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An Revoir to Mary Baker

After six years as executive director of Alumni Relations, following four years as director of Orientation, Mary K. Baker resigned her position with the University on April 30. Staff, faculty and alumni who worked with Dr. Baker will certainly miss her, and wish her, her husband Bob, and their daughter Katie best wishes in their new homes and best of luck in future endeavors. In honor of her outstanding efforts on behalf of the Alumni Association, the Board of Directors has extended to her the distinction of an honorary life membership and has designated a scholarship in her name to be presented at the annual Alumni Awards.

Editor’s note: Mr. Myers, a business major, also fondly remembered (former) faculty members Leonard Mathy, Laird Allison, (active Emeriti members), and the late John Cox. Gene Tipton, George Francis, Mary Murphy and Floyd Simpson.

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Yuri Ogawa

Ogawa, a 19-year-old returning student and a assistant professor of Nursing, Ogawa, was honored this past March as the first recipient of the Cal State L.A. Alumni Association's Outstanding Senior Award. She graduated this year with a B.S. in Nursing and a perfect 4.0 GPA. In May, she also completed the certificate program in Gerontology through Cal State L.A.'s Royalal Institute.

Ogawa holds an A.A. in Nursing from San Joaquin Delta College, where she also graduated with a 4.0 GPA and high honors. Since 1966, she has been licensed as a registered nurse in the State of California. In 1997, she received the National Outstanding Senior Student scholarship from Golden Key Honor Society. That same year, a scholarship from the Japanese Community Health, Inc. honored her as an outstanding bilingual college student.

Clearly up to meeting challenges, Ogawa has worked full-time for 26 years for Cedars-Sinai Health System. She is a spokesperson on the speakers' bureau of the Alzheimer's Association, a board member of the UCLAL-National Institutes of Health Project SWAN, and an educator-advocate for the Japanese-Japanese-American community on geriatric health issues.

Her academic and community service achievements are more amazing still, where one considers Ogawa’s personal challenges. She and her husband James, a disabled World War II veteran, have raised five daughters, whom they have helped put through college, and are grandparents of three. For 18 years, Ogawa has devoted herself to the community are clearly Ogawa’s personal challenges. She and her husband James, a disabled World War II veteran, have raised five daughters, whom they have helped put through college, and are grandparents of three. For 18 years, Ogawa has devoted herself to

On June 13, a group of students graduated from Cal State L.A. at the age when many of their peers are completing high school. They are part of Cal State L.A.’s fast-growing Early Entrance Program—in place since 1983 and the only one of its kind in the nation. Familiarly called “EEP,” the program administers extraordinarily gifted youngsters—some as young as 11—directly into college and provides the early entrants monitored evaluation, regular counseling sessions, and the opportunity to study with like-minded peers.

Accepted to Northwestern, UCLA, Columbia and University of Michigan law schools, political science major Hyuongsoon Kim chose Columbia because of its proximity to Juilliard School of Music, where he hopes to co-enroll in his second year. A pianist, he has been performing since the age of four and took second place at the Oberlin International Piano competition when he was 16. This year, he traveled to Miami, where he won first place in the classical instruments section of the Arts Recognition Talent Search, sponsored by the National Foundation for Advancement of the Arts. He lists his career goal as “U.S. District Attorney” and says he can also picture himself as a federal judge—just as long as he has time to play the piano. Suzanne Vega, a criminal justice major with pre-law, political science and English minors, also is planning to enter the field of law.

Looking toward careers in medicine are biology majors Billy Chen, Naomi Cheung, Artur Prejna and Sagar Vaidya—who lists his career path as “medical scientist.” Accepted to USC, Dartmouth, and University of Chicago medical schools, Billy has chosen the Boston University M.D./Ph.D. program. Naomi will be going to Albany Medical College, Artur will begin studies at the U.S. Naval Academy, and Sagar will enter that of the University of Pennsylvania—the fourth highest-ranking medical school in the United States.

Psychology major Liz Gayed will be doing graduate work at the California School of Professional Psychology, English major Adam Wittthuhn plans to take the

Hector Becerra

When he graduated from Los Angeles’ Roosevelt High School, Hector Becerra wasn’t planning on a career in journalism. Briefly considering an economics major in his freshman year at Cal State L.A., the avid reader switched to English. Then, providentially, he signed up for a journalism class taught by the then-freshman adviser, Berkley Hudson, himself a working journalist and “the most important influence on my journalistic life,” says Becerra. This year, after graduating, Becerra began a prestigious internship at the Los Angeles Times, one of the nation’s leading newspapers.

“Hector is the ‘Solar Eagle’ of Cal State L.A. journalism,” says Hudson, invoking the symbol of national championship at the University. “He’s on his way to becoming one of the brightest voices in today’s emerging generation of 21st century journalists,” he continues, adding, “As a former L.A. Times staffer, I can say that it is not insignificant that he’s been chosen as a Times intern—a position coveted by journalism students all across America.”

The former editor of Cal State L.A.’s award-winning, student-run newspaper, the University Times, Becerra was one of only 44 student journalists nationwide to be awarded a Chips Quinn Scholarship in 1997. Through this scholarship, he was selected to intern at the major daily newspaper, The Nashville Tennessean, during the summer of 1997. The scholarship included a trip to Arlington, Virginia and Washington, D.C., attendance at a journalism conference sponsored by The Freedom Forum, and a $1,000
On May 14, an exhibition of artwork by children currently enrolled at the University's Anna Bing Arnold Children’s Center heralded the center’s 30th birthday. Presented in the new Alumni Lounge of the renovated University-Student Union, the exhibit, “Young at Art,” was taken seriously enough to be curated by working artists Irene Carranza and Jessie Hernandez. The “artists’ opening,” attended by many campus families and their children, as well as what seemed to be the entire campus community, also served to announce the Center’s plans for expansion and fundraising.

The very first child care center in the California State University system, the Anna Bing Arnold Children’s Center was established at Cal State L.A. in September 1968. It moved to its present site in 1994. In addition to its much-sought-after services for elementary school children up to 8 years old, the Center’s proposed new accommodations and programs will make it one of the most inclusive children’s centers in Southern California.

Plans include building four new classrooms with play areas, adding office and teacher workspace, developing a central meeting area for parents and teachers, and developing a much-needed program for infants as young as four months and children with special needs. “We’re working to have new programs and expanded facilities in place by the year 2000,” said Pam Kisor, executive director of the Center.

Opportunities now exist to support the Center by donating to the “Helping Hands” wall on the exterior of the new building addition. For information about ways to support the Anna Bing Arnold Children’s Center, call (213) 343-2473.

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Margaret D. Clark says she benefited from the joint doctoral program’s “shared emphasis of teacher education and research.” She adds, “The support network, teacher supervision, and the practical teaching experience offered here through the program is one of the best.” Adding a bit of adventure to her studies was Clark’s trip to Madrid, where she presented a paper, in collaboration with a faculty member, that compared the techniques of Guatemalan and American teachers. Clark is currently a part-time faculty member in the Cal State Northridge Special Education department. She looks forward to an academic career with an emphasis on education and research.

