Cal Poly given $240,200 for improvement projects

Cal Poly has received $240,200 from the chancellor's office to fund three projects intended to increase administrative productivity.

The money was awarded under the new Productivity and Investment Program that pays for improvements on individual campuses as well as systemwide projects. This year, the CSU had a total of $540,000 for improvement projects.

The three Cal Poly projects are:

* "Response" Direct Mail Communication System ($100,000). This grant will let the campus implement Cal Poly's integrated communication system at Cal State Hayward and Cal State San Bernardino. Through Response, members of the campus can communicate with prospective students and applicants in a more-personal, cost-effective way. Users of the LAN-based program can send personalized letters generated from data in the Student Information System for recruitment and enrollment purposes.

* On-Line Workers' Compensation Cost Accounting System ($40,200). This project will result in the development of a flexible, comprehensive Workers' Compensation program that allows decentralized claim management and cost administration with the help of data from the Human Resources System. The goal is easy access for data modeling, forecasting and analysis.

* Mail Center Productivity Improvement Project ($100,000). This automated system will bar-code, sort and process incoming and outgoing mail.

State/United Way fund drive begins

Pledge forms for Cal Poly's 1994 State Employees Campaign (United Way to ASI and Foundation employees) are scheduled to be delivered to departments next week.

The annual fund drive, chaired again this year by Political Science faculty member Dianne Long, enables employees to give through payroll deduction or by check to the local United Way or to any other non-profit organization. This year's campaign will run through Monday, Nov. 28.

Of every dollar Cal Poly employees give to the local United Way, 99 cents remains in San Luis Obispo County.

Anyone with questions about the campaign can call campaign coordinators Bob Anderson, Jo Ann Lloyd and Cathy Rathbone at ext. 1511 or leave a message for Long at ext. 2984. Videos explaining the United Way are available to both captains and individuals, and United Way volunteers are available to talk to groups about local activities.

Win trip to San Diego at play's opening night

Everyone who attends the opening night performance of "This Fabled Isle" at the Theatre Wednesday night, Nov. 16, will have a chance to win a free flight to San Diego.

At a reception after the play, a drawing will be held for two round-trip airline tickets, courtesy of American Eagle.

"This Fabled Isle," a new comedy written and directed by Theatre and Dance Department Head Al Schnupp, will play at 8 pm Wednesday through Saturday, Nov. 16-19, in the Theatre.

For more information, call Theatre and Dance at ext. 1465.

Great American Smokeout scheduled for Nov. 17

Employees are invited to join the millions of tobacco users who will give up their habit for one day on Thursday, Nov. 17, as part of the 18th annual Great American Smokeout.

The Cal Poly Snuff Out Tobacco Project has a special quit kit to make it easier for smokeless tobacco users to get through the day tobacco-free. The office also has self-help guides for chewers ready to quit for good.

As part of the day's activities, a bubble gum blowing contest will be held at 11 am in the UU Plaza. Gum will be provided and prizes awarded for the largest bubbles.

Everyone who takes part will be eligible to win a prize in a raffle.

For more information, call the Snuff Out Tobacco Project at ext. 5251.

For information on Great American Smokeout activities or about stop-smoking classes, call the American Cancer Society at 543-1481.

Deadline extended to replace 'green card'

The Immigration and Naturalization Service has extended the deadline for replacing resident alien registration receipt cards ("green cards") issued in 1978 or earlier.

Anyone with an I-151 green card issued before 1979 who is not applying for naturalization can apply for the new card until March 20, 1995. Applicants need to file a completed Form I-90 and bring the required photographs and documentation and $75 to the local INS office. Resident aliens are encouraged to complete the process as soon as possible. The INS expects to replace 1.5 million cards.

For applications and information call the 24-hour INS number, 800/755-0777.
Cooperative learning topic of Nov. 18 talk

George Stanton of Psychological Services and Sue McBride from the Center for Teacher Education will present "An Overview of Cooperative Learning" at noon Friday, Nov. 18, in the Staff Dining Room.

The "Brown Bag Lunch Seminar" is sponsored by the Faculty Development office and Faculty Instructional Development Opportunity (FIDO).

Participants will take part in selected cooperative learning activities and will learn how to implement them in their own teaching.

For more information, call Extended Education at ext. 2053.

National Student Exchange now includes Cal Poly

Cal Poly students can now study at any of the more than 100 colleges and universities linked in a student exchange program designed with the nation's changing cultural atmosphere in mind.

The National Student Exchange program includes schools throughout the United States and in Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands.

The program prepares students to live and work in a culturally diverse society. Member institutions include historically black colleges and campuses with high percentages of Hispanic, Asian-American and Native American populations, giving students the opportunity to experience the rich cultural diversity within the United States.

