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THE FRIDAY BULLETIN

OCTOBER 30, 1992

TWO NSF GRANTS TO PREPARE SCIENCE TEACHERS

Two grants totalling more than \$1.5 million have been awarded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) to two groups of Cal State professors for the purpose of honing teachers' science education skills.

An \$850,000 grant will fund a collaborative approach to science education. The program will bring together scientists, science educators and science and education deans from around the 20-campus Cal State University system, as well as resident science teachers, school district administrators, science curriculum specialists, and educational specialists.

The Science Teacher Development Project was proposed by Dr. Bonnie Brunkhorst (Secondary and Vocational Education/Geology), Dr. Herb Brunkhorst (Secondary and Vocational Education/Biology), and Dr. Louis Fernandez, dean (School of Natural Sciences).

Through the establishment of "triads" involving CSU schools of natural sciences, schools of education and surrounding school districts, the project will mark the best elements of a science teacher preparation program.

"We're looking at how people teach science and how the teaching can be improved," says Herb Brunkhorst. Databases will be established to track the status

of teacher prep programs, and to check efforts of reform-based science education.

The second grant awarded by the NSF will help foster "uniformity in the quality and type of science education in the schools," says Dr. Klaus Brasch, chair (Biology). Drs. Iris Riggs and Esteban Diaz also are named as principal investigators for the project.

"At the present time," adds Brasch, science education is kind of a hodge-podge. Every teacher has their own approach, and we want to enhance interest in science."

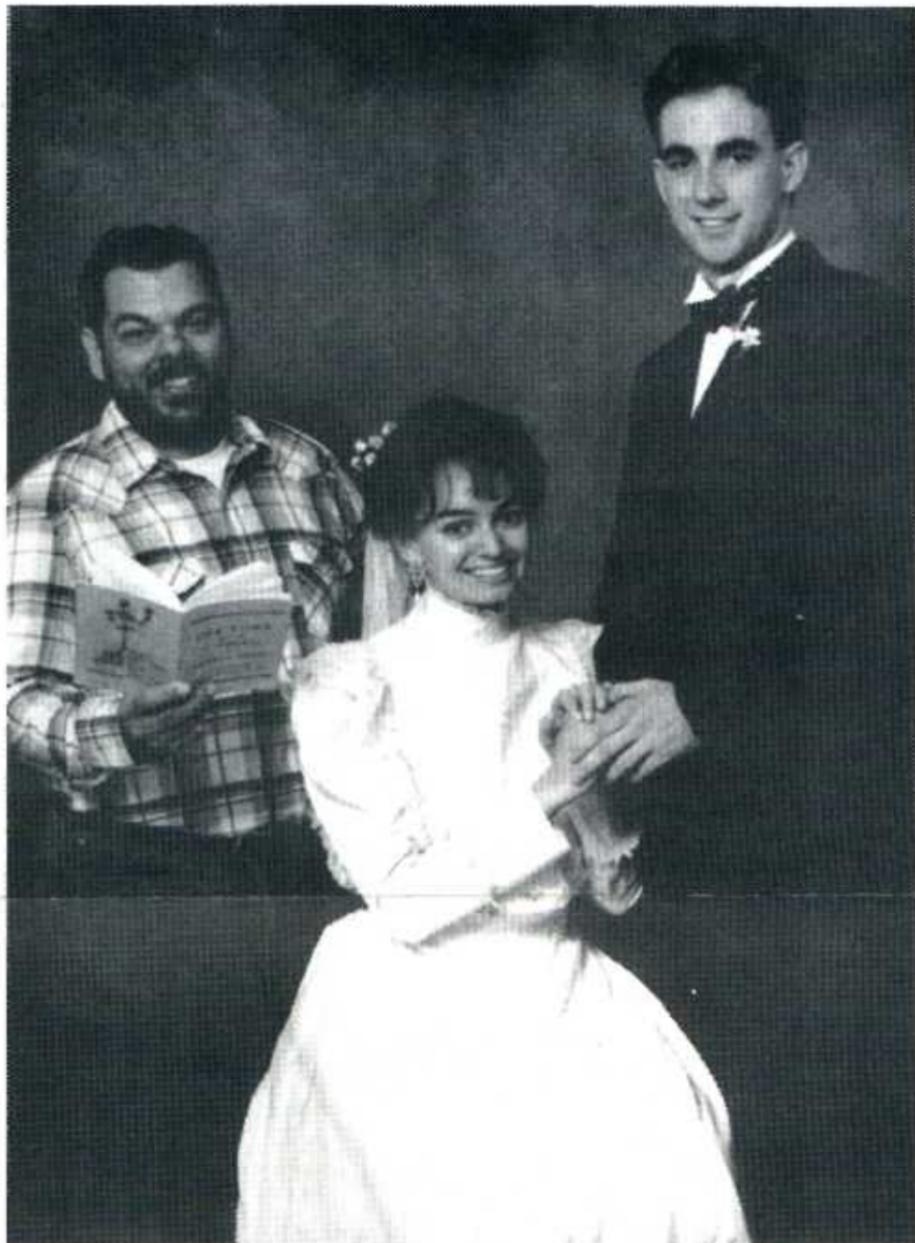
Research suggests that elementary school teachers nationwide are poorly equipped to teach science, and, say the three professors, "may be especially ill-prepared to teach science to Hispanics and other minority students."

