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Outstanding staff 2002

At the festive 28th Annual Staff Awards Ceremony, the 2002 Outstanding Staff Award was presented to Erica Orendain, administrative support coordinator/executive assistant for the Roybal Institute for Applied Gerontology. Erica was selected from a group of 27 staff nominees, by a committee of colleagues, faculty and students.



Erica's colleagues and supervisors described her as "professional, knowledgeable, meticulous about [her] work product and very committed to quality."

One nomination letter noted that Erica's management and organization skills were the envy of her colleagues. "She can always be counted on to carry out her responsibilities, and then will provide assistance to others in completing their job tasks. ...Her outstanding interpersonal skills and continual positive outlook have not only positively affected the department in which she works, but also organizations outside of the University."

"She has developed excellent computer skills in the area of layout, which have proven to be extremely valuable to her department...saving the Institution much needed funds," said one nominator.

Another nominator commended her commitment and dedication to the University, demonstrated by her extensive volunteer work on campus. She is an active volunteer for the University's Career Day and the Los Angeles Leadership Council of Aging Organizations.

Erica began working as a student assistant for the Roybal Institute in July 1995. While attending Cal State L.A., she competed for the Golden Eagles in women's track and field and on soccer teams, and was a member of Alpha Theta Pi sorority. She earned her certificate in applied gerontology in 1998, and is working toward her bachelor's degree in social work.

In addition to recognizing the outstanding staff awardees at the annual event, the University community gathered to honor employees with 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 years of service to Cal State L.A.

University photographer Stan Carstensen '72, '82, and Academic Senate administrative assistant Eileen Roberts were honored for 35 years of service. Although known for her "minutes," Eileen was clearly "woman of the hour" and—in a calculated turnabout—many in the audience rose in unison to capture Stan's image for posterity.

35 Year Awardees



Stan Carstensen
Public Affairs



Eileen Roberts
Academic Senate

30 Year Awardees

Sandra Clue-Shepherd, *Education, Student Services*

Robert Evans, *Art*

Tom Laffey, *Outreach and Recruitment*

Ethel Martin, *Records*

Charles Mayfield, *Facilities Services*

Mario Neria, *Facilities Services*

Evelyn Peraza, *Student Health Center*

Vera Perez, *AVP for Academic Affairs*

Veronica Raboy, *Chemistry and Biochemistry*

25 Year Awardees

Phillip Boone, *University Police*

Martha Cisneros, *Mathematics*

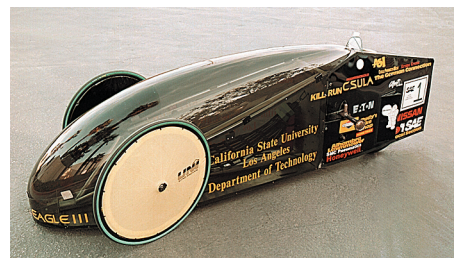
Alois Green, *International Programs and Services*

John Hartz, *Registrar*

Nofoao Leau, *Pan African and Latin American Studies*

Yvonne Lee, *Arts and Letters*

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Super Eagle, a supermileage vehicle designed under the direction of faculty advisor James Ettaro (*Technology*), placed ninth in this year's Supermileage competition. The SAE (Society of Automotive Engineering) sponsors the contest to help engineering and technology students learn about the benefits of fuel-efficient vehicles and challenges students to set world fuel economy records. Winners are chosen based on the amount of fuel left in their vehicles' tanks, following a six-lap performance run. Info: <<http://www.sae.org>>.

Plans for expanding science facilities

Through major capital funding, the University is developing plans to replace the Physical Sciences building and modernize the Biological Sciences building. Plans to remodel the Biological Sciences building include converting all labs to "dry" labs and office space. The new science facilities will include "wet" labs and various department offices, instructional space and computer labs—providing state-of-the-art facilities to match Cal State L.A.'s highly regarded science programs and to complement its superb faculty. (See page 4 for related article on Proposition 47.)

