

## What's Happening

### Campus Links

#### Entertainment

<http://www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/eventsindex.html>

### Holiday Events

#### Poinsettia sale going on now

The annual poinsettia sale, featuring more than 2,500 poinsettias in 29 different varieties and colors, is going on at the Poly Plant Shop and **through mid-December**. The holiday flowers are grown by students in the university's Poinsettia Enterprise Project. Plant sizes range from four inches to four feet tall. Prices range from \$5-\$55.

#### 'Nutcracker' Dec. 10-11

The San Luis Obispo Civic Ballet will present the holiday ballet classic, "The Nutcracker," **Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 10-11**, at the Christopher Cohan Center. Curtain times are **2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Dec. 10, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Dec. 11**. Tickets are \$24-\$48 and are available online at the PAC Web site, [www.pacsl.org](http://www.pacsl.org).

#### Recreation Center schedule

The Recreation Center will be open regular hours **Dec. 12-23 and Dec. 27-30**, during regular hours. **New this year:** Winter Break Recreation Center passes are available for family members. For \$10, visiting relatives can use the Recreation Center during winter break. Call the Recreation Center, ext. 6-1366 for more information.

### Liberal Arts unveils new 'legacy' Web site

The College of Liberal Arts has recently developed a Web site archiving the intellectual and creative legacies of deceased colleagues. The Web site can be accessed at <http://cla.calpoly.edu/cla/legacies>. Each archive includes a picture, short summary of the colleague's accomplishments, and a selection of their work in digital form. The most recent addition, for English Professor Richard Simon (1944-2005), includes Simon's teaching Web site, a 300-page illustrated personal memoir produced during his last year, obituaries, tributes, and the typescript of a chapter of a book left unfinished at the time of his death. "This project provides an opportunity for work we have done to outlive us and for us to remain a presence accessible to colleagues, students, relatives and friends," said English Professor Steven Marx. Anyone interested in adding an archive to this Web site should contact [smarx@calpoly.edu](mailto:smarx@calpoly.edu).

### Mid-Year Commencement set for Dec. 10

Mid-Year Commencement is set for **Saturday, Dec. 10**. Each of the three commencement ceremonies at the Rec Center will last approximately an hour and a half. Following the ceremonies, graduates, guests and faculty are invited to a reception where refreshments will be served. The Orfalea College of Business and the College of Engineering will graduate at **9 a.m.** The ceremony for the colleges of Liberal Arts and Architecture and Environmental Design will begin at **1 p.m.** The colleges of Agriculture, Science and Mathematics and Education will graduate at **3:30 p.m.**

### Campus updates from Bob Detweiler and Larry Kelley

Here's the latest report on budget and enrollment:

- **Budget**

The CSU Board of Trustees has approved the 2006-07 operating budget, based on the compact with the Governor, which calls for funding for an enrollment growth of 2.5 percent, a 3 percent increase for operating costs, and a state university fee increase of 8 percent. An improving California economy means funding for the compact likely is solid. There is a possibility of some one-time funding during 2006-07 to support part of the 2005-06 enrollment growth beyond the targeted level.

- **Enrollment**

Enrollment for 2005-06 is projected to be about 1.3 percent above the CSU target for our campus for this year. The fall 2005 enrollment numbers are 18,476 students and 17,286 FTES, with an average load of 14.03. A 2.5 percent increase is planned for next year and includes a significant increase in summer enrollment. The ability to increase enrollment is limited, in part, by the space available to serve students. The new Engineering and Construction Management buildings will increase future capacity. Completion of the Science Center building later will also add space.

### Fulbright Grants awarded to two faculty members.

Sociology Professor John McKinstry and Social Sciences Lecturer Elizabeth Whitaker have been awarded 2005-06 Fulbright Scholar Grants. McKinstry will lecture at the Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski in Sofia, Bulgaria, and Whitaker will lecture at the University of Bologna, Italy. They are two of 850 U.S. faculty and professionals chosen to travel abroad.

## Employment

**State:** The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted on [www.calpolyjobs.org](http://www.calpolyjobs.org). To apply, go online and complete the application form. Applicants needing assistance may contact Human Resources at ext. 6-2236.

### #100748-Building Service

**Engineer**, Administration & Finance, Facility Services, temporary, six-month position, \$4,368-\$5,507/month. Closes Dec. 30.

