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## ATHLETICS

### **Fifteen Hornets named to Big Sky All-Academic Team**

The Big Sky Conference named 15 Sacramento State student-athletes to the winter all-academic team.

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### **Hornet Sports**

## Commencement activities to include honorary doctorate for Matsui

This week's commencement ceremonies at Sacramento State will honor a friend of both the University and the Sacramento Region.

The late Congressman Robert Matsui will be recognized with an honorary doctorate from the California State University system during the College of Business Administration ceremony at noon, Saturday, May 20 at Hornet Stadium. His widow, U.S. Rep. Doris Matsui (D-Sacramento), will accept the award.

More than 4,300 students are eligible to cross the stage during seven ceremonies Friday and Saturday, May 19 and 20. Ceremonies will be held at Hornet Stadium and the Outdoor Theatre. During one ceremony, President Alexander Gonzalez will award the President's Medallion to one of seven students who received Dean's Awards early in the month. A complete list of commencement ceremonies follows.

Robert Matsui spent 26 years representing the Sacramento area until his death in January 2005.

Matsui was widely recognized for his decency and civility as a member of Congress. He was also known for his understanding of complex national issues including social security, trade and health care. In 1988, he helped guide the landmark Civil Liberties Act of 1988 through Congress. The act led to a formal apology and compensation from the U.S. government to the Americans of Japanese ancestry who had been interned during World War II. As an infant, Matsui and his family were moved from Sacramento to the Tule Lake Internment Camp.

As a member of Congress, Matsui advocated for funds to expand Sacramento's light rail system, build a new federal courthouse and improve flood protection. In one of his last acts as congressman, he secured \$950,000 in federal appropriations for the planned Science and Space Center at Sacramento State, a figure that has now grown to \$1.5 million through the efforts of his wife, Doris.

Matsui's service to the region and the nation was recognized with numerous awards. In 2001 he received the Joe Serna Jr. Unity Award from the Capitol Unity Council. The Child Welfare League of America twice named him Congressional Advocate of the Year. The Anti-Defamation League gave him its Lifetime Achievement Award and he was also recognized by national transit and small business organizations.

Before he became a congressman Matsui served as vice mayor of Sacramento and headed a Sacramento law practice. In 2005, Doris Matsui was elected to complete his term.

More information on commencement is available at [www.csus.edu/commence](http://www.csus.edu/commence).

### **Sacramento State Spring Commencement schedule**

#### **Friday, May 19**

- College of Arts and Letters, 12:30 p.m., Hornet Stadium
- College of Engineering and Computer Science, 5 p.m., Outdoor Theatre
- College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies, 7 p.m., Hornet Stadium

#### **Saturday, May 20**

- College of Health and Human Services, 8 a.m., Hornet Stadium
- College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, 10 a.m., Outdoor Theatre

- College of Business Administration, noon, Hornet Stadium
- College of Education, 6 p.m., Hornet Stadium

## **Campus bike path system to expand**

Construction is set to begin next month to complete a comprehensive bicycle path system that will encircle most of the campus and keep bicycle traffic away from the congested center.

Plans call for extending the bike and pedestrian path along State University Drive West near Hornet Crossing by 4,000 feet and providing bike lane markings in the roadway along State University Drive South and State University Drive East.

"Once we complete the work, we will have a better bicycle circulation route that will be safer for both bicycle riders and pedestrians," said Victor Takahashi, director of facilities planning and construction services.

Work on the \$700,000 project, financed through grants from Caltrans and the federal government, is scheduled to begin in mid-June and is expected to be completed by the end of October. C & C Construction of Rocklin was awarded the bid as general contractor.

Takahashi said a major part of the project will be the extension of the existing asphalt path that runs along State University Drive West and is shared by both cyclists and pedestrians. The path will be extended from Hornet Crossing south to Stadium Drive. The north end of the existing path will also be lengthened to stretch from Sinclair Road to State University Drive near Receiving. But that portion of the project won't be fully completed by October, Takahashi said, because of an upcoming sewer replacement project in the same area.

Plans call for eventually extending the bicycle path system through the northeast portion of the campus.