Suissan Terry-Gage can now add a Ph.D. in Special Education to her accomplishments, which already include three teaching credentials. She was recently elected as a member of the California State Delegation to the National Teachers’ Association conference in July. She notes that her family—husband Donald and children, Courtney, 11, Joshua, 7, and Taylor Matte, 3—is surely one of her successes. Terry-Gage enjoyed the “balance” of the joint Ph.D. program and praises “the course work and the practical, hands-on experience that Cal State L.A. provided, and the research and theoretical [segment] from UCLA.” During the program, she also taught some graduate courses for UCLA Extension. Terry-Gage has accepted a part-time position with the University Affiliated Program at UCI/Children’s Hospital.

EEP: Class of ‘98

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CREST exam and hopes to substitute teach before going on for a Ph.D. Two of the teens-agers will take a year off, academically. Kathy Kuo, a self-proclaimed “prodigious raconteur” who wants to be a professor of comparative literature, may travel to Taiwan, Anthropology Department “student of the year” Stephanie Nicole Anne Spehar, a research volunteer working with chimpanzees at the L.A. Zoo, plans to study at the world-famous Cordon Bleu cooking school in Paris. Liz says the EEP “provided a stimulating learning environment,” and Billy says it helped him “focus on his goals.” Naomi says it helped her “get a head start in Life,” and Hyongsoo says it helped him “mature.” All the young graduates give credit to EEP Director Richard Maddox and say they owe a lot to the special program that let them follow their interests on a university level.
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Actor, entertainer and advocate for people

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M.A. ’83—Special Education

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B.A. ’70—Social Science

Head deputy district attorney

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“Our students were delighted that Mr. Cooley was willing to contribute his time and share his considerable expertise with them.”–Karen Johnson, associate dean, School of Health and Human Services

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John S. Leung

M.B.A. ’91—Business Administration

Chairman and CEO, Titan Group

Mr. Leung is “one of the most influential business people in the San Gabriel Valley. His knowledge and passion inspired the students and made him being as successful as he is.”–Mohammad Ali, professor, Department of Management

Perviz Lodhie

B.A. ’71—Mechanical Engineering

Principal, Lodhie Consulting

“I was pleased to be able to share some of my practical experience from the field of electro-mechanics with a very attentive group of engineering students. I’ve found great success in this field, and I want them to know that the American Dream is alive and well in Southern California.”–Perviz Lodhie

James Lott

B.A. ’70—Sociology

Senior vice president for policy development and advocacy, Health Care Association of Southern California

“What was a wonderful experience. It helped me remember that Cal State LA is my home—she places where everything connected with my work started.”–Bernard Loskun

Elnora Mantorov

B.A. ’77—Political Science

Senior counsel for Apple Computer

“For junior pre-law students, career decisions are important and a bit intimidating. Ms. Mantorov gave me great insight into the different worlds of lawyers—an in-house attorney and a partner on a law firm.”–Julio Contreras, junior, political science

Sharon Hutson Morris

B.A. ’70—Home Economics

Interim general manager, Department of Animal Regulation, City of Los Angeles

Morris’ career spans posts with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Planning, California Gas Company, and the City of Los Angeles Mayor’s Office. She was honored as Cal State L.A.’s 1997 Outstanding Alumnus.

Thomas A. Nassif

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Chairman of Housing and Urban Planning, California Gas Company, and the City of Los Angeles

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President, Coulter Company

“...Ed Vivanco gave a great overview of career choices and how to handle them. His lecture was very beneficial to me as a student because it was a ‘life lesson,’ rather than straight academics.”–Karen Leung, biology graduate student

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KPMG, Peat Marwick

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Robin Rhoden

B.A. ’92, M.S. ’95—Nursing

National director of managed health care practice, Price Waterhouse

“A national consultant on managed care systems, Ms. Rhoden brings a broad background concerning the implementation of managed care on the delivery of health care in today’s market to a senior-level class in managed care management.”–Judith Papenhausen, chair, Department of Nursing

Frank Romero

Attended ’56—Art

Arts/mural

At the same time that his work was on exhibit in the Luckman Fine Arts Gallery, Frank Romero—Cal State L.A.’s 1988 Alumni Award of Merit recipient—worked with liberal studies and child development majors studying to be teachers to create a portable mural for the University’s 50th anniversary. The mural reflects some of the many cultures represented on campus and is currently installed on the outside [south] wall of the Luckman Fine Arts Gallery.

Frank M. Sain

B.S. ’79—Business Administration/Accounting

Principal, Lex, Specifying, Hisamitsu—Accounting Corporation

“We appreciated his taking the time to talk to us. It’s inspiring to see someone from academia succeed.”–Jorge Angeles, undergraduate student, Finance 305-Law

Gary Snyder

B.S. ’90—Civil Engineering

Chief Engineer, Metropolitan Water District

“...Gary Snyder is one of our most successful alumni who has risen to a top-level management position in the state of California. Our students benefitted greatly from his talk on recent developments in hydraulic engineering and the exciting projects he’s working on.”–Ken Kim, chair, Department of Civil Engineering

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President, Rio Salado College

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B.A. ’92—Business Administration/Accounting

Retired partner, Arthur Andersen

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Raymond P. Gleason

B.A. ’77, M.A. ’79—Speech Communication

Executive-on-scope/advisor/manager of business strategy, George Fox University

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Cutting the cake at the Festival 50 campus celebration were (l-r) alumna Florence LaRue, President Rosser, Associated Students, Inc. President Abel Calderon, Alumni Association President Linda Wah, Academic Senate Chair Rosemarie Marshall, Emeriti Association President Frieda Stahl, and 50-year-old legendary Dorothy Sparks.

Alumni from the ‘50s at the Silver & Gold Gala included (back l-r) Ruthe Busch Gluckson, Marty Halperin, Ray Angona, David Strauss. (Front l-r) Billy Barty, William Anton.

A month of the growth and heritage of the Chicano movement by noted community leaders and artists was a 50th Anniversary offering. Shown here on the panel, are alumna and LAUSD Board member Victoria Ellis (l) and Cal State L.A. associate professor of Social Work RivaLedesma.

Alumna Florence LaRue, member of the Grammy Award-winning singing group The Fifth Dimension, serenaded hundreds of Cal State L.A. and local high school students at Festival 50.

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The conclusion of Cal State L.A.’s 51st Commencement brings us close to the start of a new century. The University’s 50th anniversary year has given us the opportunity to take stock in our history and take stock of our accomplishments. So it is fitting that we begin the focus on Unit 2 University’s next 50 years with the spirit and strength of five decades of achievement.

We know that in the 21st century, Cal State L.A. students will continue to learn from exceptional professors who are teaching in innovative programs at a campus community that is, like the world, stimulating in its diversity.

