

## Cal Poly Report - Feb. 1, 2012

### News

#### Design the Cal Poly Rose Float for 2013

The Cal Poly Rose Float club announces the start of its annual float concept contest. Entries are due by Friday, Feb. 3. The theme for the 2013 Tournament of Roses Parade will be "Oh, the Places You'll Go." Entries are welcome from students and non-students alike. Entries must be supplied in black and white, 11 inches by 17 inches or smaller, and may be turned in to the Rose Float office in UU 111F or the Rose Float box in the UU Epicenter. Entrants may submit more than one concept; there is no limit. The winner of the contest will have the choice of two Rose Float Tickets or \$1,000 in cash. The winning concept will be announced at the end of February. Every year since 1949, Cal Poly students have teamed with their peers from California State Polytechnic University in Pomona to design and produce a float for the Rose Parade. The Cal Poly Rose Float teams have produced many award-winning floats for the New Year's Day event. [For more information, read the full ASI press release.](#)



#### Cal Poly, City of San Luis Obispo to Present Feb. 6 Colloquium on Diversity

Cal Poly and the City of San Luis Obispo on Feb. 6 will present "Celebrating Diversity," a community colloquium that will address the virtues of living and learning in a diverse society. The event, free and open to the public, will be held 5 to 7:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center, with a reception to follow. The colloquium will feature remarks from a variety of national and local speakers; a panel discussion; Black History Month exhibits; music and poetry readings; and a presentation honoring local 98-year-old folk photographer Joseph Schwartz for his lifetime of work documenting the virtues of diversity.

[More on the event](#)

#### Congresswoman Visits Campus for Dairy Tour, Farm Bill Discussion and Research Presentations



Congresswoman Lois Capps, who represents Cal Poly in Washington, D.C., visited campus Monday to hear updates on federally funded research, tour the Dairy Products Technology Center, and talk with prominent players in the local agriculture industry about the pending Farm Bill.

The research projects featured all received funding through Cal Poly's participation in the CSU Agriculture



Research Initiative. Animal Science Professor Dan Peterson, Food Science and Nutrition Department Head Gour Choudhury, and Horticulture and Crop Science Professor David Headrick all presented on their work,

which showcased a variety of academic-industry partnerships, student involvement and real-world application. And Capps and the other attendees got a first-hand look at the cutting-edge dairy science work going on at Cal Poly's Dairy Products Technology Center.

## Retirements

### Michael Bernard

Michael Bernard is retiring after more than 20 years of service at Cal Poly. Bernard has served in Information Technology Services as the Data Center coordinator and as an Oracle Database administrator. By his request, no reception will be held. His last working day will be Thursday, Feb. 9.

## Catastrophic Leave

### Beatrice Estrada

Beatrice Estrada, administrative support coordinator in Academic Records, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate vacation and/or sick leave to help her remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Brad Fely at ext. 6-5909 or [bfely@calpoly.edu](mailto:bfely@calpoly.edu) to request a donation form.

## Campus Announcements

### 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](mailto:brollins@calpoly.edu).

### Student Ombuds Services Office Releases Annual Report

Cal Poly's Office of Student Ombuds Services has released its annual summary report for July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011. [To read the report, click here](#). The Ombuds Services staff is committed to hearing about students' experiences. The office offers a safe place to go for assistance with resolving any university-related issue, concern, conflict or complaint. Utilization of the office is voluntary, and all communications are confidential, informal, impartial and independent. For more information, contact the office at ext. 6-1380 or [ombuds@calpoly.edu](mailto:ombuds@calpoly.edu) or [visit the office's website](#).

### Cal Poly Housing Corporation Board to Meet Feb. 3

The Board of Directors of the Cal Poly Housing Corporation will hold its next meeting at 9 a.m. Friday, Feb. 3, 2012, in the Corporation Administration Building, Room 124. This is a public meeting. A copy of the agenda is available for public review at the Corporation Administration Building. For more information, contact Bonnie Murphy, managing director of Cal Poly Housing Corporation, at ext. 6-1131.

### Conversations with Cal Poly Author Matt Ritter on Feb. 3

The Robert E. Kennedy Library will host a Feb. 3 conversation about Biological Sciences professor Matt Ritter's 2011 book, "A Californian's Guide to the Trees Among Us." Ritter will be joined by Enrica Lovaglio Costello, associate professor in the Digital Media, Art and Design Department. Ritter will give an informal talk about his love of trees and his writing process, followed by a conversation with Lovaglio Costello and Q&A with attendees. The event will run 10 to 11:30 a.m. in Room 111H at Kennedy Library. Coffee and light refreshments will be served. The event is free and open to the public. For book excerpts and more information, [visit the library's website](#).