The \$797,000 grant is for two years. Developed by the NSF, the Full Option Science System (FOSS) will be implemented in some 20 Fontana School District schools, whose student population is 59 percent minority. The program will train bilingual aides as well as teachers.

FOSS activities revolve around physical, life and earth sciences, and include hands-on learning that allows students to discover scientific concepts.

ENTERTAINMENT

"OUR TOWN" CELEBRATES THE ORDINARY



ON STAGE—Featured in a cast of 27 are (from left) Harlan Jeglin playing the stage manager, Keri Hostetler as Emily Webb and Bill Robertson as George Gibbs.

You eat a simple breakfast, rake the leaves on Saturdays, watch the neighbor water his lawn every third day like clockwork. It's life as usual. To many, the dull repetition of the routine.

But in "Our Town," the 1938 Pulitzer Prize winning play by Thornton Wilder, such routines are precious stones.

"The play is a celebration of the ordinary," says Dr. Robert Yowell (Theatre Arts), the play's director. "Our Town" opens Nov. 6 and is the university's first play of the 1992-93 theatre season.

"Wilder captures the ordinary in the American experience. We miss the ordinary," he adds, whether it's eating a tuna fish sandwich or reading the newspaper on a Sunday morning.

During the play, which is set in the early 1900s, Emily, played by theatre arts student Keri Hostetler of San Bernardino, sees herself as a young child enjoying breakfast with her family. Reminded of the beauty and simplicity of those days, Emily is overcome with emotion.

"It's not a sweet play, but it's not purposely vindictive or harsh," says Yowell. "Happiness is not the issue for Wilder, but just being alive is." And "we're often most alive," he adds, "when we fail at something. When you fail, that's

when things really get interesting."

Wilder intended the play to be experimental. By omitting all scenery and props, Wilder wanted audiences to focus on what the play represented, and not on the "attempted realism" that more elaborate staging would create, says Yowell.

The play will be performed Nov. 6-8 and Nov. 11-15. Curtain time for all evening performances is 8:15 p.m. The Nov. 8 and 15 shows are 2 p.m., Sunday matinees.

Tickets for the show, which will be held in the University Theatre, are \$8 for general admission and \$5 for senior citizens and CSUSB alumni with an Alumni Association membership card. Students are \$3. For ticket information, call Ext. 5876.

REMINDER

Today is the last day to take advantage of dental and dependent care open enrollment. Also, it's the last day for staff to apply for the 2-year early retirement service credit. For information call Ext. 5138.

FRENCHMAN ADDS INTERNATIONAL VIEW

Here from France on a six-month training visit, Jacques Gimenez is painting for Cal State students a more detailed picture of his country and other parts of Europe.

Gimenez, a senior executive with France Telecom, a state company, has been serving as a "consultant" of sorts to business students, supplying them with firsthand, historical perspectives on such topics as French culture and adopting a single currency system for the 12-nation European Community.

