President Baker on CSU Accessible Technology Initiative
President Baker has affirmed Cal Poly's commitment to implement the California State University Accessible Technology Initiative in a memo at: http://www.accessibility.calpoly.edu/news/baker_ATI_032907.html. It is the policy of the CSU to make information technology resources and services accessible to all CSU students, faculty, staff and the general public regardless of disability. President Baker's message outlines objectives to be met. Cal Poly's progress to date, and pointers to some of the resources available to Cal Poly employees.

Nominations sought for memorial scholarship
Nominations are being sought for the Courtney Elizabeth Smyth Memorial Scholarship, recognition and support for a student who has overcome adversity and personal hardship. This year's scholarship award is $4,000. Eligible students must be currently enrolled full-time, be in good academic standing and be enrolled as a full-time student for the 2007-08 academic year. Letters of nomination should be forwarded to Stephan Lamb, associate director, Student Life and Leadership, by Friday May 25. All nominations are confidential. For more information, call Stephan Lamb at ext. 6-6506.

Cal Poly Corporation Board meeting set for May 18
The Board of Directors of the Cal Poly Corporation will hold a regular meeting on Friday, May 18, at 8:30 a.m. in the Corporation Administration Building, Conference Room 124. This is a public meeting. For more information about this meeting or to obtain a copy of the meeting agenda, contact Jim Reinhart, associate executive director, Cal Poly Corporation, at ext. 6-1131.

The Enrique Jimenez Memorial Orientation Award
In September 2006 during fall orientation, entering Cal Poly freshman Enrique Jimenez died in the ocean at Montana del Oro State Park. The Enrique Jimenez Memorial Orientation Award has been established to honor Enrique's spirit and accomplishments. Each year the award will be given to selected students to help defray the expenses of the university's fall orientation program. In order to establish this award and select recipients for fall, a base level of $3,000 is needed now. Support at any level is welcome. For more information about the program, contact Stephan Lamb, associate director, Student Life and Leadership, at slamb@calpoly.edu. Checks payable to the Cal Poly Foundation, noting the Enrique Jimenez Memorial Orientation Award, may be forwarded to Allison Jones in the Special Gifts Office, Heron Hall, Room 111.

Nominees sought for President's Community Service Awards
Nominations are being accepted for the 21st annual President's Community Service Awards. The awards are presented to faculty, interdisciplinary teams, students, clubs, fraternities/sororities and community partners for their contributions to the quality of life in San Luis Obispo and their spirit of civic involvement. For more information and nomination forms, visit http://www.calpoly.edu/~civic/newsandevents.htm. Nominations should be delivered to the Community Center, UU, Room 217 or emailed to Joy Pederson at jmpeders@calpoly.edu by Friday, May 11. President Baker will recognize award recipients at a ceremony on Wednesday, May 30, 4 to 5:30 p.m. at the University House. Reservations for the ceremony are required. Email jmpeders@calpoly.edu by May 25 to reserve a seat.
'Grandfather' of Chicano poetry presents film May 11
Internationally known Chicano artist, poet and musician José Montoya will be at Cal Poly Friday, May 11, to present the PBS documentary film "Pilots of Aztlan: The Flights of the Royal Chicano Air Force." Montoya, who co-founded the Royal Chicano Air Force and is featured in the documentary, will be at a pre-screening reception at 5:30 p.m. in Phillips Hall in the Performing Arts Center. He will talk about the film and his role as an RCAF pilot of Aztlan. The film begins at 6 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Cal Poly farm equipment to be auctioned May 12
The Farm Operations Department will hold a public auction on Saturday, May 12, starting at 10 a.m. in the Farm Shop Building on the corner of Via Carta and Feed Mill Road. The department is selling items no longer used on the campus farm. Proceeds will help support the department. For more information, contact Carlos Ramirez calpolyfarmauction@hotmail.com or 441-9560.

Physics Professor to present alternatives to fossil fuels May 15
Physics Professor Peter Schwartz will summarize his latest energy analysis projects and student research on Tuesday, May 15, 11:10 a.m. to noon in the Science Building, Room E26. "Navigating the Way Out of Fossil Fuel Dependence and into Appropriate Technology" will explore the future mix of renewable energy sources and address the introduction of alternative vehicles and fuels that can potentially render a carbon neutral community.

Astronomer to announce 'out of this world' opportunity May 16
Russell M. Genet, adjunct professor of astronomy at Cuesta College, director of the Orion Observatory, and Cal Poly Research Scholar in Residence, will discuss undergraduate research at small observatories on Wednesday, May 16, at 7 p.m. in Room 510-B of the Kennedy Library. Genet will also announce two unique opportunities for local undergraduates, high school students, educators, and amateur astronomers to become involved in astronomical research.

Music Professor to talk about Lebanese singer Fairouz May 17
Cal Poly Music Professor Ken Habib will discuss Lebanese superstar singer Fairouz in a free, public presentation on Thursday, May 17. The talk, titled "The Lebanese Superstar Singer Fairouz: A Genre Unto Herself," will be from noon to 1 p.m. in Room 215 in the Science North Building. The lecture will examine the ways that diverse fans have found their identity in Fairouz and will look at how this artist became a genre unto herself. Fairouz has been the focus of a music cultural phenomenon for over 50 years. Her music has reverberated throughout the Eastern Mediterranean, penetrated all corners of the Arab world.

Retirement reception for Darcy Adams May 18
After 26 years of service to Cal Poly, Darcy Adams, Human Resources Analyst, is retiring. Darcy started her career at Cal Poly in 1981 as a Clerical Assistant in the Public Safety Department now called the University Police Department. She transferred to the Human Resources Department in 1993. All faculty and staff are invited to attend her retirement reception on Friday, May 18, 1 to 3 p.m. in the Human Resources Office. Well-wishers who cannot attend may contact Darcy at ext. 6-2472.

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