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LEADING ONLINE GAMING AND SOFTWARE SECURITY EXPERT TO SPEAK AT CAL POLY OCT. 16

Gary McGraw, a global expert in the economics of online gaming, piracy, cheating and software security, will speak at Cal Poly Oct. 16, from 11:10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in the Spanos Theatre. The event is free to the public. McGraw is first in the Fall Distinguished Speaker Series presented by the Orfalea College of Business.

McGraw is an expert in online computer gaming, a $9.5 billion industry in 2007. McGraw will draw a comprehensive picture of the sometimes controversial security techniques used in multi-platform online gaming. He will also explain how techniques developed for today's online gaming will be adapted by industry to ensure tomorrow's software security. For more information, visit
http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/September/Online-Security.html

THIS WEEK IN MUSTANG ATHLETICS

Volleyball vs. UC Santa Barbara, Thursday, Oct. 16, 7 p.m., Mott Gym
Mustang T-shirt Night: First 250 students will receive a Mustang Volleyball T-shirt.

Men's Soccer vs. UC Santa Barbara, Friday, Oct. 17, 8 p.m., Alex G. Spanos Stadium
Nationally Televised "Re-break the Attendance Record Night"
Mustang Scarf night: First 300 students will receive a Mustang Soccer Scarf
Pre-game soccer BBQ and Tailgate Party. Open to the first 500 fans. $20 adult, $15 youth, $10 Cal Poly students. BBQ prices include game ticket. Pre-game tri-tip meal, music and fun on the O'Neil Lawn (adjacent to Spanos Stadium) before the game.

Volleyball vs. UC Irvine, Saturday, Oct. 18, 7 p.m., Mott Gym

Women's Soccer vs. UC Santa Barbara, Sunday, Oct. 19, 1 p.m., Alex G. Spanos Stadium
Youth Jersey Day: FREE admission for all youth under 13 wearing a jersey

Men's Soccer vs. UC Irvine, Wednesday, Oct. 22, 7 p.m., Alex G. Spanos Stadium

Tickets are on sale at the box office or by calling ext. 6-5806.

EXAM PROCTORS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FUNDAMENTALS OF ENGINEERING EXAM

The exam will be offered at Cal Poly on Saturday, Oct. 25 by the California Board for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors. Approximately 14-20 exam proctors are needed for the all day exam. Proctors cannot be engineering students and the Board prefers non-students to serve as proctors. Faculty, staff, retired faculty, retirees, etc. are encouraged to apply. Proctors must be able to: physically move around the exam room; fill out a seating chart and roster of examinees; check calculators; and carry answer bulletins.

The job pays $10 per hour. Those interested in participating should send name and contact information (email and/or phone number) to Chris Pascual at cpascual@calpoly.edu or call ext. 6-1306. Respond by Wednesday, Oct. 15.

BENEFITS OPEN ENROLLMENT ENDS FRIDAY

This is a reminder that the Benefits Open Enrollment period closes Friday, Oct. 17. Open Enrollment allows benefits-eligible employees not already enrolled in a health or dental plan to do so. For those already enrolled, Open Enrollment provides the opportunity to change health or dental carriers, enroll or cancel Flex Cash participation, and add eligible dependents. All changes made during Open Enrollment will be effective Jan. 1, 2009.

This is also the time to enroll (or re-enroll) in the Health Care Reimbursement and Dependent Care Reimbursement Account plans for the 2009 tax year. These plans provide a perfect opportunity to pay for out-of-pocket health and dependent care expenses with pre-tax dollars. To continue participation, you **must re-enroll** each year during Open Enrollment.

You will find highlights, new premium rates, and instructions for submitting requests to Human Resources in the Open Enrollment Newsletter located on the Human Resources Web site at http://www.afd.calpoly.edu/hr/benefits/whatsnew.html, as well as in the Human Resources Office, Administration Building, Room 110. **Only Enrollment Worksheets received in Human Resources by the end of the day on Oct. 17 will be processed**. Questions can be directed to Human Resources at ext. 6-5436.

Also of note, important changes are coming soon to the TSA Program. In late October, current TSA plan enrollees will receive instructions on how to continue in the program. Action will be required for continued participation. As information becomes available, it will be posted on the Benefits "What's New" Web site noted above.

