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University News & Information

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, California

Cal Poly Report - Dec. 7, 2011

**Cal Poly Report is going on holiday Dec. 14-Jan. 4
and will resume its weekly schedule beginning Jan.11.**

News

Cal Poly Plant Shop's Annual Poinsettia Sale is Happening Now



Cal Poly's annual poinsettia sale, featuring more than 4,000 student-grown plants with more than 30 different varieties and colors, is now under way at the Poly Plant Shop. This year's unique offerings include traditional red and white, as well as novelty colors such as pink, orange, and maroon. Some specimens feature marbled, speckled and unusual leaf forms, and sizes range from plants in 4-inch pots to poinsettias up to 4 feet tall. Prices start at \$5. Painted and glittered orders are available for a limited time. An Open House event is set for Dec. 10 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. It will feature holiday gift items, music and refreshments.

Call the Poly Plant Shop at ext. 6-1106 or [visit the shop's website](#).

Faculty and Staff

Cal Poly Named Top Producer of U.S. Fulbright Scholars

The Institute of International Education and the Fulbright Program have named Cal Poly as one of this year's Fulbright Scholarship Top Producer of U.S. Fulbright Scholars and acknowledged the excellent work of Raymond Zeuschner, interim director of International Education and Programs. Cal Poly, with two Fulbright Scholars named, was included in the Master's Institution category for 2011-12. It followed Towson University and Cal State Los Angeles, which both had four Fulbright Scholars named, and the College of New Jersey, Creighton, Drury and Marshall universities, where each had three scholars identified. Zeuschner, who is also a professor of communications studies, was singled out for his "strong contributions to the program's success at Cal Poly."

[Read more on the honors](#)

Retirements

Donna Massicotte

Fiscal Services invites the campus community to a retirement reception honoring Donna Massicotte for 30 years of dedicated service to student, faculty and staff employees. Massicotte began her career with Cal Poly in 1981 as a payroll technician III. She currently holds the position of payroll supervisor, a position she excels in as she delivers excellent customer service to employees across campus. Massicotte says she is leaving the university to pursue her interests in food, wine, charitable organizations, and to revive her creative spirit. Friends and colleagues are invited to join Fiscal Services as we honor her for her outstanding service career with a retirement reception in the Performing Arts Center Lobby on Tuesday, Dec. 13, from 1 to 3 p.m. For more information, contact Colleen Rodriguez at ext. 6-2606 or crodrigu@calpoly.edu.

Passings

Jim Daly



Retired Statistics Professor Jim Daly died last weekend after a battle with cancer. Daly began teaching at Cal Poly for the Computer Science and Statistics Department in 1972, serving as the Statistics Coordinator. When the Statistics Department was established in 1984 as a separate entity, Daly was elected its first department chair and served two terms. He returned to full-time teaching in 1990, retired in 2005 and continued teaching in the Faculty Early Retirement Program until 2009. He was preceded in death by his former wife, Joyce Curry-Daly, in whose honor he established the Joyce Curry Scholarship that supports the academic pursuits of worthy statistics majors. He is survived by his current wife, Wendy. Condolences may be sent to the family at 1775 Conejo Ave., San Luis Obispo, CA 93401.

Campus Announcements

University Cashier Announces Hours for Dec. 30 Paycheck Distribution

The Office of the University Cashier will be open 3-5 p.m. Dec. 30 for distribution of December paychecks to individual employees only. **If you pick up your December paycheck, you must do so in person.** Regular departmental distribution of all remaining paychecks will resume at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2012. Please direct questions about paycheck distribution to the University Cashier at ext. 6-2256.

PetSmart Photo Event Dec. 17 and 18 to Benefit Cal Poly Cat Program

PetSmart is hosting a Santa Claws photo event Dec. 17 and 18 at the San Luis Obispo store (1560 Froom Ranch Way) that gives pet owners the opportunity to commemorate the season by having a digital photo of their pet taken with Santa and placed in a collectable holiday frame. Photos are \$9.95 with a PetPerks card, with \$5 from every photo package being donated to the Cal Poly Cat Program. The event will run 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. For more details, contact Ellen Notermann at enoterma@calpoly.edu.

Comment Sought on Campus Self-Study

Cal Poly is in the third and final stage of reaffirming its accreditation with the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). To complete this process, the campus will submit a report to WASC on Jan. 9, 2012, and host a visiting team April 3-5. A draft of the report is now available for campus comment. The report has four chapters: Student Learning, Student Success, Organizational Learning and Our Polytechnic Identity. Please read and comment on one or more chapters available at <http://wasc.calpoly.edu/eer/index.html>. Your input is an important part of the self-study process. Send comments to wasc@calpoly.edu by Dec. 12. If you have any questions, contact Academic Programs at ext. 6-7280.

2012 Change the Status Quo Conference Announced; Presenters Sought

Student Community Services announces its 10th annual Change the Status Quo Conference will take place Feb. 10-11. The conference encourages participants to challenge stereotypes, demand solutions and use education to make lasting changes. The theme, "Educate, Motivate and then Activate," aims to give tangible tools to be effective advocates for social and environmental change. The conference will feature workshops put on by community members, professors, nonprofit organizations and students who are passionate about a cause.

