



# News

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## Cal Poly Report — March 11, 2015

**Cal Poly Report will be on hiatus during the academic break March 23 through 27. The last issue prior to the break will be March 18.**

### News

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**Recreation Center, Multi-Activity Center**

#### Cal Poly Named a Peace Corps' 2015 Top Volunteer-Producing University

For the first time, Cal Poly was named one of the Peace Corps' top volunteer-producing universities. With 30 alumni volunteering overseas in 19 different countries, the university ranked No. 24 among large schools in the nation. California leads the nation in Peace Corp volunteers. Seven Golden State universities made the list, including six University of California campuses, led by UC Berkeley. The volunteer assignments include three months of language and cultural immersion followed by a two-year assignment. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).

#### Cal Poly Students Honored at State Capitol



Nineteen Cal Poly students who have received state and national awards and other honors were recognized for their accomplishments by state lawmakers at the Capitol in Sacramento on March 9. The group was introduced on the floors of the Senate and Assembly by local

representatives Assemblyman Katcho Achadjian and Senate Majority Leader Bill Monning. In addition, the students met with Lt. Gov. Gavin Newsom. They also met with family, friends and alumni at two receptions in the Sacramento area March 8-9. State lawmakers also honored Philip Bailey, longtime faculty member and the dean of the College of Science & Mathematics since 1983. Bailey received a joint Senate-Assembly resolution for his nearly 50 years of service to Cal Poly. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).

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### Cal Poly Named a Tree Campus USA; Arbor Day Observance set for March 13

Cal Poly has been recognized as a Tree Campus USA, a national program created by the Arbor Day Foundation to honor colleges and universities for effective campus forest management and for engaging staff and students in conservation goals. Cal Poly achieved the title by meeting five standards, which include maintaining a tree advisory



committee, a campus tree-care plan, and dedicated annual expenditures for a campus tree program, and having an Arbor Day observance and a student service-learning project. Facilities will host an event to observe California's Arbor Day at 10 a.m. Friday, March 13, near the southeast corner of the Mathematics & Science Building (No. 38), near Via Carta. A pair of redwoods, the state tree, will be planted. For more information on the Tree Campus USA designation, visit the [Administration & Finance website](#).

### Annual Al Smith Day Celebration set for April 12 at Swanton Pacific Ranch



The annual Al Smith Day celebration will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 12, at Cal Poly's Swanton Pacific Ranch in Davenport, Calif., 10 miles north of Santa Cruz. There will be train rides, tours and demonstrations of the ranch facilities, and a Santa Maria-style barbecue. Attendees will be able to ride the Swanton Pacific Railroad. The one-third scale,

steam-powered train will offer free rides from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The barbecue lunch will be served around noon. The event honors College of Agriculture alumnus Al Smith, who left the 3,200-acre, \$20 million Swanton Pacific Ranch to Cal Poly after he died in 1993. The ranch serves as an extension of Cal Poly's instructional programs in agriculture, forestry and other disciplines. Tickets include the barbecue and unlimited train rides. The event sells out every year. Prior to April 2, tickets are \$25 for adults; \$15 for youth (4 to 10 years); children 3 and under are free. After April 2, tickets are \$35 for adults; \$20 for youth. For a schedule of events and the registration form, visit the [Swanton Pacific Railroad website](#). For more information, contact Ed Carnegie at 805-995-3659 or [ecarnegi@calpoly.edu](mailto:ecarnegi@calpoly.edu).

### Submission Guidelines Revised for Cal Poly Report

Cal Poly Report (CPR) is Cal Poly's official employee newsletter, designed to communicate information about officially sanctioned university news or events to faculty, staff and administrators. A new policy has been developed to help ensure CPR continues to contain only relevant and approved information. Beginning with the March 11 issue, CPR submissions will be required to come from, or be approved by, the employee designated to approve submissions in the respective colleges, units and work areas. A list of designated approvers is available on the [Cal Poly Report index website](#). Entries submitted by those other than the designated approver must be accompanied by an approval form signed by the unit's approver. The approval form is available online in [fillable pdf format](#) and a [Microsoft Word format](#). CPR is published weekly during the school year, except during academic breaks, and monthly in the summer. The deadline for each weekly issue is 12:30 p.m. the Thursday prior to publication.

