

Sept. 24, 2008
CAL POLY REPORT
The Weekly Newsletter for Faculty and Staff

NEW CAL POLY REPORT DEADLINE NEXT WEEK ONLY

Email your announcements by **noon** on Friday, Sept. 26, to polynews@calpoly.edu for inclusion in an early issue of Cal Poly Report on Sept. 30.

VISIT THE CAL POLY REPORT ARCHIVES ANY TIME AT:
<http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/cpreport/reportindex.html>

CHANCELLOR REED HONORED WITH MCGRAW PRIZE IN EDUCATION

The 2008 Harold W. McGraw, Jr. Prize in Education honored Chancellor Charles B. Reed yesterday for his work in paving the way for increased higher education access and success for U.S. students. The Harold W. McGraw, Jr. Prize in Education annually recognizes outstanding individuals who have dedicated themselves to enhancing learning in this country and whose accomplishments are making a difference today. For further information, visit <http://investor.mcgraw-hill.com/phoenix.zhtml?c=96562&p=irol-newsArticle&ID=1199914&highlight=>

THE “WHAT’S NEW TOUR” CONTINUES THROUGH SEPT. 26

Everyone is invited to the “What’s New Tour” on campus to see changes that occurred during the summer. Participating areas joining the festivities are Campus Dining, Kennedy Library, ASI, University Housing, and El Corral Bookstore. Multiple prizes and food samplings will be given away daily. For more information, visit <http://www.asi.calpoly.edu/events/frontevent/2457>

THIS WEEK IN MUSTANG ATHLETICS

Men's Soccer vs. Cal State Bakersfield, Wed., Sept. 24, 7 p.m., Alex G. Spanos Stadium
Women’s Soccer vs. Utah State, Fri., Sept. 26, 7 p.m., Alex G. Spanos Stadium*
Women’s Soccer vs. Utah, Sun., Sept. 28, 1 p.m., Alex G. Spanos Stadium**

* Mustang T-shirt Night. First 250 students will receive a Women’s Soccer T-shirt
**Faculty/Staff Day. All faculty and staff receive free admission with Faculty/Staff ID

ALICE GOLD RETIREMENT RECEPTION SET FOR SEPT. 26

Alice Gold is retiring Oct. 1, after 20 years in the Physics Department. The campus community is invited to a retirement reception in her honor from 2 to 4 p.m., Friday, Sept. 26, in the Fisher Science Museum, Room 285.

CAL POLY HOSTS TALK ON DARK ENERGY SEPT. 27

A surprising and mysterious astronomical discovery is the main focus of a free public lecture at Cal Poly. Alex Filippenko, professor of astronomy at the University of California Berkeley, will present "Dark Energy and the Runaway Universe" on Saturday, Sept. 27, at 7:30 p.m. in the Business Rotunda, Room 213. Filippenko will describe how a mysterious force appears to be overcoming gravity and causing the expansion of the universe to be speeding up. He will address how this discovery was made and the major implications it has for basic physics. For more information, visit http://calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/September/dark-energy.html

MUSIC FACULTY TO PERFORM 'GREAT POETS IN SONG' SEPT. 27

Music Department faculty members Jacalyn Kreitzer, mezzo-soprano, and Susan Azaret Davies, pianist, will present "The Great Poets in Song: 1900 and Beyond!" at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, in Spanos Theatre. The recital will feature "the lilting and exquisite melodies of composers whose subjects and texts are delicious and sometimes manic," Kreitzer said. For more information, visit http://calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/September/great%20poets.html

MARY BETTENCOURT RETIREMENT RECEPTION SET FOR SEPT. 30

Mary (Siegel) Bettencourt is retiring after 23 years service at Cal Poly. University Housing invites the campus community to a retirement reception in her honor from 2-4 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 30, University Housing patio.

JOE GRIMES RETIREMENT RECEPTION SET FOR SEPT. 30

A retirement reception in honor of Joe Grimes, director of faculty development, Center for Teaching and Learning, will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 30, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Kennedy Library Atrium. Grimes has been a faculty member for over 35 years. Join Academic Personnel and the Center for Teaching and Learning to celebrate his many contributions to the university.

