California State University Channel Islands Foundation and President Richard R. Rush present the

**Business & Technology Partnership 2008 Leadership Dinner**

Thursday, April 24, 2008
at the Embassy Suites Hotel - Mandalay Beach Resort, Oxnard
Welcome to the 2008 Business & Technology Partnership Leadership Dinner

Good evening friends, colleagues, faculty, students, staff, award recipients, and generous sponsors. Take a moment to look around the room tonight. Seated among us are individuals whose work has helped shape the social and economic climate of business, technology, and higher education in this region. Also among us are five talented scholars who are striving to become the business and technology leaders of tomorrow.

We are gathered to recognize and applaud the work of these tremendously talented and dedicated leaders and students, and to encourage them to continue making great strides in their respective fields and in their studies.

It is the generous sponsorship of businesses and members of the communities surrounding California State University Channel Islands that has made these leadership awards and scholarships an annual event. In addition to Santa Barbara Bank & Trust, the title sponsor of this evening’s event, the list of sponsors supporting the future of business and technology in this region includes: Capistrano’s Restaurant & Catering, Dennis and Joan Gaiser, Logix Development Corp., the Martin V. Smith School of Business & Economics, Pacific Coast Business Times, and Sheeler Moving and Storage.

This evening those who are being recognized for their work and leadership will each take time to share with you some of the discoveries and advancements that have helped to build their careers and blaze a path in their communities.

You will also hear the gratitude in the voices of the five scholarship winners who will stand before you tonight. Each was chosen from a pool of applicants who all are motivated by a desire to earn their degrees from Cal State Channel Islands and who have set themselves apart through their work both in and out of the classroom. Two scholarship awardees are receiving a Business & Technology Scholarship for a second consecutive year, and we anticipate hearing of how this scholarship has improved their academic experiences.

Once again, we welcome you to the 2008 Business & Technology Partnership Leadership Dinner, and sincerely thank you for your continuing support in what has become an annual tradition of honoring excellence in the business and technology disciplines in this region.

Sincerely Yours,

Richard R. Rush
President,
California State University Channel Islands

Greg Hayward
Chair,
Business & Technology Partnership

Business & Technology Partnership Mission

To foster the collaboration of technology-based and related service-based companies with CSUCI and to promote technological excellence among its students, faculty, and staff for the benefit of the region’s economy.
2008 Business & Technology Partnership Leadership Dinner

6:00 p.m.
Check-In
Hors d’oeuvres, No-Host Cocktail Reception

7:00 p.m.
Welcome
Dinner

8:00 p.m.
Emcee Tracy Lehr
Program & Award Presentations

2008 Leadership Dinner Volunteer Committee

Greg Hayward, Chair
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Fred Kavli
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Geoff Dougherty, Ph.D.
and Business and Community Leader of the Year
Ruby Oertle

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2008 Business & Technology Partnership

Scholarship Recipients

Jadona Collier
Transferred from Ventura College, CSUCI, 2010
Area of Focus: Nursing
Educational/Professional Goals: “Our medical system has saved my child’s life. The nurses that have held my hand along the way have saved mine. I personally owe them so much, I can think of no greater honor than to become one myself.”

Pauline Kolic
CSUCI junior, 2010
Area of Focus: Chemistry
Educational/Professional Goals: “I found myself addicted to chemistry, always doing research outside of class. When enrolling at California State University Channel Islands, I didn’t hesitate to choose chemistry as my major. I would like to earn a Ph.D. before I enter the workforce. I would like to work for either the Environmental Protection Agency or the Department of Energy doing research in environmental chemistry topics.”

Jaimee Morrison
Transferred from Ventura College, CSUCI, 2009
Area of Focus: Mathematics
Educational/Professional Goals: “Math, the cheese to my macaroni. In my opinion, it’s not that math is simple, but more so that it is understandable. Math makes sense of everything… in the end, I know that I will reach my goals, I will teach, I will be happy, and my life will have order. My life will be math.”

