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CAL POLY REPORT
The Weekly Newsletter for Faculty and Staff

CAL POLY REPORT GOING TO SUMMER SCHEDULE AFTER JUNE 10
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The final issue of the Cal Poly Report for the 08/09 academic year will be June 10. There will be one issue per month during summer—July 15 and August 19. The regular Report will resume on Sept. 16. For current and archived issues, visit http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/cpreport/reportindex.html.

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EL CORRAL BOOKSTORE END OF YEAR SALE CONTINUES TODAY
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El Corral Bookstore’s Customer Appreciation Sale for faculty and staff continues today. Save 30 percent on most items including Cal Poly clothing and gifts; student, art and office supplies; general reading books; gardening, graduation and spring gifts; and much more. Sale is open to everyone on Thursday, June 4.

RETIREMENT RECEPTION FOR MARY KAY HARRINGTON SET FOR TODAY
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Join the Academic Programs Office at Mary Kay Harrington’s retirement reception today, Wednesday, June 3, 2-4 p.m., at VG Café in Sage Restaurant. During her more than thirty years of service to Cal Poly, Harrington played a leading role in the
development of the University Writing Lab, among other projects. Come send her off with good wishes and well-deserved appreciation.

HONORS DAY 2009 SET FOR TODAY

The University Honors Program is hosting Honors Day, an event highlighting the interdisciplinary undergraduate research projects conducted by Honors students under the supervision of faculty members across campus. This event is open to all faculty and staff. The event will be held in the Advanced Technologies Laboratories today, Wednesday, June 3, from 4-7 p.m.

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING SEMINAR SPEAKER SET FOR JUNE 5

Deanna Richards, independent consultant, will give a presentation titled, "The Challenge to Engineering: The Evolution of Technological Systems and Sustainability," on Friday, June 5, from 2:10-3 p.m. in Engineering East, Room 140. There will be a reception immediately following in the lobby of the Engineering East-Forbes Center. The presentation and reception are open to the public. For more information, visit http://cpe.calpoly.edu/media/uploads/resources/2009/05/29/15/17/dr_announcement.pdf.

CALIFORNIA RARE FRUIT GROWERS TO HOLD TASTING JUNE 6

The Horticulture and Crop Science Department, the California Rare Fruit Growers organization and the Dave Wilson Nursery are sponsoring a fruit tasting at 1 p.m. Saturday, June 6, at the Crops Unit. The public is invited to the free tasting event, which will feature 30 to 35 fresh fruits. For more information, visit http://calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2009/May/Fruit.html

RECEPTION HONORING CHERYL NEY SET FOR JUNE 9

Congratulations to Associate Vice Provost Cheryl Ney who will leave Cal Poly in July to become Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of Graduate Studies at California State University, Los Angeles. A reception in her honor will be held from 2-4 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9, in the Right Wing of Chumash Auditorium.

SHARON FUJITANI RETIREMENT RECEPTION SET FOR JUNE 9

Sharon Fujitani, College librarian for CAFES, is retiring after thirty-two years of service at Cal Poly. The Kennedy Library invites the campus community to a celebration of her friendship and many contributions to Cal Poly, from 3-5 p.m., Tuesday, June 9, in the Kennedy Library, Room 511. RSVP or inquiries to Joan Kennedy jkennedy@calpoly.edu or Anna Gold agold01@calpoly.edu.

ATTENTION LOCKER ROOM PATRONS: EMPTY LOCKERS BY JUNE 12

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Effective July 1, ASI will begin day to day management of Recreation Center locker rooms. Empty ALL lockers and remove personal locks by June 12. Kinesiology and Recreation Center staff will cut any locks and remove any remaining contents after June 12. Personal items removed from lockers will be disposed of by June 19. Clear your lockers in a timely manner. Patrons may address any questions about this process to Kinesiology Department Chair Camille O’Bryant at ext. 6-1787. ASI and the Kinesiology Department are working together to ensure a smooth transition.

