



Cal Poly Report - May 11, 2011

News

Open Forum for Dean, College of Engineering Candidate

Alice E. Smith, Ph.D., P.E., Professor and Chair, Department of Industrial & Systems Engineering, Auburn University, will visit campus on Monday and Tuesday, May 16 and 17, as the first candidate to be interviewed for the position of Dean, College of Engineering. The campus community is invited to attend Smith's Open Forum on Monday, May 16 from 10 to 11:30 in the Advanced Technologies Laboratory Conference Room in Building 7. Smith's resume and interview schedule can be accessed at <http://academic-personnel.calpoly.edu/Announce.html>. Information regarding the other candidates and their schedules will be announced in subsequent issues of the Cal Poly Report.

Spring Commencement Set for June 11

Cal Poly's Spring Commencement ceremonies will be held on Saturday, June 11 in Spanos Stadium beginning at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. This year's ceremonies will include the formal investiture of President Armstrong. The brief investiture proceedings will be part of the 9 a.m. ceremony. Presiding over the investiture will be CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed and Trustee Vice Chair A. Robert Linscheid. President Armstrong will deliver the keynote address at both commencement ceremonies. Students from the College of Architecture and Environmental Design, Orfalea College of Business and College of Engineering will graduate at the 9 a.m. ceremony. Students from the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences, College of Liberal Arts, College of Science and Mathematics and Continuing Education will graduate at the 3 p.m. ceremony.

Two Faculty Members to Receive the University's Annual Distinguished Scholarship Award

Cal Poly has named a professor of aerospace engineering and a professor of business to receive the university's Distinguished Scholarship Award for 2010-11, the eighth year for the award program. Aerospace Engineering Professor Jordi Puig-Suari and Business Professor Michael Geringer were recognized for raising Cal Poly's international profile, creating unique opportunities for students at Cal Poly which makes them paragons of the Cal Poly Teacher-Scholar paradigm. They will be honored at spring commencement ceremonies, Saturday, June 11 and will be recognized during the university's Fall Conference General Session on Tuesday, Sept. 13.

[More on the Awardees](#)

Mustangs Claim Fourth Straight National Title in Women's Water Polo

Cal Poly's women's water polo team claimed the National Collegiate Club Championship for the fourth consecutive year with a 6-2 win over University of California, Davis on May 8. The lady Mustangs are the first men or women's collegiate club program to claim four straight national championship titles. The Mustangs' Sarah Ur was named the Most Valuable Player (MVP) for the fourth consecutive year, making her the most decorated student athlete in the history of collegiate club water polo.

[Read more about the big win in women's water polo](#)

Faculty and Staff

Catastrophic Leave Drive for Michelle Godfrey

Michelle Godfrey, administrative support assistant in Facility Services, has qualified for family catastrophic leave. Those wishing to

donate vacation leave to help Michelle remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Tessa Betz in Facility Services at ext. 6-5316 or by email trbetz@calpoly.edu to request a donation form.

Frank Vuotto and Lynne Gamble Retirement Celebration is May 16

After years of dedicated service to students, faculty and staff, Business Librarian Frank Vuotto and Reference Librarian Lynne Gamble will retire this summer. The Robert E. Kennedy Library invites the campus community to celebrate their retirement and honor their many contributions to the campus as librarians and Cal Poly faculty members. Join us Monday, May 16, from noon to 2 p.m. in the Kennedy Library Atrium. For more information, contact Jeanine Scaramozzino at ext. 6-5677 or jscaramo@calpoly.edu.

Retirement Reception for Linda Sandy May 20

Linda Sandy, Director of Information Services Infrastructure, is retiring this summer after nearly 12 years of service to ITS and Cal Poly. ITS invites the campus community to celebrate Linda's retirement and honor her many contributions to the campus. Please join us Friday, May 20, on the Chase Hall lawn from 1:30 to 3 p.m. For more information, contact Alison Beug at ext. 6-5539 or abeug@calpoly.edu.

Ken Barclay Retirement Reception is June 2

The Division of Student Affairs invites the campus community to a reception honoring Ken Barclay from 3 to 5 p.m., Thursday, June 2 in the PAC Main Lobby. Barclay is retiring after 31 years of outstanding service as Director for Student Life and Leadership. Please join us as we honor Ken. For more information, contact Stephan Lamb at ext. 6-6509.

Campus Announcements

Wellness Presentation Set for Thursday

A Blue Shield Representative will be on campus May 12 to provide tips on improving your nutrition and eating habits. Presentations will be offered at noon and 12:30 p.m. Space is limited, reserve a seat by calling ext. 6-6871. This presentation is part of a Wellness series provided by Blue Shield for all employees, regardless of insurance enrollment. Take advantage of this opportunity to learn tips on how to live a healthier life. The presentations will be held in the Chumash Auditorium.

