

School of Education Events and Announcements

◆ Professional Substitute Teacher Preparation

With the new K-3 initiative signed by the Governor the demand for teachers resulted in the substitute teaching pool being emptied. Consequently many new substitute teachers are facing classrooms for the first time this Fall. A course offered annually through Regional and Continuing Education for substitute teachers is quickly filling.

Barbara Brovelli-Moon, a member of the teacher education department is offering a workshop on professional substitute teacher preparation.

The next workshop begins February 15 and continues on February 22 and March 2 from 9 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Contact CSUS Regional & Continuing Education at (916) 278-4433 to register and receive information. Or to schedule group workshops call Brovelli-Moon Educational Services at (916) 488-5995.

◆ Tribute Gift

Honor someone you love and respect with a Tribute Gift to the School of Education. Any special event such as a birth, graduation, wedding, or anniversary is an appropriate occasion. A tribute gift also can be given as a memorial at the time of a death. Questions regarding gifts can be directed to **Lynda McNamara**, director of development, (916) 278-5547.

◆ Third Annual Multicultural Education Conference

The Bilingual/Multicultural Education Department is proud to present its third annual conference "Defending Democracy in Conservative Times" on **Saturday, February 15, 1997 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** in the University Union.

Conference workshops will cover topics such as School Reform, Language Acquisition, Ethnic & Cultural Diversity and M.A. and B/CLAD preparation plus much, much more. Participants will tackle issues that nearly every teacher in the nation's most ethnically and racially diverse state must face everyday.

The conference is a free service to area teachers. For more information please call 278-5942.

◆ Personal Financial Seminar Scheduled

The School of Education is sponsoring a three-part series entitled "The Successful Money Management Seminar" on February 11, February 18, and February 25 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. The seminar will be conducted on campus by **Chuck Ebersole**, CLU, CHFC, CFP and CSUS alumnus. The cost is \$49 per couple or individual. To make reservations or for more information, please call **Debbie Santiago** at 278-4695.

◆ The Arts in April!

"Where Do We Begin?" is the theme for the Arts Resource Fair set for **April 4, 1997** in the School of Education. From 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. student teachers will have the opportunity to experience and learn about incorporating the arts into their classrooms.

Acclaimed CSUS Art professor **José Montoya** will kick off the event as keynote speaker. Professor Montoya, after a long career as both artist (painter, poet, musician) and educator, offers a comprehensive understanding of the potentially rich and vital role the arts can play in education.

Three sessions will follow Professor Montoya's presentation featuring a "hands-on" approach exploring theater, dance, music, poetry, and the visual arts. Exhibitors and vendors will also be on hand to display their services and products.

For more information on the Art Resources Fair call **Dr. Karen Benson** at 278-5923.

◆ Counselor Education Reunion

The department of counselor education is planning a reunion for *all* past graduates. A buffet reception will take place in the Student Union, Redwood Room on **Saturday, April 26, 1997 from 7:00-11:00 p.m.** Alumni who wish to attend need to send a check for \$20.00 payable to **CSUSAA** to 750 College Town Drive, Suite 203, Sacramento, CA 95826. Checks must be received by April 1 as space is limited.

Please call **Ted Taylor** at 278-5399 for more information. Hope to see you there!

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Angie Esquivz, a child development senior, enjoys a playful moment with one of her pre-schoolers at Bannan Creek Head Start Center.

Positive Results Encourage Head Start Co-op Program

Funding Remains a Challenge

Child development majors in the School's **Cooperative Education Program** have been working in SETA/Head Start pre-school centers with promising results. Indications are that the pilot project has led to a lessening of the behavioral problems, distress, and apathy among the young children in the pre-school classrooms. One CSUS student commented, "I created and implemented activity plans for the children and learned about the age and development appropriateness of different materials. I was exposed to children from a variety of backgrounds and learned more about how to meet their needs."

This innovative program was initiated last year by **Dr. Karen Horobin**, associate professor of teacher education. CSUS students are able to participate in and observe the daily experiences of the pre-school children in a work and play environment. This was an ideal opportunity for the original eight CSUS students to gain relevant practical experience in the field of child development and to integrate what they learned in classes with development issues encountered by children in the world outside their classroom.