## **Service Awards Luncheon Tickets for Sale Starting Feb. 6**

Tickets for the Service Awards Luncheon go on sale starting Feb. 6. State, Corporation, and ASI employees with milestone service anniversaries in 2012 will be honored at the Service Awards Luncheon from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 7, in Chumash Auditorium. Master of Ceremonies will be Phil Bailey, dean of the College of Science and Mathematics. The luncheon will feature a pasta buffet. Entrée selections are pasta served with Italian sausage and peppers in a tomato sauce or mushroom Marsala sauce. Side dishes include classic Caesar salad with croutons, grated Parmesan and creamy Caesar dressing or garden salad with carrots, cucumbers, red onion, fennel and ranch dressing or balsamic vinaigrette, garlic bread stick, dessert, coffee, iced tea, and iced water. This event sells out each year, so get your tickets early. Tickets will be taken at the door to ensure seating for all ticket holders. Tickets are \$10. Make checks payable to "Cal Poly Corporation." Sellers are Tracy Watson, ASI, ext. 6-1292; Geri Bolivar, Facility Services, ext. 6-2321; Cheryl May, library, ext. 6-5785; Colleen Rodriguez, Payroll, ext. 6-2606; and Jeanne Secrest, Corporation, ext. 6-1122.

## **Community Center to Present Change the Status Quo Conference Feb. 10-11**

The Community Center in Cal Poly's Student Life and Leadership will present the annual Change the Status Quo conference Feb. 10 and 11 in Chumash Auditorium in the University Union. The annual event educates and motivates attendees on social issues about which they are passionate. The workshops provide tangible tools for people to go out into their community and make a change. This year's conference will begin with preview night from 5 to 7 p.m. Feb. 10, followed by a full-day program from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 11. Registration is \$15 for students and \$25 for non-students. Register at [www.scs.calpoly.edu](http://www.scs.calpoly.edu). For more information, contact Evan Razor at [erazor@calpoly.edu](mailto:erazor@calpoly.edu) or ext. 6-5120.

## **Sage Restaurant Closed for Dinner Friday, Feb 10th for a Private Reception**

Sage Restaurant will be closed for dinner on Friday, February 10th for a private reception and re-opening the following day for normal business hours. For other restaurant and market hours, visit the [campus dining web site](#).

## **Cal Poly Foundation Board to Meet Feb. 11**

The Cal Poly Foundation Board of Directors will hold its next meeting, which is open to the public, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, at Poly Canyon Village. For more information or to obtain a copy of the agenda, call the Cal Poly Foundation office at ext. 6-1445.

## **Student Financial Aid and Scholarship Deadline is March 2**

The Financial Aid Office reminds the campus community and asks faculty and staff to let students know that the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) deadline is March 2. To apply for federal aid, state aid and Cal Poly scholarships, students must complete the FAFSA every year. Questions should be directed to ext. 6-2927.

## **Increase in Federal Work-Study Program Usage Lead to New Limits**

Because of a significant increase in utilization of the Federal Work-Study (FWS) Program, there are a limited number of students with FWS funds. We regret that no new FWS awards will be made this academic year, and, at this point, increases in existing Federal

Work-Study awards will not be considered. Should our utilization level out, the decision will be reconsidered at a later date. FWS was awarded to applicants with a high need who filed a FAFSA application before the March 2 deadline. Be sure to encourage students to complete the 2012/13 FAFSA at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov) starting Jan. 1. Since we were unable to grant additional requests for Federal Work-Study in 2011/12, students currently on the FWS waiting list will be given priority for FWS in 2012-13, providing they meet the need requirements and file their FAFSA before the March 2 deadline.

## Teaching Abroad Opportunities for Faculty

International Education and Programs (IEP) administers quarter-long study abroad programs that provide faculty the opportunity to teach abroad. These programs travel to Australia, London, Peru, Spain and Thailand. IEP is seeking faculty with a record of teaching excellence and who teach GE courses students most need (C4 & D5), though all interested faculty are encouraged to apply. For more information, please go to the [IEP faculty website](#) or contact Jennifer O'Brien at [jeobrien@calpoly.edu](mailto:jeobrien@calpoly.edu) or ext. 6-7321.

## Office of Institutional Planning & Analysis Publishes Fall 2011 PolyView

The Office of Institutional Planning & Analysis has published the Fall 2011 issue of the PolyView. This publication includes various characteristics of students enrolled at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. To view the current issue or any of the previous issues of the PolyView, [visit the PolyView web page](#) or call ext. 6-2204.

## View a Snapshot of Cal Poly History at El Corral Bookstore

Come see the new historical display of past students, professors and sites around Cal Poly from the early 20th century. This historical feature is located in the windows at the south end of El Corral Bookstore, facing the University Union Plaza. A special "thank you" goes out to University Archives and the Kennedy Library staff for providing these photos.

## Bella Montana Faculty and Staff Housing Community

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

## 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 web site.](#)

## Events

### Orchesis Dance Company to Present Five Performances of 'Immersion'



Cal Poly's Orchesis Dance Company will present its 42nd anniversary concert, "Immersion," in the Alex and Faye Spanos Theatre at Cal Poly. Evening shows are scheduled at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, Feb. 2-4. "Immersion" is a high-powered performance of contemporary choreography, live music and a new company of dancers. It features the work of nationally acclaimed and local choreographers, Cal Poly faculty members, and selected top dance students. The dances this year embrace current trends and explore new perspectives on classic forms.