Participants are able to take advantage of special programs, options, technology and research not offered at their home institutions without the expense of non-resident tuition.

Geared mostly for sophomores and juniors who have maintained good grades, the program allows students to study up to one year and earn full credit toward their degrees.

Students pay their home campus fees and are able to use financial aid to help cover costs.

The National Student Exchange includes such institutions as the University of Wisconsin, Green Bay; Alabama A&M; Grambling State University, Louisiana; Northeastern University, Illinois; Rutgers, New Jersey; the University of Hawaii, Hilo and Manoa; and the University of Alaska, Fairbanks.

For more information on the program, call Marilyn York in International Programs and Services at ext. 1477.

Professor Kaliski talks technology

As the host of KVEC radio talk show "Technology and You," Martin Kaliski of the Electronic and Electrical Engineering Department brings news of the technological revolution to the community.

Both local and out-of-town experts appear on his weekly show to discuss computers, communication, transportation, publishing, home entertainment, business and banking – and how changes in technological power affect everyone. Listeners are often invited to call in and talk to Kaliski or his guest.

Kaliski has guests scheduled to appear on his show until February 1995. Topics to be discussed in coming weeks include such issues as medical technology, energy, continuing education, cable TV, law, and women in engineering.

"Technology and You" is aired Thursdays from 4 to 5 pm on KVEC-AM (920).

For more information, contact Kaliski at ext. 5707 or 2781.

Demonstration set by Trimble Navigation

New technology that just might revolutionize the way surveying and mapping are done will be the focus of a talk and demonstration starting at 2 pm, Tuesday, Nov. 15.

The Trimble GPS Total Station will be demonstrated and participants will learn how specialized satellites and new developments in technology have made it possible to measure and record your position on earth to centimeter accuracy in real time.

The talk will be at 2 pm (not 2:10) in Room 123 in the Agricultural Engineering Building. The field demonstration will begin at 3.

For more information, call Rollin Strohman at ext. 1184.

Engineering department gets $8,000 from SME

The Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering Department has received $8,000 from the Society of Manufacturing Engineers Education Foundation for student and faculty development.

Part of the money will fund four one-day Manufacturing Engineering Excitement Workshops for junior high and high school female and minority students in electronic manufacturing.

The rest of the money will partially pay for faculty members Archie Cheda, Sema Alpeltin and Unny Menon to attend training for the industrial and manufacturing engineering program.

Both development programs are funded by the Toyota Motor Corp. Endowment Fund.

Advisor needed for new surf club

The Surf Club is looking for a faculty or staff member to serve as its advisor.

The club, new this quarter, needs an advisor in order to get ASI sponsorship. The advisor needs to be available to attend meetings, tentatively scheduled twice a month.

For more information, call Tony Rogondino at ext. 3653.
Campus Forum

Baker, Koob do listen to the faculty

This is my 16th year at Cal Poly. Based on my past dealings with both President Baker and Senior Vice President Koob over the years, it is my personal opinion that both of them do listen to the faculty.

The manner in which they handled the recent crisis in the College of Business has demonstrated, once again, their respect and concern for the faculty. I would publicly like to thank them for their collegiality and professionalism.

M. Zafar Iqbal
Accounting

Your comments are invited.

Current faculty and staff members are welcome to submit comments on any campus issue. If you'd like your comments to appear in the next Campus Forum, the special deadline is 1 pm Monday. Short letters submitted early are best.

Assert yourself! Sign up for seminar

A two-session training seminar on Implementing Assertiveness in the Workplace is being offered on Tuesday, Nov. 29, and Tuesday, Dec. 6.

The program, sponsored by the Employee Assistance Program, is designed for employees interested in learning specific strategies for being assertive. Assertive behavior, techniques and various strategies will be examined.

Session one will focus on learning basic principles; session two will reinforce ways to using assertiveness skills on the job. Participants will:

• Learn a step-by-step model.
• Come to understand their own unique communication style.
• Practice their skills in simulated difficult situations.
• Have an opportunity to refine skills and techniques.

Both sessions will be from 1:30 to 3 pm in Room 140 in the Health Center.

For more information, call Bob Negranti or Jean DeCosta at ext. 5428.

Menopause discussed from feminist viewpoint

How has history affected modern perceptions of menopause?

How have women’s experiences of menopause been categorized into theoretical models?

What are the problems with the research methods used to examine the menopausal experience?

What are the sources of funding for much of the research on menopause?

How can the available information on menopause be passed on to women to help them make choices during menopause?

