News

Tour the Cal Poly Pier Nov. 17

Bring the kids and the camera and tour the Cal Poly Pier in Avila Beach from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 17. Interactive displays on the pier for the fall open house event will include special touch-tanks full of live marine creatures, microscopes for viewing ultra-small sea creatures, a “discover SCUBA” experience, and more. Cal Poly professors and students will be on hand to explain their ongoing research into local marine life, including Morro Bay’s ecosystem, sustaining local fisheries, and mapping ocean currents on the Central Coast. The pier is the hub of research for Cal Poly’s Center for Coastal Marine Sciences and the SLOSEA program. Since its donation to the university by the Chevron Corp. (formerly Unocal) in 2001, the pier has been used by 1,500 students per year for classes or research activities.

Find out more about the pier open house.

Changes to Cal Poly’s Wireless Network Under Way

Information Technology Services (ITS) added a second WiFi network, called “Secure Mustang Wireless,” last year. As part of its ongoing commitment to network security, ITS on Nov. 12 began phasing out the old, unsecure Mustang Wireless network. A schedule showing when specific buildings will be switched over is available online. Cal Poly users are encouraged to switch now to Secure Mustang Wireless to protect their devices. All campus wireless users will need to switch over by the end of the phased project, set for Dec. 14. If you are unsure which wireless network you are using, find out online how to check or contact the ITS Service Desk at ext. 6-7000 for assistance. To avoid any interruption in WiFi connectivity on campus, users must first configure their devices to connect to Secure Mustang Wireless. It won’t work without the one-time configuration step. Instructions on how to do this are available online. Faculty and staff are encouraged to contact their LAN coordinator for assistance. If you do not know who that person is, call the ITS Service Desk at ext. 6-7000. Anyone needing assistance may also visit the ITS Service Desk in the Natatorium (Building 46, across the street from Spanos Stadium).

Subway to Host Grand Opening on Nov. 16

The new Subway restaurant on campus welcomes the entire campus community to participate in a grand opening celebration at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 16. Subway will give away free 6-inch sub sandwiches to the first 500 customers at the event, along with door prizes such as a 40-inch LED TV, iPad, and Subway gift cards. (Participants must be present at the event to win these prizes.) More information is available online.

Retirements

Lynn Cook

Lynn Cook is retiring after 32 years of service. Cook joined Cal Poly in 1980 with the Audio Visual Department. In 1981, she transitioned to the General Office, a clerical support office for departments on campus. During 10 years in that office, she served as support staff and then managed the office until its closure in 1991. Since 1991, Cook has
Jan Kline

Jan Kline is retiring after 28 years of service with Kennedy Library. Kline joined Cal Poly in 1984 as a clerical assistant and bibliographic searcher in the Order Section in Acquisitions. She remembers ordering and receiving books and assisting with senior projects using the card catalog, giant hardback volumes of “Books in Print,” and typed purchase orders on carbon paper forms. Kline and her work evolved over the years, and she has been integral to the ongoing development of collections and services, collaborating closely with librarians. Most recently she served on the committee to transform the browsing collection into a student-centered, for-fun reading collection. The result is Good Reads, both a physical collection of books and a social media space. Undergraduate use of the collection is now double what it was before the changes. In addition to her many contributions to collections and services, Kline’s passion for literary fiction led her to start a blog, Sensible Shoes. It was a winning entry in a Library Innovations competition in 2007. A retirement reception will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29, in Kennedy Library, Room 511.

Faculty and Staff

Richard Savage Named Director of Graduate Education

Provost Kathleen Enz Finken has announced that Richard Savage, professor of materials engineering, has accepted the position of director of graduate education. Savage has extensive experience working with undergraduate and graduate students, including serving as the graduate coordinator for the Materials Engineering Master's Program (2004-12), as a faculty advisor to multiple student clubs and organizations, and as a member of the Graduate Programs Committee at the department, college, and university levels. As advisor to the Micro Systems Technology Research Group, he leads a multidisciplinary team of students in research projects that require the integration of applied science and engineering. He also collaborates with faculty members across departments in the College of Engineering and the College of Science and Mathematics. He has a distinguished record of collaboration with numerous industry and university partners across the U.S., engaging and supporting students in this work throughout his time at Cal Poly. He is a strong supporter of the Learn by Doing philosophy and the teacher-scholar model and brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to this position. Savage will begin his new role on a part-time basis at the start of winter quarter, transitioning from his role as department chair to director of graduate education full time in summer.

