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Free holiday performance at Farmer's Market Dec. 1

Cal Poly's Trombone Choir and Brass Choir will bring some early Christmas cheer to downtown San Luis Obispo with a free Christmas performance during Farmers Market on **Thursday, Dec. 1**. The Trombone Choir, directed by Music Department faculty member Roy Main, and the Brass Choir, directed by Music Department faculty member Keith Snell, will perform more than 20 Christmas songs from **6:30 to 8:30 p.m.** at the corner of Higuera and Chorro streets.

Victor Davis Hanson to speak on campus Thursday

Victor Davis Hanson, author of "Mexifornia: A State of Becoming," will speak **Thursday, Dec. 1**, as part of the Provocative Perspectives series. The event will take place in the Vista Grande Café, starting with a free breakfast at **7:30 a.m.**, followed by the speech at **8 a.m.** To make a reservation, call Liz Cofer at 756-0327 or send e-mail to lcofer@calpoly.edu.

Wear green and gold this week

Football team leaps into NCAA Division I-AA quarterfinals

Wear green and gold on **Thursday**, and cheer on the football team at a pep rally at **11 a.m. during UU Hour**. The team will head to Texas this weekend for the quarterfinal-round NCAA Division I-AA football playoff game at Texas State. The game on **Saturday, Dec. 3**, will kick off at **1 p.m. PST (3 p.m. CST)** in Bobcat Stadium, San Marcos, Texas. It will be televised on ESPN2 and is a match up of two teams in the I-AA playoffs for the first time.

Athletics and the Alumni Association will hold a **Poly Playoff Bash** to watch the game on **Saturday** at Downtown Brewing Company. The party starts at **noon** with complimentary appetizers served until **1 p.m.** Wear green and gold and enjoy the game with other Mustang fans.

Cal Poly (9-3) defeated Montana 35-21 last Saturday in Missoula, MT, while Texas State (10-2), the fourth seed in the 16-team field, rallied from a 35-16 deficit to beat Georgia Southern 50-35. The Mustangs and Bobcats have met once before -- Cal Poly prevailing 38-21 last season in Mustang Stadium.

Faculty, staff invited to join campus sustainability project

A core group of faculty, staff and students has been working to create a system that will reduce campus dependence on automobiles. Faculty and staff are invited to attend the first working session of this group on **Thursday, Dec. 1, from 11 a.m.-noon**, in Building 5, Room 225. Work to design a sustainable campus project will begin in **early January**, and faculty and staff can be involved in a number of ways: advising senior projects; having classes work on the system design; or participating in the design sessions. All disciplines are encouraged to participate. Questions? Contact Doug Cerf at ext. 6-2871 or Noni Smyth at ext. 6-6439.

Opportunities offered for staff development

The following staff development workshops and classes have been announced by the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs:

- Criticism and Discipline Skills for Managers, **Monday, Dec. 5, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.**, \$199, www.CareerTrack.com
- High-Impact Communication Skills for Women, **Friday Dec. 9, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.**, www.CareerTrack.com
- The Complete Course on Payroll Management, Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 5-6, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., \$395, www.NationalSeminarsTraining.com
- Conflict Management Skills for Women, **Tuesday, Dec. 20, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.**, www.skillpath.com

Choose Cal Poly cheese for holiday treats

Cal Poly Creamery students are preparing for the largest annual **December cheese sale** ever - with production up an estimated 10 percent from last year. Cheese gift packs are available for sale once a year, and all sales proceeds are re-invested into the program. The award-winning cheese is made and packaged entirely by students working with dairy Professor Nana Farkye. Seven varieties of cheese in five different packaged assortments are offered. For a listing of cheeses, packages and prices, and ordering information, visit www.calpolycheese.com or contact the students at creamery@calpoly.edu.

Employment

State: The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted on www.calpolyjobs.org. To apply, go online and complete the application form. Applicants needing assistance may contact Human Resources at ext. 6-2236.

