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Colleagues,

This weekend I am appreciating the fact that we have been finished a month and those other quarter campuses are having commencements this weekend. This is the time we appreciate the advantage of a semester calendar!

I often have people outside of academia ask if we are winding down for the end of the school year. Ha! It's more like a mad sprint in those last few weeks and days! Now that summer is really here with triple digits rolling in, I'll remind us of that mad sprint that we made back in May and what people are already accomplishing this summer!

I attended the Beta Gamma Sigma Induction ceremony where students and faculty were inducted into the Honor Society for collegiate schools of business. Faculty advisors **Ji Li and Di Wu** recognized the new inductees and several alumni speakers inspired the students and upcoming graduates.

The university's first ever Lavendar Recognition Celebration recognized the upcoming graduates in the LGBTQ+ community. This historic event was organized by the LGBTQ+ Affinity Group under the leadership of **Matthew McClellan, Arts and Humanities and Kris Grappendorf, Kinesiology.**

The university also celebrated the 37th Annual Chicano Celebration organized by the **MEChA club and its President Guadalupe Nunez.**

The Black Graduates Recognition Ceremony was another meaningful celebration of our graduates. Once again it was meticulously organized by **June Grimes, Enrollment Management.**

Cliona Murphy, History Department and a CSUB delegation attended the Phi Beta Delta conference for International Scholars. **Di Wu, Accounting and Finance, Rosemary Stribling, Kegley Advising Center, and Luiza Martens, Masters student in Public Administration** presented their research at the conference and **Dr. Thomas Wallace, VP of Student Affairs** joined the delegation as we work to establish our new Phi Beta Delta Chapter under Cliona's leadership as the Chapter Coordinator.

At the **Phi Beta Delta National Conference** I was honored to receive the Bronze Level Certificate from Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars

The CSUB **Small Business Development Center (SBDC)** was recognized as Nonprofit of the Year at the North of the River Chamber of Commerce Board Installation & Awards Luncheon.

In presenting the award, NOR Chamber President John Heath said, "I felt like choosing somebody that has been helping and developing the business community." Being a business owner himself, Heath added, "I was able to actually use their services before I started my company. So they have been very instrumental in a lot of businesses in town." CSUB **SBDC Director Kelly Bearden** accepted the awarded on behalf of the Center.

I was especially honored to receive an award from the The Runner. It sincerely means a great deal to me since I was a writer on my school newspaper during my undergraduate studies. This year, The Runner started a few new traditions for thanking their supporters. In addition to hosting the first annual Thank You Event, they also are acknowledging their supporters with a couple of new awards. These awards include the "Golden Key Award" for supporting the mission of The Runner, and "Circles of Support" for advertising. They will be posting all of these awards to their website at TheRunnerOnline.com.

Golden Key Award – Dr. Jenny Zorn, CSUB Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

The provost has been a key supporter of The Runner staff this year, particularly in sponsoring the students' abilities to expand their education and experiences off-campus. She sponsored our sports reporter and photo editor to go to Las Vegas and New York to cover the basketball team's runs in the WAC Tournament and the NIT. She also funded members of our staff to attend the Associated Collegiate Press National Journalism Conference in San Francisco and to attend the California College Media Association's banquet, where they received 14 awards for their work in 2016. We are grateful to Dr. Zorn for your ongoing support of student media at CSUB!

Publisher's Circle – Advertising Total \$5,000+

The School of Business and Public Administration at CSUB

Editor's Circle – Advertising Total \$1,000+

The School of Arts and Humanities at CSUB

CSUB Office of the President

Walter Stiern Library

CSUB Athletics Department

CSUB Campus Programming

Refuel Agency

Headliners – Advertising Total \$500+

Rio Acai Bowls

Dailey Marketing Group

Golden Empire Transit (GET)

U.S. Army

Correspondents – Advertising Total \$30+

CSUB Extended University

CSUB Office of University Advancement

The School of Natural Science, Mathematics, and Engineering at CSUB

Todd Madigan Gallery at CSUB
CSUB Office of Student Affairs
CSUB Media Production Lab
Japan and Beyond Club at CSUB
Vickie Halterman, Scentsy
Kern County Rideshare
Castle Book Room
Pho Vy Restaurant
Masala Grill
Bakersfield Escape Room
JB Cuts
Big Bottom Bath
Ted's Vapor Hut
Zombie Apocalypse Gear
Royal Nails
Smooth Move
Delano Real Estate
Kern County Right to Life

Sponsor's Circle – Contest Donations

Big Bottom Bath
Faces by Faith
Bakersfield Escape Room
Rivers End Rafting & Adventure
Bakersfield Craft Beer Festival
Masala Grill
Rio Acai Bowls
Joseph's Italian Restaurant
Awesome Fitness

The Kern County Chapter of the Association of California Nurse Leaders (ACNL) held their annual RN of the Year Award Dinner with the following awards presented to CSUB faculty.

