Leadership Recognized

Centennial Homecoming Honors Alumni

Cal Poly’s six colleges and the University Center for Teacher Education named their Honored Alumni – all leaders in their fields with close ties to the university – during “A Centennial Homecoming” 2001, and the Cal Poly Alumni Association (CPAA) awarded its Distinguished Service Award. Honorees were:

College of Agriculture (CAGR)
George P. Foster (PI '69), the owner of Foster Farms, and his wife, Sue, a Cal Poly alumna, are strong supporters of CAGR programs, contributing to the college’s poultry science programs, student scholarships, and studio computer classrooms. Foster is a member of the CAGR Dean’s Advisory Council and a member of the Animal Science Department Advisory Council since 2000.

College of Architecture and Environmental Design (CAED)
Emanuele Barelli (ARCH ’70) is a principal with BB&L Associates Inc., where he is responsible for technical supervision and production of all projects. He has overseen a wide variety of institutional, commercial, industrial, and residential projects. He is president of the CAED Foundation and serves as a member of the college’s Dean’s Advisory Council and the Cal Poly Alumni Association board of directors.

Orfalea College of Business (OCOB)
Michael W. Deisenroth (BUS ’76) started his own company, Comlink Marketing, in 1995, focusing on data networking products, and currently serves there as a technical consultant. He is working with SBC Communications – PacBell’s parent company – as a business analyst on new product methods and procedures. He serves on the OCOB Campaign Committee, and he and his wife, Sue (BIO ’76), are strong supporters of Cal Poly.

College of Engineering (CENG)
Paul R. Bonderson Jr. (EE ’75) has more than 20 years of industry experience at Sun Microsystems, Data System Design, and Intel, and is co-founder and vice president of engineering for Brocade Communications Systems Inc., a leading supplier of open fiber channel...
fabric systems. He serves on the CENG Dean’s Advisory Council and Centennial Campaign Committee, and his recent commitment of $6 million is enabling the college to build a new engineering student projects center.

**College of Liberal Arts (CLA)**

Margie H. “Peggy” Peterson (SOC '59, M.A. ED '65) received the first Cal Poly President’s Arts Award in 1988. She and her husband, Gerry, a retired Cal Poly electronics teacher, have served the arts community with volunteer work and financial contributions. They have been involved with the San Luis Obispo Symphony, the Symphony Guild, Cal Poly Arts, the Vocal Arts Ensemble, and the Cuesta Master Chorale. She currently serves as a member of the CLA Advisory Board.

**College of Science and Mathematics (COSAM)**

L. Byron Culver (PE '50) was the athletics director and varsity football coach at Imperial High School. In 1957 he became president of Culver Farms Inc., a diversified farming and cattle operation that he sold in 1971. In 1958 he formed Culver Enterprises Inc., a private holding company that owned and managed commercial real estate properties until 1978. In 1971 he founded Culver & Associates Inc., a real estate brokerage firm in Rancho Santa Fe, where he is currently president.

**University Center for Teacher Education (UCTE)**

Don M. Morris (PE '52, M.S. PE '59) volunteered for a Navy pilot tour of duty before returning to Cal Poly to earn his master’s degree. A longtime Cal Poly professor, he also filled a variety of administrative positions, including dean of extended education. In 1990 he retired from the U.S. Navy Reserves after 40 years, with the rank of commander. He was inducted into Cal Poly’s Athletic Hall of Fame and serves on the Cal Poly Alumni Association board of directors. He and his wife, Jean, have established endowments in UCTE, the Kinesiology Department, and Intercollegiate Athletics.

**CPAA Distinguished Service Award Recipient**

Everett M. Chandler was an administrative analyst for the California State Personnel Board from 1940 to 1941. After four years in the U.S. Army Air Corps, he worked for the state of California as a management analyst. The job led to his post as dean of students at Cal Poly from 1951 to 1978. Although retired, he maintains strong ties to Cal Poly and supports the Athletics and Ethnic Studies programs.