HOMECOMING '97: "Spirit Under Construction" Nov. 13-16

This year's Homecoming theme, "Spirit Under Construction," reflects the ongoing growth and change at Cal Poly that fosters a continued rebuilding of spirit among all members of the Cal Poly community. The recent jump made by athletics to Division I competition has led to plans for a new sports complex, and other projects include renovation of the University Union and planned construction of an engineering research facility by the College of Engineering's Advanced Technologies Laboratories. The Utilidor project, a campuswide electrical, heating, and water system upgrade, is moving toward completion. Cal Poly is preparing for its centennial celebration, and the Rose Float Committee will embark on its 50th year of creating parade art viewed by millions of people on New Year's Day at the Pasadena Tournament of Roses.

REUNIONS
- College of Architecture and Environmental Design - The 2nd Annual CAED Alumni Golf Tournament, Friday, Nov. 14, along with special reunion activities
- Athletics
- Cal Poly Marching Band
- College of Business - An alumni gathering and reception to recognize donors
- Physical Education and Kinesiology Department - A reunion for the classes of the '40s, '50s, and '60s
- Rose Float Committee

ALUMNI NOTES
- Cal Poly alum Robert "Hoot" Gibson (AERO '69), a 1986 Honored Alum, was honored in June by the Aero Club of Northern California at its Annual Crystal Eagle Awards Dinner in San Jose. Gibson has spent more than 36 days above the Earth during five missions, including ones on the orbiters Atlantis and Endeavour, and most recently as commander of the space shuttle mission that docked with the Russian space station, Mir. Aero Club board members include Thomas E. Leonard (AERO '46), a professor emeritus at San Jose State University, and retired flight engineer Richard P. Toulson (AERO '42).

- September 27 — Every-Other-Year Bay Area Tailgate prior to the St. Mary's v. Cal Poly football game. Call East Bay/Contra Costa Chapter contact Barbara Reed at 510/803-5038 for details.

- October 4 — Annual Harvest Party for the Napa/Sonoma Chapter, 10 a.m. Pick and crush grapes, picnic, and share wine with friends and Cal Poly alumni. Crush juice will be processed at Judd's Hill Winery and will be available for a $10 donation per bottle. Proceeds benefit the Napa/Sonoma Chapter Scholarship Fund. RSVP to Tom or Laurie Clark at 707/965-2988.

- October 25-26 — Aeronautical Engineering Department reunion. Contact the department at 805/756-2562 for details.

For a current listing of other events or the name of the chapter contact in your area, call the Alumni Relations Office at 805/SLO-ALUM (756-2586)

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, November 13
- Farmers' Market - Spirit activities and student mock-rock competition (downtown San Luis Obispo)

Friday, November 14
- Honored Alumni Open Forums (various locations and times)
- Honored Alumni Reunion and Reception Banquet (6 p.m., Performing Arts Center)

Saturday, November 15
- Homecoming Parade (10 a.m., downtown SLO)
- Tailgate Festivities (11 a.m., Business Lawn)
- Football - Cal Poly v. Dayton (1 p.m., Mustang Stadium)
- Post-Game Reunions and Receptions (4 p.m.)
- Opening Basketball - Cal Poly v. Arkansas State (7 p.m., Mott Gym)
- SLO Unplugged (8 p.m., Cohan Center)

Sunday, November 16
- Senior and Reunion Breakfast (10 a.m., Vista Grande Restaurant)

Contact your department or organization for more details on reunion or other activities. Please note that all times and dates are tentative and subject to change. Call the Alumni Relations Office at 805/SLO-ALUM (756-2586) for confirmation.