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Mustangs nose tackle James Chen is studying to be a neurosurgeon.

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Some Cal Poly students launch their own businesses while they’re still earning their degrees. Business sophomore Leah Poole started when she was still in high school. The company she co-founded, Brandin Toffee, is going strong and recently notched an appearance on The Food Network’s “Chef vs. City” show.

WELCOME, CLASS OF ’14

New freshmen and transfer students get to know Cal Poly and San Luis Obispo in this year’s Week of Welcome.

A GATHERING OF GENERATIONS

More than 100 descendants of past Cal Poly President Julian A. McPhee gathered on campus for a reunion over the summer.

UNIVERSITY NEWS

Cal Poly honors displaced Japanese-American students from WWII; the Technology Park is set to open; the Concrete Canoe team takes a national championship in its own backyard; and more.

ALUMNI

PUTTING THE WHOLE (TECH) WORLD IN YOUR HANDS

Ain McKendrick, a 1994 computer science grad, helped develop the PalmPilot before he even graduated. Now, he’s bringing Netflix movies and TV shows right to your fingertips.

ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

From CNN International to MTV to American Idol to the Los Angeles Times and the Sacramento Bee, plenty of Cal Poly alumni made headlines this summer.

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