March 30, 2005

What's Happening

Comedian Rob Becker at the PAC April 6
"Defending the Caveman" is about the ways men and women struggle to relate. Mining everyday life for its material, Becker -- the "Caveman" -- gently switches focus from men to women and back again. "Defending the Caveman" has touched and tickled more than 2 million patrons at over 3,000 performances from coast to coast. Contains Adult Themes and Mature Language. Showtime is 8 p.m., April 6 in the Christopher Cohan Center.

Students Present Mozart Opera
March 31 & April 1
Cal Poly music students will give four performances of Mozart's one-act comic opera "The Impresario" at 7:30 and 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday, March 31-April 1, in the Spanos Theatre.

Campus Links

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Cal Poly Celebrates Cesar Chavez March 31, April 5
Cal Poly students are inviting the public to celebrate the life of Cesar Chavez during a memorial march, rally and film showing on campus Tuesday, April 5. The march will begin at 11 a.m. on Dexter Lawn. The morning memorial march will end at the University Union Plaza, with a few moments of open microphone comments. Chavez events will continue at 6 p.m. that evening in the Veranda Café across from the ASI Rec Center, where a panel of speakers will discuss the influence Chavez had on their lives. Video clips of Chavez's life and work will be shown. Refreshments will be served. The free events are sponsored by the university's Hispanic Business Student Association.

Tell Students: Teacher Job Fair is Thursday, April 7
Career Services presents the Annual Teacher Job Fair on Thursday, April 7, in Chumash Auditorium. Staff and Faculty are encouraged to announce the event to students. More than 50 school districts from around California will be there to meet with candidates and discuss anticipated K-12 teaching and administrative openings. Some districts will arrange same-day interviews. Open Forum runs from 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Interviews are 2-4:30 p.m. For details on participating districts and anticipated openings, students should register on Mustang Jobs through the MyCalPoly portal (https://my.calpoly.edu). The event is free and open to all students and community members. For details, contact Charlotte Zuniga, 6-5978 or crinaldi@calpoly.edu.

DRC Annual Awards Banquet Highlights
On March 3rd, the Disability Resource Center held its annual Awards Banquet to honor those who have made exceptional efforts to assist and accommodate students with disabilities into the Cal Poly educational environment. The event took place in the Cal Poly Veranda Café and was attended by supporters of DRC from across campus and from the local community. Also present were many Volunteer Readers, who read textbooks throughout the year for students with disabilities.

DRC gave the Outstanding Faculty/Staff Award to Jeannine DiPasquale, for her staunch support and positive influence in the lives of many students with disabilities. Recipient of the Administrator of the Year Award was Linda Halisky who, as interim Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, takes a personal interest in students with disabilities and has been a strong advocate for the timely provision of classroom accommodations.

DRC recognized Sally Kadota as an Outstanding Volunteer Reader for 20 years of continuous dedication and willingness to read any textbooks that were needed by students with print impairments. Scott Barton, a graduating Industrial Technology major, was honored as DRC Student of the Year, for his exceptional school spirit and his cheerful willingness to take on any project as a DRC employee. Scott has been the keeper of the "P" for several years as a member of the Running Thunder Spirit organization.

DRC also awarded a $400 honorarium to 11 students, thanks to contributions from corporate sponsors and donations from individual donors. Students were chosen on the basis of need, scholarship, personal and academic goals, and community and campus involvement.
College of Engineering Has New Advancement Officer

The College of Engineering at Cal Poly recently announced the appointment of Jennifer Endes as director of donor relations. A graduate of CSU Sacramento, Endes has 15 years experience in development. She served as director of fund distribution for United Way of Kern County, program recruiter for MENTOR California and executive director of the Kern Adult Literacy Council. For the past five years, Endes worked with United Way of Kern County as director of resource development.

Retired Faculty and Staff Club Elects New Officers

The university's Retired Faculty and Staff Club now has more than 1,200 members. The members met recently to elect officers for the new year. The speaker at the gathering was the new Cal Poly Vice President for Advancement Sandra Gardebring Ogren. She discussed her experience as a Supreme Court Judge for the State of Minnesota, and how it has helped her in her new position at the University. The title of her talk was "From Black Robes to Cal Poly Green and Gold".

Newly elected president is Lark Carter; outgoing president is Bernie Troy, bulletin editor is Harry Sharp; outgoing secretary is Pat Saam; new vice president is Don Morris; secretary is Kay Patterson; projects chairman is Zafar Iqbal; and club treasurer/membership director is Barbara Ciesielski. If you are a retired Cal Poly faculty or staff member, and are interested in finding out more about the organization and getting on the mailing list, contact Don Morris at (805) 773-1672.

Cal Poly Chocolates Now Certified as Fair Trade Goods

Cal Poly Chocolates are now certified as 'fair trade' food items, a designation bestowed this week by the national organization TransFairUSA. The designation places Cal Poly alongside universities including UC Santa Barbara, UC Santa Cruz, UC Berkeley and UC Davis in either establishing Fair Trade clubs or selling Fair Trade certified products on campus. Cal Poly Chocolates is the only university-based Fair Trade Certified chocolate business in the United States. Fair trade cocoa comes from cocoa beans grown on certified farms and co-ops in tropical countries in Central and South America, the Caribbean, and West Africa.

Sign Up For Swim Classes

ASI Recreational Sports is offering a variety of swim classes for all ability levels this Spring. Enjoy the refreshing and all-around physical workout of swimming. The Beginner Course is for those who want to learn the basics and feel more comfortable in the water. The Intermediate Course will help you meet specific goals and work on stroke specifics. The Masters level is great for stroke technique, motivation, and for those in training. Beginner Class is held Monday and Fridays from 10-11 a.m., Intermediate Class is held Monday and Fridays from 9-10 a.m., and Masters level has both morning, noon, and evening times to choose from. Check the ASI Recreational Sports Website for details at http://www.asi.calpoly.edu/recsports/.

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