FERP provisions for 1987-88 provided

Agreement has been reached between the CSU and CFA extending the current Faculty Early Retirement Program (FERP) provisions for the 1987-88 academic year. Faculty interested in applying for the Faculty Early Retirement Program commencing with the 1987-88 academic year should file an application by March 14, 1987. Applications are available in the Personnel Office.

The current collective bargaining contract allows tenured faculty who have reached the age of 55 to participate in FERP for 8 years or until age 70, whichever occurs first, at their current salary (including those on the Designated Market Discipline Salary Schedule). Although provisions for faculty entering the FERP program in 1988-89 have not been completely finalized and ratified, it is probable that new participants will be entitled to a reduced period of employment (5 years for those between age 55 and 62 when participation begins; 4 years for those between age 63 and 65; and 3 years for those 65 and above) and faculty members receiving the Designated Market Condition Salaries will not be eligible to begin participation in FERP in 1988-89 and thereafter.

Those who have questions regarding FERP should contact Mike Suess or Barbara Melvin in the Personnel Office.

Baker makes fact-finding trip to Antarctica

President Baker is in Antarctica as part of his duties as a member of the National Science Board.

Baker is traveling with other officials to National Science Foundation research stations on Ross Island in McMurdo Sound and at the South Pole. The NSF organized the trip to acquaint Baker and the others with the foundation’s programs on the ice-bound continent.

A member of the National Science Board since January, Baker was recently named to a five-member Committee on the National Science Foundation’s Role in the Polar Regions. The panel is to make recommendations on the direction that NSF polar research should take.

The NSF is engaged in atmospheric, geological, marine and other studies in Antarctica, including recently publicized revelations about a seasonal “ozone hole” in the stratosphere above the continent.

The 24-member National Science Board is the NSF’s policy-making body. President Ronald Reagan appointed Baker to a term ending in May 1988.

The NSF, founded in 1950, is an independent, federal agency that supports basic research and education in science and the national and international interchange of scientific ideas.

Baker began his fact-finding trip on Tuesday (Dec. 2), and his visit will last until Dec. 11.

Fulbright scholar to speak today

Dr. Joseph Opio-Odongo of Uganda, Cal Poly’s Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence, will present a talk today (Dec. 4) at 3 pm in Staff Dining Room B.

A member of the Makerere University faculty, he will discuss “Excellence vs. Relevance in African Agricultural Education: Evidence From Uganda.”

Faculty, staff and students are invited to attend and meet Dr. Opio-Odongo. A reception is planned immediately following the presentation. The event is sponsored by Deans Lark Carter, Jon Ericson, and Russ Brown.

Dr. Opio-Odongo, whose Fulbright residency at Cal Poly is sponsored by the U.S. Information Agency, is a guest lecturer in a number of areas in the Schools of Liberal Arts and Agriculture. In addition, he is working closely with the International Agricultural Development program.

He earned an undergraduate degree in agriculture from Makerere University, and has taught at Ahmadu Bello University in Nigeria, and at Cornell University in New York State. At the latter he earned two advanced degrees in rural sociology. He teaches rural sociology at Makerere and serves as a facilitator in the university’s Continuing Education program.

Dr. Opio-Odongo has held both Rockefeller and Kellogg Foundation fellowships, and has been a consultant for UNICEF, the Church of Uganda, and the World Bank. He has published numerous articles on agricultural development, rural sociology, and farming systems.

Holiday schedule

The Report will be published once more in December—on Thursday, Dec. 11. The first issue of the Winter Quarter will be Thursday, Jan. 8. Copy is due by Wednesday, Dec. 31.
Students prepare Rose Parade float

After more than eight months of preliminary effort, students at Cal Poly are ready to begin final preparation of "Breaking the Ice," the joint entry of the Cal Poly universities in the 1987 Tournament of Roses Parade.

San Luis Obispo students are spending every moment of their spare time preparing their half of the giant float for its trip to the Pomona campus, where it will be joined with the other half. Final work on the project will then be performed by teams of students from both campuses.

The "World of Wonders" theme selected for the year's parade will give it an international flavor. Some 200 million television viewers worldwide are expected to join a crowd of over one million spectators who will watch the parade along Colorado Blvd.

Prominent on the Cal Poly float will be several playful penguins who are surprised and delighted when a curious submarine emerges from the icy depths of the antarctic. After "breaking the ice," the penguins continue playing on an 18-foot teeter-totter made of ice, sunbathing, and paddling around the float in inner tubes.

For the two universities, this year's float will be their 39th consecutive float entry in the famed New Year's Day Parade. Since their first entry in 1949, Cal Poly floats have won 19 major banner awards, 16 of them in the last 21 years.

Their 1986 float, "Bubble Trouble," won the Founder's Trophy, which goes to the event's best self-built and decorated float.

Beginning Dec. 13, students from both campuses will work around the clock to prepare the float for its Christmas Eve move to the Rosemont Pavilion in Pasadena, where the floral decorations will be applied and the float fine-tuned for the parade.

