Fall Conference to begin at 9:30

This year the Fall Conference general session will begin a half hour earlier than usual — at 9:30 am on Monday, Sept. 13, in Chumash Auditorium.

The traditional “social hour” this year will be a half hour, from 9 to 9:30 am in the UU Plaza.

President Baker will be the keynote speaker for the general session, which will also include the traditional welcoming remarks by other Cal Poly officials and awards to outstanding faculty and staff members.

Other events during Fall Conference week, marking the beginning of a new academic year, will include school and academic department meetings, faculty retreats, workshops, receptions, and orientation sessions and campus tours for new employees. Several new workshops have been added to the schedule as well as a special presentation on diversity, which will be staged for the faculty and staff of each college.

The printed Fall Conference program brochures will be distributed to current faculty and staff members through a campuswide mailing. Departments are asked to mail a program brochure to any current employee who won’t be on campus to pick up a copy before Fall Conference begins.

Fall Quarter classes begin Monday, Sept. 20.

Academic exchange with China growing

This fall quarter, six faculty members from a Chinese university will join four of their colleagues already taking part in an exchange program with Cal Poly.

The instructors, from Hanzhong Teachers’ College in west-central China, teach English at the Chinese university. They will be on campus until June 1994, taking graduate-level English classes to earn advanced degrees.

In return, sometime next year up to 10 Cal Poly students will travel to Hanzhong to study Chinese language, history and culture. Plans are also under way for Cal Poly social sciences professor Barbara Mori to teach a year at the school.

The academic exchange with Hanzhong Teaching College is the result of years of visits and negotiations between History Department Head Robert Burton and administrators at the Chinese university.

Burton spent the 1988-89 academic year teaching at the Hanzhong school and exploring the possibility of setting up an exchange program. The nationwide student uprising in the spring of 1989, which ended with the Tiananmen massacre in June, stopped negotiations for a year. After many delays and much planning and discussion, the first four Chinese faculty members arrived at Cal Poly last March.

The exchange, one result of Cal Poly’s emphasis on internationalizing the curriculum, is intended to be a permanent program.

UC Irvine official to lead housing

The director of undergraduate apartments at UC Irvine has been appointed to lead the Residential Life and Education Department, effective Sept. 27.

Preston C. Allen will be responsible for managing and developing on-campus housing for 2700 students.

Since 1981 Allen has held a number of positions in the housing program at the Irvine campus.

The new director has earned numerous awards, including a California Association of College and University Housing Officers Diversity and Affirmative Action Award. From UCI he received the Disabled Students Services Award, Promoting Diversity Award, Outstanding Performance Award and Superior Performance Award.

Allen’s professional affiliations include membership in UCI’s Black Faculty and Staff Association, the Association of College & University Housing Officers and the American Personnel Guidance Association.

Allen earned a bachelor’s degree in social science in 1980 from Michigan State University and a master’s in education administration in 1989 from Cal State Fullerton.

NCAA approves move to Division I

The National Collegiate Athletic Association has approved the reclassification of Cal Poly’s athletics program from Division II to Division I-AA, effective Sept. 1, 1994.

All Cal Poly sports will compete in Division I, with football at the Division I-AA level.

Service awards lunch set for Oct. 7

The annual Faculty and Staff Service Awards Luncheon will be from 11:30 am to 1 pm Thursday, Oct. 7, in Chumash Auditorium.

Everyone is encouraged to attend this year’s recognition banquet, a “Harvest Celebration.”

Fliers with more information will be mailed to campus departments. Call Jeannine Jacobson, ext. 2605, for more information.
Retired faculty, staff presentation set

The “Experiences of a Forest Service Parachute Fire-Jumper” will be presented to members of the Retired Faculty and Staff Club at 3 pm Tuesday, Sept. 14, at Vista Grande Restaurant.

Emeritus English professor Starr Jenkins, who has written extensively about his experiences with the forest service, will give the presentation.

For more information on the program or to join the RF&S Club, call the club’s bulletin editor, Don Morris, at 773-1672.

