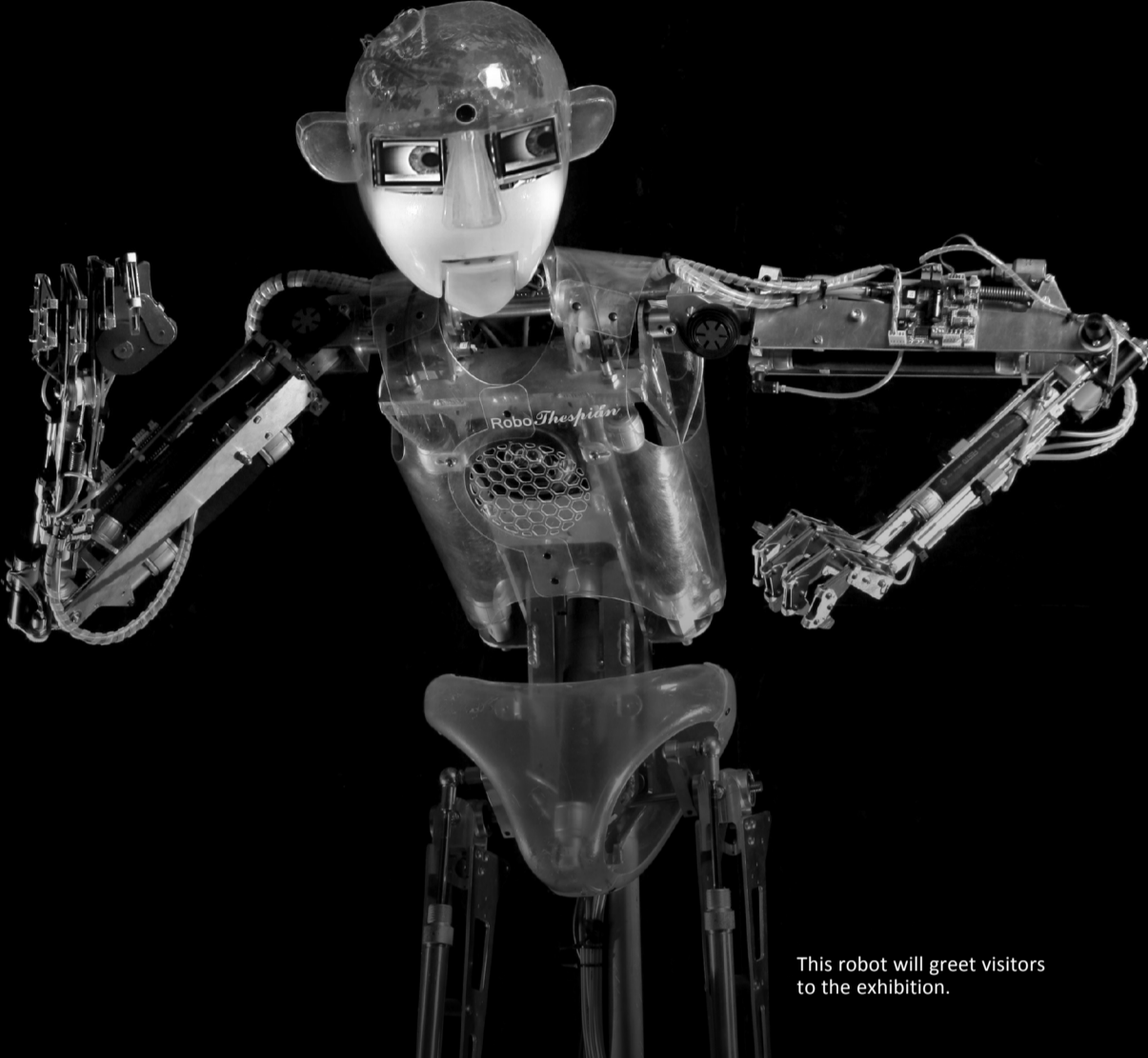


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This robot will greet visitors to the exhibition.

Cal U, Carnegie Science Center Partner for Robotics Education

University Will Provide Programming in New Exhibition

California University and Carnegie Science Center on Pittsburgh's North Shore have announced a partnership to provide educational programming in *roboworld*TM, the Science Center's new permanent robotics exhibition opening June 13.

