Computer training schedule online only

The Winter Quarter 2004 Computer Training Schedule, jointly published by Information Technology Services, the Keane Library and the Orfalea College of Business, is now available online at http://training.calpoly.edu/training/schedule.pdf.

Beginning this quarter, the quarterly schedule will be available to campus employees only on the Web site. Schedules will be posted online by the close of the preceding quarter.

If you would like to be notified by email when the new training schedule is posted each quarter, e-mail training@calpoly.edu with “Subscribe – Computer Training Schedule” as the subject line.

ITS encourages departments to print copies for employees without computer access or as needed to inform students and the staff and faculty. Contact Marsha Epstein at ext. 6541 or mepstein@calpoly.edu for more information.

‘Black Militancy, Mass Culture’ to be topic of talk

“Black Militancy in Mass Culture” will be the topic of a talk given at 7 p.m. Feb. 11 by UC San Diego Ethnic Studies Professor Jane Rhodes in Room 123 of the Bioresource and Agricultural Engineering Building.

Rhodes will look at how different forms of mass media shape the way African American protest is seen and understood.

The presentation will examine television, film and popular histories produced in the last decade that have depicted individuals such as Malcolm X, Martin Luther King Jr. and Angela Davis and groups like the Black Panthers and Nation of Islam, in the process creating a narrative about what are appropriate or legitimate forms of dissent in American culture.

The talk is sponsored by the Ethnic Studies Department in celebration of Black History Month and co-sponsored by the Journalism Department.

Designated smoking areas shown on map on Web

Areas on campus where smoking is allowed are shown on a map posted on the Facilities Planning Web site. From the Facilities home page, www.facilities.calpoly.edu, click on Maps and Plans, then Campus Maps, then Designated Smoking Zones - Campus Map.


New campus policy, reflecting a state law effective Jan. 1, prohibits smoking in all campus buildings, leased space and state-owned passenger vehicles except for private residences. It restricts outdoor smoking in the campus core and residential community to the designated areas shown on the map cited above. The designated areas are also identified with ash cans and waste receptacles.

Sustainability, engineering to be forum topic

Three noted speakers will discuss sustainability and how it relates to engineering and design Saturday (Feb. 7) at Cal Poly’s 14th Annual Structural Forum.

The lectures are part of a daylong program on “Sustainability in Design” that begins at 8:30 a.m. in the Business Rotunda (Room 213). Presentations are at:

- 9:15 a.m. – David Mar, “Sustainability Issues in Structural Engineering.”
- 10:45 a.m. – Dushyant Mamdani, “Sustainable High Volume Fly Ash (HVFA) Concrete.”
- 2 p.m. – Charles Kibert, “The Future Color of Construction is Green.”

The Structural Forum is hosted by the student chapter of the Structural Engineers Association of California, a club of the Architectural Engineering Department.

For more information, go to www.arce.calpoly.edu or call Architectural Engineering at ext. 1314.
Nomination deadline is Feb. 16 in ‘Quest for Best’

Feb. 16 is the deadline to submit a nomination for the 2004 Land Family Quest for the Best Award, given to students who exemplify excellence, stewardship, collaboration, integrity and community service.

One student from each college and one student who has been active in student government will receive a cash award. The top award is the equivalent of a year’s tuition.

Faculty and staff members can nominate a student by mailing or e-mailing a brief letter outlining the student’s achievements and qualifications to Pat Harris in Student Life and Leadership (pharris@calpoly.edu).

Nominated students should include the student’s name and phone number or e-mail address, plus a brief description of the student’s achievements and qualifications. Nominated students who meet eligibility requirements will be asked to write an essay outlining their leadership experience and how it reflects the values that are key to the Quest for the Best program. Their experience can be in campus, religious or charitable organizations.

For more information on criteria and procedures, contact Harris by e-mail or at ext. 2582, or visit http://www.leads.calpoly.edu/quest/about.html.

Attorney to discuss immigration regulations

Immigration attorney Adam Green will present an overview of immigration regulations concerning work authorization at 7 p.m. Friday (Feb. 6) in Philips Hall in the Christopher Cohan Center.

Green will discuss the H1 work authorization visa, the TN work authorization visa for Canadian and Mexican citizens, and the PR (permanent resident) Green Card visa. He will also answer audience questions.

For more information, call Lee Perkins at ext. 1477 or Barbara Andre at ext. 5837 in International Education and Programs.

Registration posters available from Records

Spring registration posters are now available for pickup in Academic Records, Adm. 222. Records asks departments to help students by displaying the posters in their areas and nearby.

New MBA offered in document systems

The Orfalea College of Business is teaming up with the Graphic Communication Department to offer a Master of Business Administration degree program with an emphasis in document systems management.

The degree was created to fill a need in the document industry for knowledgeable managers, according to Harvey Levenson, Graphic Communication Department head.

In the first year of the program, students will take a core of MBA courses in finance, quantitative analysis, organization behavior, economics, information systems and marketing. They will also take courses in production and operations management, organizational design and international business.

During their second year, students will take courses specific to the document industry, including industry segments, processes and products, document publishing systems, new technologies, digital content management, document pricing, costing and estimating, digital document media, and imaging systems management. This will include an internship in industry and faculty-directed research courses.

New brochure guides arboretum visitors

A new “Garden Walk” brochure is available to visitors to the Environmental Horticultural Science unit’s Leaning Pine Arboretum. The brochure includes a map of the arboretum and descriptions of 22 numbered stops on a self-guided tour path. It is available at the arboretum entrance and the Poly Plant shop, both at the top of Via Carta.

The five-acre Leaning Pine Arboretum includes hundreds of plants from the world’s five Mediterranean climate regions, along with extensive collections of palms, dwarf and unusual conifers, and plants from New Zealand. For more information, contact the arboretum’s director, Professor Emeritus Tom Eltzroth, at ext. 2888 or teltzrot@calpoly.edu.

Bailey named chair

Professor Christina Bailey has been named Chemistry and Biochemistry Department chair effective Sept. 1 by Interim Provost Bob Detweller. The appointment is through August 2008.

Position Vacancies

FACULTY Candidates are asked to visit the employment Web site at www.calpolyjobs.org to 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. Rank and salary are commensurate with qualifications and experience (and time base where applicable), unless otherwise stated.

100235: Full-Time, Tenured Dean (Professor rank), Orfalea College of Business (ext. 2844). Review begins Feb. 17; applications received after that date may be considered.

100239: Part-Time Lecturer Pool, Mechanical Engineering Department, College of Engineering (ext. 1334). Closes June 1.


ASSOCIATED STUDENTS INC. is accepting applications for the following position:

Complete position descriptions and applications are available at the ASI Business Office, UU 212, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. M-F, or call ext. 5800. All applications must be received by 5 p.m. of the listed closing date. AA/EEO.


Deadline will be Feb. 12 for Feb. 18 Report

Because of the Presidents’ Day holiday Feb. 16, the deadline to submit articles for the Feb. 18 Cal Poly Report will be 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12.

The Cal Poly Report appears online (www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu) on Wednesdays during the academic year. Articles are due to Public Affairs by 4 p.m. the Friday before publication, except when holidays intervene. Articles should be e-mailed to polynews@calpoly.edu with the subject line “For Cal Poly Report.” For more information, call ext. 1511.

Housing Corp. to meet

The next public meeting of the board of directors of the Cal Poly Housing Corp. will be at 9 a.m. Feb. 20 in Foundation Administration 124. A copy of the agenda will be available for review in the Foundation Administration Building during the week of the meeting. For more information, call Housing Corp. Managing Director Jim Reinhart at ext. 1131.