### Faculty & Staff

#### Engineering Professor Recognized for Lifetime Achievements in Waste Management

Sam Vigil, a member of Cal Poly's Civil & Environmental Engineering Department since 1982, was awarded the Richard I. Stessel Waste Management Award by the Air and Waste Management Association. The award recognizes individuals or agencies for outstanding achievements in waste management science and technology, management and regulation, or education. Vigil shares this year's award with Ryan Dupont of Utah State University. The presentation ceremony will take place June 24 at the Association's 108th Annual Conference & Exhibition in Raleigh, N.C. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).



#### **Faculty and Staff Invited to Study Abroad Fair on March 11**

Campus is invited to the USAC Study Abroad Fair from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, on the lawn in front of Building 52 (across from Lucy's). The event is part of the University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC) annual board of directors meeting that the Cal Poly International Center will host March 11-13. Cal Poly sends about 150 students abroad on USAC programs each year, and faculty members are regularly chosen as visiting professors for summer and semester programs at USAC sites. A nonprofit consortium based in Reno, USAC has 33 member universities in the U.S. and supports affordable, high-quality academic programs in 26 countries. Language specialty programs are available in Asante-Twi, Basque, Chinese, Czech, French, Gaelic, German, Hindi, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish and Thai.

#### **Grant Writing Workshop to be Offered Spring Quarter**

The College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences, the Grants Development Office, and Sponsored Programs will offer a workshop on grant writing from 11 a.m. to noon Thursdays this spring. The nine-week program begins April 2 and will be held in the Erhart Agriculture Building (No. 10), Room 215. The workshop is for faculty or staff interested in research or research administration. The seminar will be a hands-on overview covering grant writing and research administration. Topics will include sources of funding, types of awards (grants, contracts and gifts), marketing ideas, how to approach sponsors, reading RFPs (request for proposals), what to include and not to include, abstracts, budgets and justifications, indirect costs, payroll and purchasing, and intellectual property and review processes. Writing and analysis will be done every week and participants may bring their own examples for assistance and critique. By the end of the quarter, participants will be able to complete the majority of a proposal and will have knowledge of related contacts and resources at Cal Poly. The workshop will be team-taught by Sue Tonik, CAFES grants analyst, and staff from Grants Development and Sponsored Programs. For more information, contact Sue Tonik at [stonik@calpoly.edu](mailto:stonik@calpoly.edu) or ext. 6-7241.

#### **Service Learning Course Redesign Proposal to be Presented March 11**

Service Learning Faculty Fellows for the 2014-15 academic year will present its service learning course redesign proposal from 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, in the Advanced Technology Laboratories (Building 7), Service Learning Showcase. Light refreshments will be provided. The event is organized by the Center for Community Engagement and Center for Teaching, Learning & Technology. For more information, contact Anurag Pande, the faculty liaison for Service Learning, at [apande@calpoly.edu](mailto:apande@calpoly.edu), or Brad Kyker, in the Center for Community Engagement, at [bkyker@calpoly.edu](mailto:bkyker@calpoly.edu).

#### **Nominations Accepted Through March 11 for Outstanding Faculty Advisor**

The Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award recognizes one faculty member annually who has had a positive influence on students through academic advising. The award recipient will receive a \$1,200 stipend and be recognized at Fall Conference in addition to having his or her picture and award citation posted in

the Kennedy Library. The deadline for all submissions is Wednesday, March 11. The nomination should describe the nominee's academic advising services, activities, and interactions as distinct from the nominee's teaching responsibilities, and include any special activities that relate to student development. Faculty, staff and current students are eligible to nominate faculty for this award. However, at least one letter must come from a current student, and no self-nominations will be recognized. Nomination information and the electronic nomination form can be found on the [Academic Advising website](#).

#### **Grant Applications to Develop New Global Programs Due March 15**

The Cal Poly International Center is accepting grant proposals for the 2015-16 academic year, including summer 2016. Grants of up to \$3,000 will support a faculty member's international travel to develop a new Cal Poly Global Program: a study abroad program led by a faculty member. Grants can help fund visits to single or multiple sites within a country or world region. The deadline for emailed proposals is March 15. For more information, including proposal instructions, eligibility information, qualifying expenses and competitive priorities for funding, visit the [International Center's Program Development Grants page](#).

