Newspaper Meeting
The date for May is:
Wednesday, May 8
at Noon in the Dining Commons

This meeting will be held to discuss the future plans for the school newspaper. All students, staff, and faculty are encouraged to attend. All are welcome!

The Word on Graduation
Dr. Peter Smith, president, and Dr. Bert Rivas, interim vice president for Academic Affairs, have announced that CSUMB will in fact hold the first graduation ceremony in Spring 1997. Yeah!

Will you be part of this first graduating class?

Housing and Tuition Rates for Fall 1996 and Spring 1997

It will surprise no one that the cost of housing at CSUMB will increase for Fall 1996. On the brighter side, there is some good news related to finances to report.

Fees: Each CSU has a campus–based student fee which goes specifically to student services (e.g., health care and transportation). A committee of students and staff met this semester and decided that CSUMB’s campus–based fees will not increase next semester. This means that the services you currently have will continue at about the same levels next semester. The campus–based student fees are 20 percent of your tuition (i.e., of the $1,004.50 you paid each of the past two semesters, $212.50 was campus–based fees).

However, we don’t know yet if the state legislature will decide to increase the state university fee (i.e., the remaining 80 percent). At this point, the legislators and the governor appear to oppose a state fee for The CSU system. We won’t know the outcome until the California budget is finalized during the summer. We’ll let you know as soon as we know.

Housing Rates finalized for residential halls: This year, the room rate in the res hall for a 9-month contract was $1,900 for double occupancy. Next year, the 9-month contract will be $2,150 based on double occupancy. A limited number of single rooms will be available for $4,300 for a 9-month contract. Although this is an increase of 13.3 percent, housing rates continue to be significantly lower than the average cost of 9-months of housing at other CSUs, which was $2,650 this year.

Fredericks Park: The cost of an unfurnished apartment will go from (continued on page 9)
Registration Plans Have Changed Due to Popular Demand

By Susan Lichtenwalter

The comments, questions, and feedback received from students regarding the article in the last issue of the Otter Realm in response to the article titled "Fall 1996 Preregistration" prompted us to review how registration had been set-up for the Fall 1996. Your concerns matter! An open meeting was held April 17 in the Music Building Auditorium to discuss the preregistration process. The discussion was insightful and informative from both the administrative and student perspectives, and it was an opportunity for students' questions about the preregistration process to be addressed (see below). We need to know what YOU want so that a Fall 1996 Schedule of Learning Experiences is created based on YOUR needs. A preliminary list of learning experiences, which includes the preregistration form, will be available in the Bookstore in early May. Please complete and return your Preregistration Survey Form to Student Services by May 17 and set a precedent! You will receive information this summer about in-person registration which will take place August 22 through 24. Here are the questions asked at the Open Meeting on April 17......

1. Will current students who have senior and junior status have priority registration? Students will register based on student level; however, a policy that sets the registration priority sequence is NOT in place yet. A team of faculty and students selected from Student Voice will get the priority.

2. Is this really "preregistration" per se, or is it really a survey? This is a part of the preregistration process and is more than just a survey. It is important to get an accurate count of what courses students need in order to offer a broader spectrum of learning experiences.

3. "I have no control over what times I am not available, because I work and have a family. How am I supposed to know what to write down?" Complete the weekly template by crossing out the hours you are not available using your best judgment. This part gives us a general overview of when students can take courses. For example, we could see if students are interested in more evening or weekend courses or are not interested in morning courses. From this preregistration process, a final Fall 1996 Schedule of Learning Experiences will be published by August, containing times, days, and instructors for each of the classes being offered in the fall.

4. What if you don't get a good response on the number of preregistration forms returned? What will you do? If students do not complete this part of the preregistration process, then the Fall 1996 Schedule of Learning Experiences will not meet those students needs, but it will meet the needs of those who complete the form. This process was established to best serve the students as a result of certain factors like the limited historical pattern of past schedules, the addition of new faculty coming next fall, and the availability of class rooms that are being renovated. Registration will probably not be done this way in the future. The Fall 1996 Schedule of Learning Experiences will have only fall courses; a spring schedule will be published in the latter part of the semester.