The \$3.475 million exhibition will include more than 30 interactive, hands-on exhibit stations designed to demonstrate how robots sense, think and act. Upon opening, the 6,000-square-foot exhibition will be the world's largest and most comprehensive permanent robotics exhibition.

California University, which is launching an associate degree program in Robotics Engineering Technology this fall, will present "Cal U Saturdays," weekend programs in the exhibition's Robot Workshop, a dedicated space within *roboworld* allowing visitors a more in-depth, guided robotics experience.

The University will also sponsor the Science Center's 2009 Science Summer Camps, and Cal U undergraduates will have the opportunity for internships at the Science Center, where they will participate in the maintenance and repair of exhibits and robots in *roboworld*.

"This is truly a world-class partnership," said Cal U President Angelo Armenti, Jr. "Visitors to the *roboworld*TM exhibition will get a comprehensive look at how

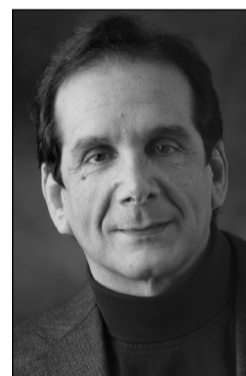
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Lecture to Be 'Guide to Crazy New World'

Krauthammer Next in Noss Lecture Series

When Pulitzer Prize-winning political commentator Charles Krauthammer appears in Steele Hall at 7 p.m. Wednesday, he will continue Cal U's tradition of presenting prestigious speakers as part of the Noss Lecture Series.

Krauthammer will discuss "America on the Brink: The Politics of Obama's Washington," a talk he describes as "a preliminary guide to this crazy new world."



The Noss Lecture Series tradition of bringing world-class speakers to campus continues Wednesday evening with Pulitzer Prize winner Charles Krauthammer.

A reception and book signing will follow the lecture. The event is free and open to the public.

Honored for his bold and lucid commentary by organizations from every part of the political spectrum, Krauthammer's writings have helped to frame the shape of American foreign policy. The commentator who first outlined "the Reagan Doctrine," he now writes a monthly essay for Time magazine and a weekly column that appears in the Washington Post and more than 190 newspapers

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State Schools Deserve Aid Program

Editor's note: John C. Cavanaugh is chancellor of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education. This op-ed was published in the Philadelphia Inquirer on March 30, 2009 in response to coverage of Gov. Edward G. Rendell's proposed Tuition Relief Act.

Gov. Rendell's proposed budget includes a tuition-relief program for students attending community colleges and the commonwealth's 14 state-owned universities. Students attending public colleges and universities would benefit most from the program. But, contrary to recent criticism, private universities are not being penalized.


The governor is also proposing to expand

financial assistance to students at all schools by increasing funding for the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.

As to the tuition-relief program, it can't disregard the relative costs of attending different kinds of universities. Otherwise, it would be far more costly.

Average yearly tuition at a university in the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education is \$5,358, with an average total attendance cost of \$13,794. Tuition at the branch campuses of Penn State University and the University of Pittsburgh is double that of tuition at the state system's schools. And private Susquehanna University, for

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PASSHE Chancellor Dr. John C. Cavanaugh offers insight about Gov. Ed Rendell's tuition relief program through his op-ed piece, which was originally published in the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Cal Honors Alumni Couple for Generosity and Commitment to University



President Angelo Armenti, Jr. proudly presents the 2008 Alumni Couple of the Year award to Barbara Moluski Webb '62 and her husband, Richard '60, at a recent luncheon in their honor.

Now retired after lengthy careers in education, Richard '60 and Barbara Moluski '62 Webb maintain a high regard for the university where they received their undergraduate degrees in education, and where they both enjoyed distinguished careers.

For their dedication and commitment to their alma mater, the Webbs are the recipients of Cal U's 2008 Alumni Couple of the Year Award. Cal U President Angelo Armenti, Jr. presented this prestigious honor to the couple at a special luncheon held April 5 in the Kara Alumni House.

Richard Webb served the University for 30 years and retired as vice president for University Advancement in December 1998.

He began his career as a faculty member and served in a number of administrative roles. Before returning to his alma mater, he was an English teacher and guidance counselor at California Area High School.