The students plan to use dozens of varieties of flowers and seed on the float. Most of the flowers needed to decorate the float are being grown on the Cal Poly campuses.

Activities of the San Luis Obispo students involved in the float effort are planned and coordinated by the Rose Float committee of the ASI.

Poet Robinson Jeffers exhibit

An exhibition of books and photographs relating to poet Robinson Jeffers will be on display in the Gallery of the Kennedy Library through Dec. 19.

The traveling program is a preview of the major presentation planned by Occidental College to mark the centennial of Jeffers' birth in January. Included in the Cal Poly show are books, magazines, pamphlets, and photographs. The exhibit is sponsored by Occidental, Jeffers' alma mater.

The Gallery in the Kennedy Library is open Mondays through Thursdays from 7:30 am to 11 am; Fridays from 7:30 am to 5 pm; Saturdays from 9 am to 5 pm; and Sundays from 1 to 11 pm.

Holiday luncheon planned for Dec. 10

The Business Affairs Division cordially invites the campus community to share in the festivities at the annual Business Affairs Division Christmas Luncheon being held on Wednesday, Dec. 10, at 11:45 am in Chumash Auditorium. The buffet will be catered by Foundation Food Services featuring teriyaki beef kabobs and assorted salads and deli platters.

Tickets may be purchased from any school dean's office or at 127 Admin. Bldg. For more information, please call ext. 2234.

Retirement fete for Thomas Chou

Thomas T. Chou of the Electronic and Electrical Engineering Department will be retiring from the department after 25 years of service at the end of the Fall Quarter. The department will be honoring Professor Chou at a retirement dinner on Saturday, Dec. 6, at The China Bowl Restaurant in San Luis Obispo.

There will be a no-host social hour at 6 pm and a Japanese/Chinese buffet dinner will be served at 7 pm. The cost of the dinner will be $15 per person, which includes tax, tip and contributions for a gift. All friends and students are invited to join with his colleagues in honoring Professor Chou. Please RSVP to Diane at ext. 2781 by Dec. 5.

Campus telephone directory distributed

The '86-'87 Campus Telephone Directory has recently been distributed to each person whose name appears in the directory. Additional copies may be obtained through the Campus Supply Catalog at a cost of 65¢. If you have any questions regarding the directory, please call Barbara Ciesielski, Telecommunication Services at ext. 2671.

Xmas Craft Sale

The Craft Center's annual Christmas Craft Sale will be held in the UU Plaza (today), Dec. 4 from 9 am to 6 pm. There will be many handmade gifts made by students, faculty, staff and alumni. Items to be sold include quilts, tree ornaments, wreaths, stuffed animals, toys, and more.
Football coach to head fund raising for athletics

Jim Sanderson, head coach of the Cal Poly Mustangs for the past five years, has announced that he will give up his football coaching chores to take on the responsibilities as the chief athletics fund raiser for the university.

Sanderson, who has been a member of the Mustangs coaching staff for more than 20 years, will become executive director of SUMAT, the university’s athletics support organization. (SUMAT stands for SUpporters of Mustang Athletic Teams.) In his new role he will report to Larry Voss, associate vice president for university relations.

President Baker said, “Jim Sanderson has been a hard working, dedicated coach at Cal Poly for more than 20 years. The recent student referendum has given intercollegiate athletics at Cal Poly a significant boost, and we are pleased that Jim would like to move into fund raising for the program he has served so well. His experience and rapport with our alumni and supporters qualify him exceedingly well for his important new assignment in the university.”

In his new role Sanderson will run the national athletic booster organization as it raises money from private sources for the Cal Poly intercollegiate athletics program. His responsibilities will include the annual John Madden golf tournament, chairmanship of the university’s Sports Promotion Committee, major donor solicitation and coordination of other special fund-raising activities. (He will also continue his part-time teaching in the Physical Education and Recreation Administration Dept.)

Dr. Kendrick Walker, interim director of athletics, said that he would soon initiate a national search for a head football coach. In the interim Sanderson will help with the recruiting, spring football, and other transition activities.

Sanderson served as an assistant coach at Cal Poly for 15 years, and during his five years as head coach, he chalked up a 26-27 record.

Progress made in asbestos removal

Significant progress in the university’s on-going effort to remove asbestos insulation from the various mechanical systems of the university has been reported by Executive Dean E. Douglas Gerard.

The removal projects fall into three categories — those done by Plant Operations staff as a part of normal maintenance operations; those covered by a contract funded through minor capital outlay-energy retrofit funds; and those funded as the university’s share of a CSU systemwide removal program.

The campus portion of the latter category was the first of seven phases of projects to be undertaken over the next 7-10 years as the State Legislature appropriates funds for asbestos removal. Decisions on which projects to address first were made by a consulting firm hired by the Chancellor’s Office.

Gerard said the projects undertaken this calendar year have involved the Science, Air Conditioning, Food Processing, Business Administration and Education, Dexter, Erhart Agriculture, English, Engineering West, Mathematics and Home Economics, Administration, Agricultural Engineering Shops, Health Center, and Engineering South Buildings, as well as the Crandall Gymnasium, Natatorium, and Davidson Music Center.

