

## Staff invited to serve on university committees

Interested staff members (state, Foundation and ASI) are invited to submit an application to fill vacant positions on the following universitywide committees:

- Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee
- Campus Fee Advisory Committee
- Campus Safety and Risk Management Committee
- Information Competence Committee
- Status of Women Committee
- University Planning & Budget Advisory Committee
- University Committee on Committees

Please see form on page 8.

An appointment committee, chaired by Anna McDonald, director, Human Resources and Employment Equity, will

screen applications and forward recommendations to President Baker.

Candidates must submit a brief statement of interest, be in good standing (have satisfactory job performance), have their supervisor's endorsement, and be a permanent or probationary employee.

The committee will seek to achieve broad representation of the staff on university committees.

Anyone interested in serving on one of these committees should complete the form on page 8 in this *Cal Poly Report* and send it to Mikie Steineke in Human Resources by Wednesday, Sept. 30. For more information on the selection process, call Steineke at ext. 6-5427. □

## Cal Poly cookbook now on sale

Volume II of the Cal Poly Employees Favorite Recipes Cookbook is now on sale. The books are \$8.00 each. The proceeds will help pay for the Annual Holiday and Service Awards luncheons.

Books are available in the Payroll Office, Adm. 107. Contact Jeannine at ext. 6-5862 to reserve a copy. □



*PAC-bound: West Africa's Ballet National du Senegal. See page 2.*

## First class day conflicts with religious holiday

Rosh Hashanah, a high holy day marking the new year in the Jewish calendar, falls on Monday, Sept. 21, the first day of fall quarter classes.

Although state regulations do not allow a state university to designate any religious holiday other than Christmas (which does not occur during an instructional period) as an academic holiday, faculty are urged to support students whose "observance of Rosh Hashanah in the traditional manner might prohibit their attending the first day of classes," said Paul Zingg, provost and vice president for academic affairs.

Students inquiring about the conflict have been told to seek permission from their professors to be absent the first day of the quarter. However, since the uni-

## Virginia Poly administrator appointed vice provost

An administrator from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with more than 25 years of university experience has been appointed vice provost for academic programs and undergraduate education.

David Conn, special assistant to the provost and a professor in the College of Architecture and Urban Studies at the Blacksburg, Va., campus, will begin his duties on Jan. 1. Appointed by Provost Paul Zingg, Conn succeeds Glenn Irvin, who left Cal Poly in summer 1997 to serve as vice provost for academic affairs at Arizona State University West. Harvey Greenwald, who has been serving as the interim associate vice president since Irvin's departure, will continue in this capacity through the fall quarter.

"David Conn's exceptional professional accomplishments and his strong commitment to collegiality and collaboration underscore his unique qualifications for this position," Zingg said. "His leadership style, vision, and solid understanding of contemporary teaching and learning issues are quite impressive and will guide us in the review and development of our academic programs."

In his new position, Conn will have administrative oversight responsibilities for all academic programs, with special emphasis on undergraduate education. He will manage new program development, the honors and general education programs, and program review. He will also supervise efforts in support of instructional development and will be Cal Poly's primary liaison with outside accreditation agencies. In addition, he will oversee the Writing Skills Program and the Global Affairs office.

Conn began teaching at UCLA's School of Architecture and Urban Planning in 1972. In 1980 he took a teaching post with the College of Architecture and Urban Studies at Virginia Polytechnic, where he served as head of the Environmental Design and Planning Department from 1981 to 1994.

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## Halisky, Lant featured in PBS documentary

English Department Chair Linda Halisky and English professor Kathleen Margaret Lant are featured in a Public Broadcasting Service documentary that explores the practices, problems and promises of on-line higher education.

Halisky and Lant as well as some Cal Poly students appear in "net. LEARNING," an in-depth look at higher education in the digital age. The film is being offered to public television stations across the country beginning Tuesday, Sept. 8.

The program focuses on "asynchronous communication," so named because individual schedules do not have to be coordinated. Students can engage in discussions anytime, collaborate with their peers, and communicate with their professors via computers connected to the Internet.

The documentary looks at both the positive and negative aspects of distance learning and includes comments by both educators and students — some enthusiastic advocates of face-to-face teacher-student interaction, others who support "anytime, anywhere" on-line education.

Lant, who teaches American literature on-line, is passionate about the benefits of the new technology, benefits she hadn't considered before becoming fascinated with the possibilities of on-line education.

