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The Weekly Newsletter for Faculty and Staff

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FREE WORKSHOP ON 'GREEN' GRASS LANDSCAPING MAY 14

Find out how to use grass and turf on the roof, on the wall, and as pavement in a free workshop at Cal Poly May 14. Cal Poly's Sustainable Agriculture Resource Consortium and the Horticulture and Crop Science Department will host "Innovations in Green Landscaping" at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 14, in Room B-5 in the Science Building. For more information, visit http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/May/grass.html

DECODING IDENTITY IN QUEER DETECTIVE FICTION, LECTURE MAY 15

A discussion by Faye Stewart on "Reading the Lavender Herring: Decoding Identity in Queer Detective Fiction" takes place Thursday, May 15, from 11 a.m. to noon in the Erhart Agriculture Building, Room 220.

A luncheon follows in the Faculty Offices North Building, Room 14-B. Stewart will examine the similarities between crime and sexuality, which exhibit varying degrees of coherence and incoherence and are both encoded as potentially solvable riddles. Stewart untangles the diverse modes of code-reading employed in detective narratives and their structural relationships to the work of reading sexuality. For more information, contact Corinna Kahnke at ext. 6-1620.

PERSPECTIVE ON SUSTAINABLE AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT CONTINUES MAY 16

This week's presentation in the Perspective on Sustainable Agribusiness Management speaker series will be by Michael Dimock, president of Roots of Change in San Francisco, an alliance organized to achieve a sustainable food system in California by 2030. This free presentation is scheduled for Friday, May 16, 11 a.m.-noon in the Erhart Agriculture Building, Room 206, and is titled "Sustainability: Agriculture's Pathway to Reclaiming Center Stage." For more information, contact Neal MacDougall, director, Sustainable Ag Resource Consortium, at ext. 6-5034.

DUI AWARENESS PROGRAM EVENT MAY 18

University Police Officer Chad Reiley and student Ben Turley will host a DUI Awareness Program event on Sunday, May 18, at 1 p.m. The first 50 people to RSVP can drive a golf cart through a cone pattern, wearing impaired vision goggles. All participants are required to attend the Safety/DUI awareness presentation beginning at 1 p.m. Meet at

Sierra Madre Lobby. RSVP to bturley@calpoly.edu. For more information, visit <http://police.calpoly.edu/info/PUBL%20DUI%20Awareness%202008%20Andrus.pdf>

MODERN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES PRESENTS INTERNATIONAL FILM WEEK MAY 19-22

The Department of Modern Languages and Literatures presents movies exploring cinematic encounters from around the world. Screenings run from 7-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, May 19-22, in the Erhart Agriculture Building, Room 128. On successive dates, movies to be shown are "Prisoner of the Mountains," "Motorcycle Diaries," "Benny's Video," and "Water Drops on Burning Rocks." Each screening includes a cold buffet and open discussions led by university faculty. For more information, visit <http://cla.calpoly.edu/ml/currentquarterinfo/Intl%20Movie%20Festival%20Spring%2008.pdf> or contact Corinna Kahnke at ckahnke@calpoly.edu.

OPEN FORUM ON NEW STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS SET FOR MAY 20

Five Strategic Planning Working Groups have focused on developing plans for new initiatives at Cal Poly. They are Global Perspectives, Graduate Education, Information Technology, Interface Disciplines, and Project Based Learning. Faculty, staff and students are invited to hear the working group reports and add their own insights and suggestions to these initiatives at an open forum to be held in Chumash Auditorium, University Union Room 207, on Thursday, May 20, 9-11 a.m.

This open forum is the first public step in forming Cal Poly's new Strategic Plan which will guide the University's development for the next ten years. Your best thinking is needed and welcomed. For more information, contact Academic Affairs at ext. 6-2186 or academicaffairs@calpoly.edu. Find working group charges and membership lists at www.academicaffairs.calpoly.edu/provost/strategic.html.

MIDWIFERY, POLITICS OF GENETICS TO BE EXPLORED IN TWO TALKS MAY 20

Barbara Katz Rothman of the City University of New York will explore the world of midwives and social and political issues related to the human genome project in two separate talks, both set for Tuesday, May 20. Rothman will speak on "Midwifery and the Politics of Knowledge" from 11:10 a.m. to noon in the Erhart Agriculture Building, Room 220.

