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Official Cal Poly Mobile Phone App Now Available

The official Cal Poly mobile application is now available for iPhones and Androids. The app provides a variety of campus information, including:

• Admissions: Find out what majors are accepted how to apply online and more.

• Athletics: Stay up to speed with the latest sports headlines. Find out the latest scores to your favorite team's last game or lookup when they will play next.

• Campus Dining: Discover the latest deal of the day or look up the menu to your favorite restaurant. Includes hours of operation as well as phone numbers and a map to help you find your way.

• Directory Lookup: Search for a professor on campus and look up a phone number or email address.

• Escort Van Service: A quick and easy way to access escort van service information, including pickup locations on campus and the schedule for the next available van.

• Library: Look up hours, find an open computer or just search for your favorite book or article right from your phone.

• Maps: Search buildings by name or building number and see the location on a map.

• News: Get the latest news about what's going on campus.

• Police: Quickly dial campus or city police without having to lookup the number.

The app is available here http://m.calpoly.edu/gettheapp for iPhone and Android users. For users who don't have either platform, there is a link to a mobile website with the same information. Or use your phone to scan the QR code above to get the new Cal Poly mobile phone app.

Cal Poly Addresses Diversity in First Colloquium Feb. 6

Cal Poly recently held a diversity colloquium intended to showcase the university and the city of San Luis Obispo as an inviting place for people of all ethnic backgrounds and sexual orientations. During the Feb. 6 colloquium, "Celebrating Diversity – A Cal Poly and San Luis Obispo Community Colloquium Addressing the Virtues of Living and Learning in a Diverse Society," the university and community publicly committed to being inviting and accepting of all people regardless of race, ethnicity, religion and sexual orientation. "Cal Poly recognizes there is work to do to increase diversity programming and improve the campus climate for all students, faculty and staff," said Harvey Levenson, organizer of the colloquium. The program attracted about 800 students, faculty, staff, community residents and leaders. Cal Poly President Jeffrey D. Armstrong and Provost Kathleen Enz Finken were joined by San Luis Obispo Mayor Jan Marx and Betsy Umhofer, district representative for Congresswoman Lois Capps.

More on the colloquium

Welcome Reception for Provost Kathleen Enz Finken Set for Feb. 23

Join President Jeffrey D. Armstrong in welcoming Provost Kathleen Enz Finken at a campuswide reception from 12:30 to 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, in the Robert E. Kennedy Library Atrium. Enz Finken began her tenure at Cal Poly on Jan. 30. Please stop by the library to extend a warm welcome and enjoy refreshments.

Cal Poly Seniors Satisfied with University Experience

According to the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE), most Cal Poly students appear to be quite satisfied with the university as a whole. On the 2011 NSSE, when asked whether they would choose the same institution if starting over, seniors rated the university at 3.55 on a scale of 1 to 4, with 1 being definitely no and 4 being definitely yes. Additional information on the student experience is available in the latest WASC report. A visiting team will be on campus April 3-5. For more information visit the WASC website.

Faculty & Staff

Cal Poly Journalism Professor Organizes Ethics Forum in Bhutan

Cal Poly Journalism Professor Teresa Allen is the co-organizer of an April 2012 media ethics conference conducted by the Center for International Media Ethics (CIME) and the Bhutan Media Institute. Titled “A New Era of Socio-Economic Responsibility for Journalists in Bhutan and Beyond,” the conference will bring together journalists from India, Nepal, Pakistan and the U.S. who will join their Bhutanese colleagues in the capital city of Thimphu for panel discussions and training on ethical issues. Allen, an advisory board member of CIME, will lead a post-conference training seminar for local journalists on media writing and reporting online.
More on Allen's project

Retirements

Carol Schuldt

Carol Schuldt, GIS coordinator at Kennedy Library, is retiring from Cal Poly this month after 35 years. Her service includes contributions to the Reserve Room in Dexter Library as well as Circulation and Cataloging. In her current role, Schuldt has worked with campus faculty on a California Emergency Management Agency grant, produced GIS maps as part of the 2010 California State Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, and built relationships with GIS practitioners throughout the community. Please join us in wishing her well 2 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28, in Room 511 of the Kennedy Library.

