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News

Poly Named No. 2 in the Nation for Aerospace and Defense Recruitment

Aviation Week & Space Technology recently named Cal Poly second in the nation for industry workforce recruiting. The publication is the largest multimedia information and services provider to the global aviation, aerospace and defense industries. Cal Poly tied for the No. 2 ranking with Purdue and Penn State, while Virginia Tech ranked first.

[More on the ranking](#)



What Helps Keep the Weight Off? Kinesiology Professor's Study Finds Out

Cal Poly Kinesiology Professor Suzanne Phelan teamed up with professors from other universities to find the difference between obese dieters who can't lose weight, and successful dieters who lose weight and keep it off. The study results are published in the October edition of *The Annals of Behavioral Medicine*. One finding: successful weight losers have more exercise equipment and fewer TVs in their houses than obese people.

[More on Professor Phelan's study, including keys to weight-loss success](#)

Society of Women Engineers Makes

History

Cal Poly Society of Women Engineers (SWE) has again set the "gold standard" for university SWE chapters across the nation with four first place awards at the SWE National Conference held Oct. 15-17 in Long Beach. Cal Poly brought home the Gold Level Award as the nation's top Outstanding Collegiate Section and first for Outstanding Outreach Event/Series.

[More on the SWE Awards](#)



There will not be a Nov. 25 issue of Cal Poly Report

Cal Poly Report will resume Dec. 2. Please submit your items for the Dec. 2 issue by 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 30. If you have an announcement or event to announce for Nov. 23-25, please submit your item for the Nov. 18 issue.

Faculty and Staff

Promotions

Lynn Moody, College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences - named department head of the Earth and Soil Science Department, effective Sept. 1.

Retirement Reception for Ken Kenyon and Nancy Loe Set for Nov. 5

Join the Kennedy Library staff and faculty in honoring Library Assistant Ken Kenyon and Librarian Nancy Loe on the occasion of their retirement from Special Collections and University Archives. Ken began work in the library as a student assistant in Learning Resources and Curriculum in the mid-1970s and has worked in Government Documents and Maps, Current Periodicals, and Special Collections and University Archives. Ken has served on the board of Moebius for the past five years. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in English at Cal Poly. Nancy has served as Head of Special Collections and University Archives since 1982, the first professional archivist hired by the university. She has published and presented extensively on the life and work of California architect Julia Morgan and in 2001 wrote the centennial history of the university, "Cal Poly: The First Hundred Years." The reception will be held Nov. 5 from 3:30-5 p.m. in Room 409 of the Kennedy Library. To RSVP, contact Catherine Trujillo at ext. 6-6395 or ctrujill@calpoly.edu.

Johanna Brown Retires

Johanna Brown, head of collection management for the Robert E. Kennedy Library, retired Nov. 1 after 40 years of service. Brown began her academic library career at the University of Montana in Missoula in 1967 and came to Cal Poly and the Dexter Library in 1969. She served in many capacities at the library and represented Kennedy Library and the university on the Academic Senate, and on Senate, university, CSU, national and professional committees and boards.

Did You Know? Maintenance

Did you know that anyone can report a campus maintenance concern? Just call 6-5555 or e-mail facserv@calpoly.edu to report a maintenance problem.

Campus Announcements

Recommend Students for Resident/Community Adviser Positions

University Housing asks faculty and staff to nominate students who would make excellent Resident and Community Advisers for the 2010-11 academic year. Advisors promote resident safety and provide educational, social, academic and cultural programs. Applicants should be dependable and exhibit leadership skills while maintaining sensitivity to the needs of others. Faculty and staff can send names and contact information of nominees to slai02@calpoly.edu. Applicants are encouraged to apply online beginning Nov. 10 at <http://advisors.calpoly.edu>.

New Salad and Soup Bar at Campus Market

Enjoy the new 14 foot-long salad and soup bar at the Campus Market with more than 20 fresh salad toppings to choose from and two daily soup specials. For a limited time, Campus Market is offering special salad bar pricing of **14 ¢/ounce** (regular price is 39 ¢/ounce) through Nov. 15.

Curbside Grill Stop Schedule for week of Nov. 2

Curbside Grill, the newest restaurant on campus, is rolling out to various locations near you! Follow Curbside on Twitter at www.twitter.com/polydeals to receive location updates.

This Week's Schedule:

Breakfast: Monday-Thursday 7:30-9 a.m. at California Blvd. and North Stadium

Lunch: Monday-Thursday 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. near the Frank E. Pilling Building and the Graphic Arts Building

Dinner: Monday - Thursday 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the H2 parking lot

Late Night: Monday-Thursday 9:30-11:30 p.m. in Poly Canyon Village, near the pool area

Where Do Students Learn?

Want to know the answer? Read Cal Poly's self-study at www.wasc.calpoly.edu. Comment period ends Friday.