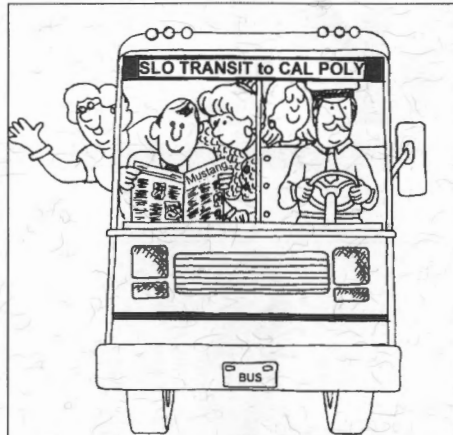
In the video she demonstrates how she involves her students in research previously unavailable.

Halisky is both supportive and critical of Lant's on-line teaching. Halisky argues for the give-and-take of the face-to-face classroom.

Professors at Drexel University in Philadelphia, Rio Salado Community College in Phoenix, Simon Fraser University in Vancouver and the New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark say they are reinventing their teaching methods and reaching more students than by traditional methods.

Other educators defend classroom teaching as the only true educational method.

The two-hour videotape is available to check out from the Kennedy Library's Resource and Curriculum Department. KCET in Los Angeles has not yet scheduled to broadcast the program. □



## Take the bus for free

Students, faculty, staff and emeritus employees can still take the San Luis Obispo city bus for free. The bus fares are fully subsidized by ASI and parking citation revenue from 1998-99.

City Bus Routes:

Route 5: Picks up at Vista Grande, UU, Graphic Arts, and the Stadium.

Route 4: Picks up at Graphic Arts and Mott Gym.

Route 1: Picks up at Ag Science and Mt. Bishop at Highland Drive.

For information, call Commuter Services, ext. 6-6680. □

## Instructor effectiveness course offered in fall

Don Maas of the University Center for Teacher Education will teach Maintaining Instructor Effectiveness: Techniques and Strategies for More Effective Teaching.

The seminar, open to faculty and staff, will be offered fall quarter on Tuesdays from 3 to 6 pm in Room 127 in the Education Building. The first class meeting will be Sept. 22.

The course emphasizes the practical applications of research to college teaching. Other topics include: which elements make instruction effective; how to motivate students; how to be sure students are learning; and how to get students to remember material taught.

Enrollment is limited. The seminar is free, but participants must buy the class booklet for \$8.26 at the first class. Checks should be made payable to El Corral.

To register, call Janice Engle at ext. 6-5935. For more information, call Maas at ext. 6-2587. □

## Senegalese ballet troupe to perform Sept. 23

The critically acclaimed Ballet National du Senegal, the premier traditional dance company of West Africa, will perform at 8 pm Wednesday, Sept. 23, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center's Cohan Center.

Dance professor Moon Ja Minn Suhr will give a pre-performance lecture at 7 pm in the center's Philips Hall.

Delivering high-energy performances that "soar above the stage," le Ballet National du Senegal's dancers, singers and musicians explore the spiritual relationship between man and his environment.

The New York Times called the group's energy "infectious, elegant and stylized."

The program music comes from drums and such traditional instruments as the kora, a 21-string melodic harp made from a large gourd, and the balafon, which resembles the marimba. The music is described as "the spine of the performance, bringing together dancers and musicians as well as performers and spectators."

Tickets to this Cal Poly Arts event cost \$18.50 to \$34 and can be bought at the Performing Arts Ticket Office from 10 am to 6 pm weekdays and from 10 am to 4 pm Saturdays. To order by phone, dial 6-ARTS (6-2787); to order by fax, dial 6-6088.

Information on Cal Poly Arts events, including audio and video samples of artists' work, can be found on the World Wide Web at [www.calpolyarts.org](http://www.calpolyarts.org). □

## Insurance open enrollment continues through Oct. 30

The annual open enrollment period for health and dental insurance, FlexCash, the Dependent Care program, and the Tax Advantage Premium Plan (TAPP) runs through Oct. 30.

Representatives from insurance carriers and other benefit program organizations, as well as staff members from the state and Foundation human resources offices, will be available to answer questions and process open enrollment forms at a Benefits Fair from 9 am to 1 pm Tuesday, Sept. 15, in UU 220. □

## 'Permaculture' program plans fall events

Cal Poly Permaculture, a College of Agriculture group dedicated to "ecological agriculture," is planning an open house, an Autumn Harvest Festival, and a series of Extended Education classes designed to introduce people to community-based agriculture and sustainable living practices.

