

# CAL POLY

## REPORT

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### Progress on the Cal Poly Plan

#### Committee to complete preliminary report today

*This update on the Cal Poly Plan was prepared by the Academic Affairs office.*

The Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee was to complete its preliminary report today, outlining the plan's principles, procedures, and goals and providing funding recommendations for the next three years.

Included will be recommendations to hire new faculty members in 1997-98 and 1998-99.

This preliminary report will be distributed to the faculty and staff as soon as possible, and copies will be available in the library and from the ASI, Staff Council, Academic Senate, and Academic Affairs offices. A summary will appear in the Mustang Daily.

Restoring or enhancing instructional technology and increasing student progress toward graduation are the broad investment categories identified by the committee for 1996-97. The committee urges individuals and campus units to create initiatives for improvements in these areas, responding through a formal "request for proposals" (RFP) drawn up by the panel.

Copies of this RFP can be obtained from the Academic Affairs, Staff Council, Academic Senate, and ASI offices. E-mail requests can be made through polyplan@oboe. Names of staff personnel who can assist in writing proposals will be provided.

RFP orientation meetings are set for March 15 and March 29. Those considering submitting proposals are asked to provide a "statement of intent" by April 8, and the deadline for completed documents is May 13.

Meanwhile, the campus and the chancellor's office will review the Cal Poly Plan preliminary report during March. After consulting with constituencies and making revisions as necessary, the committee will submit a proposal to the CSU trustees in mid-April, the agenda deadline for the trustees' May meeting.

The steering committee knows it is asking the campus to respond to the RFP under the Cal Poly Plan when the plan itself has yet to be approved. To do otherwise, however, would delay improvements important for student success next year once the plan receives the trustees' OK, which university administrators believe is likely.

In its meeting Feb. 23, the committee recommended supplemental student fees be set at \$93 a term in 1997-98 and \$120 a quarter the following year. Earlier the committee suggested supplemental fees of \$45 a term for 1996-97.

Faculty recruitment could begin next fall with a "flexible target" of approximately 30 faculty appointments over the following two years, helping the university markedly improve student progress.

All future student fee increases will depend on enhancements in the university's operations from year to year. The committee pointed out that improvements tied to investments must also be integrated with other reforms in such areas as the curriculum and advising program.

### Nominations sought for Academic Senate

The Academic Senate office is accepting nominations for senators for the 1996-98 term.

Elections will be held during the first two weeks of spring quarter. Each college will need to elect senators to fill vacancies.

In addition, caucuses of the follow-

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### Hewlett-Packard donates computers worth \$425K to MIS lab

Hewlett-Packard has donated to the Management Information Systems Laboratory computer equipment and software valued at more than \$425,000 that will enable students to learn the latest in computer network technology.

The equipment was donated to help the College of Business change the direction of its management information systems curriculum, which now focuses primarily on applications for a single computer. With the new gift, the students will be taught to think in terms of using networked computers.

The donation includes 20 personal computers, five workstations, four "servers" and a printer — all representing the latest in computer technology. (A server is a computer at the heart of a network that serves other computers with common information or another shared function.)

Students will use the equipment to practice applications for computer networks and learn how to use those applications to solve problems, just as industry uses them daily.

"Our curriculum will change significantly as it moves to teach networked applications directed toward delivering shared information to the right person at the right time," said management professor Barry Floyd.

Floyd wrote the grant proposal that led to the donation.

The College of Business and the university as a whole will also realize some of the benefits of the new equipment. Discussions are under way with the Faculty Multimedia Development Center on how the new equipment can be used to develop and deliver a variety of multimedia educational materials.

## **Sculptor to give concert for piano, power hammer**

World-traveling artist Mirko "Mo" Siakkou from Austria will present a unique "Concert for Piano and Power Hammer" and give a talk and slide presentation at 11 am Thursday, March 7, in the UU Galerie.

Held in conjunction with his Galerie exhibit, "Earth, Wind, Fire, Water" (showing through March 10), the concert will pair improvisational piano with a machine.

The artist said the musical piece was inspired by the sound and rhythm of the 300-lb. power hammer he used to forge hot steel for his sculptures.

Siakkou will also talk and show slides of his sculptural-architectural works.

For more information, call Galerie curator Jeanne LaBarbera at ext. 1182.

## **Cal Poly Arts to present poetry, fiction, dance**

An evening of poetry, fiction and dance by faculty members and students is planned for 7 pm Wednesday, March 6, in the Theatre.

The event, titled "Sounding the Hollow: An Evening of Literature and Dance," is part of Cal Poly Arts' Poly Voices WriterSpeak series, which features readings by members of the Cal Poly community.

English professors Mary Kay Harrington and Kevin Clark will read fiction and poetry, and the Nikole Brown Dance Group will perform.

