

Cal Poly Report - Dec. 15, 2010

Cal Poly Report will be on holiday Dec. 22 and 29. Report returns Jan. 5, 2011

News

Armstrong Named Cal Poly President

The California State University Board of Trustees today named Jeffrey D. Armstrong, dean of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and professor of Animal Science at Michigan State University, as president of California Polytechnic State University. Armstrong will assume the Cal Poly presidency Feb. 1, 2011.

[Read the CSU News Release](#)

[Read Armstrong's Bio](#) | [Read Armstrong's CV](#)



Cal Poly Creamery's Holiday Egnog is Back

Cal Poly is once again producing eggnog for the holiday season. Dairy Plant Manager Jerry Mattas said the silky 'nog sold out so quickly last year that the creamery produced five times more this year. "Each delivery to Spencer's Market sold out within 48 hours," Mattas said.

[For more on holiday eggnog](#)



Creamery's Annual Holiday Cheese Now on Sale

The historic Cal Poly Creamery is once again offering gift packs of its student-made cheeses for the holidays. The seven varieties for sale are Gouda, Smoked Gouda, Mustang Cheddar, Smoked Cheddar, Chipotle Jack, San Luis Lace and reduced-fat Lace. The Gouda and San Luis Lace are award-winning cheeses.

[Details on Creamery's Annual Holiday Cheese](#)

Mid-Year Commencement 2010

About 750 students graduated in three commencement ceremonies Dec. 11. They were among roughly 900 seniors who earned

degrees at mid-year. Cal Poly is now on Winter Break.



Faculty and Staff

Outstanding Staff Award Nominations Due Jan. 21

Nominations are being accepted through Jan. 21 for Cal Poly's Outstanding Staff Award. Visit the [Outstanding Staff Web page](#) for more information, including: Nomination form; eligibility requirements; nomination criteria. For more information, contact Ben Johnson, Outstanding Staff Committee chair,

at brjohnso@calpoly.edu.

IEP Faculty-Led Programs Moves to Summer Quarter

The International Education and Programs faculty-led program to Thailand has moved to summer quarter. During the Thai Study Summer 2012 program, students will study in Chiang Mai and Bangkok. Students and faculty will participate in community service learning projects, study issues of coastal development and visit Angkor Wat in Cambodia. The application deadline has been extended to March 1, 2011. For an application, visit the [faculty-led web site](#) or contact Jennifer O'Brien at jeobrien@calpoly.edu | http://iep.calpoly.edu/iep_faculty/teaching_opportunities/faculty_led.html

University Cashier December Payroll Distribution Announcement

Only individuals will be able to pick up their December paychecks at the University Cashier's Office from 3 to 5 p.m. Dec. 31. All remaining checks will be available for normal departmental pickup only Monday, Jan. 3, beginning at 8 a.m. No individual pickups after Dec. 31. A Cal Poly Photo ID is required for ALL pickups.

CSU Offers Financial Planning Options

The [Human Resources benefits web site](#) is currently highlighting two benefit programs available to assist you with financial planning and tax-deferred savings. Take a minute to review the [special message and flyer](#) about the CSU Tax Sheltered Annuity program and how it can help you now to save money on taxes and invest in your future. Also, consider registering for membership in the HelloWallet online personal finance tool, available **FREE** through Dec. 31. See the HelloWallet [Reminder Notice](#) for details, as well as a link to the "Getting Started" online webinar you can view at any time. Do something good for yourself today. Learn about these programs, and take advantage of the valuable benefits they offer.

CALPERS Accepting Nominations for 2011 Special Board Election

The California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) is accepting nominations for potential candidates for a CalPERS Board of Administration representative position. CalPERS will conduct the election in 2011. This special election is being held to fill the vacant Member-At-Large Position B seat, and the term will begin upon Secretary of State certification and expire Jan. 15, 2014. The CalPERS Board is responsible for management and control of the administration and investment of the retirement fund and renewal of the annual health insurance contracts for State employees.

Nominees must be active State CalPERS members employed by a CalPERS-covered agency as of Nov. 15, 2010. Nomination petitions, available from CalPERS, must contain at least 250 original signatures of active and/or retired members of CalPERS and must be received at the CalPERS headquarters in Sacramento by 5 p.m. Jan. 6, 2011.

Procedures for becoming a candidate and the election schedule are included in the "Notice of Election" posted in Human Resources and on the [HR benefits web site](#).

CalPERS members who are active March 1, 2011, are eligible to vote in this election. Ballots will be mailed directly to eligible active members April 21, 2011. Marked ballots must be postmarked or received by CalPERS by May 19, 2011. Any eligible member who does not receive a ballot by May 5, 2011, should contact the Board Elections Office at 800-794-2297 or 916-795-3952.

