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50th Anniversary of the 1965 Delano Grape Strike

The Walter Stiern Library (WSL), Public History Institute (PHI), and Bakersfield College will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the 1965 Delano Grape Strike with three days of events, September 24-26. The CSUB events coincide with several events scheduled at Bakersfield College Thursday, September 24. and the United Farmworkers' celebration of the strike in Delano Saturday, September 26.

Walter Presents -- The 1965 Delano Grape **Strike: Exploring New Perspectives**



On Friday, September 25, at 1pm in the Dezember Reading Room of the library, showing of documentary film, Delano

Manongs: Forgotten Heroes of the United Farmworkers, will take place with film director Marissa Aroy.

From 1:30-3:30pm, a panel discussion will be held on the History and Legacy of the Strike with activist Lorraine Agtang; Dr. Dawn **Mabalon** of San Francisco State University: Dr. Mario Sifuentez of UC Merced; and Dr. Todd Holmes, Post-doctoral Scholar at Stanford University.

The day's culminating event will take place from 3:30 to 5:30pm, featuring **Dolores** Huerta, activist and UFW national boycott leader; Dr. Matt Garcia, scholar and author of From the Jaws of Victory: The Triumph and Tragedy of Cesar Chavez and the Farm Worker Movement; and journalist Miriam Pawel,

author of The Crusades of Cesar Chavez: A Biography. For information regarding the events, contact Eileen Montoya, WSL Administrative Support Coordinator, at 654-3042 or via email at emontoya@csub.edu.

The PHI Presents: In and Out of Shadows, a play about undocumented teens



Public History Institute

On Saturday, September 26, at 7:30pm, In and Out of Shadows, a play by Gary Soto, will be performed in the Doré Theatre. Tickets are \$5.00 at the door. Admission is free for students all

ages with student I.D. For information about the play, contact **Shelly Carson**, PHI Coordinator, at scarson2@csub.edu, or by phone at 661-654-6263.

CSUB to Host Tejon Indian Tribe's First **Annual Powwow**

CSUB will host the Tejon Indian Tribe's First Annual and Powwow Saturday Sunday, September 26-27, 2015. Dancers and drummers from several tribes will gather in regalia to honor their ancestors and



war veterans. The public is invited to the family-friendly event to share in the traditions and learn the tribes' rich cultural history and customs.

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Kathy Montes Morgan, Chairwoman of the Tejon Indian Tribe, shares that powwow originates from a Narragansett word meaning "spiritual leader." The powwow will open with the

Grand Entry, a sacred processional of the participants, led by the spiritual leader. Flags and eagle staffs follow, carried by an active duty and military veteran honor guard, after which the head dancers and participating dancers enter, all to the song of the host drum.

Throughout the weekend, tribal dancers will participate in exhibition and competition dancing. The intertribal dance will be an opportunity for anyone who wishes to dance to join in. Weekend highlights include:

- The Grand Entry Saturday, September 26 at 12 noon and 7 p.m., and Sunday, September 27 at 12 noon
- **Gourd Dancing** Saturday, September 26 and Sunday, September 27 at 11 a.m.
- **Host Northern Drum** Young Spirit from Alberta Canada
- Host Southern Drum Big Medicine from Oklahoma
- Kalpulli Teuxihuitl-Aztec Dancers during the Saturday dinner break

Admission and parking are free. Alcohol is not permitted. For more information, contact **Tommy Gonzales** at (661) 619-5327 or **Sandra Hernandez** at (661) 549-0824.

Kegley Institute of Ethics Fall Lecture Series



James Barrat, author of the book, *Our Final Invention:* Artificial Intelligence and the end of the Human Era, will be the featured speaker at the Kegley Institute of Ethics Fall Lecture, "Can Humanity Survive Artificial

Intelligence?" Barrat contends that our race to expand artificial intelligence, with the goal of creating machines that can emulate the human brain, particularly our capacity for selfawareness, will result in a dystopia of smarter, faster, stronger, self-aware machines with a survival instinct that surpasses human intelligence and control. The "future-is-now" lecture will take place Thursday, October 8, at 7:00pm in the Dore Theatre. Event parking will be free in Lots A, B, and C after 6:00pm. For details, please visit www.csub.edu/kie. KIE programs are supported by generous gifts from Kern Schools Federal Credit Union, Kaiser Permanente and San Joaquin **Community Hospital.**

