

RETIRED FACULTY AND STAFF NEWSLETTER

Special Interest Articles:

Luncheon and tour
at the J and G
Lau Meat
Processing
Facility

A Memoir from Bill
Langworthy

Save the Date:
June Jubilee

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May Luncheon and Program | May 9th

You are invited to join your fellow Cal Poly Retired Faculty and Staff Club members and guests for a Barbeque and Tour of the...



J and G Lau Family Meat Processing Center
Cal Poly Animal Science Department

May 9, 2012 at 11:30AM

The almost \$7 million dollar, 15,000 square foot, J and G Lau Family Meat Processing Facility was privately funded through the generosity and support of business-related interests and Cal Poly alumni and friends. Poised to open within weeks, the newest of Cal Poly's Learn by Doing teaching facilities will provide Cal Poly students with the full spectrum of meat processing, preparation, sales and marketing experiences found in today's industry. This is a tour and luncheon you won't want to miss. Some moderate walking and standing will be required during the tour and if the facility is in operation, the use of hair nets may also be required. Invited to extend a welcome, overview and tour are Animal Science Department Head, Dr. Andrew Thulin, and Meat Processing professor, Robert Delmore, and Plant Manager Matthew Livingston.

Hope to see you there!

WHERE: Cal Poly Campus, Stenner Road.

Enter campus from Highland Drive and follow signs to Center

COST: \$10 -- Includes hot sandwich, salad, dessert and drink

RSVP TO: Carolyn Jones at 805/543-6020 or cjones@calpoly.edu

RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOON ON MAY 3, 2012

Who, What, When and Where: News from our Members

Esther Iglesias (Philosophy) enjoys her 36 grandchildren, reading and short road trips.

Marje Rich (Ag Engineering) turned 90 last Christmas Day and delivers newspapers to her neighbors in a retirement center 6 days a week. She has served as the resident representative for the last 3 years, participates in a prayer chain and keeps in touch with her community friends.

Bill Richardson (Journalism) volunteers with his wife at the KCBX Live Oak Music Festival, plays tennis and RV camps with their grandchildren.

Joseph Truex (Graphic Communications) gardens, helps with two pet dogs and a cat, enjoys crockpot cooking and church.

Friend Noted in Passing

Arthur Chapman (Architecture) passed away in April. Chapman was a graduate of the Cal Poly Architecture program and had taught since 1972. He retired in 2010 and was in second year of FERP.

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Dues and News Forms

Stay up-to-date with fellow retirees by filling out this application today.

To pay annual dues for 2011-2012, enclose your \$10 check payable to Cal Poly RF&SC. For a **Life Membership**, make your \$250 check payable to the Cal Poly Foundation. The entire \$250 will be put into our scholarship endowment. Dues are from July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2012.

If you have questions about your dues, please call Gail Simmons at 805-462-9148.

Please print clearly and mention the department or unit from which you retired.

Name _____ Spouse's name _____

Phone _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email address (if you use one) _____

Check here if you do not have email and need to have the newsletter mailed to you.

Year you began at Cal Poly _____ Position/Department _____

Faculty _____ Staff _____ Year retired _____ Date today _____

Please share some of what you are doing in retirement.

Mail this form and your check to Gail Simmons, 4615 San Vicente Ave., Atascadero, CA 93422.

News items may be sent to Valerie Barboza at: val_barboza@yahoo.com or to 2485 Elm Ave., Morro Bay, CA 93442

TIMES WERE CHANGING AND STILL ARE:

A memoir from Bill Langworthy | Dean, School of Science and Mathematics (1976-1983)

In the early 80's, the computer industry was booming and along with it the Computer Science (CS) program at Poly. In those days, computer "jobs" were executed either through "dumb" terminals or by delivery to the Computer Center's Ready Room.

Emile Attala, the confident and aggressive CS Department Chair, was agitating for a computer science laboratory building on prior leadership of Curtis Gerald and Dan Stubbs. Chevron gave his request urgency by donating an IBM 360-series mainframe that could be used for actual experimental work.

However, space was a scarce resource in the School of Science and Mathematics, where CS was then located, and I couldn't immediately meet Emile's demands. Emile, using his Middle-east penchant to move well into my New England privacy sphere would say, "William Langworthy, why don't you ever tell me you love me?" Emile's wasn't the only request for space from a Department Chair, and I would reply to those pleas that the request would have to wait until I got Attala his fantasy.

Emile must have overheard, because within a few hours time I received a hand delivered envelope containing three cartoons, labeled:

Attala's Fancy- A laboratory with benches and side tables holding computer terminals all surrounded by students;

Attala's Folly- a free standing building with windows showcasing classrooms and laboratories with **Computer Science** emblazoned over the entrance;

Attala's Fantasy- A faithful rendering of one elevation of the Administration Building with a large banner on a pole fixed the northwest corner, the banner whipping in the Morro wind so that you could read **Computer Science**.

Sadly, the cartoons, which I kept for years have disappeared, but my admiration for Attala and the scores of other colleagues like him has not diminished. Collectively, they laid the foundation for the great university that Cal Poly is today. They were also very human individuals having fun and – without thinking so – doing great things. Soon thereafter, Attala had a new job, and I left Cal Poly. But, thanks to the collegial generosity of a program in a different School, Attala got his laboratory.

MARCH MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



Dean David Wehner and Rich Equinoa.

A special thanks to Dean David Wehner for his presentation on Cal Poly's College of Agriculture, Food, and Environmental Sciences!



After the March meeting, Club Officers had an opportunity to tour the new Rec Center with hopes of hosting a luncheon there in the future.

Save the Date: June Jubilee

Save the date for Cal Poly's Annual June Jubilee:
A Tribute to Cal Poly's Retired Faculty and Staff
with special guests

President and Mrs. Jeffrey D. Armstrong and Provost Kathleen Enz Finken.

Sunday June 3, 2012 | Performing Arts Center

\$20/person

2:00pm – Reception

2:45pm – Program

3:15 pm – Supper

Be on the lookout for an invitation in the mail!

Note from the Editor

Look for new articles contributed by our diverse membership. If you have a short article, please submit it to me at: val_barboza@yahoo.com or 2485 Elm Ave., Morro Bay, CA 93442.

Centennial Scholarship

Please accept my donation to the Cal Poly Retired Faculty and Staff Scholarship Fund. Remember a \$250 donation enables you to become a life member of the Cal Poly Retired Faculty and Staff Club. You may also wish to make a donation in honor or in memory of someone.

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RETIRED FACULTY AND STAFF CENTENNIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Fair Market Value (FMV) of the Centennial Scholarship has rebounded somewhat from the decline it experienced between the June-November, 2011 time period. As mentioned at our luncheon gatherings and in previous newsletters, the Centennial Scholarship Endowment mirrors economic market conditions and is subject to wide swings in FMV. In spite of the fluctuations, the endowment remains in good hands and strong enough to support an annual scholarship to a promising incoming freshman. We are pleased that Lauren Kelly, 2011-'12 scholarship recipient, is planning to join us at the June Jubilee, June 3.

Fair Market Value (December 31, 2011): \$87,850

Please keep in mind that your designated contributions and lifetime membership fees go directly into the endowment's principal balance and provide the anchor needed for continued scholarship funding. Thank you to all who continue to support this effort.

Richard Equinoa, Scholarship Coordinator, March 2012



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