Campus Announcements

SESLOC Campus Branch to Close Friday

This Friday, the Cal Poly branch of SESLOC Federal Credit Union will move its operations to SESLOC's main branch at 11491 Los Osos Valley Road. SESLOC members can continue to bank at any of the four branch locations (SLO, Arroyo Grande, Atascadero and

Paso Robles), as well as on-line. SESLOC is also working on a plan to provide an on-campus ATM.

Vanpool Openings Available

Try it free for a week. Vanpooling helps save on gas, vehicle wear and tear, parking fees and insurance costs. If you're interested in trying a vanpool, we'll let you ride free for a week (on vans with current vacancies). For more information, contact Susan Rains, Commuter and Access Services coordinator at ext. 6-6680 or srains@calpoly.edu.

Holiday Poinsettias on Sale at the Poly Plant Shop

Poly Plant Shop is selling more than 30 varieties of holiday poinsettias. Prices range from \$5 to \$55 and come in all colors and sizes. Stop by Poly Plant Shop and pick up a poinsettia for your home or to give to someone special.

Maintaining Instructor Effectiveness

CTL and the School of Education will offer a seminar on techniques and strategies for increasing college teaching effectiveness from 3 to 6 p.m. Mondays beginning Jan. 3 and ending March 7. Current research has demonstrated that effective instructors utilize at least four instructional skills: selecting an objective at the appropriate level of difficulty; teaching to the objective; monitoring students and adjusting teaching; and using principles of learning. This seminar will stress the practical applications of such research in maximizing learning, promoting motivation to learn, and increasing the speed and effectiveness of learning.

Registration is encouraged; send e-mail to ctl@calpoly.edu.

Bella Montana, A Faculty and Staff Housing Community

Visit the Bella Montana Homes [web site](#) for available homes for sale.



Save 10 Percent at Julian's Patisserie in December

Receive 10 percent off orders at Julian's Patisserie, located on the second floor of the Kennedy Library. Offer good during the month of December and cannot be combined with any other offer. Visit the Campus Dining web site for [regular business hours](#).

Last Chance to order Holiday Pies and Meals

Place your orders before Dec. 17 for your favorite desserts, meals and a la carte side dishes. Receive \$5 off your next holiday meal order by using promo code "HOLIDAYS2010" when placing your order online. Place orders online today at the [Campus Dining Holiday web site](#), stop by Village Market in Poly Canyon Village or call ext. 6-1959. Program ends Dec. 21.

Graphic Arts Workshops for Everyone in January and March

Register now for four information-packed graphic communication workshops: Beyond Snapshots - Taking Photography to the Next Level (NEW); Photoshop - Basic Production for Web and Print; InDesign CS5 Jumpstart; and Deconstructing Web Pages. Cal Poly employee and multi-workshop discounts available. For more information, visit [GrCI's web site](#) or send e-mail to lsing@calpoly.edu.

Don't Forget to Vote for Cal Poly on New Year's Day

On New Year's Day, look for Cal Poly's 63rd consecutive entry in the Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena. This year's entry, titled "Galactic Expedition," features a busy group of children in an exciting space adventure. Included in the design of the float are a large animated rocket, a functioning crane and a rotating planet. Cal Poly's float will be in the first quarter of the parade, so get up early. Plan on voting for Cal Poly for the Viewer's Choice Award again as well. Cal Poly won the inaugural Viewer's Choice Award in

2008 and then repeated in 2009, along with winning the Bob Hope Humor Trophy. This year, voting will be conducted both online and via texting. Bookmark the following link for details and support Cal Poly on Jan. 1. <http://www.tournamentofroses.com/the-rose-parade/vote/viewers-choice-award> For additional Information, contact Josh D'Acquisto at ext. 6-1182 or jdacquis@calpoly.edu.

Save the Date: Service Awards Luncheon set for March 9

State, Corporation and ASI employees with milestone service anniversaries in 2010 will be honored at the Service Awards Luncheon from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 9, 2011, in Chumash Auditorium. Phil Bailey, dean of the College of Science and Mathematics, will be master of ceremonies. Tickets are \$10 and will be sold Feb. 1-25, 2011. IMPORTANT NOTE: Tickets will be taken at the door to ensure seating for all ticket holders. Watch for more information in an upcoming issue of Cal Poly Report, including where you can purchase tickets.

Events

SLOHS & LMS Winter Choir Concert Dec. 15

The San Luis Obispo High School and Laguna Middle School choirs will perform their winter concert program with music from many traditions Dec. 15 at 7 p.m.