Campus Announcements

Last Week to Order Holiday Meals and Pies

Through Friday, Nov. 16, Village Market is offering a special selection of holiday meals, pies and seasonal side dishes, including traditional cornbread stuffing, French apple pie and more. Orders can be placed online, by phone at ext. 6-1959, or at Village Market, located in Poly Canyon Village. This program is offered for a limited time, so don't miss out. Find more information online.

Cal Poly Surveying Students on Campus Housing Needs

Cal Poly is seeking student input on the need for additional on-campus housing. Consulting firm Brailsford and Dunlavey has developed a survey that will be emailed to all Cal Poly students. Past housing projects at Cal Poly have been successful because of the solid feedback that was provided by Cal Poly students. Each student who completes the survey will be entered into a drawing for one of three iPad minis. Students must complete the survey by Sunday, Nov. 18, to be eligible for the drawing. Questions regarding the survey can be directed to Suzanne Fritz in University Housing at ext. 6-6124 or sfritz@calpoly.edu.

Cal Poly Eggnog Now Available at Campus Market

Bring home a little holiday cheer with Cal Poly eggnog. For a limited time, Campus Market has Cal Poly eggnog for $4 a quart. Stock up on other Cal Poly products such as jams, chocolates and cheeses to make a great holiday gift for your loved ones. More
International Photography Competition Show to Run Through Nov. 16

The Cal Poly International Center's first International Photography Competition for Faculty & Staff remains on display from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the ASI Epicenter (second floor of the UU) through Friday, Nov. 16. Award winners from the competition can be viewed on the CPIC website. Voting remains open for the People's Choice Award through Nov. 15. The winner will be announced Nov. 16. CPIC thanks all who entered and hopes the event becomes an annual tradition that highlights the international research, teaching and travel of Cal Poly faculty and staff. CPIC also thanks its jurors on and off campus for taking the time to thoughtfully examine the images and determine the winners and Phi Beta Delta (the international honor society promoting excellence in teaching, scholarship and service related to international education) for its generous donation toward the competition's awards.

Nominations for Distinguished Teaching Award Sought Through Nov. 30

The nomination period for Cal Poly's annual Distinguished Teaching Award is open through Nov. 30. Nominate your most outstanding and inspiring professor. Any student or alumnus may submit one or more nominations on the nomination website. Nominations should include the professor's name and department and a supporting statement containing evidence of merit based on the criteria listed for this year's award.

Students Sought for 2013-14 Community/Resident Advisor Positions

University Housing is accepting applications for Resident and Community Advisor (RA/CA) positions for 2013-14. This is a team-oriented position in which students work together to plan and promote events, promote safety and provide resources for students living in the residence halls and apartments. Students have been able to use the skills acquired from being an RA/CA in leadership opportunities and in their careers. If you know a Cal Poly student who might be interested in the position, find more information online. Applications are due Monday, Dec. 3.

Nominations Sought for Top Staff Award

The deadline to submit a nomination for the 2012-13 Outstanding Staff Employee Award is Jan. 21, 2013. To be eligible, nominees must be full- or part-time employees of the university, Corporation or ASI who are in at least their third year of employment as of Dec. 31, 2012, and who are not represented by bargaining unit 3 (faculty). Past recipients of the award are also ineligible. The Outstanding Staff Nomination Form can be found online.

