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POLY PLANT SHOP SALES AVAILABLE ALL SPRING
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Poly Plant Shop will hold several sales all spring. Visit http://www.polyplantshop.com for a complete list of dates. Discounts are also available on other items. Visit all sales for the best deals. It’s Poly Plant Shop’s version of an economic stimulus package.

CAMPUS DINING HOURS CHANGE FOR FINALS, SPRING BREAK
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There are slightly modified hours for restaurants and markets on campus during spring break. Visit http://www.calpolycorporation.org/campusdining/hours.asp for hours of operation.

MT. BISHOP BOOK BUYBACK STATION GOES SOLAR
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In an ongoing effort to reduce El Corral Bookstore's carbon footprint, bookstore warehouse manager Taffy Duran designed and implemented solar power units for the Mt. Bishop Road buyback station located in Parking Lot H.
The location was originally designed to provide students another option to sell their books without having to park and visit one of the other three locations that serve the heart of the campus. The station’s new solar panels are held in place using the old power generator and gas tank that were formerly used to provide power for the location.

Duran and the El Corral Bookstore continue to find innovative ways to reduce the bookstore’s total carbon footprint.

**WORKERS’ COMPENSATION WEB SITE AND FORMS HAVE BEEN UPDATED**

This is a reminder that the Workers' Compensation Program has been relocated to Human Resources (HR), Administration Building, Room 110. Employees must immediately report all work related injuries/illnesses to their supervisor. No later than 24 hours of knowledge of employee injury, supervisors must (1) notify HR by completing a newly consolidated and revised form titled, "Work Related Injury/Illness Form," and (2) provide Claim Form DWC 1 to the injured employee. The updated Workers’ Compensation packet can be accessed on the Human Resources Web site at [http://www.afd.calpoly.edu/hr/workerscomp.asp?pid=6](http://www.afd.calpoly.edu/hr/workerscomp.asp?pid=6).

If an injury/illness requires medical treatment, all initial treatment is handled at MED STOP and after MED STOP hours, Sierra Vista Emergency Room. These facilities must be used unless an employee has a pre-designation of personal physician/chiropractor form on file with the Workers' Compensation Analyst in Human Resources prior to an injury. Pre-designation forms can be found on the Human Resources Forms Web page.

Questions can be directed to Debbie Rice, Workers' Compensation analyst, ext. 6-5427 or dlrice@calpoly.edu.

**PRESENTER WILL CHANGE YOUR OUTLOOK MARCH 26**

Human Resources will host Paul Wesselmann during an hour-long motivational presentation on Thursday, March 26, from 11 a.m. to noon in Phillips Hall in the Performing Arts Center. This event is at no cost to employees.

Wesselmann is known as one of the warmest and wildest trainers in the country. He will spend an hour talking to staff and faculty about how maintain their sanity under stressful work conditions. The goal is have participants leave the presentation with renewed passion for their work and practical ideas for dealing daily stressors.

Wesselmann, who holds degrees in higher education and psychology, has transformed his work at several colleges and nonprofits into a full-time job helping higher education professionals be more effective in their work and life. For more information on Wesselmann and his messages, visit [http://PaulWesselmann.com](http://PaulWesselmann.com).

Seating is limited. RSVP via e-mail to Karen Stubberfield in Human Resources at kstubber@calpoly.edu by March 24.
MAIN LIBRARY CLOSED MARCH 27

Kennedy Library will be closed Friday, March 27 for a staff retreat. The library will open again at 7 a.m. on Monday, March 30. The 24/7 Study Room will be open as scheduled from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. If you have questions, contact the Library Administration Office at ext. 6-2345.

DEADLINE FOR EFI PROPOSALS IS MARCH 30

The Extramural Funding Initiative (EFI) provides support to assist faculty in submitting competitive proposals for extramural funding. Deadline for proposal submissions for awards of mini-grants, assigned time and summer compensation for the next academic year is 5 p.m. Monday, March 30. For full application and submission instructions, visit the Research and Graduate Programs Web site at http://www.rgp.calpoly.edu or call the RGP office at ext. 6-1508.

ZIMBRA CALENDAR IS COMING: OPEN FORUM APRIL 3

The next step in the campus transition to Zimbra Collaboration Suite is the move from Oracle Calendar to Zimbra Calendar during the weekend of April 18-19. Information Technology Services will host an open forum Friday, April 3, 9 to 10:30 a.m. in Phillips Hall in the Performing Arts Center. Individual and managed (designate) calendar use will be demonstrated in the Zimbra Web client. Users who want a head start can visit the Zimbra calendar information page at http://email.calpoly.edu/zcalendar.html for video tutorials, guides, information on accessing the test calendar, and signing up for calendar training.