Takahashi said the new bike paths and dedicated bike lanes are key parts of the University's Bicycle Master Plan, which was approved by the Transportation Advisory Committee to encourage alternative modes of transportation to campus in place of driving.

— *Ted DeAdwyler*

## **Scott named Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies dean**

Otis Scott has been named dean of the College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies at Sacramento State. For the last year Scott has served as the College's acting dean.

"As acting dean, Dr. Scott has led with distinction," says Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Ric Brown. "In this new capacity, I look forward to a continued high level of contribution by the College's faculty and staff to the mission of the University."

Prior to being appointed acting dean, Scott, a Sacramento State alumnus, served three years as the associate dean. He chaired the Ethnic Studies Department for 21 years and was the coordinator of the Social Science Program.

Scott holds both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in government from Sacramento State and a doctorate in African American studies from Union Graduate School in Cincinnati.

His published work includes four books as well as book chapters, book reviews and journal articles. He has also presented numerous conference papers. He is a past president of the National Association for Ethnic Studies and currently serves as the editor of the association's journal. This spring he was inducted into the honor society Phi Kappa Phi as the outstanding faculty initiate.

The appointment will be for two years.

### **Tickets available for staff picnic**

The annual USA Staff Appreciation Picnic will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Friday, June 2 at the Outdoor Theatre. This year's event will have a Western theme with food, entertainment and prizes.

With sponsorship from the President's Office, University Enterprises and the University Staff Assembly, one complimentary ticket each is available for staff members.

Individuals can pick up their tickets by contacting their University Staff Assembly representative no later than May 19. General tickets for non-staff members can be purchased for \$10 from any USA Representative. No tickets will be available at the event.

Details: [www.csus.edu/usa](http://www.csus.edu/usa)

### **My Sac State to launch May 22**

The new Sacramento State portal—"My Sac State"—will go live on May 22. Beginning that day all Sacramento State employees, including student assistants, will be able to access and update human resources information.

Through My Sac State, employees will be able to view and edit their address, phone numbers and emergency contact information. Employees will also be able view their benefits as well as their compensation history and paycheck. My Sac State will also include Human Resources-related links and contact-information.

Employees can access My Sac State by going to [my.csus.edu](http://my.csus.edu) and logging in with their SacLink username and password. Instructions for using My Sac State, as well as support materials for Human Resources staff, are available on the CMS website at [www.csus.edu/cms/training/training.stm](http://www.csus.edu/cms/training/training.stm). There is also a "help" link on the My Sac State log-in page.

More self-service features will be added as the CMS Student administration implementation continues. Check the CMS website for updates.

CMS staff is available to answer questions and to provide ad hoc training. For assistance, call the CMS Help Desk at 278-2670.

### **Last *Bulletin***

This is last *Sacramento State Bulletin* of the academic year. The first edition for next year will be Monday, Aug. 28.

Items may be submitted to the *Sacramento State Bulletin* at [bulletin@csus.edu](mailto:bulletin@csus.edu). The deadline is 10 a.m. the Wednesday before Monday publication. All submissions are subject to editing for style and space.

More information is available at 278-6156.

## Professional Activities

### Student Spotlight

**Elaine Manzanilla** and **Andro Rios** participated in the 20th annual CSU Student Research Competition May 5 and 6 at CSU Channel Islands. Rios won first place in the Undergraduate Biological and Agricultural Sciences Session with his talk "The Power of the Bergman Cyclization: Design and Synthesis of Light-Activated Pro-Drugs," the second time in three years that Sacramento State has won the Biological Sciences Undergraduate Session. The team was coached by Terry Manns, director of Research and Sponsored Projects, and Ron Coleman, Biological Sciences.

Geology major **Christina Stout** has been awarded one of three field camp scholarships by the Far Western Section of the National Association of Geoscience Teachers.

The **Institute of Transportation Engineers Student Chapter** was named runner-up Student Chapter of the Year among the 31 university student chapters in the 14 Western states that comprise ITE District 6. The competition was based on the student chapter annual report, which was submitted in early April and summarized all of the chapter events and activities for the year. The chapter will be recognized at the District 6 Annual Meeting in Honolulu in June. Four civil engineering students will attend the conference: Eric Dahl, president; Brit Fugitt; Brandon Lew; and Jason O'Toole, incoming president. Professor Kevan Shafizadeh, Civil Engineering, is the chapter's faculty advisor.