This past spring, a generous gift to the environmental sciences from the La Kretz Family Foundation was recognized in the naming of the large lecture hall in the Biological Sciences building. LA

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Staff (continued from page 1)

Howard Masuda, *Tutorial Center*
Peter Nguyen, *Housing Services*
Robert Renteria, *Facilities Services*
Jack Robb, *Library*
Christine Soto, *Student Financial Services*
Malvin Tamai, *Academic Technology Support*
Albert Wollenciej, *Physics and Astronomy*
Earnest Willis, *Facilities Services*
Corlis Ushijima, *AVP for Student Affairs, Student Services*
Sherry Yang, *Bilingual Center*

20 Year Awardees

Mary Bailey, *EOP*
Enrique Barajas, *Facilities Services*
Darlene Buxton, *Career Planning and Placement*
Vivian Chenoweth, *Mathematics*
Wee Chin, *Administrative Information Services*
Barbara Contreras, *Institutional Advancement*
Gary Coyne, *Chemistry and Biochemistry*
Art Delfin, *Administrative Information Services*
Theresa Flores, *English*
Linda Gray, *HHS Advisement and Outreach Center*
Manuel Guerrero, *University Police*
Dennis Kimura, *Academic Technology Support*
Helen Lee, *Natural and Social Sciences*
Humberto Lopez, *Facilities Services*
Janet Mori, *Library*
Leticia Moya, *Engineering, Computer Science, and Technology*
Nancy Quintana, *Nursing*
Ophelia Ralles, *Admissions*
Gilbert Santiago, *Facilities Services*
Jonelle Soller, *Administrative Information Services*
Patricia Tom, *Economics and Statistics*

15 Year Awardees

Robert Baker, *EOP*
Mary Campos, *Housing Services*
Tuyet Castillo, *Student Health Center*
Grace Emerson, *Administration and Finance*
Annette Felix, *Facilities Services*
Veneranda Fernandez, *Geography and Urban Analysis*
Larry Grijalva, *EOP*
Alice Gutierrez, *Extended Education*
Anne Hardwick-Cawthon, *University Police*
Jimmy Harrison, *Facilities Services*
Diana Hechavarria, *Anna Bing Arnold Children's Center*
Christine Lopez, *Student Financial Services*
John Lopez, *Facilities Services* (1998)

Frank Martinez, *Academic Technology Support*
Angie McCaffery, *Facilities Services*
Corinne McNamara, *Infant, Child and Family Project*
Ilene Miyahara, *Provost/Academic Affairs*
Guadalupe Moreno, *University Police*
Lac Rios, *Reprographics*
Rosalie Rodriguez, *Theatre Arts and Dance*
Daniel Thomas, *HRM*
Esther Tinoco, *MESA MEP Program*
Stacy Truong, *Library*
Ted Van Houtrijve, *University Police*
Rosa Maria Villa, *Facilities Services*
Linda Wong, *Accounting*
Sharon Wrenn-Concepcion, *Housing Services*

10 Year Awardees

Anthony Bajada, *Music*
Cynthia Burks, *Business Financial Services*
Gonzalo Centeno, *Students with Disabilities*
Stacey Cumberland, *Facilities Services*
Arthur Lopez, *Facilities Services*
Joanna Martel, *Career Planning and Placement*
Martin Muniz, *Facilities Services*
Roger Nunez, *Facilities Services*
Mable Parham, *Facilities Services*
Annette Pillow, *Theatre Arts and Dance*
Steve Rosset, *IRM Operations*
John Shamburger, *Facilities Services*
Ronald Taylor, *Facilities Services*
Mee Yung Ting, *Infant, Child and Family Project*

Campus safety award

The CSU system has received the national Jeanne Clery Campus Safety Award for developing a comprehensive system-wide alcohol policy and creating a training video that demonstrates how to comply with federal campus crime statistics reporting laws. The CSU training video is available to universities across the country.



