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Volunteer readers sought by DRC

The Disability Resource Center is recruiting volunteer readers to provide students with visual impairments and learning disabilities with opportunities for continued learning.

Current and former staff and student volunteers will visit the sidelines from the community and avoid readers who will be offering this needed service are asked to please respect that purpose.

The reading material covers a range of subjects from technological to the humanities. The DRC is seeking 15 to 20 people.

For more information, call Debbie McArdle at ext. 6-5796.

Students invited to meet grad rep Nov. 5

Cal Poly will hold its largest-ever Graduate and Professional School Day to be held Nov. 5 in Chumash Auditorium.

The event gives students and community members an opportunity to speak to representatives of more than 50 colleges and professional schools.

For a complete list of the colleges to be represented, visit the Career Services Website at www.carerservices.calpoly.edu.

The presentation is part of the Grad Services office. Advance registration is not required.

For more information, call ext. 6-2501.
"Software S**ks!" title of Friday talk

S. Ron Oliver, retired computer engineering and computer science professor, will present "Software S**ks!" (he uses the full word) as the next Computer Science Colloquium from 1:10 to 2 p.m. Friday in Room 256 (Software Engineering Lab) of the Pilling Computer Science Building.

Oliver contends that currently available computer software generally fails to meet minimum reasonable quality standards.

"Because of the extent to which many aspects of contemporary society have become dependent on software," Oliver said, "this lack of quality represents substantial loss of revenue and potential loss of property for users, as well as potential harm to people, including possible loss of life."

In his talk, Oliver will describe why and how this "sad state of affairs" arrived and will "expose myths perpetrated by 'software types' to cover up the mess." He will also outline a strategy for recovery.

Oliver has spent more than 31 years in the software business, in both industrial and academic assignments. After nine years at Cal Poly, he returned to Colorado to work on special projects, including methods to improve software quality. Most of his software development experience has been with complex concurrent and real-time systems, including extensive work in computer communication systems and simulation. He has worked in software quality assurance and developed a practical software development process.

Student engineering club wins national award

The Cal Poly student chapter of the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) has won national recognition for outstanding management and activities.

It received the $500 Allied Signal Outstanding SAE Student Branch Award, to be used by the group for scientific, educational or professional activities. More than 300 clubs and branches nationwide are eligible for the award. Fewer than 12 are named to receive it.

Mechanical engineering professor Mike Lantez advises the student group, which has approximately 65 members.

Environmental awareness focus of weeklong event

The second annual Environmental Awareness Week will begin Monday with speakers, exhibits and competitions designed to increase awareness about energy efficiency, alternative transportation, recycling, "zero waste" and composting, and water and air quality.

Faculty members and students will showcase their efforts aimed at environmental issues. Students will compete in a Recycled Art Contest, Recycled Product Design Contest, and an Environmental Poster Contest, all for cash prizes.

A residence hall can drive will be held, and nominations for a Student Environmental Scholarship will be accepted.

Participants include Cal Poly's Solar Car Club, Electric Vehicle Club, Soils Club, Commuter Services office, Renewable Energy Institute, and Sustainable Agriculture Club.

The event will be held daily from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., on the lawn in front of the Dexter Building on Monday and Tuesday and in the lower UU Plaza on Wednesday and Thursday.

Environmental Awareness Week is sponsored by Facilities Planning, ASI, Campus Dining, and the Housing, Commuter Services, and Purchasing offices as well as ECOSLO, the countywide environmental center.

For a schedule of events and more information, call Allyson Nakasone of ECOSLO at 544-1777.

Ptolemy's orbit theory discussed in math talk

"The Eccentric Circle of Claudius Ptolemy" is the title of the next Mathematics Colloquium, planned from 4:10 to 5 p.m. Oct. 29 in Room 289 in Fisher Science Hall.

Carol Day, professor of mathematics at Thomas Aquinas College in Santa Paula, said, "By applying geometrical theorems and trigonometrical calculations to extensive observations made by himself and others, Ptolemy produced models of the planetary motions that are superior in some respects to the models of Nicholas Copernicus."

