Oaks to be saved from pipeline construction

At least two-thirds of the 19 Cal Poly oaks previously tagged for destruction to make way for the State Water Project pipeline will be saved.

The university and the state Department of Water Resources reached agreement last week modifying methods used to build the coastal branch aqueduct to preserve at least 13 of the trees in what is now called the Stenner Creek Oak Grove. Some of the grove's six other oaks could be saved by cash incentives being offered to the contractor.

Bulldozing in the grove will not begin earlier than April 15, but can begin sooner in areas outside the grove.

As part of the agreement, a Cal Poly representative will be on site continuously to monitor construction and will have the authority to stop work instantly if designated trees are threatened.

The contractor will compensate Cal Poly $10,000 per tree if any of the trees designated for preservation is removed or dies within five years because of state negligence.

The incentive for the contractor to spare some of the other six trees ranges up to $2,500 for a tree a foot or more in diameter.

In addition to the Cal Poly trees, the agreement will preserve eight oaks on adjacent Southern Pacific land.

Campus officials consider the Stenner Creek grove an essential part of an area at the northern end of the campus used for environmental studies.

Construction charges are expected to cost the Department of Water Resources $500,000. Cal Poly will partially offset that by releasing $147,000 on adjacent Southern Pacific land.

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4th annual Al Smith Day

set for April 14

Members of the campus community are invited to the third annual Al Smith Day on Sunday, April 14, at the Swanton Pacific Ranch near Santa Cruz.

Al Smith, a 1944 graduate and founder of the Swanton Pacific Railroad, donated the majority of his estate to the College of Agriculture before he died in December 1993. The $22 million gift included the 3,200-acre Swanton Pacific Ranch, now used as a hands-on laboratory for Cal Poly students.

The day's events will include rides on the one-third-scale steam-powered Swanton Pacific Railroad from 10 am to noon and from 1 to 4 pm and lunch from noon to 2 pm. Participants can choose between a Western-style barbecue lunch or a vegetarian meal.

Karl Hovanitz, owner of Silverado Stages, is providing transportation to the ranch in one of his coaches. Riders will travel in air-conditioned comfort and be able to watch train videos on screens installed behind every seat.

Round-trip transportation costs $10. Those interested should call Hovanitz at 544-7658.

The cost of the barbecue lunch is $12 for adults and $6 for children. The vegetarian meal is $8. The registration deadline is Monday, April 8.

For more information call Jim Matheny at ext. 2432 or Ed Carnegie, ext. 2620.

Update on the Cal Poly Plan

Four open forums set

The following was prepared by the Academic Affairs office.

Four open forums where faculty members, staff members, and students can ask questions, offer opinions, and otherwise discuss the Cal Poly Plan will be held on Monday, April 8.

The forums will run from 11 am until 1 pm every Tuesday, starting April 9.

The April 9, April 16, and April 30 meetings will be in UU 220, the April 23 session in Chumash 204.

The steering committee hopes the campus will use these forums to make its concerns known regarding the Cal Poly Plan.

The committee wants discussions at these meetings to help dispel rumors about the plan. Funds from this initiative, for example, will not be used for new athletic facilities or the Performing Arts Center as some have speculated. The committee has stipulated that all expenditures must be tied directly and visibly to improvements in students' educations.

Meanwhile, individuals and campus units responding to the steering committee's "request for proposals" on the uses of Cal Poly Plan revenue are to file a statement of intent by Monday, April 8.

Finished proposals are due May 13. All statements of intent and all final proposals will be made available to the campus, and at the end of this process, the steering committee will explain its funding decisions.

Copies of the Cal Poly Plan can be obtained in the library, in the Academic Affairs, Academic Senate, and ASI offices, and through the mail by contacting polyplan@oboe via e-mail. The plan is also in the "Points of Interest" section of the Cal Poly home page on the World Wide Web (http://calpoly.edu/).
Talks set on health of Nicaraguan women

A founding member of a Nicaraguan women's cooperative and a registered nurse who works there will speak on “Women's Health in Nicaragua” at 11 am Monday, April 8, in UU 220.

Carmelita Amador Wingchang and Dorothy Granada will speak at Cal Poly as part of a West Coast tour to discuss their work with women's health in Nicaragua as well as describe the goals and work of the Maria Luisa Ortiz Women's Cooperative in Mulukuku, Nicaragua.

