Woman judge to give commencement talk

Teresa Estrada-Mullaney, the first woman judge in San Luis Obispo County, will give the featured address at Fall Commencement ceremonies Saturday, Dec. 11.

Known for her efforts on behalf of victims of crime, Judge Estrada-Mullaney was presented the 1991 Governor’s Award for Public Safety. She is perhaps best known for a landmark case in which she introduced DNA evidence against a defendant accused of sexual assault.

After earning a bachelor’s degree from Loyola Marymount University and Juris Doctor from UCLA, she became the first minority female deputy district attorney in Orange County. Two years later, she broke the same ground in SLO County.

Estrada-Mullaney attaches special significance to the term “role model.” Yearly, she visits schools to encourage youth to reach for lofty goals. She visits an elderly woman as a “caring caller.” And she has been recognized by the Girl Scouts and Cuesta College as a Woman of Distinction for her community involvement.

A total of about 1,080 degrees — 1,026 bachelors, 52 master’s and 2 technical certificates — are to be symbolically conferred at the two ceremonies. Degrees from the colleges of Business, Engineering, and Science and Mathematics and the University Center for Teacher Education will be conferred at the 9:30 am ceremony. The ceremony for the colleges of Agriculture, Architecture and Environmental Design, and Liberal Arts will be at 2 pm.

Faculty members are invited to march with their college. Those participating should meet — in appropriate academic regalia — on the west side of the Recreation Center, and be ready to march by 9 for the morning ceremony or 1:30 for the afternoon.

Participants don’t need a ticket for admission to the Rec Center and are eligible for one guest ticket. Notify your college dean’s office if you will be participating and need a guest ticket.

Medal of Excellence goes to Al Smith

Alumnus Albert B. Smith has been named the first recipient of Cal Poly’s President’s Medal of Excellence in recognition of his extraordinary contributions to the university and its College of Agriculture.

The award will be presented to Smith, who received a bachelor’s degree in crop science in 1944 and a master’s degree in agricultural education in 1956, at the afternoon Winter Commencement ceremony on Dec. 11.

Smith’s involvement in the university and in the College of Agriculture is extensive. In 1987, he made his 3,200-acre Swanton Pacific Ranch near Santa Cruz available to Cal Poly students as a living laboratory. Students from many disciplines receive hands-on experience working on its 1,900 acres of range land, 1,000 acres of timber and 150 acres of cropland, and three to 10 students a quarter live on the ranch. It is Smith’s intent to eventually give Swanton Pacific to Cal Poly so that it will be kept as a working ranch.

Over the years, Smith has donated more than $2.5 million to the university. This includes an initial endowed fund in 1981 of approximately $80,000 to enhance agriculture programs, a 1987 $1 million gift of W.R. Grace stock to create an endowment to finance the ranch operations and provide grants for student research, and, in 1991, another $1 million in stock and some land to build an academic facility on the ranch. This building will make it possible for a larger number of students to live there and take general education classes via the university’s distance-learning capabilities.

In addition, Smith has underwritten the salary of a crop science professor in charge of the academic programs on the ranch, was the first person to pledge financial support to the College of Agriculture’s capital campaign fund, serves on the college’s advisory council and is a charter member of the President’s Round Table.

In 1988, Smith was named the honored alumnus from the College of Agriculture.

Kennedy Library to close for holiday

The Kennedy Library will close for the holidays at 5 pm Wednesday, Dec. 22, and will reopen Monday, Jan. 3.

Faculty members who need library materials during the holidays should make arrangements with the dean’s office, ext. 2345, by Dec. 22.

Polycat, the online catalog, will be closed Thursday, Dec. 23, through Monday, Jan. 3.

SESLOC to close during holidays

SESLOC’s campus branch of will be closed Thursday, Dec. 23, through Monday, Jan. 3.

SESLOC’s main office on Los Osos Valley Road will be closed Friday, Dec. 24, and Monday, Jan. 3.

For more information, call 543-1816.
O.H. schedules holiday open house

The Ornamental Horticulture Department’s Christmas Open House will be from 10 am to 6 pm today (Dec. 2) at the Cal Poly Plant Shop. Everyone is invited to stop by for some refreshments and see the Christmas decoration workshops in session. For more information, call ext. 1106.