Much of our progress into the next century will require that the University provide the technology for faculty, students, and staff to access and create new information. In the first year of a new strategic plan, half of the funds allocated to 16 initiatives are dedicated to a “baseline” goal that is part of the California State University Integrated Technology Strategy (ITS). Cal State L.A.’s strategic plan defines the Baseline Plan as a starting point at which all faculty members will have access to powerful computing resources, and all students will have access to the campus computing network 24 hours a day.

This summer, 11 new Smart Classrooms are being wired for Internet access and equipped with media and visual display equipment, and seven computer classrooms are being upgraded to Pentium-level computers. And, by the fall quarter, “all of the University’s five open access labs [computer labs dedicated for student use] will be at or above the Pentium and PowerMac level,” says Vice President for Information Resources Management Desdemona Cardoza, adding that the Pentium PCs will be installed with Windows NT.

“We’ve documented a marked increase in the use of these labs over the past two years,” Cardoza says, “and we’re committed to meeting those students’ needs.”

“New students automatically receive an account that gives them access to a variety of software applications, e-mail, the Library on-line public access catalog, and Internet resources,” notes Cardoza. “One hundred seventy-five new modem lines will be installed with Windows NT. Cardoza, adding that the Pentium PCs dedicated for student use] will be at or above the Pentium and PowerMac level,”

The University has not been limited to computing advances alone, however. During the past two years, heavy construction machinery, excavations, and chainlink fence retrofittings have been replaced by computers, and Golden Eagle “One Cards,” that can be used as Library and ID cards, with PINs be activated for use in copiers, vending machines, and parking permit dispensers.

The University has powered “On Course,” a computer-based advisement and student records tracking system that reduces time-to-graduation and improves advisement for students. Now, along with other major universities, Cal State L.A. is helping PeopleSoft—a major developer of computer software—to create the next generation of technological applications for integrated University and student services.

Upgrades at Cal State L.A. have not been limited to computing advances alone, however. During the past two years, heavy construction machinery, excavations, and chainlink fence barriers were evidence of a virtual “rebuilding” of campus facilities and infrastructure.

A multi-million dollar thermal energy storage (TES) project resulted in a chiller-water plant, an efficient campus air conditioning system, and reduced utility costs. A tunnel, built under the Main Walkway, connects 16 major campus buildings to the TES tower at the south end of campus [and houses centralized electrical wiring as well]. The construction also included campuswide lighting and seismic retrofitting and a new 1,200-space parking structure adjacent to the Luckman Fine Arts Complex.

An $8 million renovation of the University-Student Union, completed this past spring, has been more than just a face-lift. New interior areas include the Maxwell performance space/movie theater, the Alumni Lounge, the 52–computer UnionLink open access lab, and Café L.A.—an inviting cybercafe that offers a selection of coffees and snacks, scheduled live entertainment, and six computers hooked up to the Internet.

As early as 1994, a $23 million fine arts complex established the Luckman as the cornerstone for a 21st century center for the arts at Cal State L.A. Currently the only major theater/fine arts complex on Los Angeles’ eastside, it will be complemented by an innovative, combination intimate theater/distance-learning facility in the near future.

Current renovations to the Engineering and Technology building (see p.10) will result in major advances to teaching and learning at Cal State L.A.

New and remodeled distance learning facilities in Continuing Education and in other University divisions and departments make possible the delivery of Cal State L.A. classes through interactive TV and other media across the state and around the world.

In every area of University life, technology supports services and teaching at Cal State L.A. These achievements have placed the University in a position of leadership within the California State University. ITS vision of the future: “a networked university, connecting learners and teachers, researchers and resources, unhampere by the boundaries of place and time . . .”
Technology at Cal State L.A.

Blueprint for the

Power Mac G-3s, Pentium II-233s, Multi-Media PCs (some with built-in CU-SeeMe video), NeXT, Lightworks, Silicon Graphics, and Quantel stations, even a computer that guides an automated weaving machine—you’ll find the technology to meet the 21st century at Cal State L.A. Here, students have access to modern computer labs that include five large open-access labs, two training labs, 35 classrooms with networked computers for each student and instructor, and 16 other “smart” classrooms with networked computers and integrated projection systems for the instructors. Specialized laboratories exist in every area of the University: the commercial music electronics lab, a robotics lab, the geography and biology GIS labs, the TV broadcasting studio and AVID editing lab, computer-assisted design (CAD) labs, state-of-the-art biotechnology labs, and a 4-MeV Van de Graaff particle accelerator are only a sample. The current $31 million renovation of the University’s Engineering and Technology building will provide some of the most advanced engineering technology labs in the nation.

The labs and electronic instructional spaces shown here demonstrate the introduction of technology into a variety of academic disciplines. The University’s commitment to sophisticated technology at all organizational levels points to its prominence among academic institutions preparing for the future.

Faculty lab: The new Faculty Instructional Technology Support Center (FITSC), located in Fine Arts 134, provides technological assistance to enhance the teaching, research and production of Cal State L.A. faculty. The Center also provides an on-one instruction, telephone and e-mail helpdesk, on-line and print resources, and workshops and seminars.

Virtual FlyLab: Since 1995, professors Robert Desharnais (biology) and Gary Novak (geological sciences) have maintained the Cal State L.A. Electronic Desktop Project as a center for virtual applications within the CSU (http://vflylab.calstatela.edu). In Virtual FlyLab (pictured), a genetics teaching tool, students learn genetics by mating fruit flies in on-screen experiments. In the last year, the web site was accessed over 10 million times.

UnionLink: With more than 50 computer workstations, UnionLink Stations is the gateway to the information superhighway for students with an NIS account. Open Monday through Saturday, this student computer lab provides access to research libraries, word processing applications, spreadsheets, e-mail, Netscape and other software for both Macintosh and IBM compatible computers. UnionLink Stations, a joint effort by the University-Student Union and Information Resources Management, is located on the third floor of the University-Student Union.

Van de Graaff Accelerator lab: The Van de Graaff accelerator is capable of producing a high current particle beam of up to 4 million electron volts. Thirdly, located in the Physical Sciences Building, is available for Cal State L.A. students to study nuclear interactions, atomic structure, and space radiation damage on electronic devices.

Rapid Pro lab: A grant from the National Science Foundation enabled the School of Engineering and Technology to acquire a Fused Deposition Model FDM 1600 Rapid Prototyping Machine. This high tech piece of equipment is able to build 3-D models and will be one of many exciting technologies available to our mechanical engineering and technology students in the Manufacturing and Resources laboratory in the newly renovated Manufacturing Wing. This laboratory will house several industrial robots, a computerized Integrated Manufacturing (CIM) cell and computer hardware and software supporting CAD/CAM (computer-aided design/computer-aided manufacturing).
GIS labs: GIS labs in Geography and Biology are used by students and professors to display and analyze geographical information. Here, a GIS map shows the distribution of Cal State L.A. alumni throughout Los Angeles County.

