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This regular column is intended to help drivers avoid any unlit areas on campus. (See page 2 for more information.) Vacancies in the dark areas are marked with the letters "V" in the appropriate columns.

Vacancy in the dark areas is made available for graduate students in the following positions.

Group study room open for graduate students

The Kennedy Library has made available a comfortable room for graduate students to study. This room is located on the third floor of the library. Students who wish to use the room should contact the Information Desk at ext. 6-6375.

Summer fee waiver forms available

Human Resources and Employment Equity are pleased to announce the availability of summer fee waiver forms for graduate students. These forms can be obtained from the Human Resources office or by contacting the relevant department on campus.

Wellness Day set for UIA Plaza Thursday

Wellness Day will be held on Thursday, May 6, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm in the UIA Plaza. This event is open to all students, faculty, and staff members.

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A special task force will be established to discuss the campus master plan. This task force will be responsible for developing a new Master Plan for the campus. The draft plan is expected to be ready for task force review and discussion during fall 1999. The task force members have been asked to keep in mind four possible enrollment scenarios and the implications of decreasing time to graduation, off-site or virtual, increased enrollments, and no significant enrollment increase.

Updated information on the Master Plan Update process can be accessed via Cal Poly's home page at www.calpoly.edu under "What's New."
Diversity has full backing of Academic Senate

Mutual respect, civility, "engaged learning" — those are among the separations and divisions the Academic Senate when it passed two resolutions reaffirming the value of diversity in spring and fall 1999.

President Baker strongly endorsed the resolutions and their call for faculty and staff to work to implement the resolutions’ goals into university programs.

“Diversity is vitally important to the overall health of our university,” Baker said, “for it enriches our educational mission and prepares students for an increasingly more pluralistic society.”

The resolutions were passed as part of the Academic Poly’s Statement on Diversity as well as statements from three other professional organizations.

Collectively, the statements serve to reinforce Cal Poly’s commitment to providing students with a learning environment that fosters intellectual, personal and social growth while affirming the high


The Senate further recommended that the administration actively reaffirm the academic value of diversity among its faculty, staff, students and within the university. It urged all members of the Academic Senate work with the administration to devise plans and strategies to announce and implement campus diversity and educational objectives.

The Senate also asked that the provost propose innovative and increased funding of diversity-related activities. The first of those proposals, Provost Paul Zingg said, will be provided in fall 1999.

(Editors’ Note: Readers are reminded that nominations for the President’s Diversity Award are due Friday, May 14. A nomination form will appear in The Sun 21 issue of the Cal Poly Report.)

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Astronaut Sturckow to speak to Engineering

Astronaut Rick Sturckow, a 1984 Cal Poly mechanical engineering graduate, will be the featured speaker at the College of Engineering’s annual Engineering Awards Banquet on Friday, May 7.

Sturckow will give an award naming him a College of Engineering Outstanding Alumnus for Professional Achievement and will close the evening with a banquet while he carried onto space about the shuttle Endeavor in December.

Directed by faculty member Pamela Malkin, the play will be staged at 8 pm in the Theatre Thursday through Saturday on two consecutive weekends, May 13-15 and May 20-22.

Written by Scott McPherson in 1992, the play reveals one family’s journey of self-discovery as they build on a lifetime of difference to create a fresh start.

The story follows several days in the life of Bessie, a single, middle-aged woman caring for her chronically ill father and aunt. Recently diagnosed with leukemia, Bessie has to seek pot esting information, contact Elena Levine (elevine, ext. 6-2175), Peggy Rice (msrice, ext. 6-5542) or Dave Vesselle (ext. 6-6402). D

For information, call Steve Rutland in the College Relations Office at ext. 6-2853 or Amy Hewes at ext. 6-6402.

Nicolaides, 76

Retired aeronautical engineering professor John Nicolaides died April 25 at his home in San Luis Obispo after a long battle with cancer. Nicolaides, who retired in 1983, joined the faculty in 1975. Before coming to Cal Poly, where he served as department head, he was chairman of the Aerospace Engineering Department at the University of South Dakota and had been involved in the development of the atomic bomb and early missiles. He also served as a director in NASA.