Dr. Annie Huynh, Nursing was awarded the Clinical Practice – Outpatient RN of the Year Award

An excerpt from her nomination:

Dr. Annie Huynh is a practicing Family Nurse Practitioner at Kern Medical Center and Pinnacle Emergency Physicians medical group. She is dedicated to providing patient centered care to clients in our medically underserved area. AS a nurse practitioner, Dr. Huynh diagnoses, treats, evaluates, and manages complex acute, critical, and chronic illness and diseases. Dr. Huynh is passionate about improving the health of our community. Her research focus addresses the issue of tobacco smoking and its enormous public health threat. She evaluated the effectiveness of a mobile application in tobacco cessation education which she presented at the Western Institute of Nursing conference in April 2017.

Ms. Karen Lillie, Nursing was awarded the Education – Academia RN of the Year Award

An excerpt from her nomination:

Karen Lillie is the Board of Registered Nursing recognized content expert for Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing for CSUB. She provides an impressive pattern of service to the Department of Nursing, exceeding expectations of a faculty member in both breadth and depth. Ms. Lillie has been instrumental in the many CSUB accreditation visits. She leads by example, serving as a mentor for several new faculty members. She is an active member of the Xi Epsilon Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, having served two years each as President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Leadership Succession Chair. Ms. Lillie is a strong advocate for nursing students and is the faculty member students turn to when they are experiencing life or school challenges. She is deeply engaged with student success; when she sees a student need, she immerses herself in seeking solutions. Ms. Lillie incorporates evidence-based practice into her teaching and uses innovative teaching strategies that help students understand the lived experience of their mental health clients.

Please join me in congratulating the **Nursing** faculty team involved writing the grant for the Association for Prevention Teaching and Research (APTR) and Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

The team successfully acquired a grant for \$40,000 to develop five case studies to contribute to the national CDC repository for immunization resources supporting undergraduate nursing education. All schools of nursing will be able to access these case studies.

The review of the case studies is rigorous, involving the CDC clearance process at four different levels.

This was a highly competitive national grant. Only CSU Bakersfield and the University of Missouri received awards.

The team includes:

Dr. Heidi He (principal investigator)

Dr. Denise Dawkins

Dr. Annie Huynh

Ms. Maria Rubolino.

CSUB hosted the 21st Annual Psi Chi Research Conference, the longest standing student run research conference at CSUB. This International Honor Society for Psychology majors organizes the conference with a keynote speaker and student research presentations under the direction and guidance of Faculty Advisor **Isabel Sumaya, Psychology.**

This year Robert Yohe published (with **Suzann Henrikson**, Jim Woods, and Gene Titmus) Mammoth Hunting in the Desert West: Recent Analysis of Fluted Points from the Wasden Site (10BV30). **American Antiquity (July 2017).**

Did you see the "Ghost Log 1"--- project by L.A. Artist Noel Korten, working with our student and staff. In front of the Science 1 Building, the sculpture commemorates the die-off of 102

million trees in the Sierras and Sequoias over the last couple of years? **Joyce Kohl, Art** coordinated this project.

Stephanie Borges, a junior majoring in philosophy, was accepted to attend the Philosophy in an Inclusive Key Summer Institute (PIKSI) to be held at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), June 20-27, 2017. This week-long program is designed to encourage undergraduate students from under-represented groups to consider future study in the field of philosophy. Transportation to and from the Institute, room and board, and a small stipend is provided for participants. <http://www.piksi.org/programs/boston/>

Debra Jackson, Philosophy was accepted to attend the National Endowment of the Humanities (NEH) Summer Institute, "Diverse Philosophical Approaches to Sexual Violence" to be held at Elon University, June 18-30, 2017. This two-week long summer institute will gather emerging and established scholars to explore the different meanings of sexual violence in distinct social contexts, diverse ways of framing the harms that sexual violence imposes, the relation (or lack of same) between sexual violence and other sexual acts, the meaning of various forms of individual and collective responses (including the role of the state), and other questions. A modest stipend is provided to participants to help cover travel costs, books and other research expenses, and living expenses. <http://blogs.elon.edu/neh/>

CSUB **Geological Sciences** students were awarded field camp scholarship awards by the San Joaquin Geological Society (SJGS) and the Pacific Section of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (PSAAPG).