These are some of the questions to be addressed by Nancy Castle, a senior psychology major, in her talk about menopause from a feminist standpoint. She will speak from 12:10 to 1 pm Monday, Nov. 14, in the Staff Dining Room.

“A Feminist Examination of Research on Menopause” will be the last fall quarter program in the Women’s Studies Lunch-Time Seminar series.

Castle will discuss how perceptions of menopause are derived from folk myth and false medical theories, cultural infatuation with Western scientific methods, and the conscious manipulation by those who stand to profit or gain control from those perceptions.

According to Castle, much of the research on menopause reinforces these misperceptions.

Feminists have begun to question the validity of the sources, recognize the limitations of available information, and evaluate its relevance from a feminist viewpoint.

For more information, call the Women’s Studies Program office at ext. 1525.

Holiday luncheon planned for Dec. 2

The annual holiday luncheon is set for Wednesday, Dec. 7. Tickets will be sold through Friday, Dec. 2.

The menu will feature a choice of chicken breast stuffed with oriental vegetables or vegetarian lasagna plus an assortment of salads and mint cheesecake for dessert.

Once again, holiday entertainment will be provided by Cal Poly staff members.

Canned goods and cash donations for the Salvation Army and Grass Roots will be collected at the door.

Tickets can be bought for $7.50 from Geri Bolivar, ext. 2321; Anne Arnett, ext. 2451; Maria Rorabough, ext. 2635; Victoria Dorsey, ext. 6116; Vivian Philips, ext. 5279; Barbara Fenske, ext. 2161; Maria Gomez-Jaurequi, ext. 2505; and Sydney Francis, ext. 5492.

For more information, call Joan Regulski at ext. 5873 or Liz Reynertson, ext. 5868.

Mentoring program needs volunteers

The Women’s Mentoring Program is looking for faculty and staff members to get involved for winter and spring quarters.

Mentors are needed to dedicate a small amount of time to meet informally with their mentee and possibly to attend optional workshops.

Anyone interested is invited to call Charlotte Rinaldi at ext. 6134.

Time to place material in library Reserve Room

The Kennedy Library is accepting material to be placed on reserve for winter quarter.

Requests will be processed in the order received, and all lists and materials need to be submitted by Wednesday, Dec. 7.

For forms and information, call ext. 2415, or stop by the Reserve Desk.
**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14**  
**Book Sale:** Kennedy Library Book Sale. Through Nov. 16. Library's first-floor patio. 10 am.  
**Speaker:** Nancy Castle (Psychology) will discuss “A Feminist Examination of Research on Menopause,” as part of the Women’s Studies Lunch-Time Seminar. Staff Dining Room, noon.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15**  
**Speaker:** Debbi Jeter will talk on “The Far-Reaching Effects of Substance Abuse” as part of the Learn-at-Lunch series. Staff Dining Room, noon.

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16**  
**Meeting:** Women’s Council of the State University planning meeting. UU 219, noon.  
**Play:** “This Fabled Isle,” presented by the Theatre and Dance Department. Through Saturday, Nov. 19. Theatre, 8 pm.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17**  
**Recital:** Fall Quarter Music Student Recital. Music Bldg. 218, 11 am.  
**Contest:** Bubble Gum Blowing Contest will be held as part of the Great American Smokeout. UU Plaza, 11 am.  
**Meeting:** Curriculum discussion group. UU 219, noon.  
**Film:** “The Shining,” directed by Stanley Kubrick. Palm Theatre, 7 pm. ($)

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18**  
**Speakers:** George Stanton (Psychological Services) and Sue McBride (Center for Teacher Education) will present “An Overview of Cooperative Learning” as part of the FIDO series. Staff Dining Room, noon.  
**Volleyball:** Cal State Northridge, Mott Gym, 7 pm. ($)

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19**  
**Parent’s Day:** Various activities planned. Call Alumni Relations at ext. 2586 for details.  
**Football:** Southern Utah University, Mustang Stadium, 1 pm. ($)  
**Music:** Bandfest ‘94 featuring the Cal Poly bands. Chumash, 8 pm. ($)

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20**  
**Basketball:** Race Express exhibition game. Mott Gym, 3 pm. ($)

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23**  
**Academic Holiday:** Thanksgiving break for academic employees. Through Sunday, Nov. 27.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24**  
**Holiday:** Thanksgiving holiday for non-academic employees. Through Sunday, Nov. 27.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27**  
**Volleyball:** San Jose State, Mott Gym, 7 pm. ($)

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28**  
**Music:** Chanticleer will perform as part of Cal Poly Arts’ Great Performances series. Church of the Nazarene, Pismo Beach, 8 pm. ($)