The **Sacramento State Symphonic Wind Ensemble**, conducted by Robert Halseth, Music, played a benefit concert for the American Cancer Society and ALS Foundation at Galt High School on April 27.

Sacramento State's **December 2005 physical therapy graduates** have a 100 percent first-time pass rate on the national physical therapy licensure examination. The state average is 91.58 percent and the national average is 83.1 percent.

### Scholarship

**Robert Halseth**, Music, served as clinician for the 2006 Colorado State Band Festival on April 24 in Colorado Springs.

**Roger Sullivan**, Anthropology, presented a poster entitled 'Self-medicating for Psychiatric Illness in a 'Traditional Culture': Schizophrenia and Betel Chewing in Palau' at the 31st Annual Meeting of the Human Biology Association in Anchorage, Alaska in March.

**Janice Gagerman**, Social Work, was invited to speak at "Raising the Bar: A Symposium Toward Improvement of Substance Abuse Treatment for Women in the Criminal Justice System" in Sacramento on March 28. Gagerman's presentation was entitled "The Culture and Continuum of Unresolved Traumatic Loss: Criminal Justice, Child Dependency Systems and Treatment." She will provide a one-day training workshop on "How to Work with Parents in the Parent-Child Dyad: Through the Lens of Intergenerational Trauma Within an Environment of Societal Violence and Neglect" for the Butte County Behavioral Health: First Five Council in Chico on June 6.

**Lisa Hammersley**, Geology, had her paper titled "Isotopic and Geophysical Constraints on the Structure and Evolution of the Clear Lake Volcanic System" published in the *Journal of Volcanology and Geothermal Research*.

**Victoria Shinbrot** and **Erin Stiles**, Humanities and Religious Studies, along with **Wendy Matlock**, English, and **Cindi SturtzSreetharan**, Anthropology, organized the interdisciplinary conference "Artful Strategies and Necessary Risks: Negotiating Gender and Identity Across Cultures and Disciplines" held

May 7 on campus. Shinbrot presented the paper "The Allure of Chance: Art and Desire in Nineteenth Century Fiction." Stiles presented the paper "Framing a Marriage: Courtroom Strategies of Clerks, Kadhis, and Litigants in Zanzibar." Matlock presented the paper "The Representation of the Dead, Feminine Body in Late-Medieval Literature," And SturtzSreetharan presented the paper "'I'm sorry my speech is so illogical': Metalinguistic Negotiations of the Verbal Other in Japan."

**Amy Heckathorn, Fiona Glade, and Dan Melzer**, English, will present the panel "From the Ground Up: A Model for Building a Faculty-Centered WAC Program" at the eighth International Writing Across the Curriculum Conference at Clemson University on May 19.

**Barbara Carle**, Foreign Languages, had her book *New Life* published by Gradiva Publications at the State University of New York, Stony Brook. It is a fictional autobiography in poetry and prose, and plays with Dante's "Vita nuova." Carle's book is published in a bilingual edition in Italian and English.

## In the News

**David J. Leon**, Ethnic Studies/Chicano Studies, was quoted in a May 7 *Sacramento Bee* article about the pro-immigrant rally held last week in Sacramento.

**John Syer**, Government, was quoted: on KQCA on Jan. 4 about Lobbyist Jack Abramoff's trial, on KXTV News 10 on Jan. 23 about the actions of House Republican Conference Secretary John T. Doolittle and on Feb. 10 about the governor's re-election campaign.

**Nancy Kalish**, Psychology, was quoted in the Jan. 1 *Sacramento Bee* about affairs triggered by internet communication.

**Robert Mogull**, Business, was quoted in a Jan. 15 article in the *Sacramento Bee* about the reasons for Placer County's low poverty rate and in *East Sacramento News* on Feb. 16 about his study on the poverty rates in different Hispanic American communities.