Bay Area poet to read Dec. 3

San Francisco Bay-area poet Chitra Divakaruni will read from her work at 7 pm Friday, Dec. 3, in Room 111 of the Business Building.


For more information, call Mary Kay Harrington in the Writing Skills office at ext. 2067.

Cal Poly Choirs to sing Dec. 3-4

The Cal Poly Choirs are planning their Christmas Celebration concert Friday and Saturday, Dec. 3-4. The Dec. 3 concert will be at 8 pm at the Atascadero Bible Church at 6225 Atascadero Mall St. On Dec. 4, the choirs will present two concerts — at 3 pm and 8 pm, both at the First Baptist Church of San Luis Obispo, 2075 Johnson Ave.

Contemporary carols and traditional favorites will be performed by the University Singers, Men’s and Women’s Choir and Poly-Phonics. Music professor Thomas Davies will conduct the choirs, and Susan Azaret Davies, also of the Music Department, will accompany the singers.

Tickets are $7.50 for the public and $4.50 for students and senior citizens. For reservations, call the Theatre Ticket Office at ext. 1421.

Vanpool campaign continues this month

The “Try the Van” campaign has been extended through December. Faculty and staff members who want to try one of Cal Poly’s vanpools for free should contact Commuter Services at ext. 6680 for a pass. Cal Poly has 10 vans in operation, including a new Arroyo Grande 8 am to 5 pm van. For a list of cities served and hours of operation, call ext. 6680.

Women’s Club plans Holiday Gala

The Cal Poly Women’s Club is planning a Holiday Gala at 6 pm, Saturday, Dec. 11, at the Vista Grande Cafeteria. Entertainment will be provided by the Street Corner Symphony.

For more information or reservations, call Imelda Gentile at 549-9249.

Holiday Toy Drive now under way

The annual Holiday Toy Drive, coordinated by Cal Poly’s Community Service Center, offers an opportunity for students, faculty and staff members to fulfill the wishes of children in low-income housing units. Anyone interested in participating should call Erica Brown at ext. 2476 or Sam Lutrin, ext. 5839.

Dec. 3 deadline for luncheon tickets

Friday, Dec. 3, is the last day to buy tickets to the Administration and Finance Division’s annual Holiday Luncheon, to be held Wednesday, Dec. 8. For tickets or information, call Elaine Simer at ext. 2234.

Celtic holiday music to be played Dec. 14

Boys of the Lough (pronounced “lock”) will bring Celtic holiday folk music to the Cal Poly Theatre at 8 pm Tuesday, Dec. 14, as part of the Cal Poly Arts World Music and Dance Series.

Playing penny whistles, uillean pipes (similar to bagpipes), mandolins, guitars, fiddles and citterns (a guitar-like instrument), the five musicians will perform Irish folk songs, gigs and melodies in celebration of Christmas. They will also play a number of traditional tunes from Scotland, England, Finland and Canada.

Because the concert is expected to sell out quickly, early reservations are recommended. Tickets are $15 and $13 for the public and $13 and $11 for students and senior citizens.

For reservations, call the 24-hour Anytime ArtsLine at ext. 1421. Tickets can also be bought at the Theatre Ticket Office.

CPR holiday schedule

One additional issue of Cal Poly Report will be printed in December (Dec. 9).

The first issue of Winter Quarter will be Jan. 6. All copy must be in the Communications office, Heron Hall 208, a week before you’d like it to appear. Please send typed, double-spaced copy on paper if time allows. Last-minute submittals can be faxed to 6533. If you have questions, call ext. 1511.
Exploring Internet topic of telecast

"Explore Internet ... by Satellite" is the title of a live satellite telecast from 9 to 11:30 am today (Dec. 2) in Room 13 of the Education Building. The program can also be viewed on channel 18 on classroom monitors that are hooked up to ATV.

