Deck the halls with a CSUS diploma

The mall won’t be the only place 
decorating a tree next weekend. 
CSUS graduates are expected to 
earn more than $65 million in 
year-end bonuses.

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rejoicing in the accomplishments 
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research and educational center 
focused on Latino issues. The Serna Center—named in honor 
of the late Joe Serna Jr. and 
Isabel Hernandez-Serna—will 
formally open in spring in the 
University Library next to the 
Multi-Cultural Center.

The center will promote 
research on Latinos in the Sac-
ramento Region, and sponsor 
lectures, conferences and other 
special events.

“Joe Serna was a man 
who believed in education 
and wanted to make a difference 
in our community,” says 
Joseph Shelley, dean of the 
College of Social Sciences and 
Interdisciplinary Studies. 

The center will be directed 
by David Leon, who heads the 
University’s Chicano studies 
program and is a professor in the 
ethnic studies department.

Leon says that while the cen-
ter’s mission is to study Latinos, 
it will welcome people from all 
backgrounds and scholars from 
many disciplines. Areas of pos-
sible study include art, politics, 
health and education.

Leon’s first goals include 
creating an undergraduate 
internship program for study-
ing Latino issues and starting 
a community leadership program

Campus benefits from alcohol abuse prevention grant

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eficiaries of a $1.57 million grant program 
to address student binge drinking and alcohol abuse. 
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Job outlook upbeat for CSUS graduates

Although the National Asso-
ciation of Colleges and Employ-

ers says the job outlook is not 
as strong for graduates this year 
as it was in fall 2001, CSUS has 
good news for its graduates. 
According to the campus career 
center, the job market is much 
brighter for CSUS students than 
for those at many other schools.

The association, known as NACE, also says fewer com-
panies are coming to recruit 
students. However, 

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SEASONAL CELEBRATION – Arco Arena will be the site of a 
holiday party with an academic twist when happy graduates and 
their proud families take part in Winter Commencement ceremonies 
Friday and Saturday, Dec. 20 and 21. More than 3,000 students are 
eligible to join in the festivities honoring their accomplishments.

Holiday Message

In many ways, this has been a rather extraordinary year. 
We conclude this fall semester looking back upon a full and productive 
year to the academic year. The classrooms are full, and the life of the 
campus is rich in many ways. 

It is also a time of extraordinary challenges, ranging from those 
related to the international situation in the Middle East and else-
where, to those having to do with the national security and stability 
in an economy that is troublesome and does not seem to be turning 
around quickly, to those associated with the fiscal condition of the 
state of California and the challenges that all of us in this University 
facing in the months ahead as we work our way through a difficult 
financial time.

We can approach this holiday season with mixed emotions: grat-
itude and a sense of caring for all those about us and an attitude of 
deadly concern and fear for those in the world who suffer, as so many do 
right now, whether from natural events, new kinds of war and 
overseas strife, or the lack of affection and love.

I know that the faculty and staff of this University are deeply 
committed to our students and prospective students. The people 
on this campus are dedicated to helping the students get the very best 
education and educational experience possible. Thank you to each 
and every one who makes this possible. It is this caring effort that 
gives Sac State—as I will always call it—such a fi ne reputation.

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Quad and the University Union. In case of rain, it will be held in the 
Union.

The event will feature CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed and 
Maria Contreras-Sweet, the state’s Business, Transportation and 
Housing secretary. Others expected to attend include Jerry 
R. Jolly, acting director of the 
department of Alcoholic Beverage Control; Teresa Recher, interim

director of the Office of Traffic 
Safety and Karbyn Jett, director of Alcohol and Drug Programs.

CSUS President Donald R. 
Gerth will open the event and 
will be joined by two other CSU 
presidents, Manuel Esteban of 
Chico and John Weyl of Fresno. 
Students involved with alcohol 
prevention programs on campus

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Gloria Solomon, kinesiology and health science, and student Nick Galli presented a poster titled “Character Development in Physical Education: A Longitudinal Inquiry” at the Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology conference in Tucson, Ariz., on Nov. 1.

