What's Happening

Hot off the Press' Exhibit
ASI Events will display photographic interpretations of current news events May 20–June 10 in the UU Gallery. An opening reception will be held Thursday, May 26, from 6-8 p.m. in the UU Gallery with complimentary refreshments and live music by Dominic Castillo. The exhibit is free and can be seen 8 a.m.-6 p.m. every Monday-Thursday and 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday. For more information regarding the exhibit, contact ASI Events at ext. 6-1112, or visit uugallery@asi.calpoly.edu.

It's Bike Week! Get free stuff
Thursday May 16-20 is Bike Week on campus and in San Luis Obispo County. During UU hour Thursday, May 19, stop by the Bike Week table and pick up free bicycle maps, safety information, and more. For details contact Susan Rains at UPD, srains@calpoly.edu

Retirement Party for Lee Perkins
The campus community is invited to attend a cake reception for Lee Perkins on Thursday, May 26, from 1-3 p.m. in the Science and Mathematics Building, Room 114. Lee has been with the International Education and Programs Department for seven years.

Entertainment
http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/eventsindex.html

Employment
State: The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted on www.calpolyjobs.org. As a courtesy to our on-campus employees, job vacancies are also published in the Cal Poly Report. To apply, go online and complete the application form. Applicants needing assistance may contact Human Resources at ext. 8-2236.


Provost search moves forward
The fourth candidate for provost and vice president for academic affairs will be visiting campus next week. Faculty, staff, and students are encouraged to attend the open forum for William G. Harris, director-general, Science Foundation Ireland, on Thursday, May 26, in UU 220 from 9:10-10 a.m. For more information about Harris, including his resume, visit http://academic-personnel.calpoly.edu/, and clicking on the "Announcement" tab.

IE&P director search
Linda Halisky has resigned as director of International Education and Programs. Halisky has been on leave from that position for the past year while serving as dean of the College of Liberal Arts. Faculty members are invited to apply or nominate faculty for this position, which includes the directorship of the London Study Program. A full description of the position and the search process is at http://www.calpoly.edu/~iep/Primary/director.html. Review of applications begins May 25. The position will remain open until filled.

New standards set for data connection
The CSU has established new standards for data connections for all faculty and staff offices, as well as classrooms and labs. Use of non-standard hubs, switches or line-splitters providing multiple ports off of a single standard faceplate is no longer permitted. See the policy and service areas at http://www.netadmin.calpoly.edu for more information. ITS has asked LAN coordinators to report all non-standard devices in their areas. Faculty and staff are encouraged to contact their LAN coordinators or ITS Network Administration (ext. 6-1295) to report any non-standard connections. ITS will compile an inventory of the devices, and after evaluating the costs, will work with the departments to determine the best way to fund conversion to compliant connections. After May 30, all non-standard network connections not identified on the ITS inventory for conversion will be disconnected until they become compliant.

Two presidents appointed
The California State University board of trustees recently appointed Don W. Kassing as the permanent president of San José State University and Diane Cordero de Noriega as interim president of CSU Monterey Bay. Kassing, who has been the interim president since September 2004, previously was SJSU's vice president for administration and finance. He has been at the university since 1993. He will serve as the permanent president until 2007, when a search will be undertaken for his successor. Cordero de Noriega, who currently is CSUMB's provost and vice president for academic affairs, is the CSU's first Latina president. She previously served as dean of the College of Education at CSU Sacramento.

Ag faculty and staff awarded
The College of Agriculture recently honored 12 faculty and staff members for outstanding work and accomplishments. "Without these individuals going above and beyond in their work, we would not be able to provide our students with the level of instruction that Cal Poly is famous for," said College of Agriculture Dean David Wehner. The annual awards ceremony was held in early April. Honorees included Professors Walter Mark, David Headrick, Lisa Nicholson, and others. For more details visit http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2005/april_05/ag-awards.html/
Get your new PolyCard

The university will no longer be permitted to use a magnetically encoded social security numbers on PolyCards after June 30. The new PolyCard will have revised text on the front to enhance readability and incorporate new functionality. Beginning June 1, the PolyCard Office will replace all existing cards for the university community and will issue the new card to all new students, staff and faculty. Effective June 13, the library will no longer accept the old, SSN-encoded PolyCard at the circulation desk. For more information about this program, go to www.polycard.calpoly.edu or contact library circulation at ext. 6-5760.

Long-term care benefits available

CalPERS offers a comprehensive program of long-term care benefits through a self-funded, not-for-profit program. Long-term care is extended care individuals need due to chronic illness, injury or the frailties of old age. The Long-Term Care Program will offer new coverage and rate options during the 2005 application period. All California public employees and retirees, their spouses, parents (step-parent is considered a parent for eligibility purposes), parents-in-law, and adult siblings (age 18 and over) may apply. This year's application period is May 1-Sept. 30. Application kits are available on the CalPERS Web site at www.calpers.ca.gov or by calling 1-800-266-1050.

Auto, home insurance rep to be on campus

Sara Buratto, the new representative for A+ Auto and Home Insurance (managed by California Casualty), will be on campus Thursday, May 19, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. in Admin. 110. Buratto will be on-hand to give quotes and information on auto and homeowners insurance. She will also have information on new enhancements to the A+ insurance product line. Policies are available through payroll deduction to all CSU employees who are eligible for benefits. Appointments are not necessary and questions will be answered on a first-come, first-served basis. Interested employees who are unable to attend may contact Buratto at (877) 411-3423 or visit the A+ web site at http://www.calcas.com.

Alum to share South African experience

Cal Poly alumna Abby Kingdon will give a presentation about her experiences living in rural South Africa at 11 a.m., Thursday, May 19, in Erhart Agriculture Building, Room 105. The event is free and open to the public and includes pictures, South African treats and South African tea. The recent graduate spent several weeks in Africa, mostly in South Africa, on several different rural properties researching and writing magazine articles.

Tip a cop for Special Olympics

The 8th Annual Tip-a-Cop Dinner to raise money for local Special Olympics takes place today, May 18, from 5-8 p.m. at the Veteran’s Memorial Building, 801 Grand Ave., in San Luis Obispo. McLintock’s and Firestone Grill will serving BBQ with all the fixings. Diners will pay normal prices for dinners but the tip goes to Special Olympics. Servers will be university and San Luis Obispo cops. Diners aren’t required to leave tips based on server skills – they can leave more! The event is open to the public. Contact Kelly Steveson at ext. 6-6652 to make a reservation for 5, 6, or 7 p.m. For additional information about the Special Olympics in San Luis Obispo County, visit http://www.osc.org/sanluisobispo.html.