Wingchang, originally from the countryside near Mulukuku, was a founding member of the women's cooperative and serves as its director.

Granada is a nurse from Santa Cruz who has worked for the last six years at the cooperative developing a program that provides health, social, educational and reconciliatory services for women and children of the area.

Wingchang and Granada will also speak at 9 am Sunday, April 7, at the Social Justice Forum of the Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship at 232 Foothill Blvd. in San Luis Obispo.

Both free talks are being sponsored by the Cal Poly Women's Programs and Services office. For more information, call ext. 2600.

Contemporary poet to open WriterSpeak

One of America's leading contemporary poets will open the spring quarter WriterSpeak series at 7 pm Friday, April 12, in Room B-5 in the Science Building.

Erin Belieu, award-winning author of “Infanta,” will read from her work, described as “turbulent and serene.”

In selecting “Infanta” for publication in the National Poetry Series, Hayden Carruth wrote, “The poems have a sophisticated urban chic that is both attractive and deceptive. Beneath their verbal glamour, they embody an intelligence both sensual and political.”

Belieu has won the National Poetry Series Open Competition, The Nebraska Review Prize for best group of poems, and The Academy of American Poets Prize.

Statistics provides consulting service

The Statistics Department offers a consulting service to facilitate research design and data analysis in a variety of disciplines.

John Rogers, the main consultant spring quarter, can help in the design and analysis of research projects. He can also lead seminars and tutorials on requested topics and advise on computer packages available at Cal Poly. If some special area concerning statistical inference is of interest to a department or group, contact Rogers to arrange lectures on that subject.

Rogers’ office is in Room 102 in Faculty Offices East. He can be reached at ext. 2861, via e-mail at jmr@calpoly.edu, or by calling during walk-in consulting hours.

Walk-in Consulting Hours:

Mondays and Tuesdays .......... 9:10-10 am
Wednesdays & Thursdays .......... 1:10-2 pm

Appointments can be scheduled by calling during walk-in consulting hours or during office hours for students.

Office Hours for Students

Mondays, Tuesdays & Fridays .......... 1:10-2 pm
Wednesdays & Thursdays .......... 9:10-10 am

Phi Beta Delta to hold reception

The Cal Poly chapter of Phi Beta Delta, the honor society of international scholars, will hold a reception at 4 pm Friday, April 12, to honor Fulbright scholars and international visiting scholars.

The invited Fulbright scholars include those from abroad visiting Cal Poly as well as Cal Poly faculty members.

The reception will be at the home of accounting professor Zafar Iqbal, chapter president.

For more information, call Iqbal at ext. 2977 or the Global Affairs office at ext. 1477.

Violin and piano recital scheduled on April 8

The music of Mozart, Copland and Ravel will be featured in a benefit violin and piano recital at 8 pm Monday, April 8, in the Davidson Music Building, Room 218.

Violinist Richard Luby, who teaches music at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and pianist William Corbett-Jones from San Francisco State University will perform Sonata in D major K306 and Sonata in E flat K481 by Mozart; Sonata (1943) by Aaron Copland, and Sonata (1923-27) by Maurice Ravel.

Luby is considered one of America’s leading baroque and classical violinists.

Corbett-Jones has toured extensively as pianist for the Alma Trio and has also performed as a soloist and recitalist in collaboration with internationally known musicians around the world.

Admission to the recital is free, although donations are welcome. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Music Department Scholarship Fund.

The recital is being sponsored by the Music Department and College of Liberal Arts. For more information, call ext. 2406.

LArch. professor Clay to present FIDO talk

Landscape architecture professor Gary Clay will talk at noon on Tuesday, April 16, about research to develop a way to simulate the color changes that occur in a spruce forest when bark beetles infest the trees.

He will present “Integrated Modeling of Color-Changes Relationships in a Forested Landscape” in the Staff Dining Room as part of the Faculty Instruction Development Opportunity’s Brown-Bag Lunch Series.

Using a range of technologies, Clay studied the color changes to see how people would react.

For more information, call the Faculty Instructional Development office at ext. 5935.
Cal Poly to hold development institute

Cal Poly has received almost $35,000 from the CSU Commission on Learning Resources and Technology to hold a Faculty Development Institute on Instructional Technology on campus from Friday through Sunday, June 21-23.