Opportunities Announced for Teaching Abroad in 2014-15

The Cal Poly International Center has announced that applications are open for faculty to teach with the University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC) during the 2014-15 academic year. There are multiple locations, and programs vary in length. Cal Poly is a member of USAC and sits on the board of directors. Students from 32 member universities have been studying at 39 locations in 24 countries around the world for more than 30 years with USAC. About 150 Cal Poly students are participating with USAC programs this year, and several Cal Poly faculty have taught with them recently. Please visit the USAC website for information. If interested, contact Monica Schechter, the university's USAC coordinator, at ext. 6-5964 or mschecht@calpoly.edu for the Cal Poly application. Submission deadline is January 2013 for the upcoming cycle.

Save the Date – Service Awards Luncheon Set for Feb. 27, 2013

State, Corporation and ASI employees with milestone service anniversaries in 2012 will be honored at the Service Awards Luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2013, in Chapman Auditorium. Tickets are $12 and go on sale Feb. 4. Watch for more information in an upcoming issue of the Cal Poly Report, including where you can purchase tickets.

Tired of your same sack lunch? Grab lunch at 19 Metro for as low as $5.25

All-you-care-to-eat lunch at 19 Metro station for just $5.25, only with Fast Pass. 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.
Theatre and Dance presents ‘God’s Ear’ Nov. 15-17

The Cal Poly Theatre and Dance Department presents its fall production, “God’s Ear” by Jenny Schwartz, Nov. 15-17. The play is a beautiful and haunting story about loss that also contains wonderful comic and fantastical scenes. A young couple struggles with the death of their son. The wife begins to lose her grip on reality, lashing out at her husband, mutilating herself and hearing voices. To avoid his family, the husband goes on business trips, cruises bars and pursues an affair. The couple’s daughter finds solace in reading and conversing with imaginary characters.

Surrounding the three central figures are a group of colorful and fantastical characters: they include the tooth fairy, a transvestite flight attendant, G.I. Joe, a barfly, and a man on the prowl who advocates wife-swapping. Performances are 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 15-17 in Spanos Theatre. General admission is $15; students and seniors are $12. To make reservations, call ext. 6-2787. An art competition and exhibition complements the production. The gallery in the backstage area of Spanos Theatre will open to the public 45 minutes prior to curtain and for 30 minutes immediately following the conclusion of the show. This special exhibition is free.

Pride Center Hosting Trans Awareness Week Events Through Nov. 16

The Cal Poly Pride Center (in collaboration with the MultiCultural Center, the Gender Equity Center and RPTA 210 students) has announced its events for the 2012 Transgender Awareness Week:

- Trans What? – The Pride Center has invited Dr. Elizabeth Meyer (an expert in transgender topics) to host a discussion regarding snapshots and stories from a diverse community on Wednesday, Nov. 14 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in Building 3, Room 205.

- Trans Action Information Booth – Join the Pride Center and the Gender Equity Center to discuss a new collaborative initiative, Trans Action, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15, at a booth in the University Union Plaza.

- QPOC (Queer People of Color) Native American Heritage Event: Redefining Beauty Pageants: A Cross Cultural Discussion of Beauty across Cultures – In the world of pageantry, what inspired pageants that celebrate underrepresented identities? Is there a way that pageants such as Miss America can be more inclusive? Join the Pride Center and MultiCultural Center for a Cross-Cultural Discussion of beauty and how it’s showcased in pageants. Refreshments will be served. Thursday, Nov. 15, 6 to 8 p.m. in Chandler Lounge. For more information or questions contact Llanee Anderson at lander16@calpoly.edu.

- Trans Fashion Show – The Pride Center presents its annual Trans Fashion Show from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16, in Chumash Auditorium. Celebrate Cal Poly students as they model trans fashion in this carnival-themed event. For additional information, contact Patrick Fina at calpoly.allly@gmail.com or ext. 6-6256.