Cal U's 1960 Homecoming queen, Barbara Webb served in the College of Education and Human Services for 15 years, working extensively in the Energy and Teacher Enhancement offices. She retired as projects coordinator in 2002. Before returning to Cal U she was a speech therapist for Allegheny County students in grades K-12 and a substitute teacher in the Belle Vernon Area School District for 19 years.

Generous benefactors to the University, the Webbs have established

an endowed scholarship fund through the Foundation for California University of Pennsylvania.

"Dick and Barbara's generosity and commitment to California University over many years is noteworthy and

commendable," said President Armenti. "They have shown their love for their alma mater in so many ways, and we truly appreciate their efforts on behalf of our students."

The couple resides in Roscoe.

Cal U, Carnegie Science Center Partnership

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robotics plays a role in so many facets of our lives.

"Cal U is a leader in training technicians to work in the fast-growing robotics industry, and we are pleased to support Carnegie Science Center as it explores and explains this fascinating topic."

In keeping with its commitment to teacher education, Cal U will sponsor the *roboworld* Educator Preview on June 9 at the Science Center. The pre-opening event will preview the robotics exhibition for southwestern Pennsylvania teachers, including alumni from Cal U's College of Education and Human Services and Eberly College of Science and Technology.

"We are grateful and fortunate to have strong partners like Cal U involved in the development and programming of *roboworld*," said Science Center co-director Ron Baillie. "Putting college students currently studying robotics in the exhibit to help visitors

understand this complex topic is a win-win for both the Science Center and Cal U. Our visitors have access to Cal U students working in robotics, and Cal U students gain the experience of presenting their current work and research to the public."

California University is home to the third-largest technology education program in the United States. Cal U is taking the lead in robotics education through NCRETE, the National Center for Robotics Engineering Technology Education, which is developing the nation's first two-tier associate and bachelor's degree program in robotics engineering technology. Working in partnership with Carnegie Mellon University and its Robotics Institute, the world's largest robotics research organization, Cal U is committed to providing professional development for educators and preparing a regional workforce for both the military and the commercial robotics industry.

For more information, visit www.aet.cup.edu/robotics.

Cal U Artists to Present 'A Taste of Ink' at Local Gallery

Emerging Artists Display Works at Jozart

Four student artists will display their printmaking skills in "A Taste of Ink," an exhibition opening Thursday at Jozart Studios, 333 Second Street in California.

An opening reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday with a performance by singer-songwriter AJ Shanti. The exhibition continues through April 29.

Artists Sonita Lewis of Pittsburgh, Maria Macaluso of Greensburg, Candice Moreau of Uniontown and Courtney Richards of Hermitage are students in the Advanced Printmaking class taught by Dr. R. Scott Lloyd. They are required to exhibit their fine art prints formally, in an off-campus location, and then are guided on how to handle preparation, presentation and publicity in a professional manner.

"These emerging artists worked very hard, individually and as a group, to create an exhibition with the idea that it will be presented as professionally as it was prepared," said Lloyd.

Each artist works with a different theme.

Lewis' prints represent the seven deadly sins.

"I chose this theme because I felt the integrations of sins were timeless, and the history and mythic stories derived from them

continue to drive me forward," she said.

Macaluso's work is based on the city of Pittsburgh.

"The contrast between the dark, cold colors of the buildings against the warm, bright colors of the lights and people surrounding them involve simple shapes and implied lines," she said. "This made for an easy cross-over from my graphic design background to the printmaking world."

Moreau's work stems from her family's passion for Halloween.

"In my family, Halloween is an unceasing event," she said, "so my art generally focuses on dark, morbid and gruesome subjects, and I enjoy using color in tandem to enhance the images to give them alluring quality."

Richards' inspiration comes from animals.

"I want my prints to inspire everyone to put forth and effort to help endangered species," she said.

Gallery hours at Jozart Studios are 7 to 9 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays; noon to 3 p.m. and 7 to 11 p.m.

Wednesdays; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

Appointments can be scheduled for viewings on Fridays and during the weekends.

For more information, contact Macaluso at 724-561-9876 or mac3742@cup.edu.

Krauthammer to Speak Wednesday

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worldwide. He is a contributing editor to The Weekly Standard and The New Republic, a regular panelist on "Inside Washington" and a contributor to FOX News.