INSTITUTIONAL REPOSITORY COLLOQUIUM REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS OCT. 1

Kennedy Library is sponsoring "Putting Knowledge to Work: Building an Institutional Repository for Your Campus," an all-day colloquium on Friday, Oct. 10, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. focusing on the challenges and successes of planning, creating and maintaining an academic institutional repository. Topics to be addressed include:

- Faculty and administration perspectives on the public value of IRs
- Rights management and working with publishers
- Documentation, policies, procedures and workflows
- Outreach and partnering with faculty and students
- Collecting content and populating the repository

- Lessons learned from IR planning and implementation

The colloquium speakers include:

- Provost William W. Durgin
- Michael Miller, Dean of Library Services
- Professor Brian Kennelly, Chair, Modern Languages and Literatures
- Marisa Ramirez, Robert E. Kennedy Library
- David Walker, CSU Chancellor's Office
- Trisha Davis, Ohio State University Libraries
- Shawn Martin, University of Pennsylvania Van Pelt Library
- Jeremy Shellhase, Humboldt State University Library

The colloquium will be held at Sage Restaurant, formerly Vista Grande Café.

Registration is free but required by Oct. 1. Space is limited to 50 attendees. For more information or to register for the event, visit

<http://www.lib.calpoly.edu/about/events/ir2008/>

CESAME WORKSHOP SET FOR OCT. 3

CESaME will host a workshop entitled, "Marco? Polo!: Finding the Student Perspective in Your Science Teaching" on Friday, Oct. 3 in Fisher Science, Room 285 from 2-4 p.m. David C. Finster of Wittenberg University will lead the workshop and discuss the Reflective Judgement Model of student intellectual development and its application to undergraduate classrooms, assignments and exams. This is the first event in CESaME's "Exploring the Roots of STEM Learning" series. Light refreshments will be provided. RSVP to cesame@calpoly.edu by Friday, Sept. 26.

SARC ORGANIC SUMMIT 2008: "THE FUTURE OF ORGANIC IN THE CONTEXT OF THE FUELS AND FOOD CRISES" SET FOR OCT. 3

A panel discussion featuring Tim LaSalle, CEO of the Rodale Institute, will address the impact of the rise in food and fuels prices on the organic industry. The free and public presentation takes place Friday, Oct. 3, 5:30 - 7 p.m. in Phillips Hall at the Performing Arts Center. For more information, contact Neal MacDougall, director, Sustainable Ag Resource Consortium, at ext. 6-5034. For more information, visit www.sarc.calpoly.edu/events/index.html.

COLLOQUIUM TO HONOR TERRY JONES AND MICHAEL MARLOW SET FOR OCT. 7

Faculty and staff are invited to attend an interdisciplinary colloquium Tuesday, Oct. 7, 4-5:30 p.m., in the Albert B. Smith Alumni and Conference Center. President Warren J. Baker and Provost William W. Durgin, in association with the Academic Senate Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee, will host a colloquium to honor the

professional and creative work of Professor Terry Jones, Social Sciences Department, and Professor Michael Marlow, Economics Area.

Jones and Marlow were the recipients of the 2008 Distinguished Scholarship Award. Jones will present "Science and Ethnocentrism: Evaluating the Case for Prehistoric Polynesian Contact." Marlow will present "Applied Economics of Public Policy." A social hour will follow the presentations. Seating is limited and reservations are encouraged. Call ext. 6-2186 by Oct. 1, or email academicaffairs@calpoly.edu.

BENEFITS OPEN ENROLLMENT BEING HELD THROUGH OCT. 17

This is a reminder that the Benefits Open Enrollment period is currently underway through Oct. 17. Open Enrollment allows benefits-eligible employees not already enrolled in a health or dental plan to do so. For those already enrolled, Open Enrollment provides the opportunity to change health or dental carriers, enroll or cancel Flex Cash participation, and add eligible dependents. All changes made during Open Enrollment will be effective Jan. 1, 2009.

