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News

Coffee Tasting Event Planned for Nov. 4 at Cal Poly Science Café in Kennedy Library

Cal Poly Science Café at the Kennedy Library invites you to attend "Taste Test: Can You Taste Good Coffee?" from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, in the second floor café area of the library. Ric Rhinehart, executive director of the Specialty Coffee Association of America and a former Cal Poly student, will lead the tasting. Two types of coffee will be available for tasting in a fun sensory science experiment. Rhinehart will also give an overview of extraction methods and sustainable practices in growing and harvesting. Jennifer Manuele, owner of Sally Loo's Wholesome Cafe in San Luis Obiospo, will also be at the workshop. In collaboration, Sally Loo's Wholesome Cafe will hold a community pour-over tasting event from 4-5:30 pm. Saturday, Nov. 5. For more on this event, visit the Kennedy Library's website. For more information and future events, join Cal Poly Science Café on Facebook.

Cal Poly Welcomes Apple CFO Peter Oppenheimer on Nov. 10

Peter Oppenheimer, chief financial officer for Apple, is scheduled to speak at Cal Poly in the November installment of the Orfalea College of Business's Distinguished Speaker Series. Oppenheimer's presentation will run from 1:10 to 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, in the Performing Arts Center Pavilion. A Cal Poly alum, Oppenheimer earned his degree in agricultural business in 1985. He started working at Apple in 1996 and is currently the acting CFO and senior vice president. He also serves on the executive committee. Oppenheimer maintains his ties to his alma mater as a member of the Cal Poly Foundation board. The Distinguished Speaker Series is open to students, faculty and staff from all majors and to members of the community. This is a free event. For more information, contact Royaa Silver at ext. 6-2874 or rsilve01@calpoly.edu.

Faculty and Staff

Memorial Service for George Ramos is Nov. 4

The campus community is invited to a memorial service in honor of Cal Poly Journalism Professor George Ramos set for Friday, Nov. 4, from 10:45 a.m. to noon, in the Pavilion of the Performing Arts Center.

Ramos was a popular, nationally acclaimed journalist who was well liked among his students and colleagues. The Journalism department will host this memorial to provide campus community members unable to attend last summer's memorial service an opportunity for remembrance.

Brian Thurmond, director of Athletic Media Relations and good friend and colleague to Ramos, will moderate the service**. F**eel free to join us. No RSVP required.

Retirements

Patricia Ashe

Information Technology Services will host a potluck celebration honoring Patricia Ashe from noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16, in the Education Building, Room 24. Ashe will retire after 10 years of service at Cal Poly as an Oracle database administrator for Information Technology Services. During her time on campus, the number of centrally managed campus databases has grown from a small handful to more than 40. She is looking forward to creating a business growing and selling California native plants. Her last working day is Nov. 18.

Frank A. Cawley

Frank A. Cawley, director of El Corral Bookstore, is retiring from Cal Poly Corporation at the end of the year, after more than 15 years of service. El Corral Bookstore will host a retirement reception in his honor Wednesday, Nov. 30, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center lobby. The campus community is invited to help celebrate.

Cawley came to Cal Poly from De Anza College in Cupertino, Calif., where he managed the college bookstore for 12 years. During his tenure at Cal Poly, Frank remodeled El Corral Bookstore, twice remodeled Cal Poly Downtown, implemented a commercial website (now in its third iteration), managed the Pony Prints print & copy center, and initiated a number of services such as Textbook Reservation, Shop Once Service, VIP Buyback, and in-store and on-line Textbook Rental.

Susan Sparling

Student Academic Services will host a retirement celebration honoring Susan Sparling, from 2 to 4 p.m., Friday, Dec. 2 in the Albert B. Smith Alumni and Conference Center. The campus community is invited to attend.

Sparling, director of Student Academic Services will retire after 38 years of service to the university. She began her career at Cal Poly in 1974 as a medical transcriber in the Health Center. She completed her Masters in Education in 1978. She was hired by the Educational Opportunity Program as a Student Affairs Officer I to design academic programs for the department. She went on to participate in grant writing for dozens of state and federal grants to fund key programs that have become instrumental in the development of SAS programs and services. Sparling is known as an expert academic adviser who is committed to intrusive advising that focuses on student success.

Catastrophic Leave

Christine Williams

Christine Williams, administrative support assistant in ITS-Media Distribution Services, has qualified for personal catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate vacation and/or sick leave to help Christine remain in full-pay status can contact Alison Beug at ext. 6-5539 or abeug@calpoly.edu.

Kinsley ThomasWong

Kinsley ThomasWong, information technology consultant in University Housing, has qualified for personal catastrophic leave. On July 15, 2010, he was involved in a serious kite boarding accident on the North Coast that left him paralyzed from the neck down. ThomasWong has made amazing progress and can now move his upper body and left arm thanks to his strong will and daily physical therapy. Those wishing to donate vacation and/or sick leave to help ThomasWong remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Debi Wages at ext. 6-1559 or dwages@calpoly.edu for more information.

