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News

Take a Trip to Polywood for Open House April 14-16

Cal Poly's 18th annual Open House invites prospective and current students, alumni and the community to experience the glamour and glitz of "Polywood!," the theme for the April 14-16 event. On Thursday, April 14, the Open House Committee invites visiting students and their families to a "Casting Call" in downtown San Luis Obispo at the community's renowned Farmers Market. And Friday, April 15, takes students "Behind the Scenes," offering a sneak peak of Cal Poly's academics in which student can learn about curricula, hear from college deans and talk with faculty and current students.

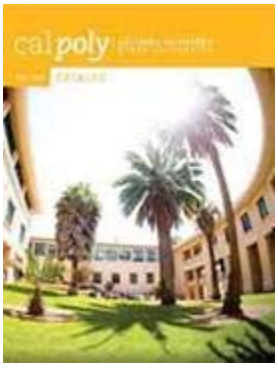
On Saturday, April 16, the Cal Poly campus will be "In the Spotlight," showcasing more than 200 clubs and organizations nestled beneath the "Polywoood Hills." The Campus Showcase is open to the public and will feature special events such as the Poly Royal Parade, a Kids' Fair, live music, the Cal Poly Tractor Pull, the Cal Poly Rodeo and more.

For more information about Open House, visit http://orientation.calpoly.edu/openhouse or call ext. 6-7576.

Cal Poly Students Spend Spring Break Volunteering in New York

Twelve Cal Poly students spent spring break volunteering at New York's Food Bank. The group helped to organize goods in the Food Bank's Bronx warehouse, which serves more than 1,000 community-based programs throughout the five boroughs. The students prepared and served meals in Harlem's community kitchen, and they delivered meals to the elderly by foot on a snowy New York day. Together, they volunteered more than 300 hours over four days.

The trip was an Alternative Breaks service trip hosted by the university and sponsored by Student Life & Leadership. The group included freshmen through seniors, and represented all seven colleges. For more information about the program visit www.studentlife.calpoly.edu/communitycenter/AltBreaks.asp.



The 2011-13 Cal Poly Catalog is Now Online

The 2011-13 Cal Poly Catalog, effective summer 2011 – spring 2013, is now available online at http://www.catalog.calpoly.edu/. The web site is still under construction, but links are currently available to course descriptions; college and department pages, including curricula; general education; and US Cultural Pluralism. Links to all sections of the catalog will soon be provided.

Amateur Radio Club Members Help with Emergency Communications for March 11 Tsunami

Members of the Cal Poly Amateur Radio Club assisted with emergency communications for tsunami warnings along the West Coast on March 11, following the massive earthquake in Japan. Throughout the day, club members (who are all licensed ham radio operators) relayed first-hand reports of the tsunami's North American impact along the Pacific coast. The Cal Poly club worked with radio operators at the Morro Bay Fire Department, relaying reports on wave surges and swells to the nationwide Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network (SATERN).

Established in 1947 and currently the nation's largest collegiate amateur radio club, CPARC has participated in communications support for several historic disasters, including the Highway 41 Fire and the Loma Prieta earthquake. For more information about the club, visit http://www.w6bhz.org or contact Marcel Stieber at ext. 6-2737 or calpolyradioclub@gmail.com.

Faculty and Staff

College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences Recognizes Outstanding Faculty and Staff

The College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences recently honored 11 faculty and staff members for their outstanding work and accomplishments in 2010. Several of the awards, presented by Dean David Wehner, are supported by members of the agriculture industry. Recipients included Professor Bob Flores (AGED), Associate Professor Peggy Papathakis (FSN), Richard Gearhart (AGED), Professor Brian Dietterick (NRM), Melinda Lynch (HCS), Professor David Headrick (HCS), Aaron Lazanoff (ASCI), Ellen Calcagno (NRM), Coral Norris (ITRC), Brenda Flood (FSN) and Sue Tonik (CAFES Deans' Office).
More on the awards

Library and ITS to Merge into Information Services

Tim Kearns, who has served nearly six years as vice provost for Information Technology Services and chief information officer, will return to the Computer Science faculty this summer. Kearns says he's looking forward to teaching and pursuing research in computational neuroscience.

