facilities & Support Services

Nancy Marchbanks
Institutional Research

35 YEARS:

Peggy Press
Chemistry

RETIREES:

Walter Beasley
Facilities & Support Services

Tina Cody
Art

Muriel DeSelms
Masters in Social Work

Rosemary Hein
Admissions

Joan Michelotti
Health Center

Dale Monday
Music

Kathleen Owens
Payroll

Katherine Povio
Auxiliary Business Services

Jahn Serpa
Cashiers

Charlene Sanford
Physics

Curt Uptain
Auxiliary Business Services

Personnel Notes

Recruitment Welcomes:

Name	Classification	Department
Angie Zimmerman	Administrative Support Assistant	Teacher Education
Christina Phillips	Health Educator	Student Health Center
Darin Skalinder	Duplicating Machine Operator	Reprographics
Dorali Mitre	Administrative Analyst Specialist	Anthrop/Geography
Erin Prevette	Administrative Support Coordinator	Academic Affairs
Janene Wolf	Payroll Technician	Payroll Office
Jennifer Wellons	Payroll Technician	Payroll Office
Jodie Deutsch	Student Services Professional	Disability Services
Juanita Cruthird	Student Services Professional	Career Services
Kate Evans	Administrative Support Assistant	Counseling Center
Kate Moss	Administrative Support Assistant	Stockton Center
Nancy Peters	Administrative Support Assistant	College of Education
Pamela Burns	Administrative Support Coordinator	Physical Education & Health
Pauline Telya	Student Services Professional	First Year Program & Advising
Silviano Curiel	Groundsworker	Facilities
Stephanie Marshall	Administrative Support Assistant	College of Education
Tammy Horner	Administrative Analyst Specialist	Facilities Services
Tiffany Bishop	Performing Arts Technician	Theatre
Tina Drain	Administrative Analyst Specialist	Admissions and Records

Adjusted Summer Work Schedule Starts June 5

Once again, to provide employees time in the late afternoon and early evening to enjoy activities with family and friends, an adjusted work schedule will go into effect for the summer. Beginning, Monday, June 5, normal office hours will be 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with a half-hour for lunch. Lunch breaks are to be scheduled between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Operational services in some work areas may require modification of this schedule. These changes will not affect Library hours. Please refer to the posted schedule for Library hours. The University will resume the traditional work schedule of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. with a one-hour lunch on Monday, August 28.

Cancellation of Voluntary Payroll Deductions

Employees wishing to cancel voluntary deductions such as charitable contributions, credit unions, Standard, Sanders or California Casualty Insurance, should contact the company directly. Employees must also submit written notification of cancellation to the State Controller's Office and may use the Voluntary Deductions Cancellation Notice located on the HR web site at: http://www.csustan.edu/HR/Employee_Benefits/index.html

Calendar

June

1 Thursday

Viewing: Public Observation Night viewing of the moon, Mars, Saturn and Jupiter hosted by Physics/Geology Department, Willow Lake, 8:30 p.m.

2 Friday

Inaugural: Inauguration of Dr. Hamid Shirvani, seventh president of CSU Stanislaus, Arts Quad, 4 p.m.
Reception, 6 p.m.

3 Saturday

Commencement: 46th annual, Amphitheatre, 7:30 a.m.

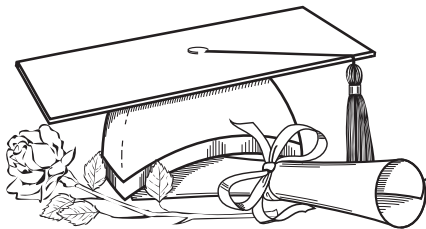
8 Thursday

Picnic: Staff Picnic, Quad, 11 a.m.
Information, 667-3476

Event: Relay for Life American Cancer Society fundraiser, Warrior Track, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Information, Information, 524-7242

20 Tuesday

Viewing: Public Observation Night viewing of Mars, Saturn and Summer Triangle hosted by Physics/Geology Department, Willow Lake, 8:30 p.m.



July

4 Tuesday

Fireworks: Fantastic Fourth Celebration, University Amphitheatre, 8 p.m.
Information, 667-3131

13-16, 20-23, 27-30

Theatre: Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew," University Amphitheatre, 8 p.m.
Information, 667-3959

22, 23, 29, 30

Children's Theatre: "Pooh Stories Part Deux," Mainstage Theatre, 2 and 4 p.m.
Information, 667-3959



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