Clark said the evening will offer provocative, perhaps controversial works that will test audience expectations. A unique approach to seating arrangements will allow theatergoers to sit on the stage around the dance floor during both the literary and dance presentations.

Fiction writer and memoirist Harrington will read "After and Before," a prose lyric that explores her own life after the death of her stepdaughter. Harrington teaches in the

English Department and directs the Writing Skills Program.

Creative writing professor Clark will read from poems he loosely describes as his "in-your-face series." He promises poetry about "sex, drugs, and rock 'n roll; sweetness, perversion, and the delirium of American culture."

After the readings, English graduate student Nikole Brown and her troupe will perform a modern dance interpretation of a T.S. Eliot poem.

The presentation is sponsored by WriterSpeak, Cal Poly Arts, the English Department, and the College of Liberal Arts. For more information, call Clark at ext. 2506.

## **Mexican folklore dances to be performed March 9**

The vibrant, vivid culture of historic Mexico will be celebrated in a dance performance by Grupo Folklorico Imagen y Espiritu de Cal Poly and three other dance troupes at 7 pm Saturday, March 9, in the Theatre.

The second annual Mexico de Noche, titled "Colores de Nuestra Cultura," will include dancers from Ballet Folklorico Alma de Mexico of Tulare County, Grupo Folklorico Reflejos de Mexico of UC Berkeley, and Fresno State's Los Danzantes de Aztlan.

The dancers will present colorful and original Mexican folklore dance from the regions of Campeche, Concheros, Huasteca Veracruzana, Jalisco, Michoacan, Sinaloa, Tamaulipas, and Veracruz.

Cal Poly's Grupo Folklorico Imagen y Espiritu was formed in 1990 to maintain and preserve Mexican folklore dance as it has been handed down from generation to generation.

Tickets for the performance are \$10 for the public and \$8 for students.

## **'Hottest' Celtic band to give March 8 concert**

Altan, a Celtic band with a distinctive style that combines the melodic quality of Irish tunes with the power and drive of Scottish music, will perform at 8 pm Friday, March 8, in the Theatre.

The group performs traditional Celtic songs in Gaelic and English. The ensemble plays reels, jigs and ballads with infectious spirit and vigor.

Altan's repertoire comes primarily from County Donegal in northwestern Ireland, but the area's history of labor exchange with Scotland also resulted in a mingling of the two countries' music.

Premium seats for the concert are sold out. Remaining seats are \$14 for the public and \$12 for students and senior citizens.

## **Ballroom Dance Club plans semi-formal event**

The Ballroom Dance Club will host its first semi-formal dance, "Twilight Tango - Come Dance Under the Stars," from 8 to 11 pm Saturday, March 2, at the Odd Fellows Hall, 520 Dana St., San Luis Obispo.

A dance lesson in the "night club two-step" will be offered from 7 to 8 pm. Music will be provided by Clint Garvin's four-piece combo beginning at 8. The evening will also include a dance exhibition, dance mixer, and refreshments.

Advance tickets cost \$5 for student members, \$7 for non-student members and students, and \$10 for the public. Tickets will cost \$10 at the door.

For more information, call Darren Hopkins, Ballroom Dance Club vice president, at 542-9408.

**Unless stated otherwise, you can buy tickets to the performances listed in today's Cal Poly Report at the Theatre Ticket Office from 10 am to 4 pm weekdays. To reserve seats, call the Anytime Artsline at ext. 1421.**



## International Business & Careers Symposium set

Speakers, question-and-answer periods, recruiting sessions, and informational seminars are all scheduled as part of the International Business and Careers Symposium planned from 8 am to 5 pm Saturday, March 2.

The symposium will begin with registration and a continental breakfast. Morning sessions will be in the Cal Poly Theatre; afternoon sessions, in the Business Building. Events will include:

- Speaker presentations from 9 am to noon.
- Lunch plus informal question-and-answer sessions with speakers, noon to 1:30 pm.
- Company recruiting sessions and informational seminars, 1:30 to 5 pm.

Companies recruiting at the symposium will include Philips, Hewlett-Packard and Douglas Aircraft.

Students from colleges and universities throughout California are expected to attend the symposium, hosted by Cal Poly's International Business Club.

Admission, by written application only, costs \$20, and registration in advance is strongly recommended. The fee includes a continental breakfast and lunch. For an application, more information, and a complete schedule, call Toby Buschini at 781-0674 or e-mail tbuschin (non-OfficeVision users need to include "@calpoly.edu").

## Nominees sought for 1995 safety awards

Nominations and applications are being accepted for the annual Governor's Employee Safety Awards for 1995.