"Cal U has established itself as a leader in bringing an extraordinary array of speakers to campus," said Dr. Melanie Blumberg, professor of History and Political Science who also directs the American Democracy Project on campus.

"Charles Krauthammer is the fourth award-winning journalist to address the university and local communities within the past six years," she added. "Thomas Friedman, Charlayne Hunter Gault and Juan Williams spoke to standing-room-only audiences, and they generated much discussion on topics ranging from foreign relations to civil rights. I expect that students, faculty, staff and area residents will be talking about Krauthammer's analysis of Beltway politics for quite awhile."

The Noss Lecture Series has sponsored lectures by environmental activist Robert Kennedy Jr., FBI profiler John Douglas, Nobel Peace Prize recipient Lech Walesa,

civil rights leader Coretta Scott King and political activist Ralph Nader.

The series is named in memory of Theodore Bland Noss, the principal of Cal U's predecessor, the South-Western Normal School, in the late 1880s and early 1900s. In 1883 Noss instituted a series of lectures meant to bring thought-provoking speakers to campus. He passed away in 1909, and the Noss Lecture Series was re-instituted in 1983.

"Like my colleagues, I always encourage students to attend these outstanding events," Blumberg said. "Where else would they have the opportunity to meet nationally recognized personalities such as Mary Frances Berry, Donna Brazile, and Robert F. Kennedy Jr.? My students, including those who stay in touch long after they graduate, never fail to reminisce about meeting one of the luminaries. (Political pundit and campaign organizer) Donna Brazile even paved the way for a political science major to work on a presidential campaign."

Blumberg praised President Angelo Armenti, Jr. for his continued support of the Noss Lecture Series, saying it "helps make Cal U the standout among Pennsylvania colleges and universities."

Staff Recognition Dinner Set June 26

Staff members should mark their calendars for the 28th annual Staff Recognition Dinner on June 26. The event will include dinner, entertainment, and door prizes provided by the Foundation for California University.

Invitations and RSVP cards for this year's event will be distributed with University paychecks on May 8.



DUCK DAYS

Hannah Zeffiro, a second-grade student at Rostraver Elementary School, leads two ducklings through the courtyard while learning about imprinting during Cal U's Duck Days. The annual event brings Cal U elementary education students to local elementary schools to teach second-graders while incorporating live ducklings into the lessons.



College Awards

California University presented five awards during its Cal Pride Weekend celebration. The awards included College Alumni of the Year recipients and the Lifetime Achievement award. Featured in the photo are (sitting from left): Dr. David Amati '70, '72, director of Global Automotive Business and Automotive Headquarters, SAE International (School of Graduate Studies and Research award); Dr. Frank Mascara '72, former U.S. Congressman (Lifetime Achievement award); and Steven Toprani '01, Washington County's district attorney (College of Liberal Arts award). Standing, from left, are: Carol Mitchell '72, '75, president and CEO of Verland (College of Education and Human Services award); President Angelo Armenti, Jr.; and Mary Beth Buchanan '84, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania (Eberly College of Science and Technology award).

Book Sale Raises Scholarship Funds

For the past 47 years, the AAUW (American Association of University Women) has worked to improve the lives of women. The State College branch has been involved in several different activities, one of which is a book sale that supports scholarships for women who want to go to college.

The Department of Biological Sciences at California University has donated books the past two years and chairperson David Argent hopes to see more involvement from others, as well.

"We've had faculty who have retired, and we've had new textbooks come in for classes," he said. "Rather than throw the books away, we collect those, and then a couple of us will take them to State



Dr. David Argent

College, Pa. so the books can be categorized and used in the May book sale."

The sale, which takes place at the Snider Agricultural Arena at Penn State, will be held May 9-12. Books are divided into more than 25 categories and displayed on more than 250 tables.

As one of the largest used book sales on the East Coast, the project accepts donations from anyone and is considered to be one of the "cleanest" sales around. Last year, about 9,000 people went to Penn State to browse through and buy books.

"I think it would be great if not only our department, but other departments, would get involved," Argent said. "It really goes towards a good cause."

Pennsylvania Schools Deserve Aid Program

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example, charges tuition of \$32,450, with the total cost of attendance listed at \$41,240.

Pennsylvania already provides more than \$100 million a year in direct support for private colleges and universities, more than almost any other state. And private colleges and universities that don't receive state appropriations get direct payments in state financial aid to students.