The Clery Award is given annually by Security On Campus, Inc., a non-profit grassroots organization dedicated to ensuring safe campuses. It recognizes universities and individuals whom take extra efforts to protect college students.

For more information, go to the CSU Clery Reports site <www.calstate.edu/clery> or the Security on Campus, Inc. site <www.securityoncampus.org>.

MBA is among top ten

The Los Angeles Business Journal (LABJ) has ranked the Cal State L.A. MBA program as one of Los Angeles' best graduate business programs based on current full-time equivalent student enrollment. The rankings were published in the May 2002 issue of LABJ.

The College of Business and Economics offers undergraduate degrees in accountancy, business administration, computer information systems, and economics, and participates in an interdisciplinary graduate program in health care management. Also offered are graduate programs in accountancy, economics, health care management, information systems, and the MBA.

Since 1960, the College has been nationally accredited at both undergraduate and graduate levels by the International Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). Of the more than 1,400 colleges and universities in the nation that grant degrees in business and management, fewer than 20 percent are accredited at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The College was also recognized by *U.S. News & World Reports* as one of only two in the region to be ranked among the nation's 100 best undergraduate business schools.



University Reports

Due to technical difficulty, this issue represents the delayed Summer edition of *University Reports*. For the corresponding vol. 32, no.5 *Professional Activities, Publications, Honors and Appointments*, and *In the News* entries, please see <<http://www.calstatela.edu/UniversityReports>>.

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Top 100 ranking

Cal State L.A. was recently listed #12 among *Black Issues in Higher Education's* "Top 100," a national list of colleges and universities that conferred the most bachelor's degrees to minority students in 2000-2001, according to data from the U.S. Department of Education.

Cal State L.A. ranked #1 in awarding bachelor's degrees in education to all minority students, bachelor's degrees in education for Hispanic students, and master's degrees in ethnic/cultural studies for Hispanic students. Cal State L.A. is also the top ranking institution in California awarding bachelor's degrees (all disciplines combined) to Hispanic students.

Minority student categories comprise Black, non-Hispanic; American Indian or Alaskan Native; Asian or Pacific Islander; and Hispanic. The *Black Issues in Higher Education* lists are drawn from information collected by the National Center for Education Statistics. LA

CSULA-UCI joint degree

Cal State L.A. will be one of four local CSU campuses joining forces with UC Irvine to offer a Doctorate in Education through funding from the CSU and the University of California Joint Ed.D. Board.

A \$325,000 allocation from the Board—part of a large \$910,000 award—allows Cal State L.A., CSU Fullerton, CSU Long Beach, Cal Poly Pomona and UC Irvine to develop a joint Ed.D. program in educational leadership targeted to begin in fall 2003. This will be the first round of CSU-UC joint doctoral programs in educational leadership.

"The grants confirm the serious commitment to the joint Ed.D. initiative by both the CSU and the UC systems," said **Charles B. Reed**, chancellor of the CSU system. "The programs will increase the number of educators with doctorates serving the growing needs of California's public schools and community colleges."

"Cal State L.A. has always been a significant starting place for teachers," said **Allen Mori**, dean of the Charter College of Education. "Now, as the nation's first Charter College, we are expanding the College's innovative programs in order to prepare the next generation of educators. We are proud to have had in place since 1968, a successful joint doctoral program in special education with UCLA. The new joint Ed.D. in educational leadership will enable us to reach one step further in producing original thinkers and well-educated, well-prepared teachers and administrators of excellence." LA

Rehab student receives CSU award

Alfredo Ruben Gay, a junior transfer student, was one of six student honorees presented with the 2002-03



William R. Hearst/CSU Trustees' Award for Outstanding Achievement at the July CSU Board of Trustees meeting. The system-wide award, funded by an endowment from The Hearst Foundation and individual contributions from the CSU Board of Trustees, provides \$3,000 scholarships to students with financial need who demonstrate superior academic performance, community service, and personal accomplishments.

