Monarch butterfly conference attracts national researchers

More than 100 researchers and monarch butterfly aficionados from as far away as Minnesota will join faculty and students **Thursday and Friday, Dec. 8-9**, for a conference on “Conservation of the Monarch Butterfly — Population Dynamics and Migration.” Biology Professor Dennis Frey and graduate student Shawna Stevens, co-leaders of Project Monarch Alert, will head the conference. Project Monarch Alert studies fall migration, winter activity and spring dispersal of monarchs in western North America.

University adds bachelor's degree in Ethnic Studies

The university will begin offering an undergraduate degree in ethnic studies next fall. The Bachelor of Arts degree in comparative ethnic studies was recently approved by CSU Chancellor Charles Reed. Among the 23 CSU campuses, more than half offer an ethnic studies major. The university has been working toward this goal since 1992, when ethnic studies was established as a university program. The program evolved into a department in 1994, when students could opt to minor in ethnic studies.

Political Science professor to discuss Roe v. Wade

What's the fate of Roe v. Wade? Political Science Professor Ron Den Otter will explore that question and others in a presentation, "Roe v. Wade: Much Ado About Nothing?" 1 to 2 p.m. **Thursday, Nov. 10**, in the Chumash Auditorium. Den Otter will explore several facets of the court's decision, including what the court actually stated in the Roe decision. He will also examine several questions, such as whether the court reached the right decision for the wrong reasons. The talk is free and open to the public. It is sponsored by the Women's Studies office. For more information, call ext. 6-1525, e-mail womst@polymail.calpoly.edu, or go online to calpoly.edu/~womst.

Engineering to name new building for refrigeration pioneer

The university will memorialize a distinguished alumnus **Monday, Nov. 14**, with a ceremony to name a new engineering building after him. The “Grant M. Brown Engineering Building,” located at the corner of California Boulevard and Highland Drive, will be officially named at the 11 a.m. event in honor of the generous donations of the Ross M. Brown Family Foundation. The Brown Family gift includes $200,000 to fund student scholarships and $300,000 in equipment. In addition, the gift provides $2 million to endow the James L. Bartlett Jr. Professorship to promote multidisciplinary project-based learning. Over 60 family members and university representatives will be on hand for the dedication.

Business professor wins International Educator Award

Professor J. Michael Geringer of the Management Area in the Orfalea College of Business is the recipient of the new Cal Poly International Educator Award. The annual award, sponsored by International Education and Programs, recognizes a faculty member who has significantly contributed to international education at the university. Geringer has established exchange programs and served as the advisor to the International Business Club. He mentors international students, gives presentations on international study and writes books and other publications on international business. Geringer participates in university and executive international education programs in Asia, Australia, Europe, Canada and the U.S.
**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.

**#100709**-Contract Analyst, Administrative Analyst/Specialist-Non-Exempt, **CLOSE DATE EXTENDED**, Administration & Finance-Facilities Planning, $2,945-$4,711/month (2.075 percent increase on Nov. 10). Closes Nov. 18.


**#100737**-Disability Management Specialist/Academic Advisor, Student Services Professional II, Student Affairs-Disability Resource Center, $3,173-$4,278/month. Closes Dec. 2.

**Faculty:** Candidates are asked to visit our online employment Web site at www.calpolyjobs.org to complete an application and apply for any of the positions shown below. Please submit all requested application materials as attachments to your online application, unless otherwise specified in the ad.

**#100724**-Tenure-Track Department Chair, Computer Science Department, College of Engineering (ext. 6-5525). Review begins Feb. 15, 2006.

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**Graphic Communication professor writes print guide**

Brian Lawler, a Graphic Communication Department faculty member, is the author of the recently published book, "The Official Adobe Print Publishing Guide." Published by Adobe Press, the book is referred to as "an essential resource for design, production and prepress." It covers some of the latest information and critical processes involved in color and commercial printing, building a publication, imaging and proofing, and managing projects in the graphic communication field. Lawler teaches courses in electronic imaging, new technologies, and technology and society.

**Catastrophic leave solicitation for June A. Gelling**

June Gelling, a pharmacist in Health Services, has qualified for personal catastrophic leave. Eligible state employees may donate vacation credit and/or sick leave to help June remain in full pay status during an extended absence. To request a catastrophic leave donation form, contact Vivian Phillips in Health Services at ext. 6-5279 or by e-mail, vphillips@calpoly.edu.

**Bookstore says: Order supplies with textbook requisitions**

El Corral reminds faculty they should turn in student supply assignments at the same time textbook requisitions are submitted. This will enable the bookstore to have what students need when they need it. Class kits are also available, and it's important to provide El Corral the same list for kits that the students receive. The bookstore will put the kits together, saving time and money for students purchasing supplies. The kits average a 20 – 40 percent cost savings off retail. And they help eliminate excuses when projects come due. For more information, e-mail cboyne@calpoly.edu.

**New committee on disability compliance seeks members**

State, Foundation and ASI permanent or probationary staff employees (no MPP or faculty) are needed for the newly created Disability Access and Compliance Committee. The committee will discuss, monitor and evaluate campus issues related to compliance with state requirements. (See the website: http://www.calstate.edu/EO/EO-926.html). For information and an application form, go to http://www.afd.calpoly.edu/hr/index.html. Deadline is Thursday, Nov. 17. For more information, contact Darcy Adams at ext. 6-2472.

**Campus Fair Trade Club gift packs on sale**

The campus Fair Trade Club is selling gift packs of fair trade coffee, sugar and latte mugs as a holiday fund-raiser throughout November to benefit African farm families. Cafe Luna, Splash Cafe, El Corral, Campus Market and the SLO Yoga Centre in San Luis Obispo will sell the gift packs. The club will also sell them in the UU Plaza from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Nov. 15, 16, 28 and Dec 1. Money raised will go to help fair-trade certified farmers in the Ivory Coast. For details, contact Melissa Schilling, club president, at mschilli@calpoly.edu or Professor Tom Neuhaus, the club's faculty advisor, at ext. 6-2240.

**Class scheduling unit moves**

The class scheduling unit of the University Scheduling Office has moved to the third floor of the Administration Building, Room 308. All contact information remains the same: Phone, ext. 6-2461; fax, ext. 6-6594; and e-mail, classschedule@calpoly.edu. This move reunites class scheduling and master calendar. Master calendar provides ad hoc and event scheduling services and can be reached at ext. 6-5550, or by e-mail to events@calpoly.edu.

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