Computerized loom: In the Art Department’s Fashion and Textiles program, a computer controls one of the world’s oldest manufacturing technologies, keeping students up to date with contemporary industry innovations. This is one of the many uses of computers throughout the visual and performing arts at Cal State L.A.

Quantel Video Paintbox: Alumnus and part-time faculty member Ron Kriss, takes time from his art directing job at GTE Mainstreet Interactive Television in Santa Monica to teach students the fine points of creating graphic designs, special effects, and visual communication directly on video in “real time” using the Quantel Video Paintbox system.

Fiber Optics labs: The backbone of the information superhighway, fiber optics is an efficient way of using light, rather than electricity, to carry signals. In recently established optics research labs, students gain firsthand experience in the emerging fields of fiber optics and nonlinear optics.

Note: This is only a sampling of the many excellent computer and specialized labs that exist at Cal State L.A.
Engineering a Change

The long-awaited $31 million renovation to the Engineering and Technology building has begun! In March 1996, the passage of Proposition 203 gave Cal State L.A. the resources needed to completely refurbish a major campus structure that houses a number of offices and classrooms, including those serving the English and Philosophy and Child Development departments and the School of Engineering and Technology.

The goal of this project is the complete renovation of the building, including every electrical, mechanical, HVAC, and elevator system and every instructional space (labs and classrooms). As well, the building will undergo seismic retrofitting for earthquake safety.

Of the building’s “residents,” Engineering and Technology occupies the greatest amount of space, and it is here that physical changes will have the most impact. When renovated, the building will house one of the most technologically advanced and student-centered engineering and technology facilities in the nation. The new facilities will include:

- A new high-tech computer wing
- A state-of-the-art manufacturing wing
- A new environmental engineering lab
- A comprehensive graphics communications facility
- A model technology education lab
- An upgraded strength of materials lab
- An expanded electronic communications lab
- A new controls lab
- Expanded research facilities
- A new special projects lab
- An energy lab

Each of the building’s three wings represents one phase of this ambitious project. Renovation of the C-Wing—began during the 1999 winter quarter—is expected to be completed by the end of the 1998 fall quarter. Wings A and B—on which renovation will begin at the start of the 1999 winter and spring quarters, respectively—are targeted for completion by the end of fall quarter 1999. Students will have access to renovated spaces immediately after each phase of the project is completed.

The total cost of the renovation includes $5 million for the purchase of new, state-of-the-art equipment and refurbishment of some existing equipment.

The building’s new computer wing will give students access to three computer classrooms, complete with Pentium-II computer workstations. The renovation also includes an additional CAD/TRAD lab and a VLSI image processing lab. Renovation will result in a larger open access lab for student use and will include multiple and networked computer systems. Networked computers will allow communication within and outside the facilities.

With new equipment designed to meet the needs of students in nearly every instructional lab, Cal State L.A. engineering and technology graduates will be highly competitive and well-prepared to meet the challenges of the next millennium.

Multi-Million Dollar Gifts from Software Manufacturers to Cal State L.A. Benefit Students Statewide

Against the backdrop of the major renovation to the Engineering and Technology building and its instructional spaces, recent gifts of software installed in engineering and technology labs will allow Cal State L.A. students access to the leading edge information technology tools used in industry today.

Through a donation arranged in 1997 by Cal State L.A. Northrop Grumman Engineering Endowment Chair Michael Kelly, and the president and chief operating officer of Parametric Technology Corporation, the university now possesses a premium, free site licenses of their popular Pro/ENGINEER and Pro/MECHANICA software. Parametric is a computer-aided design (CAD) software package used in industry to aid 2D and 3D design for a period of ten years. The arrangement allows the state-of-the-art software to be used in instruction and related degree-granting research only.

Cal State L.A. was asked, and has agreed to serve as, the “fulfillment center” for the donation—arranging for the site licensing, receipt and distribution of the software and documentation. As the fulfillment center, Cal State L.A. also will process the annual renewals, upgrades, and additional orders for the CSU system over the 10-year period of the gift.

Under each site license, a campus may install the software on up to 500 computers (each computer loaded with software is considered a “seat”). At present, roughly 100 computers are being configured at Cal State L.A.

Additional CAD/CAM/CAE software and computer donations are currently being negotiated with Dassault Systems, IBM, and other companies. CAD/CAM/CAE (Computer-aided Design/Manufacturing/Engineering) software helps users create three-dimensional models that simulate the development of a product from design through production.

In addition to the above design software, Cal State L.A. recently received gifts of software from the Microsoft Corporation through a proposal submitted by the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU). Donated software includes Windows NT Workstation 4.0, Office Professional 97, Client/Server Software, BackOffice, Encarta 98 Reference Suite, FrontPage 98, Publisher 98, Project 98, and Visual Studio 97 Professional. The gift, valued at more than $460,000, is part of a $1 million grant awarded to only four universities in the nation. The donated software will be used to add specific technology subjects to undergraduate and graduate curricula and enhance course offering and research capabilities for computer science, engineering, management information systems and other majors.

Taken together, these gifts provide a powerful framework for engineering and technology majors. With this background, says Michael Kelly, “Cal State L.A. graduates will be among the best prepared to ‘hit the road running’ as they enter the job market.”
In March 3, the Alumni Association celebrated, in grand style, the University’s 50th Anniversary and the 25th Anniversary of the award presented with the Silver and Gold Gala. Held for the fourth time at the beautiful L.A. Live, the event was a panoply of excellence, and the ceremony hosted a record 450 guests.

Named 1997 Outstanding Alumna was Sharon Hutson Morris ’76, interim general manager, City of Los Angeles Department of Animal Regulation and former deputy mayor for neighborhood and community affairs (see p. 5). Recipients of the 1997 Alumni Award of Merit was Toni Spagnola ’72, founder and CEO of The Music Source, a Pasadena-based entertainment agency. Distinguished Alumni/a Award recipients included Raymond P. Gleason ’77, ’79, School of Arts and Letters (see p. 5); Thomas A. Nassif ’65, School of Business and Economics (see p. 5); Martin G. Brodwin ’69, Charter School of Education, the Cal State L.A. Foundation, and community affairs. Former deputy mayor for neighborhood and general manager, City of Los Angeles included distinguished Alumnus/a Award recipients Richard Roberto ’63, School of Business and Economics; Ray Haddad, City of Los Angeles; and community affairs.

The efforts and support of all those alumni, campus and community members truly made this event, in the words of Distinguished Alumnus Thomas Nassif, former deputy chief of protocol in the Reagan White House, “a first cabinet event.” Special thanks to the Alumni Association Board of Directors, Committees, and Awards Committee, whose tireless work behind the scenes made the event a memorable one.

Profiles: Sharon Hutson Morris ’76

Appointed by Mayor Richard J. Riordan to serve as interim general manager for the Department of Animal Regulation for the City of Los Angeles, Sharon Hutson Morris is responsible for the agency’s enforcement of state laws and city ordinances regulating the care, custody, control and prevention of cruelty to animals in the city. She directs a staff of 176, manages the agency’s $7 million budget, and oversees the department’s permit system, animal licensing operation, and six animal service centers, which house and care for more than 80,000 animals annually.