Rothman's second talk, titled "Through a Crystal Darkly: The Racial and Gender Politics of the New Genetics," is scheduled from 4:10 to 5:30 p.m., in Room 106, Manufacturing Building. (Note corrected room number: 106.) In this talk, Rothman will look at some of the issues raised when the much-heralded completion of the human genome project was completed in 2000. For more information, contact Jane Lehr in the Ethnic Studies Department at ext. 6-6442 or jlehr@calpoly.edu.

FORUM ON HIGHER EDUCATION IN ARAB WORLD SET FOR MAY 22

International Education and Programs is sponsoring a Forum on Higher Education in the Arab World, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday, May 22, in the Bonderson Engineering Project Center, Room 104. Moderator and Journalism Professor John Soares will lead a discussion about higher education in the Middle East and North Africa.

Panelists include Algerian Fulbright Visiting Professor Fouad Bouguetta, USC Professor Emeritus and Cal Poly Research Scholar George Bekey, College of Engineering Dean Mohammad Noori, retired World Bank representative David Fretwell, International Education and Programs Director John Battenburg, Food Science Professor Hany Khalil, and College of Engineering student Lori Atwater. Question and answer session will follow. For further information, contact John Battenburg at jbattenb@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-2945.

CAL POLY WOMEN'S CLUB TO HOLD FUNDRAISER MAY 22

The Cal Poly Women's Club will host a benefit performance of "My Fair Lady" at the San Luis Obispo Little Theatre on Thursday, May 22. The evening will include the musical play, a raffle and refreshments. Proceeds will help fund Cal Poly student scholarships. Tickets are \$15. For reservations and more information, call 544-8255 or 544-0124.

CORPORATION BOARD MEETING SET FOR MAY 23

The Board of Directors of the Cal Poly Corporation will hold a regular meeting Friday, May 23, at 8:30 a.m., in the Corporation Administration Building, Room 124. This is a public meeting. For further information about this meeting or to obtain a copy of the meeting agenda, contact Bonnie Murphy, executive director, Cal Poly Corporation, ext. 6-1131.

FULBRIGHT EXPERIENCES, OPPORTUNITIES SESSION FOR FACULTY MAY 23

International Education and Programs and the Center for Teaching and Learning will sponsor a session on Fulbright experiences and opportunities for Cal Poly faculty on Friday, May 23 from 11 a.m.-noon in the Library, Room 510B. Panelists include Communications Professor Fouad Bouguetta, Fulbright visiting scholar from Algeria to the U.S.; International Education and Programs Director John Battenburg, Fulbright Scholar in Tunisia; Computer Science Professor Mei-Ling Liu, Fulbright Scholar in Macedonia; and English Professor Carol MacCurdy, Fulbright Scholar in Hungary.

This session will allow faculty to learn about the Fulbright application and selection process and become familiar with the Fulbright Scholar Program. All faculty considering applying for a Fulbright Award are encouraged to attend. For details, contact John Battenburg at jbattenb@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-2945.

BIOLOGY PROFESSOR RECEIVES GRANT TO STUDY DAMAGE TO FISH IN MORRO BAY

Cal Poly biology professor Lars Tomanek has received a \$30,000 grant to investigate why gobies in Morro Bay are developing cancerous tumors. Tomanek believes the tumors are being caused by contaminants in the bay that disrupt the fishes' endocrine systems. Analysis of the fishes' livers showed high levels of a byproduct of compounds found in detergents that help break down oil and grease. "The question is where is it coming from?" Tomanek said. "We don't know that, yet." For the full story in The Tribune, visit <http://www.sanluisobispo.com/news/local/story/345356.html>

WALT BREMER, JOE GRIMES TO PROVIDE LEADERSHIP OF CTL

Walt Bremer, professor of Landscape Architecture, and current associate director of the Center for Teaching and Learning, will take on additional leadership responsibilities as director for the Center for Teaching and Learning, beginning Summer 2008.

Joe Grimes, professor of Computer Science, and founding director of CTL, has served in the role of director since 2000. Grimes will continue to share leadership responsibility of the CTL in his role as director of Faculty Professional Development as he enters the Faculty Early Retirement Program in Fall 2008. CTL offered nearly 50 programs this year designed to support Cal Poly faculty members achieve excellence in teaching effectiveness and advance the scholarship of teaching and learning. A program review of the CTL is planned in the near future to evaluate and guide the strategic direction of the Center.

