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News

$50,000 Gene Haas Foundation Gift Benefits Cal Poly Manufacturing Engineering Students

Cal Poly announced a $50,000 gift from the Gene Haas Foundation that will help future manufacturing engineering students. "Manufacturing engineers make things by definition," said Jose Macedo, industrial and manufacturing engineering department chair, "and this gift will make things happen for those students." The Haas foundation is committed to supporting Cal Poly engineering by addressing critical needs: scholarships for top students and an advanced laboratory that will attract cultivate and launch them. Find out more about the Haas Foundation gift.

Cal Poly Health and Counseling Services Receives AAAHC Accreditation

The Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care, Inc. has granted a three-year accreditation to Cal Poly Health and Counseling Services. The announcement comes after the AAAHC surveyed Health and Counseling Services in December. "The dedication and effort necessary for an organization to be accredited is substantial," reads a Jan. 23 letter from the AAAHC, "and compliance with those standards implies a commitment to continual self-evaluation and continuous improvement." A three-year accreditation is the maximum granted. Read the AAAHC's letter here, or visit the Health and Counseling Services website for more on the department.

Faculty and Staff

Kennedy Library's Tim Strawn Receives Esther J. Piercy Award

Tim Strawn, director of information resources and archives at the Kennedy Library, has been selected for the 2012 Esther J. Piercy Award by the Association for Library Collections and Technical Services, a division of the American Library Association. This award recognizes librarians with fewer than 10 years of professional experience who have shown outstanding promise for continuing contribution and leadership. Since joining the Kennedy Library two years ago, Strawn has guided major collection issues including the adoption of new discovery tools and the acquisition of significant new digital content. Read more about Strawn's service on the Kennedy Library website.

Retirements

Michael Bernard

Michael Bernard is retiring after more than 20 years of service at Cal Poly. Bernard has served in Information Technology Services as the Data Center coordinator and as an Oracle Database administrator. By his request, no reception will be held. His last working day will

be Thursday, Feb. 9.

Catastrophic Leave

Rebecca Burnside

Rebecca Burnside, administrative support coordinator in Materials Engineering, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate vacation to help her remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Jo Ernest, ext. 6-7524 or jernest@calpoly.edu, to request a donation form.

David Lucas

David Lucas, groundsworker in Facility Services, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate vacation and/or sick leave to help him remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Laura McCarren, ext. 6-5212 or lmccarre@calpoly.edu, to request a donation form.

Maria Connie Vieira

Maria Connie Vieira, custodian in Facility Services, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate vacation and/or sick leave to help her remain in full pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Geri Bolivar, ext. 6-2321 or gbolivar@calpoly.edu, to request a donation form.

Campus Announcements

University Establishes Policies Protecting Research Subjects, Dealing with Fraud

The university has established policies and procedures for protecting people and animals involved in research projects and for addressing scientific fraud. All faculty, staff, and students should be aware of these policies and follow designated procedures when conducting research. To get more information on regulations and procedures for working with human or animal subjects in research, look at the Human Subjects website and the Vertebrate Animals in Research webpage, respectively. For policies and procedures addressing scientific fraud and misconduct, review the Cal Poly Scientific Fraud Policy. Information on how to comply with export control regulations can be found on the Grants Development Office's webpage on Laws, Regulations, and Policies.

Nominations Sought for Student Employee Award

Faculty and staff members can show their appreciation for student employees by nominating them for the university's 2011-12 Outstanding Student Employee of the Year award. Nominees must have completed at least six months part-time student employment during the academic year, June 1, 2011 to May 31, 2012. Eligible candidates include state, ASI and Foundation student employees. Nominees can be Federal Work-Study and non-Federal Work-Study students. The honoree will be announced in April. The winner is entered into the state competition and may go on to the regional and national competitions. The national winner is announced during the National Student Employment Week, the second week of April. Print the 2011-12 OSEY nomination form online (scroll down to Student Assistant Forms and click on the top link). Forms are due to Barbara Rollins in Financial Aid by Wednesday, Feb. 8. For more information, contact Rollins at brollins@calpoly.edu.

Community Center to Present Change the Status Quo Conference Feb. 10-11

The Community Center in Cal Poly's Student Life and Leadership will present the annual Change the Status Quo conference Feb. 10 and 11 in Chumash Auditorium in the University Union. The annual event educates and motivates attendees on social issues about which they are passionate. The workshops provide tangible tools for people to go out into their community and make a change. This year's conference will begin with preview night from 5 to 7 p.m. Feb. 10, followed by a full-day program from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 11. Registration is $15 for students and $25 for non-students. Register at www.scs.calpoly.edu. For more information, contact Evan Razor at erazor@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-5120.

