Tenth Annual Awards Banquet

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The César Chávez Scholarship Endowment
Future Teacher Fellowship Endowment
The Gregory Glenn Thomas Memorial Scholarship Endowment
Kareem Abdul-Jabbar & The Sacramento Kings Endowment
Mildred Dawson Language Arts Endowment
The Nick D. Floratos Endowment
Sacramento Association of School Psychologists Endowment
The Scott R. Porter Endowment
The Tom & Melinda Martin Scholarship Endowment
The Velma Hay Endowment
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The Marie Brushia and Lorraine Valine Special Women Scholarship
The Drs. Robert E. & Jean Nix Davis Endowment
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The Dr. Charles Toto Endowment
The Dr. Charles Toto Student Assistance Fund
The Roger Valine-Vision Service Plan Endowment

Dean’s Message

The Awards Banquet is our chance to express appreciation to the businesses who partner with the University and public schools to ensure an educated citizenry. It is also an opportunity to honor those students who have received recognition for their hard work in the form of scholarships, many of which represent gifts from faculty, staff, alumni, and other friends of the College of Education.

The annual College of Education banquet is a celebration of the partnerships that reflect the values that mark the vision behind all of our educator preparation programs: diversity, community, and collaboration.

We have successfully met some remarkable challenges to the College of Education this year: expanding our special education offerings to several off-campus sites, increasing enrollment in our credential programs including internships, expanding our professional development opportunities for educators with advanced degrees and credentials in curriculum and instruction, counseling and administration.

We continue our dedication to having our students learn in a community-based environment developed through partnerships with public schools and other agencies, where they are able to apply their skills and knowledge using a variety of academic disciplines and community resources. These opportunities to work with public schools and professionals in the field ensure that our students are prepared to provide for the needs of people in an increasingly diverse society. This banquet offers the opportunity to say “thank you” to all who make this possible every year.
Dear Friends of Education,

Teacher education is an all-University responsibility at California State University, Sacramento. It is a major priority of the University. The College of Education is working aggressively to involve our entire campus and the Sacramento community in its efforts to meet the demand for highly qualified teachers, counselors, and administrators.

I am extremely proud of the great strides the College of Education has taken to enroll minority students in its programs and develop a faculty representative of the many cultures in California. I invite participants in the College of Education Awards Banquet to join me in giving all our support to these efforts which means so much to the future of public education in our area. Our primary goal—working together—is nothing less than to provide the very best possible educators for our schools.

Donald R. Gerth
President
California State University,
Sacramento

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**Benifit Banquet**

**Location**
Grand Ballroom, CSUS University Union  
Friday, April 23, 1999

**Welcome**

**Speakers**  
Dr. Diane Cordero de Noriega  
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**Presenters**  
Dr. Donald R. Gerth  
President, CSUS

**Scholarship Awards**  
Presenter  
Dr. Diane Cordero de Noriega  
Dean, College of Education

**Partnership Awards**  
Presenter  
Dr. Diane Cordero de Noriega  
Dean, College of Education

**Special Recognition**  
Presenter  
Dr. Maurice Poe  
Academic Associate Dean,  
College of Education

**Entertainment**  
Artists  
Driving with Fergus

**Special Recognition**

A second-time honoree, Gary Wright has annually established close ties with schools and families throughout the Elk Grove area. The myriad of activities he has developed and supported for children's education include: Joseph Kerr Middle School Renaissance Program, Mentoring Project, Career Fair Presentations, Save-at-School Program, Technology Loans, Agricultural Programs, Serious Saver Account Program, and the LEEDS Steering Committee.

Mr. Wright is one of the most active leaders in the business community who "acts" on his ideas to work closely in partnership with schools. Regional school principals and the CSUS College of Education applaud Mr. Wright's extensive efforts and are pleased to once again recognize him for his superior contributions to quality education.
The theme of these Education Partnership Service Awards “Better Together” is well exemplified by the efforts of Dr. Ronald Uzelac, principal of Rio Americano High School. Dr. Uzelac strives to create a positive atmosphere at the school, rooted in a strong sense of community involvement. Like the coach of a team, this principal brings together his “players”—the teachers, administrators, counselors, support staff, parents, and community members—to meet the challenges of public secondary education. Dr. Uzelac’s professional leadership creates a synergy and cohesion among those who work there that can be felt by all who have contact with Rio Americano High School.