5. What about doing a mail-in registration or using a touch-tone system? A mail-in registration does not let students select which alternate courses to add when classes close and it also limits the feedback from students at that time. For example, during last fall's registration, as CST classes were closing, new ones were added immediately, because students were able to vocalize their need. We are working on getting a touch-tone system, but it might not be used for registration initially. In-person registration gives us a chance to monitor the process and gives the student the opportunity to make adjustments at that time.
Deep Thoughts by Tyana Thayer

Lost Innocence - By Tyana Denali Thayer
One day I was a child in the forest of love
Dancing with fairies, watching them dance with me
Then one day it turned to a game;
The game bulldozed the trees away.
As I sat in the field of gray
I watched the buildings grow.
Up came roads and the busses;
I cried for the trees,
But out of these trees rose my walls of protection.
As I walk through this city of gray
I pray for my forest of love.
I pray for a child in the forest
And sometimes
I pray for me.

The Traveler -by Maya Angelou: "Book of Poems"
Byways and bygone
And lone nights long
Sun rays and sea waves
And star and stone
Manless and friendless
No cave my home
This is my torture
My long nights, lone

Impeccable Conception -by Maya Angelou: "Book of Poems"
I met a Lady Poet
who took for inspiration
colored birds, and whispered words,
a lover's hesitation.
A falling leaf could stir her.
A wilting, dying rose
would make her write, both day and night,
the most rewarding prose.
She'd find a hidden meaning
in every pair of pants,
then hurry home to be alone
and write about romance.

Spotlight On Service
By Michelle Slade

This month's "Spotlight" is on two very deserving students: Brian Hays, a junior liberal studies major, and Bethtina Woodridge, a sophomore integrated studies major.

Brian organized the Day Camp for the school-aged children of CSUMB students. The camp was a huge success and helped many students have quality day care for their children who were on spring break from school. The Day Camp allowed these CSUMB students to better balance their dual roles of parent and student (see page 7).

Brian Hays received many public kudos from pleased parents via FirstClass. Joy Branson recognized and thanked Brian for the service he helped organize and stated, "Our children had fun and were well cared for and I was able to attend my classes with ease of mind."

Leslie Davis nominated Bethtina and feels strongly that, "Bethtina is one of the most amazing students I have ever met. She has taken advantage of the multiple opportunities on this campus, and dedicated herself to building a student-active, multiprogram university.

Bethrina was the only student to volunteer and went out of her way to help. Not only did Bethrina sweat and puff moving tables and chairs to set up the Dining Commons and Bookstore for the Job Fair, she also recruited other students to distribute flyers and announce the event in classes, and made sure that the FirstClass Job Fair announcement stayed posted every day for the 14 days prior to the event.

A sincere thank you goes out to Brian and Bethrina for volunteering and taking a proactive role on campus! In the words of Benjamin Franklin, "No one is useless in this world who lightens the burden of it for someone else."
The Destiny of the Otter Realm

So what do you want to do? In regards to the university newspaper, it is up to you, the students, staff, and faculty to decide its destiny. Look into the future. What would you like to see next year's paper look like? And how do you want it run? Is there a strong interest from the student body to have a campus newspaper? Strong enough to participate in a journalism class and/or club? We need to make these decisions before we leave for our summer adventures. So there will be a meeting held on May 8 at Noon in the Dining Commons to discuss the future of the Otter Realm. Without active participation and involvement, your views, opinions, and ideas cannot be expressed. We strongly encourage all students, staff, and faculty to attend this meeting so your voice can be heard. Let's collaborate and get our ideas together for the upcoming school year.

Student player, Erik Erickson

Eleven coed volleyball teams started playing in the first volleyball league at CSUMB in mid-March. To facilitate competition in a recreational environment, the league was divided into two divisions. Each team played 12 matches, and was seeded into one of the 2 double elimination tournaments held at the end of April which determined the league champions. As of this writing, the "Wild Bunch" leads Division A with a 6-0 record and the "TP Crew" leads the B Division with the same record. Due to the popularity of volleyball, there are also plans to have a summer volleyball league.