Ricky Gutierrez, criminal justice, presented a paper at the Western Pacific Association of Criminal Justice Educators meeting Oct. 3-5 in Lake Tahoe titled “Service Learning and Pedagogy: The SAC Mentoring Program.”

Xin Ren, criminal justice, was selected for the Fullbright Research Fellow Program for 2001-02 to conduct research on violence against women and economic reform in China, during summer 2002. She worked with female attorneys and women’s rights advocates at the Center for Women Law Research and Legal Service at Beijing University. As a result of these activities, she has been selected to participate in the Fullbright Senior Research Specialists Program.

Bruce Bickle, criminal justice, made a presentation on “Direct Supervision: Two Evaluations of a Pedagogical Supervision Model” at the 54th annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology.

Hugh Wilson, criminal justice, conducted training in July for Marin County Police and Sheriff’s supervisors and managers on the implications of unethical officer behavior as it pertains to the Brady Decision. Wilson also moderated a panel discussion with the Marin District Attorney’s Office, a Marin Superior Court judge, Marin County counsel and attorneys on police ethics.

Lindsey Valdez and Scott Model, kinesiology and health science, presented a paper entitled “Concerns and Feasibility of Pre-service Physical Educators and Teachers: Including Students with Disabilities” at the Western College Physical Education Society’s 47th annual conference.

Jennifer Park and Julie Kuehl, kinesiology and health science, led a discussion group on “Preparing Physical Educators to Improve the Health and Fitness Levels of Overweight Schoolchildren” at the Western College Physical Education Society’s 47th annual conference.

Sue Cote, criminal justice, made a presentation on “A Portrayal of Gay and Lesbian Battering in Contemporary Abuse Textbooks: A Content Analysis” at the 54th annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology.

Donald R. Dixon, criminal justice, made a presentation on “The Social Ecology of Juvenile Violence” at the 54th annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology.


Pat Chirparavati, art, chaired a panel on “Expressions of Buddhism in Pre-Modern South and Southeast Asia” at the XIII International Conference of the Association of Buddhist Studies, Dec. 8-13. Her paper was on “Interpretation of Religious Practice at Wat Ratchaburana in Ayutthaya: Studies Based on Buddhist Imagery, Mural Painting and Gold Deposits.” On Dec. 19 she will present a paper on “Doors Duke’s Thai Village and Her Collection of Southeast Asian Art” at the Sam Society in Bangkok.

Xavier V. Tiernan, art, will be part of a four-person curated exhibit at the Gescheidle Gallery in Chicago’s River North Gallery District. The name of the show is “Polka-dots and Squigly Things” and is curated by Heather Buskhead. The show runs from Dec. 13 to Jan. 15.


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Donald Dixon, Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice
Dixon has a dual bachelor’s degree in history, and government and politics, a master’s degree in political economy and a doctorate in political economy, all from University of Texas at Dallas. He worked as a crime analyst with the Dallas Police Department and his expertise includes juvenile violence, social ecology and GIS applications in criminal justice.

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of Universities and Colleges. Commencement speakers include Dale Carlsen, president of Sleep Train, at the College of Business Administration ceremony; Terry Pearson, director of quality assurance for Aerojet, at the College of Engineering and Computer Science ceremony; and Paula Gardner, professor and Outstanding Teaching Award recipient for the College of Education, at the College of Education ceremony.