Sage Restaurant Closed for Dinner Friday, Feb 10 for a Private Reception

Sage Restaurant will be closed for dinner on Friday, February 10th for a private reception, re-opening the following day for normal business hours. For other restaurant and market hours, visit the campus dining web site.

Cal Poly Foundation Board to Meet Feb. 11

The Cal Poly Foundation Board of Directors will hold its next meeting, which is open to the public, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, at Poly Canyon Village. For more information or to obtain a copy of the agenda, call the Cal Poly Foundation office at ext. 6-1445.

Center for Innovation & Entrepreneurship to Hold Forum Feb. 13

Cal Poly's Center for Innovation & Entrepreneurship will hold its Entrepreneurship Forum Event from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 13, in the Pavilion at the Performing Arts Center. The event, titled "Breaking the Mold – The New Start-up Paradigm" is free and open to students, faculty, staff and the public. The event is designed to highlight how disruptive business models and new technologies, combined with the "lean start-up" model, have made this a great time to be an entrepreneur. The program will kick off with Pitches, Exhibits and Networking (PEN), including a presentation from participants of Start-up Weekend SLO, a recent event that brought together community members and Cal Poly students to create entrepreneurial ideas in 54 hours. A panel discussion following the presentation will include Amy Kardel, chief operating officer of business development at Clever Ducks; Cal Poly alumni Paul Pluschkell, CEO and founder of Spigit; Brad Roldan, director of research and development at Bandwidth's inetwork division; and Scott Stanfield, CEO of Vertigo Software Inc. The forum is sponsored by local law firm Sinsheimer, Juhnke, McIvor and Stroh, LLP. Register online at cie.calpoly.edu. Refreshments will be served.

AIGA Offers Valentine's Grams Feb. 13-14

Surprise someone this Valentine's Day with a personalized note delivered by cherubs. Say I love you, thank you, or just see them blush with an AIGA Val Gram. Feb. 13 and 14, Cal Poly Art and Design students will become winged cherubs, hand-delivering custom valentines to your special someone, during class, on campus and via scooters. Each gram is $5 and includes two organic chocolates from local confectioner Sweet Earth, one each of milk and dark. Purchase grams through Feb. 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Campus Market on Mondays and Wednesdays and the UU on Tuesdays and Thursday. The Val Grams are provided by AIGA, Cal Poly's chapter of the professional assocation for design. Visit the Cal Poly AIGA site for more on the chapter and the Val-Grams.

The Community Center Presents Soup and Substance: The "N" Word on Feb. 21

The Tuesday, Feb. 21 edition of Soup & Substance will focus on the "N" word, a controversial topic inside and outside the black community. This event will include stories from Cal Poly students about their expereinces and opinions with the word. We will also discuss the "N" word in the context of hate crimes, history and hip hop. The discussion will provide a safe space and opportunity for students to share their opinions with respect for others. The event will run from 11 a.m. to noon in Chumash Left Wing, UU Room 204. Lunch will be provided by Student Community Services. For more information on Soup and Substance, visit the Community Center website.

Student Financial Aid and Scholarship Deadline is March 2

The Financial Aid Office reminds the campus community and asks faculty and staff to let students know that the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) deadline is March 2. To apply for federal aid, state aid and Cal Poly scholarships, students must complete the FAFSA every year. Questions should be directed to ext. 6-2927.

Cal Poly Corporation Board Seeks Faculty Member

The Academic Senate is seeking nominations from tenured faculty to serve on the Cal Poly Corporation Board of Directors for the 2012-15 term. Interested faculty should complete an "Expression of Intent and Willingness to Serve" form. A description of member's responsibilities is available online here. The completed form must be received by the Academic Senate Office by Friday, March 2, 2012.

Call the Academic Senate Office at ext. 6-1259 for further information.