Hutson’s career in public service began in 1978 when she worked as a community planning and development representative for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in Los Angeles. In 1980, she accepted the job of legislative analyst with the Office of the Chief Legislative Analyst for the City of Los Angeles. In 1983, Morris moved to the Southern California Gas Company in the capacities of legislative analyst, district manager, and community outreach coordinator. In 1990, she became director of intergovernmental affairs, directing the South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) legislative program. In 1994, Mayor Riordan spotted her talent and has since kept Morris busy working for the City of Los Angeles. She served first as a commissioner on the Board of Public Works and, in 1996, as the deputy mayor for Neighborhood and Community Affairs. As deputy mayor, Morris was called upon to use her ideas and skills to build bridges between government and neighborhoods. She created the mayor’s Targeted Neighborhoods Initiative and served as the mayor’s chief advisor on homeless, welfare reform, and AIDS-related issues. The beneficiaries of her community service over the years are too numerous to list, but currently include the boards of directors of the California League of Conservation Voters and the Urban Coalition of Southern California. Morris graduated from Cal State L.A. with honors in 1976 with a B.A. in Home Economics and a minor in Pan African Studies. She went on to complete her M.A. in Urban Planning at UCLA. She has also completed the Mediation Training Program at UCLA Extension and the City Focus Program at the Coro Foundation, Los Angeles. Morris was named a 50 Notable Alumnus/a by Cal State L.A. in 2000.

Toni Spagnola ’97

CEO and founder of The Music Source, a Pasadena-based entertainment agency, Toni Spagnola represents more than 300 talented musicians and variety entertainers in the metropolitan Los Angeles area. However “entertainment consultant” is only one hat worn by this dynamic and talented woman — others include musical director, conductor, pianist, composer, teacher, member and volunteer.

After receiving her B.A. in Music from Cal State L.A. in 1972, Spagnola went on to earn her California state teaching credential from Pepperdine University in 1978. She has put it to good use as a summer faculty member co-directing musical theater at Mayfield Senior School, where she premiered Oliver at the new Pike Auditorium. She has also taught in San Gabriel, Santa Ana, Alhambra city schools in choral and general music, at the Neighborhood Music Settlement in Boyle Heights, and as a part-time lecturer in the Cal State L.A. Department of Theatre, Arts and Dance.

She has composed numerous published works including Wozzeck and The Fountains, performed at the Cal State L.A. She has countless performances to her credit as both musical director/comp. and conductor. Other credits include Hello Dolly with the Cal State L.A. musical theater, Threepenny Opera and Fiddler on the Roof. In 1995, she performed in the Cal State L.A. Dodger Wives Celebrity Benefit in the Desert. Other credits include The Fantasticks with the Annenberg Theater and Guys and Dolls with Cal State Marinos High School. From 1995 to 1997, she was executive director of the Pasadena POPS Orchestra.

Her service to Cal State L.A. is truly meritorious, most notably with the Friends of Music support group. She began her service in 1977 as a board member, became secretary in 1979 and president from 1981 to 1983. In 1983, she chaired the Friends of Music Gala Benefit Tribute to Ira Gershwin at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion. From 1989 to 1995, she was a pianist for the Cal State L.A. biennial Faculty-Staff Vocal Extravaganza, and she has played at several faculty and staff retirement dinners. She was also pianist and leader for the Holly Days Annual Holiday Concert and L.A. Dodger Wife’s Celebrity Benefit in 1982. Other notable community service activities included the Moss St. and Albertson’s Supermarket islands in the San Gabriel Community Hospital Health Education Promotions.

Spagnola married husband, Stewart Undem, also a well-known and busy Southern California musician, are residents of Pasadena.
Sheldon H. Kovarsky ('58 B.A., '70 M.A. Education), former superintendent of the South Carolina Falls School District in Idaho, is a part-time adjunct professor at Idaho University.

Geoffrey J. Brown ('59 Engineer-Ing-Electrical) recently retired from the city of Riverside Public Utilities Department after 23 years as chief utilities engineer. He lives in Riverside, CA.

George ('59 M.A. Education) and Marilyn ('77 B.B.A.) have retired from careers in education and are the founders/professors of Apple Spice, a bakery, deli, and country store in Tehachapi, CA.

Bernard J. Lukin ('61 B.S. Business Education) is chairman and CEO of Celeration Based Communications. He earned an M.A. at CSU Long Beach and a Ph.D. at UCL. and has been president of Orange Coast College and Coastline Community College. Lukin was president and CEO of several Fortune 500 companies including Telenet Media, Jones Interactive, and Knowlidge TV. He also has produced many award-winning television programs, and CD-ROMs.

Myrna S. Speckton ('63 M.A. Education, '67 A.R.T. Rehabilitation Counseling), who retired in 1996 after 38 years as a high school teacher and rehabilitation counselor with the Torrance Unified School District, is in private practice as a psychotherapist. She writes that she in 1975, as a single parent, she adopted two girls, ages 9 and 11, through the Los Angeles County Adoption Agency, and now has "Your lovely grandchildren."

Ronald M. Montgomery ('65 B.A. Social Science) retired from law enforcement after more than 30 years of service and is an adjunct professor of administration of justice at Sierra College in Rocklin, CA.

Joseph F. Carpenter ('67 Police Science) is a sergeant with the Los Angeles Police Department. He has served on the U.S. Army, including that of military policeman and social worker for the VA. He retired in 1989, "after 21 years, three months and seven days of honorable active duty military service. He worked for more than five years with the Social Security Administration and has completed his ninth year as a tax preparer and office supervisor with H&R Block.

Bruce Leeds ('68 B.A. History) is export-import advisor for the Hughes Aircraft Co., a General Motors subsidiary. He is also a lawyer and holds a customs broker license (from his seven years with the U.S. Customs Service). Leeds is the lead author of the article, "The Roller Coaster Ride to Global Satellite Marketing," which appeared in the Winter-Spring 1995 issue of Business Forum, the quarterly, refereed journal of the School of Business and Economics.

Joe S. Lefenthal ('68 Biophysics) has taken early retirement after 23 years of employment with the U.S. Geological Survey in Denver to pursue mineral exploration and geological consulting in Lakewood, CO.

Earl S. Washington ('66 B.S. Business Administration) announced the new position of senior vice president, marketing and communications, for ResearchGate, a digital marketing and communications firm.

Mary Nalick ('69 B.A. English) is the recipient of the 1997 Spirit of Hope Awards. Mary has devoted her professional life to helping part of her personal life to working with individuals who are HIV positive or have AIDS. A former administrator and director for the City of Angels Hospice, the AIDS Service Center, Hospice Services at AIDS Healthcare Foundation, and the Chris Brownie Hospice, she now is deputy director of programs for the Jeffrey Goodman Special Care Clinic at the Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Center. She is a lawyer, a clinical social worker, and a registered nurse.