Elizabeth Thomas
CSUCI senior, 2009
Area of Focus: Health and science
Educational/Professional Goals: “My love of science began when I first picked up the book “Cosmos” by Carl Sagan in high school, and finding that science wasn’t this dry, geeky subject that had been taught to me in endless formulas and busywork, but a highly dynamic and fascinating field and way of thinking… While never easy and occasionally even maddeningly difficult, the feeling I get from unraveling the mysteries wrought by nature is unforgettable, and something I don’t think I can ever give up.”

Rene McMurray
Transferred from Ventura College, CSUCI 2010
Area of Focus: Nursing
Educational/Professional Goals: “During my childbirth I was blessed to have the most amazing nurses that really made my experience wonderful. After that day I knew that nursing was my calling. I had always wanted to help others and here was my opportunity – I could change someone’s whole life by becoming a nurse.”

Previous Scholarship Recipients
2005:
Jose Ramirez
George Wingate
Andrew Jeremy Tellez Wright

2006:
Stacy Mira
Jose Ramirez
Sadia Souri
Jesse Mac Wilson
George Wingate

2007:
Ashley Canon
Jadona Collier
Veronica Lazaro
Emily Mazzucchi
Jaimee Morrison
Congratulations! Ruby Oertle and All of the Honorees

Best Wishes to the Scholarship Winners this evening!

Dr. Stanley and Leigh Jensen Jensen Chiropractic
Ruby Oertle is the President and Owner of Capistranos Restaurants and Catering. Capistranos Restaurant and Catering was founded in 1988 and has developed into five operations. Four are located inside Embassy Suites Hotels in El Segundo, Arcadia, Santa Ana and the Mandalay Beach Resort in Oxnard. The fifth is inside the Buena Park Radison Suites Hotel in Buena Park. In addition, Ruby is co-owner of her sixth restaurant called Matisse which is located inside the Ayres Hotel, Manhattan Beach.

Ruby started out in the hospitality industry at the age of 16 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. She has worked virtually every position in the restaurant industry as she climbed the ladder to ownership. She worked in coffee shops in her younger days and later worked in fine dining restaurants such as the award winning Summit Restaurant at the top of Harrahs, South Lake Tahoe. The Summit Restaurant and Harrahs possessed the coveted Mobile five star award during Ruby’s tenure there. The Summit Restaurant catered to the rich and famous such as Sammy Davis Jr., Gregory Peck, Tony Curtis, Frank Sinatra, Nancy Reagan and many more.

Ruby and Capistrano’s have been very committed to community service: Kids with Cancer, Casa Pacifica Food and Wine Festival, Food Share and Mary Health of the Sick. Ruby was also the President of the Ventura Chapter of the California Restaurant Association and serves on the Foundation board of California State University Channel Islands.

Ruby resides with her husband Don Jackwerth in Camarillo, California.
Fred Kavli is a Norwegian-born physicist, entrepreneur, business leader, innovator and philanthropist who is dedicated to supporting research and education that has a positive, long-term impact on the human condition.

Mr. Kavli received his education in physics at the Norwegian Institute of Technology, financing his studies with proceeds from a business venture he and his brother ran as teenagers during World War II. Immediately upon completing his studies in 1955, he left for Canada and one year later came to the United States. After two years in California, he built upon his entrepreneurial spirit and experience as a teenager and founded the Kavlico Corporation in Los Angeles—later relocated to Moorpark, California. Under his leadership, the company became one of the world’s largest suppliers of sensors for aeronautical, automotive and industrial applications. The company received many distinguished awards and Mr. Kavli patented numerous technological breakthroughs. He remained CEO and sole shareholder of the company until he divested his interest in 2000.