The complete commencement schedule is as follows:

Friday, Dec. 20
• 1 p.m., College of Education
• Doors open and candidates assemble at 12:30 p.m.
• 3:30 p.m., College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies
• Doors open and candidates assemble at 3 p.m.
• 6:30 p.m., College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
• Doors open and candidates assemble at 6 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 21
• 8:30 a.m., College of Health and Human Services
• Doors open and candidates assemble at 8 a.m.
• 11:30 a.m., College of Business Administration
• Doors open and candidates assemble at 11 a.m.
• 3 p.m., College of Arts and Letters
• Doors open and candidates assemble at 3 p.m.
• 6 p.m., College of Engineering and Computer Science
• Doors open and candidates assemble at 5:30 p.m.

For more call (916) 278-4723 or visit www.csus.edu/commencement.
Grade 14 new “student hosts” will be responsible for representing the University at high-profile campus events and other functions. The 14 new “student hosts” will be sharing the University’s accomplishments with visitors and providing direction at certain public events. They will give campus tours to visiting VIPs. And they will be asked to work at off-campus events at which the University has an important role.

“Nobodoy knows the CSUS experience as well as our students,” says Ann Reed, associate vice president of public affairs. “Students are the best people to have out there talking to the public about CSUS, and this group of students is especially enthusiastic.”

The student hosts program is run through the Sacramento Hall Visitors Center, which is part of public affairs. It got started with a group of students who helped the University host the CSU Board of Trustees on campus in the spring, and the formal program kicked off last week with a short orientation. The students are expected to work no more than a few hours each week. They’ll be at such events as spring and fall commencement ceremonies, building dedications, and visits by CSU Trustees or other officials.

The new student hosts are:

- **Perry Abraham**, a junior studying economics and a member of the CSUS women’s tennis team. Abraham has been a participant in the International Leadership Association and has previously helped with commencement ceremonies.
- **Ryan Castevens**, a senior majoring in communication studies. He currently serves as a CSUS academic advisor and is a member of the CSUS marching band. Castevens has also served as a campus orientation leader, a member of the Band Leadership Council and a member of the Winter Ensemble.
- **Kristin Dauvidzick**, a senior majoring in social science. Dauvidzick is employed as a CSUS Academic Advisor, has served as a campus orientation leader and assisted in organizing the Hornet Welcome Weekend.
- **Maria Gonzalez**, a junior pre-nursing student. Gonzalez is an executive board member of her sorority, Phi Sigma Sigma, and tutors high school students in science. She has worked at the Associated Students Children’s Center and the Student Access Center, and has been a member of the Associated Students Sting Team.
- **Briann Henry**, a junior studying social work. She previously served as vice president of the Black Engineers and Computer Science club and has been employed in program services for the University Union over the last two years.
- **Cynthia Hunter**, a first-year graduate student studying social work. Hunter is the director of community service for the CSUS Associated Students and has served as a member of the Social Work Student Organization.
- **Kory Martin**, a senior in ethnic studies. Martin is the assistant director of the Student Access Center. He was a founding member of the Black Residence for Ethnic and Academic Cultivation program. He has served as the CSUS Gospel Choir director and is a math, computer science, physics and chemistry tutor.
- **LaShelle Marlow**, a senior studying English literature. Marlow is the Associated Students community service events assistant and has been a member of the Humanities and Religious Studies Club, the English Club and the Anthropology Club.
- **Shannon Mao**, a junior in computer science. Mao has served on the Associated Students Sting Team. She is a member of the sorority Phi Sigma Sigma and the CSUS Rowing Team. She is a web design assistant in UCCS, a summer orientation leader and an academic advisor.
- **Aaron McCormack**, a junior majoring in management information science. He is the assistant director of Mall Hall, a project of the Associated Students and the College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies.
- **Andrea Perry**, a junior pre-nursing student. Perry works as a student coordinator for the orientation program. She’s been a member of the CSUS marching band, an orientation leader and a DJ for the student-run radio station KSSU. She has participated in the Sacramento Mandarin Drum & Bugle Corps.
- **Cristina Rivoiccio**, a sophomore majoring in biology. She is a member of the CSUS women’s tennis team and works for ceremonial and visitor relations. She previously assisted with commencement ceremonies.
- **Daisy Villasenor**, a freshman business administration major. Villasenor works as an assistant counselor for outreach services. She previously volunteered in registering future students at priority admission days and has been involved with the Latin American Business Student Association.
- **Jeremy Wight**, a freshman majoring in communication studies. He is a CSUS academic advisor and has served as an orientation leader. He is involved in the multicultural fraternity Omega Phi Zeta and the Air Force ROTC program. He is a National Ski Patrol and EMT.

