



## News & Events

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## News



### New Cal Poly Institute Trying to Transform Trash

Cal Poly Engineering has established the Global Waste Research Institute (GWRI). It's a collaborative effort between Cal Poly and industry to promote the development of sustainable waste treatment technologies and advance current practices in resource management. Funded by an initial \$1 million grant from Waste Connections, Inc., the institute will engage faculty and students in projects that investigate all aspects of wastes and byproducts -- from initial generation to final disposal.

[More on GWRI](#)

## Faculty and Staff

### Betty Allen to Retire

Betty Allen is retiring from the university cashier's office after five years of service. Fiscal Services invites the campus community to a retirement reception in her honor from noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 18, in the AFD Conference Room in the Administration Building, Room 133.

## Did You Know? Snazzy Web Templates

Did you know that you can download ADA-compliant templates for your division, unit and department Web sites? Check out Cal Poly's Web Authoring Resource Center (a part of ITS) for an updated version of the university's free, ADA-compliant Web page templates. The new version (Version 3.4.4) offers a brighter background; new revamped navigation menus; one-, two- and three-column layouts; plus a new "splash page" layout with four columns and a three-column page-topper area for art. All of them include current Cal Poly branding but have plenty of space for individualized artwork and content from departments or offices. Download the templates and get details at [www.warc.calpoly.edu](http://www.warc.calpoly.edu). For questions on the templates, contact Steve Rutland in ITS at [srutland@calpoly.edu](mailto:srutland@calpoly.edu). Check out the list of departments using the new templates at <http://www.warc.calpoly.edu/universityid/templates/examples.html>.

## Campus Announcements

### Engineering Annual Report Now Online

Read about Engineering highlights as well as student and donor heroes in the Cal Poly Engineering 2008-2009

Annual Report, now exclusively online at <http://ceng.calpoly.edu/annual-reports/>.

### Now Available: Holiday Pies and Meals from Village Market!

This holiday season treat your family and friends to something special. Village Market offers a wide selection of holiday meals and fresh baked pies. All pie orders can be delivered to on-campus offices or picked up at the Village Market (meals are only for pickup). Pies are nicely wrapped in a green holiday box and tied with gold ribbons ... perfect for traveling or giving as a gift. There is also a variety of a la carte side dishes, roasted meats and trimmings. Place your orders online today at [www.calpolycorporation.org/holidays](http://www.calpolycorporation.org/holidays), stop by Village Market (located in Poly Canyon Village) or call ext. 6-1959.

### International Education Week

International Education and Programs (IEP) will celebrate the ninth annual International Education Week by collaborating with other departments and programs on campus to heighten international awareness. A schedule of IE Week events on campus can be found on the [IEP Web site](#). International Education Week runs Nov. 16 – 20 and celebrates the benefits of international education and exchange worldwide. This joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education is part of an effort to promote programs that prepare Americans for a global environment and attract future leaders from abroad to study, learn and exchange experiences in the United States. More information can be found at <http://iew.state.gov/>.



### Recommend Students for Resident/Community Adviser Positions

University Housing asks faculty and staff to nominate students who would make excellent Resident and Community Advisers for the 2010-11 academic year. Advisers promote resident safety and provide educational, social, academic and cultural programs. Applicants should be dependable and exhibit leadership skills while maintaining sensitivity to the needs of others. Faculty and staff can send names and contact information of nominees to [slai02@calpoly.edu](mailto:slai02@calpoly.edu). Applicants are encouraged to apply online beginning Nov. 10 at <http://advisors.calpoly.edu>.

### Curbside Grill Stop Schedule for week of Nov. 9

Curbside Grill, the newest restaurant on campus, is rolling out to various locations near you! Follow Curbside on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/polydeals](http://www.twitter.com/polydeals) to receive location updates.

**This Week's Schedule:** *Please note that Curbside will be closed Nov. 11*

**Breakfast:** Monday-Thursday 7:30-9 a.m. at California Boulevard and North Stadium

**Lunch:** Monday-Thursday 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. near the Frank E. Pilling Building and the Graphic Arts Building

**Dinner:** Monday - Thursday 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the H2 parking lot

**Late Night:** Monday-Thursday 9:30-11:30 p.m. in Poly Canyon Village, near the pool area



### Kennedy Library Accepting Requests for Winter Quarter Course Reserves

The Kennedy Library is accepting requests for winter quarter course reserves, including electronic course reserves for Blackboard. Faculty with five or fewer items to place on reserve can complete the submission form at <http://lib.calpoly.edu/services/coursereserves/submissionform.html>. Or, faculty with any number of items can send a list to

[reserves@lib.calpoly.edu](mailto:reserves@lib.calpoly.edu). To learn more about course reserves, visit <http://lib.calpoly.edu/services/coursereserves/> or contact Karen Beaton, the Course Reserves coordinator, at [kbeaton@calpoly.edu](mailto:kbeaton@calpoly.edu) or ext. 6-2535.