Janice Somple ('69 B.A. Journalism) received her M.A. in Secondary Education at CSU Northridge in 1979. She is a master teacher at Westlake High School (Conejo Valley Unified School District) where she has taught for 19 years. She also was the school's WASC accreditation coordinator. She has published various magazine articles and professional pamphlets, presented educational workshops, was named a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellow at Princeton University, and is a testing consultant for the State of California. As a pension representative, she will be a National Education Association Representative Assembly member at the national convention in New Orleans this summer. (See p. 2.)

Steven P. Ewin ('70 B.S. Business Administration) has been appointed executive vice president and CFO for Foundation Health Systems, Inc. for which he formerly was banking executive to oversee financial operations.

William B. J. King ('70 B.S. Business Administration and B.A. Physical Education), a senior partner with the law offices of Graves and King, owns and operates four Auntie Annie's Soft Pretzel franchises. He lives in Glendale.

Mark Singer ('71 B.S. Engineering) reports that considerable controversy has arisen in Laguna Beach over the design and remodeling of houses, but that he is one of the architects who has been successful in participating in this promising change.

Craig Cutner ('72 B.A. Theatre Arts) has been appointed senior vice president for Nationwide Sales and Marketing for Safeco Select Insurance Services.

Oralia Michel ('77 B.A. Journalism) is a principal in marketing and public relations for CER Group in San Francisco. She has announced the signing of the J. Paul Getty Trust to its client roster. OMPR will provide "professional guidance and market services to ethnic markets."

Thomas Peterson ('77 B.A., '79 M.A. Psychology) has been named to the police psychology part time for Cal State LA's Department of Criminal Justice since 1990. He also teaches at the California Graduate Institute in Westwood.

John S. Leung ('81 B.A. Business Administration–Management) is chair and CEO of Pacific Place in El Monte. He holds a California Professional Civil Engineer certificate, a California Real Estate Broker license, and a general contractor's license and serves on several boards of directors, among them the San Gabriel Valley Metropolitan Water District (and as its representative to the San Gabriel Basin Water Agency), the San Gabriel Valley Commerce and Cities Consortium.

Edward A. Trimm ('83 B.A. Music, '90 M.A. Music–Music Education, '92 M.A. Educational Administration) is in his 15th year of teaching music in inner city Los Angeles schools. He is most noted for building the Music Department at Huntington Park High School, where he is department chair–from 70 to 500 students in four years (1991–1995). In addition, he presents workshops and conferences related to teaching throughout the country. Several of his articles have been published in such professional journals as Bandworld and Music Educators Journal.

Erica von Studnitz ('86 M.S. Psychology) was promoted to clinical research manager at Neuropsychological Technologies Inc. in Richmond, CA.

Juanita Millender-McDonald ('88 M.A. Educational Administration) received a Gordon Atkins Outstanding Whitehead Alumni Award from the University of Redlands Alumni Association. She represents the 37th Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. Before entering politics in 1990, McDonald was a teacher and administrator for the Los Angeles Unified School District.

Doreen Dye ('89 B.A. Anthropology) has become curator of the Whel- wheel Museum in Santa Fe, NM, after working for 12 years at the Southwest Museum in Los Angeles.

Glen S. Thompson ('89 Business Information Systems, '95 M.S. Business Administration) is an MIS project leader for the BIG 5 Sporting Goods United Merchandising Corporation.

Mario Luppi ('90 B.S. Business Administration) is a senior account manager for KCG Companies in downtown Los Angeles.

Joseph M. Chapuk ('91 M.A., '93 M.A. Education) will be showing his artwork in "Selection '98" at Moore College of Art in Philadelphia next September.

Lorraine Gallettes ('92 B.S. Business Administration–Accounting) is the controller for TELACU, Inc. in Santa Fe Springs.

James Peiris ('92 B.S. Business Administration–Finance) is the corporate controller at Cornerstone Hampton in Beverly Hills.

Victoria J. Sefan ('92 B.A. Art) was one of several persons honored as 1996 Volunteer of the Year by the County of Los Angeles for work on the Edelman Children's Court (located across the freeway from Cal State L.A.). She painted and designed five mural walls. She is also in her fifth year of teaching dance at the 32nd Street-USC Visual and Performing Arts Magnet. She is working on paintings for a gallery show later this year.

Sammy Chow ('93 B.A. Economics) is the proprietor of Chow's Meats in Van Nuys.

Shelly Cotellesse ('93 B.A. Business Administration) has been named marketing director for the Laguna Hills Mall.

Luis J. Franco ('93 B.A. Theatre Arts), an actor, playwright, and activist for veterans' rights and Hispanic civil rights, received the Golden Eagle Award from Nosotros, an organization of Hispanic actors and actresses, for his contributions to the community. As a member of the U.S. Army Air Corps POW himself, Franco has been a tireless advocate on behalf of Vietnam War POWs and Vietnam veterans.

Jeeda Gabriel ('93 B.A. Psychology, '97 Special Education credential) has been teaching special education classes for the past four years. She is a resource specialist and is implementing the inclusive model of education at Walter Reed Middle School in North Hollywood.

Olivia Glauber ('95 B.S. Business Administration, B.A. Art) is a client, playwright, and activist for the Glauber Management Group in Pasadena.

Beverly Ann ('96 B.S. Health Management) is the CEO of Managed Care Innovations, Inc. in Seal Beach. Beverly is the CEO of Care Management of California, Inc. (Care Management) is president of Alin Concepts, Inc. in downtown Los Angeles.

Hannah ('97 B.A. Sociology) began her second year of law school at UC Hastings College of Law after working as a summer associate at Sanchez and Amador, LLP in Los Angeles. She also was appointed to the Hastings' Communications and Entertainment Law Journal for 1997–98.

Allan C., Tuazon ('96 Criminal Justice) recently received his commission as a naval officer after completing Officer Candidate School (OCS) in Pensacola, FL.

Levik Yarian ('96 B.S. Criminal Justice) recently received his commission as a naval officer after completing Officer Candidate School (OCS) in Pensacola, FL.

Class Notes
Supporting greater Sacramento region activities

Sacramento Event

early '70 alumni and supporters from 22 CSU campuses gathered in our state capital in March for a gala reception, sponsored by the CSU Alumni Council, to honor two individuals who have made significant contributions to the state of California and the CSU system. Governor Pete Wilson was given a Lifetime Achievement Award for his contributions to and support of higher education and the CSU. Senator Bill Lockyer received the Council’s “Friend of Higher Education” award. The fifth annual Alumni Legislative Days reception, which was held at the Capitol Club in Sacramento, also brought together a record number of Cal State L.A. alumni who live in the greater Sacramento area. For more information about the Sacramento alumni network, contact the Alumni Relations Office at (323) 343-4980.

