Memories in the Making: A Year at Cal State L.A.
**Factoids:**

Cal State L.A.'s statistics...you can do without...

- The best Cal State L.A.'s faculty boasts 12 recipients of the California State University system's prestigious Trustee Outstanding Professor—more than any other CSU campus.
- The (minds and) student bodies: Cal State L.A.'s academic community includes more than 19,000 students, nearly 600 full-time and more than 400 part-time faculty.
- These degrees are hot: our campus boasts nearly 600 students earning degrees in 34 countries.
- That's a latte coffee: we consume more than 330,000 cups of coffee just from Eagles' Landing and on-campus catering services each year.
- Hello! There are more than 2,000 phones on campus, and more than 3,000 lines for fax machines, modern machines and telephones.
- Variety is the spice of life: the Eagles' Landing cafeteria offers 16 items to choose from on its one-menu-only.
- A thousand points of light: it takes 1,000 lights to light up the outdoor campus at night.
- Got space? There are now nearly 7,100 parking spaces on campus.
- Riding the rails: we are the only university in Southern California with a Metrolink commuter station; 295 commuters catch the train 100 yards from our southernmost building, Building W.
- Stairway to workout: if you climb the 139 stairs of the University Union, you fall to the ground at springtime; you would have walked up 20,670 stairs.
- It's easy being green: there are 5,000 trees on campus, and the Biology Building greenhouses contain more than 140 types of plants.
- Wins and losses: in 1978, Cal State L.A. dropped its intercollegiate football, but won the NCAA Division II Track Championship.
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- Drop in the bucket: If every California (3.5 million) put one cup of water in the campus swimming pool, we'd still have to ask nearly 1 million visitors to contribute a cup to fill the 268,000-gallon pool.
- Relax! You can sit on 100 outdoor benches around campus.
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JAN. 1999: Rusty, L.A. debuted the Solar Eagle III HotWheels® Action Pack that contained models of the world famous solar car, its "lead vehicle" and three campus personalities—President Rosser with the checkered flag, Solar Eagle III faculty adviser Dick Roberto (Mechanical Engineering), and student team leader and driver Roman Vasquez—gracing the package.

FEB. 27, 1999: To a standing room crowd at Karmen's in 1999, the Cal State L.A. basketball team took the Pac-10 championship for second time in the NCAA Division II tournament.

MAY 2, 1999: Numa Wills-John King, a member from 19'64 and eldest of her family, was included as one of the leaders in the Los Angeles Times Best Seller list. Cohen has authored five major textbooks and 34 trade books.

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FEB. 5 & 6, 1999: Dueling Mae Wests Paula Arvedson (Child and Family Studies), left, and Priscilla Taylor (ACLP), right, with Andrew Shroyer (Library) as W.C. Fields, were part of the multi-talented cast of the 10th Biennial Faculty Staff Vocal Extravaganza that raised funds for music scholarships.

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SEPT. 30, 1994: California Secretary of State Bill Jones (seated) and Assembly Speaker Antonio Villaraigosa (standing) spoke at a rally to spark voter registration on campus, organized by Associated Students, Inc.

Recent Faculty Honors

- Barbara Clark (Special Education) will serve as president of the World Council for Gifted and Talented Children through Aug. 2001.
- Neda Fabris (Mechanical Engineering) was named Society of Manufacturing Engineers Educator of the Year, Desert-Pacific Region, Oct. 1998.
- Gloria Romero (Psychology) was elected to California Assembly member representing the 48th district, Nov. 1998. She serves as majority whip.
- Richard Harst (Geological Sciences) is chair elect of the Los Padres section of the American Chemical Society, 1999.
- Lisa O’Connor (Communication Disorders) is president-elect of the California Speech-Language Hearing Association, 1999.
- Evelyn Boyd Granville (emerita, Mathematics and Computer Science) was honored by the National Academy of Sciences as a Distinguished African American in the Sciences, Washington, DC, Feb. 1999.
- Ed Negrete (Administration and Counseling) was selected for the top post of the L.A.U.D. Human Relations panel, Feb. 1999.
- Carol Jeffers (Art) received the National Art Education Association Pacific Region Higher Education Art Educator of the Year Award, Washington, DC, Mar. 1999.
- Pam-Klair (Anna Bing Arnold Children’s Center) will begin serving on the board of the National Coalition for Campus Children’s Centers, Apr. 1999.

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APR. 18, 1999: Nobel Laureate Steven Chu, professor of physics and applied physics at Stanford University, delivered the Leon Page Memorial Lecture.

MAR. 2, 1998: Child development major Epi Serrato was one of many Cal State L.A. students and administrators who read to local schoolchildren as part of Read Across America, an event to promote literacy on Dr. Seuss’ birthday.

APR. 23, 1999: Astanding Robbery 35th, general counsel for the Southern California chapter of the NAACP, was named to the University’s 20th Honors Convocation.


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