"By distinguishing three centers of circular motion, Ptolemy was able to reproduce some of the features of an elliptical orbit," Day said. "Copernicus, being more of a purist in respect to the circles, was forced to adopt much more cumbersome models to rival the old hypotheses in accuracy."

"The true merit of Copernicus' explanation was its unification of all the planetary orbits into a coherent system. Ptolemy's account of the individual orbits was better," she said.

Homecoming weekend set

Cal Poly Homecoming will get under way at 6 p.m. Oct. 26 with a student "mock rock" during Farmer's Market in downtown San Luis Obispo.

This year's Homecoming theme, in keeping with the Halloween weekend, is "Unmask Your Memories."

Additional activities are planned through Oct. 31, including a Homecoming Parade at 10 a.m. Oct. 30 in downtown San Luis Obispo and the Mustangs vs. Portland State football game at 2 p.m. Oct. 30 in Mustang Stadium.

Universitywide events include open forums with this year's honored alumni, receptions, an Honored Alumni and Reunion Awards Banquet with the class of 1949, tailgate barbecues, and an Honored Alumni and Reunion Breakfast.

The College of Engineering, College of Liberal Arts, and University Center for Teacher Education have scheduled special events for their faculty, staff, students and alumni.

Many student activities are also planned.

To make reservations or for a schedule of activities, call the Alumni Relations office at ext. 6-ALUM (2586).
Cal Poly Choirs to perform Oct. 30

In its annual fall concert Oct. 30, PolyPhonics, a 30-voice chamber ensemble, will perform music spanning the last five centuries, as well as folk songs from Ecuador and Argentina and songs from the African-American traditions of spirituals and gospel.

The concert, at 8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 2075 Johnson Ave., San Luis Obispo, will also feature the University Singers and Cal Poly Vocal Jazz, as well as top vocal students.

The choirs are conducted by Thomas Davies and accompanied by Susan Azaret Davies, both members of the music faculty. PolyPhonics will sing "Sanctus" and "Agnus Dei" from "Mass for Five Voices" by William Byrd, "Wie Schön, Hier zu Vertraumen" ("How Lovely, Here to be Dreaming") from Vier Notturnos (Four Nocturnes) by Heinrich von Herzogenberg, "Se Equivocó la Paloma" ("The Dove Was Wrong") by Carlos Guastavino, and "Ballad of the Green Broom" from "Five Flower Songs" by Benjamin Britten.

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Cal Poly Vocal Jazz will sing selections arranged by Ward Swingle, Michele Weir and Phil Mattson.

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Tickets cost $5 for students and seniors, $8 for others.

The concert is sponsored by the College of Liberal Arts, Music Department and Instructionally Related Activities program.

For more information call the Music Department at ext. 6-2406.

Ticket information

Tickets to the performances listed in today's Cal Poly Report are on sale at the Performing Arts Ticket Office 10 a.m.-6 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays. Call ext. 6-2787 or to order by fax, dial ext. 6-6088.

Fee-waiver forms available

Human Resources and Employment Equity reminds employees of the following winter quarter fee-waiver deadlines:

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It's now Public Affairs

The Communications Office and University Relations are now Public Affairs. Public Affairs produces the Cal Poly Report, Cal Poly Magazine, The Credit Report, news releases about the university, and other publications and performs the university's public relations functions.

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Accounts Receivable Clerk, Foundation Business Office ($9,125, $13,350)

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... Foundation Board to meet

The Foundation Board of Directors will hold a special meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Oct. 29 to review audit on last year’s financial audit results.

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The committee plans to hold several forums to discuss the policy in depth.

Members of the AUPC are Mary Shaffer, Information Technology Services Chair, mshaffer@calpoly.edu; George Westlund, mwestlund@calpoly.edu; Sean Banks, Ombuds Services, sbanks@calpoly.edu.