Grad student wins ‘best paper’ award

Graduate student Kym Jason Pohl earned the “Best Student Paper Award” at the recent InterSymp-93 conference of the International Institute for Advanced Studies in Systems Research and Cybernetics, held in Baden-Baden, Germany.

The paper, “Mercury: A Real-Time Message Management Facility for Distributed Cooperative Computing Environments,” is based on research done at the College of Architecture and Environmental Design’s CAD Research Center.

Pohl earned a bachelor’s degree in computer science from Cal Poly and expects to graduate with master’s degrees in architecture and computer science in December 1994.

Kym Pohl is the son of Jens Pohl, director of the CAD Research Center.

Reynolds, 79

Professor emeritus Raymond W. Reynolds, 79, died at his San Luis Obispo home Aug. 4.

Born in Pittsburgh, Penn., Reynolds earned his bachelor’s degree from Cal State Teachers College and a master’s from Purdue University.

He taught in both the Engineering Technology and Mechanical Engineering departments from 1953 until his retirement in 1979. He also worked as a design engineer on space project Mariner II at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena.

A memorial service is scheduled for 2 pm, Sunday, Sept. 12, at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in San Luis Obispo.

Purchasing to hold ‘how to’ sessions

The new procedures for ordering office supplies will be discussed at orientation sessions planned by the Purchasing Office.

Employees who order supplies are encouraged to attend to learn more about the ordering process and the services offered by Eastman Co. The one-hour sessions are scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 7, and Thursday, Sept. 9, at 9 am, 10:30 am, 2 pm and 3:30 pm.

To reserve a space, call the Purchasing Office at ext. 2232 by Friday, Sept. 3.

KKAL to broadcast Cal Poly sports

KKAL-AM 1280 radio will broadcast 1993-94 Cal Poly sports, including football, men’s soccer, women’s soccer and volleyball in the fall; men’s and women’s basketball in the winter; and baseball in the spring.

Tom Margell, an 11-year veteran of sports and news broadcasting, has been named the play-by-play announcer.

Here kitty, kitty, kitty

The Cal Poly Campus Cats volunteers will hold their 2nd Adopt-A-Cat event today and Friday, Sept. 2-3, behind the Vet Clinic on Mount Bishop Road (off Highland Drive). Fees are $12, which includes vaccinations for the first year and a discount certificate for neutering and spaying.

The Campus Cats group is working to schedule regular monthly adoption days. For more information, call Sheri Jacobsen at ext. 5931.

Retirement reception for Nuncio planned

Kennedy Library staff members are hosting a retirement reception for Stella Nuncio of the Learning Resources and Curriculum Department from 2 to 4 pm, Friday, Sept. 17, in Room 511 of the library.

Nuncio has worked at the library for more than 26 years.

CPR schedule

This is the final issue of the summer Cal Poly Report.

The first issue of Fall Quarter will be Monday, Sept. 13, with another on Thursday, Sept. 16.

Send typewritten, double-spaced copy to Jo Ann Lloyd, Heron Hall, by NOON a week before you’d like it to appear. Items can be faxed to ext. 6533. Articles submitted will be edited for clarity, brevity, and journalistic style.
Fall conference room change noted

The location of the Women’s Welcome Reception during Fall Conference, as listed in the program brochure, has been changed. The reception will be at the Center for Women and Ethnic Issues, located in the east wing of the Health Center, from 4 to 5:30 pm Wednesday, Sept. 15.

College of Ag dean named to commission

Joseph Jen, dean of the College of Agriculture, has been named to a new blue-ribbon citizens Commission on California Agriculture and Higher Education, formed by the heads of the California State University, the University of California, and the Agricultural Education Foundation.

The independent commission will develop a model for agricultural education and research in the state’s institutions of higher learning.

The foundation is a private non-profit organization founded in 1970 to sponsor a statewide Agricultural Leadership Program.

Athletic Hall of Fame to induct six members

Cal Poly will induct six new members into its Athletic Hall of Fame in October:

* Mel Kaufman, who led Cal Poly's 1980 football squad to the NCAA Division II Championship and became a starting linebacker for the Washington Redskins' championship teams of 1982, '83 and '87.