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**#100755-Director of Development/Assistant Dean of Advancement**, Administrator II/III, College of Agriculture, salary commensurate with qualifications and background of selected candidate. Review of applications begins Jan. 3.

**#100770-Administrative Support Assistant II**, University Advancement, Advancement Programs, \$2,320-\$3,480/month. Closes Dec. 16.

**Faculty:** Candidates are asked to visit our online employment Web site at [www.calpolyjobs.org](http://www.calpolyjobs.org) to complete an application and apply for any of the positions shown below. Please submit all requested application materials as attachments to your online application, unless otherwise specified in the ad.

**#100760-Engineering Librarian**, 12-month tenure-track position, Kennedy Library (ext. 6-5785). Review begins Feb. 1.

**#100761 - Men's Soccer Coach**, 12-Month position, Intercollegiate Athletics (ext. 6-2924). Review begins Jan. 1.

**Cal Poly Report takes a holiday**  
Cal Poly Report will not be published during quarter break. The next issue will be published **Wednesday, Jan. 11**. Deadline is **Friday, Jan. 6**. See you next year!

## Monarch butterfly conference attracting researchers

More than 100 researchers and monarch butterfly aficionados from as far away as Minnesota will join faculty and students **Thursday and Friday, Dec. 8-9**, for a conference on "Conservation of the Monarch Butterfly — Population Dynamics and Migration." Biology Professor Dennis Frey and graduate student Shawna Stevens, co-leaders of Project Monarch Alert, will head up the conference. Project Monarch Alert studies fall migration, winter activity and spring dispersal of monarchs in western North America.

## Hoover Fellow Victor Davis Hanson speaks on immigration

The recent riots in France should serve as a warning to the United States about its social and immigration policies, said scholar, author, syndicated columnist and Hoover Institute Fellow Victor Davis Hanson during his appearance **Dec. 1**, on campus. "The riots of France can happen here," Hanson told the crowd during the second in the university's 2005-06 Provocative Perspectives series. "Selma, in the San Joaquin Valley where I live, is no more integrated than the outskirts of Paris." Hanson said that the factors that fueled the French riots -- a disconnected underclass of largely uneducated and unassimilated service workers facing high unemployment -- exist in the U.S. Hispanic workers here are also segregated by language, lack of education, high unemployment and access to mostly menial and service jobs.

## Credential analyst re-elected VP for state organization

Peggy Smith Andersen, a credential analyst in the College of Education, has been re-elected vice president for membership of the prestigious Credential Counselors and Analysts of California. As vice president, Smith Andersen coordinates the organization's membership recruiting activities, creates and maintains membership records, and reports on matters regarding credentialing. She will attend the meetings of the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing and keep campus officials and the Credential Counselors and Analysts of California updated on decisions governing credentialing rules and regulations. Smith Andersen has worked at Cal Poly since 1976.

## CSU wins Edison Award for Excellence in Education

The California State University system has won the Edison International New Era Awards for Excellence in Higher Education. The awards honor the CSU's Early Assessment Program, which prepares high school students to meet university expectations in English and mathematics. More than 50 percent of the nearly 40,000 first-time freshmen admitted to CSU campuses require remedial education, according to CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed.

## Library announces quarter break hours

The Library's hours have changed for quarter break. From **Dec. 12-16**, the Library is open **8 a.m.-5 p.m.**, **except Tuesday, Dec. 13, when it's closed from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.** The library will be closed **Dec. 23-26, Dec. 30-Jan. 2, and all Saturday and Sundays. Dec. 27-29 hours will be 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.** Faculty members who need library materials during the holidays should make arrangements with the dean's office, ext. 6-2345, by Dec.12.

## Creamery students say: Don't forget the cheese

Cal Poly Creamery students are preparing for the largest annual December Cal Poly Cheese sale ever - with production up an estimated 10 percent from last year. Cal Poly Cheese gift packs are available for sale once a year, and all proceeds are re-invested into the program. For a listing of cheeses, packages and prices, and ordering information, visit [www.calpolycheese.com](http://www.calpolycheese.com), or contact the students at ext. 6-6644 or [creamery@calpoly.edu](mailto:creamery@calpoly.edu).