Mike Miller, dean of the Kennedy Library, has agreed to take on the additional duties of overseeing ITS and merging the two into one division, Information Services. Besides his library experience, Miller has degrees in Information Science and Interactive Telecommunications and has worked extensively with IT and academic technology people at Stanford University and the University of Michigan. Miller will become the new CIO effective mid-July.
Read Provost Koob's memo

Wayne Montgomery Retirement Celebration April 13

After 29 years of dedicated service to students, faculty and staff, Engineering Librarian Wayne Montgomery will retire April 22. The Robert E. Kennedy Library invites the campus community to celebrate Montgomery's retirement and honor his many contributions to the campus through his service as a librarian and a member of the Cal Poly faculty. Join us Wednesday, April 13, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Kennedy Library, Room 511. For more information, contact Gayle Chipman at ext. 6-1491 or gchipman@calpoly.edu.

Campus Announcements

One-Day Parking Meter Permit Now Available

The parking program is now offering a one-calendar-day parking permit valid at all Cal Poly parking meters. The "scratch off" daily meter permit will sell for $9. There is no restriction on who may purchase the permits. Parking meters are located throughout campus and are some of the most convenient parking spaces available for campus visitors, guests, employees and students. Meter permits are sold at the University Cashier's Office, University Police, and the Visitor Information Center.

President's Diversity Award Nominations Due April 22

The President's Diversity Award is designed to celebrate campus units that have exhibited commitment to the value of cultural diversity. Provided that deserving entities are nominated in each category, the award is shared between a recognized student organization and another unit of the university or auxiliary (such as a department or program). Each winning unit receives a $1,000 augmentation to its budget for one year. Visit the Inclusive Excellence web site and get the nomination form. Any faculty, staff or student may nominate an eligible campus unit for this award. Nomination information and the electronic nomination form can be found on the Inclusive Excellence site. Deadline for all submissions is April 22.

Faculty and Staff Can Nominate Inspiring Students for Scholarship

Nominations are being sought from faculty and staff for truly unusual students who have overcome personal tragedy or hardship that suggests an inner strength and a commitment to maintain academic progress. Letters of nomination are due April 22 and should include: name of the nominee; a description of the nominee's personal strengths and potential for success; insight into the character of the nominee; and the nominee's ability to excel under personal adversity. Direct letters of nomination to: Courtney Elizabeth Smyth Memorial Scholarship, c/o Student Life & Leadership, University Union, Room 217. For more information, contact Stephan Lamb at ext. 6-6509.

Outstanding Student Employee Reception is Thursday

A reception for the 29 nominees for Cal Poly's Outstanding Student Employee of the Year is set for 11 a.m. to noon Thursday, April 14, in the Albert B. Smith Alumni & Conference Center. President Armstrong will give remarks and congratulate each student nominee. Cal Poly's 2010-11 Outstanding Student Employee of the Year will be announced during the reception. Cal Poly student employees, supervisors and supporters of student employees are welcome to attend. Attendees will celebrate the important achievements, contributions and exceptional service student employees give to the university. Congratulations to this year's outstanding student employees.

Cal Poly Community Center to Honor Student Volunteers Thursday

The Community Center at Cal Poly is hosting an event to honor Cal Poly students who have volunteered in the community. The event will run 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 14 in the Cal Poly Performing Arts Center lobby and will include complimentary food and drink. Students, faculty and staff are invited to see how Cal Poly students have contributed to the San Luis Obispo community and how they can get involved. Numerous local nonprofit agencies will showcase their organizations and celebrate the contributions of Cal Poly volunteers.

Cal Poly Foundation Board to Meet on May 7

The Cal Poly Foundation Board of Directors will hold its next board meeting, which is open to the public, at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, May 7, at the Bonderson Projects Center. For more information about the meeting, or to obtain a copy of the agenda, call the Cal Poly Foundation office at ext. 6-1445.

Poly Escapes Offers Outdoor Gear Rentals

Poly Escapes is the best place to find the highest quality outdoor gear at the lowest prices. Available equipment includes respected brands such as Sierra Designs, Kelty and Osprey. Poly Escapes has what you need for all types of adventures. Poly Escapes is located on the first floor of the University Union. Check out a full gear list, including pricing, at asi.calpoly.edu. Take advantage of the beautiful spring weather and organize a trip today.