Abraham Josephs Book Scholarship
Recipient: Martha Seuthe

A. C. Nielsen International Bilingual/Multicultural Education Scholarships
Recipient: Sukhinder Gill
Recipient: Tou Vang

A. Wayne Arrington/R. Keith O’Toole Education Scholarship
Recipient: Manuel Labrador

Association of California School Administrators Scholarships
Recipient: Diana Charmbury
Recipient: Diana Finney
Recipient: Shannon Fralish
Recipient: Se Kue
Recipient: Allen Lee

Barbara Lee Crocker Memorial Scholarship
Recipient: Carolyn Anderson

César Chávez Memorial Scholarships
Recipient: Patricia Ramos
Recipient: Fernando Salazar

Chuck Toto Memorial Scholarship
Recipient: Christina Cornell

Cooperative Education Scholarships
Recipient: Bouasy Onesyda
Recipient: Monica Greene

Robert and Jean Nix Davis Education Scholarship
Recipient: Peter Folks

Future Teacher Fellowships
Recipient: Cherrylynne Mae Gamboa
Recipient: Thienhoung Hoang
Recipient: Tonia Levens
Recipient: Riza Vezo
Scholarship Recipients

George and Helena Webb Teachers of Tomorrow Scholarship
Recipient: Stephanie Skalisky

Harold E. Smith Memorial Scholarship
Recipient: Lisa Dickinson

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Scholarship
Recipient: Ma Her
Recipient: Kenberlynn Pa Xiong

Koel-Menaker Scholarship for Secondary Education
Recipient: Jesus Galindo

Laura E. Settle Scholarship
Recipient: Julie Tucker

Mildred Dawson Reading and Language Arts Scholarship
Recipient: Bronwyn Harris

Muriel E. Maloney Education Scholarship
Recipient: Andrea D. Guijarro

Nick D. Floratos Education Scholarship
Recipient: Michelle M. Foltz

One Hundred Black Men of Sacramento Education Scholarship
Recipient: Robert Eric Woodfork

Perine-Churchill-Vind Education Scholarships
Recipient: Darlene Jewell
Recipient: Erin Milton

Roger Valine/VSP Education Scholarship
Recipient: Raul Ramirez

Sacramento Area School Psychologists Association Scholarship
Recipient: To be announced

Special Recognition

The Target Birdcage/Citrus Heights store has funded student programs at Trajan Elementary School. These student programs provide activities that state funds do not cover, including assemblies, plays, and special events such as Author Day.

Funding by Target has made it possible to have author Steve Sanfield spend an entire day sharing his works and publications with Trajan students.

Trajan Elementary School is very grateful for the support of Mr. Gibson and the Citrus Heights Target store and for the leadership of PTA President Diana Melliar, who have made these student programs possible.
An expert in the design, planning, and funding of school facilities, Mamie Starr, assistant superintendent for the Lodi Unified School District, has managed over $100 million of construction and modernization of Lodi schools over the last seventeen years.

As president of the California Coalition for Adequate School Housing involving 1,000 school districts, architects, attorneys, contractors, and related professionals, Ms. Starr has influenced the design of schools across the state.

In 1996 U.S. Secretary of Education Richard Riley invited Mamie Starr to participate in a national press conference on school overcrowding.

Ms. Starr has touched the lives of children not just locally, but across the state and nation. Her dedication and commitment will carry her legacy far into the next century.

Scholarship Recipients

Schools Federal Credit Union Scholarships
Bilingual/Multicultural Education Recipient: Kathy Fong
Counselor Education Recipient: Belva Flore
Special Education Recipient: Amanda Randall
Teacher Education Recipient: Holly Wenger
Educational Administration Recipient: Berta Magana
Educational Administration Recipient: Irene St. Roseman

Scott Porter Memorial Book Scholarships
Recipient: Stephanie Skalisky
Recipient: Lisa Dickinson
Recipient: Martha Seuthe
Recipient: Michelle M. Foltz

Simone Michelle Memorial Scholarships in Counselor Education
Recipient: Ada Cortez
Recipient: Hoang H. Tran

Tom & Melinda Martin Scholarship in Education
Recipient: Geraldine L. Blouin

Velma Hay Education Scholarship
Recipient: Asuka Kobayashi

Setzer Foundation Scholarship
Recipient: Emily Dunnagan
**Partnership Awards**

The Bank of Lodi, under the leadership of President and CEO Leon Zimmerman and the Board of Directors, has created a unique business to school partnership with Reese Elementary School in the Lodi Unified School District.

The Bank of Lodi sponsors the American Society for Quality “Koalaty Kid” Alliance. This two-year program teaches and instills in students the concepts of respect, responsibility, time management, accountability, behavior, and ethics. The Bank supports the Koalaty Kid Alliance through its contribution of employee time, resources, and expertise. Bank employees have become an integral part of the Reese School “family,” and the Bank of Lodi believes that their support for the ASQ Koalaty Kid Alliance will help shape the educational future of Reese students.