CATASTROPHIC LEAVE DRIVE FOR BRYAN MEALY

Bryan Mealy, faculty member in Electrical Engineering, has qualified for personal catastrophic leave. To donate vacation and/or sick leave to help Mealy remain in full pay status during an extended leave of absence, contact Lani Woods in Electrical Engineering at ext. 6-6320 or llwoods@calpoly.edu to request a donation form.

THIS WEEK IN MUSTANG ATHLETICS

Baseball vs. Long Beach State, Friday, May 16, 6 p.m., Baggett Stadium
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Big West Conference

Tickets are available by calling the Mustang Athletic Ticket Office at ext. 6-5806 or go to <http://www.gopoly.com>

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.

#101541–On-Call Custodian, Pool Position, University Housing, Housing and Business Services, up to 40 positions available, temporary on call from June 1 through September 30, \$13.20-\$19.81/hour. Open until filled.

#101657–Assistant Vice President, Academic Personnel, Administrator III, Academic Affairs, Academic Personnel, salary commensurate with experience. Open until filled. Review begins: June 3.

#101663–Maintenance Support Assistant, Administrative Support Assistant II, University Housing, Housing and Business Services, \$2,505-\$3,758/month. Closes: May 23.

#101664–Custodial Support Assistant, Administrative Support Assistant II, University Housing, Housing and Business Services, \$2,505-\$3,758/month. Closes: May 23.

#101669–Administrative Assistant, Administrative Support Assistant I, Academic Affairs, Center for Teaching and Learning, \$2,088-\$3,133/month. Closes: May 23.

#101676–Administrative Coordinator, Administrative Support Coordinator I, University Housing, Housing and Business Services, \$2,808-\$4,212/month. Closes: May 23.

#101679–Director of University Housing Finance and Business Operations, Administrator II, Student Affairs, University Housing. Salary commensurate with experience, open until filled. Review begins: June 20.

FACULTY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Faculty candidates are asked to visit our online employment Web site at <http://calpolyjobs.org> to complete an application and apply for any of the positions shown below. Please submit all requested application materials as attachments to your online application, unless otherwise specified.

#101591–Part-Time Lecturer Pool, Graduate Studies in Education, Department of Graduate Studies in Education, College of Education, ext. 6-7194. Closes: June 4.

#101610–Part-Time Lecturer Pool, Teacher Education, Teacher Education Division, College of Education, ext. 6-1503. Closes: May 30.

101651–Part-Time Lecturer, Aircraft Design, Aerospace Department, College of Engineering, ext. 6-6345. Closes: July 30.

#101655–Part-Time Lecturer Pool, Enology, Wine and Viticulture Program, College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences, ext. 6-2205. Closes: August 8.

#101660–Tenure Track Position, Clinical Nutrition, Food Science and Nutrition Department, College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences, ext. 6-2205. Review begins: September 15.

#101670–Part-Time Lecturer Pool, Statistics, Statistics Department, College of Science and Mathematics, ext. 6-2709. Closes: June 6.

#101673–Part-Time Lecturer Pool, Landscape Architecture, Landscape Architecture Department, College of Architecture and Environmental Design, ext. 6-1319. Closes: June 9.

CORPORATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Cal Poly Corporation is a separate corporation operating in concert with the university to provide a diverse range of services and resources to students, faculty and staff. For an application, visit Human Resources in the Foundation Administration Building, check the Web site at www.calpolycorporation.org or call ext. 6-7107.

Supervisor, Campus Dining Hiring Pool, \$12.91-15.83/hour, requires 2-3 years management experience with a food/retail company.

Assistant Supervisor, Campus Dining Hiring Pool, \$10.13-12.41/hour, requires 1-2 years Shift Supervisor/Assistant Supervisor experience with a food/retail company.

Currently recruiting for new retail facilities in Poly Canyon Village: Einstein Bros. Bagels, Jamba Juice, Peet's Coffee and Tea, and The Village Market. Also recruiting for Starbucks and Garden Grille in the University Union Plaza.

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.

Coordinator, Student Government Affairs, \$43,926/year. Temporary appointment to be reviewed annually.

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