What's Happening

Get introduced

Osher Lifelong Learning
Continuing Education's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, a membership group that offers courses to those 50 and over, will be holding a free introductory reception on Jan. 18 from 4 to 6 p.m. in UUU 220. The reception is open to both current and potential members. Speakers will discuss upcoming courses and programs for the winter/spring term and introduce potential members to the concept of peer-learning. The reception features complimentary hors d'oeuvres, wine and other beverages. Those interested in attending the reception can register on-line by visiting www.continuing-ed.calpoly.edu and clicking on the "Osher" icon. Attendees may also register by calling Continuing Education at ext. 6-2653.

Band to play swing-era music
The public is invited to a dance concert Feb. 11, featuring original swing-era tunes played by the University Jazz Band. The dance will be from 8 to 11 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium. Free swing dance lessons are at 7 p.m. The band will perform big-band classics suitable for dancing or listening, according to director Paul Rinzler. Admission to the dance is $7 for the public and $5 for students. The event is sponsored by the Music Department, College of Liberal Arts and the Instructionally Related Activities program. For more information, call Rinzler at ext. 6-5792.

Campus Links

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

Sports Events
http://www.gopoly.com

Alison Cone is athletic director finalist
Alison Cone is the second finalist in the search for a new athletics director. She has served as interim director of athletics for the past year and has worked in the Athletics Department since 1994 when she was hired as senior associate director. The Athletic Director Search Committee will host Cone at an open campus forum on Thursday, Jan. 13, 2-3 p.m., in University Union 220. Cone earned a master's degree in education from Cal State Dominguez Hills and a bachelor's degree from Washington State University. She was chosen as part of an ongoing national search that so far has drawn more than 70 applicants. Steven P. Holton, former athletics director at Northern Arizona University, was named a finalist last November. The new director will succeed John McCutcheon, who accepted a similar position at the University of Massachusetts last year after 12 years at Cal Poly.

Local relief offered for tsunami victims
There are many relief organizations collecting donations and providing funding to help those people and areas affected by the recent earthquakes and tsunami in Southeast Asia. Cal Poly has compiled a list of some of those organizations recognizing that many on campus want to help. That list can be found at http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2005/jan_05/tsunami.html. This information is being provided out of concern for those who have suffered in this terrible tragedy. Cal Poly has not investigated, nor does it endorse, any of the listed organizations.

ITS announces calendar, e-mail changes
All current OpenTime/Oracle Calendar users will be moved to the new Oracle Collaboration Suite Calendar system during the weekend of Jan. 22-23. During this period, users will not have access to their on-line calendars. Prior to Jan. 22, faculty and staff must change their passwords using the My Cal Poly Portal PasswordManager channel (http://my.calpoly.edu). Users who have not changed their passwords will not be able to access their calendars or e-mail from their desktops. For assistance, contact the ITS Service Desk at ext. 6-7000.

Mardi Gras update
The results of the celebrations of Mardi Gras last year have led the city of San Luis Obispo to cancel public celebrations during Mardi Gras weekend this year. The university encourages all students, faculty and staff to heed the city's call this year for an end to public Mardi Gras celebrations in San Luis Obispo and to encourage others to join in continuing the campus traditions of civility and respect for the law.

Ann Fryer named DRC interim director
Vice President of Student Affairs Cornel Morton has appointed Ann Fryer interim director of the Disability Resource Center (DRC) effective Jan. 3. Fryer succeeds William Bailey, who was recently appointed director of Employment Equity and Faculty Recruitment. Fryer has a long-standing history with the DRC, having worked in the center since 1981, and has served as assistant director for the center the past three years. She earned a master's degree in education from Cal Poly in 1983, and served as the DRC's first learning disabilities specialist.
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