For more information on student hosts, contact the Visitors Center at 278-4933.

**Campus has a new set of special events hosts**

A diverse group of CSUS students will soon be representing the University at high-profile campus events and other functions.

**CATASTROPHIC LEAVE**

Sharon Fernandez, nursing; Sheila Areurgy, College of Continuing Education; and Don Jones, Student Health Center, have been approved for catastrophic leave.

CSUS employees may volunteer for up to 16 hours of vacation or sick leave credits each fiscal year in one-hour increments. CSEA, MPP and confidential employees may donate up to 32 hours per fiscal year. If you are interested in donating time, donation forms are available in the benefits office, Sacramento Hall 259, or by calling 278-6213.

**ACTIVITY GRANTS**

Applications for campus program activity grants are being accepted through 5 p.m., Friday, Feb. 21.

Funding is given to campus projects that benefit students, faculty and staff. Any member of the campus community who has an innovative project or activity that shows need may apply.

Guidelines and submission forms are available in the CSUS Foundation’s grants and contracts office in Hornet Bookstore 332.

Details: 278-7565.

**Gospel choir to mark MLK Day**

A gospel choir of more than 300 will pay tribute to Martin Luther King Jr. as the grand finale to a day of events in Sacramento to honor his fight for freedom, equality and the dignity of all people.

The massive choral event will be held at 5 p.m., Monday, Jan. 20, in the University Union Ballroom at CSUS.

King appeared on the campus on Oct. 16, 1967. Recordings of his speech that day and film from his life will be shown during the choral event.

This is the second year that the interfaith, multi-ethnic choir has honored the CSUS and the 12th annual performance of the group, which is composed of singers from churches and community choirs throughout the region. Dorothy Love-Thornton will conduct.

The event is cosponsored by the campus Black Staff and Faculty Association, the Multi-Cultural Center, the University Staff Association and the Committee on Diversity and Equity of the Faculty Senate.

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Other events that day include a march from the Oak Park area along Martin Luther King Boulevard then over to the Capitol, as well as a job and health fair at Florin Mall.

Tickets for the gospel concert are $10 in advance and $12 at the door. Tickets are available at the CSUS Ticket Office (916) 278-4323, or from MLK Choir members and local churches.

For information regarding this event contact Kim Harrington at 278-6327.

Students will also demonstrate alcohol impairment by wearing special goggles that simulate the level of alcohol sufficient for a DUI.

There are flags in the area, each representing four students a day who die as a result of alcohol related injuries.
TUNELTRIP
A musical round-the-world journey through the music of Rodgers and Hammerstein is the theme of "Simply Enchanting," the CSUS Theatre Alumni Chapter's spring fundraiser, in honor of the Gerald A. Larson Memorial Endowment and Scholarship Fund. The original musical revue will be performed at 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Feb. 7 and 8, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 9 in the University Theatre.
Favorite tunes from South Pacific, Oklahoma, The Sound of Music and The King and I will take the audience on a world tour from the Austrian Alps to the Midwest to Siam to "Bali Hai." "Simply Enchanting" features George B. Larson, Claudia Kita, and Bradley Moates and is directed by Robert Smart. It was conceived and written by George B. Larson with music arranged and performed by Carole Dinanney.
A $15 donation, $5 for students, is requested. Tickets are available at the CSUS Ticket Office (916) 278-4253 or at Tickets.com at (916) 766-2277. For more information visit www.csus.edu/org/theatre_alumni.