Incidentally, students attending more-expensive private colleges are eligible for larger state grants than those who attend public universities. But that doesn't mean public-school students are being penalized.

State support plays an important role in allowing the state system's universities to keep their tuition affordable. So does the system's commitment to controlling costs. Since 2000, we have eliminated more than \$200 million in costs. Controlling for inflation, the system spends less per student today than it did a decade ago.

Such efforts have helped the state-owned universities hold tuition increases below the rate of inflation for the last four years, while continually enhancing the quality of education students receive. No private institution can make this claim.

Based on the National Survey of Student Engagement, a nationally recognized assessment, our students rate their college experiences as equal to those of Penn State and Temple students. For example, 85 percent of seniors at Bloomsburg, Indiana, Slippery Rock, and West Chester universities rated the quality of their entire educational experience as "good" or "excellent" - comparable to ratings at Penn State and ahead of those at Temple.

Since their inception, public colleges and universities have played a role very different from that of private institutions. They provide access and opportunity to students who otherwise would not be able to continue their education beyond high school.

Students benefit from that opportunity, but so does the commonwealth.

Nearly 90 percent of our students are Pennsylvania residents, and most will remain here, contributing to the vitality of the commonwealth for years to come. That's an investment worth making.

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THE CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY FORUM

April 21, 2009
4:00 p.m./LRC Auditorium

TENTATIVE AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

IV. MINUTES OF MARCH 17, 2009

(Approved by e-mail ballot – refer to Forum website or Public Folders in Outlook)

V. MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(Informational Only – Minutes of April 7, 2009)

VI. PRESIDING OFFICER'S REPORT

- A. Miscellaneous Information
- B. President's Response to Motions Passed
- C. Notice of Executive Committee Meeting: August 25, 2009 – University Community Welcome

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

VIII. INTERPELLATION

- A. Strategic Plan – Final Draft (Informational Only)
- B. Safety and Social Equity Committee's Response RE: Call Boxes/Lighting – Safety Concern
- C. MOTION: That the Forum extends its gratitude to the students who served on the Forum – Ashley Briggs, Diane Dever, Kay Dorrance, Rebecca Giles, Mercedes Himmons, Ryan Jerico, Donald Marszalek, Christine Schlieper, Marguerite Smith, Matthew Weiss – whose service to the Forum will end with this meeting.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next FORUM Meeting Sept. 1, 2009

XI. ADJOURNMENT

THE CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY FORUM

March 17, 2009 / 4:00 p.m., LRC Auditorium

MINUTES

The California University Forum met in regular session Tuesday, March 17, 2009, in the LRC Auditorium. Presiding Officer Hoover called the meeting order at 4:15 p.m.

The following senators were in attendance:

Dr. Lenora Angelone
Ms. Cinthia Arcuri
Dr. Angelo Armenti, Jr.
Dr. Bill Biddington
Dr. Jane Bonari
Ms. Angela Burrows

Dr. Leonard Colelli
Ms. Sharon Elkettani
Ms. Fran Fayish
Dr. Allan Golden
Dr. Joyce Hanley
Mr. Tom Hasbrouck
Mr. Ryan Jerico
Ms. Geraldine Jones
Ms. Adraine Lewis
Dr. John Nass
Ms. Rebecca Nichols
Dr. Nancy Pinardi
Mr. Paul Sible
Mr. Matthew Weiss
Dr. Tom Wickham

The following were also in attendance:

Mr. Douglas Hoover, Presiding Officer
Mr. Loring Prest, Parliamentarian
Mrs. Dana Turcic, Recording Secretary

The following senators were absent:

Dr. Mohamed Benbourenane
Mr. Rick Bertagnolli
Ms. Ashley Briggs
Ms. Diane Dever
Ms. Kay Dorrance
Ms. Rebecca Giles
Dr. Arcides Gonzalez
Ms. Mercedes Himmons

Mr. Keith Kappel
Dr. Chad Kauffman
Dr. Kevin Koury
Mr. Donald Marszalek
Mr. Josh Mrosko
Dr. Susan Ryan
Ms. Christine Schlieper
Ms. Jenifer Sigado
Ms. Marguerite Smith
Dr. Linda Toth
Dr. Jacqueline Walsh
Dr. Brian Wood