The open house with music and samples of organic food is planned from noon to 6 pm Saturday, Sept. 19, at the Permaculture Center on campus.

The Autumn Harvest Festival is set for Friday and Saturday, Oct. 9 and 10. The festival will feature music, presentations by Central Coast growers, demonstrations of cultural food harvest techniques, garden tours, and a special "garden foods taste contest" with prizes.

Event organizers invite home gardeners and professional growers to participate. Those who would like to enter their homegrown specialties should call Akiva Werbalowsky, manager of Cal Poly Permaculture, at ext. 6-5086.

Permaculture, an integrated design process using balanced ecosystems as its models, focuses on local rather than imported resources.

Three classes on various aspects of permaculture are being offered fall quarter through Extended Education. Call ext. 6-5023 for more information.

For more information on the Permaculture program call Werbalowsky or e-mail him at [awerbalo@calpoly.edu](mailto:awerbalo@calpoly.edu). □

## Free 'CERT' training offered to employees

Campus/Citizens Emergency Response Team training classes are being offered free to state and Foundation employees at the San Luis Obispo Fire Department beginning in September.

Classes will offer instruction in emergency preparedness, turning off utilities, fire suppression, hazardous materials, disaster medicine, and search and rescue techniques.

The series of five classes will be offered from 6:30 to 9:30 pm on Tuesday, Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6 and 13 and from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm on Saturday, Oct. 17.

To register, call the San Luis Obispo Fire Department at 781-7380. □



The award-winning Alexander String Quartet will perform in Harman Hall.

## Alexander String Quartet to play Beethoven Sept. 24

The Alexander String Quartet, a group hailed for its "dream-come-true performances," will play an all-Beethoven concert at 8 pm Thursday, Sept. 24, in Harman Hall of the Performing Arts Center's Cohan Center.

Music professor Alyson McLamore will give a pre-concert lecture at 7 pm in the center's Philips Hall.

The ensemble will perform three of Beethoven's 16 quartets – an early, a middle, and a late-period piece.

Less than a year after its founding in 1981, the group became the first string quartet ever to win the Concert Artists Guild award. Three years later, the quartet made history again when it became the first American quartet to win

the First Prize and Audience Prize at the London International String Quartet Competition.

"An unusually fine group – musically, technically, in just about any way one wants to view it," was how The New York Times summed up the group.

Tickets cost \$8.50 to \$22 and can be bought at the Performing Arts Ticket Office from 10 am to 6 pm weekdays and from 10 am to 4 pm Saturdays. To order by phone, dial 6-ARTS (ext. 6-2787); to order by fax, dial 6-6088.

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From 1986 until 1996, Conn was that university's associate director for environmental planning at the University Center for Environmental and Hazardous Materials Studies.

Conn was chosen an American Council on Education Fellow and worked in the Office of the Chancellor at the University of Tennessee during the 1991-92 academic year.

Conn earned a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry in 1968, a master's in 1972, and a doctorate in economics in 1973, all from Oxford University in England. □

## ... Religious holiday

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versity cannot be sure all students have received these instructions, Zingg asks the faculty not to drop any student or adjust class rolls until after the second class meeting.

"Although we are a public institution subject to state guidelines in these matters, we are a respectful community, and, as such, we should be supportive of the wishes of our students to observe Rosh Hashanah," Zingg said. □

## Campus construction info available on Web

Facilities Planning and Facility Services have developed a website where faculty, staff, and students can learn the status of current and future construction projects.

For on-line information, call up [www.facsrv.calpoly.edu/fpdb/fpdb.htm](http://www.facsrv.calpoly.edu/fpdb/fpdb.htm), or from the Cal Poly home page click on Administration, then Facilities Planning, then on Construction Projects. This website will be improved and upgraded regularly.

Don't have a computer handy? No problem. Dial ext. 6-6808 to reach the Project Information Newslines. Information will be updated as needed on specific projects.

Send e-mail messages to [facplan@polymail.calpoly.edu](mailto:facplan@polymail.calpoly.edu). All messages will be answered.

To speak directly to someone about a project, call Deby Ryan at ext. 6-6806. □

## Hale reappointed

Thomas Hale, chair of the Mathematics Department for the past three years, will continue to serve in that capacity for another year.