Starting in Fall 1996, there will be a women's team playing matches against several universities and representing the NAIA California Pacific Conference, the conference CSUMB will participate in an all intercollegiate athletics. The volleyball schedule is tentatively set to have 14 matches, with 7 at home. There is also a possibility of a tournament at Cal-Maritime academy at the end of September. Any women interested in trying out for the team should contact Don Golden through the Wellness Activity Center at 582-3716. Information concerning intercollegiate volleyball and possible fall classes in volleyball can be found in the volleyball folder in the WAC file on FirstClass.

Classic Meets Jazz!

Ole' Cool

By Richard Bains

Barry Green, bassist, and Jim Hart, pianist, are the members of the Ole Cool Classic/Jazz quartet. Principal bassist with the Cincinnati Symphony, pianist, arranger, and composer presented the very first concert in CSUMB's Music Hall on Friday, March 12, 1996. This was not only a musical concert, but a test of all of the acoustic properties of the hall. The evening was a successful event on both counts.

The musicians performed beautifully and the only downbeat was the fact that the audience certainly could have been larger. However, even with a sparse audience the Hall sounded warm and intimate. The musicians had a rollicking good time and the audience made up in enthusiasm for what was lacking in size. The Quartet played Jim Hart's arrangements of Vivaldi's Concerto in F Major and excerpts from Bach's Suite #1. "Many musicologists believe there was a lilt to Bach's music. He wrote all his suites in dance forms. And they were elegant dances," Hart said. "I think he'd be quite happy with me jazzing up his work. Bach was quite experimental in harmony and I don't think he'd mind me adding tones." A jazz arrangement of music from "Carmen" written by Frank Proto for piano and bass was also on the program, as well as music by Francois Rabbath, Barry Green's teacher in Paris.

The Quartet also provided fine ensemble playing by Curt Moore, percussionist and Pat Klobas, jazz bassist. The evening's program ended with a lively rendition of that ever faithful standard Green Dolphin Street.
Planet Otter Presents Earth Day  By Ardith Trengenazza

CSUMB's first annual Earth Day was held Tuesday, April 23rd 1996. Through the collaborative efforts of Planet Otter, the Service Learning Institute, Return of the Natives/Watershed Ecology Outreach Program and the Wellness Activity Center, the day was filled with activities, information and fun. Over 120 students from Seaside High and Manzanita School were here to pull and plant, tour, eat and play. About 27 environmental organizations and 4 student clubs participated in the day with informational booths. And Bill Chow outdid himself again, with an outdoor lunch buffet and his crew outfitted in Earth Day T-shirts. The band Markahuasi provided the tunes with their music from the highlands of South America. The band is from San Francisco and played for free to help all celebrate the planet! It was a great group effort, and a fun time was had by all.

The outstanding work by Planet Otter leaders Cindy Beach, Audrey Ciccone, Tanya Casper, Angel Webster, and Heidi Zurcher really brought the Earth Day quad activities together. Great day, great groups, great efforts; way to go!!!

Just For Fun!

We asked some students around campus to answer some questions about themselves. Here are the questions and some of the responses we received.

What are your plans for summer?
Summer is usually a time for faculty to catch up on their research. I have several projects I want to pursue and complete. -Qun Wang, Faculty

This summer I plan to visit my family in Puerto Rico and work here on campus. I am living here and working full-time. Trying to get to the beach as much as possible. -Tiffany Matto, Senior

My plans for summer include working for *$BANK$!* I also plan on learning how to surf without killing myself. -Misty OBrian, Freshman

What's different about you now, compared to this time last year?
I am far more computer literate now, then I ever was before. I am also more aware of different cultures. -Marc Oehlman, Senior

I support myself now. Cook my own meals, pay my own bills, do my own laundry and do my own taxes. -Ian Heuston, Freshman

I am now employed, communicate through email, and "surf" the Internet. -Silka Saavedra, Freshman

I have a different job. I am going to school and I have heard the word PIONEER about six times too many. -Amy Marback, Junior