As part of a training period for France Telecom, which has a monopoly on all telephone, telegraph and satellite communications in France, Gimenez is one of two top

executives allowed to travel abroad because of their English-speaking skills.

Wanting to improve those skills, Gimenez came to Cal State after sending out a number of letters looking for a college or university that could use his expertise. He later heard from Dean David Porter (School of Business and Public Administration). Gimenez also will be working with students in the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Gimenez has been a French civil servant for the past 18 years, and studied in Bordeaux and Paris. He will be at Cal State through January.

SPORTS

COYOTES FEAST ON CHAPMAN FOR A WEEK

For Chapman College, their road trip to CSUSB to face the Coyotes during the week of Oct. 12 was supposed to be a walk in the park. But after losing to the Coyotes in men's and women's soccer, as well as an upset of their nationally ranked (18th) volleyball team, the Chapman Panthers probably wish they had stayed at home.

The Coyote women's volleyball team stunned the 18th ranked Panthers, winning in three straight games 15-10, 15-7, and 18-16. The loss dropped Chapman to 1-3 in CCAA action. This was the very first time the

Coyotes have defeated the Panthers.

In men's soccer, Brian McCully saved the day four times for the Coyotes in their 2-1 victory over the Panthers. Rafael Martinez broke a 1-1 tie with about 17 minutes left to play.

Pam Davenport scored the winning goal in the second overtime period to defeat the Panthers in women's soccer action. Throughout the game, the Coyotes would score, only to see the Panthers tie it up.

A NOTE FROM HUMAN RESOURCES



1992 UNITED CALIFORNIA STATE EMPLOYEES CAMPAIGN

This year CSUSB is again participating in the United California State Employees Campaign. The Arrowhead United Way has been designated as the administrator for the local San Bernardino area state agencies.

The annual campaign represents an opportunity for employees to make new pledge commitments or revise existing ones. Employees who wish to contribute may select agencies in the local area or from others across the state. Other eligible agencies administer national programs.

The need for contributions this year is indeed great due to the effects of the economic downturn in the state. Donations in the form of a single contribution or a payroll deduction can provide support in a positive way.

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER TESTS EQUIPMENT



Members of the university's Emergency Operations Center (EOC), headed by Campus Police Chief Ed Harrison (center, standing), meet monthly to assess the campus's disaster preparedness. Housed in the Student Health Center, the EOC would be activated in a large-scale campus emergency to facilitate communication and management activities during a disaster. The EOC team also includes (pictured from left) Jill Rocha (Health Center), Dale West (Human Resources), Kathy Shepard (Purchasing) and Jim Hansen (Physical Plant). Other offices represented on the team include Housing, the Student Union, Environmental Health and Safety, Accounting and Public Affairs.

CALENDAR

SATURDAY, OCT. 31

Women's Soccer.
Univ. of Northern Colorado, 11 a.m.
Men's Soccer.
Cal State, Los Angeles, 1 p.m.

TUESDAY, NOV. 3

Women's Volleyball.
Southern California College, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 4

Speaker.
Catherine Stimpson of Rutgers University talks about the "Pains, Gains, and the Education of Women." 4 p.m.
Sycamore Room.
Free.

THURSDAY, NOV. 5

Music.
Listen to some reggae by King Arthur & The Royal Posse.
8-11 p.m., Wylie's Pub.
Free.

FRIDAY, NOV. 6

Theatre.
Opening night for Thornton Wilder's classic play, "Our Town," a story about the

extraordinary importance of life's most ordinary routines.

Nov. 6-8, 11-15. Curtain time for all evening shows is 8:15 p.m.; Nov. 8 and 15 performances are 2 p.m. matinees.
University Theatre in Creative Arts Building.

General admission is \$8; senior citizens (55 and up) and CSUSB alumni with Alumni Association membership card, \$5; students, \$3. For tickets call Ext. 5876.

SATURDAY, NOV. 7

Music.
J.S. Bach's Coffee Cantata. Jean Saladino, soprano; Loren Filbeck, baritone; Jerrold Pritchard, flute.
8:15 p.m., Recital Hall.
General admission \$6; faculty, staff, senior citizens and students, \$4.