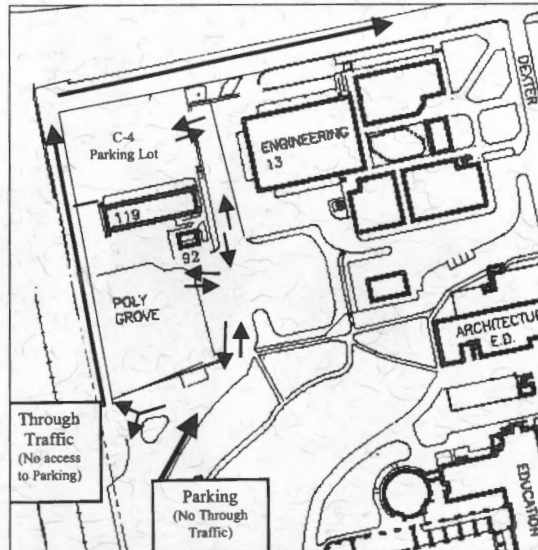
Hale began teaching at Cal Poly in 1966. □

## Research finds good news for U.S. firms in Asia

"Americans do a whole lot better than the Japanese in managing foreign employees," says social sciences professor Harold Kerbo. "We have an advantage in coming from a multicultural society."

Kerbo and a colleague from Alabama interviewed American, Japanese and Thai managers in the Bangkok area over a two-year period and analyzed questionnaires returned by more than 1,000 Thai employees. When they looked at cultural patterns that could lead to conflict between workers and management, they found Thais working for American corporations much more satisfied and committed than their compatriots working for Japanese companies.

Kerbo and fellow researcher Robert Slagter of Birmingham Southern College presented their results to American business groups in Thailand last week. □



## Poly Grove traffic, parking plan

This map illustrates the changes being made to the California Boulevard "bypass" in the Poly Grove area. The grove itself will continue to be used for recreational purposes. □

## El Corral offering discounts on books

El Corral is offering faculty and staff members a 20 percent discount on all books carried in the General Book Department, excluding special orders and discounted items such as bestsellers and special promotion items.

To receive the discount, simply show your staff I.D. card at the register.

For more information, call the General Books Department at ext. 6-5350. □

## Cal Poly's impact on SLO economy grows

Cal Poly's total economic contribution to San Luis Obispo County was more than \$403 million during the fiscal year ending July 1997, according to the latest data released by the Finance Area in the College of Business.

This figure is an \$86.9 million increase, or 27 percent, over the \$319.1 million reported for 1994-95.

The biennial study showed an impact of \$318.1 million in 1992-93 and \$333.8 million in 1989-90.

"The total economic impact has jumped dramatically after several years of stagnation that came because of budget cuts and then admission declines," said Kenneth Riener, professor and Finance Area coordinator, who supervised data collection and the writing of the report.

The current study, compiled by three students, shows economic growth coming from the university payroll (\$135 million), university purchases (\$34.7 million), student spending (\$199.3 million), visitor spending (\$24.5 million), local capital expenditures (\$8.2 million), and miscellaneous (\$1.3 million).

To assess total economic benefits, researchers determined the amount of money coming into the community to operate Cal Poly and by persons connected to the university and then applied a multiplier to show the effect of those dollars as they re-circulate in the local economy. □

## Raffle tickets on sale to support cat program

Raffle tickets in support of Cal Poly's informal cat program are being sold during September and October. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

Prizes include a cactus and succulent arrangement and artwork in a basket filled with chips, tortillas, salsa, beans and other treats donated by local artists Kristin Soto and Dave Mills and a plant from the Environmental Horticultural Science Department.

Proceeds from the ticket sales will help pay veterinary expenses and shelter supplies for campus cats.

The drawing will be at noon on Monday, Nov. 2. Buy tickets from Elizabeth Ball, ext. 6-2548; Geri Bolivar, ext. 6-2321; Jane Brechler, ext. 6-2553; Joan Dezember, ext. 6-2326; Sharon Dobson, ext. 6-1157; Edie Griffin-Shaw, ext. 6-5220; Sheri Jacobsen, ext. 6-6215; Rebecca Nadel, ext. 6-6271; and Ellen Notermann, ext. 6-1325. □

## Foundation lends hand in teacher training

New equipment donated by the Foundation to the University Center for Teacher Education will give aspiring teachers training on a state-of-the-art digital video editing system and server that can help trigger their students' imagination.