More mature, I hope, both emotionally and professionally. -Qun Wang, Faculty

What is your most vivid recollection during your first year here at CSUMB?
If I had to pick one memory, it would be Steve Reed dancing with Marian Penn at the Old-Timers Ball. -Richard Westing, Staff

The Outward Bound trip. It was a good opportunity to meet people and hang out in the mountains before school started. -Ian Heuston, Freshman

My most vivid recollection was taking our first school panoramic picture of everyone at CSUMB. Almost everybody in the picture was photographed with their eyes closed because of the sun. -Silka Saavedra, Freshman

It's a huge whirlwind of activity, of excitement, of things we gotta get done, of growth. -Holly White, Staff

The students; I really enjoy their company. -Tony Navarro, Junior

By far the opportunity to meet President Clinton.....it will be something that I will cherish forever!!!! -Beatrice Gonzales-Ramirez, Junior
The Otter Limits
By Marc Oehlman

The end of the semester is upon us, and while I do not want to dampen the spirits of those engaged in wild parties which involve the consumption of adult beverages and gratuitious fraternization with the opposite sex, it is time to reflect on the year past and derive from this experience certain lessons and that inevitable character stuff. Ha! You thought that now that you are adults and in college you could get away from that "it will build character" spiel! NOT! So sit back, pop a cold one, and let us reflect on the pioneering spirit at CSUMB after the first year.

CAUTION! BLATANT POLITICAL VIEW APPROACHING! PROCEED AT OWN RISK!

Let me say that I have trouble comparing our experience here with anything done by our pioneering ancestors, as they were something less than desirable and gracious in their actions and in their treatment not only of the land, but of those good folks who were here well before them. Nuff said.

Unlike our ancestors, we didn't run around shooting all the native wildlife in sight. We did run over a few field mice on that drag strip known as Inter-Garrison, but we seemed to be fairly respectful of the local wildlife.

We were in luck not to find a bunch of local inhabitants who would have had to be forced out either through shady treaties (like those confusing learning paths), or by simply treating those folks as something slightly higher than a cockroach (which is what some freshmen and sophomores felt like they have been treated like) and just squishing them and hoping they will go away (but they never do; I mean, freshmen are inevitable! Just kidding gang!).

The pioneering types were notoriously lawless, and we exhibited the same traits, but instead of blazing six-guns and smoking rifles, we showed a propensity to do a first-class job of flaming others on the "mini-net" with blazing keyboards and smoking microprocessors. Yes, this is the new age (Yanni music in the background) where the computer is a vital gizmo in our everyday lives!

The Day the Power Went Out I and The Day the Power Went Out II, when we were stuck with no access, no classes, oops! I mean learning experiences, computers serving as paperweights, etc.

Of course, the sheer joy of hooking up our overpriced and obsolete hunks of plastic to FirstClass must be mentioned. We have the Easter Island mentality on campus when looking at all those computers (they seem to out number the students) - "where did they come from?...what do they want?......how do they work?" The computer silently laughs at our consternation (our ignorance is their bliss). But we shall have our revenge -Tech Tools IX!

While we had these obstacles and far more than I have space to make fun of, just like those old days, we have had heroes who have made a difference and improved our lives, basically, the heroes are ALL OF US! To those students who selflessly gave time and effort to create clubs, student government, and killer parties in Fredericks - thanks. You were (your hero goes here) who came into town and cleaned the place up!

In addition, to the professors and administrators who flopped about like fish out of water just like we did in trying to figure out just what the hell it takes to get out of here; who found classrooms nonexistent; no materials to work with (or budget for them); and no *&@%*#!!! map - thanks. Just like a 150 years ago, we are those hardy pioneers; some wise, some foolish, some brave, some wussy, but at least none as stupid as a certain party in the Tahoe area who lost their snow chains while on a ski trip, got stuck, and had to eat something akin to an 11:00 p.m. Big Mac.

In retrospect and after a healthy shot of Jack Daniels, I am simply reminded of this: SOME ASSEMBLY REQUIRED! and BATTERIES NOT INCLUDED! I know this is not Christmas Eve that makes the completion or assembly worthwhile. Then we pray this stays together longer than it took to assemble!