TUESDAY, NOV. 10

Women's Volleyball.
Cal State, Bakersfield, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOV. 13

Women's Volleyball.
Cal Poly Pomona, 7:30 p.m.

THE BULLETIN BOARD

FALL ENROLLMENT DROPS SLIGHTLY

Fall '92 enrollment has settled in at 12,493 students, which is a decrease of less than one percent from last year at this time, notes Lydia Ortega (Admissions and Records). A growth of 247 full-time equivalent students at census date, which was Oct. 14, indicates that students are taking more classes and that's a trend that many CSU campuses are reporting, she adds.

"While most schools were cutting classes we actually added 30 more than last year, so there was a commitment on our part to accommodate the students," Ortega says.

P.E. BUILDING BIDDER WITHDRAWS

The lowest bidder on the Health and Physical Education complex has withdrawn from the project, prompting the university to begin a new bidding process, reports Vice President David De Mauro (Administration and Finance).

A calculation error in the lowest bid prevented J.A. Jones Construction Co. from remaining in the running for the contract, and the next lowest bidder was approximately \$1 million beyond budget, De Mauro explains.

"We'll work with the architect and the building occupants and do some 'value engineering' on the building to reduce the cost by about \$750,000 to \$1 million," he adds. An abbreviated bid process will follow, involving all of the previous bidders.

FACULTY OVERSEAS DIRECTOR APPLICATIONS

If you're a full-time faculty member with your doctorate, have the right overseas experience and are on the tenure track, you may qualify as a resident director for the CSU International Program.

Applications for directorships are now being accepted by the CSU Chancellor's Office, with appointments being made for the 1994-95 or 1994-96 calendar or academic years. Director positions are open in France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Mexico and Zimbabwe, and part-time positions in Israel and Japan. The program gives faculty a chance to be involved in students' intercultural learning.

More information and applications may be obtained from Dr. Gabriel Bassiry (Management), the campus representative to the Academic Council on International Programs. For information call Ext. 5732 or 5731.

BARRIER REMOVAL DISCUSSION

The removal of architectural barriers will be discussed during an open forum on Monday, Nov. 2 in UH-107. A team of officials from the CSU Chancellor's Office will be on campus to talk about the university's transition plan, which involves barrier removal. The meeting will be held from 2-5 p.m.

ACADEMIC DECATHLON VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are needed for the upcoming Academic Decathlon scheduled for Nov. 14 at CSUSB. Responsibilities include interview judges, speech judges and Super-Quiz proctors, just to name a few. If interested, please contact Sharon-Ann Croughwell at 387-3014.

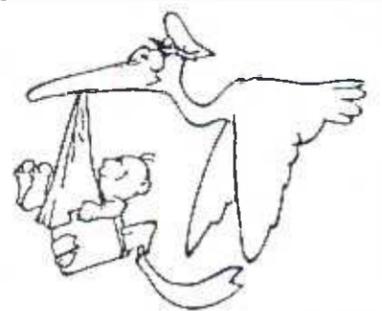
COMMUNITY SERVICE

On Oct. 9, Dr. Leo Connolly (Physics) spoke to the Pomona Valley Amateur Astronomers on "The Search for Life in Our Galaxy" at Harvey Mudd College.

HONORS

Dr. Luis S. Gonzalez (Music) was selected to be guest conductor for the 1993-94 San Bernardino Chapter of Music Educators Association (SBCMEA) High School Honor Band. Each year the SBCMEA assembles a select group of high school musicians for a two-day clinic, rehearsal and concert.

In a ceremony held Oct. 19, **Dr. David Stine** (Advanced Studies in Education) was inducted into the Twentynine Palms High School Hall of Fame. Stine served as student body president during his high school days and several years later returned there for his first principalship.



BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

The campus community congratulates Tom Ruvolo (Extended Education) and his wife, Jeanne, on the birth of their first child, Veronica Rachel. She was born Oct. 13 at 8:15 p.m. at Kaiser Fontana. At birth Veronica weighed 8 pounds, 2 1/2 ounces and measured 20 inches long.

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