[More information on SLOHS & LMS Choir](#)

Blind Boys of Alabama in Holiday Concert Dec. 16

Hear the Blind Boys of Alabama in "Go Tell It on the Mountain" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, in the Christopher Cohan Center. The Blind Boys of Alabama have been singing gospel music for more than 70 years. "Go Tell It on the Mountain" is a special holiday engagement, celebrating the spirit of Christmas with all the energy and soul of old-time gospel, complete with the sweet harmonies and exuberant charisma for which the Blind Boys are legendary. A special guest artist will open the show.

Details on Blind Boys of Alabama at www.calpolyarts.org



Cuesta Master Chorale: Voices of the Season Dec. 18

The Cuesta Master Chorale and Orchestra will perform its annual holiday concert Dec. 18 at 8 p.m. with a selection of spiritual music from Baroque, Romantic, and 20th century composers. Conductor Thomas Davies is also including a festive medley of traditional carols, which will infuse a holiday spirit into this winter evening concert.

[Details on the Cuesta Master Chorale and Orchestra performance](#)

Fourth Annual Forbes Pipe Organ Holiday Concert & Sing-Along Dec. 19

A traditional holiday show with an interactive twist! The fourth annual Forbes Pipe Organ Holiday Concert & Sing-Along comes to the Christopher Cohan Center at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19. This memorable, heart-warming concert will feature performances by the Vocal Arts Ensemble, the Central Coast Children's Choir and Cal Poly University Organist Paul Woodring playing a collection of holiday carols on the magnificent Forbes Pipe Organ while audience members sing along. All proceeds will benefit the Performing Arts Center's Youth Outreach program (YOPAC) and the two participating community choirs.

[More information on holiday concert](#)



SLO Symphony New Year's Eve Dec. 31

Soprano Maria Jette will join Michael Nowak and the orchestra for a winter "pops" concert filled with Broadway show tunes, movie music and delightfully familiar old standards. We'll all sing



"Auld Lang Syne" as the ball drops in New York (East Coast time!) leaving plenty of time for more celebrations out on the town! Pre-Concert Champagne Reception begins at 6 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center and at 7:30 p.m. the concert begins.

[Details on the New Year's Eve celebration here](#)

Job Vacancies

State Employment Opportunities

The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted at <http://calpolyjobs.org>. To apply, go online and complete the application form. For assistance, call Human Resources at ext. 6-2236.

#102207 - Administrative Support Coordinator I, College of Engineering, Dean's Office, \$2,808 -\$4,212 per month. Open until filled. Review begins: Jan. 3, 2011.

#102208 – Assistant to the Dean, Administrative Support Coordinator II, College of Engineering, Dean's Office, \$3,074 -\$4,615 per month. Open until filled. Review begins: Jan. 3, 2011.

THIS INTERNAL RECRUITMENT IS OPEN TO CAL POLY EMPLOYEES ONLY (State, Corporation, and ASI)

#102215 – Budget Analyst, Administrative Analyst/Specialist, Non-Exempt, Academic Affairs, Library Administration \$3,245 -\$5,193 per month. Open until filled. Review begins: Jan. 14, 2011.

Executive Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit the online employment web site at <http://calpolyjobs.org> to view detailed information about the following vacancies, and to complete the management application to apply for the positions shown below. Please submit all requested application materials as attachments to your online application. For assistance, call Academic Personnel at ext. 6-6570.

#102203 – Dean, College of Engineering, Administrator IV, salary commensurate with experience. Open until filled. Review begins: Jan. 12, 2011.

#102191 – Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, Administrator III, Intercollegiate Athletics, salary commensurate with experience. Open until filled. Review begins: Dec. 3, 2010.

#102181 – Vice President for University Advancement, Administrator IV, University Advancement, salary commensurate with experience. Open until filled. Review begins: Nov. 22, 2010.

Faculty Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit the online employment web site at <http://calpolyjobs.org> to complete an application and apply for any of the positions shown below. Submit all requested application materials as attachments to your online application, unless otherwise specified in the ad.

There are no new job openings at this time.

Corporation Employment Opportunities

Cal Poly Corporation is a separate corporation operating in concert with the university to provide a diverse range of services and resources to students, faculty and staff. For an application, visit Human Resources in the Corporation Administration Building, check the web site at <http://www.calpolycorporation.org> or call ext. 6-1121.

There are no new job openings at this time.

ASI Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit <http://www.asi.calpoly.edu> to complete an application and apply for positions listed below. For more information, contact the ASI Business Office in UU, Room 212 or call ext. 6-5800.

Building Service Worker - full-time, \$12.47 per hour. Position closes at 5 p.m. Jan. 3, 2011.

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