Alfredo, a rehabilitation major, is classified as legally blind—a victim of a shooting incident when he was 20.

Medical complications, multiple surgeries, a long recovery and learning to live independently with blindness followed. His goal is to use his life lessons coupled with his education to counsel and assist others who are facing challenges.

Last quarter, Alfredo served as treasurer for the undergraduate division of the Rehabilitation Counseling Association at Cal State L.A. He is a member of the California Council of the Blind, serving on the board of directors of the local chapter. He has taught Braille to newly blind adults at the

Foundation for the Junior Blind, and conducted his fieldwork in the Center for Students with Disabilities at Glendale College.

An exemplary student, Alfredo has been awarded certificates of academic excellence and scholarships from the Lions Club and Patrons Club of the City of Glendale. He is on the National Dean's List for 2000-2001.

"Alfredo is one of our most outstanding undergraduate students," says **Martin Brodwin**, professor and coordinator of Cal State L.A.'s Rehabilitation Counseling Program. "Throughout his academic studies... he has shown leadership in the field, diligence, dedication, excellence in all the courses he has taken, professionalism in fieldwork internships, and an ability to interact fairly and equitably with people from a variety of diverse cultural backgrounds."

Part-time education faculty member **Leo Orange** notes, "It has been a pleasure having Alfredo in my rehabilitation counseling classes. He has demonstrated the academic ability and possesses a strong counseling acumen to be a leader in rehabilitation counseling. Alfredo is truly an asset...."

Donations initiated by Trustee Ali Razi enabled this CSU award to continue after its original fund (1974-1997) was depleted. In 2000, the Hearst Scholarship Program merged with the CSU Board of Trustees' Outstanding Achievement Award, substantially increasing the scholarship endowment. LA

In memory of Barry Dorfman



Barry Dorfman, who oversaw the processing of University grant and contract proposals and headed the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, died on March 29 from complications of a recurrence of cancer. He was 49.

Dorfman joined the University as associate dean of Graduate Studies and Research-Research Administration on July

16, 2001, after 14 years at Cal Poly Pomona as a professor of physics and interim director of the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs.

Dorfman received his Ph.D. in solid-state physics from Purdue University and M.S. in applied mathematics (nonlinear wave mechanics) from Clarkson University, where he received his B.S. in physics.

Dorfman is survived by his wife, Monica, and two young sons, Aaron and Joshua. LA

Among the outstanding 2002 grads are . . .

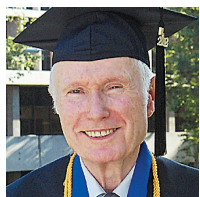
More than 20,000 witnessed the conferral of more than 1,200 master's degrees and 3,900 bachelor's degrees at this year's commencement.

Honors student **Eleanor Chen**, 16, Cal State L.A.'s youngest 2002 graduating senior and former student government officer, plans to attend graduate school. Elly was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship savings bond as one of KABC7's "cool kids."



Tina Anh Thu Thi Nguyen, 19, winner of a prestigious Phi Kappa Phi national honor society graduate fellowship, began her studies at Mt. Sinai School of Medicine, New York, this fall. In 1998, she was a Howard Hughes Biomedical Institute Research Scholar.

Outstanding music major and band member **Becky Boggs**—a congenital left-arm amputee—overcomes disability with the use of a prosthetic arm. Becky plays the euphonium (a small tuba), teaches low brass for the Saturday Conservatory of Music in Pasadena and is director of the band program at Holland Middle School. (Oh yes, she swims and crochets as a hobby.) An honors student with a 3.78 GPA, Becky finished her undergraduate studies in 3½ years.



"Senior" senior **Raymond Walter Brady** received a B.A. in liberal studies on June 15 for his 75th birthday. Ray, whose second love is singing (his first is his wife of 26 years, Aylene), retired as a photo technician from Northrop after 35 years. An honors student and member of Golden Key and Phi Kappa Phi national honor society, Ray has a 3.8+ GPA.