### **Corporation and Foundation Have New and Updated Travel Forms**

Updated and new travel related forms and guidelines are on the Cal Poly Corporation and Cal Poly Foundation Web sites. Obtain these forms and review all guidelines, as they are subject to change. Contact the Travel Desk at ext. 6-5003 if you have any questions.

### **New Salad and Soup Bar at Campus Market**

This is the final week to enjoy discounts at Campus Market's new 14 foot-long salad and soup bar. There are more than 20 fresh salad toppings to choose from and two daily soup specials. Campus Market is offering special salad bar pricing of **14 ¢/ounce** (regular price is 39 ¢/ounce) through Nov. 15. Reviews are in, and folks are raving.

### **Hydroponics Greenhouse Open House is Nov. 12**

The Crops Unit will host an Open House from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12 to showcase a new hydroponics greenhouse. Students working in the greenhouse are growing tomatoes, cucumbers, lettuce and peppers. Visitors will learn about the hydroponic growing process, taste some of the produce and try their hand at pollination. Funds to buy and install the greenhouse were provided through an award from The Office of the Naval research to the Central Coast Research Partnership. Equipment was provided through Horticulture and Crop Science Department Student Fee Committees.

### **Talk on Current Issues in Math Education Set for Nov. 13**

Patrick Callahan, a mathematician, will give a talk titled "As Simple As 1, 2, 3 ... Or Is It? Current Issues in Mathematics Education in California" from 11:10 a.m. to noon Friday, Nov. 13 in Fischer Science, Room 287. His talk will explore current challenges in state testing, teacher education and professional development. Callahan will use data from California programs and discuss promising new models for teacher education and professional development. The talk is free and open to the public and is sponsored by Cal Poly's Center for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Education (CESaME) and the Witten Fund.

### **Information Session on Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive Program is Nov. 16**



Faculty, staff, and students interested in graduate funding opportunities are encouraged to attend an information session on the Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive Program (CDIP) from 3:10 to 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 16 in Room 510B of the Kennedy Library. Al Liddicoat (CDIP campus coordinator), Dean Wendt (CDIP faculty mentor, Biology), and Christine Victorino (CDIP recipient, UCSB doctoral student) will present information.

The Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive Program (CDIP) provides student loans to a limited number of individuals pursuing full-time doctoral degrees at accredited universities throughout the United States. After participants receive their doctoral degrees and obtain a qualifying instructional position in the California State University (CSU) system, a portion of their loan from this program will be forgiven every year. For more information, see the CDIP Web site: <http://www.calstate.edu/hr/cdip/>. Registration for the information session is encouraged. To register, contact [ctl@calpoly.edu](mailto:ctl@calpoly.edu) or ext. 6-7002.

### **Session on International Teaching and Research Set for Nov. 17**

John Battenburg, director of International Education and Programs, will share information on "International Teaching and research Opportunities for Faculty" from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17 in Kennedy Library Room 510-B. CSU-IP, Cal Poly Faculty-Led Programs and Exchange Programs, Fulbright and USAC awards will be discussed.

### Geographic Information Systems Day Will Happen Nov. 19

Geographic Information Systems Day 2009 is set for 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19 on the third floor of the Kennedy Library. GIS Day is an opportunity for students, faculty, staff, private industry and the community to come together and learn about Geographic Information Systems. The event features exhibits, networking opportunities for students and employers, presentations on exciting uses for GIS technology, and more. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call ext. 6-2690 or visit <http://lib.calpoly.edu/collections/gis/gisday/>.



### 'The Vagina Monologues' Auditions

Student Life and Leadership will host auditions for "The Vagina Monologues" from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17 in Fisher Science, Room 287 and Wednesday, Nov. 18 from 3 to 5 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium.

"The Vagina Monologues" is made up of a varying number of monologues read by diverse women. Every monologue somehow relates to women. The recurring theme of the piece is the vagina as a tool of female empowerment and the ultimate embodiment of individuality. For more information about the auditions, contact Christina Kaviani

at [womensprogram@calpoly.edu](mailto:womensprogram@calpoly.edu) or ext. 6-2600. Visit, <http://studentlife.calpoly.edu/womensprograms/vagmon.asp> for more information.

### Library Information Session on e-Submission of Senior Projects is Nov. 18

The campus community is invited to attend an upcoming library information session on electronic senior projects Wednesday, Nov. 18, at 3 p.m. in Kennedy Library, Room 202. The information session is designed to answer questions from faculty, staff and students. For more information visit <http://lib.calpoly.edu/about/events/seniorprojects/>.



### CPHC Board Meeting Set for Nov. 20

The Board of Directors of the Cal Poly Housing Corporation (CPHC) will hold its next meeting at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 20 in the Corporation Administration Building, Room 124. This is a public meeting. A copy of the agenda will be available for public review at the Corporation Administration Building beginning Nov. 13. For more information, contact Bonnie Murphy,

executive director, Cal Poly Corporation at ext. 6-1131.