The Bank of Lodi’s investment in public education will maximize opportunities for students to succeed in the workplace. As a result, “Koalaty Kid” trained students will emerge as future community leaders, contributing their skills to ensure a vibrant Lodi economy.

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**Special Recognition**

Patricia Schindler is a tremendous friend and source of assistance to all Work Study Students on the CSUS campus, and in particular the College of Education. She goes the extra mile to assure that all students eligible to earn Work Study dollars receive those funds. She is helpful to our Departments and Dean’s Office in determining eligibility of hundreds of students each semester. In particular, her assistance to our College during the past two years with the federally-funded America Reads Program—a tutoring program for K-3 Children—has been invaluable. Facilitating this program has taken considerable time and effort by all involved, but in particular by Pat Schindler, who was willing to work throughout the summer to get this program up and running. Whatever the problem or need regarding Work Study funds, Pat is always there with good humor to be of assistance to our students.
Patti Sasaki, the Principal at Westwood Elementary School in Lodi, has contributed to her district since her first position in 1969 as a classroom teacher. For thirty years Ms. Sasaki has shared her enthusiasm and energy with colleagues and families and has made a difference in the lives of countless children.

Currently, Ms. Sasaki is an ardent supporter of the Junior Achievement Program at Westwood, which helps children understand their role in society. With Ms. Sasaki at the helm, the children of Westwood Elementary are learning through her example what it means to contribute to society. No one was surprised that Patti Sasaki received the John Terry Administrator of the Year Award in 1998 from her district for her demonstration of exceptional dedication to children.

California Federal Bank has been a community partner with Evergreen School since 1994. The initial commitment was for two years, but the partnership has continued beyond the original termination date. California Federal has assisted in the development and implementation of numerous school-wide projects through funding, donations, and volunteerism. Through the efforts of the California Federal Bank employees, Evergreen students have not only received academic benefits from this partnership, but they have also received the gifts of friendship and caring. One of the partnership highlights is the one-on-one tutorial reading program, which occurs two afternoons per week. In addition, California Federal Bank has helped to fund programs that recognize regular attendance and student literacy development; provided funding to purchase more than 50 school uniforms for students in need (and extras for a uniform closet); and they have funded several performing arts presentations for students.
Partnership Awards

Mort and Marcy Friedman have made numerous contributions to the lives of children in our community. Among them is the Arden Fair Achievers Program, an incentive program that—among other things—encourages parents to be active participants in their children’s learning.

Their efforts have also included the adoption of Thomas Jefferson Elementary School by the Arden Fair Partnership. Called “Helping Everyone Reach Out in Community Service,” the focus of the partnership is to increase literacy. Their $25,000 in-kind donation expanded a pre-existing reading program for younger children into the upper grades. The Friedmans have also provided classroom volunteers to focus on increasing test scores.

Special Recognition

Ale Ostrom, assistant superintendent for the Roseville Joint Union High School District, has been both inspirational and instrumental in securing business education partnerships for the Roseville district. Mr. Ostrom has helped create successful partnerships with Hewlett-Packard, Intel, IBM, Apple, Xerox, NEC Electronics, and many other prestigious area technology firms.

Because of Mr. Ostrom’s efforts, the district has been recognized locally and statewide as a leader in cultivating this important source of support for public education. Through the outstanding work of leaders like Mr. Ostrom we have models of effective partnerships from which we can learn. In this way Mr. Ostrom’s talent has been shared not just with Roseville, but with all of us.
Dr. Richard Manchina, in partnership with Yolo Alternative Schools of West Sacramento, has given untold hours of pro bono medical assistance toward ameliorating the unresolved medical and emotional needs of students. Dr. Manchina assists Yolo Alternative Schools by providing assessment services to students who have been unsuccessful in accessing the medical community. Dr. Manchina makes himself available to talk to students and encourages them to accept help. This assistance has been instrumental in connecting Yolo Alternative School students to the community services they need. This support has resulted in positive attendance, improved emotional and behavioral functioning, and an increase in responsibility and self esteem. These students are graduating from school and successfully transitioning to the world of work.

During the past eight years, the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) has partnered with Luther Burbank High School. SMUD has sponsored SMUD Career Day providing transportation, lunch, and job shadowing for the entire junior class. SMUD has coordinated speakers to visit the campus to discuss the many types of careers available with their organization. SMUD additionally provides Luther Burbank High School students with the opportunity to prepare and critique their own résumés, complete job applications, engage in mock job interviews, interact with guest speakers on almost any topic, and participate in tutoring assistance for students preparing for academic competitions.

