El Corral marks anniversary Thursday with discounts

Established in 1933, El Corral Bookstore will celebrate its 70th anniversary on Thursday (Nov. 13) by offering selected merchandise at 33 percent off.

Deals will be available on such items as wire-bound notebooks and notepads, study aids, jackets, vests and more.

Refreshments will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. or until they run out.

Service lunch set for winter

State, Foundation and ASI employees with milestone service anniversaries in 2003 will be honored at a Service Awards Luncheon in late February or early March. More information will be published in future issues of the Cal Poly Report.

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Policies protect research subjects, human & animal

The Research and Graduate Programs office reminds the campus that the university has policies and procedures for protecting people and animals involved in research projects.

The Human Subjects Committee reviews all projects involving human subjects, including senior projects, thesis work and faculty research. Research proposals should be sent to Steve Davis, committee chair, in the Kinesiology Department (ext. 6-2754), or to Susan Opava, dean of research and graduate programs (ext. 6-1508), for referral to the committee.

Guidelines for preparing the proposals can be obtained from either office and found at www.calpoly.edu/~rgp/forms.html.

Investigators who plan to carry out federally funded research involving human subjects that is not exempt from review under federal guidelines are required to obtain authorized training in the ethical principles and procedures for carrying out such research. Federal funds will not be awarded without proof of the training. Training authorized by the Office of Human Research Protections is available online at http://cme.cancer.gov/ea01 or on a CD-ROM provided by Research and Graduate Programs or Grants Development.

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee reviews all current and proposed projects or activities in which vertebrate animals are used in teaching or research. Send proposals involving the use of animals to the committee via Research and Graduate Programs.

For guidelines and forms, call or stop by Research and Graduate Programs, or go to www.calpoly.edu/~rgp.

Position Vacancies

STATE The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted on Cal Poly's online employment system, www.calpolyjobs.org. As a courtesy to on-campus employees, job vacancies are also published in the Cal Poly Report. Positions marked with an asterisk indicate that qualified on-campus applicants in bargaining units 2, 5, 7 and 9 will be given first consideration. To apply, go to www.calpolyjobs.org and complete the online application. Applications needing computer/Internet access and/or assistance may contact Human Resources at ext. 6-2236 for information on available resources.

#100191-Information Technology Consultant, Career Level.* College of Engineering, half time, $1,957.50-$4,006.50/month. Closing date Tuesday (Nov. 18).


FACULTY Candidates are asked to visit our online employment Web site at www.calpolyjobs.org to complete an application and apply for any of the positions shown below. Please submit all requested application materials and 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.

#100211: Tenure-Track Full-Time Assistant/Associate Professor, Kinesiology Department, College of Science & Mathematics (ext. 6-2198). Review begins Jan. 5; applications received after that date may be considered.

#100214: Temporary Full-Time Lecturers for 2004-05. Landscape Architecture Department, College of Architecture & Environmental Design (ext. 6-2728). Closing date Jan. 15.

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Tuesday, November 18

Women’s basketball: Nunawading Spectres, Mott Gym, 7 pm. ($) Speaker: “Simpsons” producer Mike Reiss, Chumash, 7:30 pm. ($) D

Wednesday, November 19

Student recital: Piano, Davidson 218, 7:30 pm. ($) D

Thursday, November 20

Student recital: Instrumental, Davidson 218, 11 am. ($) D

Wrestling: Green & Gold, Mott Gym, 7 pm. ($) D

Student recital: Vocal, Davidson 218, 7:30 pm. ($) D

Play: Theatre & Dance Department’s "Phedre," Theatre, 8 pm. ($) D

Friday, November 21

Philosophy speaker: David Burrell, “Three Messengers of One God,” UU 220, 4 pm. ($) D

Women’s basketball: Sac State, 7 pm. ($) D

Play: "Phedre," Theatre, 8 pm. ($) D

Employees win in raffle

Eight employees won prizes in the recent drawing held to benefit the Cal Poly cat program: Ron Hurd (Financial Aid), Kevin Shaw (Facility Services), Virginia Walter (Horticulture and Crop Science), Christina Keating (Academic Records), Dave Olson (Financial Aid), Don Popham (Facility Services), Jason Thomson (Facility Services) and Leanne Seret (Athletics).

Prizes were donated by volunteers Jessica Viramontes, Jane Simonson, Chris Borges, Susan Elrod, Berta Kerr, Elizabeth Ball and Edie Griffin-Shaw.