This is also the time to enroll (or re-enroll) in the Health Care Reimbursement and Dependent Care Reimbursement Account plans for the 2009 tax year. These plans provide a perfect opportunity to pay for out-of-pocket health and dependent care expenses with pre-tax dollars. To continue participation, you **must re-enroll** each year during Open Enrollment.

You will find highlights, new premium rates, and instructions for submitting requests to Human Resources in the Open Enrollment Newsletter located on the Human Resources Web site at <http://www.afd.calpoly.edu/hr/benefits/whatsnew.html>, as well as in the Human Resources Office, Administration Building, Room 110. **Only Enrollment Worksheets received in Human Resources by the end of the day on Oct. 17 will be processed.** Questions can be directed to Human Resources at ext. 6-5436.

Also of note, important changes are coming soon to the TSA Program. In late October, current TSA plan enrollees will receive instructions on how to continue in the program. Action will be required for continued participation. As information becomes available, it will be posted on the Benefits "What's New" Web site noted above.

PARENTS WEEKEND SET FOR OCT. 25-26

Parents' weekend begins Saturday, Oct. 25 and includes tours of Poly Canyon Village, a Santa Maria-style tailgate BBQ, Mustang football vs. Southern Utah and two performing arts events. The weekend continues Sunday, Oct. 26 with live performances, food and celebration during Culturefest at Mitchell Park in downtown San Luis Obispo. Registration continues through Oct 15. Some events sell out early. Contact the Parent Program at calpolyparent@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-6700.

DIGITAL COMMONS ACCEPTING DOCUMENTS FOR ARCHIVING

Cal Poly has launched its new digital archive and research showcase, DigitalCommons@CalPoly. DigitalCommons content includes previously unpublished presentations and white papers as well as journal articles, conference proceedings, technical reports and campus publications - even Cal Poly building plans and drawings. Faculty representing any Cal Poly college, department, center or other campus unit can contribute content that they have authored. For authors who don't have time to contribute digital copies of their research, the Kennedy Library can scan documents and create PDFs, contact publishers for copyright permissions, prepare metadata to enhance search and retrieval, and upload and create entries. Future plans call for the addition of senior projects and master's theses. Faculty interested in contributing content to the DigitalCommons should contact Marisa Ramirez ext. 6-7040 or mramir14@calpoly.edu. For more information, visit <http://digitalcommons.calpoly.edu/>

UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES TOP AWARD FOR TRAFFIC PROGRAMS

Cal Poly's University Police Department was recently awarded top honors for excellence in community traffic safety programs. The awards were presented at the sixth annual California Law Enforcement Challenge – a day long traffic safety symposium – in Sacramento, Calif. Cal Poly UPD received The Commissioner's Award for overall excellence in traffic safety programs. Bakersfield CHP Area Office also received the award.

NEW CONSTRUCTION INNOVATIONS CENTER OPENED DOORS TO CM STUDENTS

The new Construction Innovations Center, located next to the existing Graphic Arts and Engineering West buildings, opened its doors to students when fall quarter started Sept. 22. The project includes approximately 30,000 square feet of new labs and classrooms - all centered around educating construction management students. The \$28.3 million project broke ground in Winter, 2006. The formal dedication for the new Construction Innovations Center will be in October.

POLICIES RESPONSIVE TO FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS REGARDING PROTECTION OF RESEARCH SUBJECTS, FRAUD AND EXPORT CONTROLS

In response to federal requirements, the university has established policies and procedures for protecting people and animals involved in research projects, for addressing instances of scientific fraud, and for regulating the export of materials and information that are considered relevant to national security. All faculty, staff and students should be aware of these policies and follow designated procedures when conducting research. Regulations and procedures for working with human or animal subjects in research can be found at <http://www.calpoly.edu/~sdavis/human.htm> and <http://www.rgp.calpoly.edu/animalcare.html>, respectively. Policies and procedures addressing scientific fraud and misconduct can be found at

<http://www.rgp.calpoly.edu/pdf/fraud.pdf>. Information on how to comply with export control regulations can be found at www.rgp.calpoly.edu.