University Art Gallery to Display Faculty Work Through Dec. 7

Cal Poly’s University Art Gallery is showcasing new creative research and artwork by faculty members in the Art and Design Department through Dec. 7. The exhibit, titled “The Department of Art and Design Faculty Creative Research Triennial,” will include artwork in graphic design, photography, drawing, painting, video and art history, as well as “olfactory art.” The free exhibit is open to the public from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

Former NBC News Correspondent George Lewis to Speak Nov. 15

George Lewis, NBC News Correspondent for more than 40 years before retiring earlier this year, will speak at the 2012 Phi Beta Delta Honors Lecture during International Education Week. Lewis covered international events including the Vietnam War, the Iran hostage crisis, the Tiananmen Square revolt in China, and Operation Desert Storm. Lewis
has won three Emmys, the George Foster Peabody Award, and the Edward R. Murrow Award during his career covering events abroad. The event will run 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Alumni House, with a reception starting at 4:30 p.m. RSVP to Dianne DeTurris at ext. 6-1515 or deturri@calpoly.edu.

Cal Poly to Present Bandfest on Nov. 17

More than 275 students will perform at Cal Poly's annual Bandfest at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. The show, titled “The Year of the Dragon,” will feature the Cal Poly Wind Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, and Pride of the Pacific Mustang Marching Band in an evening of bold and powerful works for the modern wind band and the traditional stadium marching band. The performance celebrates the Chinese Year of the Dragon by featuring works inspired by the mystical, natural and supernatural aspects of human existence. The Wind Ensemble and Wind Orchestra will take the audience on a journey that explores both the seen and unseen universe. For more information, visit the Music Department Web calendar.

Cal Poly Symphony Opens Season with 'Music and Image' Nov. 18

The Cal Poly Symphony will perform music inspired by and interpreted through visual art at its Fall Concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. The centerpiece of the concert is a collaboration with Sky Bergman, an internationally exhibited and published photographer and chair of the Art and Design Department. Bergman will re-interpret Modest Mussorgsky’s “Pictures at an Exhibition” with her own images of people and cultures from across the globe. Mussorgsky’s music was inspired by illustrations by the composer’s friend, Viktor Hartmann. The ensemble will also perform Respighi's “Trittico Botticelliano,” inspired by three Sandro Botticelli paintings: “Spring,” “The Adoration of the Magi,” and “The Birth of Venus.” The concert will begin with music from a current form of visual art: video games. For more information, visit the Music Department Web calendar.

Cal Poly Fall Jazz Concert Set for Nov. 30

The Cal Poly jazz ensembles will present a young, fresh approach to one of America's great art forms at their Fall Jazz Concert at 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, in the Spanos Theatre. Two big bands and a combo will show how jazz is being reinvigorated by the next generation, said Paul Rinzler, Cal Poly's director of jazz studies. With four trumpets, four trombones, five saxophones and a rhythm section, the big bands produce a "wall of sound." The University Jazz Band I will perform a jazz version of the rock classic "Moondance," originally recorded by Van Morrison, in addition to traditional and contemporary jazz pieces. The University Jazz Band II, as well as a jazz combo, will also perform. For more information, visit the Music Department Web calendar.

Cal Poly Choirs to Present 'A Christmas Celebration' Dec. 1

Cal Poly's PolyPhonics, The University Singers, and Early Music Ensemble will ring in the holiday spirit in "A Christmas Celebration” at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. Also joining the Cal Poly Choirs will be the Cal Poly Brass Ensemble and the popular a cappella group Take It SLO. This year's program will highlight works for choir with oboe, featuring Cal Poly oboe
instructor Gabrielle Castriotta as the guest soloist. 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 www.calpolyjobs.org. To apply, go online and complete the application form. For assistance, call Human Resources at ext. 6-2236.


Faculty Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit the online employment website at www.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.

PART-TIME LECTURER POOLS – Pools are open in all departments for 2012-13 academic year. Visit www.calpolyjobs.org to search department of interest.

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#102686, Tenure Track Position – Avian Community Ecologist, Biological Sciences Dept., College of Math and Science, ext. 6-5242. Review begins: Dec. 5, 2012.

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 its 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 212 or call ext. 6-5800.

There are no new job opportunities at this time.