Michael Juybari-Johnson
Alejandro Rodriguez
Darby Scanlon
Cindy Rodriguez
Zach Levinson
Diana Hernandez Garcia

Elaine Correa, Child and Family Studies published the following:

Fabbro, F., Agosti, A., **Correa, E.** (2017). Pratiche digitali nella scuola primaria: il bambino è protagonista?

(Digital practices in primary school: is the pupil protagonist?) Form@re Open Journal per la formazione in

rete Tecnologie nella scuola e apprendimento. Criticità e potenzialità , Vol 17, No. 1, (pp. 68-81).

DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.13128/formare-20195>

Correa, E., and Wilkinson, C. (2017). "Breaking the silence: teaching about difference", Journal for Multicultural Education, Vol. 11 Issue: 2, (pp.70-81).

DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1108/JME-10-2016-0056>

Monica Ayuso, English published the following: "Towards Forgiveness and Reconciliation: Three Novels from Haiti" in *Journal of Haitian Studies*, Fall 2016, Vol 22 #2: 83-104.

J.J Wang, Advanced Studies submitted his report on First 5 Kern. **Isabel Sumaya and Rose McCleary** led IRB service for the Kern County Child and Family Commission (First 5 Kern). The County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved J.J. Wang's report (see https://www.csub.edu/~jwang/BOS_5_23_2017.mp4). This program benefited our students at CSUB, as First 5 Kern funded the Ready to Start program at Kern County Superintendent of Schools that offered more than 20 internship positions for CSUB students each summer.

Dayanand Saini, Physics and Engineering Department, received an 18-month planning grant from the U. S. Department of Energy, in consortium with Electric Power Institute, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, BKi, Clean Energy Systems, and SoCalGas for their grant proposal entitled: "**California CO₂ Storage Assurance Facility Enterprise (C2SAFE).**" Dr. Saini would work with researchers from Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory on CO₂ Storage Basin Assessment. One of the goals of this project is the demonstration of safe, reliable containment of CO₂ in deep C=geologic formations of California with CO₂ permanence greater than 99%. Congratulations!

Dayanand Saini, Physics and Engineering, published a book *Engineering Aspects of Geologic CO₂ Storage: Synergy between Enhanced Oil Recovery and Storage*. The book (<http://www.springer.com/us/book/9783319560731>) is published by Springer, a global publisher that serves and supports the research community.

Saini and two of his undergraduate engineering sciences research students have a filing of a United States provisional patent application for their invention (Ion Exchange Column and Methods of Making and Using the Same) and he now is working towards the commercialization of the technology.

Saini recently published a journal article titled "Monitoring of Injected CO₂ at Two Commercial Geologic Storage Sites with Significant Pressure Depletion and/or Re-Pressurization Histories: A Case Study", in the special issue of the *Petroleum Journal* (Volume 3, Issue 1, March 2017) which was focused on carbon capture, utilization, and storage.

Abbas Grammy and Aaron Hegde are once again offering their Enterprise College: Economics for Future Leaders course program this summer. Speakers for the course include: **Dr. Steven Daniels, Dr. Vince Carter, and Dr. Donna Simmons, Dr. Richard Gearhart, and Dr. Nyakundi Michieka.** Staff Support is **Trisha Bales.**

In May, as part of our internationalization efforts on campus, the President signed an MOU with a Cambodian University. **Eun-Ja Park, retired faculty member in Teacher Education and I** traveled with the Bakersfield Sister City delegation to Bucheon University to deliver an MOU for President Mitchell. It is an agreement for student exchanges and we are working on other

collaborations with them. We also visited Catholic University in Bucheon and re-established our relationship in an effort to provide some student study abroad opportunities for our students and to expand to other collaborations with them. Sandra Sorano, retired Chancellor of the Kern Community College District also traveled with the delegation and we are working on developing relationships that will benefit our internationalization efforts.

Summer is here.....continue recharging and find a way to stay cool!

Best Regards,
Jenny

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