ONLINE COURSE DELIVERY IS TOPIC OF APRIL 6 TALK

Continuing Education will host Redesigning Your Course for Online Delivery spring quarter beginning April 6. Instructional Designer Tonia Malone will guide participants through various techniques, technologies and methods for developing effective online courses. With the advantage of support assistance and peer-to-peer idea exchange, this online course is ideal for beginner/intermediate Blackboard users. For more information and registration, visit: http://continuing-ed.calpoly.edu/dl_education.html.

PROFESSOR CHRISTINA FIRPO TO DISCUSS COLONIAL VIETNAM APRIL 6

The Cal Poly Women’s and Gender Studies Department will host Professor Christina Firpo Thursday, April 16, from 11 a.m. to noon in the Graphic Arts Building, Room 104. Firpo will discuss “‘Abandoned’ Children: Race, Empire and Miscegenation in Colonial Vietnam 1890-1956.” For more information, contact the Cal Poly Women’s and Gender Studies Department at ext. 6-1525 or wgs@calpoly.edu.

WOMENS' SPORTS, TITLE IX TOPIC OF APRIL 7 LECTURE

The Cal Poly Women’s and Gender Studies lecture series at the San Luis Obispo Public Library continues Tuesday, April 7. “Title IX: History, Impact, and Implications for Girls and Women in Sport,” is the topic of the fourth lecture by Kinesiology Professor Camille O’Bryant. The event is free and open to the public and begins at 6 p.m. at the library, at the corner of Palm and Osos.

BENJAMIN PIEKUT TO DISCUSS GENDER, JAZZ COMPOSERS GUILD APRIL 9

The College of Liberal Arts, the Ethnic Studies Department and the Music Department will host Benjamin Piekut on Thursday, April 9, from 11 a.m. to noon in the Graphic Arts Building, Room 104. Piekut will discuss “Gender and the New Thing: The Case of the Jazz Composers Guild.” For more information, contact Jane Lehr in the Ethnic Studies Department at ext. 6-6442 or jlehr@calpoly.edu.

CLFSA GENERAL MEETING SET FOR APRIL 10

The Chicana/Latino Faculty Staff Association will hold a general meeting at noon April 10 in the Kennedy Library, Room 202. Discussion topics include the upcoming Latino Issues Speaker series and other activities. Anyone interested in joining the CLFSA is welcome to attend. Membership is $20 per year. For more information, contact José Montelongo at jmontelo@calpoly.edu.

CHICANA LATINO FACULTY STAFF ASSOCIATION TO HOST DANIEL SOLÓRZANO APRIL 24

Daniel Solórzano, professor in Social Sciences and Comparative Education at the UCLA Graduate School of Education and Information Studies, will speak on campus as part of the Colloquium Speaker Series sponsored by the Chicana Latino Faculty Staff Association (CLFSA) on Friday, April 24, in Phillips Hall from 3:30 to 5 p.m. His talk will focus on Latinos in higher education.

Solórzano is the associate director the UCLA Chicano Studies Research Center and the associate director of the University of California All Campus Consortium on Research for Diversity (UC ACCORD), an interdisciplinary, multi-campus research center devoted to a more equitable distribution of educational resources and opportunities in California’s public schools and universities. He has published numerous research articles, book chapters and reports.

CSU SYMPOSIUM ON UNIVERSITY TEACHING IS MAY 2

Jim Eison will facilitate a workshop at the 12th CSU Symposium on University Teaching. Eison is a noted educational psychologist committed to teaching, learning and faculty development in higher education. He is the founding director of the Center for Teaching Enhancement at the University of South Florida. His workshop is titled, "Active Learning Strategies for Creating Excitement in Your Classroom: A Compendium of Instructional Possibilities."

The 12th CSU Regional Symposium on University Teaching is set for Saturday, May 2 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Kennedy Library. The peer-reviewed conference for teaching and learning provides individuals an opportunity to interact with faculty who are committed to excellence in teaching across the CSU system. Registration closes April 1 and is $25. The fee is
waived for Cal Poly faculty. For more information or to register, visit http://www.ctl.calpoly.edu/symposium/index.html.

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Register now for the 8th annual UC, CSU CCC Sustainability Conference. Early bird discounts are available through May 18. Scholarships and volunteering opportunities are also available. For more information, visit http://sustainability.ucsb.edu/conference/volunteer.php.

PASSINGS: BETTE JEAN TYRON
The Cal Poly community is invited to a Celebration of Life ceremony for Bette Jean Tryon, longtime professor in the Psychology and Child Development Department. Tyron passed away Feb. 1. The ceremony is set for Friday, April 3 from 2-4 p.m. in the Child Development Preschool Lab, Room 125. For more information, contact Margaret Booker at ext. 6-2456 or mbooker@calpoly.edu.

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