Service Awards Luncheon Tickets Now On Sale

Tickets for the Service Awards Luncheon are now on sale. State, Corporation, and ASI employees with milestone service anniversaries in 2012 will be honored at the Service Awards Luncheon from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 7, in Chumash Auditorium. Master of Ceremonies will be Phil Bailey, dean of the College of Science and Mathematics. The luncheon will feature a pasta buffet. Entrée selections are pasta served with Italian sausage and peppers in a tomato sauce or mushroom Marsala sauce. Side dishes include classic Caesar salad with croutons, grated Parmesan and creamy Caesar dressing or garden salad with carrots, cucumbers, red onion, fennel and ranch dressing or balsamic vinaigrette, garlic bread stick, dessert, coffee, iced tea, and iced water. This event sells out each year, so get your tickets early. Tickets will be taken at the door to ensure seating for all ticket holders. Tickets are $10. Make checks payable to “Cal Poly Corporation.” Sellers are Tracy Watson, ASI, ext. 6-1292; Geri Bolivar, Facility Services, ext. 6-2321; Cheryl May, library, ext. 6-5785; Colleen Rodriguez, Payroll, ext. 6-2606; and Jeanne Secrest, Corporation, ext. 6-1122.

CMS/PeopleSoft Outage Planned for May 17-23

The PeopleSoft HCM (Student & HR Administration) software used throughout the campus will go through a major systems upgrade beginning at 5 p.m. Thursday, May 17. The outage is set to run through 8 a.m. May 23. This includes services such as Employee and Student Self Service, Enrollment Registration, Financial Aid, Student Finance, Student Center, and Human Resources. During the upgrade, limited access of data through May 17 will be available, and no updates can be made to data in the system. This upgrade is required to maintain vendor support of our applications and improve reliability of the system. During this outage period, CMS/PeopleSoft Finance will remain available. For information during the outage, visit cms.calpoly.edu or contact the ITS Service Desk at ext. 6-7000 or servicedesk@calpoly.edu.

Increase in Federal Work-Study Program Usage Lead to New Limits

Because of a significant increase in utilization of the Federal Work-Study (FWS) Program, there are a limited number of students with FWS funds. We regret that no new FWS awards will be made this academic year, and, at this point, increases in existing Federal Work-Study awards will not be considered. Should our utilization level out, the decision will be reconsidered at a later date. FWS was awarded to applicants with a high need who filed a FAFSA application before the March 2 deadline. Be sure to encourage students to complete the 2012/13 FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov starting Jan. 1. Since we were unable to grant additional requests for Federal Work-Study in 2011/12, students currently on the FWS waiting list will be given priority for FWS in 2012-13, providing they meet the need requirements and file their FAFSA before the March 2 deadline.

Teaching Abroad Opportunities for Faculty

International Education and Programs (IEP) administers quarter-long study abroad programs that provide faculty the opportunity to teach abroad. These programs travel to Australia, London, Peru, Spain and Thailand. IEP is seeking faculty with a record of teaching excellence and who teach GE courses students most need (C4 & D5), though all interested faculty are encouraged to apply. For more information, please go to the IEP faculty website or contact Jennifer O'Brien at jeobrien@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-7321.

Bella Montana Faculty and Staff Housing Community

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

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.

Events

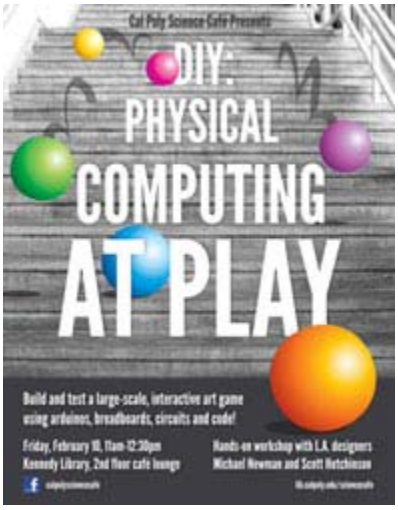
UC Riverside Professor to Discuss Biopolitics of Contraceptives Feb. 8

Chikako Takeshita, professor of women's studies at UC Riverside, will present "How Science Constructs Women and Their Bodies – Half a Century of IUD Development," at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8, in Room 215 in the Science North Building at Cal Poly. In its more than five decades of use, the intrauterine device (IUD) has been regarded as a means for women's reproductive autonomy and a convenient form of birth control as well as a coercive tool of state-imposed population control and threat to women's health, according to Takeshita. For more information, contact the Women's and Gender Studies Department at ext. 6-1525 or wgs@calpoly.edu.