Campus Announcements

Kennedy Library Joins Western Regional Storage Trust

Kennedy Library announced it is a planning partner in the Western Regional Storage Trust (WEST), a collaborative and sustainable journal archiving program of the California Digital Library.

The first CSU library to join, Kennedy Library is committed to investing in e-access to current scholarship and maintaining access to the print record. Michael Miller, Cal Poly's vice provost for Information Services and CIO, serves on the WEST Executive Committee, the governing body that oversees the development and operations of the WEST program.

Because of the changing nature of information resource collection and the expense in archiving and preserving large print collections, libraries around the world are developing new ways to collaborate and share resources. Cal Poly's library is taking a proactive stance to ensure that during this transitional time and into the future, access to resources is protected. Visit the library's website to learn more.

Green Campus Program Launches "Turn 'Em Out" Campaign

November is "Turn 'Em Out" awareness month, an outreach event The Green Campus Program is promoting to all students, faculty and staff encouraging everyone to turn the lights off when not in use. The goal is to reduce electricity use at Cal Poly as much as possible. During the November, submit a photo, video, or any other type of media file of you and/or your co-workers or friends turning off the lights to greencampus@calpoly.edu. Be creative; the staff member with the best submission wins a pumpkin pie and power strips party for their department. For students: Submit the photo on our Facebook page for a chance to win an Amazon gift card Spread the word; tell your students and other coworkers. For inspiration, visit Mr. Eco's new music video "Turn 'Em Out" featuring guests such as President Jeffery D. Armstrong, ASI President Kiyana Tabrizi and Musty the Mustang.

Holiday Hams are On Sale Now

Cal Poly student-produced holiday hams are now on sale. Our fully-cooked hams are custom prepared using Cal Poly's special blend to ensure you receive the finest product possible. All hams are cured to enhance natural flavor and improve tenderness. The hams are then slow-cooked and smoked with a natural hardwood smoke. Hams are vacuum packaged and ready for the holidays. Whole and half hams are available for $3.25 per pound. We are offering a limited number of holiday hams. To ensure your ham is reserved for this holiday season, place your order as soon as possible. Contact calpolymeats@calpoly.edu today.

Continuing Education is Collecting Food for SLO County Food Bank Coalition

Cal Poly Continuing Education staff is collecting food to donate to the San Luis Obispo County Food Bank Coalition. The CE Food drive will continue through Dec. 15. The SLO County Food Bank distributes food donations to more than 200 nonprofit agency partners and directly through food assistance programs. Everyone is invited to contribute. Some ideas of foods to donate include canned fruits and vegetables, crackers, pasta, rice, canned soups and beans and cereal. All nonperishable food is welcome. A collection barrel is located in Jespersen Hall. Let's help families in need, especially with the holidays approaching. For more information, call ext. 6-2053.

Open Forum for 2013-15 Catalog Review Cycle on Nov. 3

The 2013-15 catalog review cycle is now under way. Faculty and staff are encouraged to attend the second of two open forums at 11:10 a.m. to noon Thursday, Nov. 3 in Science North, Room 202. Learn about developing course and curriculum proposals. Chairs of department and college curriculum committees are especially encouraged to attend. See the Curriculum Handbook for updated forms, the curriculum development and approval process flow, applicable policies, and instructions for submitting proposals. For more information, contact Susan Olivas and Michele Reynolds in the Office of the Registrar at catalog@calpoly.edu.

University Police Department Delays Fall Bike Auction

The University Police Department's Fall bike auction previously set for Nov. 1 and 2 will be delayed until January. More details on specific dates and times will be available after the new year. For more information, contact Kathy Cook, University Police – Parking & Events, at ext. 6-6586 or kacook@calpoly.edu.

Inspire the Future -- Become a Teacher: Eat Talk Teach Event Set for Nov. 3

Eat Talk Teach event will take place 11 a.m. to noon Nov. 3 in UU207, Chumash Wing. Students interested in teaching mathematics or science are encouraged to drop in any time during the hour. There will be free Jamba Juice and information tables on various financial aid and programs designed to support and prepare students interested in teaching. The event is open to the public. Come grab a snack and visit with faculty, students and recent graduates from the credential program. There will be free USB drives for the first 50 students interested in teaching mathematics or science. For more information, contact the Center for Excellence in Science and Math Education at cesame@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-2859.

