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PRESIDENT WARREN J. BAKER TO SERVE ON PANEL ADDRESSING
EDUCATION CRISIS IN CALIFORNIA ON SEPT. 19

The reduction in state budget support, continued resource inequities among schools, shortage of qualified teachers, persistent achievement gaps among population segments, high student attrition and low completion rates all along the educational continuum have contributed to a long-term educational crisis in California.

On Friday, Sept. 19, 2008, Cal Poly President Warren J. Baker will serve on a “State of Education in California” panel to address these important issues, opening a summit hosted by the University of Southern California and the Competitiveness Crisis Council.

The panel will discuss trends and specific impacts on California education and a vision for the education system in 2020. President Baker will serve on the panel with Cal Poly Pomona President Michael Ortiz, California State University Chancellor Charles Reed, California State University Los Angeles President James Rosser, Los Angeles Unified School District Superintendent David Brewer and Pomona Unified School District Superintendent Thelma Meléndez.

PHIL TONG TO LEAD DAIRY SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

Professor and administrator Phil Tong was installed as vice president of the American Dairy Science Association (ADSA) at its annual meeting in Indianapolis in July. The leadership post leads to president and past president positions in successive years for a three-year total commitment. ADSA has more than 4,500 members worldwide. Tong is both director of Cal Poly’s Dairy Products Technology Center (CPTC) and a professor of dairy science. For more information, visit http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/August/Tong_ADSA.html

OUTSTANDING STAFF RECOGNIZED AT FALL CONFERENCE

Three Cal Poly staff have received the 2007-2008 Outstanding Staff Award: Carson Crain, administrative analyst/specialist in the dean’s office of the College of Liberal Arts; Ben Johnson, electrician in Facilities Services; and Emanuel Vieira in Facilities Services.

The three were recognized by President Warren Baker at Fall Conference on Monday, Sept. 15, in the Performing Arts Center, Christopher Cohan Center.

Crain is celebrating 34 years at Cal Poly. “Carson is one of those selfless individuals who will shoulder the extra responsibility—whether it means working longer hours, or taking...
on a task that wasn't originally hers—because it's important that it get done, simple as that. She is amazing,” said a co-worker.

Johnson has worked in Facilities for three years, but started in ASI in 1996 as a student assistant and worked later as a technician. “Ben exhibits qualities of character that make the difference between a good employee and a great one. He continually puts the needs of the university and its staff, faculty and students first,” said his supervisor.

Vieira came to Cal Poly in 1992 and is known as the go-to guy. “From special events to special cleanups, there is no situation that he doesn't handle without professionalism and class. He always has a positive attitude and a contagious smile,” said his supervisor.

FALL CLASSES BEGIN SEPT. 22

For the complete Academic Calendar for 2008-09, visit http://www.calpoly.edu/~acadprog/acad_cal/2008_09cal.htm

THIS WEEK IN MUSTANG ATHLETICS

Volleyball vs. St. Mary’s, Thursday, Sept. 18, 7 p.m., Mott Gym*
Volleyball St. Mary’s vs. Stanford, Friday, Sept. 19, 7 p.m., Mott Gym*
Volleyball vs. Stanford, Saturday, Sept. 20, 7 p.m., Mott Gym*

Men's Soccer vs. Evansville, Saturday, Sept. 20, 7 p.m., Alex G. Spanos Stadium

*Mission Inn of Pismo Beach Invitational

Faculty and Staff Fall Season Ticket Packages are now on sale. Get the best seats in the house at the lowest prices for volleyball, football, and men's and women's soccer. Includes two season tickets to each of the four fall ticketed sports for only $100—faculty and staff only. Packages are on sale at the box office by calling 1-866-GO STANGS or during regular business hours, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Mustang box office in front of the Rec Center. For more information, visit http://www.gopoly.com.

THE “WHAT’S NEW TOUR” RUNS SEPT. 22-26

Everyone is invited to the week-long “What’s New Tour” on campus to see what’s happened on campus while you were gone this summer. Participating areas joining in on the festivities are Campus Dining, Kennedy Library, ASI, University Housing, and El Corral Bookstore. Multiple prizes and food samplings will be given away daily. For more information go to www.asi.calpoly.edu or visit http://www.asi.calpoly.edu/events/frontevent/2440

AUTHOR LARRY WATSON ON CAMPUS SEPT. 24
Larry Watson, author of this year’s PREFACE book Montana 1948, will be at the Performing Arts Center Sept. 24 at 7 p.m. He will discuss his novel, answer questions, and sign your book. For more information, visit www.preface.calpoly.edu or email preface@calpoly.edu.

HOUSING CORPORATION BOARD MEETING SET FOR SEPT. 26
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The Cal Poly Housing Corporation (CPHC) Board of Directors will hold its next meeting on Friday, Sept. 26, at 9 a.m. in the Corporation Administration Building, Room 124. This is a public meeting. A copy of the agenda will be available for public review at the Corporation Administration Building beginning Sept. 19. For further information about this meeting, contact Jim Reinhart, managing director, Cal Poly Housing Corporation at ext. 6-1131.

ALICE GOLD RETIREMENT RECEPTION SET FOR SEPT. 26
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Alice Gold is retiring Oct. 1, after 20 years in the Physics Department. The campus community is invited to a retirement reception in her honor from 2 to 4 p.m., Friday, Sept. 26, in the Fisher Science Museum, Room 285.

ORCHESIS DANCE AUDITIONS FIRST WEEK OF FALL QUARTER
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Faculty: Remind students that auditions for the Theatre and Dance Department's Orchesis Dance Company will be held during the first week of classes in Fall Quarter. For more information, visit http://orchesis.calpoly.edu/lhaudition.htm.

