Grad, ag advocate George Soares to speak at June 13 commencement

Cal Poly grad and nationally recognized advocate for agriculture George H. Soares will give the featured address at the 1992 Spring Commencement ceremonies on Saturday, June 13, in Mustang Stadium.

Two ceremonies will be held: one at 10 am for the University Center for Teacher Education and the schools of Architecture and Environmental Design, Business, Professional Studies, and Science and Mathematics, the second at 4 pm for the schools of Agriculture, Engineering and Liberal Arts.

A total of about 3,500 degrees — about 3,300 bachelor’s, 200 master’s — and a dozen or so technical certificates are to be symbolically conferred. Approximately 2,700 candidates and as many as 27,000 relatives and friends are expected to attend one of the two ceremonies.

Soares, a member of the Class of 1966, is both an attorney and a dairyman. He is a founding partner in the law firm of Kahn, Soares & Conway, a firm particularly well known for its expertise in agricultural, environmental, water, business and administrative law, as well as in governmental relations. The firm has offices in Sacramento, Hanford, Visalia, and Washington, D.C.

At the same time, he, his wife, and their three sons own and operate a dairy in Hanford.

Among Soares’ legal clients are a large number of agriculture-related groups. On their behalf, he appears regularly before the California Legislature and numerous state and federal agencies.

In 1972, while he was earning his law degree at the University of the Pacific, he became principal consultant to the State Assembly Committee on Agriculture. Serving in that role through 1978, he wrote many of the state laws now regulating pesticides and the marketing of agricultural commodities.

Soares earned his bachelor’s degree at Cal Poly in 1966, majoring in agricultural business management with an emphasis in agricultural economics, food processing and animal science. He was student body president during his senior year.

The recipient of numerous awards and appointments, Soares has served on the Cal Poly Foundation’s Board of Directors since 1981, was chosen the School of Agriculture Alumnus of the Year in 1987, and was elected to the Agricultural Education Foundation Board of Directors in 1990.

After the ceremonies, the individual schools will hold receptions for candidates, family members and others at various locations around the campus.

Forum scheduled for Idaho applicant

Dr. Darlene Bailey, associate director of athletics at the University of Idaho, is scheduled to interview for Cal Poly’s director of athletics position on Monday and Tuesday.

An open forum will be held in Staff Dining Room B on Monday from 3:15 to 4 pm to meet with interested faculty and staff members, students, boosters, and alumni. Bailey will make a brief presentation and answer questions.

Koberg recognized for 30 years’ service

Second in a series of profiles of 1992 Service Award recipients.

Donald J. Koberg has been a member of the architecture faculty since 1962. He served as department head from 1982 to 1984.

A recipient of the 1982-83 Distinguished Teaching Award, he was also the campus nominee for the statewide Outstanding Professor award in 1984.

One of Koberg’s special interests is an early-morning course in creative problem-solving known as “Breakfast of Champions.”

Koberg’s book “The Universal Traveler,” now in its eighth edition, has brought him both kudos and complaints. One memorable letter to a Cal Poly vice president called the book the product of the devil. Koberg was dubbed Cal Poly’s first “resident warlock.”

San Luis Obispo residents have Koberg to thank for founding the infamous annual Mardi Gras festival.
Open class & section info now on line

Information on which courses and sections are open is becoming available to students and anyone else through the university's computer systems. When the service is fully operational, the open class data will be available 24 hours a day. It will be updated hourly when CAPTURE is active and should save time for students looking for available classes.

The 'Open Class List' option can be accessed on the Cal Poly News Network (CPNN) from any terminal in a campus computer lab or through an AIX or PROFS account. Instructions have been sent to department heads and deans' offices. The academic and administrative computing offices ask faculty and staff members to help pass the word to students.

Herbert H. Burlingham

Herbert Hopkins Burlingham, 85, died May 23.

Burlingham came to Cal Poly in 1948. He established the department of agricultural education and served as its chairman until his retirement in 1972.

His avocations included history and genealogy. He was a member of the San Luis Obispo County Historical Society and Friends of the Library.

Equipment donated to Food Science

California Custom Food Machinery recently donated $68,000 worth of process-food equipment to the Food Science and Nutrition Department, including a process swept-surface kettle, process pumps, and homogenizing equipment for preparing food emulsions such as salad dressings and fruit-juice-based beverages.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 4
Recital: Spring Quarter Student Recital. Davidson Music Bldg. 218, 11 am.

FRIDAY, JUNE 5
Film: Wayne's World, Chumash, 5 pm. ($)
Concert: Cal Poly Combined Choirs.
Spring Spectacular. Mt. Carmel Luthern Church, 8 pm. ($)

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

Who, What, Where, When


Jo Ann Wheatley, Crop Science, has had an invited talk, 'The Role of Biological Control at Cal Poly' published in the Proceedings of the California Agricultural Commissioners Association (November 1991). Wheatley also participated in a panel discussion that included Henry Voss, director, California Department of Food and Agriculture. Graduate students in Wheatley's Biological Control course displayed posters at the meeting.

Donald P. Grant, Architecture, is one of the three organizers of a NATO Advanced Research Workshop on Design Methodology, to be held at Eindhoven Technical University in the Netherlands in December. Participants will include designers from Poland, the former USSR and other Eastern European countries.


Kevin Clark, English, has recently had three poems accepted for publication: "Dependents" (about the psychology of faith) will appear in The Antioch Review, "The Price" (about the American culture of violence) will appear in The Denver Quarterly, and "A Final Version" (about the dissolution of a love relationship) will appear in Cafe Solo. In February Clark gave a reading of his poetry at the Twentieth Century Literature Conference, where he also presented a paper, "Postmodern Fragments Against Her Ruins: Brenda Hillman Rewrites 'The Waste Land.'"

Bill Kellogg, Agricultural Education, was the guest speaker at Paso Robles High School's annual Honor Roll Banquet attended by 500 students and parents.

Gary Field, Graphic Communication, recently judged the quality and production techniques of work produced on Scitex image processing systems in a contest sponsored by the Scitex Graphic Arts Users Association in Boston.

Joe Montecalvo, Food Science and Nutrition, has been selected as Cal Poly's representative to the USDA to plan, develop, and implement strategies to accelerate the use of agricultural materials in value-added industrial products.

J. Kelly Moreno, Psychology and Human Development, and graduate student Alyson Ramirez-Talley, presented a paper, "Pregroup Preparation: The Pregroup Interview," at the April meeting of the Western Psychological Association in Portland.

Roger Osbaldeston, Landscape Architecture, recently played the part of Abraham in an Easter Vigil service at the San Luis Obispo mission.

CPR schedule

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