Jill St. John

Jill St. John is retiring after serving more than four years as a university scheduling analyst in the Office of the Registrar. Prior to working in the Office of the Registrar, St. John worked five years as a facility scheduler for ASI. By her request, no reception will be held. Those who have worked with her are welcome to stop by the University Scheduling office in Room 308 of the Administration Building to wish her well the morning of her last working day, Friday, March 2.

Catastrophic Leave

Arlene Gomez

Arlene Gomez, administrative support coordinator in Architecture, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate vacation leave to help Gomez remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Kathi Good at ext. 6-1135 or kjgood@calpoly.edu, to request a donation form.

In Memoriam

Barbara Mori

Barbara Lynne Rowland Mori, a professor emeritus of Sociology, died Feb. 12, 2012, in Las Vegas, Nev. Mori was a professor at Cal

Poly from 1986 until her retirement in 2010. According to her obituary in the San Luis Obispo Tribune, Mori taught Sociology of Gender, Race and Ethnic Relations, Sociology of Japan and Women of East Asia, and courses in Chinese and Japanese Culture in the Humanities Program while at Cal Poly. She was involved in the development of Women and Gender Studies, and she was chairwoman of the Social Sciences Department from 2006 to 2007. She was a student of Tai Chi and a member of the Middle Eastern Ensemble at Cal Poly.

Read Mori's obituary in The Tribune

Campus Announcements

Institutional Planning & Analysis Publishes Fall 2011 Fact Book

Cal Poly's Office of Institutional Planning & Analysis has published the Fall 2011 issue of the Fact Book. This is an annual comprehensive publication of historical trend data on admissions, enrollment, degrees awarded, faculty/staff data, and financial aid. The Fall 2011 Fact Book can be found, along with previous issues, at the IP&A website.

Network and Central Computing Outage Set for Sunday, Feb. 26

All central computing resources, campuswide wireless services and some departmental computing services will be unavailable from 5 a.m. to noon Sunday, Feb. 26. This outage is necessary to update security settings on equipment in the main campus data center. Affected systems include the my.calpoly.edu portal page and all applications reached through the "single click access" channel, email and calendar, all wireless service, PeopleSoft, the PolyData warehouse, health services resources, alumni and advancement resources, and System Status. Campuswide internet access for hardwired connections will be operational, and the Cal Poly web page will not be affected. Network Administration staff are communicating with local area network coordinators across campus to relay the impact of this outage to their areas. Questions can be referred to the ITS Service Desk at ext. 6-7000 or servicedesk@calpoly.edu.

El Corral Sidewalk Sale Continues Through Feb 23; Save Up to 75 Percent

El Corral Bookstore is hosting its much anticipated sidewalk sale through Feb. 23. Save up to 75 percent on select items. Stop by the bookstore between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Feb. 22 and 23. Or visit the bookstore online at www.elcorralbookstore.com.

Fee Waiver Open Forums Set for Feb. 22

Faculty and staff are invited to a Feb. 22 open forum on the Fee Waiver Program, which allows eligible faculty, staff and MPP employees and/or their dependents to attend classes at CSU campuses at greatly reduced rates. To accommodate faculty and staff schedules, the open forum will be held in UU 220 from noon to 1 p.m. Topics will include eligibility, procedures, deadlines and Summer Quarter information. Time will be reserved at the end of the presentation for questions and answers. For more information, contact Karen Stubberfield at kstubber@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-5407.

Employment Equity Facilitator Training Set for March 1

Employment Equity Facilitator (EEF) Training is scheduled for 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday, March 1 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 to answer questions about faculty and staff searches. Sumi Seacat will be on hand to answer questions about the visa process for hiring non-citizen employees. If you would like to attend, please email Sumi Seacat at sseacat@calpoly.edu.