Foundation Board Meeting Set for Nov. 7

The Cal Poly Foundation Board of Directors will hold its board meeting, which is open to the public, at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Albert B. Smith Alumni Center on the Cal Poly campus. For more information about the meeting or to obtain a copy of the agenda, call Sandra Ogren, vice president for Advancement, at ext. 6-1445.

Get a Ham Radio License in One Day - Workshop Set for Nov. 7

The Cal Poly Amateur Radio Club will host a one-day licensing session from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7 in Engineering East, Room 129. The full-day class is \$25 and includes a test bank and snacks. The fee for the exam only is \$15, and the exam begins at 4 p.m. Attendees are asked to bring a pencil, their Social Security number and two forms of ID (one with a photo). RSVP for attendance to calpolyradioclub@gmail.com. Learn more about the Amateur Radio Club at www.w6bhz.org

Passings/In Memoriam

Retired Professors Die in Traffic Accident

Shirlene Ann Soto and her husband, Walter Elliott, died in a car accident Oct. 23. Professor Soto taught at several universities in addition to teaching History at Cal Poly. They included the University of New Mexico, College of the Canyons, UCLA and University of Northridge. Professor Elliot served in the military during World War II and taught physics at Cal Poly in his early days.

[Read the SLO Tribune obituary on retired professors Soto and Elliott](#)

Events



Tibet's Sacred Music, Dance Showcased Nov. 5

Cal Poly Arts presents the Tibetan Monks of Drepung Loseling Monastery in a spectacle of multi-phonetic throat singing and chanting. The monks' mystic art creates an aura of otherworldliness when experienced live. The monks will also be in residence at the university for four days while they create an amazing Mandala Sand Painting in Cal Poly's McPhee Student Union.

[More on the Tibetan Monks](#)

International Artists Start Working Residency Program and Exhibit

Nov. 5

Cal Poly Art and Design Department is hosting a contingent of faculty artists from Silpakorn University's Art Centre in Thailand. The resident artists will create new work as part of the residency program Nov. 5 - 10, and display their art in the exhibit "Elemental: Thailand Artist Exchange" at the University Art Gallery Nov. 12 through Dec. 5.

[Read more about the Thai artists in residency](#)

Hear Jethro Tull's Ian Anderson Unplugged Nov. 7

Cal Poly Arts presents founding Jethro Tull band member Ian Anderson in acoustic concert Nov. 7. As the self-professed "unplugged guy with a bunch of noisy friends," Ian Anderson commands much respect as an acoustic musician amongst his peers. The only original member of Jethro Tull, he has remained synonymous with the brand identity. Now, after 40 years of leading Tull to 52 countries spanning several continents, Anderson brings his new acoustic tour to old and new friends alike.

[More on Anderson Unplugged](#)



Darwin Bicentennial Talk Set for Nov. 17

The Research Scholars in Residence Program will sponsor a seminar by Bob Field on "Darwin in the Garden: The Evolution of Land Plants." The seminar is set for Tuesday, Nov. 17 at 7 p.m. in Room 510-B of Kennedy Library. The talk is free and open to the public. Field will use a visit to a Mediterranean garden to illustrate how the Earth and its biosphere have been evolving for billions of years. The presentation will explore the relationships among plants, animals, algae, fungi and bacteria. As a research scholar in residence at Cal Poly, Field has been developing and teaching courses on solar and global evolution, studying the structure and evolution of the Sun and the Earth, and supervising student projects as an adjunct physics professor. As a docent at the Morro Bay State Park Museum of Natural History, he prepared state park walks and animated slide shows for more than 10 years.

Job Vacancies

#101974 – Planner/Estimator/Scheduler, Student Affairs, University Housing, \$3,855-\$5,781/month. Closes: Nov. 13.

#101965 – Tenure Track, Agriculture Education & Communication, Agriculture Education & Communication Department, College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences, ext. 6-2803. Closes: Dec. 11.

#101966 – Tenure Track, German, Modern Languages & Literatures Department, College of Liberal Arts, ext. 6-2269. Closes: Dec. 4.

#101967 – Tenure Track, Mandarin Chinese, Modern Languages & Literatures Department, College of Liberal Arts, ext. 6-2269. Closes: Dec. 4.

#101972 – Tenure Track, Music Director of Bands, Music Department, College of Liberal Arts, ext. 6-2607. Closes: Nov. 30.

#101964 – Science Teacher and Research (STAR) Program Manager, Full-Time Lecturer Position, Center for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Education (CESaME), College of Science and Mathematics, ext. 6-2403. Review begins: Nov. 15.

#101939 – Part-Time Lecturer Pool, Wine and Viticulture, Horticulture and Crop Science Department, College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences, ext. 6-1237. EXTENDED Review begins: Nov. 16.

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