Homecoming reunion to fete class of '52

The Cal Poly Alumni Association is planning the 50th reunion for the class of 1952 as part of Homecoming 2002.

Graduates from the class of '52 — as well as members of the classes of 1951 and 1953 — are invited to attend the reunion Friday-Sunday (Oct. 25-27).

Events include a welcome breakfast, campus activities and dinner at the Madonna Inn on Friday; breakfast at the Kennedy Library before the Homecoming Parade, the traditional pre-game tailgate barbecue and the football game on Saturday; and an All-Alumni Breakfast on Sunday.

For ticket prices and information, contact the Alumni Relations office at ext. 6-2586 or visit the Homecoming Web site at www.homecoming.calpoly.edu.

Credit Report deadline Nov. 8; photos invited

The deadline to submit copy for the fall issue of The Credit Report is Nov. 8, and those submitting information are invited to send pertinent photos for possible publication.

Photos may be either simple “mug” shots or, if available, photos showing a research project or presentation in progress or showing the location where a credit item has occurred.

Those submitting entries listing more than four or five publications, presentations, etc., should put the top few in descending order of importance and, if possible, summarize remaining items. The editors will apply editorial discretion to longer submissions.

Text must be submitted by e-mail to polynews@polymail.calpoly.edu. Photos may be e-mailed to that address or sent through campus mail to Public Affairs. They will be returned if requested.

Guidelines for what items are appropriate are available on the Web at www.calpoly.edu/~communic/credit/credit.htm.

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Appointments

Several appointments have been made to chair campus departments:

Maria Junco of the Theatre and Dance Department has been appointed chair for a three-year term that began fall quarter. Junco began teaching at Cal Poly in 1989.

English Professor David Kann has been selected chair of the department, also effective fall quarter. His appointment is for three years. He has been at Cal Poly since 1969.

William Martinez has been named chair of the Modern Languages and Literatures Department, where he has been teaching since 1993. He will also serve a three-year term that began fall quarter.

Music Professor Craig Russell is serving as department chair for fall quarter. Russell began teaching at Cal Poly in 1982.

Donald Ryuijin of the Psychology and Child Development Department has been appointed chair of the department beginning winter quarter. He will serve two years and two quarters. Ryuijin has been at Cal Poly since 1989.

Clifton Swanson, a member of the music faculty since 1967, will serve as chair for winter and spring quarters.

Debra Valencia-Laver has been appointed chair of the Ethnic Studies Department for a one-year period that began fall quarter. Valencia-Laver has been teaching at Cal Poly since 1991.

Cal Poly Books to celebrate opening

Cal Poly Books at University Square will hold a grand opening celebration Friday (Oct. 25).

A ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place at 2 p.m., and there will be refreshments, free gifts and in-store specials throughout the day.

Faculty and staff members and students are invited to visit the satellite store of El Corral Bookstore, located at 870 Foothill Blvd. in the University Square Shopping Center.
Prof earns national award
Construction Management Professor Barbara Jackson won the Distinguished Design-Build Leadership Award for Academia for a benchmark study that examined the state of design-build education at U.S. universities.

The design-build method is a collaboration of the disciplines of design and construction, with the architect and builder working as a team from the concept level through final construction of the project.

Jackson’s study revealed that the design-build method is progressing dramatically. More than 35 percent of the construction industry is using the method, and, because of its increasing recognition, it could be the model for more than 55 percent of the industry’s work in the next 10 years.

Jeff Bliss to leave
Jeff Bliss, director of public affairs since 1999, has accepted a position as associate director of the Hoover Institution at Stanford University. Bliss’s last day on campus will be Nov. 1.

Department of Education grants nearly $1 million
The U.S. Department of Education has awarded Student Academic Services a Talent Search project grant of $960,000 to help identify and attract students from disadvantaged backgrounds who have the potential to succeed in higher education.

The program provides academic, career and financial counseling to its participants and encourages them to graduate from high school and continue on to the postsecondary school of their choice.

