The Weekly Newsletter For University Employees

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What's Happening

Hit the slopes at 'Higher Ground' screening Nov. 30 Cal Poly Arts and Youth Outreach Services for the Performing Arts Center will present Warren Miller's "Higher Ground" on Wednesday, Nov. 30, at **7 p.m.,** in the Spanos Theatre. Billed as the "largest actionsports film on the planet," the screening is a fund-raiser for YOPAC. Tickets cost \$15 for adults and \$12 for students. They're are on sale at the Performing Arts Ticket Office, or call ext. 6-2787. The event will include drawings for lift tickets, season passes to Sierra Summit, snow gear and more. For more information, contact Nancy Cochran at the Performing Arts Center at ext. 6-7234 or ncochran@calpoly.edu.

This week is Transgender Remembrance Week

Here's the schedule of events:

Monday-Friday, Nov. 14-18, Dexter Lawn display

Wednesday, Nov. 16, Gender-Bending Night, get in drag, **7-9 p.m.**, Bldg. 52, Room A12; Gender-Bending Dance, **9 p.m.**, Tortilla Flats

Thursday, Nov. 17, 11 a.m.noon, Remembrance Day, name reading, Dexter Lawn; Movie, 8 p.m., "The Brandon Tina Story," Business Building Rotunda, Room 213

Friday, Nov. 18, noon-2 p.m., Transgender Panel, UU 216

Entertainment Link

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Grant M. Brown and family honored at building dedication

It was a family affair **Monday**, **Nov. 14**, when Cal Poly dedicated the Grant M. Brown Engineering Building in honor of a distinguished alumnus and in gratitude to his generous family. Nearly three dozen Brown family members came to campus for the dedication, including five-year-old Grant Brown, who, with the help of his dad, Andy, unveiled a plaque honoring the memory his grandfather. A 1960 College of Engineering alumnus, Grant M. Brown pioneered the development of highly efficient commercial refrigeration systems. Attending Cal Poly was the "seminal event" of his brother's life, said Ross M. Brown. His brother came out of the U.S. Army and immediately entered Cal Poly, where he thrived on the hands-on learning experience, Ross Brown said. "He would be proud of what this school is and what it is becoming."

Gifts from the Ross M. Brown Family Foundation include \$200,000 for student scholarships and \$300,000 for equipment. In addition, the foundation provides \$2 million to endow the James L. Bartlett Jr. Professorship to promote multidisciplinary, project-based learning.

'Mexifornia' author Victor Davis Hanson here Dec. 1

Victor Davis Hanson, author of "Mexifornia: A State of Becoming," will speak **Thursday**, **Dec. 1**, as part of the Provocative Perspectives series. The event will take place in the Vista Grande Café, starting with a **free breakfast at 7:30 a.m.**, **followed by the speech at 8 a.m.** Noted for his military histories, and especially for his social commentary of post-9/11 American life, Hanson is a fifth-generation Californian and a senior fellow at the Hoover Institution, a conservative public policy think-tank. His book, "Mexifornia," shares his personal views about what has changed in California over the last quarter-century and what he feels is necessary to solve the perceived problems of immigration.

Local immigration attorney Michael Blank will give "Another View of Immigration" at **6:30 p.m.** in San Luis Lounge, UU 221. Both speeches are free and open to the public, but reservations are required for the breakfast event. To make a reservation, call Liz Cofer at 756-0327 or send e-mail to *lcofer@calpoly.edu*.

Planning exhibit to display student ideas for 'SLO 2050'

Civil engineering students will present their ideas for the future of San Luis Obispo at the City Planning Exhibition on **Friday, Nov. 18.** The event, which is free and open to the public, will be at the San Luis Obispo City-County Library from **9:45–11:30 a.m.** The students in Professor Eugene Jud's public transportation class were asked to create a proposal for a transit-oriented and sustainable model city, "SLO South 2050." The exhibition gives city officials and community members the opportunity to see how upand-coming engineers and city planners imagine the future of San Luis Obispo.

Cal Poly to host UCSB Economic Forecast

The 16th annual San Luis Obispo County Economic Outlook Seminar is this **Friday**, **Nov. 18**, in Harmon Hall in the Cohan Center. Continental breakfast and registration begins at **7 a.m.**, the program begins at **8 a.m. and runs until 11:30 a.m.** President Warren J. Baker offer welcoming remarks. For registration information, contact Lori Silva at the San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce at 786-2772.

