U.S. News rates Cal Poly top Western public university

Aside from the three major service academies (West Point, Annapolis and the Air Force Academy), Cal Poly was the highest-rated public institution in the engineering category.

(For the full story, visit the Sept. 18 edition of the Cal Poly Report online at www.calpoly.edu/~communic.)

Reuling Memorial Endowment Volleyball Challenge set

Sign-ups for the Oct. 11 Mark S. Reuling Memorial Endowment Volleyball Challenge begin today (Sept. 25) at the Recreation Center. Faculty and staff members and student employees will play mid-day, with playoffs scheduled later that afternoon.

Members of fraternities, sororities and student clubs will compete later in the afternoon with evening playoffs. Trophies will be awarded to the winning teams.

The cost per six-member team is $60, which includes T-shirts. Proceeds from the registration fee will add to the endowment.

For more information, contact Joe Long at ext. 6-5845 or Bob Negriani at ext. 6-5428.

Homecoming Web site up and running

Cal Poly's Homecoming Web site is up—Including an online registration form—and departments and colleges are invited to add information to the site on related events such as reunions.

Those interested should send the information, including who, what, when, where and a contact phone number to Nikole McCollum at nmccollu@calpoly.edu or call her at ext. 6-5724. Events will be listed on the main Homecoming Event schedule and under the “Reunion” tab. The site address is www.homecoming.calpoly.edu.

Foundation board elects members

At its annual meeting last spring, the Foundation Board of Directors elected Executive Vice Provost Linda Dalton and re-elected Provost Paul Zingg as board members through 2005. The board also re-elected for 2002-2003 Dan Howard-Greene as chair, Zingg as vice chair, and Professor Bill Kellogg of the Agricultural Education and Communication Department as secretary-treasurer. President Baker reappointed Alexandra League and Jarret Weis as student directors to serve terms ending 2003.

Cal Poly Report schedule

The Cal Poly Report Digest and the Cal Poly Report online appear every Wednesday during the academic year. The online version can be seen at www.calpoly.edu/~communic. Articles for both the online Cal Poly Report and the Cal Poly Report Digest are due to Public Affairs by 10 a.m. Wednesday, one week before publication. Articles can be e-mailed to polynews@polymail.calpoly.edu or faxed to ext. 6-6533. For more information, call ext. 6-1511.
Leave solicitations

Virginia Buentiempo, a custodian in Facility Services, and Elizabeth Ahten-Anderson, student services professional in the Orfalea College of Business Advising Center, have qualified for personal catastrophic leave. Eligible state employees may donate vacation credit to help them remain in full-pay status during an extended absence.

Those interested in donating leave for Buentiempo may request a Catastrophic Leave Donation form from solicitation coordinator Edie Griffin-Shaw at ext. 6-5220 or by e-mail.

To donate leave for Ahten-Anderson, contact Marjorie Harris at ext. 6-2809 or by e-mail.

CSEA employees in units 2, 5, 7 and 9 may donate up to 40 hours; Unit 4 (academic professionals), E99 (excluded), C99 (confidential), M80 (management personnel plan) and M98 (executive) may donate up to 32 hours total. All other state employees may donate up to 16 hours sick leave and/or vacation credits per fiscal year in increments of one hour or more.

Cal Poly, UC Santa Cruz work to save redwoods

As part of a unique conservation effort between Cal Poly’s Swanton Pacific Ranch and UC Santa Cruz, redwood trees are being offered a new lease on life.

To prepare for the “tidal wave” of new students expected to enroll at the Santa Cruz campus in the next 10 years, buildings are sprouting up on the campus, requiring the removal of several redwood trees. But instead of excavating and trucking them to a landfill, as is usually the case, the redwood stumps (or rootwads) are being transported to the Queseria Creek Restoration project at the Swanton Pacific Ranch north of Davenport, where they will be planted in the riparian corridor as part of Cal Poly’s commitment to return the creek to a more natural condition.

Academic calendar online

In the Sept. 16 issue of the Cal Poly Report Digest an incorrect Web address was listed for the 2002-2003 academic calendar. The calendar can be found in the Sept. 16 online Cal Poly Report at www.calpoly.edu/communic.