But I guess I look at it this way: we are both parents and kids, capable of great wisdom and incredible destruction (applies to both)! As such, we did not come to the turn-key Lexus of universities - it's more the erector set Yugo, but the potential is there! Jeez! Don't you hate moralistic and mushy endings? I do! Sorry! Blech! See ya next year!

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*Thanks to everyone who helped work on this newspaper for their time and effort to pull it together. Have a great summer!
Spring Break Day Camp is a F.A.C.T. Of Life
By Ardith Tregenza

The Family Action Community Team (F.A.C.T.) comprises CSUMB students with families who live in Fredericks Park. The group, working with Fredericks Park residence advisors (RAs), sponsored a Spring Break Day Camp for school-age children of CSUMB students. The children had their spring break the week after CSUMB, leaving children out of school all week without their regular after-school care programs available and their parents in school all week.

RA Brian Hays headed up the Day Camp effort, which comprised CSUMB student parents and RAs working together to staff a day camp for approximately 15 children, ages 5 to 11, for the week of April 1 - 5. The camp was run out of the Fredericks Park Annex Office, with field trips to the Media Learning Complex, the Library Learning Complex, local parks, and the Dining Commons for ice cream cones. At the end of the week, the families involved had a barbeque. The kids had a great time, and the parents were really appreciative. Brian Hays did an outstanding job of organizing and coordinating the camp, and student parents pitched in, working when they weren’t in class. It was a real collaborative effort and a great success. Congratulations to all!

New Faces in Human Resources

Human Resources is happy to welcome four new team members. Marsha Littlejohn is one of the first smiling faces you will see when you enter Building 80. She comes to us from the city of Monterey. Keven Backman and Kim Johns are human resource representatives working in the recruitment area. They have previous personnel administration experience working for Telecom Solutions and San Francisco French Bread, respectively. Kate Wheaton, who has been with Human Resources since Fall 1995, is now also working in the Recruitment area. The other new face is Corinne Lopez-Allen who joins us as an employee relations coordinator. She has a B.S. degree from Cornell University in Industrial/Labor Relations and has previously worked for Household Credit and Pepsi Cola. We are delighted to welcome these talented individuals and invite you to stop by to meet them.

One Proud Uncle
By Kevin Tokar

As of Friday, April 5, I am now a “great uncle” twice over! One of my nieces had her first baby. One nephew, two nieces, and two “great” nephews. (Good grief! Am I that old?!) How’s that for news?

Voyage 1996
By Carl R. Berman

’Til now the ship has come this far,
Through reef and storm and shifting bar.
The ocean, and its mystery;
The bow that splits the open sea,
Whisper, while the shroud lines hum,
Of triumphs past and trials come.

We paid the price in friend and dream
For progress and the trackline’s mark:
Some left at other ports of call,
And others, standing watch at night,
Discovered missing at first light,
We failed them, searching as we might.

For Man, mighty as he may seem
Lost in the sea is weak and small.
All of us bound up in this space,
Traveling to some distant place.
That Golden Land, that unknown realm
Each takes his turn behind the helm.

There, like a cloud that crests a ridge
Our Captain paces on the bridge
Who, with his sextant and his charts
Sets this course for unknown parts.

Our fledgling university
Is very like a ship at sea.
For when any policy
Turns out to be a fallacy;
Or some new function that is tried
Raises a storm and is denied.
The Captain, using every skill,
Accounts for all things, come what will
The sign upon his desk is clear
The one that reads "The Buck Stops Here."
On your Toes...

CSU Monterey Bay Dance Coalition in conjunction with Service Learning, the Wellness Activity Center, and Campus Compact Learn and Serve America

Invite you to attend
A Spring Dance Presentation
and
Master African Dance Class with Titos Sompa

May 14, 1996
Noon to 2:30 p.m. in the WAC

Throughout the spring semester CSUMB Dance Coalition students have been teaching and assisting with K-12 dance programs at Ord Terrace Elementary School, Fitch and Los Arboles Middle Schools, and Seaside High School. This performance is an opportunity for their students to visit CSUMB and to perform what they have learned from their university students, many of whom have worked with the kids as part of their Service Learning experience.

