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# THE FRIDAY BULLETIN

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## DISCRIMINATION DISCUSSED BY CAMPUS LEADERS

A June 21 meeting of senior administrators was convened to review "broad issues surrounding campus climate." Much of the discussion revolved around a community task force's contention that it has documented 30 incidents over a 10-year period that have created at CSUSB an "institutional environment hostile to African-Americans."

"Because there is quite a bit of confusion about the allegations and much of the information is inaccurate, incomplete and clearly one-sided," President Evans said the meeting was designed to present the

facts and "what is occurring."

Enclosed with this edition of The Friday Bulletin, each employee will receive the handout provided to participants at the meeting. The handout includes a question-and-answer report that details inquiries that have arisen most often with respect to the task force's accusations, as well as statistics on CSUSB's demographics.

Although the data, spanning 10 years, shows improvements in most areas of recruitment and retention of minority faculty, staff and students, the president

cautioned campus leaders not to surmise that the university needn't continue to make progress.

For example, "Sixty percent of our students are women. What does that say in terms of our workforce of staff and faculty?" he posited.

President Evans encouraged the campus community to continue to communicate with him about how the university's climate could be enhanced. He suggested that a retreat may be held before the new academic year to plan additional initiatives on this and other matters raised since the WASC reaccreditation review a year ago.

## PRODIGY LIABLE FOR LIBEL

The on-line service Prodigy is responsible for any libelous statements made by its users, ruled a New York court last month.

Because the service exercises editorial control over material posted by subscribers, the court said that Prodigy should be held accountable for what those subscribers say on the World Wide Web (WWW). Essentially, said the court, Prodigy acted as a publisher, rather than a bookstore or library, both of which have no say about what goes into materials they carry but merely serve as information conduits. It was Prodigy's own policies, technology and staffing that "mandated the finding that it is a publisher."

The decision could impact WWW policy and would impact CSUSB policy if the university were to exercise more editorial control, says William Aguilar, vice president for the university's Information Resources and Technology Division.

But Aguilar says that the way state and federal statutes and the campus policy read now there should be no problem. "If you don't violate them, you're O.K." The university has no plans to change its policy, he adds.

"The reality is it's virtually impossible (to monitor) those on the World Wide Web." The campus does decide, however, who is allowed to post items on the Web.

The New York case spawned from comments one user made about an investment firm. Another case involving CompuServe resulted in the company's vindication because it did not have the same control that Prodigy had exercised.

## SCIENCE PROGRAMS GET LIFT FROM GRANTS

Two grants from the National Science Foundation (NSF) and a third from the Research Corporation will now strengthen the research of CSUSB faculty and students in geography, physics, chemistry and computer science.

Pulling science and technology together, a \$49,000 grant from the NSF is funding the purchase of an X-ray diffraction system (XRD) for use in undergraduate work.

"If our students are to function in these technology-driven environments, they need experience with such equipment," says a summary of the grant proposal, which was originally submitted by James Mehegan and Louis Fernandez of geological sciences, and Tim Usher and Paul Dixon of the Physics Department. The university is providing matching funds.

Both geology and physics students study the use of an X-ray diffraction system and its principles. XRDs are central components in the industry and the research community.

Speeding up the communication between pieces of supercomputing visualization equipment is the purpose of the second NSF grant. The \$30,000 in funds will buy an Asynchronous Transfer Mode switch that enables students to

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## SERIES OPENS WITH ROCK, SWING CLASSICS

The 1995 Summer Entertainment Series opens July 12 as Popular Demand performs at Cal State's Lower Commons Plaza.

With appearances on the Oprah Winfrey Show and as the opening act for The Kingston Trio to its credit, Popular Demand will kick off the series playing the songs that made groups like the Beatles and Beach Boys famous.

The all-family band has played from Seattle to San Diego, including such venues as the Orange and Ventura county fairs. This is the fifth year the group has appeared at Cal State and the fourth straight year it has opened the series, now in its eleventh season.

On July 19 the sounds of the '40s are featured when The Swing Sisters come to town.

First-rate harmonies and music that reaches all audiences are the group's bread and butter. The band's music is dance music and reminiscent of great vocal groups like the Andrew Sisters and the McGuire Sisters.

The Swing Sisters have performed at fairs, casinos, conventions, on cable television and cruise ships. Their song list

includes "It Don't Mean a Thing," "Danny Boy" and "Straighten Up and Fly Right."

All shows for the series are free, outdoors and begin at 7 p.m. on the Lower Commons Plaza. Light refreshments will be sold, and no alcoholic beverages are allowed on the concert grounds. As usual, concertgoers are invited to bring their picnic settings and come early.

The Summer Entertainment Series is sponsored by the Associated Students, Inc., Upward Bound, the Student Union, Extended Education and Coca-Cola. For more information call the series hotline at Ext. 7053.



Popular Demand



The Swing Sisters Show and Dance Band



## A NOTE FROM HUMAN RESOURCES

### RAGING WATERS PASSES

Raging Waters tickets are available in the Human Resources Department.