Head Start education specialist **Catherine Goins** prepared staff at the Head Start sites and trained the CSUS students. By contributing twelve hours of work per week CSUS students receive three units of credit and a small stipend. **Blue Diamond, Corporate Express**, and the **CSUS Foundation** provided financial support for this pilot project. More funding is necessary to keep the program moving ahead. For information about how you can help, please contact **Adrienne Scott** at 916-278-4965 or **Lynda McNamara** at 916-278-5547.

Message From The Dean

Meeting the Challenge

These are extraordinary times for the School of Education. Catalysts for change come from a variety of sources — some internal, some external, some predictable, some not. It is unusual for two external forces to converge so powerfully at the same time as they have this Fall. First, there is the Governor's K-3 Initiative which allows for reduction in class size in order to improve student learning, particularly in language and literacy. Second, the expected but uncontrollable Echo Boom or Tidal Wave II population explosion is just beginning to be felt in our public schools. The second wave will affect K-12 and ultimately higher education for ten years or more. Taken together, these external forces have created a tremendous pressure on our educational systems and a powerful opportunity to change.

California must educate 20,000 new teachers to meet the classroom needs. The ripple effect is already being felt in every School of Education program. More classrooms and teachers mean additional administrators to supervise and manage new facilities. Support personnel such as counselors, school psychologists, special educators, and bilingual specialists are also in greater demand. Clearly, we will not be able to meet this challenge alone. *(Continued on page 2)*





Major Gifts Announced

The School of Education is pleased to announce several major gifts. **Microsoft Corporation** has pledged support by contributing a full range of software products for the School's computer lab and faculty workstations. This renewed support is valued at \$26,000. **Mr. and Mrs. Joseph K. Thomas** have created the *Gregory Glenn Thomas Memorial Scholarship Endowment*, in memory of their son. Funds from the \$5,000 endowment will support the Academic Talent Search outreach efforts. The **Circuit City Foundation** has renewed its support of \$2,500 for the Tutoring Children/SMART Kids program. The **Chevron Companies** have pledged \$2,000 to sponsor an Academic Talent Search science class. The **Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Sacramento** and the **Teichert Foundation** have pledged \$2,000 in stipends for CSUS students to tutor young children in their program. The **California Wellness Foundation** has pledged \$2,000 to implement the **Prime Time Teen Program**, sponsored by the city of Sacramento Neighborhood Services Department. CSUS students will assist in the program. The **Association of California School Administrators, Region III**, has contributed \$1,000 for scholarships to educational administration graduate students and has contributed memberships in ACSA for these students. **Corporate Express** has pledged \$500 in renewed support for the **Head Start** collaborative program.



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Academic Talent Search Endowment Initiated by Family

Gregory Glenn Thomas Memorial Scholarship to Benefit Young Students

Dr. and Mrs. Joseph K. Thomas of Redlands have spearheaded numerous scholarship funds at institutions of higher learning and have recently selected, with their daughter, the School of Education's Academic Talent Search program as the recipient of an endowed scholarship. The fund will honor the couple's son, **Gregory Glenn Thomas**, who died in 1973 at the age of 21. Their daughter, **Mary Thomas Westin**, is a teacher of gifted children in the Lodi Unified School District and is familiar with students who lack the resources to attend the Academic Talent Search program without scholarship aid. Ms. Westin is the mother of two gifted sons participating in the program and it has been her dream to establish funds so that more students can share in the joy of challenging classes such as those her sons had experienced.

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas have been involved with the California State University system for many years. Dr. Thomas taught industrial arts at CSU Long Beach, and was a Facilities Planner for five state colleges with the CSU Chancellor's Office before continuing in the planning of the entire CSU San Bernardino campus

as its Vice President of Administration until his retirement in 1982.

Mrs. Thomas served in many volunteer roles, including president of the Faculty Wives at CSU San Bernardino. She is very active in raising money for the Educational Foundation of the American Association of University Women.



Dr. & Mrs. Joseph K. Thomas of Redlands, CA

For the past 15 years the Academic Talent Search Program has provided alternative educational opportunities to highly able and motivated students in grades 6-9. During each summer, the program offers accelerated and academically challenging fast-paced courses

featuring mathematics, computer science, engineering, science, humanities and fine arts.