Cal Poly’s program, “Using the World Wide Web to Enhance Education,” will focus on the interactive, student-centered potential of using the Web in teaching and learning. Cal Poly faculty and staff members will demonstrate their own teaching projects and will work with participants from the 22 CSU campuses to develop teaching and learning Web sites.

The institute is one of six supported by the CSU Instructional Technology Initiative. The programs are the first in a series designed to develop faculty competence in instructional technology and encourage collaborative efforts in developing faculty and staff members’ work in this area.

More information on Cal Poly’s project is available on the Web by entering: http://estrella.acs.calpoly.edu/csu-ilii, or call Janice Engle at ext. 5935.

Personal development support group forming

A six-week support group is forming for staff and faculty members interested in exploring issues and concerns related to personal development.

Jean DeCosta, coordinator of the Employee Assistance Program, will facilitate the group.

Members of the group will hold open discussions, and through self-exploration, will gain the tools and awareness needed to support making personal changes.

Participants will explore:
- How to be more assertive.
- How to enhance personal self-esteem.
- Career- and job-related issues.
- Family-children issues.
- Issues of self-sabotage and procrastination.
- General self-awareness issues.

Meetings will be from 5:15 to 6:30 pm Mondays beginning April 15 in Room 140 in the Health Center. Employees are asked to make a commitment to attend all six sessions.

For registration and more information, call Jean DeCosta at ext. 5198.

Learn-at-Lunch Series to begin April 9

The Employee Assistance Program is sponsoring a Learn-at-Lunch Series during spring quarter. The four sessions are all scheduled from noon to 1 pm on Tuesdays in the Staff Dining Room.

- April 9 - Denise Seidman of the Institute for the Family will speak on “Blended Families: The Importance of Understanding the Special Nature of Step-Families and Achieving Family Unity and Happiness.”
- April 23 - Management consultant Patsy Dooley will present “Essential Occupation and Role Strategy.”
- May 14 - Curt Borchardt, certified financial planner, will discuss “Take Control of Your Personal Finances.”
- June 4 - Clinical psychologist Margaret O’Neill will talk about “Understanding Personal Change (Transformations).”

Sessions are free and open to employees and their family members.

For more information, call the Employee Assistance Program office at ext. O-EAP (0327).

University logo changes, is available on disk

President Baker has approved a modification to the Cal Poly logo to give the symbol a bolder look, and the artwork for the revised logo is available from the Communications office.

The revised logo appears at the top of these pages. What’s different? The thin line above the logo is gone, the thicker line below it is thicker still, and the “c” and “a” in “Cal” overlap less than they did before.

Modified university letterhead and guidelines for the use of the logo are being developed.

For more information or copies of the new design, either on disk or paper, contact the Communications office, ext. 1511.

News from the Pacific Rim Group

Social sciences professor Barbara Mori will speak about opportunities in China at the Pacific Rim Group’s quarterly meeting set for 11 am Thursday, April 11, in the Erhart Ag Building, Room 201.

Mori recently returned from China, where she spent the last 18 months teaching.

The Pacific Rim Group office has moved to Room 13-G in the Faculty Offices North Building and expanded its hours to Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm.

For more information, call Jan Erickson at ext. 2011.

Two GE proposals circulated on campus

The Academic Senate Ad Hoc Committee on general education has circulated across campus two proposals on general education: one regarding a new general education governance structure, and one regarding a new general education template for four-unit courses.

Anyone who has not received a copy of the proposals and would like one should contact his or her department head or chair or the Academic Senate office at ext. 1258.

Help Desk announces new walk-in hours

The Instructional Technology Services Help Desk, located in Room 115 in the Frank Pilling Computer Science Building, now closes at 4 pm – an hour earlier – Monday through Thursday.

Walk-in hours are Monday through Thursday from 8 am to 4 pm and Friday from 8 am to 5 pm.

Help is available over the phone at ext. 7000 Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm.
Foundation board to meet April 12

The Foundation board of directors will hold a regular meeting at 9:30 am Friday, April 12, in the Foundation Administration Building, Conference Room 124. This is a public meeting. For more information or a copy of the agenda, call Al Amaral, foundation executive director, at ext. 1131.
A copy of the agenda packet is available for review at the Kennedy Library Reserve Desk (Room 114) and the Academic Senate office, Room 143 in the Mathematics and Home Economics Building.