Employment Equity Facilitator Workshop Set for Nov. 7

An Employment Equity Facilitator Workship will be offered for faculty and staff from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 7, in Fisher Science, Room 290. Martha Cody, director of Employment Equity will lead the workshop. She will be joined by Carolyn Johnson from Academic Personnel and Rhiannon Ricketts from Human Resources for a Q&A on faculty and staff recruitment. To enroll, contact Sumi Seacat at sseacat@calpoly.edu.

Distinguished Scholarship Award Nominations Sought

Students, faculty and alumni are encouraged to nominate Cal Poly faculty for the Distinguished Scholarship Award. These awards are intended to recognize the scholarship and creative activity of both junior and senior faculty across all disciplines represented at Cal Poly. Nominations are due by Dec. 1. Visit the Distinguished Scholarship Award website for more information.

Cal Poly Foundation Board Meeting Nov. 12

The Cal Poly Foundation Board of Directors will hold its meeting, which is open to the public, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 12, at the Meat Processing 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.

Nominations for Distinguished Teaching Award Due Dec. 2

Nominate your most outstanding and inspiring professor by Dec. 2. Any student or alumnus may submit one or more nominations on the nomination website. Nominations should include the professor's name, department and a supporting statement containing personal experience or other evidence of merit based upon the nomination criteria listed for this year's Distinguished Teaching Award.

Deadline for State Faculty Support Grant Proposals is Jan. 27

The State Faculty Support Grant program supports research, scholarship, and creative activities that help faculty remain current in their disciplines and contribute new knowledge, with the intent of strengthening California socially, culturally and economically. The deadline to submit proposals for awards of mini-grants and assigned time for the 2012-13 year is Jan. 27, 2012. For guidelines and an application form, visit the Research and Graduate Programs website, or call the RGP office at ext. 6-1508.

Holiday Meals & Desserts Now Available from Village Market

This holiday season, treat your family and friends to something special. Village Market offers a wide selection of holiday meals, desserts and a la carte side dishes. Place your orders online and we will package your order nicely in a fabric Village Market bag to take straight to a party or home for dinner that night. Visit the Village Market website, stop by the market in Poly Canyon Village, or call ext. 6-1959. Program offered for a limited time (Nov. 1-30) so place your orders today!

All You Care to Eat for As Low As $5? Only with Fast Pass

All You Care To Eat Lunch at 19 Metro station for $5. Only with Fast Pass. Load onto your PolyCard or purchase tickets to share with friends. Get yours today on the Campus Dining website.

Bella Montana Faculty and Staff Housing Community

Visit the Bella Montana Homes website for available homes for sale and lease.

Events

"Weird Al" Yankovic The Alpocalypse Tour Nov. 2

Grammy Award-winning legend "Weird Al" Yankovic – the biggest selling comedy recording artist of all time – has returned to demolish the pop landscape with Alpocalypse, his first full-length studio album in nearly five years. And the time has come to bring him back to the PAC with his brilliant "Alpocalypse" tour, skewering music icons in new ways (watch out, Lady Gaga!) and performing some of his greatest classics. See Yankovic perform Nov. 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cohan Center.

More on The Alpocalypse

MultiCultural Center to Host All Open-Mic Poetry Event Nov. 2

The Cal Poly MultiCultural Center will host Another Type of Groove: Spoken Word Poetry at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 2 in Chumash Auditorium located in the University Union on campus. This event will be an all open-mic, during which community members, students and faculty can share their poems on the same stage.

More on Another Type of Groove

‘Managing’ Racial Diversity to be Explored Nov. 3 at Cal Poly

Sam Sommers, associate professor of psychology at Tufts University, will discuss the practical, ethical and legal aspects of racial diversity in a free public talk Thursday, Nov. 3, at Cal Poly. Sommers will present “Examining Racial Diversity: How Situations and Strategic Concerns Shape Intergroup Interactions” from 11 a.m. to noon in in Fischer Science, Room 328.

More on the racial diversity talk

Architect, Professor to Present ‘History of Electric Urbanism in Los Angeles’ Nov. 4

Architect, professor and author Sandy Isenstadt will present "L.A. After Dark: The Incandescent City" at 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, in the Rotunda of the Business Building.

More on the 'History of Electric Urbanism in Los Angeles'

The MET Live in HD: Wagner’s Siegfried Nov. 5

In part three of the Ring, Wagner's cosmic vision focuses on his hero's early conquests, while Robert Lepage's revolutionary stage machine transforms itself from bewitched forest to mountaintop love nest. See Wagner's Siegfried Nov. 5 at 9 a.m. in the PAC.