Titos Sompa is a master dance teacher from the Congo and artistic director of MBONGI Dance Theatre. Please join us in participating in the African dance class which follow the students performances.

For more information, contact Laurie Leslie-Groves, program facilitator, at 659-4617.

Thanks for the Laughs By Jeff Waugh

On the evening of April 17, the CSU Monterey Bay's MultiCultural Club hosted its First Annual MultiCultural Comedy Night. The successful event had a huge turnout of nearly 180 students, faculty, and staff. The goal of the CSUMB's Multicultural Club was to create an environment where the CSUMB campus community could join and not only accept and appreciate multiculturalism, but learn to celebrate it as well. The MultiCultural Comedy Night encouraged people of all different backgrounds to come together and share, through humor, the merriment and stories of different cultures.

Four cultural groups were represented: Alexis Rhee - Asian-American, Dana Garret - African-American, Alex Pages - Mexican-American, and Lacie Harmon - Lesbian. The event was hosted by Butch Fisco. All of the comics are regulars at the Comedy Store and the Improv in Los Angeles, as are the other comics.

Congratulations!

The following students have been selected to participate in the Service Learning Insititute's first ever Summer of Service Leadership Academy:

Eleanor Alonzo
Robert Benaderet
Felix Benitez-Littlefield
Audrey Ciccone
Wendy Costa
Raquel Espana
Suzanne Garliepp
Beatrice Gonzales-Ramirez
Kellee Humphrey
Angela Louie
Kellly Osborne
Nikki Perry
Shannon Phillips
Amanda Quintero
Dawn Riley - Sailor Extraordinaire Visits Monterey as CSUMB Guest Speaker

Dawn Riley is a sailor first and foremost. Over the past decade her expertise on the water has dictated that she become proficient in matters ashore concerning the sport that is her passion. At Michigan State University (MSU), Dawn was a sailor, skipper, and club captain. Two months after graduating from MSU, Dawn moved to Florida where her focus turned “fully nautical.” Riley has compiled impressive credentials along the way.

Dawn is the sailor who broke open the sport of sailing to women in the big league. Member of the first all-women team international Whitbread around-the-world race. The first woman to participate in the America’s Cup race program. The first woman to skipper to completion an all-women’s U.S. entry to the Whitbread race. The woman around whom the all-women’s America’s Cup challenge was built. The first sailor to be nominated as a finalist in the U.S. team Sportswomen of the Year.

All women’s efforts of these types open the doors for women to sail and help build respect for women sailors. Dawn Riley’s preference is for coed teams because she says, "they are most fun." Until ground is broken by people like Riley to make that possible, this sport has long held a tradition of valuing women mainly to make the sandwiches. We all applaud Riley for her efforts which have won acceptance for women who sail small boats to maxi yachts.

In her talk to CSUMB in April, she described her wide-ranging experiences, promoted the sport and conducted a question and answer session. She also signed copies of “Taking the Helm” an inspiring book she co-authored which chronicles her most recent Whitbread, the most adventurous competition in sailing, fraught with setbacks and challenges worthy of any sea-going yarn. Riley hopes to compete in the next America’s Cup to be held in New Zealand, home of the defending Cup holders, in the year 2000, preferable as part of a coed crew. There were several college students included in the last America’s Cup. Anyone ready to try to wrest the Cup from New Zealand? Thank Dawn for the inspiration.

(continued from page 1) $500 per month to $575 per month for a 9-month contract. The cost of a furnished apartment will go from $600 to $690 per month, again, for a 9-month contract. A limited number of apartments will be available for individuals who want to live alone. The rent at Fredericks Park will continue to include the cost of utilities.

The reasons for the rate increase - This year, the rent rates for both the apartments and the residential halls were purposefully set well below the cost of renting at other CSUs and significantly below the cost of renting in the surrounding communities. Our objective is to target our housing rates at or just below the CSU average. This will allow us to manage housing as well as pay for the increasing cost of services included in the rent such as utilities, cable, maintenance, continuing renovation, and staffing. If you have any questions about any of the fees, please don't hesitate to call Dino Latino in the Housing Office about the housing, and the Student Information Center for other information.