Dateline

Admission charged — $ FRIDAY, APRIL 5
Men’s Tennis: 5th annual Mustang Invitational: Cal Poly, UC Davis, USF, Loyola-Marymount, Santa Clara University, CSU Sacramento, UC Santa Cruz, University of Portland. Through Sunday, April 7, Tennis Courts.
Dance-Play: “The Velveteen Rabbit” by the O.D.C./San Francisco modern dance troupe. 7 pm. Also at 11 am and 4 pm Saturday, April 6, Cal Poly Theatre. ($)
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Speakers: Carmelita Amador Wingchung and Dorothy Granada (Maria Luisa Ortiz Women’s Cooperative) will talk about women’s health in Nicaragua. UU 220, 11 am.
Open Forum: Visit with Paul Zingg (Cal Poly interim vice president for academic affairs), a finalist for the provost and vice president for academic affairs post, Smith Alumni Center, 3:30 pm.
Music: Violinist Richard Luby (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) and pianist William Corbett-Jones (San Francisco State) will perform. Davidson Music Bldg. 218, 8 pm.
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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10
Baseball: Westmont College, SLO Stadium, 7 pm. ($)
THURSDAY, APRIL 11
Speaker-Meeting: Barbara Mori (Social Sciences) will talk about the 18 months she spent teaching in China at the Pacific Rim Group meeting, Erhart Ag 201, 11 am.
FRIDAY, APRIL 12
Baseball: CSU Fresno, SLO Stadium, 2 pm. Also on Saturday and Sunday, April 13-14. ($)
Writer-Speak: Poet Erin Belieu will read from her work. Science B-5, 7 pm.

Position vacancies

Vacancy information and applications for the following positions are available from the appropriate Human Resources office. Vacancy information can also be accessed from the Cal Poly Home Page on the World Wide Web (address: http://www.calpoly.edu; click on “General Information” and “Current Events”).

STATE (Adm. 110, ext. 2236 or job line at ext. 1533). Official application forms must be received by 4 pm of the closing date or be postmarked by the closing date. (No faxes)
CLOSING DATE: April 19
#67080: Buyer I, Procurement and Support Services (Unit 7), $2337-$2857/month.
CLOSING DATE: May 3

REQUIREMENTS

CLOSING DATE: April 19
#67082: Senior Secretary, College of Agriculture (Unit 9), $2202-$2620/month.

FACULTY (Adm. 312, ext. 2844)
Candidates interested in positions on the faculty are invited to contact the appropriate dean or department head or chair. Ranks and salaries for faculty positions are commensurate with qualifications and experience (and time base where applicable) unless otherwise stated.

CLOSING DATE: April 29
#63060: Lecturer Pool (part-time), Physics Department, ext. 7448. Possible temporary part-time positions available during the 1996-97 academic year, to teach lecture or laboratory classes in physics or physical sciences. Bachelor’s degree in physics or related field required; Doctoral degree preferred. Send letter, resume, completed application, and names of four references to Part-time Lecturer Appointments Committee, Physics.

CLOSING DATE: April 19
#63075: Lecturer Pool (part-time), Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering, ext. 2341. Possible temporary part-time positions available during the 1996-97 academic year in various areas of IE and MfgE (call department for more information). Candidates must possess at least a B.S. or M.S. in engineering. Send resume, three letters of recommendation and application (available by calling department) to H.J. Freeman, Chair, IME.

#63076: Lecturer Pool (part-time), Art and Design Department, ext. 1148. Possible temporary part-time positions available during the 1996-97 academic year to teach in various lecture and studio classes. Applicants should possess an M.A., M.S. or M.F.A., or comparable professional-level experience. University-level teaching experience preferred. For additional information and application, contact Art and Design Department.

#63082: Lecturer Pool (part-time), University Center For Teacher Education, ext. 2584. Possible temporary part-time positions available during the 1996-97 academic year to teach in multiple- and single-subject credential and master’s degree programs and to supervise teacher candidates in field placements. Seeking candidates with demonstrated expertise in cross-cultural and bilingual preparation of K-12 educators for diverse classrooms. M.A. in education or related field preferred, or B.S. with considerable experience working in K-12 schools with diverse populations. Submit letter of application, vitae, three letters of recommendation and official transcripts of highest degree to Susan Roper, UCTE.