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

Bella Montana Faculty and Staff Housing Community

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

New Fondue for Two at Sage Restaurant – Dive into Decadence

Sage Restaurant is offering a delicious new fondue menu. Treat yourself to a decadent fondue made with gourmet cheeses and spices, such as the spinach and artichoke or five cheese fondues. Or end a meal with a pot of chocolate fondue, served with luscious melted chocolate, mini marshmallows, fresh berries and cakes. Find out more at www.sagerestaurantslo.com.

Events

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).

Provocative Perspectives to Feature Social Justice Educator and Author Paul Kivel Feb. 23

Paul Kivel, social justice educator, activist, writer, and innovative leader in violence prevention for more than 27 years, will speak Feb. 23 on campus as part of Cal Poly’s Provocative Perspectives series. Kivel is an accomplished trainer and speaker on men’s issues, racism and diversity, challenges of youth, teen dating, family violence, raising boys to manhood, and the impact of class and power on daily life. He is the author of several books and cofounded the Oakland Men’s Project, a nationally recognized multicultural organization dedicated to helping people understand the roots of violence in our society and seek positive solutions. Kivel will speak in Sage Restaurant. A free breakfast will be served at 7:30 a.m., and the presentation will begin at 8 a.m. The event is free and open to the public, however, reservations are required. Reservations can be made by calling ext. 6-0327, or via e-mail to Liz Cofer at lcofer@calpoly.edu. People with disabilities may request accommodations.

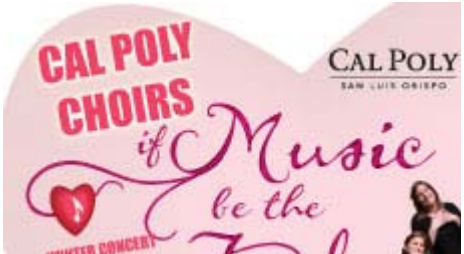
See ‘A Streetcar Named Desire’ Feb. 23-25 or March 1-3

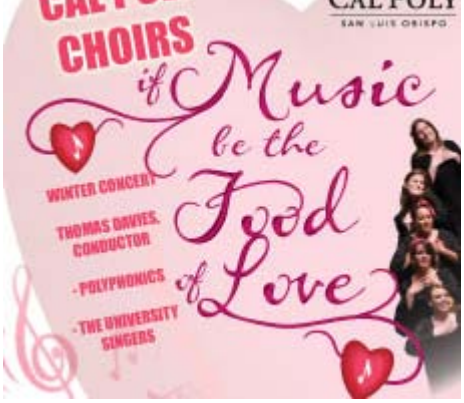
The Theatre and Dance Department will bring Tennessee Williams’ classic play “A Streetcar Named Desire” to the Spanos Theatre at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, Feb. 23- 25 and March 1-3. “A Streetcar Named Desire” is considered a hallmark of the American theater. The production contains depictions 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.

Cal Poly RPTA to Host Experiential Marketing Distinguished Executive Speakers Feb. 28

The Recreation, Parks, & Tourism Administration Department will host George P. Johnson executives Tara Higgins (senior vice president and general manager) and Yen Tsutsumi (director, event services) as Distinguished Executive Speakers from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28 in the Performing Arts Center Lobby. Higgins and Tsutsumi will speak about George P. Johnson's innovative approach to events and experience marketing using their "360 degree view of experiential marketing" as a basis for their presentation. George P. Johnson is considered the global leader in event, entertainment and experience marketing. The event is free and open Cal Poly students, faculty and staff and to the public.