He was the inventor of the parachute and a motorized version he called the Nicolaides Flyer that was featured on "60 Minutes" in the 1970s. D

Satisfaction of vacation, sick leave

Employees are being asked to donate sick leave or vacation credits for Patricia Chatterton, clerical assistant in the Admissions office.

Donations of sick leave and vacation credit enable the department to remain in full-pay status during an extended absence. Anyone interested in donating leave should submit an Application for Donor Forms at the Campus Services Office.

Tickets for "Marvin’s Room" are $8 for students and seniors. D

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Early in his career Sturckow will visit mechanical engineering labs with one of his former ME professors, Ron Mullisen. Mullisen's daughter Emily made the Cal Poly banner Sturckow took with him into space.

Sturckow will arrive in the county today and is expected to speak to military retirees in Paso Robles this evening and to elementary and intermediate school classes Thursday and Friday.

For more information about Sturckow's visit or the banquet, call engineering's College Relations Office at ext. 6-2853 or Amy Hewes at ext. 6-6402.

Ticket information

Tickets to the performances listed in today's Cal Poly Report are on sale at the Performing Arts Center box office weekdays from 10am to 4pm and on 10am to 4pm Saturdays. Call 6-ARTS (ext. 6-2787), or order by fax, dial ext. 6-6089.

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Employees are being asked to donate sick leave or vacation credits for Patricia Chalif's, a clerical assistant in the Admissions office.

Donations of sick leave and vacation credits for Chalif are being accepted at the Administration Building and the Biology Administration Building.

NBA students win business policy contest

A student team from Cal Poly's Master of Business Administration program won first place in the 35th Annual Intercollegiate Business Policy Competition held recently in San Jose. The winning team, which was judged on the basis of their performance on a computer-based simulation, in individual presentations, and on a paper they submitted as a proposal to the "Virtual company" that they chose to represent. The team was sponsored by the College of Business.

The Cal Poly presentation was the best he had seen in 22 years at the competition. Team members were Steve Barbacica, Robert Morris, John Ryan, Zach Schwartz, Sib Susman, Aaron Vaughn, and Joe Verceles. Professor David Peach was the team's advisor.

Bio, chem, biochem students to discuss research

More than 50 biology, chemistry and biochemistry students will present their research they did for senior projects, independent study and master's thesis research at the Spring Research Conference on Friday, May 7, from 1to 5 pm.

The conference, to take place in the Fitness Center and the Biology Building, will include two poster sessions and two sessions of 15-minute talks followed by question/answer opportunities.

The departments of Biological Sciences and Chemistry & Biochemistry are sponsoring the event. For more information, contact Elena Levine (ext. 6-2175), Peggy Rice (margareth@calpoly.edu), or at the College of Business, Kingsbury (kingsbu, ext. 6-1652).

Forms upended on Web

With the implementation of a new financial system, Peoplesoft, the Foundation has upended many of its business forms on the Web at http://www.cfpo­ nation.org/forms/Forms.htm. The most recently updated forms are the check request, receipt claim and requisition forms used for printing or downloading and on-line processing in Word or Excel.

For more information, contact Karen Brown at ext. 6-5585.

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Entertainment Director Steve Rutland said, "The registration fee is $7 for students and seniors."

The Theatre and Dance Department will present the acclaimed play "Marvin's Room," a story that provides an insightful, emotionally charged, and at times uproariously funny look at the human spirit.

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The story follows several days in the life of Bessie, a single, middle-aged woman caring for her chronically ill father and aunt. Recently diagnosed with leukemia, Bessie has to seek professional care, and to accommodate the seven nieces and nephews she has never met. How Bessie learns to lean on her family and friends, and how the family eventually heals, becomes the heart of this richly comic drama.

"The play is a wise and moving work that combines the ridiculous and bizarre with the poignant and profound," Malkin said. "It celebrates the irresistible human spirit in the face of death and the healing power of love and hope."

Winner of the 1992 New York Drama Desk Award for Best Play, in 1996 "Marvin's Room" was made into a movie starring Meryl Streep, Diane Keaton, Leonardo DiCaprio, Robert DeNiro and Owen Wilden.