CSUB Faculty Awarded Substance Abuse Training Program Grant

Dr. Sarah Appleton, Professor of Psychology, **Dr. Yvonne Ortiz-Bush**, Assistant Professor of Educational Counseling, and **Dr. Roseanna McCleary**, Associate Professor of Social Work, received a 3-year \$540,312 grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for their proposal entitled: "CSUB Substance Abuse Training Program (SATP)." SATP will educate, train, and

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empower Kern County health profession students practitioners provide and to evidence-based screening and brief intervention, as well as refer those at risk for a substance abuse disorder to specialty substance abuse treatment. The program also Professional support a Learning Community that links specialized treatment programs with networks of early intervention and referral services. Students will become leaders in the community in implementing the Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) in clinical practice. SATP will directly impact 500 diverse health profession students and 500 practitioners over three years (each at 150 per year).







Appleton

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McCleary

Faculty Honors

The faculty honors presented each year at University Day represent the University's top teaching honors. This year they recognize the achievements of two of our most outstanding educators who consistently provide our students with the critical components necessary to achieve a high quality education. Not only do the honorees contribute to CSUB's overall mission, but they also contribute greatly to their individual fields, elevating the prestige of a degree obtained from our institution and the reputation of our University in the local community and beyond.

Faculty Scholarship and Creative Activity The Faculty Scholarship and Creative Activity award recognizes outstanding contributions to the principle and practice of research.



Dr. Hossein Bidgoli, Professor of Management, has been selected as CSUB's 2015-2016 recipient of the Faculty Scholarship and Creative Activity Award. During his 32-year tenure at CSUB he has

authored more than 164 publications and the editor-in-chief of served as five Encyclopedia and Handbook series. research, publications, scholarly, and creative activities are broadly divided into three groups: pedagogy, applied research, and reference work. In the area of pedagogy, his Management Information Systems (MIS) textbook is in its fifth edition. He has written six upper division textbooks; 16 articles in refereed journals; 12 book chapters; and presented more than 58 papers at regional and national conferences. In applied research, he has assisted MIS students, researchers, and practitioners to better understand the many the successful design issues in implementation of management information systems. His reference work includes 17 separate volumes and 17,000 pages in the five Encyclopedia and Handbook series.

Faculty Leadership and Service

The Faculty Leadership and Service award recognizes and encourages outstanding contributions to the principle and practice of shared governance and service to the community.



Dr. Dirk Baron, Department Chair and Professor of Geology, is the recipient of the 2015-16 Faculty Leadership and Service Award for his outreach to improve science education at K-12 schools and recruit students into science

majors. He was instrumental in creating dualcredit geology classes at Kern County high schools that allow students who complete the courses to receive CSUB credit that can be transferred to other universities. In 2014-15, there were classes at six schools with almost 350 students enrolled. He procured \$700,000 from the National Science Foundation. **Chevron**, and professional societies support these classes and expand them to other schools in Kern County and beyond. The classes were featured as a national "best practices" model at a workshop sponsored by the National Science Foundation. Another highlight of outreach to K-12 schools is the summer research participation program he developed. This program gives high school students and K-12 teachers the chance to work on research projects for four weeks with CSUB faculty and students. This effort was initially funded by the National Science Foundation. Dr. Baron also organized several major community events at CSUB including Engineers Day.

Staff Awards



Diana Torres, Administrative Support Coordinator in the Communications Department, has been recognized as Staff Forum's 2014-15 Outstanding Staff (individual). The Office of the Provost staff were selected

as the 2014-15 Outstanding Group, including Nicole Bigelow, Robin Flores, Linda Mikita, Paula Miser, and Dee Dee Rengiil Price. Nominations are invited each June to recognize non-Management Personnel Plan staff. Honorees are recognized at the end of the year staff bar-be-cue as well as at University Day. Milissa Ackerly is the Chairperson of Staff Forum.