Adult tickets good on any day except weekends in July/August and holidays are \$12.99. Or pay \$14.99 for tickets good on any day in July/August, including weekends and holidays.

Children's tickets are \$9.99 for ages 4-10. Children 3-and-under are free.

Raging Waters is open weekends April 15-May 29, and daily June 3-September 17. For more information, call Jenny Casillas at Ext. 5138.



## GRANTS...

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graphically represent supercomputer output.

The growing multi-interdisciplinary nature of scientific work and the effectiveness of visualization in teaching, illustrating and understanding scientific phenomenon also played a part in securing the grant and proposing a course in super-computing and visualization. Professors Kay Zemoudeh, Arturo Concepcion and Owen Murphy of the Computer Science Department, Peter Williams of math and Javier Torner of physics also secured a matching grant for the program.

The Research Corporation's \$18,600 grant will fuel investigations into the syntheses of chemical compounds found in more than 300 physiologically active compounds, including many antibodies, antidepressants and hypoglycemic medications.

"Chemists are always looking for new and efficient syntheses of basic chemical compounds," says Cal State chemistry professor David Forbes Maynard, who wrote the proposal. "Because they are important in the pharmaceutical industry, these new organic molecules can be synthesized for evaluation as medicines."

The grant also funds undergraduate research, Maynard adds. Summer stipends of \$2,000 will be available to students, and the grant will pay for chemicals and laboratory supplies.

Key to undergraduate education, says Maynard, are the independent research skills students pick up.

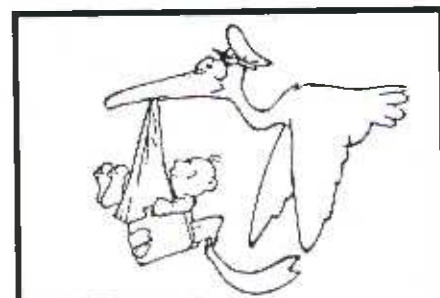
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## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to Hajrudin (Math) and Jennifer (Physical Plant) Fejzic on the birth of their son, Benjamin William. Benjamin was born at 5:14 a.m. on May 16, weighing 9 pounds, 2 ounces and measuring 20 inches.

## THANKS ...

...From Rodney Simard (English) "to all those colleagues who have yet again donated sick leave hours so that I can continue my slow recovery and rehabilitation in anticipation of disability retirement later this year."

## BULLETIN SUMMER SCHEDULE

(Editor's Note: The Sept. 22 issue will be published three weeks—rather than the usual two weeks—after the previous issue due to the campus observance of Labor Day, Sept. 4.)

This schedule is provided for those wishing to submit story ideas or other campus-related information for possible publication in The Friday Bulletin.

Generally, story ideas submitted for consideration by the Public Affairs Office should be sent at least three weeks before a target publication date. Submissions for such short items as community service or birth announcements are due 10 days before a publication.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE	PUBLICATION DATE
July 11	July 21
July 25	Aug. 4
Aug. 8	Aug. 18
Aug. 22	Sept. 1
Sept. 12	Sept. 22

## REDLANDS BANK COO JOINS BOARD

D. Brian Reider, executive vice president, chief operating officer and general counsel for Redlands Federal Bank, is the newest appointee to CSUSB's University Advisory Board.

Formerly a lawyer in private practice for 13 years, Reider joined Redlands Federal Bank in 1989. He has held his current title since October 1994.

In addition to his service on the University Advisory Board, Reider is active as a member of the board of directors for the Rotary Club of Redlands, and has held several board positions with the Diocese of San Bernardino. He is the former chairman of the professional division of the United Way of Redlands Area.

Married with four children, Reider resides in Highland. An alumnus of CSUSB with a B.A. in English, Reider earned his J.D. at the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law.



D. Brian Reider

Appointments to the University Advisory Board are made by President Anthony Evans. Members serve four-year terms.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Elsa M. Ochoa-Fernandez (International Student Services) has been appointed chair of the Southern California sub-region of the NASPA Region VI Network.

June 3-10 Dr. Tom M. Rivera (Undergraduate Studies) participated as a reader at the invitation of the U.S. Department of Education, evaluating applications submitted under the Science and Math Upward Bound Program.

## HONORS

Dr. David Stine was recognized at the annual community awards luncheon of the Ontario Salvation Army. A former chair of the advisory board, Stine received the William Booth Award for outstanding service to the community and the Salvation Army.

# C A L E N D A R

## THROUGH JULY 13

**Art Show.**  
"25th Student Art Show" features work of CSUSB senior students. University Art Gallery. Gallery hours Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Free. Ext. 5802.

## WED., JULY 12

**Music.**  
Popular Demand opens 1995 Summer Entertainment Series with sounds of '50s, '60s. 7 p.m., Lower Commons Plaza. Free. Ext. 7053.

## WED., JULY 19

**Music.**  
The Swing Sisters play hits from '40s in second of eight-week long Summer Entertainment Series. 7 p.m., Lower Commons Plaza. Free. Ext. 7053.



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