Faculty, staff and students are encouraged to be workshop presenters. [Applications are available online](#). Proposals are due Dec. 16 at changethestatusquo@gmail.com or at the Student Community Services Office (UU 217). Completed proposals are considered an intent to present, but you do not need to have your presentation completed. Those whose proposals are selected will be notified in January.

The campus community is welcome to attend the event. Registration is \$15 for students and faculty/staff and \$25 for non-students. [Registration is available online](#) or in the Student Community Services office. Registration includes: organic breakfast and lunch, an organic cotton t-shirt, the opportunity to attend four workshops, optional free yoga class in the morning before breakfast, and entrance

to a resource fair after the workshops. For more information, [visit the Change the Status Quo website](#), email changethestatusquo@gmail.com or call ext. 6-5834.

December Wellness Seminar to Address Talking Drugs and Alcohol with Teens on Dec. 13

The December Wellness Seminar "Drugs & Alcohol: Tips for Talking to Teens" will be held in UU 220 from noon to 1 p.m. Dec. 13. Human Resources' Work Life Programs & Services is sponsoring this Wellness Seminar Series presented by Community Action EAP. [Click here for more information](#), or [visit the Work Life Programs & Services website](#).

Kennedy Library Announces Campuswide 'Chronicle of Higher Education' Access

Cal Poly faculty, staff and students now have full access to "The Chronicle of Higher Education" and "The Chronicle of Philanthropy" through a campuswide subscription secured by the Kennedy Library. Cal Poly affiliates using campus computers will have full access to premium content, in addition to convenient access online from home or anywhere in the world after logging on to the Cal Poly Portal or [by using a Kennedy Library "bookmarklet"](#) to reload premium content through the Portal.

"The Chronicle of Higher Education" is a respected source of news, information and jobs for college and university faculty members and administrators. More than 64,000 academics subscribe, and the publication boasts a total readership of more than 315,000. "The Chronicle of Philanthropy" is a source of news and information for executives, fundraisers and others concerned with fostering philanthropic support for education, health, the arts and other fields. It also offers information about grants, fundraising ideas and techniques, statistics, summaries of books and a calendar of events. [Visit the Kennedy Library website to learn more](#).

Holiday Hams are On Sale Now

Cal Poly student-produced holiday hams are now on sale. Our fully-cooked hams are custom prepared using Cal Poly's special blend to ensure you receive the finest product possible. All hams are cured to enhance natural flavor and improve tenderness. The hams are then slow-cooked and smoked with a natural hardwood smoke. Hams are vacuum packaged and ready for the holidays. Whole and half hams are available for \$3.25 per pound. We are offering a limited number of holiday hams. To ensure your ham is reserved for this holiday season, place your order as soon as possible. Contact calpolymeats@calpoly.edu today.

CSU International Programs has New, Earlier Application Deadline

The CSU International Programs has established a Dec. 15, 2011 deadline for applications. This deadline, which applies to all countries except Australia and South Africa, is much earlier than the winter quarter deadline of prior years. CSU IP participants earn resident academic credit at their CSU campuses while they pursue full-time study at a host university or special study center abroad. CSU IP serves the needs of students in more than 100 designated academic majors. Affiliated with more than 70 recognized universities and institutions of higher education in 18 countries, CSU IP offers a wide selection of study locales and learning environments. Universities around the world are establishing earlier application deadlines, and the visa regulations for U.S. students wanting to go abroad continue to become more stringent. In response, CSU IP has implemented an earlier application deadline. Learn more on [CSU IP website](#). Students are encouraged to contact the IP Coordinator Monica Schechter at mschecht@calpoly.edu, regarding the application and selection process.

Continuing Education is Collecting Food for SLO County Food Bank Coalition

Cal Poly Continuing Education staff is collecting food to donate to the San Luis Obispo County Food Bank Coalition. The CE Food Drive will continue through Dec. 15. The SLO County Food Bank distributes food donations to more than 200 nonprofit agency partners and directly through food assistance programs. Everyone is invited to contribute. Some ideas of foods to donate include canned fruits and vegetables, crackers, pasta, rice, canned soups and beans and cereal. All nonperishable food is welcome. A collection barrel is located in Jespersen Hall. Let's help families in need, especially with the holidays approaching. For more information, call ext. 6-2053.

Nominations Sought for Student Employee Award

Faculty and staff members can show their appreciation for student employees by nominating them for the university's 2011-12 Outstanding Student Employee of the Year award. Nominees must have completed at least six months part-time student employment during the academic year, June 1, 2011 to May 31, 2012. Eligible candidates include state, ASI and Foundation student employees. Nominees can be Federal Work-Study and non-Federal Work-Study students. The honoree will be announced in April. The winner is entered into the state competition and may go on to the regional and national competitions. The national winner is announced during the National Student Employment Week, the second week of April. [Print the 2011-12 OSEY nomination form online](#) (scroll down to Student Assistant Forms and click on the top link). Forms are due to Barbara Rollins in Financial Aid by Wednesday, Feb. 8. For more information, contact Rollins at brollins@calpoly.edu.