**Timothy Hodson**, Center for California Studies, was quoted in: the Jan. 7 *San Francisco Chronicle* about the governor apologizing for the special election, the Feb. 5 *San Jose Mercury News* on about Steve Westly's strategy for his campaign for governor, the March 3 *Alameda Times Star* and *Hayward Daily Review* about Don Perata pulling his endorsement from Rob Reiner's ballot measure, the March 23 *Fremont Argus* and *Oakland Tribune* on the merits of debating a gas tax that would fund transportation and alternative fuel projects, on Capital Public Radio on March 30 about Rob Reiner resigning as chairman for the First 5 Commission and in the April 2 *Santa Rosa Press Democrat* about the challenges of commemorating the 1906 earthquake in San Francisco.

**Suzanne O'Keefe**, Economics, was quoted in the January issue of *Prosper Magazine* about the Sacramento Region's economic outlook and the *Sacramento Business Journal* on Feb. 10 and the *Sacramento Bee* on Feb. 11 about a study on Sacramento's prosperity ratings compared to 10 other competing Western cities.

**Phil Hitchcock**, School of the Arts, was quoted in the Jan. 1 *Sacramento Bee* about the exhibit "The Triumph of Helios: Photographic Treasures of the California State Library."

**Donald Kendrick**, Music, was quoted in the Jan. 1 *Sacramento Bee* about Sacramento Choral Society and Orchestra performances and in the *Sacramento Bee* on April 30 about the Sacramento Choral Society and its tour in China.

**Lindy Valdez**, Kinesiology and Health Science, was quoted in the *Sacramento Bee* on Jan. 22 about the benefits of playing speedminton, known as extreme racketball.

**William Vizzard**, Criminal Justice, was quoted on Jan. 31 in the *Sacramento Bee* about the likelihood of solving a crime that occurred a long time ago with little evidence.

**Robin Datel**, Geography, wrote a commentary on Jan. 12 in the *Sacramento News and Review* about urban geography classes at Sacramento State and in the *Sacramento Bee* about obituaries.

**Todd Migliaccio**, Sociology, was quoted in the *Sacramento News and Review* on Jan. 12 about Viagra and pressures on men to prove their sexuality.

**Timothy Fong**, Asian American Studies, was quoted on KCRA on Jan. 11 about controversy regarding the Vietnamese flag.

**Carole Hayashino**, Advancement, was quoted on Jan. 12 in the *Nichi Bei Times* about the impact activist Tsuyako "Sox" Kitashima had on the Japanese American community in San Francisco.

**Kevin Wehr**, Sociology, was quoted on Jan. 26 in the *Sacramento News and Review* and on KCRA 3 on Feb. 1 about whether there is an oil shortage and on March 29 on Fox 40 about a new study on profanity and how it compares to Sacramento.

**Julia Dollison**, Music, was profiled in the *Sacramento Bee* on Feb. 14 for her rising success as a vocalist in Sacramento's jazz community.

**Joyce Mitchell**, Journalism, was featured in an article on Feb. 3 in the *Sacramento Bee* about making her new documentary on the state of the children of Romania.

**Robert Fountain**, Economics, was quoted on Feb. 3 in the *Sacramento Business Journal* about his study on the effect of home construction on the economy.

**George Parrott**, Psychology, was quoted in the *Sacramento Bee* on Feb. 7 about why people use blogs to publicly show affection.

**Cici Mattiuzzi**, Engineering, was quoted in the Feb. 10 *Sacramento Business Journal* and in in the March 12 *Sacramento Bee* about how firms and government agencies are recruiting people out of college.

**Carolyn Gibbs**, Interior Design, was quoted in the *Sacramento Bee* on Feb. 26 about the opening of the IKEA store in West Sacramento.

**Eric Bull**, Science Education, was quoted in the *Sacramento Business Journal* on Feb. 17 about the positive effects of the discount warehouse for teachers known as Resource Area for Teaching (RAFT).

**Ayad Al-Qazzaz**, Sociology, wrote an essay which was published in the *Sacramento News and Review* on Jan. 19 about the balance in life between good and the evil and was quoted on News 10 on March 16 about the effects of a U.S. air assault in Iraq.

**Michael Semler**, Government, was quoted in the *San Francisco Chronicle* on Feb. 21 about Gov. Schwarzenegger's popularity and in the *San Francisco Chronicle* on Feb. 23 on how the governor's political views conflict with other Republican legislators.