## Events

### Theatre Department Presents 'Zero to Infinity' This Month

The Cal Poly Theatre and Dance Department presents "Zero to Infinity" at 8 p.m. in the Spanos Theatre Nov. 12-14 and 17-19. The plot? Maxie convinces Zero to campaign for leader of their





country. They embark on a whirlwind of fundraising, cover-ups, debates and scams. Inspector Oodles and his assistant assume disguises to discover their true identities.

[More on 'Zero to Infinity'](#)



### **San Luis Obispo Symphony Revels in Cellist Nov. 14**

World-renowned cellist Lynn Harrell joins the SLO Symphony at 8 p.m. Nov. 14 in the Cohan Center for an evening of amazing music, including a new work by composer John Williams that is featured on Harrell's latest CD release. Actor David Selby also joins the orchestra, in celebration of Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday, performing Copland's inspiring homage to one of our greatest presidents.

[More on SLO Symphony](#)

### **Lakota Sioux Dance Theatre Performs Nov. 16 in Cohan Center**

Cal Poly Student Affairs presents The Lakota Sioux Dance Theatre in performance at 7 p.m. Nov. 16 in the Cohan Center. The Lakota Sioux Dance Theatre was founded at the Rosebud reservation in South Dakota. Set against the backdrop of spectacular video imagery accompanied by live traditional, sacred, and courting songs, narratives and creation stories are woven into the fabric of the performance.

[More on the Lakota Sioux Dancers](#)



### **Author Kozol to Speak on 'Shame of the Nation' at Cal Poly Nov. 17**

Jonathan Kozol – a teacher, author and advocate for social justice – will speak as part of Cal Poly's Provocative Perspectives series Tuesday, Nov. 17. The talk is free and open to the public. Kozol's lecture is titled "The Shame of the Nation: Killing Off the College Options for the Children of the Poor from the Day They Enter Public School." The event begins with breakfast at 7:30 a.m., followed by Kozol's talk at 8 a.m.

### **Darwin Bicentennial Talk Set for Nov. 17**

The Research Scholars in Residence Program will sponsor a seminar by Bob Field on "Darwin in the Garden: The Evolution of Land Plants." The seminar is set for Tuesday, Nov. 17 at 7 p.m. in Room 510-B of the Kennedy Library. The talk is free and open to the public. Field will use a visit to a Mediterranean garden to illustrate how the Earth and its biosphere have been evolving for billions of years. The presentation will explore the relationships among plants, animals, algae, fungi and bacteria.



### **Native American Music, Dance Showcased Nov. 18**

Cal Poly Arts presents "The Nammys On Tour" on Nov. 18. This showcase of artistic expression pays homage to the rich legacy of Native American culture. The celebration features Native American Music Association's (NAMMY) Lifetime Achievement Award winners singer/ songwriter Joanne Shenandoah and flutist R.

Carlos Nakai. With special guests, the Yellowbird Dancers.

[More on the NAMMY Tour](#)



### Expert on Middle East Women to Give Talk Nov. 19

Ghada Talhami, expert on Middle East women, will give a lecture on Arab and Islamic feminist struggles and the multiple challenges faced by women's activists in Egypt, Palestine, the Persian Gulf and Iran. The talk is set for 5 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19 in UU 220. Talhami is the inaugural Susan Currier Visiting Professor for

Teaching Excellence. The free and open public event is sponsored by the College of Liberal Arts and the Women and Gender Studies Department. For more information contact the Women's and Gender Studies Department at ext. 6-1525 or visit: [http://www.cla.calpoly.edu/wgs/lecture\\_series.html](http://www.cla.calpoly.edu/wgs/lecture_series.html).

### Bandfest Concert Set for Nov. 21

The Music Department will host Bandfest at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21 in the Performing Arts Center. Titled "A Whirlwind of Color and Sound," the concert will feature the Cal Poly Wind Orchestra, Wind Ensemble and the "Pride of the Pacific" Mustang Marching Band (more than 200 musicians!) in an evening of bold and powerful works for both the modern wind band and the traditional stadium marching band. Tickets are \$8-\$19 and can be purchased at the PAC box office or by calling ext. 6-2787.

## Job Vacancies

**#101975 – Men's Basketball Team Intern**, Helper Aid, Academic Affairs, Athletics, temporary, part-time through March 30, 2011, \$8-\$16.20/hour. Open until filled. Review begins: Nov. 19.

**#101976 – Cashiering Lead**, Administrative Analyst/Specialist, Non-Exempt, Administration and Finance, Fiscal Services, \$3,245-\$5,193/month. Closes: Nov. 19.

**#101978 – Multicultural Engineering Program Coordinator**, Student Services Professional III, College of Engineering, Advising Center \$3,834-5,462/month. Closes: Dec. 2.

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