ANOTHER BUILDING UP, MANY TO GO

LIBRARY POISED FOR FALL RUSH, P.E. FOR WINTER

The newest member of Cal State's "expanded family," the Pflug Library addition, has had its construction barriers removed and is now open to books and materials, reports David DeMauro, vice president (Administration & Finance).

Meanwhile, the contractor for the Visual Arts Center is "working faster than any of the largest contractors" we've had on campus, he notes. The Health and Physical Education Building, which had been projected to open with this fall's classes, now is expected to be completed by the end of this calendar year, he adds.

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NOWICKI NAMED PUBLIC SAFETY ACTING DIRECTOR

Lt. Stephen Nowicki will serve as acting director of Public Safety while recruitment for a permanent director is in progress, announced David DeMauro, vice president (Administration and Finance).

The search will take about six months.

The former director, Ed Harrison, has served as the Public Safety Lieutenant for two years.

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PROGRESSIVE FOLK, LATIN JAZZ GROUPS CLOSE SERIES

Local business opportunities posed by the NAFTA Treaty between the U.S. and Mexico will be outlined by experts at an Aug. 24 executive briefing presented at Cal State, San Bernardino.

Opening on the heels of the Mexican elections, this 7:30 a.m. forum in Cal State's Jack Brown Hall will provide timely information about the existing networks that have formed between the two countries, notes Ernesto Reza, a Cal State management professor who is one of the presenters.

Reza has written several articles on NAFTA and organized public presentations that have involved CSUSB faculty and professors from the Universidad de Baja California.

Other speakers include Richard Mejia, Jr., an audit partner with Ernst & Young in San Diego. He has more than 25 years of accounting and business experience and specializes in manufacturing and high technology companies and companies with international operations.

A third presenter will be Diego Remberger, managing partner with Ernst & Young of the Baja California, Mexico region. With more than 15 years of business and accounting experience, Remberger has assisted numerous companies in setting up operations in Mexico and dealing with business procedures relating to the Mexico market.

This executive briefing is one in an occasional series of sessions sponsored by the Business Partners, an association that supports the university's School of Business and Public Administration.

The presentation is part of the school's "commitment to provide lifelong learning opportunities and a central forum for the discussion of contemporary business issues," says Dr. Eldo Lewis, dean.

Event sponsors also include Ernst & Young, Football Independent Bank and the Inland Empire Business Journal.

Advance registration for the event is required. More information is available at Ext. 7053 or 5234.
WHO SAYS CATS ARE ALWAYS COOL AND CONFIDENT?
by Sam Romero, public affairs assistant

It was reported in late July that a certain cat going by the name of “Chewy” was seen wandering the halls and offices of the administration building, and that the cat later appeared in repose on the soft chair of a university vice president. All of it has come out to be true. But it was strange. Strange because this cat usually hangs around the university bookstore, which is a good 75 yards away. I, myself, assumed that the heat had turned the animal a little crazy, and as I warned my lunch in the microwave on the day the cat was sighted, I mentioned my theory to a woman in the room. She also had seen Chewy and was now countering my theory with an unsatisfying but heady thought.

“I think it just got stuck in the building,” she said.

“But why would it wander all the way over here from the bookstore?” I asked. “I mean, that’s a long way.” She looked at me, blankly for a moment, and then a gleam came over her face, the same gleam one gets after just gulping down a silky-smooth piece of dark chocolate.

“I have it. It’s male,” she said, “and by the ruling significant cat. Two, it did only assume was a veterinarian/cat shrink who I can only assume performed some kind of cat scan and diagnosed the cat to be in some sort of catatonic state. “Yes,” confirmed the cat shrink, “you have a depressed cat on your hands.”

The conclusion was based on three factors: One, the cat had been driven off a nice spot it had marked out on the couch by the ruling significant cat. Two, it did not have the kind of personality it takes to be a successful cat, like that of Cat No. 2, which was playful and perky. And three, it was a tuxedo and a newcomer and had not been invited to the party.

The last word on my co-worker’s cat was that it was feeling much better, had regained its confidence, was getting to know the other cats, and was getting used to the heat. I have not taken any snoozes in vice presidential chairs recently. But I have been feeling a little overheated and brazen I’ve noticed . . . doing crazy things . . . saying things . . . in fact, there’s . . . a cat outside my window right now. “Say, cat! Your mother eats dog food!” Hey, people are cats, too.

In the world of felines, presumption is nine-tenths of the law. Hence, Chewy sits in the chair of a university vice president (an ambitious move even for a cat) and so assumes that just because there are more search committees on campus than mice of late, he can try to get a jump on the interview process.

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Around the time that Chewy was feeling his oats, a cat belonging to a co-worker was experiencing another kind of “heat” strain. (Cats are not always in control of their world.) For days the creature did not eat or poop. It did sleep, however. A lot. In its box in the bathroom. And it moped, and moped, and moped.

So my co-worker took it to what I can only assume was a veterinarian/cat shrink who I can only assume performed some kind of cat scan and diagnosed the cat to be in some sort of catatonic state.

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The Air Force ROTC at CSUSB is offering students two- and three-year scholarships. Most of these pay college tuition and most laboratory and textbook fees, plus $100-a-month, non-taxable allowance during the school year. Call Capt. Janet A. Andreport at Ext. 5440 or drop by the ROTC office in the administration building.

NOW WITH CHRISTIAN FACULTY STAFF

The campus’s Christian Faculty and Staff Fellowship is meeting at noon on Tuesdays in UH-397. Bring your lunch or just yourself. They will meet through mid-September. Call Beverly at Ext. 5006 or Glenda at Ext. 7207 for more information.

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WEDNESDAY, AUG. 17


WEDNESDAY, AUG. 24

Music. Oldies, contemporary hits with spice by The Latin Society. 7 p.m., Lower Commons Plaza. Free. Ext. 7053.

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