**Marilyn Hopkins**, Health and Human Services, was quoted in the *Sacramento Bee* on March 9 about relocating the LIFE Center and in the *Sacramento Bee* on March 23 about the opening of a high school for health professionals.

**Lynda Stone**, Child Development, was quoted on March 9 in the *Sacramento Bee* about the benefits of educational summer programs for children.

**Amy Liu**, Sociology, was quoted on KCRA 3 on March 10 about a study on flood preparation and in the *Sacramento Bee* and KCRA 3 on March 17 about a poll she directed that shows the Sacramento region is becoming more opposed to the war in Iraq.

**John LaRocco**, Business Law, was quoted in *Prosper Magazine* in March about the rising tensions after several major unions left the AFL-CIO.

**Rob Wassmer**, Public Policy and Administration, was quoted in the *Sacramento Bee* on March 3 about how the rise in housing prices has slowed the population increase in Sacramento.

**Scott Modell**, Kinesiology, was quoted in the *Sacramento Bee* on March 19 about the program Project PLAY which offers opportunities for people with disabilities.

**Sanjay Varshney**, Business, was quoted on KCRA 3 on March 22 on whether it is acceptable to make personal phone calls and write personal e-mails at work.

**Andrew Luchansky**, Music, was quoted on March 19 in the *Sacramento Bee* about a piece of music based on the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima that was played by Camerata Deia in the New Millennium Concert Series.

**Clare Lewis**, Physical Therapy, was quoted in the *Sacramento Bee* on April 16 about the importance of testing the effectiveness of fitness equipment before recommending it to patients.

**Ken Futernick**, Teacher Education, was quoted on KCRA 3 on March 28 about the results of the high school exit exam.

**Maggie Beddow**, Multicultural Education, was quoted on KCRA 3 on March 31 about the meaning behind Caesar Chavez Day.

**Liam Murphy**, Anthropology, was quoted in the *Sacramento Bee* on April 16 about the origin of Easter eggs.

**Ruth Ballard**, Biological Sciences, was quoted in USA TODAY.com on April 11 about the lack of DNA evidence in the Duke's lacrosse team case.

**Duane Campbell**, Bilingual and Multicultural Studies, was quoted on April 6 in the *Sacramento Bee* about the prospects for an immigration compromise.

**Emanuel Gale**, Social Work, was quoted in the *Sacramento Bee* on April 12 about how more should be done to curb drunk driving.

**Jessica Heskin**, Women's Resource Center, was quoted on April 12 in the *Sacramento Bee* about how high heels symbolize women being put on display.

**Maurice Poe**, Teacher Education, was featured in the *Sacramento Bee* on April 25 about his popular Literature for Children course at Sacramento State that is aired live on public-access cable stations.

**Tony Platt**, Social Work, wrote a commentary in the *Los Angeles Times* on April 9 about museums in possession of looted art such as original copies of the Nuremberg Laws and had his review of Thomas Bender's *A Nation Among Nations*, entitled "History: It's Not Just About Us" published in The *San Francisco Chronicle Book Review*.

**Barbara O'Connor**, Communication Studies, was quoted: in the Jan. 1 *San Francisco Chronicle* about division between the governor and lawmakers, in the Jan. 2 *Sacramento Bee* about changes in the state's