* Dan Lambert, one of Cal Poly's all-time tennis greats, who won NCAA Division II All-American honors in each of his four seasons and was a finalist in NCAA singles competition from 1977 to 1979.

* Eileen Kraemer Vukicevich, a runner and 1982 graduate whose honors include the first NCAA individual title won by a woman - the 1981 NCAA Division II Cross Country Championship - and Div. I All-American honors in the 1500 meters.

The six new members make a total of 41 inductees in the Athletic Hall of Fame, started in 1987.

Faculty development funds available

Cal Poly has received funds from the chancellor's office for the Affirmative Action Faculty Development Program.

The program provides under-represented tenure-track faculty members with release time, mini-grants, and travel to help them obtain promotion and tenure.

For guidelines and details, call the Affirmative Action Office at ext. 2062. The proposal deadline is Oct. 18.

Purchasing inquiries available on PCs

Sessions are being offered by the Purchasing Office to teach employees how to use their computers to check the status of purchase orders.

As part of the Integrated Business System Software provided by the chancellor’s office, some departments are also able to enter requisitions directly into the system. This feature will eventually be extended to all departments.

Before employees can sign up for the training, security approval must be received. Security forms, available from deans', division, and department offices, should be completed and returned to Mike Johnson in the Purchasing Office.

Training sessions will be held from 9 am to noon beginning Tuesday, Sept. 14, in the Chase Hall Training Room.

For more information, call the Purchasing Office at ext. 2232.

Foundation Vacancies

Vacant staff positions at the Cal Poly Foundation are announced in this column and are posted outside the Foundation Administration Building. For applications and additional position details call ext. 1121. The Foundation is subject to all laws governing affirmative action and equal employment opportunity and hires only individuals lawfully authorized to work in the United States. Applications must be received by 5 pm on the closing date.

CLOSING DATE: Sept. 10

Assistant Supervisor (Salad Room/Pantry), starting rate $7.70/hour with raises to $9.35/hour based on merit.
Who, What, Where, When

A number of faculty members in Aeronautical Engineering participated at the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics' Atmospheric Flight Mechanics Conference held in Monterey: Russell Cummings chaired the Unsteady Aerodynamics session; papers co-authored by Jin Tso, "Lift Augmentation via Vortex Trapping on Delta Wings," and Dan Biezad, "A Pseudo-Loop Design Strategy for the Longitudinal Control of Hypersonic Aircraft," were presented.

Tim O'Keefe, Natural Resources Management, served as a special consultant to the Olympic Learning Center, Olympic National Forest, near Port Townsend, Wash., to establish a technology transfer program. For the past two years, O'Keefe has planned and established a series of demonstration areas for the Blue Mountain Resource Center in eastern Oregon.


Paul Adalian and Ilene Rockman, Library, presented the poster session "Implementing and Teaching Access to LEXIS-NEXIS" at the American Library Association annual conference, in New Orleans.

Saeed Niku, Mechanical Engineering, gave a presentation, "Teaching Creative Thinking to Engineering Students," at the 1993 annual American Society for Engineering Education Conference, in Champaign, Ill.

A review by Susan Duffy, Speech Communication, "Cradle and All: A Cultural and Psychoanalytic Study of Nursery Rhymes" by Lucy Rollins was published in the July issue of Text and Performance Quarterly.

William Little, Foreign Languages and Literatures, has been named to the national Test Development Committee for the SAT II Spanish Achievement Test by Educational Testing Service in Princeton, N.J., where he has also served since 1985 as consultant for the Spanish Advanced Placement test and been on the leadership team for the "California Hour" of the National Teachers Examination since its inception in 1991.

Charles Burt, Agricultural Engineering and Irrigation Training and Research Center, presented a paper, "GIS Utilization for Analysis of District Drainage Water Recycling," and a poster session, "AGWATER," at the Irrigation and Drainage Division Summer Conference of the American Society of Civil Engineers, in Park City, Utah.

Martin B. Koch, Industrial and Materials Engineering, presented a paper, "Rapid Prototyping at the University," at the 2nd European Conference on Rapid Prototyping and Manufacturing, at the University of Nottingham, England. He also chaired a session on European Systems.