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Cal Poly to Hold Open House at Swanton Pacific Ranch Sept. 28

SAN LUIS OBISPO -- Rides on a one-third-scale steam train and an old-fashioned barbecue are open to everyone on Cal Poly Day, Sept. 28, at the university's Swanton Pacific Ranch at Davenport, 11 miles north of Santa Cruz.

Train rides will run from approximately 10:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. Lunch will be served around noon. Ranch tours and train facility tours will be given during the course of the day.

The 3,200-acre Swanton Pacific Ranch serves as an extension of Cal Poly's instructional programs in agriculture, forestry and other disciplines. Al Smith, an alumnus of Cal Poly, left the ranch to Cal Poly when he died in 1993. Smith earned a bachelor's degree in crop science in 1944 and a master's in agriculture education in 1956.

Reservations for Cal Poly Day at the ranch need to be made by Wednesday, Sept 24. The cost of the barbecue is \$15 for adults and \$8 for children 8 or younger.

For more information and reservations, call Agricultural Engineering Professor Emeritus Ed Carnegie at (805) 995-3659.

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