The awards are designed to foster and encourage employee safety and health awareness as well as recognize employees who have made exceptional contributions to on-the-job safety and health.

Gov. Wilson will sign the award certificates to be presented to the win-

ners during the summer awards ceremony in Sacramento.

Based on its size, the CSU has been allocated up to 22 individual safety awards. Each campus is encouraged to provide the chancellor's office with the names of no more than two nominees.

For an application and nomination form, call Joe Risser, director of public safety services, at ext. 6663. Completed forms must be submitted to Risser by Friday, March 8. Guidelines for the selection process are on the back of the application form.

A subgroup of the campuswide Public Safety Advisory Committee will review the applications and select the two nominees.

The following information should be included in the application:

- Specific examples of each nominee's contribution(s) to safety on campus beyond routine job duties.
- Statistics that might support the nominee's contribution(s) to safety.
- Examples of safety-related materials or items the nominee developed that resulted in the improvement of employee health and safety.

Past campus recipients of the award include Nancy Reid, Paul Dilger, Tim Hastings, Ed Shull, Michael Ahler, Juanita Esmon, George Brown, Joe Risser and Joan Cirone.

## ...Academic Senate

ing colleges will need to nominate representatives to serve on the Program Review and Improvement Committee (PRAIC): College of Agriculture, College of Business, and College of Liberal Arts.

Members to the PRAIC are elected by the Academic Senate Executive Committee.

There is also a vacancy in the statewide Academic Senate for the 1996-99 term. For information, call the Academic Senate office at ext. 1258.

Nomination forms are available in the Academic Senate office, Room 143 in the Math and Home Economics Building. Nominations are due in the office by 5 pm Friday, March 15.

## Child actors needed for 'Velveteen Rabbit'

Local boys and girls from 7 to 12 are invited to audition for a part in "The Velveteen Rabbit," an Easter weekend dance production playing Friday and Saturday, April 5 and 6, in the Theatre.

Auditions will be from 4 to 5:30 pm Sunday, March 3, at the American Dance Studios, 2074 Parker St. in San Luis Obispo. No experience is necessary, though dance experience will be helpful.

The play, staged by O.D.C./San Francisco, is part of the 1995-96 Cal Poly Arts season of events. It is a full-length production based on the classic English children's story that teaches the fundamental values of love, devotion and simplicity.

The charming, heartfelt play incorporates Benjamin Britten's music and company associate artistic director K.T. Nelson's choreography with narration and song.

The six children selected will be expected to rehearse:

☆ At the American Dance Studios – Saturdays from 5 to 6:30 pm and Sundays from 4 to 5:30 pm from March 9 through March 30.

☆ At the Cal Poly Theatre – 6 to 9 pm Tuesday and Wednesday, April 2-3; 1 to 9 pm Thursday, April 4, 5 to 9 pm Friday, April 5; and 9 am to 6 pm Saturday, April 6.

For more information, call Peter Wilt at the Theatre at ext. 7111.

## Foundation board to meet March 8

The Foundation board of directors will hold a regular meeting at 9:30 am Friday, March 8, in the Foundation Administration Building, Conference Room 124. This is a public meeting. For more information or a copy of the agenda, call Al Amaral, foundation executive director, at ext. 1131. A copy of the agenda packet is available for review at the Kennedy Library Reserve Desk (Room 114) and the Academic Senate Office, Room 143 in the Mathematics and Home Economics Building.

### Assertiveness training to be offered March 7

The Employee Assistance Program is offering a small-group training session on "Assertiveness in The Face of Aggressiveness," from 8:30 to 11:30 am Thursday, March 7, in UU 219.

Participants will:

- ♦ Learn a step-by-step model for being assertive.
- ♦ Learn to understand their own communication style.
- ♦ Practice skills in difficult scenarios.
- ♦ Have an opportunity to refine skills and techniques.

Enrollment is limited. To enroll or for more information, call the EAP office at ext. O-EAP (0327).

### Dateline

Admission charged — \$

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 1

**Music and Dance:** Black Umfolosi, Theatre, 8 pm. (\$)

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 2

**Dance:** Semi-formal dance and lesson hosted by the Ballroom Dance Club. Lesson at 7 pm; dance at 8. Odd Fellows Hall, SLO. (\$)

**Music:** Marion Verbruggen will play the recorder. Theatre, 8 pm. (\$)

**Music:** The annual Pops Concert featuring the Cal Poly Wind Orchestra and the University Jazz Band. Chumash, 8 pm. Also at 3 pm Sunday, March 3. (\$)

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 3

**Music:** The annual Pops Concert featuring the Cal Poly Wind Orchestra and the University Jazz Band. Chumash, 3 pm. (\$)

**Dance:** Cal Poly's Ballroom Dance Club meeting and lesson. Odd Fellows Hall, SLO, 5:30 pm. (\$)

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 5

**Learn-at-Lunch:** Suzan Parkhurst-Martinelli (consultant) will discuss "Managing Interruptions: A Key to Success." Staff Dining Room, noon.