The cast is headed by senior human communication major Ned Schuft, and PCPA's Deanna Miles designed scenery and lights. Staff are famous for their roles on "Marvin's Room" are due to the Collegiate of Liberal Arts, Music Department and Instructionally Related Activities program. For more information, call ext. 6-6089.

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Group study room open for graduate students

The Kennedy Library has made available a Graduate Student Group Study Area in Room 301.

The space will allow graduate students to work collaboratively and is intended to encourage interdisciplinary research.

Individual graduate students are welcome to use the room for private study, but the room is specifically designated for team work rather than quiet space. Meetings of the Graduate Student Council will also be held in the room.

Graduate students must show their Cal Poly ID at the Circulation Desk on the first floor to check out a key for the room.

Summer fee waiver forms available

Human Resources and Employment Equity reminds employers of the following summer- quarter fee waiver deadlines:

- May 7: CAPTURE registration begins for employees of the following student categories in class schedule:
  - May 20: Last day to pay fees to avoid interest charges.
  - July 6: Last day to submit fee waiver forms to Human Resources and Employment Equity.

Employees enrolled spring quarter will be mailed the fee waiver forms; those not enrolled may contact a departmental assistant or call Joan Lund at ext. 6-5653.

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This is also intended to introduce life sciences to Cal Poly's biotechnology programs through individualized lab, classroom, and faculty visits.

Students and teachers are invited to attend an open forum and panel discussion from 11 am to noon on Thursday in Fisher Science 286 and an informal reception from 12:30 to 2 pm, Thursday, in the UU Galerie.

The talk by Torsten Ehrhardt of the mathematics faculty at the Technical University of Chemnitz, Germany, will be held in Room A-11 of the Science Building. Refreshments will be served from 3:30 to 4 pm in the Math Department Conference Room (208B) in Faculty Offices East.

For more information contact Ellen Polsky in Science Services, ext. 65971, or visit Career Services' home page at http://www.careerservices.calpoly.edu.  

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voted lot closures and changes in parking availability.

For more information, call Parking and Commuter Services at ext. 6-6675.

Friday, May 7, 8 am to 5 pm: 30 parking spaces in the C-2 parking lot will be reserved for members of the Foundation Board of Directors.

Wellness Day set for UU Plaza Thursday

Wellness Day, an event dedicated to student and staff awareness and education about campus resources that promote healthy lifestyles, will be held from 11 am to 3 pm Thursday, May 6, in the University Union Plaza.

The event will feature swing dance and kickboxing demonstrations and interactive booths for such activities as candle making and healthy food (with samples). Visitors can spin a "Wellness Wheel" to try prizes from the Fitness Grill, Mondie, Downtown Cinemas, and others.

Sponsored by Cal Poly Peer Health Education and Cal Poly Rec Sports, Wellness Day is free. All are welcome.

Math colloquium topic is logarithmic residues

A German scholar will give a mathematics colloquium from 4:10 to 5 pm Thursday, May 6, in Davidson Music Center 218, west of the Science Building.

Dr. Michael Delp of the University of California at Davis will speak on "Logarithmic Residues and Idempotent Resids in Banach Algebras."

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As part of Cal Poly's comprehensive Master Plan Update process, 11 task forces will be established to meet, edit, and present their recommendations this year.

The task forces will address the main areas that will be studied during the three-year process: building environment and technology, public support and services, circulation, land use, campus operational issues, housing, natural environment, intergovernmental issues, utilities, economic issues, and neighborhood.

The charge of the task forces is to suggest broad guiding principles in their respective areas that will be used in developing a new Master Plan. The draft plan is expected to be ready for task force review and discussion during fall 1999. During their discussions, task force members have been asked to keep in mind four possible enrollment scenarios and the implications of decreasing time to graduation, off-site or online, virtual enrollment, increased enrollments, and no significant enrollment increase.

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Representatives are expected from such firms as Biotech Services, Immuno, Baxter Healthcare, Genentech, Tularik, and Oreal Pharmaceuticals.

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