CHICANA LATINO FACULTY STAFF ASSOCIATION CONVOCATION SET FOR OCT. 17

The Chicana Latino Faculty Staff Association invites all members and student groups to a convocation on Friday, Oct. 17 in the Construction Innovations Center, Room A101, from 4 to 6 p.m. RSVP to José Montelongo at jmontelo@calpoly.edu.

SYMPOSIUM ON NATIVE NORTH AMERICAN LITERATURES AND CULTURES SET FOR OCT. 19-21

Cal Poly, in collaboration with UC Santa Barbara, will present a three-day symposium celebrating Native literary studies in an international context. Scholars of Native North American Studies in Europe, Taiwan, and the United States along with major Native North American writers and intellectuals will convene at UCSB and Cal Poly with students and community members Oct. 19-21.

The symposium will offer an opportunity to reflect on the historical encounter between Europe and Native North American cultures and discuss the current status and future orientation of Native American Studies in an increasingly global world. The event is free and open to the public. For specific times and locations and for further details, including featured distinguished writers and critics, and a full schedule of events, visit http://www.cla.calpoly.edu/es/transatlantic_voices.HTM or contact the Ethnic Studies Department at ext. 6-1707.

CALL FOR FACULTY RESEARCH PROPOSALS

The University Honors Program is requesting faculty research proposals to initiate the 2009 Honors Undergraduate Research Program. For highly motivated Honors students to participate in your research activities, submit a research proposal by Monday, Oct. 20, at 5 p.m. Funding is available for selected research projects. For more information about the Honors Research Program and research project submission, visit http://www.honorsprojects.com/

SATELLITE BROADCAST OF CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE SET FOR OCT. 22

Cal Poly will broadcast this year's California Women's Conference on two campus cable television channels. The campus community can tune-in to channels 2 and 18, from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. to watch the day-long conference. Under the leadership of California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and First Lady Maria Shriver, The Women's Conference has grown from a small government initiative for working professionals into a far-reaching organization and an international network of women from all walks of life, backgrounds and perspectives. For more information about the conference, visit http://www.californiawomen.org

BUILDING A STRONG SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING WORKFORCE TOPIC OF TALK SET FOR OCT. 22

Award-winning chemist and professor Geraldine Richmond will present "Battling Bias and Barriers, Necessary Steps our Institutions Must Take to Assure a Strong Science and Engineering Workforce," on Wednesday, Oct. 22, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Business Building, Room 112.

Using the framework of the 2006 National Academy of Science report on advancing gender equity in the sciences, University of Oregon Professor Geraldine Richmond will discuss how institutions can most effectively support and sustain the participation of women in science and engineering fields. For more information, visit http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/October/Richmond.html.

ORFALEA COLLEGE OF BUSINESS HOSTS MENTOR'S FORUM OCT. 23

Orfalea College of Business will host The Mentor's Forum on Thursday, Oct. 23, from 11 a.m. to noon in the Business Building, Room 213. The event is free and open to the public. The Mentor's Forum is a non-profit organization that brings successful entrepreneurs to top universities across the United States and abroad, sharing hard-earned wisdom with tomorrow's business leaders. The event features entrepreneurs John Jeter and Ryan Tworek. For more information, visit http://www.thementorsforum.com/ and/or http://calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/October/mentors.html.

HAUNTED CORN MAZE RETURNS OCT. 24-25

Back by popular demand is the Haunted Corn Maze. The Crops Club will host its annual Haunted Corn Maze Friday and Saturday, Oct. 24 and 25. Teens and adults are dared to enter the maze from 5 to 9 p.m.

The Cal Poly Pumpkin Patch will be open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays through October, offering U-pick pumpkins at bargain prices. Sales benefit the Crops Club. The club is also offering pre-picked pumpkins every Tuesday and Thursday from 3 to 6 p.m. in front of the Crops Unit at Mt. Bishop Drive and Highland Drive on campus. For more information, visit
http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/October/maze.html

BUSINESS PLAN COMPETITION INFORMATION NIGHT SET FOR OCT. 28

Orfalea College of Business and Students in Free Enterprise will host an Information Night for the sixth annual Ray Scherr Business Plan Competition on Wednesday, Oct. 28, at 7 p.m. in the Sandwich Factory. The winning entry will advance to a competition sponsored by Draper Fisher Jurvetson investment bankers with a grand prize of $250,000. More than money, the competition puts participant's business plans in front of people who can bring the concept to reality.

