

BRIEFLY

USC public history gets national award

The USC public history program will be recognized Friday with the Robert Kelley Memorial Award, given by the National Council on Public History in Washington, D.C.

The program will be recognized at the council's annual conference this week.

David Vanderstel, NCPH's executive director, said USC's program has a long commitment to public history education.

The program "has a tremendous track record for innovative teaching and education and for its placement of students in internships and careers," Vanderstel said. "The university and the history department are to be commended for supporting the public history program over the years and making it one of the leaders in public history education."

The Kelley Award is the highest honor given by the council to an individual or organization, and it recognizes outstanding achievements and excellence in the public history profession, a field dedicated to making history more accessible in contemporary society.

History department Chairman Patrick Maney said the award is especially gratifying because it's from a group of peers outside the university.

"The Kelley Award is a wonderful recognition of the success that our public historians have in making history accessible to a broad public well beyond the confines of the university," Maney said.

USC's public history program is a graduate program in the College of Liberal Arts.

The NCPH has more than 1,700 members nationwide and was established to raise public awareness of the value of historical preservation and education.

Donation

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McCausland graduated from the Boston University School of Law in 1974 and has been chairman of Airgas since 1987. The corporation sees annual sales of \$1.9 billion and has a distribution network of more than 800 locations.

McCausland said the university's goal to consistently recruit quality professors is one he fully supports. He said the goal should be a major priority for USC this year.

"I am pleased to see that recruiting outstanding teachers is a priority for USC, because students should have that opportunity to learn from men and women who are the best in their disciplines," he said.

USC President John Palms agreed with McCausland that faculty recruitment should be a priority and said McCausland's concern for the faculty made the donation particularly meaningful for the USC community.

"For several years, we have lost some of our top faculty to other universities that could afford to pay more," Palms said. "If we are going to compete with the finest universities in the country, we must be able to offer faculty top salaries and incentives."

Vice President of Human Resources Jane Jameson said, "There are some offers we simply can't compete with." She said money is usually the greatest factor when a professor gets multiple job offers.

Jameson said the university wants to let the public know that other universities are giving better offers elsewhere.

"The university has to make that case to the alumni and to those who have the financial ability to make those large donations," Jameson said.

She said USC also needs to work toward recruiting more minorities for faculty positions.

The University of Arkansas received the nation's largest donation in the history of public higher education Thursday from the

Walton Family Charitable Support Foundation, which is headed by the family of the late Sam Walton. Walton founded Wal-Mart Stores Inc., which is now the largest corporation in the world.

In 2001, the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation gave a \$600 million donation to the California Institute of Technology. Gordon Moore is the former CEO of Intel Corp. The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation gave \$400 million to Stanford University last year. William Hewlett is the co-founder of the Hewlett Packard Corporation.

"Bigger donors make a bigger difference," Vice President for Development Bob Staton said about corporate officers, who can afford to make multimillion-dollar endowments.

He said the goal of the Bicentennial Capital Campaign, the university's donation campaign, has never been to solicit only large donations.

"We want to solicit donations from everyone with an interest

to support the university," Staton said.

He said McCausland's donation was one of many Bicentennial Capital Campaign donations that aimed at faculty recruitment. Staton said donors are generally interested in retaining quality faculty through competitive salaries and quality students through competitive scholarships.

McCausland's donation is one of 68 \$1 million gifts that have been made to the university since the Bicentennial Capital Campaign was launched in April 1998. Alumna Darla Moore donated \$25 million to the business school, which is named after her. Alumnus Robert McNair donated \$20 million.

Other multimillion-dollar donations have contributed to the campaign, which is scheduled to end this summer. The donations received during the campaign totaled \$450.7 million as of Feb. 28.

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dom's support in his peace mission, which he called "a make-it-or-break-it trip."

Abdullah urged Powell to increase pressure on Sharon to withdraw his troops and to accept Arafat as "the legitimate leadership and elected president of the Palestinian people," according to a palace statement issued after the two-hour meeting with Powell.

The king also urged Powell to work toward a detailed peace plan, setting "specific time frames" for a Palestinian state as well as ending the violence and Israeli occupation.

Previewing the difficult talks ahead, Powell said, "I go committed to carry forward the president's vision." He said he would press not only for ending the bloodshed, but for "getting a political track started" that would lead to the creation of a secure Palestinian state.

It is important, Powell said, "to show the Palestinian people that there is hope out there, hope for them to have their own state, living side by side in peace with Israel."

In Washington, White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said

that while Israel was withdrawing some troops neither side had yet met conditions outlined by Bush to end hostilities.

"The president calls on all the parties to keep working to get them done," Fleischer said.

Earlier Thursday, Powell challenged the idea that strong Israeli military action on the West Bank could enhance security from terror. Mirroring an argument pressed by Arab leaders, Powell depicted the Palestinians as angry and frustrated.

"There will still be people who are willing to resort to violence and terror, people who are willing to use suicide bombs and other kinds of bombs," he said.

The prescription he will offer Sharon and Arafat will include statehood for the Palestinians on land held by Israel and U.S. financial assistance to rehabilitate the West Bank from the damage caused by Israeli forces in their drive against terrorists.

Asked whether he was on an impossible mission, Powell snapped: "I don't like wallowing with pessimists. It is necessary for me to go."

Moreover, he added, "I am proud to be going ... to get us on a positive track. It is what I should be doing. It is what secretaries of state do."

POLICE REPORT



Each number on the map stands for a crime corresponding with numbered descriptions in the list below.

DAY CRIMES (6 a.m.-6 p.m.)

□ Violent
○ Nonviolent

NIGHT CRIMES (6 p.m.-6 a.m.)

■ Violent
● Nonviolent

CRIMES AT UNKNOWN HOURS

■ Violent
● Nonviolent

Friday, April 5

① **LOST PROPERTY, 500 ASSEMBLY ST.** The victim said he misplaced a sealed, unmarked envelope containing 140 symphony tickets and \$30 cash. Reporting officer: J. A. Henry.

Saturday, April 6

② **CIVIL DISPUTE, 1405 WHALEY ST.** The complainant said he has continued to have problems with his roommate since the last report. A maintenance report was also filed. Reporting officer: J. R. Merrill.

③ **FIRST DEGREE BURGLARY, 1415 GREENE ST.** Victim No. 1 said someone took a Phillips Magnavox VCR, a Dell Inspiron 2500 laptop computer and a USB Video Capture Device. Victim No. 2 said someone took an Apex DVD player, a Sony camcorder, 20 DVDs, 23 textbooks and novels, and a Dell Dimension computer. Estimate value: \$4,045. Reporting officer: J. R. Merrill.

Sunday, April 7

④ **MALICIOUS INJURY TO PERSONAL PROPERTY, 902 BARNWELL ST.** The complainant said someone

punctured the two right side tires of a white Ford Windstar van owned by USC Dining Services. Estimated damage: \$50. Reporting officer: J. A. Henry.

Monday, April 8

⑤ **MALICIOUS MISCHIEF, 817 HENDERSON ST.** The complainant said someone pushed a trash bin down the west stairway. Reporting officer: B. Timbers.

⑥ **AUTO BREAK-IN, 1300 BLOSSOM ST.** The victim said someone broke out the rear driver's side window of his red Jeep Cherokee and took his Panasonic CD player. Estimated value: \$1,300. Reporting officer: J. A. Henry.

⑦ **LARCENY OF LAPTOP, 300 MAIN ST.** The complainant said someone took a Gateway Solo 2500 Multimedia Notebook from the Swearingen Engineering Building. Estimated value: \$1,200. Reporting officer: T. G. Cox and N. U. Beza.

⑧ **AUTO BREAK-IN, 1300 BLOSSOM ST.** The complainant said someone broke into his 1991 Ford Explorer and took a 300-watt Jensen amplifier, a CD player, 70 CDs and a CD case.

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