Over $600,000 has been spent on asbestos removal projects on campus since Jan. 1, 1986.

CSU Trustees OK revision of Campus Master Plan

The board of trustees of the California State University took the following actions at its Nov. 12 meeting:

- Amended the 1987-88 CSU Capital Outlay Budget to reflect a funding request of $140.4 million—an increase of more than $1.1 million dollars for 64 state projects. The total 1987-88 capital outlay program will now total $153 million ($13 million for non-state projects)—an increase of more than 12 percent from last year’s $135 million 1986-87 capital outlay budget, which included $112 million for state and $23 million for non-state projects.

- Approved the revision of the Campus Master Plan for Cal Poly that allows for a relocation of the Physical Education Intramural Recreation Building and authorizes a $1.1 million privately funded Graphic Arts Press Building to house a $800,000 donated Rockwell/Goss graphic arts press.

- Trustees adopted a resolution supporting an independent legislative study to evaluate the William M. Mercer-Miedlinger Inc. report that recommends the CSU provide its own health plans and withdraw from the Public Employees’ Retirement System. The trustees also authorized the Chancellor to take such actions as deemed appropriate in this matter.

- Approved the establishment of an ad hoc committee on the Review of Organization/Management Structure of The California State University. Committee chairman is Thomas Bernard. Other committee members are Theodore Bruinsma, Marianthi Lansdale, Tom Stickel and Lynne Wasserman.
Child's coloring book for sale

Cal Poly's Student Community Services organization will be selling a child's coloring book that is a great gift for a good cause. Their effort is a fund-raising project for the campus program.

The coloring book, called "Kid's Colorful SLO," will be sold for $1.95, and will feature a cuddly bear, I.M. Huggable, also known as "Huggy," on each page.

Huggy will guide children to feed seals in Morro Bay, go to the Atascadero Zoo, go whale watching, and other fun things children like to do that are free or of low cost.

Proceeds from sales of the coloring book will go to Student Community Services and to its "PALS" and Youth Education Projects.

"PALS" is a program in which Cal Poly students volunteer to be big brother and big sister figures for children ages five through 13 from single-parent families.

In the Youth Education Project, students tutor fourth- through sixth-grade youngsters at the Hawthorne School in San Luis Obispo. The coloring book was illustrated by Paul Spallas, a senior graphic communication major at the university.

They will be available at the Christmas in the Plaza celebration in the Mission Plaza in San Luis Obispo on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 6 and 7.

Student Community Services is a program of the ASI and Student Affairs Division.

Plaudits are also in order for lady Mustang Gladees Prieur, who won the individual crown. The win was the third individual NCAA title for Prieur, who has claimed track and field titles in both the 800 and 1500 meters. The cross-country win was the first for a Cal Poly runner since Amy Harper achieved the feat in 1983.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4


Christmas Craft Sale: UU Plaza, 9 am-6 pm.

University Club: "Holiday Music," performed by the Madrigal Jazz Ensemble. Staff Dining Room, noon. (!)

Speaker: Joseph Opio-Odongo (Makerere University, Uganda) will discuss "African Agricultural Education: Evidence from Uganda." Reception follows. Staff Dining Room 3 pm.

Women's Basketball: Sonoma State, Main Gym, 7:30 pm. ($) Ballet: "The Nutcracker," performed by the Civic Ballet of SLO. Continues through Sunday, Dec. 7, 8 pm. ($) FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5

Men's Basketball: Tip-off Holiday Classic (Sacramento State, Humboldt State, Cal Lutheran), Main Gym. Continues on Saturday, Dec. 6, 7 & 9 pm.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8

Performance: "Spoken Word Performance." Michael C. Ford (musician and poet) and Jello Biafra (singer) will host this performance as part of the continuing fight for freedom of expression.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

Commencement: President Emeritus Robert E. Kennedy is the featured speaker. Main Gym, 10 am.

Men's Basketball: University of La Verne, Main Gym, 8 pm. ($) MONDAY, DECEMBER 15

Holiday: Academic holiday for all academic year employees. Continues through Sunday, Jan. 4.

Position Vacancies

Vacant staff positions at Cal Poly and the Cal Poly Foundation are announced in this column and are posted outside the respective offices. Contact those offices (State: Adm. 110, 805-546-2236 — Foundation: mobile unit near the Fire Department (805-546-1121) for applications and additional position details. Both Cal Poly and the Foundation are subject to all laws governing affirmative action and equal employment opportunity. All interested persons are encouraged to apply.

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CLOSING DATE: 12-17-86

Clerical Assistant I-A, $15-$8.40/hour, on-call intermittent through 6-30-87, Housing and Conference Services.

X-country team wins NCAA title

Congratulations are extended to the Cal Poly women's cross-country team for winning the NCAA Division II championship last month. It was the fifth year in a row that the Lance Harter-coached Mustangs have won the NCAA Division II title.