DEADLINE FOR STATE FACULTY SUPPORT GRANT PROPOSALS

The deadline to submit proposals for awards of mini-grants and assigned time to support faculty research, scholarship and creative activities during the next academic year is Jan. 20, 2009, at 4:30 p.m. For guidelines and application form, visit the Research and Graduate Programs Web site at <http://www.rgp.calpoly.edu>, or call the RGP office at ext. 6-1508.

POWER CART OPERATORS MUST SIGN RULES FOR OPERATING

For those departments who operate Power Carts—any cart or low-speed vehicle whether powered by electricity or gasoline—a policy has been developed to insure safety of the campus community and to ensure vehicles are operated in a safe manner. Prior to operating a cart, each driver must read and sign the campus rules acknowledgement. If you are an operator, print Appendix A, sign, and keep on file in your office. The signature page is located at the end of the policy. To see policy and signature page, visit <http://www.police.calpoly.edu/parking/approved%20cart%20policy%200809.pdf> or see your supervisor for a copy.

PUBLIC RECORDS REQUESTS

A campus department that receives a written request for public records shall immediately provide a copy of the request to the campus Public Records Act (PRA) Officer, Karen Webb, assistant vice president for Administration and Finance. The campus PRA Officer is responsible for assuring that appropriate campus entities are notified of the request and for maintaining an inventory of all such requests.

A department which receives a written request for public records is responsible for responding to and complying with the request, unless the requested documents are housed in a different department. In that case, the written request should immediately be forwarded to that department for handling and the PRA Officer notified of the transfer.

SAVE THE DATE: SERVICE AWARDS LUNCHEON TO BE MARCH 5, 2009

State, Foundation, and ASI employees with milestone service anniversaries in 2008 will be honored at the Service Awards Luncheon on Thursday, March 5, 2009, from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium. The theme for this year's event will be "Go GREEN and Gold." Watch for more information in an upcoming issue of Cal Poly Report, including purchase and price of tickets.

STATE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted on <http://calpolyjobs.org>
To apply, go online and complete the application form. For assistance, call Human Resources at ext. 6-2236.

*****Review Date Extended*****

#101750–Prospect Research Specialist, Administrative Analyst/Specialist – Exempt II, University Advancement, Special Gifts. \$4,631-\$6,946/month. Open until filled. Review begins: Oct. 6.

#101766–Administrative Support Coordinator II, College of Liberal Arts, Dean's Office. \$3,074-\$4,615/month. Anticipated hiring range: \$3,074-\$3,381/month. Closes: Oct. 6

#101767–Facilities Maintenance Mechanic, Administration and Finance, Facility Services, Poly Canyon Village. \$4,383-\$5,601/month. Closes: Oct. 5.

#101768–Facilities Maintenance Mechanic, Administration and Finance, Facility Services, Engineering Services. \$4,383-\$5,601/month. Closes: Oct. 5.

#101769–Facilities Work Coordinator, Administrative Support Coordinator I, Administration and Finance, Facility Services. \$2,808-\$4,212/month. Closes: Oct. 5.

ASI EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Employment candidates are asked to visit www.asi.calpoly.edu to complete an application and apply for positions listed below. For more information, contact the ASI Business Office in UU, Room 212 or call ext. 6-5800.

Facilities/Reservations Assistant, \$16.20/hour plus benefits. Open until filled. Review begins: Oct. 6

NEW CAL POLY REPORT DEADLINE NEXT WEEK ONLY

Email your announcements to polynews@calpoly.edu by **noon** on Friday, Sept. 26, for inclusion in the Sept. 30 issue of Cal Poly Report.

For more Cal Poly news, such as campus events and entertainment, go to <http://calpolynews.calpoly.edu> . Updated daily, this site also contains news and photos about Cal Poly faculty, staff, students and alumni. To subscribe to the RSS feed, look for the orange icon at the top of the page. For more information on the Cal Poly News RSS feed, contact Teresa Hendrix at polynews@calpoly.edu.

Cal Poly Report is published every Wednesday. E-mail submissions to polynews@calpoly.edu by 4 p.m. on the Friday before publication.

Please do not reply to this email. Use polynews@calpoly.edu for all correspondence with the Office of Public Affairs.