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SCHOOLS NAME YEAR’S OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

by Christina Oney, student intern

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Colonel Paul Cook is the Outstanding Graduate Student for the School of Business and Public Administration. At 53 and a highly decorated, retired Marine Corps colonel, he decided to continue his education to complete his dream of becoming a public servant. He has maintained a perfect GPA despite a battle with leukemia. His desire to help others has led him to become a member of the Hi-Desert Medical Center Fund Raising Task Force, and serve on the board of directors for the Morongo Valley Basin United Way. He also is a state board member of the American Red Cross.

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Rudolph Sanchez has been chosen as the Outstanding Undergraduate student. Sanchez has received a scholarship to Harvard Medical School. At 2 p.m., June 15 the School of Humanities will hold Commencement.

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BRANDON LEVEQUE, and the Rector of the Universidad Autonoma de Baja, California Luis Javier Garavito Elias. The guest speaker will be National Teacher of the Year Sandra McBrayer. Beginning at 9 a.m., Tuesday, June 16, the School of Natural Sciences will hold its graduation ceremony featuring an address by Robert Sein, CSUSB professor of mathematics and a trustee of the Run of the World Unified School District.

Commencement ceremonies will conclude with a 6:30 p.m., June 16 ceremony for the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences that will feature U.S. Senator Barbara Boxer as the Commencement speaker. San Bernardino City Councilman Frederick Curfied is among the invited dignitaries who will be seated with the platform party.

Several of the University’s Advisory Board members also will be in attendance for the celebrations. The university’s distinguished alumni, award winners and recipients of the outstanding undergraduate and graduate student awards will be recognized by their respective academic schools during the proceedings. The Coachella Valley Center will hold its Commencement festivities at 2 p.m. on June 16 in the McCallum Theatre in Palm Desert. Riverside County Supervisor Ron Wilson will speak.

SIMPSON CASE: PRE-TRIAL BELIEFS OUTWEIGHT RACIAL ATTITUDES

by Cynthia Pringle, director of public affairs

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Frankie, played by Philip Kostick, and Beth, played by Anne Johnston-Brown, talk things over in "A Lie of the Mind," considered by many to be playwright Sam Shepard’s best work and now being staged in repertory with "The Heidi Chronicles" at CSUSB’s University Theatre.
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Long will graduate with departmental honors. She is one of 75 people from the University of California and California State University systems to receive a California pre-doctoral honorable mention, and her honors thesis was one of 20 chosen for the recent Pacific Sociological Association meeting in Seattle. She also is a National Science Foundation Fellow.

Mary Ann Munn will present an essay on “The Myth of Race” and her defense of the scientific basis of a “race” concept, based on genetic and biological evidence. The lecture begins at 7 p.m. in the Cox Auditorium.

Children published many influential scholarly works on the topic of racism, including her book “The Myth of Race” which presents evidence to refute claims that humans can be classified into distinct racial categories.

Cartmill's lecture ends a recent flurry of activities related to the topic of diversity. The university has been promoting diversity-related activities for the past several weeks, including workshops, seminars, and lectures that have been well-received by the community.

CSUSB employees will be presented with diversity awards for their efforts in promoting diversity on campus. The awards will be presented during a ceremony on May 31, which will also feature a keynote address by a distinguished guest speaker.

CSUSB students with I.D. $10, advance tickets for CSUSB employees with I.D. $12, tickets at door $15, no discounts. Ext. 7366.

Awards are: Ellen Grubenbaum, Craig Davis, Paul R. Nations, and Sandra Kamusikiri. Jennifer Reed and Elizabeth Rega.

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The free lecture begins at noon in the Cox Auditorium.

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