MUSIC FACULTY TO PERFORM ‘GREAT POETS IN SONG’ Sept. 27
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Music Department faculty members Jacalyn Kreitzer, mezzo-soprano, and Susan Azaret Davies, pianist, will present “The Great Poets in Song: 1900 and Beyond!” at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, in the Spanos Theatre. The recital will feature “the lilting and exquisite melodies of composers whose subjects and texts are delicious and sometimes manic,” Kreitzer said. For more information, visit http://calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/September/great%20poets.html

JOE GRIMES RETIREMENT RECEPTION SET FOR SEPTEMBER 30
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A retirement reception in honor of Joe Grimes, director of faculty development, Center for Teaching and Learning, will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 30, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Kennedy Library Atrium. Grimes has been a faculty member for over 35 years. Join Academic Personnel and the Center for Teaching and Learning to celebrate his many contributions to the university.

PUBLIC RECORDS REQUESTS
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A campus department that receives a written request for public records shall immediately provide a copy of the request to the campus Public Records Act (PRA) Officer, Karen Webb, assistant vice president for Administration and Finance. The campus PRA Officer is responsible for assuring that appropriate campus entities are notified of the request and for maintaining an inventory of all such requests.

A department which receives a written request for public records is responsible for responding to and complying with the request, unless the requested documents are housed in a different department. In that case, the written request should immediately be forwarded to that department for handling and the PRA Officer notified of the transfer.

GERMAN LITERATURE CLASS OFFERED FOR FALL

The College of Liberal Arts will offer Fräuleinwunder: Women Writers in the 20th/21st Century, TR 10:10 to noon, in Room 186, C 302. The class covers women writers of German speaking countries in the 20th/21st century who made major contributions to German literature and culture. Pre-req: Completion of GE Area A, and one course in Area C1. Modern Languages and Literatures majors will not receive GE C4 credit. For more information, contact Corinna Kuhnke at 6-1620.

USC GRAD, SEATTLE ARTS LEADER NAMED CAL POLY ARTS DIRECTOR

Cal Poly Arts has announced the hiring of Steven T. Lerian as the organization’s new director. Lerian was selected to be in charge of programming and donor development for Cal Poly Arts after an extensive nationwide search resulting in a large number of qualified, competitive applicants.

"Cal Poly Arts is at a critical time in its history. We were seeking a leader with vision and collaborative expertise to help position the organization for the future," said Dean Linda Halisky of the College of Liberal Arts in announcing Lerian's appointment. For more information, visit http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/September/Lerian.html

NEW FACULTY APPOINTMENTS IN THE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

Christopher Kitts, department chair of the Biological Sciences Department; Donald Rawlings, department chair of the Mathematics Department; Camille O’Bryant, department chair of the Kinesiology Department; and Matthew Moeller, department chair of the Physics Department.

TIME TO SUBSCRIBE TO FALL SEASON ORGANIC FARM PRODUCE

It's fall, and that means it's time to sign up for weekly deliveries of fresh organic produce from the Cal Poly Organic Farm. The fall-winter season of the farm's Community Supported Agriculture Program provides members with a weekly box of the farm’s...
harvest. Students can subscribe to the program for the fall quarter at a reduced rate of $190. A new option this year: fresh artisan breads. For more information, visit http://calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/September/produce.html

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING ANNOUNCES FACULTY AWARDS AND OUTSTANDING STAFF

Cal Poly’s College of Engineering recently announced the recipients of industry-sponsored faculty awards and an endowed professorship, plus 2008 Outstanding Staff Awards. Professor Roya Javadpour won the Northrop Grumman Excellence in Teaching Award. Professor Chris Clark won the Northrop Grumman Excellence in Research and Development Award, and Professor William Murray of Grover Beach won the Raytheon Excellence in Teaching and Applied Research Award. In addition, Professor Rob McDonald received the two-year Lockheed Martin Endowed Professorship award. The college's 2008 Outstanding Staff Awards were given to Kay Kibbe and Kim Marsalek. For more information, visit http://calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/July/CENG-Outstanding.html

SAVE THE DATE: SERVICE AWARDS LUNCHEON TO BE MARCH 5, 2009

State, Foundation, and ASI employees with milestone service anniversaries in 2008 will be honored at the Service Awards Luncheon on Thursday, March 5, 2009, from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium. The theme for this year’s event will be "Go GREEN and gold.” Watch for more information in an upcoming issue of Cal Poly Report, including purchase and price of tickets.

STATE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted on http://calpolyjobs.org
To apply, go online and complete the application form. For assistance, call Human Resources at ext. 6-2236.

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CORPORATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Cal Poly Corporation is a separate corporation operating in concert with the university to provide a diverse range of services and resources to students, faculty and staff. For an application, visit Human Resources in the Foundation Administration Building, check the Web site at www.calpolycorporation.org or call ext. 6-7107.

Program Coordinator/Academic Advisor, Upward Bound, $17.90/hour. Requires Bachelor’s degree with a minimum of one year student services experience, preferably with low-income, first-generation college populations. Must be bilingual, English/Spanish. Excellent benefits, including medical, dental, vision, retirement and life insurance.

Custodian, Campus Dining, Hiring Range: $13.20-$15.00/hr. Requires HS degree or GED and two years custodial/janitorial experience. Must be able to lift and move 50 pounds. Valid driver’s license and good driving record required. Excellent benefits, including medical, dental, vision, retirement and life insurance.

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