#100757-On-Call Cashier (Pool Position), Accounting Technician I, Administration & Finance-Fiscal Services, temporary, on-call through June 30, 2006, \$14.29-\$21.44/hr. Open until filled.

#100758-Cashier, Accounting Technician I, Administration & Finance-Fiscal Services, \$2,477-\$3,717/month. Closes Dec. 7.

Hours extended at the Recreation Center

Don't let the holidays weigh you down. Keep those holiday pounds off by working out at the Recreation Center. The Recreation Center has extended its holiday-break schedule and will be open **Dec. 12-23 and Dec. 27-30, during regular hours, Monday-Friday, 6 a.m.-midnight, Saturday, 8 a.m.-10 p.m., and Sunday, 8 a.m.-midnight.** New this year: Winter Break Recreation Center passes are available for family members. For just \$10, visiting relatives can use the Recreation Center during winter break.

Winter Arts & Crafts Sale is Nov. 30-Dec. 2 in UU Plaza

The ASI Craft Center is hosting the annual Winter Craft Sale **today through Friday, Dec. 2, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** in the University Union Plaza. Find hand-made jewelry, stained glass, ceramics, glass work, wood work, yarn work, paintings, photos and much more. Shop for creative gifts and for yourself.

Shop for the holidays at the Poly Plant Shop

The Poly Plant Shop's annual Holiday Open House is this **Friday, Dec. 2, from 10 a.m.-6 p.m.** There will be holiday refreshments and music, including live wind-instrument duets from **11 a.m.-3 p.m.** On sale will be poinsettias, candle arrangements, garlands, swags, wreaths, potted paperwhites, mini lavender and rosemary standards, and much more. The annual poinsettia sale, featuring more than 2,500 poinsettias in 29 different varieties and colors, is happening **now through mid-December.**

Poinsettia Project students will hold an Open House **Friday and Saturday, Dec. 2 and 3 and Dec. 9 and 10.** The plant shop is open **Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. through Saturday, Dec. 10.** SPECIAL NOTE: Staff may be available **after Dec. 10** for last-minute shoppers. Call ext. 6-1106 or check out www.polyplantshop.com for more information. The Poly Plant Shop is located at Bldg. 48, Via Carta Road, up the hill from the Campus Market and across the street from the equine center.

'A Christmas Celebration' on stage Dec. 3

It's beginning to sound a lot like Christmas, or will soon, thanks to the upcoming annual holiday concert set for **8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3,** in Harman Hall in the Christopher Cohan Center. The Cal Poly choirs and a capella groups, including barbershop quartets and Take It SLO, will perform. The choirs include PolyPhonics, The University Singers, and the Cal Poly Early Music Ensemble. Cal Poly's Brass Ensemble, conducted by Keith Snell, will also join the choirs for this festive concert.

Nominations sought for top staff award

Deadline to submit nominations for the 2005-2006 Outstanding Staff Employee Award is **Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2006.** Any student, staff employee, faculty member, department or division head may nominate an eligible employee for the award. For additional information, requirements, and a form go to <http://www.afd.calpoly.edu/hree/forms/index.html#forms>. Return completed forms to Bob Pinkin, chair of the Outstanding Staff Employee Award Selection Committee, in Graphic Communication, Building 26, Room 211C.

Faculty and staff appreciation sale at El Corral ends today

Save 30 percent at El Corral Bookstore **today, Wednesday Nov. 30,** on all Cal Poly clothing and gifts and school, office and art supplies. Also save on general reading and reference books, seasonal gifts and much more. Show Cal Poly I.D. for the discount. El Corral is open until **6 p.m.** daily.

Housing Corporation board to meet Dec. 9

The board of directors of the Cal Poly Housing Corporation will hold its next meeting on **Friday, Dec. 9, at 9 a.m.** in the Foundation Administration Building, Room 124. This is a public meeting. A copy of the agenda will be available for public review at the Foundation Administration Building beginning **Friday, Dec. 2.** For further information, contact Jim Reinhart, managing director of the Cal Poly Housing Corporation, at Ext. 6-1131.

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