#### **Grant Applications for Faculty Scholarship Due March 16**

The Research, Scholarly and Creative Activities (RSCA) Grant Program, supported by funds from the Provost's Office, helps faculty remain engaged in their disciplines beyond the classroom and contribute new knowledge through robust programs of scholarship focused on strengthening California socially, culturally and economically. The annual funds provide more internal resources to help faculty pursue a broader array of professional activities. The deadline to submit proposals for awards of mini-grants, assigned time, and additional compensation for 2015-16 is 4:30 p.m. Monday, March 16. The RFP has been updated to allow lecturers the opportunity to apply. For application and submission instructions, visit the [Office of Research & Economic Development website](#) or call at ext. 6-5153.

#### **Annual Service Awards Luncheon Set for March 17**

State, Cal Poly Corporation and ASI employees with milestone service anniversaries in 2014 will be honored at the Annual Service Awards Luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 17, in Chumash Auditorium. Phil Bailey will be the master of ceremonies. A "Little Italy" buffet will be served, including antipasto salad, Caesar salad, chicken penne, cheese tortellini, garlic breadsticks, beverage and dessert. Tickets are \$12 and are available from Tracy Watson, ASI, ext. 6-1292; Dawn Rudder, Fiscal Services, ext. 6-5871; Merrie Kay Reis, Corporation, ext. 6-2849; and Cindy Boone, Corporation, ext. 6-2457.

#### **Breakfast for New(er) Faculty set for March 20**

The Center for Teaching, Learning & Technology invites faculty and teaching staff to the New(er) Faculty Community Breakfast. The event will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Friday, March 20, at the Performing Arts Center Pavilion. A hot breakfast will be served at 8:30 a.m. The topic will be "Students In Distress." The presentation will focus on the increasing rates of social and emotional challenges students face during their campus experiences. This is an opportunity to better understand what might be going on in the minds of the young people showing up in classrooms. Attendees will receive information about providing appropriate support or referrals to campus professionals. Registration is required by March 18. To register, [click here](#).

#### **Workshop on Collaborative Advising for Student Success to be held March 20**

University Advising and Academic Programs & Planning are sponsoring the second in a three-part series designed to create goals and a shared vision for advising across campus. The Collaborative Advising for Student Success (CASS) Workshop II will be held from 10 a.m. to noon Friday, March 20, in Chumash Auditorium (left). The workshops are open to the campus community including campus leadership, the advising community, faculty, staff and students. [Don](#)

[Maruska](#) will facilitate the event. He is an entrepreneur, business coach, speaker, and author of the books "How Great Decisions Get Made" and "Take Charge of Your Talent." RSVP for the CASS Workshop II by Wednesday, March 11, to Carrie Canine at [ccanine@calpoly.edu](mailto:ccanine@calpoly.edu).

#### **Applications for Learn by Doing Scholar Award Due March 20**

The Learn by Doing Scholar Award, has been established to acknowledge and inspire faculty for formal scholarship and research into Cal Poly's signature pedagogy, Learn by Doing. The inaugural awards will be given in two categories to create an inclusive process that encourages fully-realized as well as emerging scholarship. The Published Research category (\$2,000 award) recognizes completed research that has been externally reviewed and shared through publication or presentation. The Planned and In-Progress Research category (\$1,000 award) recognizes promising research proposals or research in progress and supports faculty in completing and sharing their findings. Open to all Cal Poly faculty, the awards are sponsored by the Information Services advisory board. Applications will be accepted through Friday, March 20. Recipients will be announced in spring 2015. Application procedures and criteria for the award categories are available on the [Kennedy Library website](#).

#### **Guideline Compliance Required for all Research**

In response to federal requirements, Cal Poly has established policies and procedures for protecting people and animals involved in research projects, for addressing instances of scientific fraud, and for regulating the export of materials and information that are considered relevant to national security. All faculty, staff and students should be aware of these policies and follow designated procedures when conducting research. Information on all policies governing research at Cal Poly can be found on the [Grants Development website](#).

#### **Human Subjects Research Committee Seeks New Members**

The Human Subjects Committee is seeking new members because of the number and variety of research projects involving human subjects at Cal Poly. Consistent with [federal regulations](#) and the [Cal Poly Policy on Human Subjects in Research](#), membership includes representatives of various races, cultural backgrounds and genders, from a range of campus departments involved in human-subjects research. The committee will consider any interested staff or faculty member but currently has a need for candidates who represent the following disciplines: food science, medicine and education. For more information, contact Dean Wendt, dean of research, via Debbie Hart, at [dahart@calpoly.edu](mailto:dahart@calpoly.edu) or ext. 6-1508.