The latest and fastest growing information network in the world, Internet has more than 5 million users in more than 110 countries. The video teleconference is designed to show librarians, professors and information specialists how Internet can be used to improve information access and communicate with colleagues around the world. A variety of experts will be on hand to answer such questions as:

- What is Internet?
- What equipment is needed to access it?
- How does it work?
- How to "navigate" Internet.
- How can Internet be used for e-mail?
- What is File Transfer Protocol (FTP)?
- What resources can be accessed by Telnet?
- How do Gopher, Archie, and WAIS help navigate the Internet?
- How is Internet used for networking, reference services, and research?

For more information, call Audio-visual Services at ext. 2215.

Foundation board to meet Dec. 3

The Foundation Board of Directors will hold a regular meeting on Friday, Dec. 3, at 9:30 am in the Foundation Administration Building, Conference Room 124. This is a public meeting. For more information or to obtain a copy of the agenda, contact Al Amaral, foundation executive director, at ext. 1131. A copy of the agenda packet is available at the Kennedy Library Reserve Desk and the Academic Senate Office, Mathematics and Home Economics 143.

Service-learning videotape available

A videotape of the national teleconference "Linking Service and Learning" is available for viewing to interested faculty and staff members. The tape explores the value of experiential education and how increased national interest in community service invites creativity in the classroom. For a copy of the videotape, call Sam Lutrin in Student Life and Activities at ext. 5839.

 Phi Beta Delta elects officers

Cal Poly's chapter of Phi Beta Delta, the Honor Society for International Scholars, has elected the following officers for 1993-94: Barbara Mori, Social Sciences, president; Barbara Andre, International Programs, vice president; Don Floyd, Social Sciences, secretary-treasurer; Walt Tryon, Landscape Architecture, chapter coordinator; William Little, Foreign Languages, college liaison; Habib Sheik, English, social activities; Barbara Cook, Social Sciences, membership chair.

Phi Beta Delta is dedicated to promoting international exchanges and recognizing achievement in the work of students and scholars throughout the country. Former members can update their membership by sending a $5 check to secretary-treasurer Floyd by Dec. 31. Others interested in joining should call Cook at ext. 1322.

Winter and Spring Quarter events include a panel discussion on Nigeria and guest speakers.

SLO County history revealed in new book

A new book depicting life in San Luis Obispo County more than 120 years ago is available from the Cal Poly Library Associates. "A Vast Pastoral Domain: San Luis Obispo County in the 1870s" is a reproduction of two articles written in the 19th century for national publication. Neither article has been available locally since its original publication.

The first article, "Tropical California," was written by journalist Josephine Clifford. Published in the magazine Overland Monthly in October 1871, the story chronicles the author's travels in the county.

The second, De Guy Cooper's 1875 "History of San Luis Obispo County," was written to attract new residents to the county.

The introduction to the 128-page book was written by historian Robert Pavlik, chairman of the Library Associates for the past three years. Illustrations include original engravings of such local sites as Morro Rock, Mission San Luis Obispo de Tolosa, and Paso Robles Hot Springs.

The book costs $12.95 and can be bought on campus at the Special Collections Department in the Kennedy Library and El Corral bookstore. Cal Poly Downtown and selected bookstores throughout the county are also selling the book.

To order by mail, send a check for $14.95, which includes shipping and handling, to the Library Associates, Kennedy Library.

Cal Poly's Library Associates encourages support for the Kennedy Library and gives members a way to share their enthusiasm for books and other library materials. The group's support enables the library to add to its collections as well as enhance its services.

For more information, call the Special Collections Department at ext. 2305.
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  Telecast: Live satellite telecast, "Explore Internet." Education Bldg. 13, 9 am.
  Open House: Ornamental Horticulture's Christmas Open House. Cal Poly Plant Shop, 10 am-6 pm.