Ethnomusicologist to Discuss Popular Music and the Arab Uprisings Feb. 29

UCLA ethnomusicologist Dr. Laith Ulabywill present a talk titled “Tears in Tahrir: Popular Music and the Arab Uprisings” from 1:10 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 29, in Chumash Auditorium (University Union 205). Ulaby’s presentation will focus on the sensational story of pop musician Tamer Hosny, “The King of Egyptian Pop,” and the unlikely role of the Egyptian heavy metal scene in the Tahrir Square protests. This presentation is sponsored by the College of Liberal Arts and the History Department. The event is free and open to the public.

More on this event

Cal Poly Wind Bands Celebrate American Music at March 2 Concert

Local virtuoso performers Jennifer Dodson (horn) and Shelly Granger (flute) will be the guest solo artists for Cal Poly’s Wind Bands Winter Concert at 8 p.m. Friday, March 2, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center’s Christopher Cohan Center. The concert, titled “Wind Band Masterworks: ‘The American Dream,’” will feature the university’s 65-member Wind Ensemble and 70-member Wind Orchestra in celebration of music written by such great American composers such as Percy Grainger, Vincent Persichetti, John Williams and James Barnes. Music Department Professor Alyson McLamore will narrate on "Of Sailors and Whales" by W. Francis McBeth.

Cal Poly ‘Just Jazz’ Concert Set for March 3

Cal Poly’s University Jazz Bands will present traditional as well as innovative jazz at the Just Jazz concert at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 3, in the Performing Arts Center’s Christopher Cohan Center. The concert features the best student jazz musicians at Cal Poly in two big bands and two jazz combos. Among the pieces to be performed are the classic "Swingin' Shepherd Blues," the contemporary "Are We There Yet?" by guitarist Pat Metheny, and the blues-drenched "Boogie Stop Shuffle" by the great jazz bassist Charles Mingus. For more information, visit the Music Department Web calendar.

Cal Poly Symphony to Showcase Soloists at Winter Concert March 4

The Cal Poly Symphony’s Winter Concert will celebrate the talents of student soloists and showcase the group’s upcoming tour repertoire in a performance at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 4, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center’s Christopher Cohan Center. The Student Soloist Showcase will feature performances by five winners of the Music Department’s

Solo Competition, plus Zoltán Kodály's Variations on a Hungarian Folksong, "The Peacock." The symphony will perform this piece in the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C., as part of their first out-of-state tour. For more information, visit the Music Department Web calendar.

UCLA Professor to Discuss Arab Uprisings March 5

In honor of the first anniversary of the "Arab Spring," Dr. James Gelvin, professor of history at UCLA and author of the new book "The Arab Uprisings: What Everyone Needs to Know" (Oxford University Press, 2012), will give a talk titled "The Arab Uprisings One Year Later" from 7 to 8:30 p.m. March 5 in Spanos Theatre . This presentation is the final event in a series sponsored by the College of Liberal Arts and History Department. The event is free and open to the public. For more information visit the History Department's event calendar.

March 6 Event to Spotlight Regional Food System Initiatives

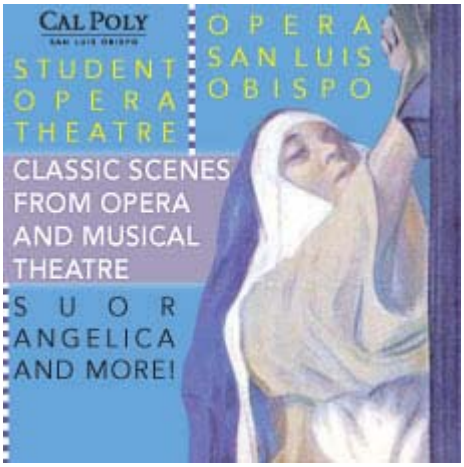
Cal Poly's Center for Sustainability will host a lecture and panel discussion March 6 about emerging concepts to define and support regional food systems and how the concepts are being employed by a cross-section of professionals in food, agriculture, policy, research and education. Joseph McIntyre, president of Ag Innovations Network, will speak at 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, at the Monday Club in San Luis Obispo. McIntyre's topic is "Demystifying Regional Food Systems: A New Look at an Evolving Trend in Farming and Food." The event is free and open to the public. McIntyre will identify key concepts underlying current food systems initiatives being developed across the U.S. He will also discuss how such efforts help satisfy consumer demand for locally-grown food and how high-margin direct and/or regional markets can benefit producers while contributing to the development of the agricultural sector and overall regional economy. The lecture will be followed by a panel discussion highlighting initiatives that support local food systems on the Central Coast.
More on the event

