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Holiday Greetings
from the President

As we near the end of our first quarter on campus, Marilyn and I are so pleased to have joined the CSUSB community. We wish each of you a holiday season that brings joy and renewal.

State Parole System
Running Pilot Program

Calculating the risk of releasing inmates up for parole from state prisons is at the core of a study coordinated by criminal justice professor Frank Williams, the director for CSUSB's Center for Criminal Justice Research. A pilot program went into effect Nov. 1 to test recommendations and an analysis will be done in June.

Looking at the state's Division of Parole and Community Services, Williams, who began the project with his wife, Marilyn McShane, before she left CSUSB to take a position at Northern Arizona University, is reworking the state's parole classification process. The research will involve assessing California's current classification system, assessing the automated database and recommending a new automation system and creating a new classification instrument.

“There are currently 100,000 parolees,” Williams says. “If we can create a better instrument and process, the parolees can be supervised better, the state may save money and the public may be a wee bit safer from crime.”

A reclassification system also has been created for those now on parole.

Williams and three fellow researchers, including senior researcher Mike Dolny, also are studying parole supervision practices and programs to see what is working best. They’re checking into such services as Alcoholics Anonymous, counseling, job skills training and education opportunities. In doing the project, however, Williams says he wants to avoid proposals that "will look over the shoulders" of parole agents.

Students to Take Advice After Dark

Starting Jan. 5 the advising, academic services and testing office will offer advising services to undergraduate night students when it's most convenient for them; at night.

Hours for the office beginning with the winter quarter are 8 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Thursday, and 8 a.m.-7 p.m. on Friday. Students can go to the office for counseling on courses, general education academic probation, EPT/ELM Basic Skills, university waiver of regulations and other petitions, study skills, testing and admission by special action.
They can call 880-5034 or stop by UH-380. Students also can get advice by e-mail at askcsusb@wiley.csusb.edu.

To be Here, or Not to be Here

Again this year the campus awaits in complete suspense the governor’s decision to approve or deny a half-day off for all full-time state employees on Christmas Eve. If he says yes, then the campus will close at noon on Dec. 24 and reopen at 7 a.m. on Jan. 2. If he says no, it will be a first. And as much as the governor may appreciate dedicated employees, you’re in for a chilly reception if you come to work during the break because heating and air conditioning services are taking a holiday as well to save on energy. Jim Hansen is standing by to answer your heating questions.

The Bulletin Board

A Time to Give

Operation Santa, Extended Education’s yearly holiday drive for families in need, is running at full tilt now. Give food, clothing, toys and decorations that will go toward a Christmas party for the Palm House, a Highland shelter for the homeless that is sponsored by the Community Center. Call Valerie at Ext. 5976 or Keri at Ext. 3909 to donate, volunteer or just ask questions.

Russian Waters

Starting with St. Petersburg for four nights and continuing on with a cruise along the Neva, Svir and Volga rivers, a summer tour of Russia will be led by history professor Robert Blackey. The $2,900 voyage includes round trip airfare from Los Angeles, 13 nights on the OdessAmerica cruise ship, shore excursions to places like Kizhi Island, which is known for its open-air Museum of Architecture, and to Moscow, and talks by a Russian university professor. Departure is June 27, 1998 and extended education credit is available for an extra charge. Call Blackey at Ext. 5550 for more information and about the optional tour extension.

Crime Statistics

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Obscene Calls 1 0
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TOTALS 20 15

Arrests
Felony 0 0
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Non-Injury 3 5

State of Calif. $5,285 $390
Personal $2,385 $26,160
Total $ Loss $7,667 $26,550

Personnel
New Employees
Robin Campbell
Project Coordinator
Project C.H.A.L.K., Behavioral Health Institute
PL 264, Ext. 5567

Honors
Larry McFatter (Music) has won the first annual Michael Hennagin Prize in Composition at the University of Oklahoma. The prize includes a cash award and a performance of his work, "Hymn of the Earth," by chorus and symphony orchestra during the Catlett Music Center inaugural week at the university.
Calendar

Saturday, Jan. 10

Job Fair.

Annual Education Job Fair brings representatives from many school districts in and out of California. 1-4 p.m., Student Union Events Center. Free. Ext. 5250.

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