Due to the lack of a quorum of Forum senators, Presiding Officer Hoover adjourned the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

RESULTS OF FACULTY ELECTION CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY FORUM

Members of the Executive Committee of the California University Forum met in open session on Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 4:00 p.m., in Room 408 of the Manderino Library. The purpose of the aforementioned meeting was to certify the faculty election results. The following members were in attendance: Dr. Lenora Angelone, Dr. William Biddington, Mr. Ryan Jerico, Dr. Susan Ryan, Ms. Jenifer Sigado and Dr. Tom Wickham. Also present were Douglas Hoover, Presiding Officer, Loring Prest, Parliamentarian and Dana Turcic, Recording Secretary.

Eligible faculty members were notified via e-mail on February 16 and 17 that the election would take place on February 18th and 19th, 2009 and the instructions on how to vote were included in the e-mail. Two hundred seventy-eight (278) full-time permanent faculty members were eligible to vote. Thirty-five (35) votes were recorded; for a voter participation rate of thirteen percent (13%).

The Office of Continuous Improvement submitted the results, which were tallied electronically and reported the results as follows:

Notification and Certification of Faculty Election Votes

Eberly College of Science and Technology:

Vote for two (2):

Tom Mueller	17	48.6%
Kimberly Woznack	12	34.3%
Mohamed Benbourenane	10	28.6%
John Confer	9	25.7%
Lisa Kovalchick	8	22.9%
Steve Whitehead	3	8.6%
Not Applicable	2	5.7%

College of Liberal Studies:

Vote for one (1):

**Andrae Marak	13	37.1%
**Michael Slaven	13	37.1%
Kelton Edmonds	7	20.0%
Not Applicable	2	5.7%

At-Large

Vote for one (1):

Kimberly Woznack	6	17.1%
Gary Seelye	5	14.3%
Tom Mueller	4	11.4%
Ellen West	4	11.4%
Kelton Edmonds	3	8.6%
Mary Kreis	3	8.6%
John Confer	2	5.7%

Lisa Kovalchick	2	5.7%
Andrae Marak	2	5.7%
Katherine Mitchem	2	5.7%
Mohamed Benbourenane	1	2.9%
Michael Slaven	1	2.9%
Steve Whitehead	0	0.0%
Not Applicable	0	0.0%

By unanimous decision of the Executive Committee, the faculty election results were **certified**. Because of a tie for the College of Liberal Arts seat, a run-off election was held on March 19 and 20, 2009.

Members of the Executive Committee of the California University Forum met in open session on Tuesday, April 7, 2009, at 4:00 p.m., in Room 408 of the Manderino Library. The purpose of the aforementioned meeting was to certify the faculty run-off election results. The following members were in attendance: Dr. Lenora Angelone, Dr. William Biddington, Mr. Ryan Jerico, Ms. Gerri Jones, Dr. Susan Ryan, and Dr. Tom Wickham. Also present were Douglas Hoover, Presiding Officer, Loring Prest, Parliamentarian and Dana Turcic, Recording Secretary.

The Office of Continuous Improvement submitted the results, which were tallied electronically and reported the results as follows:

Notification and Certification of Faculty Run-off Election Votes

College of Liberal Studies:

Vote for one (1):

Michael Slaven	21	56.8%
Andre Marak	16	43.2%

Notification and voting instructions were sent via e-mail to eligible faculty members on March 16th and 17th regarding the run-off election held on March 19 and 20, 2009. Two hundred seventy-eight (278) full-time permanent faculty members were eligible to vote. Thirty-seven (37) votes were recorded; for a voter participation rate of thirteen percent (13%).

By unanimous decision of the Executive Committee, the faculty run-off election results were **certified**.

A plurality of the votes cast was necessary to win.

The successful candidates will assume their terms at the September 1, 2009 Forum Meeting.

AET Annual Conference Set for Thursday

Cal U's 42nd Applied Engineering and Technology spring conference will be held Thursday at the Eberly Science & Technology Center.

The agile robotics and other labs will be open for tours, presentations and hands-on activities for high school teachers, students and the public.

Teachers who attend can apply for Act 48 credit hours. For more information, visit www.cup.edu/eberly/aet/index.jsp.

To register, e-mail croftcheck@cup.edu.

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