#### **International Travel Update for the Campus Community**

Faculty, staff and students traveling internationally on official university business are required to complete International Travel Authorization paperwork and secure international insurance through Cal Poly. All paperwork should be submitted prior to travel with approval received before tickets are purchased. According to the Chancellor's Office Memorandum RM 2014-01, high hazard insurance must be secured 30 days prior to travel, and travel requests need to be submitted and approved prior to the 30-day window. Note that high-hazard travel requests with fewer than five business days notice will not be considered. Travel to war-risk countries must be submitted to the Chancellor's Office for approval and takes additional processing time. Standard individual travel should be submitted to the International Center at least 30 days prior to travel; high-hazard travel should be submitted a minimum of 45 days prior to travel, and travel to war-risk countries should be submitted a minimum of 60 days prior to travel. Additional information about the procedures can be found on the International Center website under the [International Travel Authorization tab](#).

#### **Catastrophic Leave**

**Michele Anderson**, administrative analyst/specialist in Institutional Research has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate leave credits to help her remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should

contact catastrophic leave coordinator Kristi Kelly at ext. 6-2910 or [kkelly20@calpoly.edu](mailto:kkelly20@calpoly.edu) to request a donation form.

## Retirement

### Previously Announced Retirements:

**Cindy Campbell**, associate director of University Police, will retire after 34 years at Cal Poly. A celebration in honor of her dedicated service will take place from 2 to 4 p.m. Friday, March 20, in the Performing Arts Center Lobby.

## Student Successes

### Young Farmers are California Champions



Third-year agricultural communications major Kenna Lewis claimed the title of 2015 California Champion at the California Farm Bureau Young Farmers and Ranchers Collegiate Discussion Meet. Cal Poly students also brought home the Outstanding Team award. Lewis (third from left) will compete in

the national event in Kansas City, Mo., in February 2016.

### Construction Management Students Win Top Honors at Regional Competition

Construction management students earned top honors at the Associated Schools of Construction competition held in February in Reno, Nev. Seven out of 12 Cal Poly teams placed in the top three spots in their respective categories, taking first in the Mechanical category; second in the Mixed Use, Design Build and Marine Construction categories; and third in the Heavy Civil, Concrete, and Risk Management divisions. A total of 178 teams from 43 universities competed. Overall, Cal Poly took home more trophies than any other university.

### Student's Kickstarter Campaign Designed to Reduce, Reuse, Grow

Landscape architecture student Alex Henige developed a coffee cup embedded with California wildflower seeds. The idea is that consumers can soak the cup in water after drinking the coffee, then plant the compostable cup and watch it grow. If the cups do get thrown away, Henige says the cups will compost down to nothing in 180 days. He has surpassed his goal of raising \$10,000 through a Kickstarter campaign. He plans to use the money to develop a commercial prototype that will compete with other compostable cups on price. He's already been approached by international coffee chains, so the Kickstarter campaign may just be the beginning. For more on the recyclable story, see the [Huffington Post](#).



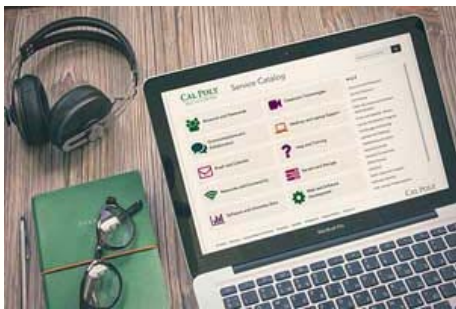
### Cal Poly Teams Bring Home Platinum and Gold from Western Regional Dairy Challenge

Four Cal Poly students participated on teams ranked platinum and four students on teams earning gold at the 10th annual Western Regional Dairy Challenge held Feb. 26-28 in Tulare, Calif. The three-day educational competition was designed to prepare students for dairy careers. Participants, who worked in teams of up to six students from various colleges, assessed various aspects of a working dairy farm, including facilities, nutrition, financials, reproduction and animal health. Four of the 21 Cal Poly students who participated in the regional event will travel to the national competition from April 9-11 in Syracuse, N.Y.

## Campus Announcements

### Information Services Catalog Now Available

Information Services (IS) is



pleased to announce a new Service Catalog that highlights some of the technology offerings that are available on campus. For a link to the catalog, go to the [Service Desk website](#) and click the icon in the lower left corner. IS will continue to expand the Service Catalog to make it easier for users to find

assistance online. For more information or to provide feedback, contact the Service Desk from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at [servicedesk@calpoly.edu](mailto:servicedesk@calpoly.edu) or ext. 6-7000.