Another component of this partnership is the summer job program. During the first summer, SMUD employed 13 Burbank students. Since then, the number of students employed has grown to 40. Two members of the summer job program are now working as full-time SMUD employees.
**Partnership Awards**

Sarah Kersh and Seann Rooney of the Florin Road Partnership have worked the past two years with Luther Burbank High School students on a number of projects. Their first effort together was to coordinate the first annual Florin Road Clean-Up Day. Seann and Sarah have worked tirelessly with Luther Burbank students, Florin Road businesses, the City of Sacramento, and Rapid Transit to obtain supplies and services that contribute to student success.

Sarah Kersh and Seann Rooney have also become actively involved with the Small Business Round Table. Last year through this organization, 90 students were supplied with transportation to job sites where they were able to observe the operations of various careers and work opportunities.

Sarah and Seann are dedicated to the students attending Luther Burbank High School and serve as enthusiastic role models.

**Special Recognition**

Joyce Lude is a model facilitator of education/business partnerships. She has developed two student-run business simulations on her high school campus: Tiny Tots Preschool and Tiger Café. Ms. Lude has also established two off-site mentoring programs: Community Classroom and HP/Sodexho Marriott. These efforts benefit students with positive employment practices and resources not normally found on a high school campus and furthermore provide valuable community links and hands-on learning experiences. Ms. Lude also proposes and reviews curriculum and activities, which support California Model Curriculum Standards and Frameworks, District Graduation Exhibit, and an on-going articulation with CSUS, Sierra, and American River Colleges.

Joyce Lude provides a proverbial win-win situation for school and business thanks to her vision and efforts.
Lal Enterprises, through the efforts of Joseph Lal, has provided the Communities In Schools/Burger King Business Academy (BKA) with $224,000 in cash donations over the academy’s six years of existence. Through Mr. Lal’s support, BKA students have had access to computers in the classroom equipped with the latest technology, “job shadowing” experiences, real workplace oriented projects, business speakers and many other similar activities that assist students in preparing for future careers. BKA has a record high attendance rate of 94% and has graduated two full four-year classes. Joseph Lal’s dedication to the academy and to student’s educational achievement has been tireless. Mr. Lal’s perseverance has been rewarded by the Schools/Burger King Business Academy’s many student success stories.

The Sacramento City Council has generously contributed time and energy to Rio Americano High School’s CIVITAS Academy. CIVITAS is a political studies program that requires job internships and mentoring, and the City Council has provided numerous internship opportunities to CIVITAS students. Through these internships, students are able to participate in community events and learn more about issues facing the city. Experiences such as these enable students to receive a better understanding of local politics and government.

Additionally, several members of the City Council contribute their time by serving on CIVITAS boards and meet regularly with the business community to develop the future direction of the program.
**Partnership Awards**

**Sodexho Marriott Services**

* Terri Parham and Art Taketa have been instrumental in establishing a model mentor program between Hewlett-Packard, Sodexho Marriott Services and Roseville High School's Foods and Hospitality Program.

High school juniors and seniors are matched with mentors in specific areas such as catering, exhibition cooking, or retail production. In order to simulate a genuine work experience, each student is issued photo identification and goes through special training in safety and sanitation similar to that required of an actual new employee.

This mentor program supports the goal of community connections and support to help schools provide the best education for our students. Terri Parham and Art Taketa have gone above and beyond their daily jobs to establish this important connection. They make a wonderful contribution towards a higher level of education for students at Roseville High.

**Special Recognition**

Kevin Kelly has proven himself a golden resource by devoting his time and energy to so many in his community. His commitment to children and families in need has been translated in many ways. Through his work with the Williamson Elementary School he has increased membership from 50 to 150 parents and has made their number one priority the school's at-risk children. Under his leadership the Williamson PTA has raised more funds this year than any other to sponsor field trips and purchase badly needed supplies.

Kevin's tremendous commitment to his community has also been expressed by his participation in cleanup projects, work with the Community Giving Tree, and support for community service events with the Cordova High School Key Club. Kevin also took the lead when a local family was completely wiped out by fire and personally organized community support and assistance.

Kevin Kelly's kindness, energy and generosity is evident in all that he does. Any time help is needed, Kevin is first in line to lend assistance. He's truly a school and community leader.
Mr. Paul Hayes serves as the business liaison for Woodcreek High School and has produced extraordinary results.