Honorary Degree Nominations

The call is open for nominations for the honorary doctorate degree to be awarded by the CSU Board of Trustees (BOT) and CSUB at

the 2016 spring commencement ceremony. Each CSU campus may recommend two honorary degrees each year. Upon BOT approval, an honorary doctorate degree may be awarded to individuals whose achievements and/or service exemplify the highest ideals of the CSU. Please visit http://www.calstate.edu/honorarydegrees for the complete CSU guidelines and listing of past honorary degree recipients.

For each honorary degree candidate, I invite faculty, staff, students, alumni, members of the CSUB Foundation Board, President's Community Advisory Council, and friends of the University to submit to the Office of the President by **October 12, 2015**:

- 1. Two signed letters providing reasons for the recommendation, referencing the CSU selection criteria, and specifying the degree to be awarded; and
- 2. a copy of the candidate's resume, curriculum vitae, or biography with a history of accomplishments and contributions.

Once nominations are submitted, the process is confidential. Please do not notify the candidate(s) of the nomination and do not invite letters of support. The CSU discourages letters of support, as such solicitations "could place the Board, the system, and the campus in a difficult position if the nomination were not approved." Should you have questions, please contact **Dr. Evelyn Young Spath**, Executive Assistant to the President, at 654-2241 or eyoung3@csub.edu.

'Runner Ride Bike Share Launch

Our 'Runner Ride' bike share progam launched with a morning group ride last Wednesday. Joining us for the ride were Bakersfield City Council members **Bob Smith**, **Willie Rivera**,

and **Chris Parlier**; Golden Empire Transit (GET) Board Member **Cindy Parra**; GET Executive Director **Karen King**; and **Jason Cater** of Bike Bakersfield. The program offers a fleet of 30 bikes that faculty, staff, and students can check out from the Student Recreation Center (SRC) at no cost for a few hours or the day. The bikes are equipped with a U-lock and cable, and a basket. Helmets are encouraged and available from the SRC.

One of the few bike share programs in the CSU systems, the initiative is a and UC collaboration among the Office of the President: Business and Administrative Services: Associated Students, Inc.; and the Student Recreation Center. along with community partners Bike Bakersfield and Riverbend Bikes, Boards, and Bites. Program amenities include complimentary access to showers and lockers in the SRC for bicycle commuters; a bicycle repair station and air pump at the bike share station; and a bike mechanic on campus every Wednesday in the SRC. University Police Department offers complimentary bicycle registration to faculty, staff, and students. For more information on the bike share program, contact Marshall McArthur. SRC Outdoor Adventures Coordinator, at 654-4386.



Party in the Park and 45th Anniversary

The CSUB Alumni Association's signature fundraising event, Party in the Park, will be held Friday, October 23rd, in Alumni Park to connect the University, alumni, and the community. This year the event also will serve as the culminating celebration of CSUB's 45th

Anniversary. Attendees can look forward to enjoying live music, exceptional wine, craft beer and food pairings, and visiting with fellow and community friends while supporting their alma mater. New this year is a VIP area with early entry and a special selection of wine, microbrews and delectable bites. VIP guests may enter from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Doors will open to the general public from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. The event is open to the public. Discounted tickets are available for CSUB faculty, staff, students and alumni. Proceeds benefit our alumni outreach efforts. building our alumni programs and services and, most importantly, graduate student scholarships. Attendees must be 21 or older. Tickets and event information are available at www.csub.edu/partyinthepark. For information, please contact Sarah Hendrick, Director of Alumni Engagement, at 654-3211 or shendrick@csub.edu.

Upcoming Events

Whether you are looking for academic, alumni, arts & culture, campus life, community, sports, or a calendar of highlight events, find them on RunnerCal. Access the calendar on our website by clicking the "Events" link at the bottom of the home page.

University Council

University Council is an open forum for members of the campus community to voice concerns or make suggestions for continued improvement. All faculty, staff, and students are welcome to attend. The first meeting of the academic year will take place at 10:00 a.m., Friday, October 16, 2015, in the Albertson Room.

I look forward to seeing you around campus or at an upcoming University or community event. Take care.

Horace Mitchell President