March 8 Event to Highlight Astrophysics Experiments by Cal Poly Faculty and Students

The Research Scholars in Residence Program will sponsor a presentation by Dr. Roger Grismore titled "Astrophysics Experiments at Cal Poly." Grismore will discuss the experimentation conducted by students and faculty on the radioactivity of artifacts recovered from space, such as meteorites, lunar samples, and space vehicle parts. This seminar will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday, March 8, Room 111-H of the Kennedy Library. All Cal Poly faculty, staff, students and members of the community are welcome. For more information, contact the Research and Graduate Programs office at research-gradprogs@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-1508.

Cal Poly Student Opera Theatre to Partner with OperaSLO for Performances March 8-10

The Cal Poly Student Opera Theatre has a unique opportunity to work with Brian Asher Alhadeff, Opera San Luis Obispo artistic director, in three performances of "Classic Scenes from Opera and Musical Theatre": 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, March 8 and 9, and 3 p.m. Saturday, March 10, in the Pavilion of the Performing Arts Center. Puccini's one-act opera "Suor Angelica" will be included in the performances, along with scenes from Strauss' "Der Rosenkavalier," Mozart's "Così fan tutte," the mad scene from Donizetti's "Lucia di Lammermoor," and a medley from Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Oklahoma." This newly established "co-opera" with Cal Poly's Student Opera Theatre and OperaSLO is intended to promote Cal Poly's Learn by Doing educational philosophy and OperaSLO's educational outreach programs. For more information, visit the Music Department web calendar.



Cal Poly to Honor Nisei and Support Tsunami Relief with Video Piano Performance March 11

Cal Poly will host a video screening and benefit piano concert to honor CSU Nisei recipients and support relief efforts for Japanese communities affected by last year's tsunami. The screening and concert are set for 2 p.m., Sunday, March 11, in Harman Hall of the Christopher Cohan Performing Arts Center. The event is free and open to the public. Members of the Cal Poly student chapter of the American Red Cross will be on hand to accept donations to the tsunami relief effort. The screening honors the recipients of the honorary bachelor's degrees awarded by the CSU Board of Trustees to Japanese-American students whom the U.S. government forced into internment camps during World War II. The video provides an oral history and highlights the experiences of Cal Poly honorary degree recipients Frank Suzuki and Kazunori Katayama, along with recipients from other CSU campuses.

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.

#102479 - Information Security Officer, Administrator II, Information Services – Office of the CIO, salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Closes: March 18.

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.

#102456, Full-Time Lecturer – Natural Resources Management & Environmental Sciences, Natural Resources Management & Environmental Sciences Department, College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences, ext. 6-6390. Review begins: Feb. 24.

#102460, Full-Time Lecturer – Agribusiness, Agribusiness Department, College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences, ext. 6-5001. Closes: Mar 9.

#102466, Full-Time Lecturer – Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences, Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences Department, College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences, ext. 6-5702. Review begins: Mar. 1.

#102477, Full-Time Lecturer – BioResource and Ag Engineering, BioResource and Ag Engineering Department, College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences, ext. 6-2378. Review begins: April 6.

#102472, Full-Time Lecturer – Mathematics, Mathematics Department, College of Science & Mathematics, ext. 6-1227. Review begins: Mar. 6.

#102464, Tenure Track Position – Accounting, Accounting Department, Orfalea College of Business, ext. 6-1543. Review begins: Mar 14.

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.

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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