Mr. Hayes began his role as Woodcreek's business liaison by contacting surrounding high tech industries (PASCO Scientific, NEC, and Hewlett-Packard) requesting tours of the company for selected students. He personally solicited teacher recommendations for students exhibiting a high interest in engineering or technical work. In order to prepare these students for introduction to the workplace, Mr. Hayes provided instruction on his own time.

Communication from the participating high tech firms has been tremendously positive. CEOs and management have been very impressed with the students' demeanor, knowledge of technical systems, and levels of skill. Mr. Hayes's many hours of working with liaisons from Hewlett-Packard have resulted in summer internships offered to Woodcreek students.

The Cordova Moose Lodge has made a commitment to the youth of their community. Their support takes many forms, including conducting an annual Leadership for Youth Conference at Cordova High School for the last six years and cosponsoring the Easter Baseball Tournament for the last two. In addition, they have worked with the Cordova High School Student Government and have bestowed various awards to deserving CHS staff and students. The district's youngest students have also been touched by a drug awareness program sponsored by the Cordova Moose Lodge.
In 1995, the administration of the Roseville Joint Union High School District (RJUHSD) visited the local Hewlett-Packard (HP) site in Roseville, California. Later that year, a design team was formed which included a collection of teachers, administrators, and Hewlett-Packard employees from all levels of the organization. They developed a vision, mission statement, a set of guiding principles, and a shared language. Based on the framework developed, projects were designed, developed, and implemented. Some of these projects and activities that span a 3-year period include, but are not limited to the following: HP/Education Alliance Day—A day for teachers to visit the HP campus, discuss needed skills/knowledge requirements, listen to presenters and panel discussions, and to learn more about Hewlett-Packard's business; HP visiting scientist program—HP employees work with elementary schools to deliver a hands-on science program; Job shadow program for teachers—teachers work alongside HP employees for a day to understand how HP employees work and what they do on the job.

Police Chief Larry Gore of West Sacramento has been instrumental in developing a Police-School Partnership with the Yolo Alternative Schools of West Sacramento, California. His diligence and creative use of police and community resources has significantly improved the safety of the campus and surrounding neighborhood. Chief Gore’s support of zero tolerance policies to drugs, weapons, alcohol, sexual harassment, and racism in addition to his daily communication with school administrators, staff and students has been credited for the measurable reduction in school crime statistics.
Special Recognition

This is the second time Electronic Data Systems (EDS) has been recognized by the College of Education for its contributions to Folsom-Cordova schools and the community.

EDS continues to recognize children who have a need for role models in their lives. In response, EDS sends mentors to Cordova Villa's fourth, fifth, and sixth grade classrooms each week to spend one-on-one quality time with students.

While the main thrust of this partnership is providing "people resources," EDS has also contributed funds to support school activities and sponsors the "Caught Soaring Like a Hawk" program which recognizes children for good citizenship and academic endeavors.

Partnership Awards

Kaiser Permanente of Rancho Cordova has generously contributed time, staff, and financial assistance in support of the Smoking Cessation Program (SCP) at Cordova High School.

Dr. Michael Rasler coordinates SCP and with the assistance of Patsy Andrews, RN, has developed and implemented the curriculum for the Smoking Cessation Program.

Thanks to the leadership provided by Kaiser Permanente, Dr. Michael Rasler, and Patsy Andrews, this program is informing the youth of our community of the dangers of tobacco and other drug use.
Special Recognition

Callen Pool Supply, Inc.

Over the years, Callen Pool Supply has supported Cordova High School (CHS) in many ways. They have just completed their twenty-first year in business and have continued to employ one to two CHS students each of these 21 years. This single proprietorship business has purchased ads every year in CHS's yearbook, Christmas Basketball and Easter Tournament Programs. Two years ago, through a joint effort, $600 was contributed to the Swim Team for needed equipment. Callen Pool Supply has also sponsored conditioning and hitting shirts for the Cordova Baseball team for the past four years. Owner Karen Callen-Anderson has been very committed to improving CHS. Her generosity has had a lasting impact on CHS and will continue to do so for years to come.

Partnership Awards

Paul Disario, associate superintendent for the San Juan Unified School District, has been key to the district's sense of optimism. Under Dr. Disario's leadership, the drive to pass a $157 million bond issue succeeded last November. School repairs begun this spring will put the district's schools into good shape for at least a decade.

Beyond numerous honors and commendations bestowed on him by colleagues and legislators, Dr. Disario was named the Business Services Administrator of the Year by the Association of California School Administrators. His wisdom has been passed on in a top-selling book on fiscal management, which has been updated twice since its publication in 1987. Paul Disario is a true leader whose influence will be felt in the lives of children for many years to come.