2008-09 FEDERAL WORK-STUDY PROGRAM ENDS JUNE 13

Saturday, June 13 is the last day students may work through the Federal Work-Study Program for 2008-09. Work-Study payroll must be submitted prior to the June payroll deadline. Any ‘late’ payrolls will be processed through regular student pay since late Work-Study pay cannot be authorized. During finals week, Work-Study students may work up to 20 hours. There is no Federal Work-Study during the summer quarter. The 2009-10 Federal Work-Study Program will resume September 13.

PROVOST’S LEADERSHIP AWARD FOR PARTNERSHIP IN PHILANTHROPY

Nominations are being accepted for the Provost’s Leadership Award for Partnership in Philanthropy, which recognizes a current or former faculty member’s superior achievement in fundraising. The award recipient will be recognized at the 2009 Fall Conference. Faculty, staff and current students are eligible to submit nominations. The nomination form is available at http://www.academicaffairs.calpoly.edu/provost/ProvostLIPAward.html.

Nominations should be submitted to Eileen Amaral, University Advancement, Heron Hall, Room 208 no later than 5 p.m., June 19. Electronic submissions can be emailed to eamaral@calpoly.edu. For more information, contact Eileen Amaral at ext. 6-1590.

SANDRA SWART RETIREMENT RECEPTION SET FOR JUNE 26

Sandra Swart, a long-time and well-loved member of ITS-Media Distribution Services, is retiring after serving Cal Poly for 34 years. She began her Cal Poly career in the Home Economics department then moved to Media Distribution Services in 1995. For the last 14 years, Sandra has been managing the Media Resource Center in the Cotchett Education Building where she has served the campus community with her spirit, kind energy and good work. We wish her well as she ventures out of the basement of the Cotchett Education Building to continue her global travels and grow tomatoes in Los Osos.

Come help celebrate Sandra’s Cal Poly career at the Leaning Pine Arboretum on Friday, June 26 between 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. If unable to attend the Friday celebration, stop by the Cotchett Education Building, Room 9 to wish her well.
POLY CANYON VILLAGE RESTAURANTS & CANYON POST OPEN THIS SUMMER

Poly Canyon Village is open this summer so come on down. It’s just a seven-minute walk from the UU or a quick drive with lots of parking using your Cal Poly parking permit or paid meter rate. Retail hours are:

- Canyon Post (mailing services and dry cleaning) Mon-Fri from 2 p.m.-5 p.m.
- Village Market (try our new gourmet deli sandwiches) Mon-Fri 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Einstein Bros. Bagels (toasted bagels, espresso drinks and salads) Mon-Fri 7:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

For all Campus Dining summer hours, visit http://www.calpolycorporation.com/campusdining/hours.asp?pid=2.

SARC TO HOST BEST-SELLING AUTHOR MICHAL POLLAN OCT. 14-15

The College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences’ Sustainable Agriculture Resource Consortium will host its fifth annual fundraiser Oct. 14-15. This year’s guest speaker will be nationally recognized author, journalist, teacher and sustainable foods advocate Michael Pollan. More information is available at his Web site, www.michaelpollan.com. The fundraiser event features a gourmet dinner on October 14, at 5:30 p.m. at the Conway Family Vineyards at Rancho Arroyo Grande, prepared by some of the Central Coast’s finest chefs and vintners. Tickets to the fundraiser dinner are $150 per person.

In addition to appearing at the dinner, Pollan will give a free public lecture Thursday, Oct. 15 in Harman Hall of the Performing Arts Center, at 11 a.m. The public lecture will be preceded by a “Sustainability Showcase” hosted by the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences in the Performing Arts Center lobby and a “Sustainability Fair” organized by Cal Poly students on the PAC Plaza, both at 10 a.m.

The Sustainable Agriculture Resource Consortium is assembling a volunteer core of students to assist with the Oct. 15 event. Faculty and staff are invited to direct students and ideas to Hunter Francis, ext. 6-5086 if they are interested in participating in the many opportunities available. Also call him for tickets or more information, or visit www.sarc.calpoly.edu.