Recreation, Parks, and Tourism Industry Career Fair is May 18

The Rho Phi Lambda Honor Society and the Recreation, Parks, and Tourism Administration Department is hosting a Career Fair for all Cal Poly students on May 18 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center Lobby on campus. Students will have the opportunity to network with professionals looking for interns, volunteers, and part-time and full-time employees.

For more information, visit the [RPTA news page](#) or contact Amy Lepp at alepp@calpoly.edu.

Women in Ag and Natural Resources Careers Luncheon is Friday

Career Services will host the Women in Agriculture and Natural Resources Careers Speakers Panel and Luncheon on Friday, May 13 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center Lobby.

A panel of female professionals representing a range of career paths within agriculture and natural resources will share their advice and insight with the audience. This discussion will be followed by an informal networking luncheon, where students will have an opportunity to interact with the panelists while enjoying a complimentary buffet lunch.

Panelists include: Tonya Antle, Vice President of Organic Sales - retired, Earthbound Farm; Peggy Biltz, CEO, Dairy Council of California; Mica Heilmann, Soil and Agricultural Scientist, NewFields Agricultural & Environmental Resources; Kris O'Connor, Executive Director, Central Coast Vineyard Team; Celeste Settrini, President, California Women for Agriculture; and Sarah Spann, Senior Project Manager, Padre Associates, Inc. RSVP no later than May 6. Complete the online registration form on the [Career Services web site](#).

Kennedy Library Hosts Conversations with Cal Poly Authors Friday

Robert E. Kennedy Library continues the new public engagement program, Conversations with Cal Poly Authors, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Friday, May 13, in Room 111H on the first floor of the library across from the Research Help Desk.

Each year, members of the Cal Poly community publish significant creative and scholarly books. The library is celebrating these achievements while fostering cross-college and cross-disciplinary reflection, by hosting this ongoing series of informal conversations inspired by recent Cal Poly authors' work.

The topic of conversation for this event is Professor Andrew Morris' book, "Colonial Project, National Game: A History of Baseball in Taiwan," published in 2010 by the University of California Press. Morris will give an informal talk about the book's themes and his writing process, followed by conversation with John McKinstry, professor of sociology, as well as Q&A with other attendees. For more information, visit the Conversations with [Cal Poly Authors web site](#), or contact Eileen Akin at eakin@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-6246.

Corporation Board of Directors Meeting is May 20

The Board of Directors of the Cal Poly Corporation will hold a regular meeting on Friday, May 20 at 8:30 a.m. in the Corporation Administration Building, Conference Room 124. This is a public meeting. For more information about this meeting or to obtain a copy of the meeting agenda, contact Bonnie Murphy at ext. 6-1131.

Poly Escapes Offers Outdoor Gear Rentals

Poly Escapes is the best place to find the highest quality outdoor gear at the lowest prices. Available equipment includes respected brands such as Sierra Designs, Kelty and Osprey. Poly Escapes has what you need for all types of adventures. Poly Escapes is located on the first floor of the University Union. Check out a full gear list, including pricing, at asi.calpoly.edu. Take advantage of the beautiful spring weather and organize a trip today.

Place your Catering and Water Orders for Commencement Today

Commencement is quickly approaching, so place your catering and water orders today. To ensure excellent customer service during this busy time of year, the staff at Sage Catering is asking customers to have all final revisions and orders placed no later than seven days prior to the event date. Visit the [catering web site](#) for the newly updated menu and policies.

Sage Restaurant Closed for Lunch May 21

Sage Restaurant will be closed Saturday, May 21 for a private reception, re-opening that evening and the following day for normal business hours. For other restaurant and market hours, visit the [campus dining web site](#).

Bella Montana, a Faculty and Staff Housing Community

Visit the Bella Montana Homes [web site](#) for available homes for sale.

Events

Theatre Department Presents 'Smash' Starting May 12-14

Cal Poly's Theatre and Dance Department will present a production of Jeffrey Hatcher's comedy "Smash" May 12-14 and 19-21. Performances will begin at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, May 12-14 and 19-21, along with one matinee performance at 2 p.m. May 21. All performances will take place in the Alex and Faye Spanos Theatre on the Cal Poly campus.

[More details on 'Smash'](#)

Cal Poly Presents "An Evening of String and Woodwind Chamber Music" May 12

The Cal Poly Music Department will present “An Evening of String and Woodwind Chamber Music” at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 12, in the Pavilion of the Performing Arts Center.

[For more on the chamber music concert](#)

Cal Poly to Host Power and Energy Conference May 13

Representatives from PG&E, San Diego Gas & Electric, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories and National Semiconductor are just some of the energy experts that will be speaking at a Power & Energy Conference Friday, May 13, from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Advanced Technology Labs at Cal Poly. Faculty members from the Electrical Engineering Department will kick off the daylong event.

[To see more about the power and energy event](#)

Ethics of Facebook and Social Networking to be Explored May 13 at Cal Poly

Anthony F. Beavers – philosophy and cognitive scientist at University of Evansville in Indiana – will give lecture titled “Facebook Revisited: How the Business of Social Networking May Redefine Our Sense of Right and Wrong” on May 13 at Cal Poly. The event, which will run 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Philips Hall (Building 6) Room 124, is the next talk in the Technology, Policy and Ethics Lecture Series being presented by Cal Poly’s Ethics + Emerging Sciences Group.

