

Events

Monday, May 22: A panel of scholars will give the final presentation in the series "Abraham-Father of Many" at 7:30 p.m. in Philips Hall in the Performing Arts Center. The discussion will focus on the near-sacrifice of Abraham's son and its implications for inter-religious dialogue for Judaism, Christianity and Islam. For information, contact religious studies Assistant Professor Stephen Lloyd-Moffett at ext. 6-2475.

Employment

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

#100904-Administrative Support Coordinator II, College of Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, \$2,847-\$4,275/month. Closes May 26.

#100918-Coordinator, Pride Alliance: LGBT Center (Student Services Professional II), Student Life and Leadership, \$3,265-\$4,535/month. Closing date extended to May 19.

#100931-Administrative Support Coordinator I, Academic Programs, Writing Skills, 11/12 position; August off with pay, \$2,384-\$3,576/month. Closes May 26.

#100932-Director of Advising (Student Services Professional III), College of Science and Math, Advising Center, \$3,561-\$4,952/month. Closes June 8.

#100933-Administrative Support Coordinator I, College of Liberal Arts, Liberal Studies, \$2,601-\$3,901/month. Closes May 29.

Forums set for two provost candidates

Two finalists for the position of provost and vice president for academic affairs will be on campus for interviews during the week of May 22. The campus community is encouraged to attend the open forums, in which each candidate will provide a brief presentation and answer questions. Their resumes and additional information are on the Web (under the Announcements tab) at <http://academic-personnel.calpoly.edu>.

- Ross Corotis, Denver Business Challenge Professor of Engineering, University of Colorado, Boulder, Monday and Tuesday, May 22-23. An open forum is planned from 10:10 to 11 a.m., May 22, in UU 220.
- Elizabeth Hitch, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, University of Wisconsin at La Crosse, Thursday and Friday, May 25-26. An open forum is planned from 10:10 to 11 a.m., May 25, in the Main Lobby of the Cohan Center.

Geoffrey Chase, dean, Division of Undergraduate Studies, San Diego State University, was on campus May 15-16.

Former ag dean Jen returns to campus as special advisor

Former Cal Poly Dean of Agriculture Joe Jen, who has been serving as under secretary of research, education and economics at the U.S. Department of Agriculture since 2001, has returned to Cal Poly as a senior advisor to President Warren J. Baker and California State University Chancellor Charles Reed. In his new position as senior advisor to the president for special agricultural and federal initiatives, Jen will assist President Baker and the chancellor on systemwide strategies and provide support for Cal Poly and the CSU in areas related to federal policies and programs.

Poly Trekkers summer program has openings

Spaces are still available for the Poly Trekkers Summer Program at the Orfalea Family and ASI Children's Center. The program is for children 6 to 10 who have completed kindergarten through the fourth grade. The program runs 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, June 19-Aug. 25. For more information, call ext. 6-1267.

Leave solicitation under way for Mary Mortlock

Mary Mortlock, a lecturer in the Statistics Department, has qualified for personal catastrophic leave. Eligible state employees may donate vacation credit and/or sick leave to help her remain in full-pay status during an extended absence. To request a Catastrophic Leave Donation form, contact Carol Morris in Statistics at ext. 6-2709 or cmorris@calpoly.edu. The maximum number of hours employees can donate is determined by bargaining unit, as follows: Unit 1 (Physicians), Unit 3 (Faculty), Unit 8 (Public Safety) may donate 16 hours. Units 2, 5, 7, 9 (CSEA), Unit 4 (Academic Professionals), Unit 6 (SETC), E99 (Excluded), C99 (Confidential), M80 (MPP), M98 (Executive) may donate 40 hours.

Spring Philosophy Colloquium planned May 18-19

Internationally renowned philosopher John Martin Fischer will deliver the keynote address at the Spring Philosophy Colloquium Thursday and Friday, May 18-19. Fischer, from UC Riverside, will speak on "Death and Immortality" at 7 p.m. May 18 in the BioResource and Agriculture Building, Room 123. The colloquium will continue with a variety of speakers 11 a.m.-4 p.m. May 19 in Erhart Agriculture 227. For more information, call ext. 6-2041.

#100942-Administrative Analyst/Specialist, Non-Exempt, Academic Affairs, Academic Personnel, \$3,006-\$4,809/month. Closes May 26.