May 1996

CSUMB Otter Realm
Go Outside and Play!
By Matt Kritscher

New Student Retreat
The Outdoor Education Program is coordinating an “Outward Bound”™ type New Student Retreat for the next wave of incoming students. We are seeking people interested in participating as student assistants. The role of the assistant will be to help incoming students through the challenging process of making the transition to CSUMB. Assistants will receive training in natural history, climbing, rappelling, ropes course, group facilitation, and more.

Outdoor Education
Sea kayaking, backpacking and rock climbing introductory classes, for credit, are proposed for Fall 1996 through CSUMB’s Outdoor Education Program. For more information, call Robert Alexander, Outdoor Education, at the Wellness Activity Center, 582 - 3716.

POM/CSUMB Outdoor Recreation Equipment Rental Center
COMING SOON!! The long-awaited outdoor recreation equipment rental center will be opening May 1. This facility is an extension of the Presidio of Monterey. They will be offering a variety of rental equipment for students, faculty, and staff, plus military personnel.

Items available for rental include bicycles, roller blades, backpacking and camping gear, surf boards, boogie boards, wind surfers, and scuba and snorkeling gear. Additional items will be available to rent through their Presidio facility. These include skis (snow & water), boats, and trailers.

This new facility is located in building 91 on Third Avenue near the corner of Third Street across from the Visual and Public Arts Building. Look for a one-story metal structure with light blue walls and red panels. For more information, call 242 -6133.

Recycling Update
The CSUMB Recycling Program began in January 1996 in the Fredericks Park and Schoonover residential areas. It is a curbside collection program available to all residents, similar to most city programs. Recently, we have expanded the program to Residential Hall I and the Dining Commons. Residential Hall I has been provided with sorting bins on each of the three floors. It is a voluntary program that relies on each student and staff member to sort and deliver all recyclable materials to the bins. The Dining Commons has been a particular focus. We are sorting and recycling food and beverage containers, packaging, and cardboard, and we are looking at ways to recycle food waste through composting.

As present, recycling efforts are tied to a recently completed Material Recovery Facility constructed by the Carmel-Marina Corporation. It is a state-of-the-art facility designed to sort and process large quantities of material. As their capacity increases, recycling will expand to most locations on campus. During the month of May, we should have a “start-up” plan in place for the majority of departments/facilities. In addition to recycling, the goal for CSUMB is a comprehensive plan that incorporates reuse, materials exchange, and waste reduction. We will continue to assess, update, and expand the program. We plan to offer education, volunteer, and intern programs through the many sources available to us. Everyone’s participation is crucial. This affects each of us.
Sign up for ELM/EPT
By Kathleen Phillips

The entry level math and english placement test (ELM/EPT) is a required placement exam used by The CSU system. Any current student needing to fulfill the ELM/EPT test requirement can sign up for the Saturday, May 4, test date. The test will be administered on the CSUMB campus. A detailed letter stating time, location, and general news will be mailed out to all those who apply to take the exam. Applications to sign up for the ELM/EPT are available in the Student Information Center, Building 21.

1996-1997 Upcoming Events
By Leslie Davis

CSUMB’s First Annual CAMPS, RESORTS, & LOCAL JOBS FAIR held March 13, 1996, was a big success with 25 employers and over 200 students attending. Students walked away with handfuls of company information, applications, and employment contacts, and employers left with armfuls of student applications, interviews to schedule, and a good feeling about CSUMB and our students. Thanks to everyone who visited the event. You helped to make it a success! Here are some more events to look forward to in the next school year.

CSUMB’s First Annual FALL OPPORTUNITIES FAIR
Local and regional employers with be advertising and hiring permanent, part-time positions for students while in school. Gain career exposure and a new job!

CSUMB’s First Annual WINTER GRADUATE SCHOOL/PROFESSIONAL RECRUITMENT FAIR
For Spring 1997 graduates: Meet and interview with graduate school representatives and regional and national employers. Find a place for yourself in graduate school or in a new profession.

CSUMB’s Second Annual SUMMER JOBS FAIR
Meet with employers from camps, resorts, and local organizations. Obtain a summer job right on the spot!