Nominations Sought for Top Staff Award

The deadline to submit a nomination form for the 2011-12 Outstanding Staff Employee Award is Jan. 23. To be eligible, nominees must be full-time or part-time employees of the university, corporation, or ASI who are in at least their third year of employment as of Dec. 31 and are not represented by bargaining unit 3 (faculty). Past recipients of the award are also ineligible. [Find the Outstanding Staff Nomination Form online](#).

Deadline for State Faculty Support Grant Proposals is Jan. 27

The State Faculty Support Grant program supports research, scholarship, and creative activities that help faculty remain current in their disciplines and contribute new knowledge, with the intent of strengthening California socially, culturally and economically. The deadline to submit proposals for awards of mini-grants and assigned time for the 2012-13 year is Jan. 27, 2012. For guidelines and an application form, visit the [Research and Graduate Programs web site](#), or call the RGP office at ext. 6-1508.

All You Care to Eat for As Low As \$5? Only with Fast Pass

All You Care To Eat Lunch at 19 Metro station for \$5, only with Fast Pass. Load onto your PolyCard or purchase tickets to share with friends. [Get yours today on the Campus Dining website](#).

Bella Montana Faculty and Staff Housing Community

Visit [the Bella Montana Homes website](#) for available homes for sale and lease.

Events

The Nutcracker Dec. 10-11

The Civic Ballet of San Luis Obispo proudly presents Lori Lee Silvaggio's "The Nutcracker." Don't miss this cherished Central Coast holiday tradition. Professional dancing, sets and costumes transform the Performing Arts Center into Clara's house and the beautiful Land of Sweets. See the show Dec. 10 and 11 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the Cohan Center.

[More on the Nutcracker](#)

Holiday Sweets Dec. 11

Join the dancers of Pacific Dance under the direction of Karen Garman as they perform "Holiday Sweets" Dec. 11 at 2 p.m. at the Cal Poly Spanos Theater. "Holiday Sweets" is a ballet performed by children for children and is based on the beloved holiday classic "Nutcracker Suite."

[More on Holiday Sweets](#)

Winter Choral Concert Dec. 12

Join students from Morro Bay High School, Los Osos Middle School and several elementary schools as they perform a variety of music,

including holiday favorites, Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. in the Cohan Center.

[More on the Winter Choral Concert](#)

Morro Bay High School and Los Osos Middle School Bands Winter Concert Dec. 13

Join bands from Morro Bay High School and Los Osos Middle School as they perform a variety of music for the season at 7 p.m. Dec. 13 at in the Cohan Center.

[More on the Winter Concert](#)

Winter Choral Concert Dec. 14

Join choirs from Laguna Middle School and San Luis Obispo High School as they celebrate the season Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. in the Cohan Center.

[More on the Winter Choral Concert](#)

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.

#102445 – Administrative Support Assistant II, College of Science and Mathematics - Center for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Education (CESaME). .60 time base position. Temporary, six-month position, \$1,503 - \$2,254.80 per month. Open until filled. Review begins: Dec. 16, 2011.

Administrative Employment Opportunities

#102430 – Dean, College of Liberal Arts (Administrator IV). Open until filled. Review begins: Jan. 15, 2012.

#102439 – Dean, College of Architecture and Environmental Design (Administrator IV). Open until filled. Review begins: Feb. 1, 2012.

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.

College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

#102425, Tenure Track Position – Agriculture Education & Communication, Agriculture Education & Comm Department, College of Agriculture, Food, & Environmental Science, ext. 6-2803. Closes: Feb. 3.

#102441, Full-Time Lecturer – Agribusiness, Agribusiness Department, College of Agriculture, Food, & Environmental Science, ext. 6-5001. Closes Jan. 13.

College of Liberal Arts

#102443, Tenure Track Position - Journalism, Journalism Department, College of Liberal Arts, ext. 6-2508. Closes Jan. 16.

#102444, Tenure Track Position - Journalism, Journalism Department, College of Liberal Arts, ext. 6-2508. Closes Jan. 16.

College of Architecture and Environmental Design

#102440, Tenure Track Position – Landscape Architecture, Landscape Architecture Department, College of Architecture and Environmental Design, ext. 6-1319. Review begins Feb. 6.

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 [website](#). For assistance contact Human Resources at ext. 6-1121.

All positions have excellent benefits provided, including medical, dental, vision, life insurance, retirement program, paid sick leave/vacation and holidays. Apply online at www.calpolycorporationjobs.org.CPC Human Resources, San Luis Obispo, CA 93407, AA/EEO.

Accounting Clerk, Corporation Business Office, \$12.67 - \$15.52 per hour. This position will be responsible for performing tasks related to accounts payable and payroll processing. Requires high school diploma or equivalent and equivalent to one year of experience in keeping or reviewing financial or statistical records and one year payroll processing. Excellent benefits provided, including medical, dental, vision, life insurance, retirement program, paid sick leave/vacation and holidays.

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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