

California State University Northridge

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Cal State Northridge in November celebrated the gala dedication of the university's new Mike Curb College of Arts, Media, and Communication, named for CSUN alumnus and Curb Records Chairman Mike Curb. The college naming followed the selection of the former California lieutenant governor as a CSUN distinguished alumnus and his recent \$10 million gift to endow the college and support the university's plans to build on campus a 1,700-seat regional performing arts center for the Valley.

The San Fernando Valley's economy had robust growth during the past two years, according to a new study by university researchers. The ninth annual *San Fernando Valley Economic Report*, issued by CSUN's San Fernando Valley Economic Research Center, evaluates the area's changing economic and demographic trends. This year's report has a special focus on the Valley's health care industry.

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger has appointed senior Chad Charton, a 22-year-old CSUN business administration major, to serve on the California Student Aid Commission. Charton, who also served as CSUN's student body president, is the youngest of the commission's 15 members. The panel guides the state's financial aid policies and programs for college and university students.

Pan-African studies professor Joseph Holloway is the editor and co-author of a new edition of the acclaimed book *Africanisms in American Culture*. The textbook, published by Indiana University Press, is used at many colleges and universities to teach about the African-American culture. More than 25,000 copies have been sold worldwide. The first edition of the book was published more than 15 years ago.

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