PROFESSORS ENGLE, WENDT NAMED 2009 DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARS

Cal Poly has named a professor of psychology and child development and an associate professor of biological sciences to receive the university’s Distinguished Scholarship Award for 2008-09, the sixth year for the award program. Psychology and Human Development Professor Patrice L. Engle and Biological Sciences Associate Professor Dean Wendt were recognized for helping improve the human condition and quality of life and demonstrating the possibilities of the teacher-scholar model. Engle and Wendt were
selected from 119 nominations and 15 finalists. For more information, visit http://calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2009/May/distinguished_scholars.html.

GEE, LEONE, RODRIGUEZ NAMED OUTSTANDING STAFF
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Three employees chosen to receive the 2008-2009 Outstanding Staff Award are Vera Gee, administrative analyst/specialist in Admissions, Recruitment and Financial Aid; George Leone, equipment technician II in the Mechanical Engineering department; and Colleen Rodriguez, administrative support assistant in Fiscal Services-Payroll Services. The award recipients will be recognized and presented with their awards by the President at Fall Conference on Monday, Sept. 14 in the Christopher Cohan Performing Arts Center. Read comments about the recipients at http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2009/June/outstanding.html.

UNIVERSITY HOUSING HOSTED APPRECIATION BRUNCH
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The University Housing department hosted its annual appreciation brunch on May 21 to honor faculty and staff for their commitment working with students in University Housing learning communities. Nominees and winners of the faculty and staff awards were instrumental in working with University Housing staff to build intentional strategies for students to connect their in-class learning to learning in the residence halls and on-campus apartments. Their commitment to students has been demonstrated by their participation in events such as honor banquets, academic support programs, faculty office hours in housing, diversity and cultural inclusion events and various social events.

Nominees included Richard Baker, Monica Schechter, Tom Trice, Christina Abel, Bryce Jenkin, Corrina Kahnke, Wayne Howard, Bill Kellogg, Jennifer Ashley, Richard Besel, Tanya Chroman, Donna Davis, Melanie Senn, Phil Bailey, Lisbeth Ceasar, Mendy Dearborn, Elena Keeling, Chris Meadows, Markel Quarles, Brian Tietje, Tammy Martin, Maria Sklar, Dan Walsh, Al Hauck, Bob Howell and Paul Weber.

The 2008-2009 award recipients were David Mitchell, Sari Pinto, Meg Streiff, Mary Pedersen, Penny Bennett, Elena Keeling, Henri de Hahn, Joe Brocato, Karen Bangs and Trish Stewart. Special thanks goes out to the hundreds of faculty, staff and community partners who have participated in University Housing’s faculty and staff involvement programs and activities.

CAT PROGRAM HOLDS FIRST GOLF TOURNAMENT
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The non-profit Cal Poly Cat Program held its first annual Golf Tournament on May 16 at Laguna Golf Course. After the tournament, a barbeque and raffle drawing took place. Raffle prizes were donated by Athletics (football, softball, baseball, golf and wrestling), Campus Dining, Food Science and Nutrition, Commuter Services, Cal Poly Plant Shop, ROTC, Natural Resource Management, Dairy Science, Poultry and Industrial Technology. Prizes also were donated by Laguna Golf Course, Conway Trucking, Grilli
Trucking, Paso Robles Golf Course, Grizzly Academy, Miranda’s Landscaping, Cypress Ridge and Rudy Alfaro Jr.

First place went to the team of Jim Motley, Distribution Services; Cheryl Mollan, Facility Services; Neal Jerome, emeritus; and Geri Bolivar, Facility Services. After a “Putt Off,” second place went to the team of Brian Thurmond, Athletics; Elaine Thurmond, Admissions and Recruitment; Tony Domingues, Admissions and Recruitment; and Diane Scaife, Financial Aid. All proceeds went to veterinary expenses and shelter supplies.

WEIGHT WATCHERS IS COMING TO CAL POLY

Cal Poly has the opportunity to be part of the more than 10,000 corporations hosting Weight Watchers at Work meetings. Weight Watchers provides professionally trained staff, program materials developed by experts in the field of nutrition and weight management, and confidential weigh-ins. If you are interested in participating and would like to attend a free information meeting, contact Joy Harkins at jharkins@calpoly.edu.

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