More on Wagner's Siegfried

Tour the Cal Poly Pier in Avila Beach Nov. 5

Bring the kids and the camera and tour the Cal Poly Pier in Avila Beach on Saturday, Nov. 5, from 9 a.m. to noon. Interactive displays on the pier for the fall “open pier” event will include special touch-tanks full of live marine creatures, remote-controlled ocean research

robots, microscopes for viewing ultra-small sea creatures and more.
More on the Cal Poly pier

Faculty Chamber Ensemble Recital is Nov. 5

The Music Department has started a biannual series of chamber recitals in which faculty join forces to perform masterworks of chamber music—beloved gems and less-known works alike. Come hear what is possible when our faculty artists put into practice what they teach Nov. 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the Davidson Music Center, Room 218. Tickets are $5 at the door.
More on the faculty chamber ensemble recital

Cal Poly Alumni, Students Bring Anime and Video Game Music Concert to Cal Poly Nov. 5

The concert event NPR is calling “a video game symphony on steroids” will make its Central Coast debut Saturday, Nov. 5, at 8 p.m. at the Christopher Cohan Center in the Performing Arts Center at Cal Poly. “Hideo” was created and produced by Cal Poly alumni Blair Baker, who graduated in 2006 with a degree in Computer Engineering and a minor in Music, and Christopher Pasillas, a 2006 Music graduate.
Details on "Hideo"

Marc Cohn Nov. 6

Grammy-winning singer/songwriter Marc Cohn (“Walking in Memphis”) combines the precision of a brilliant tunesmith with the passion of a great soul man. He’s a musical storyteller, balancing the exuberant with the poignant in his often drawn-from-real-life tales. See Cohn Nov. 6 at 7 p.m. in the Cohan Center.
More on Cohn's performance

‘Human Rights, Citizenship and Women Refugees’ Topic of Nov. 7 Talk

Italian scholar Silvia Salvatici will present ‘Human Rights, Citizenship and Women Refugees’ at 6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 7, in the right wing of Chumash Auditorium at Cal Poly. Salvatici will explore whether men and women refugees enjoy equal access to international protection. Her talk will draw on literature about women and human rights. She also will argue that gender offers a privileged view into the larger question of humanitarian interventions.
Details on the human rights talk

MacHomer Nov. 7

Virtuoso actor Rick Miller creates a one-man tour-de-force vocal spectacular featuring impressions of over 50 voices from TV’s “The Simpsons” in a side-splitting performance of Shakespeare’s "Macbeth." With a script that remains 85 percent Shakespeare, "MacHomer" will leave you 100 percent cheering for more! See Miller perform Nov. 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cohan Center.
Details on MacHomer

Furniture Exhibit Opens in Kennedy Library Nov. 7

Kennedy Library invites you to their fall exhibit offered in collaboration with the Department of Architecture: “Assembly Required: An exhibition of Polytechnic furniture artists and Vellum Design winners.” The exhibit opens November 7 on the second floor of the library.

The exhibit highlights the craftsmanship and innovation of Cal Poly student furniture artists. The winners from the 2011 Vellum/College of Architecture and Environmental Design (CAED) Furniture Competition and Exhibition are a central feature of the exhibit. Curated by co-organizer and Associate Professor Tom di Santo, the pieces combine elegant craft with

sustainable design.

Also featured in the exhibit are pieces of unusual furniture created from discarded books. Professor Tom Fowler (CAED) challenged his third-year studio design students to design and build these pieces in a four-day period from start to finish, with results that are inspired by and celebrate repurposed materials.
More on the event

Yale Professor to Present Hearst Lecture, Nov. 18

The Hearst Lecture Series presents Yale School of Architecture Professor Joel Sanders at 4 p.m., Friday, Nov. 18 in the Business Rotunda. Sanders' presentation will focus on the themes and issues explored in the release of his new book,"Groundwork: Between Landscape and Architecture," co-edited with Diana Balmori. Groundwork maps an interdisciplinary trend over the past ten years of architects and landscape architects undertaking groundbreaking projects that propose an integration of landscape and architecture.
Find out more information on Sanders' firm.

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.

****REVISED** #102424 – Operations Specialist,** Foundation, College of Science and Math, System Maintenance, temporary one-year appointment, up to two positions available, $2,397 - $3,596 per month. Open until filled. Review begins: Nov. 14, 2011.

#102428 – Database Administrator, Analyst/Programmer, Career, ITS, Information Services, $4,314 - $8,831 per month, hiring range: $4,314 - $6,667 per month. Closes: Nov. 28, 2011.

#102431 – Administrative Support Assistant II, AFD, Facility Services, $2,505 - $3,758 per month. Closes: Nov. 9, 2011.

#102432 – Automotive/Equipment Mechanic, Facility Services - Transportation Services, $4,383 - $5,601 per month. Open until filled. Review begins: Nov. 10, 2011.

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

All positions have excellent benefits provided, including medical, dental, vision, life insurance, retirement program, paid sick leave/vacation and holidays. Apply online at www.calpolycorporationjobs.org.CPC Human Resources, San Luis Obispo, CA 93407, AA/EEO.

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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