### **Documentary on Freida Caplan, Recipient of 2014 Honorary Doctorate, to Premier March 11 on Campus**

The Center for Expressive Technologies, in conjunction with the San Luis Obispo International Film Festival, will host the world premiere screening of the documentary "Fear No Fruit" at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, in the Spanos Theatre. A panel discussion with director and producer Mark Brian Smith and documentary subject Frieda Caplan will immediately follow the screening. "Fear No Fruit" explores the rise of Caplan, the first female entrepreneur of the Los Angeles Wholesale Produce Market. Caplan transformed American cuisine during the 1960s by introducing more than 200 exotic fruits and vegetables to U.S. supermarkets. Tracking the story of the now 91-year-old Caplan, the documentary culminates with Cal Poly's 2014 commencement ceremony, during which Caplan received an honorary doctorate. Tickets are \$10 for students and \$12 for the public and are available at the [Cal Poly Ticket Office](#) or by calling ext. 6-4849 (SLO-4TIX). For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).



### **March 11 Training on New Evaluation Process**

Human Resources and the CSU Employee Union will conduct an overview of the new employee evaluation process from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 11, in the Advanced Technology Laboratories (Building 7), Room 1. Attendance is subject to departmental staffing needs. For more information, contact Human Resources at ext. 6-7232.

### **Mental Health First Aid and Suicide Intervention Workshops to be Held in March**

Counseling Services will offer trainings to educate the campus community about how to respond to a mental health crisis. Mental Health First Aid will help attendees recognize the signs of addiction and mental illnesses, implement a five-step action plan to assess a situation and provide help, understand the impact of mental and substance use disorders, and identify local resources. The course will be delivered in two sessions on two successive days:

- from 12:30 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, and Thursday, March 12;
- from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday, March 16, and Tuesday, March 17;
- and from 12:30 to 5 p.m. Monday, March 16, and Tuesday, March 17.

Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) is an intensive, interactive and practice-dominated course designed to help people recognize risk and learn how to intervene to prevent the immediate risk of suicide. ASIST will be offered from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 18, and Thursday, March 19.

Reservations are required. Attendees must attend both days of each respective training. For more information, contact Hannah Roberts, community prevention and intervention coordinator, at [hrober02@calpoly.edu](mailto:hrober02@calpoly.edu).

### **Open Forum for Year-End Planning set for March 13**

The Administration & Finance Business Connection (ABC) will present information and timelines on year-end close planning from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 13, in the Baker Center (Building 180), Room 101. The session is important for faculty and staff who are responsible for managing departmental budgets on behalf of the university, Cal Poly Corporation or Cal Poly Foundation. Topics will include:

- year-end close planning and timeline;
- expenditure transfers – payroll and non-payroll;
- budget transfers;
- release time;
- cash posting orders (CPO);
- and software purchases and annual reporting;

Most of the presentation will be a review for those who have been involved in prior year-end close processes. New information for the 2015 year-end close will include:

- 2015 timeline;
- and changes for University Campus Programs now being processed in PeopleSoft.

For more information, contact Dawn Rudder at [drudder@calpoly.edu](mailto:drudder@calpoly.edu) or ext. 6-5871.

### **Chemistry Department Hosts Pi Day Lecture on Science Policy**

Katy Christiansen, a strategic analyst at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL), will present the annual Pi Day lecture titled "Money Is Policy, or How New Research Initiatives Are Born" from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, March 14, in the Baker Center (Building 180), Room 114, on the Cal Poly campus. The event is free and open to the public. Christiansen will share her experience transitioning from a career as a research scientist to a science policy position with the U.S. Department of Energy. She will discuss what happens once Congress appropriates funds to agencies, how policy is implemented at the ground level, and how her experience with policy helps shape research programs at LBNL. Pi Day is recognized each year on March 14 (3/14), the day associated with the mathematical constant pi ( $\pi$ ), since 3.14 are the first three digits of pi in decimal form. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly News website](#).

### **OCOB Provides Free Tax Preparation Services to Low-Income Filers through March 14**

The Orfalea College of Business is sponsoring a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) clinic to provide free tax return preparation assistance for individuals and families with annual incomes less than \$53,000. Cal Poly students and faculty will host the last Saturday clinic from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 14. Clinics will be held in the Business Building (No. 3), at the Business and Career OneStop of Five Cities in Grover Beach, and at Allan Hancock College in Santa Maria. Nearly 100 IRS-certified accounting students will prepare tax returns, including forms 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, 540, 540A, 540EZ and some supporting forms. The returns will be reviewed by volunteer CPAs and faculty from the Orfalea College of Business. For clinic times and locations, visit the [VITA website](#).