Duc Pham, who graduated with a B.S. in Criminal Justice, is an ex-gang member whose personal vision, perseverance, and participation in the Gang Violence Bridging Project helped turn his life around.



Harpist **Vanessa Sheldon**, 17, the University's youngest 2002 master's degree candidate, completed her undergraduate studies in music last year (in three years), her master's degree in one year, and has received a teaching assistantship in the world-renowned harp program at the University of Arizona. LA

Special certificates

Certificate of Recognition

Golden Eagles' track and field star **Nicole Duncan** was presented a certificate of recognition by Los Angeles County Supervisor **Michael D. Antonovich** '63, '67, at the L.A. County Board of Supervisors' meeting in August.

Nicole also made history recently as the fourth athlete ever to win the NCAA Championship in the 100 and 200 meter dash, and long jump in the same year. In June, she celebrated two important milestones: she graduated with a sociology degree and she received the 2002 Honda Award, a national honor given to the top overall female athlete in NCAA Division II.

Certificate of Merit

Graduate student **Gilbert Griñe** was recently awarded a Certificate of Merit at the 8th Annual SAEOPP/UTK McNair National Scholars Research Conference for his scholarly research presentation, entitled "Education Reform as a Means of Reducing Gang Activity."

Selected as a McNair Scholar in June 2001, Gilbert has begun his coursework for the master's program in rehabilitation counseling this fall quarter. Through the McNair program, Gilbert will work on research projects under the mentorship of **Martin Brodwin** (*Administration and Counseling*) who he credits for inspiring the pursuit of his academic career.

Certificate of Commendation

Cal State L.A. recently received a Commendation from California Lieutenant Governor Cruz M. Bustamante for its top ranking in the June 17, 2002 issue of *Los Angeles Business Journal*. *LABJ* ranked Cal State L.A. #13 among 25 colleges and universities in L.A. County with the greatest number of Full-time Equivalent students (2001-2002 enrollment period). LA

Prop. 47–Nov. 5

This November 5, for 2002-2004, California voters will decide whether to approve **Proposition 47**, a \$13 billion school bond measure that would fund a range of K-12 and higher education projects. Prop. 47 is the first part of a bond measure divided between two upcoming statewide ballots (if the first part is adopted, a \$12.3 billion bond measure will then be on the March 2004 ballot).

Prop. 47 provides funding for construction to meet seismic safety needs of K-12, California community colleges, and the CSU and UC campuses. Included in the package is \$350 million earmarked for eight CSU campuses to build new, or renovate existing facilities.

If the November 5 bond passes, Cal State L.A. would receive \$795,000 to fund its Music building remodel and equipment that includes a state-of-the-art recording studio, film scoring lab, upgraded "black-box" and studio theater, two television studios, sound-proofed music practice rooms, music education rooms, two screening rooms with digital projection and 35-millimeter capability, film/video editing studios, and production studios for film editing, animation production, music composition and set design.

AB 16, the bill that authorized Prop. 47, also authorizes a second bond for the March 2004 ballot. Dependent on the passage of the November 5 Bond measure, the second, 2004-2006, ballot measure will include \$29,507,000 to fund Cal State L.A.'s replacement of Physical Sciences Building Wing B. This project will build the north wing of the Science Replacement Building, adding to the previously constructed Wing A and completing this new interdisciplinary laboratory building. Wing B will provide capacity for 606 students in lecture space, 135 students in lower division laboratory space, 108 students in upper division laboratory space, and 29 faculty offices. The building will provide lecture space and complex state-of-the-art laboratories to serve multiple disciplines, replacing the existing badly deteriorated and outdated physical science building. This amount will augment a Governor's economic stimulus package of \$38,108,000 funding for an interdisciplinary wet laboratory building, providing capacity for 308 student and 38 faculty offices. This bond measure also will provide \$4,487,000 for the replacement of Wing A equipment.

See <www.calstatela.edu> for those in favor of, and against, Proposition 47. LA