Employment

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

#100742-Administrative Support Coordinator I, College of Liberal Arts-Social Sciences, \$2,548-\$3,822/ month. Closes Nov. 24.

#100743-System
Administrator, Operating
Systems Analyst, \$3,915\$8.013/month. Closes Dec. 8.

#100745-Admissions Associate, Administrative Support Coordinator I, Enrollment Support Services-Admissions, Recruitment & Financial Aid, \$2,548-\$3,822/ month. Closes Dec. 8.

Housing has new location

The Housing Office – formerly in Building 29 – has moved. The new location is in the Cerro Vista Community Center at the base of the Cerro Vista apartment complex. The new address is Building 170-G, Room 115. The phone number is the same, ext. 6-1226; and faxes may still be sent to ext. 6-5947.

Faculty, staff appreciation sale at El Corral Nov. 29-30 Save 30 percent on all Cal Poly clothing and gifts and school, office and art supplies at El Corral Bookstore Tuesday, Nov. 29, and Wednesday, Nov. 30. Also save on general reading and reference books, seasonal gifts and much more. Show Cal Poly I.D. for the discount. El Corral is open until 6 p.m. daily.

Passings

Landscape architecture Professor Walt Tryon

Beloved colleague and longtime Cal Poly landscape architecture Professor Walt Tryon passed away at his home Oct. 25, 2005. Tryon's holistic teaching style, caring attitude, world perspective and genuine friendship influenced many in his almost 30 years of teaching at the College of Architecture and Environmental Design. He taught the full range of courses offered in the Landscape Architecture Department and was very active in the local community. His efforts led to the department's "Best in the West" ranking.

A ceremony celebrating his life was held on campus Oct. 30. To honor his memory, an endowment is being established in his name. His many friends, colleagues and alumni are invited to help reach a goal of \$50,000. Funds should be sent to CAED and made payable to the Cal Poly Foundation "in memory of Walt Tryon." For further details, contact the college. To read more about his life, and to view and sign the guest book, go to The Tribune's Web site: http://www.legacy.com/sanluisobispo/LegacyHome.asp.

Cal Poly Society of Women Engineers are nation's best

For the fourth straight year, the Cal Poly Society of Women Engineers was named the Outstanding Student Section in the nation. Cal Poly SWE, which finished ahead of the University of Texas at Austin and Purdue University for the 2005 award, also won the Team Tech competition and received four other honors at the SWE National Conference Nov. 4-5 in Anaheim. College of Engineering Dean Peter Y. Lee received SWE's Rodney D. Chipp Memorial Award for his contribution to "the acceptance and advancement of women in engineering." The university received six awards and two scholarships at the final awards banquet.

Agriculture conference and workshop coming Dec. 2–3

Cal Poly's Sustainable Agriculture Resource Consortium and the California Certified Organic Farmers are hosting a two-day conference and workshop in December on sustainable pest control in agriculture. Designed for agricultural consultants and growers, the fourth annual Sustainable Agriculture Pest Control Advisor Conference will be held at the San Luis Obispo Veterans Memorial on **Friday, Dec. 2.** The agencies will hold a hands-on workshop at Tolosa Winery in San Luis Obispo **Saturday, Dec. 3.** The conference fee is \$150 for the Dec. 2 session and \$65 for the Dec. 3 workshop **before Nov.18.** Registration after is \$175 and \$75 respectively. Conference registration includes parking, breakfast, lunch and refreshments. Up to 14 continuing education units will be available for participants attending both days. For more information call CCOF at (831) 423-2263 ext. 22, e-mail *ccof@ccof.org*, or visit the Web site *www.ccof.org/pcaconference.php*.

Symphony Fall Concert is Saturday

The Cal Poly Symphony kicks off its 2005-2006 season at **8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19,** in Harman Hall in the Cohan Center. Two extraordinary musical responses to the natural world will be presented: Alan Hovhaness' Symphony No. 2, "Mysterious Mountain," and Beethoven's Symphony No. 6, "Pastorale." Tickets are \$6 to \$12.

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