### **Estate Planning Seminar to be Held March 18**

Human Resources will offer a seminar on estate planning Wednesday, March 18. The seminar will be held three times, from 11 a.m. to noon, noon to 1 p.m., and 4 to 5 p.m. in UU 218. It will be presented by Michael Barragan, financial advisor with Valic, one of the five CSU-sponsored vendors. The seminar will help attendees plan for unanticipated disabilities or injuries and arrange for the distribution of assets at death.





Estate planning is important for everyone – not just the wealthy, retired or elderly. Good estate planning often means more to families with modest assets because they can least afford any losses. To register, go to the [Valic website](#) and use registration code 4116SAN11AA.

### Seminar on Savings Plus to be Held Three Times on March 19

Human Resources will present a financial planning workshop from Savings Plus. The same 45-minute workshop will be held at 11 a.m., and 12:30 and 3 p.m. Thursday, March 19, in UU 216. The workshop, titled "Put Savings Plus to Work For You," demonstrates the benefits of saving for retirement, how Savings Plus can help you reach your financial goals, and details about how to enroll, invest and prepare if you are near retirement. The Savings Plus program is a long-term savings program designed by the state of California to supplement employee retirement income. There are two deferred compensation plans available for eligible employees: 401k and 457 plans. Both plans offer convenient payroll deductions on a pre-tax or after-tax basis, and other benefits. To be eligible to enroll, employees must be a state CalPERS member. Attendance is subject to supervisory approval and based on departmental operational needs. To register, call 805-459-2005, email [ralph.hoskins@aonhewitt.com](mailto:ralph.hoskins@aonhewitt.com), or visit the [Savings Plus Program website](#). For complex financial planning guidance, one-on-one appointments are also available.

### Workshop on Rangeland Management to be Held March 21

The Center for Sustainability in the College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences will hold a free public workshop on rangeland and soil management with Soil Carbon Coalition founder Peter Donovan at Cal Poly's Cheda Ranch from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 21. The daylong workshop is designed to teach participants about the tools of rangeland management, including soil health, diversity of plant species, grazing practices and the importance of electric fencing. It is not necessary to register to attend the



workshop; however, lunch reservations are required. Those interested can order a barbecue tri-tip or vegetarian chili meal for \$10. Make reservations by Monday, March 16, by contacting the Center for Sustainability at ext. 6-5086 or [cfs@calpoly.edu](mailto:cfs@calpoly.edu).

### Information Session on Retirement and Medicare to be Held March 25

Human Resources has partnered with the Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program, a local nonprofit organization, to provide an information session on retirement and Medicare. Spouses and partners are welcome to attend. The session will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 25, in the Kennedy Library, Room 202A. Attendance is subject to supervisory approval and based on departmental operational needs. Space is limited. To reserve a seat, contact Human Resources at [humanresources@calpoly.edu](mailto:humanresources@calpoly.edu) or ext. 6-5436.

## Inaugural Inclusive Excellence Week to be Held May 8-16



The Office of University Diversity & Inclusivity announced the inaugural Inclusive Excellence Week, formerly the Diversity Colloquium, the week of May 8-16. The week will include programs and events that bring awareness to many aspects of diversity, in an effort to foster a welcoming and inclusive campus climate for faculty, staff and students. Events will feature speakers and performances sponsored by departments across campus. To sponsor an event or program, contact Annie Holmes at [diversity@calpoly.edu](mailto:diversity@calpoly.edu).

## Campus Administrative Policies Update

Cal Poly is continuing a comprehensive review of Campus Administrative Policies (CAP), replacing the Campus Administrative Manual. For more information on CAP and draft policies, go to the [CAP Web page](#).

## Have Extra Intra-Campus Envelopes?

Distribution Services redistributes intra-campus envelopes. If your department has envelopes that are not being used, Distribution Services asks you to bundle them and leave them with the regular mail drop. They will be picked up during a regular mail run.

## Cal Poly Strawberries Available Locally

The juicy, heart-shaped fruit grown by the Cal Poly Strawberry Sustainability Research & Education Center is available at Vons in San Luis Obispo, an edible example of Learn by Doing. The berries are also available at multiple locations around campus, including the twice-weekly farm stand, and as part of the salad bar at the Red Radish restaurant in the UU.