The new system, valued at nearly \$50,000, is a vast improvement over the analog video editing system now in use. The new equipment delivers better-quality materials that can be entered onto the World Wide Web with less effort and little editing.

The state's teacher certification program requires new public school instructors to be familiar with current information technologies, according to Bob Clover, director of instructional applications for Information Technology Systems.

In addition to on-campus uses of the video editor, teachers throughout the Central Coast will be able to access the new Dell Powerededge server, Clover said. The equipment will host a variety of Web-based courseware developed by Cal Poly faculty and other education professionals.

Clover said the server also will allow students to use computer applications that hadn't been accessible to them, opening up countless technical opportunities.

The Foundation Board of Directors approved the equipment donation at a recent meeting. □

## Academic Senate seeks committee members

The Academic Senate is seeking faculty and staff to serve on its Foundation Advisory Committee.

The committee advises President Baker on policy and priorities regarding the Foundation.

Those interested should send a letter to the Academic Senate office stating their desire to serve. □

## Summary of Fall Conference schedule

### TODAY (MONDAY, SEPT. 14)

- 8:30 - 9:20 am  
Refreshments  
Plaza, Performing Arts Center
- 9:30 - 11 am  
General Session  
Cohan Center, Harman Hall:  
Welcoming Remarks  
Warren J. Baker, President  
Keynote Address  
Charles B. Reed, CSU Chancellor  
"CSU's Role in Educating Californians for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century"
- 11 am - 1 pm  
Open Reception to Honor Distinguished Teachers & Outstanding Staff Members  
Cohan Center Pavilion
- 11:15 am - 12:30 pm  
Campus Tour for New Staff & Faculty Members  
Board bus in front of Cohan Center
- 1 - 1:45 pm  
Student Affairs Division Orientation for New Faculty & Staff Members from the Colleges & Other Divisions  
UU 208, Bishop's Lounge
- 2 - 3:30 pm  
Academic Records Workshop Updates  
Science North, Room 215
- 2:30 - 4:30 pm  
Orientation for New Instructional Department Chairs & Heads:  
Faculty Personnel Actions  
Administration Building, Room 409
- 4 - 4:30 pm  
Introduction to TEAM (Teaching Excellence & Mentoring)  
Staff Dining Room B
- 4 - 4:45 pm  
Presentation on the Sexual Assault-Free-Environment Resources (SAFER) Program  
Cohan Center, Philips Hall

### TUESDAY, SEPT. 15

- 9 am - 1 pm  
Benefits Fair — 1998 Open Enrollment  
UU 220
- 9 am  
College & Division Meetings — Faculty, Staff & Dept. Heads  
(See Fall Conference brochure for details.)
- 10:15 am  
Academic Meetings — Faculty & Department Heads  
(See Fall Conference brochure for details.)
- 1 - 3 pm  
Meeting of the Faculty & Staff of the University Center for Teacher Education  
Education Building, Room 126
- 1 - 3 pm  
Orientation for New Instructional Department Chairs & Heads:  
Enrollment & Resource Planning  
Administration Building, Room 301

- 1 - 3 pm  
ABET/EC 2000 Engineering Accreditation Workshop  
Business Building, Room 201
- 2 - 2:50 pm  
Computing Services Orientation for Faculty Members  
Computer Science, Room 256
- 3 - 3:50 pm  
Retention, Promotion & Tenure Procedures Orientation for Faculty Members  
UU 220
- 3 - 4 pm  
Support Services Presentation for Staff & Faculty Members  
Administration Building, Room 301
- 4 pm  
Instructional Department Heads Council Meeting  
Science North, Room 202

### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 16

- 8:30 - 10 am  
Internal & External Grant Programs and Other Professional Development Opportunities  
Business Building, Room 201
- 8:30 - 10 am  
Workshop: The Challenge of Accommodating Students With Psychological and Learning Disabilities  
UU 219
- 9 - 10 am  
Seven Elements of the Power of Renewal  
Sandwich Plant (correction)
- 9:30 - 11 am  
Sexual Harassment Awareness Workshop  
Smith Alumni & Conference Center
- 10 - 11:30 am  
Multimedia /Web Courseware Development  
Education Building, Room 114
- 10 am - 3 pm  
Academic Orientation for New Students, including Departmental Lunches with Students  
(See Fall Conference brochure for details.)
- 1 - 3 pm  
Affirmative Action Workshop  
Smith Alumni & Conference Center
- 2 - 4 pm  
Grants Development Open House  
Grants information & refreshments  
Math & Home Economics, Room 152
- 2 - 5 pm  
Orientation for Graduate Assistants, Teaching Associates & First-Time Faculty  
Science Building, Room E-27
- 4 - 5:30 pm  
Women's Welcome Reception  
UU 203, San Luis Lounge
- 5 - 6 pm  
Library Reception/Refreshments for New Faculty Members  
Kennedy Library Atrium □

**ACADEMIC CALENDAR****1998–1999****FALL TERM 1998**

September 14	Monday	Beginning of fall term (faculty only)
September 21	Monday	Fall term classes begin
October 2	Friday	End of second week of instruction
		Last day to drop a class
October 5	Monday	Last day to add a class
		Last day to register late and pay late registration fee
October 9	Friday	End of third week of instruction – Census date
November 6	Friday	End of seventh week of instruction
November 11	Wednesday	Academic holiday – Veterans' Day
November 25–29	Wednesday–Sunday	Academic holiday – Thanksgiving
December 4	Friday	Last day of classes
December 7–11	Monday–Friday	Final examination period
December 12	Saturday	Mid-year Commencement
		End of fall term
December 13–January 3	Sunday–Sunday	Academic holiday

**WINTER TERM 1999**

January 4	Monday	Beginning of winter term
		Winter term classes begin
January 15	Friday	End of second week of instruction
		Last day to drop a class
January 18	Monday	Academic holiday – Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday observed
January 19	Tuesday	Last day to add a class
		Last day to register late and pay late registration fee
January 25	Monday	End of third week of instruction – Census date
February 15	Monday	Academic holiday – George Washington's Birthday observed
February 23	Tuesday	End of seventh week of instruction
March 12	Friday	Last day of classes
March 15–19	Monday–Friday	Final examination period
March 19	Friday	End of winter term
March 20–28	Saturday–Sunday	Academic holiday

**SPRING TERM 1999**

March 29	Monday	Beginning of spring term
		Spring term classes begin
April 9	Friday	End of second week of instruction
		Last day to drop a class
April 12	Monday	Last day to add a class
		Last day to register late and pay late registration fee
April 16	Friday	End of third week of instruction – Census date
May 14	Friday	End of seventh week of instruction
May 31	Monday	Academic holiday – Memorial Day observed
June 4	Friday	Last day of classes
June 7–11	Monday–Friday	Final examination period
June 12	Saturday	Commencement
		End of spring term
		End of university year (faculty only)
June 13–20	Sunday–Sunday	Academic holiday □

## Memorial endowment volleyball challenge

Faculty and staff are encouraged to start forming six-member teams to participate in the Mark S. Reuling Memorial Endowment Volleyball Challenge, Thursday through Sunday, Oct. 8-11.

The parents of Mark S. Reuling ('89, CAED) have made a gift to create a memorial endowment to honor their son. The endowment's proceeds will go to Psychological Services to conduct education and prevention programs regarding bipolar disorders and depression for students, faculty and staff.

The Reuling's have challenged Cal Poly to help them make the endowment grow and, in doing so, to increase awareness about mental illness and depression. A volleyball tournament was chosen as the fund-raiser on campus because Mark was an avid player while attending Cal Poly. The volleyball challenge is being held in conjunction with the Employee Assistance Program, which is sponsoring National Depression Screening Day activities on Oct. 8.

Team registration will begin at the Recreation Center during the first week of classes. The cost per team is \$60, and each team member will receive a T-shirt. Proceeds from the registration fee will add to the endowment. Cal Poly students will play on Oct. 8, followed by faculty and staff on Oct. 9, and fraternities and sororities on Oct. 10. Finals will be held on Oct. 11. The event will take place on the sand volleyball courts at the Recreation Center.

For more information, contact Polly Harrigan at ext. 6-6553 or Joe Long at ext. 6-1366. □

### *Here's how to reach us*

The Cal Poly Report is published by the Communications Office every Wednesday during the academic year.

Items submitted by 10 am on Thursday appear in the following Wednesday's edition.

