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DATELINE

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Exhibits:

Kennedy Library (Special Collections, Room 409): Handmade books by art and design students. Through Jan. 17. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Saturday, January 11

Music: William Terrence Spiller (Music) piano recital, Theatre, 8 p.m. (\$)

Monday, January 13

Speaker: Allyn Kilsheimer (Clark Construction Group Inc.), "The Phoenix Project: Rebuilding the Pentagon," Chumash, 11 a.m.

Speaker: Jay Friedman, "The J-Spot: A Sex Educator Tells All," Chumash, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, January 15

Music: Habib Koité, Theatre, 8 p.m. (\$)

Thursday, January 16

Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial: We Are In This Together Week: Walk from Dexter lawn to UU Plaza, 11 a.m. Various speakers and an open microphone session, noon-1 p.m., UU Plaza. □

Cal Poly News Web site wins CASE award

The Cal Poly News Web site has earned an Award of Distinction in news and visual communication from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education, a national association of university fund-raising and public affairs professionals.

Public Affairs was honored in early December at the annual Far West District CASE conference in Anaheim. The award recognized the university's development of the Cal Poly News Web site, www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu.

The site was judged along with similar sites in the CASE Far West District, which includes Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada and Utah. □

Architecture program ranks second in nation

A poll of practicing professionals, conducted by a leading architecture and engineering journal, has ranked Cal Poly's architecture program as the No. 2 architecture school in the nation, second only to Harvard University.

The rankings, released in the November 2002 issue of *DesignIntelligence*, were the result of a survey of 148 owners, partners and principals at the nation's top private architecture and engineering firms.

The architecture and engineering leaders responded to the magazine's question, "In your firm's hiring experience within the past five years, which schools do you feel have best prepared students for the

architecture profession?" Respondents were asked to name up to 10 accredited architecture schools in a survey conducted in late summer and early fall 2002. Cal Poly's architecture program was ranked ahead of the University of Cincinnati in third place, Cornell University in fourth place, and Yale in fifth.

DesignIntelligence is published by the Design Futures Council, a Washington, D.C.-based think tank dealing with architecture, engineering and building technology.

For the full article, including the list of national architecture and engineering firms surveyed, visit the *DesignIntelligence* Web site at www.di.net. □

Students to be billed for CSU fee increase

Most Cal Poly students will soon receive a bill for \$48 as the campus puts into effect the fee increase the CSU board of trustees enacted Dec. 16 in response to mid-year state budget cuts proposed by Gov. Gray Davis.

Undergraduate students will be billed in January for the quarterly fee increase implemented for the system's 23 campuses. Graduate students were assessed a \$76-per-quarter fee increase and will also be billed in January.

The annual CSU fee for full-time undergraduate students is now \$1,572 per academic year. Trustees set the fee at \$1,734 per academic year for full-time graduate students. According to the Chancellor's Office, CSU fees remain the nation's lowest.

For more information on the fee increase and the state budget, go to <http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/budgetupdates.html> or see the Budget Update section on the Cal Poly News Web site at www.calpoly.edu/~communic. □

Pianist Spiller to play

Music faculty member and pianist William Terrence Spiller will give a benefit recital of works by Ludwig van Beethoven and Franz Liszt at 8 p.m. Saturday (Jan. 11) in the Theatre. The program, titled "Both Sides Now: Character Contrasts Within Beethoven and Liszt," will include two sonatas by Beethoven and two contrasting works by Liszt.

Tickets to the recital are \$6 to \$10. Proceeds will benefit the Music Department Scholarship Fund. Tickets are on sale at the Performing Arts Ticket Office 10 a.m.-6 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays. Call ext. 6-2787, or fax your order to ext. 6-6088.

For more information on the recital, call the Music Department at ext. 6-2406. □

Rebuilding Pentagon to be topic of talk Monday

Allyn Kilsheimer, the construction engineer responsible for rebuilding the Pentagon following the Sept. 11 terrorist attack, will give a firsthand account of that experience in a talk Monday (Jan. 13).

Kilsheimer will deliver "The Phoenix Project: Rebuilding the Pentagon" at 11 a.m. in Chumash Auditorium. According to Kilsheimer, the job was the most personal he's done in a career spanning more than four decades. And, to the disbelief of almost everyone involved, his team completed the \$700 million project within a self-imposed limit of one year.

For more information, call the Construction Management Department at ext. 6-1323. □

Cal Poly a 'Publisher's Pick'

Cal Poly is among 19 CSU campuses named by The Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education magazine to its 2002 "Publisher's Picks" list of national colleges and universities that it believes offer strong educational opportunities for Hispanic students. The magazine's list is based on formal and informal inquiries as well as data from the National Center for Education Statistics. □

High-tech leader to speak

The Cal Poly Entrepreneurship Club and the Orfalea College of Business are hosting a morning lecture and a separate off-campus lunch Jan. 21 with Guy Kawasaki, chief executive officer of Garage Technology Ventures and a noted author.

Kawasaki will speak to the campus community on "Entrepreneurship 101" at 11:10 a.m. in the Business Building Rotunda (Room 213).