Cal Poly to host Oct. 19 Arts Education Conference

Cal Poly is hosting a one-day Arts Education Conference on Oct. 19 primarily for teachers interested in learning innovative ways to use the arts in the classroom.

The workshop, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. in the Science North Building, will provide an introduction to California’s visual and performing arts standards for kindergarten through the 12th grade and techniques for incorporating those standards.

The conference is also intended to raise the comfort level of teachers and others while using various art disciplines, according to Liberal Studies Professor Susan Duffy. “Workshops are tailored for a variety of individuals interested in the arts, children, and public and private education,” Duffy said.

Teachers, pre-service and credential-track students, social service workers, daycare providers, parents and anyone interested in working with children, youth and the arts are encouraged to attend.

Participants select one morning session and one afternoon session. Topics include “Creating Spaces: Architectural and Sculptural Activities for the K-6 Classroom,” “The Arts and Special Needs Students: Opening Doors, Windows and Hearts,” “The Art/Science Connection: Crossing Content Area Boundaries,” “Woven Wonders: New Approaches to a Traditional Art,” “Puppetry and the Storytelling Process” and “New Approaches for Computer Applications to the Art Curriculum.”

The registration deadline is Oct. 7. Tickets are $40 each if ordered by Oct. 6. Lunch is an additional $10.

For more information and a registration packet, call Duffy or Kathy Friend at ext. 6-2935.

Bonnie Raitt tickets on sale

Rhythm and blues rocker Bonnie Raitt will perform at 8 p.m. Nov. 18 in Harman Hall in the Christopher Cohen Center.

Cal Poly Arts presents the legendary musician as part of its high-profile celebrity Center Stage series. Tickets are $52 and $58 and are on sale at the Performing Arts Ticket Office 10 a.m.-6 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays.

To order, call ext. 6-2787 or fax orders to ext. 6-6088. Tickets can also be bought online via Tickets.com.

Position Vacancies

STATE: The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted at least two weeks prior to closing dates on Cal Poly’s Web site at www.calpoly.edu. (Select “Employment” from the Cal Poly links drop-down box.) As a courtesy to our on-campus employees, job vacancies also are 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. Job applications must be received in Human Resources, Adm. 110, by 5 p.m. on the closing date.

#459-Instructional Support Technician II,* Biological Sciences, $3,257-$4,309. Closing date: Oct. 4.

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#461-Special Event Coordinator (Administrative Support Coordinator I),* Athletics, $2,548-$3,696. Closing date: Friday (Sept. 27).

#462-Analysis/Programmer-Career,* ITS Application and Information Management/Application Management, $3,915-$8,013. Closing date: Oct. 11.

#464-Administrative Analyst (Administrative Analyst/Specialist-Non-Exempt),* Dean’s Office, Orfalea College of Business, $2,945-$4,111. Closing date: Friday (Sept. 27).

#465-Instructional Support Assistant I,* ITS Communication & Computing Services/Media Distribution Services, one position (two assignments): One half time, temporary through Dec. 31, $1,072-$1,382; one half time, probationary, $1,072-$1,382. Closing date: Friday (Sept. 27).

#467-Instructional Support Technician II,* Chemistry and Biochemistry, $3,257-$4,309. Closing date: Oct. 4.

#468-Director of College and Alumni Relations, (Administrative I), Dean’s Office, Orfalea College of Business. Salary commensurate with experience and background. Closing date: Friday (Sept. 27).


#470-Records Associate (Administrative Support Coordinator I),* (internal recruitment, two positions), Enrollment Support Services, $2,548-$3,696. Closing date: Oct. 4.

#471-Information Technology Consultant-Foundation,* Computer Engineering Program, temporary, half time through June 30 2003, $1,554-$2,480. Closing date: Oct. 11.

FOUNDATION (Foundation Adm. Building, job line at ext. 6-7107.) All Foundation applications must be received (not just postmarked) by 5 p.m. of the closing date. (No faxes.)

Accountant/Payroll Supervisor, Foundation Business Office: $37,471-$54,310/year. Closing date: Open until filled; review of applications begins Oct. 11.