DFJ is the largest venture capital firm in the world, launching companies such as Hotmail and Skype. Prizes for the Ray Scherr Business Plan Competition include $4,000 for the winner, $3,000 for the first runner-up, and $3,000 for one community winner. Information Night attendees can learn about the competition, Cal Poly's educational workshop series, and form teams. Free pizza and drinks will be provided by SIFE. For more information about the Ray Scherr Business Plan Competition visit http://bplan.calpoly.edu/.

SAFEGUARD YOUR COMPUTER FORUM SET FOR OCT. 30

An Information Security Forum presentation on Safety Tips for Your Computer: Safe Computing While at Home or Traveling is set for Thursday, Oct. 30, from 11 a.m.-noon in the UU, Room 220. Attendance is encouraged, subject to supervisory approval, based on the operational needs of the department. Questions and answers will follow presentation. For more information, visit http://security.calpoly.edu/docs/forums/forum-flyer-103008.pdf or contact Information Security Officer Terry Vahey at tvahey@calpoly.edu .

ENTREPRENEUR'S FORUM OPEN TO CAMPUS COMMUNITY NOV. 6

An Entrepreneurship Forum sponsored by the Orfalea College of Business and the College of Engineering is set for Thursday, Nov. 6, from 1 -5 p.m., in the Advanced Technology Laboratories (ATL). This forum is open to the on-campus community only. For more information, contact Leslie McKinley at lmckinley@calpoly.edu.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION GRAD PACKS NOW AVAILABLE

Grad Packs include a one-year Alumni Association membership, an exclusive Class of 2008 T-shirt (while supplies last), and a Cal Poly Alumni license plate frame at the special rate of $20.08. Grad Packs make great gifts for graduating seniors. They are available during Grad Days in the UU Plaza, Oct. 22-24, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., online at http://www.alumni.calpoly.edu/membership/gradpacks.html, or by calling the Alumni Office at ext. 6-2586. For more information, visit http://www.alumni.calpoly.edu.

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE FOR FACULTY-LED PROGRAMS

International Education and Programs invites faculty to apply to teach in the Australia Study Program in winter 2010, the Thailand Study Program and Cal Poly at Sea Program in spring 2010, and the Summer Study in London Program and Peru Study Program in summer 2010. Application forms are available to faculty in their dean's office, by visiting http://iep.calpoly.edu/faculty/facultyledprograms.htm, or at the International Education and Programs Office in the Mathematics and Science Building, Room 145. The deadline to submit applications is Nov. 14.

DRESS FOR SUCCESS CLEANERS ANNOUNCES GRAND OPENING

Canyon Post, located at Poly Canyon Village, announces the grand opening of Dress for Success Cleaners for faculty, staff and students. During the month of October, all dry cleaning is 25 percent off. Drop-off and pick-up hours are noon to 6 p.m., Monday-Friday. Canyon Post also has a USPS, UPS and FedEx postage kiosk and parcel drop. For more information, call Canyon Post at ext. 6-6640.

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.

#101762–On-Call Custodian, Pool Position, University Housing, Housing and Business Services. Up to 20 positions available, temporary on-call through May 31, 2009, $13.20-$19.81/hour. Open until filled. Review begins: Oct. 17.

#101778–On-Call Ticket Office Personnel, Administrative Support Assistant I, Administration and Finance, Performing Arts Center, temporary intermittent position through Jun. 30, 2009, $12.05-$18.08/hour. Open until filled. Review begins: Oct. 27.

ASI EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Employment candidates are asked to visit www.asi.calpoly.edu to complete an application and apply for positions listed below. For more information, contact the ASI Business Office in UU, Room 212 or call ext. 6-5800.

Surfboard Shaping Instructor, intermittent position, $20/hour, anticipated work schedule between 3 and 12.5 hours/week. Closes: Nov. 14.

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