#100943-Administrative Analyst/Specialist, Exempt I, Orfalea College of Business, \$3,562-\$5,344/month. Closes May 24.

Faculty: Candidates are asked to visit our online employment Web site at www.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.

#100928-Part-Time Lecturer Pool, Biomedical and General Engineering Department, College of Engineering (ext. 6-6339). Closes June 15.

#100921-Student Services Professional Academic-Related I (Counselor), full time, temporary, academic year, H&CS-Counseling Services, Student Affairs (ext. 6-5279). Review begins June 19.

#100922-Student Services Professional Academic-Related I (Counselor), tenure track, academic year, H&CS-Counseling Services, Student Affairs (ext. 6-5279). Review begins June 19.

#100940-Assistant/Associate Professor of Nutrition and/or Immunology in Poultry, tenure track, 12 month, Animal Science Department, College of Agriculture (ext. 6-1241). Review begins June 30.

#100941-Assistant Professor of Nonruminant Nutrition, tenure track, Animal Science Department, College of Agriculture (ext. 6-1241). Review begins June 30.

#100948-Full-Time Lecturer Positions, Physics Department, College of Science and Math (ext. 6-1752). Review begins June 19.

'Transition to Agriculture in Northern China' Title of talk

UC Davis anthropology Professor Robert Bettinger will give a presentation on the "Transition to Agriculture in Northern China," Wednesday, May 17. Bettinger will speak at 8:10 p.m. in the Business Building Rotunda (Room 213). His presentation will focus on the beginning of agriculture in northern China about 10,000 years ago, when hunter-gatherers first began cultivating millet. Bettinger's research suggests that the shift to crop cultivation was at least partially related to rapid climate change at the end of the Pleistocene -- some 11,550 years ago. The presentation is sponsored by the Social Sciences Department and College of Liberal Arts. For more information, contact Professor Terry Jones at ext. 6-2523.

Feminist 'zines' to be focus of May 18 Talk

Assistant Professor of English Brenda Helmbrecht will discuss the world of feminist "zines" -- and the irreverence, anger, wit and sarcasm that saturates them -- at 11 a.m. to noon Thursday, May 18, in the Business Building, Room 112. In the talk, titled "There Is No 'I' in Grrrr! The Bustin' and Bitchin' Rhetoric of Third-Wave Zines," Helmbrecht will look at how third-wave feminists are using zines to transform the debates surrounding feminism and gender-sexuality issues. For more information, contact the Women's Studies Program at ext. 6-1525.

Cal Poly Symphony season finale is May 21

The Cal Poly Symphony's season finale on Saturday, May 21, will feature Edward Elgar's "Sea Pictures" for mezzo-soprano and orchestra and Gustav Holst's "The Planets." The concert will be at 3 p.m. in Harman Hall in the Cohan Center. Acclaimed mezzo-soprano Jacalyn Kreitzer will be the featured soloist for "Sea Pictures." Tickets are \$6 to \$12 and are on sale at the Performing Arts Ticket Office. For more information, call ext. 6-2406.

Applications invited for student Fulbright awards

The International Education and Programs office is accepting applications for the 2007-2008 Fulbright Scholar program. The Fulbright program offers fellowships to students to study, conduct research and/or teach abroad. For more information, visit the Fulbright U.S. Student Program Web site at www.fulbrightonline.org or contact Monica Schechter at mschecht@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-5964. The campus application deadline is Oct. 2.

May 23 retirement reception planned for Jo Ann Lloyd

The campus community is invited to a retirement reception for Jo Ann Lloyd in the Public Affairs office from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 23, in the Smith Alumni and Conference Center. Lloyd has worked on campus 28 years.

Retirement reception for Ann Fryer to be May 26

A retirement reception for Ann Fryer, a learning disabilities specialist in the Disability Resource Center, is planned from 1 to 4 p.m. Friday, May 26, at Vista Grande Café. Fryer has been at Cal Poly for 27 years, serving twice as DRC interim director. She began her tenure as a graduate assistant. Friends and colleagues are invited to stop by and wish her well.

EI Corral Bookstore gift cards now available

EI Corral Bookstore rolled out its new gift card on Open House weekend. Customers can pick up and activate the cards at EI Corral and Cal Poly Downtown. Cards can be activated for \$5 to \$1,000. In addition, value can be added to existing gift cards.