Scientist, Master Storyteller Giving Faculty Seminar on "Your Brain on Story" Feb. 9

Science consultant, author and oceanographer Kendall Haven will be the speaker in a free seminar for Cal Poly faculty, staff and administrators titled "Your Brain on Story: The Neural Science Behind the Startling Power of Story, and What it Means for You and Your Teaching." The event is scheduled for 11:10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, in Room 220 of the Erhart Agriculture Building. Haven, a West Point graduate who holds a master's degree in oceanography, served for eight years as a senior research scientist for the U.S. Department of Energy. He is the author of "Story Proof: The Science Behind the Startling Power of Story" and several other books on storytelling. During the past three years, he has served as a consultant on effective storytelling and communications for scientists and science writers at NASA, NOAA, the National Centers for Disease Control, the EPA, the Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group, the Naval Post Graduate School, the Navy's advanced research lab, and four major private engineering companies. Read more on Haven's faculty seminar and a K-12 educator workshop on the College of Science and Mathematics news page.

Science Café presents 'DIY: Physical Computing at Play' Feb. 10



For the next Science Café, create a large-scale, interactive game in the library's main stairwell. It will be a morning of making, strategizing and playing as we extend computers into the physical space.

Designers Scott Hutchinson and Michael J. Newman join us from Los Angeles to lead the hands-on experiment, which involves arduinos, breadboards, circuits and code. Join us Friday, Feb. 10, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Kennedy Library, second-floor café lounge. This event is free and open to the community.

Visit our website to learn more about 'DIY Physical Computing at Play' and the Science Café series.

Cal Poly Triathlon Hosts 11th Annual Couples Run Feb. 11

Cal Poly Triathlon will host its 11th annual Chains of Love fundraiser, a couples run, on Feb. 11. Students, non-students and youngsters are invited to grab their honey and challenge themselves to a 5K, 10K or 15K run to help send Cal Poly Triathlon to the USAT Collegiate National Championships in Tuscaloosa, Ala. Participants race alone in the student or non-student division or cross the finish line holding hands in the couples division. A half-mile kids run is also available for the little ones. The race will start at 9 a.m. on O'Neill Green in front of the Business building and tour through the scenic rolling hills of campus. Top finishers will win a prize, as will every child who runs in the half-mile race. All registered racers will receive a "Chains of Love" t-shirt and a race bag filled with promotional gifts from local businesses. Register online here. Prices vary for each race and division and are posted online. Student discounts will be granted with a valid student ID. Race-day registration is $5 more and will open at 7 a.m. on O'Neill Green.

Documentary 'The Prosecutor' To Show Feb. 15

"The Prosecutor," which follows the work of Luis Moreno-Ocampo, chief prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, will air at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15, in Room 220 in the University Union on campus. Moreno-Ocampo investigates and prosecutes some of the world's most notorious criminals for some of the world's worst crimes. Before the documentary is shown, a reception with pizza and

beverages will be held. After the screening, which runs about 90 minutes, Craig Arceneaux, Cal Poly Political Science Department chair, will join a panel of professors in a brief discussion. The event is free and open to the public. It is sponsored by Cal Poly's Political Science Club. For more information, contact political science student Katie Hoselton at 818-825-6916 or khoser@gmail.com.

Eve Ensler's 'The Vagina Monologues 2012' To Play Feb. 17-19 at Cal Poly

Cal Poly will stage its ninth annual production of "The Vagina Monologues" over President's Day Weekend in the Pavilion in the Performing Arts Center. Performances will be at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 17-18, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 19. The production is a benefit designed to raise awareness and funds to end violence against women and girls and is part of the global V-Day movement. Tickets are $15 and are on sale at the Performing Arts Center Ticket Office. Ticket Office hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. To order by phone, call SLO-ARTS (805-756-2787). The Cal Poly Gender Equity Center is sponsoring the event. Proceeds will go to the university's Safer program and the community's Sexual Assault Recovery and Prevention Center, The Women's Shelter Program of San Luis Obispo, The North County Women's Shelter, and the V-Day's Spotlight Campaign on the Women and Girls of Haiti. For more information, contact Michelle Houston at 805-698-2534 or mphousto@calpoly.edu.

Students Invite the Public to Stay 'Up 'til Dawn for St. Jude's Feb. 21

Students from across campus will gather Feb. 21 for a letter-writing event aimed at helping St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital – and they hope the public will join them. The '80s-themed event, titled Up 'til Dawn, will be held from 6 to 11 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium and will feature live entertainment, free food, shirts, games and prizes. Envelopes, stamps, and pre-written donation letters will be provided; students will bring addresses and send letters to family and friends to help raise money for the children of St. Jude's Hospital. Fraternities, sororities, Cal Poly housing groups, sports clubs, local businesses, dance clubs, and many other clubs and organizations have already committed to this event. This event is open to the public. To attend, please bring at least seven addresses that can be used to send donation letters.