workers' compensation policy, in the *San Francisco Chronicle* on Jan. 3 about familiar names on this year's June primary, on KXJZ on Jan. 3 about the governor's state of the state address and in the *Oakland Tribune* about donor fatigue, on KFBK on Jan. 4 about miscommunication in the West Virginia miner incident, in the *San Francisco Chronicle* on Jan. 6 about the state of the state address, in the Jan. 8 *San Francisco Chronicle* article about abortion rights, on KCRA on Jan. 10 about the special election, in the Jan 22. *Sacramento Bee* about a dispute between PG&E and SMUD over Yolo County customers, on KOVR Channel 13 about anchor Bob Woodruff and his cameraman being hit by an explosive device in Iraq, in the Feb. 8 *San Francisco Chronicle* about lawmakers and the infrastructure bond issue, in February's *Sacramento Magazine* about the challenges of being a press secretary to a Californian governor, on Fox 40 News on Feb. 15 and Feb. 21 and in the *San Francisco Chronicle* about this year's race for governor, in the March 2 *Sacramento Bee* about former Sacramento City Manager Bob Thomas, in *The San Francisco Chronicle* on March 16 and Capital Public Radio on March 13 about competition for media buys during the primary election, in the March 20 *Sacramento Bee* on the 2006 race for Sacramento County sheriff, in the *Contra Costa Times* and *San Jose Mercury News* on March 25 and 26 about support for the preschool initiative, in the April 4 *San Francisco Chronicle* on State Insurance Commissioner John Garamendi's chances for election after heart surgery and in the April 21 *San Francisco Chronicle* on political action committees run by unions. She was also profiled in the *Sacramento Bee* on March 19 for being one of the most quoted women in the state for her political expertise.

## News Digest

### Summer hours

This summer, in an effort to conserve energy, the campus will again adopt a modified work schedule with normal business hours of 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a 30-minute lunch break. These hours will be effective on Tuesday, May 30 and continue through Friday, Aug. 18.

Authorized supervisors may modify individual work schedules to address special situations as long as offices are staffed during these announced hours.

As in past summers, this schedule enables the University to realize substantial budget savings by reducing energy consumption during the late afternoon hours when energy demand is highest.

For questions or concerns that cannot be answered by individual office supervisors or managers, contact Elizabeth Redmond, interim associate vice president for Human Resources, at 278-4488 or via e-mail at [lredmond@csus.edu](mailto:lredmond@csus.edu).

### Book buyback

The Hornet Bookstore will offer book buyback at two locations this week. It will be available at the Hornet Bookstore from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday, May 15-18 and from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Friday, May 19. It will also be available in the University Union Redwood Room from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, May 15-19.

Details: 278-6446

### Retirement planning and resources fair

The CalPERS 2006 Retirement Planning and Resources Fair is coming to Sacramento State on May 25 and 26. The two-day fair will be held in several locations in the University Union. All University employees are invited and reservations are not necessary.

The fair theme is "Plan now, Have a choice." Resources for retirement planning and other retirement topics will be available. For details, visit [www.calpers.ca.gov](http://www.calpers.ca.gov).

### Retirement reception planned

President Alexander Gonzalez and senior administrative staff will host a reception honoring retiring University employees from 3:30 to 5 p.m., Thursday, May 18 in the Library Gallery. The campus community is invited.

RSVP to 278-4040.

In addition to the list published in the May 1 edition of the *Sacramento State Bulletin*, the following retiring employees will also be honored:

- Nancy Carlton, Counselor Education, 27 years
- Bruce Drummond, Kinesiology and Health Science, 36 years
- Paul Falzone, Criminal Justice, 35 years
- Frank Garosi, History, 40 years
- Edward Gibson, Physics and Astronomy, 36 years
- Ann Haffer, Nursing, 27 years
- Anita Hall, Admissions and Records, 29 years
- Tim Hallinan, Geography, 36 years
- Thomas Heflin, Business Administration, 21 years
- Steven Jenkins, Communication Studies, 39 years
- Richard Kornweibel, History, 37 years
- Judy Kranz, Admissions and Records, 24 years
- William Kutzer, Kinesiology and Health Science, 40 years
- Josef Moorehead, Business Administration, 31 years
- James Neal, Teacher Education, 30 years
- Joseph Orsini, Business Administration, 23 years
- Robert Platzner, Humanities and Religious Studies, 36 years
- Arline Prigoff, Social Work, 19 years
- Felicenne Ramey, Business Administration, 29 years
- Ali Raza, Business Administration, 37 years
- Frederick Reardon, Mechanical Engineering, 39 years
- Andres Rendon, Sociology, 35 years
- Juanita Rice, Theatre and Dance, 20 years
- Hortense Simmons, English, 32 years
- John Syer, Government, 22 years
- Terrance Thomas, Teacher Education, 36 years
- Roger Vail, Art, 34 years

## **Campus Announcements**

### **Copy Graphics Center summer hours**

University Enterprises is announcing its Summer 2006 operating hours for the Copy Graphics Center. The Center will be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, from May 22 through Aug. 18.

