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From the Editor

Reading the Signals

With this edition The Friday Bulletin goes online, and the new printed version of the publication will look more like the simple editions of its early years.

We believe this is progress. But progress is a wobbly word. It can lean in any direction, because progress is typically a function of the market, driven by finances, needs and wants. All of which change. The Friday Bulletin Online is evidence of those changes. We recognize the need to be modern. The web is here; the Joneses are using it.

Yet, while the Internet is exciting, colorful territory with room enough for all to roam, we also know that, for some, there's still nothing like the tangible. Namely, paper. A chunk of hardware is fairly tangible, too, but it isn't very portable. You can't hold a computer while relaxing in a chair, or easily maneuver a 14-inch screen for a quick once-over to pick out what interests you the most.

So along with The Friday Bulletin Online the public affairs office is sending to each department and to staff who are known to be computerless an actual hardcopy. And for anyone anywhere who has too much trouble warming up to electronic signals, you can find peace in your mailbox as well if you call to get on our distribution list. The hardcopy won't have pictures like the home page version. But at least you'll be free to drag it with you to your favorite reading venues. We invite your comments or suggestions.

--Sam Romero

It's North to a Deanship for Gruenbaum, Fernlund

After more than 10 years apiece at Cal State, Ellen Gruenbaum and Phyllis Fernlund travel north this month to start deanships at two other CSU campuses.

Assuming the deanship for the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences at Cal State, Fresno, Gruenbaum served as the acting dean for social and behavioral sciences here for two years before John Conley accepted the permanent position last summer. She came to CSUSB in 1986. Now in charge of the university's accreditation review response, Gruenbaum also has been performing her regular duties as an anthropology professor. She also had served as assistant dean for the school from 1992-94.

Female circumcision is the subject of some of her most recognized research, which is the basis for a book she's writing.

One of Fernlund's priorities when she gets to Sonoma State is to finish plans for a new high school that will specialize in science and mathematics on campus.

Fernlund also will work to expand the partnership between the university, K-12 schools and the Sonoma County office. Sonoma's education school has worked with districts to set up an educator-in-residence program. It hires a teacher from the K-12 system for two years and makes the teacher a member of the education school's faculty.

Fernlund also begins her assignment in August. "The family has mixed feelings about leaving good friends," she says, "but also excitement about this new venture."

USF Man Accepts Coaching Post

Larry Reynolds, assistant coach at the University of San Francisco, has been named head coach of the Cal State men's basketball team.

"We're excited that Larry has accepted the position," said Nancy Simpson, the university's director of athletics, in a June 24 announcement. "He brings a wealth of experience to the post, including a tremendous knowledge of the CCAA. He's a strong recruiter, and has a long trail of success."

Reynolds also coached for 16 years at the University of California, Riverside from 1979-1995 before moving on to San Francisco, where he coached for two years. His contract as the CSUSB coach begins in mid-August.

The Cal State coaching position was left vacant last month when Denny Aye accepted the head coaching spot at Fresno City College.

With Hammer in Hand

Construction crews will be busy around campus this summer with seismic retrofits of the Pfau Library and the Commons, reports administration and finance Vice President David DeMauro.

In addition to making the Commons earthquake safe over the next 12 months, the project will provide some new carpeting, a window wall system and the new structural shear walls at locations that would not obstruct existing views from the Commons building.

Plans are being drawn up for the seismic work needed on the new Visual Arts Center as well, DeMauro adds. That job will go out to bid in November and be underway by early 1998.

Other work will involve installation of a sidewalk between the Yasuda Extended Education Center and adding lighting from the faculty parking lot behind the science buildings down to the Health and Physical Education Complex.

A Note from Human Resources

Picnic at Knott's Lagoon, Plus Water

The Knott's lagoon is the site for this year's "End of Summer Picnic" put on by human

resources. Friends and family can come Aug. 23 for an all-you-can-eat buffet, games prizes and a visit from Snoopy. Picnic hours are from 11 a.m.-3 p.m., with lunch being served from noon-1:30 p.m. The park stays open until 1 a.m. Tickets for adults are \$28.20, children ages 3-11 are \$14.95 (under 3 is free) and parking is \$5.

Summer prices at Raging Waters run from July-September. Adults are \$16.99 and children are \$11.99. Call Jenny Casillas or Twillea Carthen for tickets or more information.

Birth Announcements

Congratulations to Andrea Beechko (Budget Office) and her husband, A.J., who had their second child on May 31. Andrew Charles weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and measured 22 inches when he was born at Redlands Community Hospital.

Congratulations to Jack Cowley (Extended Education) and his wife, Sharon (Accounting), on the birth of their first child. Nicholas James was born at Redlands Community Hospital on June 13, weighing 6 pounds, 15 ounces and measuring 20 inches long.

Community Service

Klaus Brasch (School of Natural Sciences) lectured on "Life in the Universe" at the San Bernardino County Museum on March 15, and at the Sun Lakes Community Center in Beaumont on June 19.

Calendar

Through Oct. 3

Art Show.

27th Annual Student Art Show features works by CSUSB junior and senior students. Robert V. Fullerton Art Museum. Museum hours Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sat. and Sun., noon-4 p.m. Ext. 7373.