The lunch with Kawasaki will include a talk titled "Building a Company in the New-New Economy." The lunch begins at 12:30 p.m. at the Madonna Inn. The reservation deadline is Friday (Jan. 10).

Tickets to the luncheon cost \$25 for the public and \$20 for Entrepreneurship Club members. To make a reservation, e-mail Business Professor Bill Pendergast at wpenderg@calpoly.edu or call him at ext. 6-2730. Reservations are not required for the free morning talk. □

Handmade books on display

A collection of handmade books created by art and design students will be on exhibit in the Special Collections Reading Room of the Kennedy Library through Jan. 17.

The books were designed during fall quarter as part of an expressive photography course taught by photographer and faculty member Sky Bergman.

Special Collections is open 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information call ext. 6-2305. □

Sex educator to speak

Award-winning writer, speaker and sex educator Jay Friedman will present "The J-Spot: A Sex Educator Tells All," a humorous and insightful look at love, sex and dating, at 7 p.m. Monday (Jan. 13) in Chumash Auditorium. For more information, contact Amy Vickerman, ASI events, at ext. 6-1112 or asievents@calpoly.edu. □

McMeans reception today

A retirement reception for Andy McMeans of Information Technology Services is scheduled for 1-3 p.m. today (Jan. 8) in the Smith Alumni and Conference Center. McMeans, who earned a bachelor's degree in applied math from Cal Poly in 1967, started his Cal Poly career in 1969, when he and another programmer were hired to "manage" information. His last day at work was Dec. 30. □

New hours for Info Center

Beginning winter quarter, the Grand Avenue Information Center will close an hour earlier – at 8 p.m. instead of 9 p.m. – Monday through Thursday. The center will be open 7 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday. It is closed weekends and holidays.

For more information, call Donna Jordan in the University Police Department at ext. 6-6679. □

Course on Afghanistan to be offered Jan. 18, 25

Registration is open for a two-day Continuing Education course on Afghanistan to be taught by Afghanistan-born Ethnic Studies Lecturer Maliha Zulfacar.

"Afghanistan: An Introduction," to be held 9 a.m.-noon Jan. 18 and 25, will cover the country's land, people and history. Zulfacar will also discuss her predictions for the country's future.

The fee for the on-campus course is \$60. Pre-registration is required. To register online, go to www.continuing-ed.calpoly.edu. To enroll by phone, call ext. 6-2053. □

CPR deadline change

Please note that the deadline to send articles for the Jan. 22 *Cal Poly Report Digest* and *Cal Poly Report* online is 10 a.m. Tuesday (Jan. 14) – one day earlier than usual, because the campus will be closed Jan. 20 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. Generally, items are due to Public Affairs by 10 a.m. Wednesday, one week before publication.

Items can be e-mailed to polynews@polymail, faxed to ext. 6-6533, or mailed to Public Affairs, Heron Hall.

Remember, complete stories and additional articles are in the *Cal Poly Report* online at www.calpoly.edu/~communic. For more information, call ext. 6-1511. □

Position Vacancies

STATE The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted at least two weeks prior to closing dates on Cal Poly's Web site at www.calpoly.edu. (Select "Employment" from the Cal Poly links drop-down box.) As a courtesy to our on-campus employees, job vacancies also are published in the *Cal Poly Report*. Positions marked with an asterisk indicate that qualified on-campus applicants in bargaining units 2, 5, 7 and 9 will be given first consideration. Job applications must be received in Human Resources, Adm. 110, by 5 p.m. on the closing date.

#543-Academic Advisor (Student Services Professional I-B), Student Affairs, Student Academic Services, \$2,797-\$3,753. Closing date: Friday (Jan. 10).

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS INC. is accepting applications for the following position(s). Complete position descriptions and applications are available on ASI's Web site at www.asi.calpoly.edu or call ext. 6-5800. All applications must be received by 5 p.m. on the listed closing date.

Temporary Program Assistant, \$15.32-\$21.45/hour. Open until filled; review of applications began Jan. 6; anticipated start date Feb. 3.

Human Resources Coordinator, salary range begins at \$43,926/year, plus excellent benefits. Open until filled. □

Leave solicitation

Alice Brooks, operating systems analyst in Information Technology Services, 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.

Those interested in donating leave may request a Catastrophic Leave Donation form from solicitation coordinator Annemarie Boyer in Communications and Computing Services at ext. 6-7691 or by e-mail.

CSEA employees in units 2, 5, 7 and 9, Unit 4 (academic professionals), Unit 6 (state employees trades council), E99 (excluded), C99 (confidential), M80 (management personnel plan) and M98 (executive) may donate up to 40 hours total per fiscal year in increments of one hour or more. All other state employees may donate up to 16 hours sick leave and/or vacation credits per fiscal year in increments of one hour or more. □

Duffy appointed

Liberal Studies Professor Susan Duffy has been appointed chair of the department, effective winter quarter. Duffy, who has been teaching at Cal Poly since 1988, will serve until the end of the 2005 academic year. □