[More on the ethics lecture](#)



The MET Live in HD: Wagner’s Die Walkure May 14

A stellar cast comes together for this second installment of Robert Lepage’s new production of the Ring cycle, conducted by James Levine. Bryn Terfel is Wotan, lord of the Gods. Deborah Voigt adds the part of Brünnhilde to her Wagnerian repertoire at the Met. Jonas Kaufmann and Eva-Maria Westbroek star as the twins, Siegmund and Sieglinde, and Stephanie Blythe is Fricka. The performance will be shown at the Performing Arts Center on May 14 at 9 a.m.

[More information on Wagner’s Die Walkure](#)

Britain’s Briggs Plays the Forbes Pipe Organ May 14

Hailing from Great Britain, David Briggs is one of the most acclaimed organists in all of Europe. In his first Cal Poly Arts engagement, Briggs will play a broad mix of classical repertoire including pieces by Bach, Haydn, and Franck. His performance will also be laced with a large dose of his remarkable improvisation work, including an improvised accompaniment of Charlie Chaplin’s “The Immigrant.” Showtime is 8 p.m. Saturday, May 14, in the Cohan Center.

[Details on Briggs](#)

Cal Poly’s 'Take It SLO' Sets Two Spring Performances for May 15

Take It SLO, Cal Poly’s a cappella ensemble, will present its Spring Concert at 2 and 7 p.m. Sunday, May 15, in Room 218 of the Davidson Music Center on campus.

[Find more about the spring performance](#)

Renowned Fungi Expert Discusses Ecological Challenges and Solutions May 17



Paul Stamets, a renowned entrepreneurial mycologist - biologist dedicated to the study of fungi, or mushrooms – will present unconventional and entertaining theories about how to solve some of today’s ecological challenges. The free event will be held in Spanos Theatre on Tuesday, May 17 at 6 p.m.

[To read more about Stamets' presentation](#)

Cal Poly's Brass Groups to Perform May 17



The Cal Poly Brass Choirs, featuring many of the university's top brass players, will perform at 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 17, at the San Luis Obispo United Methodist Church. [For more information on the brass performances](#)

Kathleen Merrigan to Speak at 'Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food' May 19

USDA Deputy Secretary Kathleen Merrigan will speak on Thursday, May 19 at 11 a.m. in Chumash Auditorium as part of her national college tour promoting the USDA's 'Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food' initiative. Merrigan's presentation encourages a running dialogue about the nation's food systems and is sponsored by the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences Center for Sustainability's Quarterly Sustainable Ag Lecture Series. The 'Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food' initiative aims to strengthen local and regional food systems by creating opportunities for local farmers, providing incentives for sustainable agricultural practices, and expanding consumer access to healthy agricultural products. Merrigan will highlight the USDA's programs in these areas and emphasize the importance of involvement by today's students in these efforts.

For more information about the 'Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food' initiative, visit <http://www.usda.gov/knowyourfarmer>.

Job Vacancies

State Employment Opportunities

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

*****THIS INTERNAL RECRUITMENT IS OPEN TO CAL POLY EMPLOYEES ONLY (State, Corporation, and ASI)*****

#102236 – Budget Analyst/Specialist, Administrative Analyst/Specialist Non-Exempt, College of Science and Mathematics, Dean Operations, \$3,245 - \$5,193 per month. Open until filled. Review begins: May 19, 2011.

#102337 – Grants Development Assistant, Administrative Support Coordinator I, Academic Affairs, Grants Development, \$2,808 - \$4,212 per month. Closes: May 18, 2011.

#102339 – Administrative Support Coordinator II, Academic Affairs - Admissions, Recruitment & Financial Aid, \$3,074 - \$4,615 per month. Open until filled. Reviews: May 19, 2011.

#102342 – Network Analyst – Career, ITS Network Administration, \$4,314 - \$8,831 per month. Hiring Range: \$4,314 - \$7,224 per month. Open until filled. Review begins: May 30, 2011.

Faculty Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit the online employment web site at <http://calpolyjobs.org> to complete an application and apply for any of the positions shown below. Submit all requested application materials as attachments to your online application, unless otherwise specified in the ad.

#102333 - Full-time Coaching Faculty, Men's Wrestling - Head Coach, Athletics Department ext. 6-2882. Review begins: May 12, 2011.

#102344 - Full-Time Lecturer, Equine Lecturer & Equine Center Supervisor, Animal Science Department, College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences ext. 6-1241. Review begins: June 13, 2011.

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. To view job postings and/or apply for any regular-benefited position at Cal Poly Corporation, visit our [web site](#). For assistance contact Human Resources at ext. 6-1121.

There are no new job opportunities at this time.

ASI Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit <http://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.

There are no new job opportunities at this time.

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