Dates to Remember
By Susan Lichtenwalter

The Fall 1996 semester is still several months away, but it’s not too early to mark your calendar for these important dates:
Tuesday, August 20 — Residential halls open
Thursday, August 22 — First day of the semester
Thursday and Friday, August 22-23 — Registration
Monday, August 26 — Classes begin

To the historical inaugural class of CSUMB, Admissions and Records wishes you a safe and relaxing summer. See you next year!
List of Activities for May
(for details of these events call Dina Brown at 582-3616)

May 1, Wednesday

- May Day
- National Mental Health Month
- National Physical Fitness & Sports Month
- National Water Awareness Month

Noon Open Basketball
7 P.M. Open Basketball

May 2, Thursday

Noon Open Basketball
Noon Student Voice Meeting/Elections in Building 17, Room 120
3 P.M. Program Plan Meeting
5:30 P.M. Volleyball Intramural League
7 P.M. Alcoholic Anonymous

May 3, Friday

- MEChA Cinco de Mayo Celebration

Noon Open Basketball
5 P.M. Open Ultimate Frisbee
5 P.M. Organized Volleyball Workout for Advanced Players
5 P.M. Media Learning Complex Dedication Ceremony

May 4, Saturday

9 A.M. Open Basketball
1 P.M. Self-Defense Class
2 P.M. Open Soccer

May 5, Sunday

- Cinco de Mayo
- MEChA Cinco De Mayo Celebration

May 6, Monday

Noon Open Basketball
7 P.M. Open Basketball

May 7, Tuesday

Noon Open Basketball
5:30 P.M. Volleyball Intramural League
8 P.M. MultiCultural Club Meeting

May 8, Wednesday

Noon Newspaper Meeting
Noon Open Basketball
7 P.M. Open Basketball

May 9, Thursday

Noon Open Basketball
Noon Student Voice Meeting
7 P.M. Alcoholic Anonymous

May 10, Friday

Noon Open Basketball
5 P.M. Open Ultimate Frisbee
5 P.M. Organized Volleyball Workout for Advanced Players
5 P.M. Racquetball Challenge Court & Instruction
- Mission San Juan Bautista Open House

May 11, Saturday

- National Native American Day

9 A.M. Open Basketball
2 P.M. Open Soccer

May 12, Sunday

- Mother’s Day

May 13, Monday

- Public Transportation Week

May 14, Tuesday

- National Teacher’s Appreciation Day

May 15, Wednesday

- Last Day of Classes
- National Playday for Health

Noon Open Basketball
7 P.M. Open Basketball

May 16, Thursday

- County Bike Day

Noon Student Voice Meeting
Noon Open Basketball

May 17, Friday

Noon Open Basketball
End of the Year Barbecue/Celebration

May 18, Saturday

- Armed Forces Day
9 A.M. Open Basketball
2 P.M. Open Soccer

May 19, Sunday

- Islamic New Year

May 20, Monday

- Final Exams

May 21, Tuesday

- Final Exams

May 22, Wednesday

- Final Exams

May 23, Thursday

- Final Exams

May 24 Friday

- Evaluation Day

May 25, Saturday

- Teacher Credential Commencement Exercises

May 26 Sunday
May 27, Monday

- Memorial Day

May 28, Tuesday

May 29, Wednesday

- End of the Year Barbecue: Staff and Faculty

May 30, Thursday
May 31, Friday

We've Made It!

As this school year comes to an end, we can all give ourselves a pat on the back for surviving the CSUMB journey. As in all journeys, there are mountains to conquer and plateaus to survive, but it’s the determination and dedication that keeps you going to accomplish your goals. Though we may have lost a few along the way, for the most part, we have all stuck it out and made it to the end. And why? Because we remember the reasons that brought us here in the first place, whether it be to make new friends, live in a new environment, or to contribute your ideas and pioneering spirits to this developing institution. For whatever reason, we have contributed to making it all happen and it is a huge achievement indeed! You have created, and leave behind, memories of the inaugural year of CSU Monterey Bay. May you all have an enjoyable and relaxing summer! See ya next year!