He subsequently established The Kavli Foundation and The Kavli Operating Institute (now merged with The Kavli Foundation) to support scientific research aimed at improving the quality of life for people around the world. The Foundation has established research institutes at leading universities worldwide, sponsored science symposia and workshops, and partnered to establish international prizes recognizing research excellence in astrophysics, neuroscience and nanoscience.

Mr. Kavli has endowed two chairs in engineering at the University of California, Santa Barbara—the Fred Kavli Chair in Micro Electro Mechanical Systems (MEMS) Technology and the Chair in Optoelectronics and Sensors. Through the Foundation, he has also endowed chairs in neuroscience at Columbia University, Earth systems sciences at the University of California, Irvine, nanoscience at the University of California, Los Angeles and theoretical physics at the California Institute of Technology.

Mr. Kavli and the Foundation are sponsoring research institutes at leading universities worldwide. These include research institutes in neuroscience at Columbia University, Yale University, the University of California San Diego and the Norwegian University of Science and Technology; in nanoscience at the California Institute of Technology, Cornell University, Harvard University and the Delft University of Technology; in astrophysics and cosmology at Stanford University, the University of Chicago, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the University of Cambridge and Peking University; and in theoretical physics at the University of California, Santa Barbara and the Chinese Academy of Sciences.

Mr. Kavli is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He is a member of the U.S. President’s Council of Advisors on Science and Technology, the Norwegian Academy of Technological Sciences, and the University of California President’s Board on Science and Innovation, and is a Trustee of the University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB) Foundation. In 2006, he was awarded the Royal Norwegian Order of Merit for Outstanding Service. In addition, he is a Distinguished Grand Patron of the Alliance for the Arts and the Fred Kavli Theatre for the Performing Arts in Thousand Oaks, California.

Fred Kavli
Founder, The Kavli Foundation

2008 Business & Technology Partnership
Technologist of the Year

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congratulates tonight’s
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Ruby Oertle, Fred Kavli
and Geoff Dougherty
and
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Previous Award Recipients
2005 – Dr. Tim Osslund, Amgen
2006 – Dr. James J. Harbor, Central Coast Biotech Center
2007 – Dr. David Banks, Naval Base Ventura County
Geoff Dougherty joined California State University Channel Islands as Professor of Physics and Medical Imaging in 2002. He is committed to excellence in education and professional service, and has been a tireless advocate for applied science and technology. He developed the minor in Applied Physics, the Medical Imaging emphasis within the Biology major, and the innovative new major in Applied Physics which opens this fall. The hallmark of these programs is an applied, interdisciplinary approach which incorporates the latest advances in science, technology, and the medical sciences, and addresses local employment needs. He is a Senior Member of the I.E.E.E., and the Founding Chair of the Engineering in Medicine and Biology chapter of the Ventura County section of the I.E.E.E..

Professor Dougherty is actively pursuing research in medical imaging and image analysis, including the assessment of texture in clinical images of trabecular bone and the quantitation of tortuosity in blood vessels. He has published numerous articles in international journals and several book chapters, and has won a variety of competitive research grants. He has just completed a manuscript for a textbook on digital image processing which will be published by Cambridge University Press later this year.

Professor Dougherty has wide international experience. He served ten years as Professor of Medical Imaging and Chair of the Radiologic Sciences Department at Kuwait University, where he planned and implemented a revised curriculum for the teaching of medical imaging. Prior to this he was the Chair of Physics and Physical Sciences at Oxford Brookes University, where he led the development and accreditation of a new double major in electronics and supervised several Ph.D. projects in biomedical instrumentation. He worked for the Open University in England, tutoring classes in technology and communications for mature students, and has served on the faculties of the Science University of Malaysia and the University of the South Pacific, where he developed and taught distance-learning courses in electronics and materials science. He has undertaken research at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Monash University in Australia, and Swarthmore College.
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Ruby Oertle
Business & Community Leader of the Year

Fred Kavli
Technologist of the Year

Geoff Dougherty
Faculty Leader of the Year

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