GALLAGHER READY TO FIRE UP THE OL' SLEDGE-O-MATIC

Winds clocked at 75 miles per hour knocked down trees as well as students Jan. 6, forcing the campus to close because of such weather for only the second time in its history.

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Though the phone lines were tied up much of Monday and Tuesday, the problem was not due to damage to the system, says Terri L. Corte, a customer support services representative in telecommunications.

"The winds caused a panic so the volume increased by 10-15 percent," she said, adding, "That was the first day of school and students were calling with questions about classes. The phone system can handle 52 calls coming in at the exact same time. Once a call is sent by a port to someone’s extension number, that port is free to handle another call. "If there was only one door into Coussoulis Arena," for instance, Cox says, "and if everybody's trying to go in at the same time, there wouldn't be enough room even though it has 5,000 seats.

While the winds peaked at 75 mph the opening day of school, they ranged from 30-50 mph. They averaged 30-35 mph when the campus reopened on Tuesday, peaking at around 52 — still enough to do some damage.

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A NOTE FROM HUMAN RESOURCES

NEW VISION PLAN
Effective Jan. 1, the CSU vision plan changed from Vision Service Plan (VSP) to CPIC Life Insurance Company (a subsidiary of Blue Shield of California) with claims administration being handled by Medical Eye Services (MES). Plan booklets and provider directories have been sent out via intercampus mail.

The CSU will retain the same basic and video display terminal (VDT) benefits and frequency of service provisions. Claims information is being transferred from VSP to CPIC Life/MES so that an employee will be eligible for the annual vision exam 12 months from the date of the last eye examination under VSP. Lenses and frames or contact lenses will be available after 24 months from the date of the last pair provided under VSP. (As before, if there has been a significant change in prescription, an employee will be eligible for new lenses after 12 months.) In addition, the CSU vision plan has been amended so that the benefit for cosmetic contact lenses is the same regardless of whether the employee uses a participating provider or a nonparticipating provider.

Prior authorization for service is not required except for the above mentioned "significant change in prescription" benefit. To make a claim, an employee and/or dependent must obtain a claim form from human resources and present it at the time of the initial appointment. The participating provider will verify benefits and obtain authorization from MES. However, if service is rendered by a nonparticipating provider, the employee must pay the bill and submit the claim form to MES with a copy of the prescription(s) for reimbursement up to the nonparticipating provider allowances. The phone number to MES is (800) 877-8372.

If you have any questions or need vision claim forms or VDT claim forms, call human resources at Ext. 5138.

"DEVELOPING A HEALTHY AND FIT YOU FOR THE NEW YEAR"

The health center has organized this event in conjunction with the Women's Center and SHAC. The presentation will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 14 in the Student Union Events Center from noon-1:30 p.m. All faculty, staff and students are invited to attend. Brown-bag lunches are encouraged.

Jennifer Gillett, (Kinesiology and Physical Education) will discuss how much, how long and how hard to exercise and give tips on developing an individual exercise plan. While Dorothy Chen, RD, (Health Science/Food and Nutrition) will talk about evaluating your eating habits for a healthy diet for life.

Also speaking will be Doyle Hill, MECC trainer, psychological counseling center, who will examine why we can't stop overeating and how feelings affect eating habits. And Joyce Jordan, MD, (Student Health Center) will do a brief medical overview of the medical problems related to eating.

Each presentation should last about 15-20 minutes. Margaret Schumacher from the Women's Center will moderate the question-and-answer session. Door prizes will be raffled off and those bands will be given out (while supplies last).

SAYING 'THANK YOU'

In appreciation for your dedication of service, CSUSB wants to say "thank you" at the Staff Recognition Luncheon on Thursday, Feb. 13 from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Student Union Events Center. All staff with 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 years of service will be honored. Cost: Guest $13.50, honorees complimentary. Call Rowena Casis at Ext. 3104 by Feb. 5 for reservations.

AUTHOR DISCUSSES INFLUENCE OF POPULAR MEXICAN MURALIST

Goldman, who is a research associate with the Latin American Center at UCLA, is author of Contemporary Mexican Painting in a Time of Change, and Dimensions of the Americas: Art and Social Change in Latin America and the United States.

Her talk commemorates the 100th anniversary of Siquieros' birth. The painter's "1932 mural, "Tropical America," which is in the Olvera Street section of Los Angeles, has been the subject of conservation by the Getty Conservation Institute.

The Visual Arts Center auditorium will be the site for Goldman's talk, which begins at 7 p.m. and is free.

The talk is part of the year-long Speaking of Art lecture series marking the opening of the new CSUSB Visual Arts Center and Robert V. Fullerton Museum. The Intellectual Life and Visiting Scholars Program is sponsoring the event.

A HOME FOR DIVERSITY

Is your office or organization looking to supply or supplement funding for a diversity-related event? Are you looking to go to an event with a cultural bent?

Do both at the University Diversity Committee home page — http://diversity.csusb.edu. Besides information about the UDC and its mission, groups sponsoring diversity-related events can submit their funding requests online, and a diversity events calendar will be assembled as the information comes in. A list of diversity-related campus organizations and Internet resources also will be available.

INTERNATIONAL HUMANITY DAY HELD

Fifty-five students and 12 faculty members were formally introduced and then received the society medallion at the second annual induction dinner and ceremony for CSUSB's honor society for international scholars, Phi Beta Delta.

Nearly 100 students and their families, faculty members and staff attended the Oct. 25 event. Four society members and two student teams also received awards. Cal State's Gamma Lambda chapter was founded last year as an "advocacy institution for international education," says Elsa Osbom-Fernandez, director of international student services.

C A L E N D A R

SATURDAY, JAN. 18
Women's Basketball
Grand Canyon University, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JAN. 23
Women's Tennis
Long Beach State, 2 p.m.

Talk
"Siqueiros entre los angeles, y otras influencias: Siqueiros Among the Angles and Other Influences," by social artist Hizia Goldman, 7 p.m., Visual Arts Center in Seymour and Mignon

FRIDAY, JAN. 24
Comedy Act
"The Wizard of Odds," Gallagher, performances, 8 p.m., Concerts' Arena. $15-$20 through Ticketmaster or AS Box Office. Information at Ext. 5933 or Ext. 7360.

(Cal Poly, Pomona, 7:30 p.m.)

FRIDAY BULLETIN WINTER SCHEDULE

This schedule is published for those wishing to submit ideas or other campus-related information for possible publication in The Friday Bulletin. Generally, only ideas submitted for consideration by the Public Affairs Office should be sent in with these notes before a target publication date. Submissions for each short item as community service or birth announcements are due 10 days before publication. Check the schedule for your deadlines.

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COUNSELING CENTER OPENS FOR WINTER

Adults facing issues such as depression, traumatic life changes, eating disorders and struggles with self-esteem or simply looking to make progress in their personal growth now can make appointments with the Community Counseling Center at Cal State.

This confidential, one-on-one counseling is conducted by Cal State graduate students under the supervision of Psychology Department faculty. Edward Teyber, a Cal State psychology professor who has written a nationally-acclaimed book about children and divorce, serves as the center's director.

A $10 fee is charged for each 50-minute counseling session. However, the center does operate on a sliding scale.

The center focuses on counseling for individuals. Child, family and couples counseling is not available. Day or evening appointments may be scheduled. While the center does not treat drug or alcohol addiction or those who may be suicidal, referrals will be made in such cases.

For more information, call the Community Counseling Center at Ext. 3569.

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