**Music:** Guitar Summit II featuring Stanley Jordan, Jorma Kaukonen, Manuel Barrueco and Kenny Burrell. Church of the Nazarene, Pismo Beach, 8 pm. (\$)

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

**Poly Voices:** Mary Kay Harrington

and Kevin Clark (English) will read selections from their work and Nikole Brown (English graduate student) and a troupe of female dancers will dance to T.S. Eliot's "The Hollow Men." Theatre, 7 pm.

**Play:** "Chapter One." Through Saturday, March 9. Music Building 212, 8 pm. (\$)

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 7

**Training Session:** "Assertiveness in The Face of Aggressiveness," sponsored by the Employee Assistance Program. Reservations required. Call ext. 0327. UU 219, 8:30 am.

**Music & Slide Show:** Artist Mirko "Mo" Siakkou will present a "Concert for Piano and Power Hammer." He will also talk and show slides of his sculptural-architectural works. UU Galerie, 11 am.

**Play:** "Chapter One." Through Saturday, March 9. Music Building 212, 8 pm. (\$)

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 8

**Music:** Flutist Fred Lau (Music) will give a benefit recital. Also playing will be pianist William Spiller and guitarist Matt Grieff (Music). Mount Carmel Lutheran Church, SLO, 8 pm. (\$)

**Music:** Celtic group Altan. Theatre, 8 pm. (\$)

**Play:** "Chapter One." Through Saturday, March 9. Music Building 212, 8 pm. (\$)

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 9

**Music-Dance:** The Grupo Folklorico Imagen y Espiritu de Cal Poly, Ballet Folklorico Alma de Mexico of Tulare County, Grupo Folklorico Reflejos de Mexico of UC Berkeley, and Fresno State's Los Danzantes de Aztlan will perform. Theatre, 7 pm. (\$)

**Play:** "Chapter One." Music Building 212, 8 pm. (\$)

### Position vacancies

More information and applications for the following staff positions are available from the appropriate human resources office. Faxed applications and resumes will not be accepted in lieu of official application.

**STATE** (Adm. 110, ext. 2236 or job line at ext. 1533). Official application forms must be received by 4 pm of the closing date or be postmarked by the closing date.

**CLOSING DATE:** March 15, 1996

**#67069:** Storekeeper I, Facility Services (Unit 7), \$1989-\$2358/mo.

**CLOSING DATE:** March 29, 1996

**#69070:** Media Resource Center Coordinator (Slide Curator II), College Of Architecture & Environmental Design, \$2579-\$3100/mo.

**CLOSING DATE:** For full consideration, applications should be received or postmarked by March 22; however, positions will remain open until filled.

**#64067:** Coordinator of Student Development (SSP II), Housing & Residential Life, \$2,698 - \$3,242/mo., temporary to June 20, 1997, 10-month position, full-time, possible renewal for the 1997-98 academic year.

**FOUNDATION** (Foundation Adm. Building, job line at ext. 7107). All foundation applications must be received (not just postmarked) by 5 pm of the closing date. (No faxes)

**CLOSING DATE:** March 8, 1996

**MIS Support Specialist**, Management Information Systems, \$2239-\$2911/mo. Provide technical support in a Novell Netware/TCPIP LAN environment, including hardware/software setup, configuration, problem resolution, and user assistance. Set-up and install a WWW server; assist in Web page development projects.

**FACULTY** (Adm. 312, ext. 2844)

Candidates interested in positions on the faculty are invited to contact the appropriate dean or department head or chair. Ranks and salaries for faculty positions are commensurate with qualifications and experience (and time base where applicable) unless otherwise stated.

**CLOSING DATE:** May 15, 1996

**#63053:** Lecturer Pool (part-time), Agribusiness Department, (805/756-5000) Establishing a pool for possible part-time teaching assignments fall, winter, and/or spring quarters, 1996-97 in all areas of agribusiness; e.g., agricultural economics, marketing, finance, policy, international trade, and senior project supervision. Minimum requirement is a master's degree in agribusiness-related discipline. Please refer to Recruitment Code #63053 and send resume to M. LeRoy Davis, department head.

**CLOSING DATE:** March 15, 1996.

**#63054:** Lecturer Pool (part-time), Animal Science Department, (805/756-2419). Pool being establishing for possible vacancies in the specialties of beef, sheep, swine, equine management, feeds and animal nutrition, poultry and veterinary science. Appointments would be part-time during the 1996-97 academic year. M.S. preferred, or B.S. with considerable experience.