## Bella Montana Faculty and Staff Housing Community

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

## Events

### Cal Poly Arts Brings 'Nice Work If You Can Get It' to Cohan Center on March 11

"Nice Work If You Can Get It" is a madcap Broadway musical that combines laughter, romance and high-stepping dance in a performance at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, in the Cohan Center. A free pre-show lecture will be held at 6:30 p.m. The 1920s-era feel-good musical is complete with extravagant dance numbers, glittering costumes and classic Gershwin hits, including "Let's Call the Whole Thing Off," "Someone to Watch Over Me," and "Who Could Ask for Anything More." For more information, visit the [Cal Poly Arts website](#).

### Engineering Night for Families to be Held on March 13

Engineering Night will be held from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, March 13, in the Engineering Plaza and the Advanced Technology Laboratories (Building 7). Engineering Night is a free outreach event geared toward children in grades 3 to 8 and their families. Visitors will participate in hands-on engineering activities designed by first-year mechanical engineering students. The event is open to the public. For additional information, contact the Mechanical Engineering Department at ext. 6-1334.

### University Jazz Bands to Perform 'Just Jazz' March 13



Cal Poly's jazz bands will display the innovation of jazz and its tradition during the "Just Jazz" concert at 8 p.m. Friday, March 13, in the Spanos Theatre on campus. The concert will feature the best student jazz musicians at Cal Poly in two big bands and two jazz combos. The big bands' "wall of sound" comes from four trumpets, four trombones, five saxophones, a rhythm section and vocalist. Selections will include traditional swing dance music, blues, Latin jazz and funk. Student compositions will also be highlighted.

Tickets are available online at the [Cal Poly Ticket Office](#) or by calling ext. 6-4849 (SLO-4TIX). Discounts are offered to patrons who purchase tickets to four or more events. For more information, call the Music Department at ext. 6-2406.

### University Art Gallery to Feature Interactive Exhibit Ends March 13

The University Art Gallery exhibition, "Making Space for Free-Play," an interactive and collaborative installation by internationally renowned artist Sheila Pepe and Cal Poly students, ends March 13. "Making Space for Free-Play" creates a place for inspiration and exploration between Pepe and the student participants. Much of the gallery space will be empty when the show opens. The student-audience-turned-participants have transformed the space with new pieces during the course of the show.



### Hawaiian Music Group to Perform on March 14

Cal Poly Arts will host Hawaiian music group Hapa at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 14, in the Spanos Theatre. The group features guitarist Barry Flanagan and lead singer Kapono Na'ili'ili in a mellow fusion of traditional Hawaiian sound and folksy rock combined with harmonies and fluid guitar. Faculty and staff can get a 20 percent discount by selecting the student option when purchasing tickets. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly Arts website](#).

### Stage Tribute to the Beatles set for March 16 in Cohan Center

The multimedia spectacular, "Rain: A Tribute to the Beatles," is a musical journey through the life and times of the world's most celebrated band. The theatrical event will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 16, in the Cohan Center and is filled with classic Beatles hits, including "I Want To Hold Your Hand," "Hard Day's Night," "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band," "Let It Be," "Come Together," "Hey Jude," and many more. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly Arts website](#).

### Music of Nat King Cole to be Performed on March 19

Master pianist Ramsey Lewis and guitarist/vocalist John Pizzarelli will pay homage to Nat King Cole at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 19, in the Cohan Center. A free pre-show lecture led by Music Professor Paul Rinzler will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Pavilion. With a smoky sound and smooth vocals, King Cole spawned a string of solid hits including "Unforgettable," "Smile," "Nature Boy" and "Route 66." Lewis and Pizzarelli have crafted a tribute to the titan of 1950s vocal pop, his hits and those singular tracks of sophisticated cool jazz that have influenced their own careers. Faculty and staff can get a 20 percent discount by selecting the student option when purchasing tickets. For more information, visit the [Cal Poly Arts website](#).