[More on 'Immersion'](#)

### Cal Poly Music Ensembles to Perform Benefit Chamber Concert at Old Mission Church Feb. 4

Several of Cal Poly's finest student music ensembles will perform traditional and contemporary chamber music at 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4, in the Old Mission Church in San





Luis Obispo. "A Night at the Mission" will feature performances by woodwind quintets, saxophone ensembles, a flute choir, clarinet ensemble, trumpet ensemble, trombone choir, brass choir, string quartet and brass quintet. The event will help raise money for the Cal Poly Symphony's April trip to the U.S. capitol, where it will perform as the showcase ensemble at the 2012 Washington, D.C., International Music Festival at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.



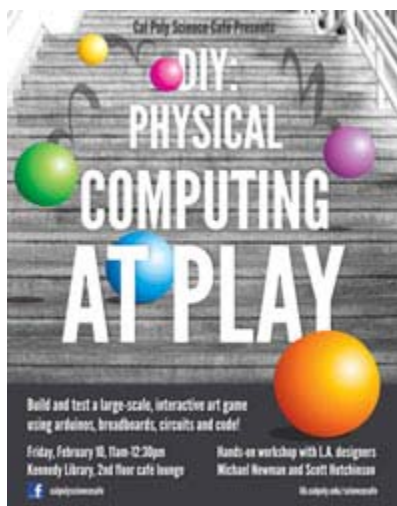
### **UC Riverside Professor to Discuss Biopolitics of Contraceptives Feb. 8**

Chikako Takeshita, professor of women's studies at UC Riverside, will present "How Science Constructs Women and Their Bodies – Half a Century of IUD Development," at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8, in Room 215 in the Science North Building at Cal Poly. In its more than five decades of use, the intrauterine device (IUD) has been regarded as a means for women's reproductive autonomy and a convenient form of birth control as well as a coercive tool of state-imposed population control and threat to women's health, according to Takeshita. For more information, contact the Women's and Gender Studies Department at 805-756-1525 or [wgs@calpoly.edu](mailto:wgs@calpoly.edu).

### **Scientist, Master Storyteller Giving Faculty Seminar on "Your Brain on Story" Feb. 9**

Science consultant, author and oceanographer Kendall Haven will be the speaker in a free seminar for Cal Poly faculty, staff and administrators titled "Your Brain on Story: The Neural Science Behind the Startling Power of Story, and What it Means for You and Your Teaching." The event is scheduled for 11:10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, in Room 220 of the Erhart Agriculture Building. Haven, a West Point graduate who holds a master's degree in oceanography, served for eight years as a senior research scientist for the U.S. Department of Energy. He is the author of "Story Proof: The Science Behind the Startling Power of Story" and several other books on storytelling. During the past three years, he has served as a consultant on effective storytelling and communications for scientists and science writers at NASA, NOAA, the National Centers for Disease Control, the EPA, the Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group, the Naval Post Graduate School, the Navy's advanced research lab, and four major private engineering companies. Read more on Haven's faculty seminar and a K-12 educator workshop [on the College of Science and Mathematics news page](#).

### **Science Café presents 'DIY: Physical Computing at Play' Feb. 10**



For the next Science Café, create a large-scale, interactive game in the library's main stairwell. It will be a morning of making, strategizing and playing as we extend computers into the physical space.

Designers Scott Hutchinson and Michael J. Newman join us from Los Angeles to lead the hands-on experiment, which involves arduinos, breadboards, circuits and code. Join us Friday, Feb. 10, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Kennedy Library, second-floor café lounge. This event is free and open to the community.

[Visit our website to learn more](#) about 'DIY Physical Computing at Play' and the Science Café series.

### **University of Exeter Professor to Speak Feb. 22 on Arab Spring, Israel/Palestine Peace Process**

The History Department will present University of Exeter Professor Ilan Pappé on Feb. 22. Pappé will give a lecture on the Arab Spring and the Israel/Palestine "Peace Process." The event will begin at 6 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium. Pappé's research focuses on the modern Middle East and the history of Israel and Palestine. Recent publications include: "Peoples Apart" (2012); "The Bureaucracy of Evil" (2012); "The Forgotten Palestinians: A History of the Palestinian Minority in Israel" (2011); and "The Ethnic Cleansing of Palestine" (2006).

## 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.

**#102465 – Police Chief**, Administrator III, Administration and Finance - University Police. Salary commensurate with experience. Open until filled. Review begins March 15, 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.

There are no new job opportunities at this time.

### 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](http://www.calpolycorporationjobs.org). CPC Human Resources, San Luis Obispo, CA 93407, AA/EEO.

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.