Volunteer Recognition Dinner

The Alumni Association celebrated 47 years of volunteers with a special Board of Directors Reunion at the annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner last December. Over 100 current and past volunteers attended this reception, dinner and awards ceremony, including eight past presidents of the Association Robert L. McDermott '81, '93, Carlton Blanton '58, '69, Larry Borden '49, 'Evra Grant '66, '72, '82, Cynthia Joe '79, Donald Moore '74, Clemencia DeLeon '75, and Larry Adamson '74. Special recognition goes to Larry Borden, a founding board member and the Association’s second president, who traveled from Carmel to join us.

Alumni Career Panel Series

The Alumni Association and Student Alumni Association recently completed a successful six-workshop Alumni Career Panel Series, which was introduced last fall. Thank you to the following alumni who volunteered their time to share their experiences and advice with students and fellow alumni.


GradFair '98

In its new home at the Eagles’ Nest Gymnasium, GradFair ’98—the University’s third annual “one-stop shopping” day for graduating students held April 7—offered them the opportunity to make all of the arrangements and purchases needed to participate in Commencement activities. Sponsored by the Alumni Association and hosted by the Honors Convocation and Commencement Committee, the event enabled more than 2,000 students to purchase caps and gowns and class rings, obtain their tickets for Commencement Exercises, sign up for test prep courses and cellular phones, and more. One lucky student, Miguel Garcia '98, left the fair with a 19” color TV, our grand prize, donated by Fedco, Inc. Thanks to all the alumni, staff and faculty volunteers who made this day special for our alumni-to-be!

Alumni Certificate of Honor Awarded

At the Honors Convocation on April 24, the Alumni Association was proud to once again present the Alumni Certificate of Honor for outstanding academic achievement to more than 160 students. These students, pictured below, and their families joined Alumni Association board members and volunteers at a special reception on the Luckman Fine Arts Complex Street of the Arts before the convocation.

In Memoriam

Maurice J. Colwell (’58 M.A. Sociology), March 1998. Colwell was teaching at CSU Northridge.

Dennis (Reed) Bunde (’60 B.S. Business Administration-Basic Business), April 1998. After serving in the Vietnam War, Bunde left the U.S. Army and pursued a career in advertising. He was the founder of AADDCO Advertising.

Lillian Rolla (’63 M.A. Education), October 6, 1996, after a brief illness, at age 88. Rolla, who earned a B.A. from Whittier College and a two-year Minnesota teaching certificate from Duluth State Teachers College, received her master’s degree at Cal State L.A. at the age of 50. She taught in northern Minnesota for 14 years and in the El Rancho Unified School District for 19 years, and was retired for 23 years.

Ellis Irvin Asper (’71 B.S. Criminal Justice), January 1998. Asper was a retired police lieutenant who worked a neighborhood beat long before community-based policing was in vogue.

Joan Weiss Hollenbeck (’73 M.A. English), January 1998. A writer and community college educator, she taught English, creative writing, and other subjects at Coastline Community College, Saddleback College, and Irvine Valley College. Hollebeck wrote eight books, five of them for children.

Mary L. Stewart (’89 M.S. Nursing), April 1998. A registered nurse, Stewart taught in-service training courses for 10 years at Los Angeles Children’s Hospital. For nearly 30 years, she taught nursing at Los Angeles Valley College, Los Angeles City College, and East Los Angeles College.
Golf Tournament Raises More Than $54,000 for Scholarship Fund

With the help of title sponsors Michelin and Pepsi, and major sponsors Eagles Print 'N Post, the University Bookstore, University Auxiliary Services and the University-Student Union, the 15th annual Golden Eagle Golf Tournament raised more than $54,000 for the Athletics Scholarship Fund. Held Nov. 1 at the Via Verde Country Club, the tournament was sold out for the fifth consecutive year with 163 golfers and 200 dinner guests. In addition, the tournament featured 47 “hole” sponsors.

I am extremely delighted by the turnout and support for this year’s tournament,” said Director of Intercollegiate Athletics Carol M. Dunn. “This generosity displayed by the participants and sponsors will enable many student-athletes to achieve their goal of earning a degree and participating in collegiate athletics.”

The evening’s program included a live and silent auction, an awards presentation, and a drawing for an Acapulco vacation and a color television. On the course, the foursome of Steve Soliz, David Soliz, Jay Gibbons and Joe Marron captured the men’s title, while Linda Dawson, Bill Batch, Art McClure and Al Tompkins won the mixed division crown.

Winter Sports Round-Up

MEN’S BASKETBALL

The men’s basketball team earned its first postseason invitation into the NCAA Tournament since the 1994-95 season. The West Regionals were held at UC Davis, and the Golden Eagles defeated league foe Gonzaga on campus in the first round, 58-53, to advance within the bracket. Cal State L.A. then faced the 1-seeded Aggies of UC Davis (the eventual national champions), but lost 83-81. The Golden Eagles finished the season with an 18-11 overall record and a 6-6 conference mark.

Senior forward David Rickerbacher was named to the West Region all-tournament team, and his accolades continued to accumulate. He was chosen for the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC)/Chevrolet-Chevy all-district team, as well as the All-California Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) First Team. He finished the 1997-98 season as the team’s leading scorer (12.7 ppg) and rebounder (7.4 rpg).

Joining Rickerbacher on the All-CCAA teams were seniors Derrick Butman, Curtis Gates and Makeni Williams. Butman, a 6-0 guard, led the team in three-point field goal percentage (.385), 39.1 percent (61-154) overall, 6-7 center and a preseason All-American, averaged 11.2 points and 5.0 rebounds per game. Williams, a 6-4 forward/center, was the team’s most accurate shooter, hitting 64% of his shots. He was a team-high .489 shooter.

WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

The Golden Eagles women’s basketball team qualified for the California Collegiate Athletic Association’s (CCAA) postseason tournament, but lost in the first round to Cal Poly Pomona. Cal State L.A. finished with an overall record of 10-15 and a conference clip of 6-6.

Leading the way for L.A. was two-time Kodak All-American Honorable Mention honoree Lukiyana Coachman. Coachman, a 6-2 junior center, also picked up Datonics All-West Region Second Team kudos, as well as First Team All-CCAA accolades. She finished the 1997-98 season ranked among the conference’s Top 10 in five statistical categories: 1st in rebounding (11.5 rpg), 2nd in scoring (19.3 ppg), 3rd in field goal percentage (48.7, 140-289), 4th in steals (2.8 spg), 5th in free throw percentage (82.4, 93-113).

Jenny Tanaka and Babita Singh also garnered All-CCAA honors. Tanaka, a 5-6 sophomore guard, is a repeat Second Team All-CCAA selection and seventh in scoring with 925 points. Singh, a 5-6 sophomore guard, is a repeat Second Team All-CCAA honoree and second in scoring with 882 points.

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Spring Sports Round-Up

BASEBALL

For the first time in 21 years, the Cal State L.A. baseball team earned a berth in the NCAA Division II West Regionals after clinching its second consecutive California Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) championship trophy with a league record of 20-12.