The Gregory Glenn Thomas Memorial Scholarship is the first endowment to be established for the Academic Talent Search program. For years to come, the earnings from this \$5,000 account will yield scholarships to those youth who are academically precocious but financially needy.

To make additional contributions to this important fund or to initiate a new one, please contact **Lynda McNamara**, Director of Development, at 916-278-5547.

("Message From the Dean" continued)

Beginning this past summer, we have begun a series of meetings with the school districts in the region for the purpose of establishing university/school district partnership intern programs. The response has been overwhelmingly positive, and we anticipate initiating our first intern program in Woodland during early Spring 1997. We are working cooperatively with school districts in the recruitment, selection, training, supervision, and evaluation of these interns. This is truly a collaborative effort.

Our values of "students first," service to our community, high quality programs, and scholarship pervade all our planning. We are taking the best of what we have to offer and delivering it in new and exciting ways. There is no question in my mind that we will be forever transformed by these events. We will continue to learn and grow as an institution. I look forward to these next several years of change and discovery. I hope that you will join us in the challenge; bringing your ideas, hopes, dreams, and support to improve education for all California's children.

School of Education - People in Action

Teachers Voice

TEACHERS VOICE is a student teacher organization with the aim of actively expressing teachers' voices in response to current events in education. Knowing the dire need in many classrooms for bilingual books, *TEACHERS VOICE* held a fund raiser in December. Student teachers from the Sacramento City CLAD, San Juan, Multicultural Multilingual, and Rio Linda CLAD Centers had their young students decorate bookmarks. Once laminated and given a yarn tassel, the bookmarks were sold across campus for \$1.00 each. All money was used to buy bilingual books for local classrooms. The effort demonstrates that student teachers see their role not only as formally attending to children's academic needs, but also attending in informal ways to their creative needs. *TEACHERS VOICE* serves as a "safe forum" for student teachers to discuss educational experiences and public policy. For more information on how to become a part of *TEACHERS VOICE* contact either **Michael Williams**, 756-7528 or **Erin Frizzel**, 622-7385.



1. Guests enjoying pregame festivities at the second annual School of Education Tailgate Party held September 28.

2. The CSUS Alumni Association held its annual Alumni Honors luncheon in October. This event honors the School's alumni who have performed outstanding service in the community. **Dean Diane Cordero de Noriega** (third from left) stands with alumni recognized from the School of Education (from left to right) **Dana Romo**, **Lynn Kironaka Tomson** and **Heidi Saxen**.

3. (from left to right) *TEACHERS VOICE* members **Shannon Johansen**, **Debbie Strickland**, **Jeannette Guerra** and **Rob Bruns** take a moment away from selling bookmarks.

4. **Dr. John Searles** (left) of the Capital Charter of ACSA, Region III recently honored both a student and faculty member from the School of Education's department of educational administration & policy studies. Graduate student **Steve Mizera** (center) was honored as "Outstanding Student" for his paper on important issues in school administration. **Steve** also holds the position of Director of Classified Personnel with Sacramento City Unified School District. **Dr. Bob Watt** (right) was also recognized for "Leadership and Devotion to the Preparation of Educational Leaders".

SAVE THE DATE!

Better Together—A Partnership of Education, Business and Community. The School of Education cordially invites you to the Eighth Annual Awards Benefit Banquet on Friday, April 18, 1997 at the Sacramento Hilton.

YES! Please hold _____ reservations for me for the Awards Banquet! (Tickets are \$35 each or tables of ten for \$350.)

Rather than attending, I choose to save the calories and make a tax deductible contribution to support a scholarship recipient in the amount of \$_____.

I would like to contribute to the School of Education Scholarship fund by sponsoring this event. (Sponsorship and underwriting possibilities are available at \$5,000, \$2,500, \$1,000, \$500, \$250, and \$100 levels.)

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Make checks payable to **CSUS School of Education Development Fund**. For more information call **Lynda McNamara**, Director of Development, at 278-5547, or send email to mcnamaral@csus.edu.