University of Exeter Professor to Speak Feb. 22 on Arab Spring, Israel/Palestine Peace Process

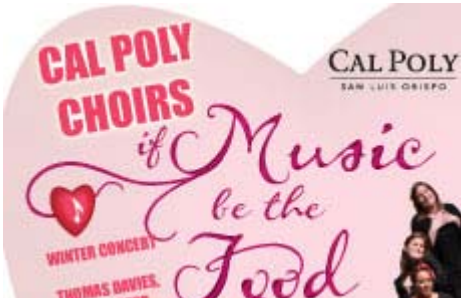
The History Department will present University of Exeter Professor Ilan Pappé on Feb. 22. Pappe will give a lecture on the arab Spring and the Israel/Palestine "Peace Process." The event will begin at 6 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium. Pappé's research focuses on the modern Middle East and the history of Israel and Palestine. Recent publications include: "Peoples Apart" (2012); "The Bureaucracy of Evil" (2012); "The Forgotten Palestinians: A History of the Palestinian Minority in Israel" (2011); and "The Ethnic Cleansing of Palestine" (2006).

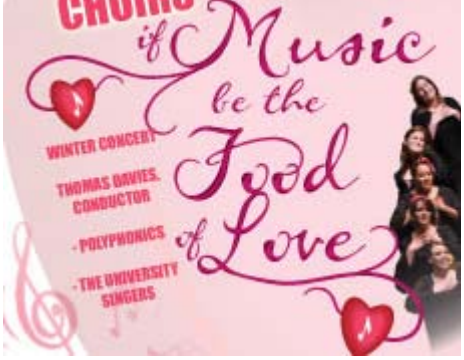
See 'A Streetcar Named Desire' Feb. 23-25 or March 1-3

The Theatre and Dance Department will bring Tennessee Williams' classic play "A Streetcar Named Desire" to the Spanos Theatre at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, Feb. 23- 25 and March 1-3."A Streetcar Named Desire"is considered a hallmark of the American theater. It follows the gradual unraveling of Blanche DuBois, a Southern belle of days gone by. Department chair Tim Dugan designed the sets, faculty member Thomas John Bernard created the costumes, and Peter Hadres from the Pacific Conservatory of the Performing Arts in Santa Maria served as choreographer. In addition, the production employs almost 40 students from across the Cal Poly campus. The production contains depictions of violence and brief nudity and is recommended for mature audiences. Tickets are $15 for the general public, $12 for students, seniors, and Cal Poly faculty and staff members. For tickets, call the Performing Arts Ticket Office at ext. 6-2787. Find out more about "A Streetcar Named Desire."

Cal Poly Choirs to Present 'If Music Be the Food of Love' Feb. 25

The Cal Poly Choirs will present "If Music Be the Food of Love" as this year's Winter Concert at 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. Conducted by Music Professor Thomas Davies, PolyPhonics and The University Singers will be joined by student soloists. The subject of music and love has existed since





the beginning of musical composition. The Cal Poly Choirs will highlight this partnership in a program of works by such greats as George Frederick Handel, Felix Mendelssohn, Claude Debussy and Benjamin Britten, as well as music by contemporary celebrated composers Morten Lauridsen, Imant Raminsh, David Dickau and Stephen Chatman. A new work by Music Professor Meredith Brammeier titled "In Commendation of Music," after a poem by William Strode, will have its world premiere. For more information, visit the Music Department Web calendar.

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.

#102467 – On-Call Groundsworker (Pool Position), Administration & Finance - Facility Services, up to four positions available, temp on-call through June 30, 2012. $15.58 - $23.37 per hour. Open until filled. Review begins Feb. 21, 2012.

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.

Catering Manager, Campus Dining, $40,326-$49,400 per year. Requires five years of food service experience in catering operations, preferably at a higher education institution, including four years of managerial experience. Must have excellent customer service and time management skills, a wide knowledge of principles, techniques, terminology, work methods and procedures for food production and service to large groups, marketing of catering services, food procurement, budget administration and accounting practices. Must be willing to work irregular hours, including Saturdays, Sundays and nights.

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.

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