Several players earned postseason honors, including All-West Region and All-CCAA kudos. First Team All-West Region and All-CCAA recipients include: Jay Gibbons (first base), Greg Tenni (outfield), Jesse Joyce (outfield), Auvin Sierra (pitcher) and Pitcher of the Year Jeff Verplancke. Pitcher Auvin Sierra earned Second Team All-Region and First Team All-CCAA honors, and the following student-athletes earned all-conference recognition: Albert Ambriz (third base), Matt Lucas (catcher), Silvio Paz (outfield), Eddie Russell (pitcher) and Ron Leos (pitcher). 21.651 races, finishing fifth in the 100m (10.69) and third in the 200m (21.00). Making their first appearances at national were Ray Butman (steeplechase), Ronald Stewart [long jump], Chris Mercel [shot put]. Dwyine Adams and Gene Shepherd [discus] (4 x 100m relay).

On the women’s side, Kirran Moss finished fifth in the shot put and seventh in the hammer to collect her third Desert Sun Sports Award. In addition, Moss is the defending indoor NCAA champion in the shot put with a meet record of 47-5.25”.

National Champion Jonathan Jordan

Herbold Inducted into Baseball Coaches Hall of Fame

Cal State L.A. head baseball coach John Herbold was inducted into the American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA) Hall of Fame at a ceremony held on January 8, 1998, at the ABCA’s national convention at the San Diego Marriott Hotel and Marina.

Regarded as a coach with a long-standing reputation for developing professional caliber talent, Herbold began his 15th year with the Golden Eagles this season. In terms of post-collegiate baseball success, Cal State L.A. has ranked among the nation’s Top 25 schools — irrespective of division — whose players go on to professional baseball careers. Herbold is a contributing factor to this success.

Herbold has recorded 1120+ season wins and has guided his team to two consecutive California Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) championship titles (1997 and 1998). Most recently, the Golden Eagles received their first bid into the NCAA Tournament since the 1977 season as a Division I participant and 1968 as a Division II participant.

Herbold came to Cal State L.A. after a very successful 28-year career coaching in the high school ranks. In fact, he is the only living coach to win CIF baseball championships at two different schools (Long Beach Poly in 1963 and Lakewood High in 1970 and 1974). As a prep coach, Herbold compiled an impressive .728 winning percentage (463-176).

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DANCE — Luckman Season — Dance Kaleidoscope 1998. Fri., Jul. 17 at 7:30 p.m.; Luckman Theatre. L.A.’s leading dance showcase celebrates 10 years! The Lester Horton premiere dance awards will be given before the opening night program, 6:30 p.m., at the Luckman Theatre. Other participating artists. Fri., July 24, 8 p.m., Japan America Theatre, and Sat., July 25, 10 a.m. & 8 p.m. John Anson Ford Amphitheatre. Luckman. (323) 343-6600. For tickets, call TicketMaster at (213) 365-3500.

EVENT — L.A. County Arts Open House, Sat., Oct. 3. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. locations to be announced. Call the School of Arts and Letters. (323) 343-4001.


MUSIC — Luckman Season — Viva Klezmer. Sun., Oct. 18, 2 p.m. Luckman Theatre. Boyle Heights — once the center of Jewish culture and now the center of Latino culture in L.A. — inspired Viva Klezmer, an advocacy for musical fun and that blends the two societies with exciting marachi and klezmer music performed by both local and international performers. Luckman. (323) 343-6600. For tickets, call TicketMaster at (213) 365-3500.

EVENT — The Fourth Annual Partnership Conference of A New Beginning. Fri., Oct. 23, 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. L.A. Convention Center. Conference will address issues on child abuse and neglect. Sponsored by the Los Angeles Superior Court, Juvenile Division, and Cal State L.A. Open to the public. Call (323) 343-4832.

William Emmons Lloyd, Sr. Publications Manager/Professor-Administration, from 1959-1977

Bill Lloyd died February 21, 1998, in South Pasadena, California, at age 87. During World War II, Lloyd served on the communications staff of Admiral C. Nimitz. He worked as a reporter and editor for the Peterburg Progress Index and the Richmond News Leader, established the office of school-community relations for the Richmond public schools (the first in the southeastern U.S.), wrote and edited publications for the American Association of School Administrators in Washington, DC, and spent the last 18 years of his career at Cal State L.A. Following his retirement from the University, Lloyd became active in the Emeriti Association, for which he was the founding chairman of the newsletter, The Emeritimes.

In addition to his professional activities, Lloyd participated in many civic organizations and was very active in South Pasadena Little League, which he served for many years as a manager and coach.

In memory of Lloyd, a fellowship was established for Cal State L.A. students of history and government has been established by the Emeriti Association.

Donald Butler Kinstler Professor of Education, from 1957-1980

Donald Kinstler passed away on Feb. 22, 1998, in Hilton Head, South Carolina because of a heart problem and emphysema. He obtained an M.A. from L.A. State College in 1954 and a Ph.D. from the University of Southern California in 1959. This was followed by postdoctoral studies at USC in 1959-60 and at the Washington University Medical School in 1970.

Starting as an assistant professor of education specializing in audiology, Kinstler was promoted to professor in 1967 and served as director of the campus Hearing Clinic for many years. He served as consultant in hearing to audiological diagnostic institutions, including the Los Angeles Unified School District, and was director of audiological services for Pemona Valley Hearing Society and Hearing Conservation Services. He was editor of The Voice from 1966 to 1968 and was the author of several journal articles on speech dis- orders, especially those of children.

On retirement, he and his wife moved to Loomis, California, where they raised Arabian horses.


Townley’s specialty was in secondary education, primarily secondary teaching. In his early years at Cal State L.A., he team-taught methodology classes with Morris Better. As these classes were held on high school campuses in the Los Angeles area, this constituted an early on-site department program.

Townley helped to develop, and taught courses in, the mainframe, taught as part of the credential program and was the department’s master’s degree advisor. He was very active in accreditation efforts, served as a member of many review teams for the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, and as a member of many review teams of California schools. In 1981, he chaired a WASC accreditation team that traveled to Indonesia and Malaysia for site visitations of schools in the East Asian Regional Conference of Schools.
In May 19, Cal State L.A. celebrated its 50th anniversary with the campus community. Alumna Florence LaRue—vocalist with the Grammy Award-winning singing group, The 5th Dimension—was there to inspire and entertain our students, faculty and staff, and hundreds of visiting high school students. Alumnus Fermin Cuza, senior vice president of international trade and government relations for Mattel, Inc., was there to unveil the Mattel Hot Wheels® replica of the University's award-winning, student-built Solar Eagle III—the first Hot Wheels® solar race car. In June of 1997—just at the start of our half-century celebration—the North American first-place win of the Solar Eagle III brought national attention to the caliber of Cal State L.A. students and faculty. In 1998, Mattel, Inc. has contributed to making Cal State L.A. a household word across America!