Talent Search also encourages high school dropouts to re-enter the educational system and complete their education. Cal Poly's grant is for five years and includes a $10,000 supplement for technology.

ASI sponsors food program
ASI is once again giving financial assistance to help support the food program at the Orfalea Family and ASI Children’s Center. With the help, the center is able to provide breakfast, lunch and snacks for all children in the program with minimal impact on child-care fees, according to Evelyn Ruehr, food service manager for ASI Children’s Programs.

Cal Poly awarded $356,000
Cal Poly has been awarded $356,000 under the state’s “Buy California” program aimed at aiding specialty crop growers, California Secretary of Food and Agriculture William (Bill) J. Lyons Jr. announced in a recent news conference.

An Agricultural Literacy Project designed to give agriculture a higher profile in K-12 classrooms statewide will receive $280,000. A new series of Agricultural Policy Seminars for Cal Poly students was awarded $76,000.

The Ag Literacy Project will be augmented by an additional $295,000 in matching contributions from participating nonprofit groups, the agriculture industry, projects funded by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation and governmental agencies. Project supporters include the San Luis Obispo County Office of Education, state Superintendent of Public Instruction Delaine Eastin, the California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom and the Agricultural Network.

Credit Report deadline . . .
The Credit Report, Public Affairs' semi-annual listing of the professional accomplishments of the faculty, staff, emeriti and students, is now published online only. To reach the Spring 2002 issue from the Cal Poly home page, click on “News” in the left-hand column, on “Credit Report” under Publications, and then on “Spring 2002 Edition.” Or go to http://calpolynews.calpoly.edu/credit_report/spring_02/creditindex_s02.html.

For more information call Public Affairs at ext. 1511.

CPR deadline change
Please note that the deadline to submit items for two upcoming issues of the Cal Poly Report Digest and the Cal Poly Report online are being changed because the campus will be closed for Veterans’ Day and Thanksgiving. Items for the Nov. 13 issue are due to Public Affairs by 5 p.m. on the listed closing date. For more information call ext. 6-1511.

Position Vacancies
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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.

#481-Purchasing Supervisor (Buyer III Lead), Contract and Procurement Services, Administration and Finance, $3,673-$4,935. Closing date: Open until filled. Review of applications begins Nov. 4.

#487-Operations Specialist-Career/Founda­tion, ITS, Operations/Data Control, career level: $2,486-$4,092; foundation level: $2,175-$3,000. Closing date: Friday (Oct. 25).

#490-Police Officer, two positions, University Police, Administration and Finance, $3,301-$4,549. Closing date: Open until filled; review of applications begins Oct. 18.

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.)

Cook, Vista Grande, $11.05-$16.02/hour. Closing date: Open until filled; review of applications begins Nov. 1.

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS INC. is accepting applications for the following position(s). Complete position descriptions and applications are available on ASI’s Web site at www.asi.calpoly.edu or call ext. 6-5800. All applications must be received by 5 p.m. on the listed closing date.

Bowing Instructor (re-advertisement), $10/hour. Open until filled; review of applications begins Nov. 4.

FACULTY
Candidates are asked to contact the appropriate department office at the phone number listed for more information or to request an application. Additional information and qualifications for each position may also be obtained online at http://www.academic-personnel.calpoly.edu. Please submit all application materials to the department head/chair unless otherwise specified in the ad. Rank and salary are commensurate with qualifications and experience (and time base where applicable), unless otherwise stated.

#4214: Tenure-Track, Assistant/Associate Professor, Liberal Studies Department (ext. 6-2935). Closes: Dec. 1.

#4247: Tenure-Track, Assistant/Associate Professor(s), Finance Department (ext. 6-1763). Review starts: Dec. 1. (Extended).

#4588: Tenure-Track, Full-Time, Electrical Engineering Department (ext. 6-2781). Closing date: Dec. 16.

#4609: Tenure-Track, Assistant Professor, Art and Design Department (ext. 6-1148). Closing date: Jan. 8.


#4617: Lecturer(s), Full-Time, Architectural Engineering Department (ext. 6-1314). Review starts: Dec. 6.