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  Reading: Chitra Divakaruni will read from her poems. Business Bldg. 111, 7 pm.
  Music: Cal Poly choirs' Christmas Celebration. Atascadero Bible Church, 8 pm. Also Saturday, Dec. 4, First Baptist Church, SLO, 3 pm and 8 am.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4
  Men's Basketball: Cal State Hayward, Mott Gym, 7:30 pm. ($)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11
  Commencement: Ceremonies for the colleges of Business, Engineering, Science and Math and master's programs are at 9:30 am; colleges of Agriculture, Architecture and Environmental Design, and Liberal Arts, 2 pm. Rec Center.
  Banquet: The Cal Poly Women's Club's Holiday Gala. Vista Grande Cafeteria, 6 pm.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13
  Men's Basketball: University of Montana, Mott Gym, 7:30 pm. ($)  

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14
  Music: Boys of the Lough will perform Celtic music. Cal Poly Arts' World Music and Dance series. Theatre, 8 pm. ($)  

Position Vacancies

Vacant staff positions at Cal Poly and the Cal Poly Foundation are announced in this column and are posted outside the respective offices. Contact those offices (State: Adm. 110, ext. 2236 — Foundation Administration Building, ext. 1121) for applications and additional position details. Both Cal Poly and the Foundation are subject to all laws governing affirmative action and equal employment opportunity. Cal Poly hires only individuals lawfully authorized to work in the United States. All eligible and interested persons are encouraged to apply. Applications must be received by 5 pm or postmarked by the closing date.

STATE
  CLOSING DATE: Dec. 8
  Clerical Assistant II, Public Safety Services. CANCELED.

CLOSING DATE: Dec. 15
  READVERTISEMENT:
  Building Service Engineer, $2856-$3281/month; temporary 12/14/93-4/14/94, shift work. Facility Services.
  Departmental Secretary II, $2680-$2463/month, Economics Dept.

CLOSING DATE: Dec. 22
  Department Secretary III, $2277-$2771/month. Chemistry.

Faculty vacancies

The university is seeking candidates for positions on the faculty. Those interested in learning more about the positions are invited to contact the appropriate dean or department head. Salaries for faculty are commensurate with qualifications and experience (and time base where applicable), unless otherwise stated. This university is subject to all laws governing affirmative action and equal employment opportunity including but not limited to Executive Order 11246 and Title IX of the Education Amendments Act and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Cal Poly hires only individuals lawfully authorized to work in the United States. All eligible and interested persons are encouraged to apply.

CLOSING DATE: Dec. 15 or until filled
  Head Football Coach, Intercollegiate Athletics Department, head coach classification, full-time, 12-month appointment. Duties involve directing all aspects of a Division I-AA program, including but not limited to: coaching, recruiting, public speaking, development, and other duties as assigned by the director of athletics. Undergraduate degree required, master's degree preferred. Commitment to academics and knowledge of NCAA rules necessary; coaching experience at the college level required. Head coaching experience preferred.

CLOSING DATE: Feb. 15 or until filled
  Assistant/Associate Professor, lecturer classification, both Computer Science, beginning Fall 1994. Duties include teaching core undergraduate curriculum as well as upper-division courses, and performing research in a mainstream area of computer science. Candidates must have strong commitment to teaching excellence, dedication to professional development, and broad-based knowledge of computer science. Ph.D. in computer science is required. Among equally qualified candidates, preference will be given to those specializing in distributed and parallel computing systems and to those with experience in design and implementation of large software projects. For the visiting position, preference will be given to applicants with a permanent affiliation with an accredited college or university.

CLOSING DATE: March 1
  Assistant/Associate/Full Professor, tenure-track, Economics, beginning Fall 1994 in the area of international economics, economic development, comparative economic systems. Requires teaching principles in economics or other courses as needed. Ph.D. is required at the time of appointment, as well as substantial record of publication and record of teaching excellence.

CLOSING DATE: March 1
  Dairy Products Technology Research Center, Director, tenure-track, full-time, 12-month position, assistant/associate/full professor rank, Dairy Science, at least 10% teaching, available July 1, 1994. Ph.D. in dairy food science or closely related field is required with administrative experience, successful record of obtaining research funds, industry and teaching experience.

Dairy Products Technology Research Center, two full-time tenure-track faculty positions, up to 90% research, 10% or more teaching, 12-month, Dairy Science, available July 1, 1994. Ph.D. in dairy food science, biochemistry, microbiology, engineering or closely related field required. Successful candidate will have a strong fundamental science background and a strong interest in addressing applied problems in dairy products technology within a center.