For information, call ext. 6-1511, or e-mail articles, suggestions, and questions to [polynews@polymail](mailto:polynews@polymail). You may fax items to ext. 6-6533. □

## Summer summary

*(This brief outline of material published during summer quarter is designed to bring academic-year readers up to date.)*

### APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments were announced: **Shawn Burn**, chair of the Psychology and Human Development Department; **Jay Devore**, chair of the Statistics Department; **Robert C. Detweiler**, (retired president of CSU Dominguez Hills), trustee professor in the History Department; **Les Ferreira**, head of the Dairy Science Department and director of the Dairy Products Technology Center; **Charles W. Jennings**, chair of the Art and Design Department; **Soncía Lilly**, executive director of ASI; **Dianne Long**, chair of the Political Science Department; **Kenneth Scott**, chair of the Agribusiness Department; **Andrew Thulin**, department head of the Animal Science Department; **Rudy A. Wooten**, chair of the Food Science and Nutrition Department.

### RETIREMENTS

**Ray Macias**, director of Support Services.

### AWARDS AND HONORS

**Nettie Steels** in Facility Services, **Richard Equinoa**, Career Services, and **Pat Harris**, Women's Programs and Services, received the 1997-98 Outstanding Staff Employee awards; **Charles Hagen**, Philosophy, received the College of Liberal Arts' teaching award; **Robert Inchausti**, English, received the College of Liberal Arts' scholarship award; and **Donald R. Floyd**, Social Sciences, received the College of Liberal Arts' service award; University Services Summer Grants were awarded to **Cynthia J. Heiss**, Agriculture, **Margot K. McDonald** and **Thomas Fowler IV**, Architecture and Environmental Design, **Gregg L. Fiegel**, Engineering, **Lynn M. Hudson**, **Jean Wetzel** and **Deborah B. Schwartz**, Liberal Arts, **Susan L. Elrod**, **Rafael Escamilla** and **Mark A. Moline**, Science and Mathematics; Cal Poly's **Scared Safe Program**

received the Governor's Employee Safety Award.

### DEATHS

**C.P. "Chuck" Davis**, former head of the Aeronautical and Mechanical Engineering Department, died June 12; **Jerome "Jerry" Houlis**, chemistry professor emeritus, died June 28; **Allan Johnson**, former associate architecture professor, died June 19.

### ADVANCEMENT UPDATE

The **Oracle** software company donated to the **College of Business** software valued at more than \$240,000; **Orthodyne Electronics** of Irvine donated \$57,500 to the College of Engineering's new electronic manufacturing laboratory.

### THIS & THAT

**U.S. News and World Report** has again named Cal Poly the best public regional university in the Western states. (See Sept. 2 *Cal Poly Report* for details.) Discussions were halted on the proposed public-private partnership known as the **California Educational Technology Initiative (CETI)**. The National Collegiate Athletic Association has fully certified Cal Poly's **NCAA Division I athletic program**. A Bechtel Corp. "pre-feasibility" study concluded Cal Poly and San Luis Obispo "have the fundamental qualities ... on which to build a **research and development collaboration**." Students, faculty, staff, and emeritus employees can continue to ride San Luis Obispo **city buses** free through the 1999 fiscal year, thanks to a contribution from ASI. The Research and Graduate Programs office is considering requests for assigned time for preparing **grant and contract proposals**. A dozen new **bike lockers** were installed in front of the Air Conditioning Building on South Perimeter Road and can be rented through Public Safety's Parking and Commuter Services for \$10 per quarter. □

**CAMPUS STANDING COMMITTEES  
STAFF INTEREST SURVEY & APPLICATION**

Name:	Department:
Position:	Department Extension:
Supervisor:	Department/Division Head:
Status: <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Foundation <input type="checkbox"/> ASI	

*Please indicate the Campus Standing Committee you are interested in serving on:*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee            | <input type="checkbox"/> Status of Women Committee                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Campus Fee Advisory Committee               | <input type="checkbox"/> University Planning & Budget Advisory Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Campus Safety and Risk Management Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> University Committee on Committees              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Information Competence Committee            |  |

**STATEMENT OF INTEREST** (Please state your reasons for wanting to serve on the committee selected above and any applicable experience or background that may apply):

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**ENDORSEMENTS:**

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Supervisor's Signature

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Date

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Department/Division Head's Signature

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Committee Assignment:	Staff Member Notified:
Committee Chair Signature:	Date: