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'Green' SRWC to break ground

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Long Beach, CA – California State University, Long Beach and the Associated Students, Inc. are embarking on a new, exciting journey designed to build healthy bodies and minds while setting the standard for “green” building across the CSU system.

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On Friday, Jan. 30, 2009, the CSULB community will host a groundbreaking ceremony for the Student Recreation and Wellness Center. The center, scheduled for completion in late Summer 2010, will be the only LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver-certified building on campus, as well as the first LEED Silver-certified recreation center in the CSU system.

The 126,000-square-foot state-of-the-art building will feature weight and fitness machines; cardio theater; a wellness center; a rock-climbing wall; indoor running track; basketball volleyball and badminton courts; multi-activity courts; outside recreation pool and spa; sand volleyball; racquetball courts; health-food shop; personal trainers and group fitness classes.

As a LEED Silver Level building, several of SRWC's elements are environmentally friendly, starting with the groundbreaking itself. Pulverized asphalt from Parking Lot 11, on which the center will be built, will be reused beneath the SRWC's foundation.

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Also, the SRWC will use reclaimed water for irrigation; waterless urinals; adjustable lights that brighten as the day grows darker; recycled lumber; and new technology – like biometric scanners – to decrease paper waste. The building's sustainable features will be highlighted on a kiosk in the lobby.

The SRWC was approved by student voters in 2006 by nearly 75 percent. The ceremony is scheduled for 11 a.m. in Parking Lot 11, off of Palo Verde Avenue and Atherton Street. Expected guests include Chancellor Charles B. Reed, Long Beach Mayor Bob Foster, and speeches from CSULB President F. King Alexander and ASI President Erin Swetland.

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