Sage Catering Brings New, Experienced Staff and an Enhanced Menu to Campus

Sage Catering warmly welcomes its new catering manager, Jennifer Graham, to the campus community. Graham brings more than 20 years of event planning and restaurant management

experience to the organization. Sage is also proud to welcome its new and accomplished catering chef, Chris Dunham, and new sales associate Sarah Chatfield to the team. Sage proudly announces its newly enhanced catering menu. There are dozens of new recipes, á la carte items, bulk products and updated policies to meet your catering needs on any budget. Visit the Sage Catering web site to view the new menu, staff bios and more.

Bella Montana, a Faculty and Staff Housing Community

Visit the Bella Montana Homes web site for available homes for sale.

Events

Center for Innovation & Entrepreneurship Explores Clean Technology at April 14 Forum

Cal Poly's Center for Innovation & Entrepreneurship invites students, faculty, alumni and the community to join some of the most innovative minds in the industry at the upcoming Entrepreneurship Forum "Clean Tech: Innovation in the Built Environment" at 5 p.m. April 14 at the Cal Poly Tech Park.
More on the forum

Alumnus Russ Angold Brings Award-Winning Bionics to Cal Poly Science Café on April 15

Cal Poly Science Café welcomes Alumnus Russ Angold (B.S., BRAE '00 and member of the BioResource and Agricultural Engineering Industry Advisory Council), who will present his story, "Bionics: Merging Man and Machine," at 3 p.m. April 15 in the Kennedy Library's Second Floor Café Lounge. Angold is co-founder and chief technical officer of Berkeley Bionics (www.berkeleybionics.com). The company develops and manufactures wearable, artificially intelligent bionic devices called exoskeletons for military, civilian and medical uses that augment human strength, endurance and mobility and help prevent injury. April 15 attendees can view some of this technology and hear who they can help disabled veterans. For more information about Cal Poly Science Café, visit http://lib.calpoly.edu/sciencecafe.

Cal Poly Open House Concert 'Hooray for Polywood!' April 16

Three Cal Poly music ensembles, featuring more than 100 of the university's finest student musicians, will perform at this year's Open House Concert at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 16, in the Performing Arts Center. The Cal Poly Symphony will perform some of the best movie music of the 20th century, to be revealed through an in-concert audience quiz. The University Jazz Band will perform selections from Hollywood and the movies. The Wind Ensemble will perform music from the "Star Wars" films; "Black Dog," the Led Zeppelin- and Jimi Hendrix-inspired work for clarinet and wind band; and more!

For more information, visit the Music Department Web calendar.
Tickets available from the Performing Arts Ticket Office.

Cal Poly's All-State Music Festival Concert April 17

The Cal Poly Music Department will host Cal Poly's All-State Music Festival Concert, featuring more than 130 high school musicians, at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 17, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center. The All-State Festival Wind Orchestra, conducted by Frank Wickes; Festival Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Peter Askim; and Festival Jazz Band, directed by Frank Levine, will perform as part of the closing festivities of Cal Poly's three-day Open House event.

For more information, visit the Music Department Web calendar.
Tickets available from the Performing Arts Ticket Office.

Cal Poly to Host Ron Luchsinger for Vocal Master Class Apr. 19

Ron Luchsinger, a stage director, producer, acting coach, lecturer and dramaturge, will present a vocal master class at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Apr. 19, in Room 218 of the Davidson Music Center (Building 45) on campus. Several of the Cal Poly Music Department's leading voice students will perform and be critiqued on their performance. The public is welcome to attend.
More on Luchsinger

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.

**REVIEW DATE EXTENDED **
#102257 – Project Manager, Administrator II, Administration and Finance, Facilities Services, temporary, two-year position. Salary commensurate with experience. Open until filled. Review begins: May 2, 2011.

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#102330 – Office/Programs Assistant, Administrative Support Assistant II, Academic Programs, International Education & Programs, $2,505 - $3,758 per month. Open until filled: Review begins: April 22, 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.

There are no new job opportunities at this time.

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.

#102308 – Full-Time Lecturer, City & Regional Planning, College of Architecture and Environmental Design, ext. 6-1255. Review begins: May 20, 2011.

#102326 – Full-Time Coaching Faculty, Women's Tennis- Head Coach, Athletics Department, ext. 6-2882. Review begins: April 25, 2011.

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. To view job postings and/or apply for any regular-benefited position at Cal Poly Corporation, visit our web site. For assistance contact Human Resources at ext. 6-1121.

There are no new job opportunities 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.

There are no new job opportunities at this time.

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