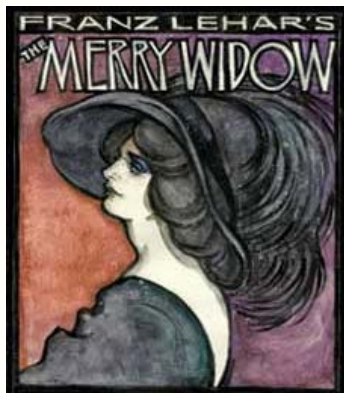
### 2Cellos to Appear March 21 on PAC's Main Stage

Cal Poly Arts will present 2Cellos at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 21, in the Performing Arts Center's Cohan Center. The Croatia cellists have achieved international visibility with an innovative, passionate style that re-imagines music for the cello. Tickets for the Internet and YouTube sensations are \$28.80-\$48, available at the [Cal Poly Ticket Office](#).

#### **Celtic Musical Group to Perform March 27 at Spanos Theatre**

The Celtic group Altan will bring a mix of their Irish homeland and American bluegrass at 8 p.m. Friday, March 27, in the Spanos Theatre. Their musical offerings range from touching Irish ballads to hard-hitting reels and jigs, bringing the beauty of traditional Irish music to contemporary audiences. Tickets are \$30.40-\$38, available at the [Cal Poly Ticket Office](#).

#### **Students Team Up with Opera San Luis Obispo in 'The Merry Widow' April 10-11**



Cal Poly Student Opera Theatre (CPSOT) and Opera San Luis Obispo (OperaSLO) are partnering in opera education to present Franz Lehar's romantic operetta "The Merry Widow" at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 10 and 11, in Spanos Theatre. In the co-opera productions, students sing lead, comprimario and ensemble roles; half the orchestra members are students; and the dancers, chorus, stage managers, assistant director, assistant producer, makeup, costume designers and stage craftsmen are students. "The Merry Widow" enables all CPSOT singers to be on stage, rather than a select few. The opera will be conducted by

Music Professor David Arrivé. Bay Area opera performer and director Ross Halper, known affectionately as "opera's mad genius," directs and stars in the production. Tickets are available at the [Cal Poly Ticket Office](#) or by calling 805-756-4849. For more information, visit the [Music Department website](#).

#### **Poly Royal Rodeo to Ride Again April 17-18**

The 75th annual Poly Royal Rodeo will be held during Open House. Gates open at 6 p.m. Friday, April 17, and at 5 p.m. Saturday, April 18. Fun for the whole family, the event will feature performances by eight teams, including Cal Poly's winning rodeo team, which has earned 44 national titles since 1986. General admission tickets are \$10; children 5 and under are free. Tickets can be purchased through the [Cal Poly Ticket Office](#).



#### **Athletics**

For an overview of last week's action, upcoming competition, up-to-date sports information, photos and videos, visit [gopoly.com](#). Students always get in free. Faculty and staff discounts available.

#### **Job Vacancies**

##### **Employment Opportunities**

The complete listing of staff and management vacancies is posted on the [Cal Poly Jobs website](#). To apply, go online and complete the application form. For assistance, call Human Resources at ext. 6-2236.

**#103579 – Instructional Shops Manager** (Administrator I), College of Architecture & Environmental Design. Salary commensurate with background and experience. Anticipated hiring range: \$4,500-\$7,200 per month. Open until

filled. Review begins March 31.

**#103578 – Farm Maintenance Mechanic**, College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences, Agricultural Operations. \$4,863-\$6,279 per month. Open until filled. Review begins March 17.

#### Faculty Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit the [Cal Poly Jobs website](#) 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.

#### CAFES

**#103536 – Full-Time 12-mo. Lecturer and Supervisor in Winemaking**, Wine & Viticulture Department, College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences, ext. 6-7308. Review begins March 31.

#### 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. All positions have excellent benefits, including medical, dental, vision, life insurance, retirement, paid sick leave/vacation and holidays. To view job postings and/or apply, visit the [Corporation website](#). For assistance, contact Human Resources at ext. 6-1121.

**Accounts Payable Supervisor**, Finance & Accounting, \$19.39-28.10 per hour.

**Accounts Payable Clerk I**, Finance & Accounting, \$13.43-\$19.50 per hour.

**Employee Development Specialist**, Human Resources, \$41,002-\$64,220 per year.

**Accounting Manager**, Campus Dining, \$54,912-\$79,560 per year.

**Assistant Supervisor (10-month)**, Campus Dining, \$10.54-\$15.28 per hour.

**Custodian (10-month)**, Campus Dining, \$13.37-\$20.07 per hour.

#### ASI Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit the [ASI website](#) to complete an ASI application and apply for positions listed below. For more information, visit the ASI Business Office in UU 212 or call ext. 6-5800.

There are no new openings at this time.