Located near the Patio Café between the Bookstore and River Front Center, the Copy Graphics Center is a on-campus, retail-shop for color and black-and-white photocopying, binding, laminating and large-format color inkjet output. Additionally it offers ordering services for custom rubber stamps. The Copy Graphics Center accepts cash, VISA, MasterCard and American Express.

For more information call 916-278-6960.

### **Volunteers needed for NCAA Outdoor Championships**

More than 1,000 of the top collegiate athletes in the nation will compete June 7-10 on the Sacramento State campus in a nationally-televised event—the 2006 NCAA Division I Outdoor Track and Field Championships. Celebrating its 100-year anniversary, the Outdoor Track and Field event is the oldest championship sponsored by the NCAA as well as the largest championship in terms of participants.

It takes hundreds of volunteers to put on an event of this magnitude, so the local organizing committee is asking for help. Anyone interested in volunteering in one of the numerous positions available during this championship event can do so by contacting Lois Mattice, Sacramento State associate athletics director, at 278-7548.

### **New leadership in Campus Life**

Following a nationwide search, Vice President for Student Affairs Lori Varlotta has named Edward Jones associate vice president for Campus Life. Jones comes to the University from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale where he currently serves as the director of Housing.

Jones will directly supervise a number of offices including: Student Activities, Housing and Residential Life, the Career Center, Psychological Counseling Services and EAP, the Women's Resource Center, the Multicultural Center and Alcohol Education. Jones joins the Student Affairs staff on July 3.

### **Retirement event for Anita Hall**

Anita Hall is retiring after 28 years of service to Sacramento State. There will be an event from 3 to 5 p.m., Thursday, June 8, to say goodbye and wish her well. More details will follow.

## **Miguel Ramirez**

**Hometown:** Fairfield, Calif.

**Major:** Civil Engineering. Plans to graduate in December 2006.

**Background:** Recruited to Sac State for the men's soccer team. Recipient of a Gates Millennium Scholarship. President of the student Chicano Latino Association of Computer Scientists and Engineers. Mentors immigrant Spanish-speaking students at Highlands High School in North Highlands, Calif. Spoke no English when he immigrated to California from Mexico at age 14.

**Influences:** "Being at Sac State has definitely opened all the doors for me. I came here as a recruit for men's soccer. I had two good seasons but it came time for me to move on and focus on academics. The MEP (MESA Engineering and Computer Science Program) Honors Program was another really important reason I picked Sac State – I came out of high school as a candidate for the program."

**Highlight:** "The best thing about Sac State definitely has to be the resources we have here. The accessibility of professors is just unbelievable. They're really helpful."

**Proudest accomplishment:** "I'm proud of being able to obtain a Gates Millennium Scholarship. It made my life a lot easier – it made it possible for me to obtain an education."

**Destination:** "I have an academic scholarship for graduate school in civil engineering. Eventually I'd like to start my own business. I consider myself an entrepreneur."

## **Big-time track and field returns to campus**

For the third time in four years, Sacramento State will play host to NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field Championships. The 2006 event will be held June 7-10 at the A.G. Spanos Complex.

The U.S. collegiate system is known for developing talent. In the 200- and 400-meter dashes last June, Wallace Spearmon and Tyson Gay of Arkansas, and Darold Williamson of Baylor took turns running the fastest times in the world.

Three collegiate records were set within the span of 2½ hours on the final day of competition, including a new NCAA record by LSU in the men's 4 x 400 relay. Olympic-sized individual talent and furious team competition combine to make the NCAA meet unparalleled in the world of track.

The NCAA track and field committee broke with tradition in awarding the 2005, 2006 and 2007 collegiate track championships to Sacramento. The NCAA meet hadn't been held at the same site in successive years since Marquette University in Milwaukee played host to the 1944-45 championships.

Tickets for the 2006 Championships are now on sale. Four-day packages begin at \$55 for general admission and cost \$70 for reserved seats. For tickets, call (916) 566-6560. Additional information is available at [www.hornetsports.com](http://www.hornetsports.com).

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