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Retired Faculty & Staff Newsletter
September 2016 Edition

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You are invited to join your fellow Cal Poly Retired Faculty and Staff members and their guests to learn more about the Swanton Pacific Ranch and Railroad during Cal Poly Day on Sunday, Oct. 9.

The trip includes bus transportation, tours -- of the Swanton Pacific railroad facilities, rides on the railroad, and historic displays including the Al Smith House. Enjoy a barbecue lunch and hear about upcoming programs and plans at the ranch.

Location: Swanton Pacific Ranch, Davenport, CA

Date: Sunday, Oct. 9, 2016

Time: Charter bus leaves the Performing Arts Center at 7 a.m. and returns at 7:30 p.m.

Cost: \$45 (includes lunch)

Parking: Guests can park in the Grand Avenue parking structure next to the Christopher Cohan Performing Arts Center. Parking permits are not required on campus on Sundays.

Respond: Please **RSVP by Thursday, Sept. 8** to Gail Simmons at gsimmons@calpoly.edu or 805-462-9148.



Photos from the 2014 Swanton Pacific Ranch trip
RSVP early to reserve your space! Trip is limited to 50 guests.

Retired Faculty and Staff Centennial Scholarship
Fair Market Value as of July 31, 2016: \$135,309

This Fair Market Value (FMV) report is intended to keep you abreast of the status of the **Cal Poly Retired Faculty and Staff Centennial Scholarship** endowment during the year. The current FMV includes the annual payout withdrawal for the 2016 scholarship, as well as the ebb and flow of investment markets throughout the year.

Our very grateful 2015-16 RFS Centennial Scholarship recipient, Madeline “Maddy” Wilson, a freshman in the Orfalea College of Business, greeted June Jubilee attendees via a “selfie-prepared” video clip viewed during the luncheon. Madeline was unable to attend June Jubilee due to mandatory training requirements for her summer job but extended her appreciation and gratitude for the generous scholarship provided to her by Cal Poly’s Retired Faculty and Staff. Maddy took the initiative to create a personal message to retirees highlighting her first year Cal Poly experience and thanking the Club members for their ongoing commitment to students. We wish Maddy continued success.

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

-Richard Equinoa, Scholarship Coordinator, September 2016

Updates from our Members

VAL BARBOZA (Financial Aid) had a busy summer as she and Chris Hoover began their term as co-Presidents of the Cal Poly Women's Club. Val also completed her 16th year with the Avon Walk to End Breast Cancer.

GLEN CASEY (Agriculture) has been traveling this summer with his wife and is currently headed to the wide open spaces of Montana!

MARY COOPER (Engineering) is teaching part-time in Mechanical Engineering.

LAURA DIMMITT (Financial Aid) spent a late spring vacation in Punta Mita, Mexico. She also travelled to Miami, Florida to help her son Evan move for year two of his residency. Upcoming plans include an Alaskan cruise and volunteer work on Santa Cruz Island for projects at the UCSB Field Station, as well as those designated by the National Park Service/The Nature Conservancy, owners of the island.

RICH EQUINOA (Career Services) has had a busy summer with family visiting from Spain!

CAROLYN JONES (Career Services) spent the summer traveling with her grandchildren and her newly retired husband.

GAIL SIMMONS (Agriculture) spent time babysitting grandchildren, volunteered for the 7 Sisters Quilt Show in late June, attended a family reunion in Arnold, Calif., enjoyed a visit with her oldest daughter and family from Atlanta, and made time to quilt!

Friends in Passing

ENRICO BONGIO (Professional Studies) passed away in June, 2016. Enrico had several careers at Cal Poly, including teaching Welding Technology. He retired in 1992.

AVICE BONIFAS-MERRITT-NOLAN (Audio-Visual Services) passed away in March, 2016. Avice served as Department Secretary for Audio-Visual services and retired in 1980 after 20 years at Cal Poly.

CHRIS BORGES (Facilities) passed away in June, 2016. Chris worked at Cal Poly for 30 years.

HAROLD E. GASCOIGNE (Engineering) passed away in July, 2016. Harold taught in Mechanical Engineering at Cal Poly, as well as at the University of Utah.

ROY GERSTEN (Business Affairs/ASI) passed away in May, 2016. After a distinguished military career, Roy joined Cal Poly as Director of Business Affairs and then as Director of the Julian McPhee University Union.

H. CLAY LITTLE (Agriculture) passed away in August, 2016. After retirement, Clay volunteered widely including with the American Red Cross and the California Coastal Rural Development Corporation.

BILL MINSHULL (Facilities Services) passed away in April, 2016. Bill retired from Cal Poly after 29 years of service.

LOREN NICHOLSON (Liberal Arts) passed away in June, 2016. Loren joined the Journalism Department in 1960 and retired as Department Chair in 1976. In addition to his career at Cal Poly, he was a popular author of local Central Coast history.

ROGER M. PHILLIP (Performing Arts Center) passed away in July, 2016. Roger retired as the Performing Arts Center's Audio Lead and shared his talents in many Central Coast music events.

VANESSA STRONG (Agriculture) passed away in March, 2016. Vanessa taught in the Nutritional Science Department.

JIN TSO (Engineering) passed away in June, 2016. Tin was a dedicated and enthusiastic teacher from the time he came to campus in 1988 until his retirement in 2014.

From the Editor

If you have a short article or a remembrance of a significant person or event from your time at Cal Poly, please submit it for publication in an upcoming newsletter.

Please email your article to valerie.barboza@gmail.com

or mail to:

Val Barboza, 1756 Cordova Drive, San Luis Obispo, CA 93405.

Please call Val at 805-264-5901 with any questions.

Club Officers Elected for 2015-2017

Glen Casey	President
Laura Dimmitt	Vice President & Program Coordinator
Gail Simmons	Treasurer
Carolyn Jones	Secretary
Valerie Barboza	Newsletter Editor
Richard Equinoa	Scholarship Coordinator & Past President

A New Year

Remember to pay your dues for the 2016-2017 year, which started July 1, 2016. The dues form is included in the newsletter or can be downloaded from our website:

www.cpretirees.org.

If you have any questions about your membership, please contact Gail Simmons at gsimmons@calpoly.edu or 805-462-9148.

Dues and News Form

To pay annual dues for 2016-17, please enclose your \$10 check, payable to Cal Poly RF&SC. RF&SC membership dues are valid from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017.

For a **Life Membership**, please make your \$250 check payable to the Cal Poly Foundation. Your entire contribution supports the Retired Faculty and Staff Centennial Scholarship endowment.

If you have any membership questions, please contact Gail Simmons at 805-462-9148 or gsimmons@calpoly.edu.

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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.

Please help us update our files by providing your current contact information

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Dept./College: _____

Please detach and return to: Jenny Gann
University Development
Attn: Cal Poly Retired Faculty and Staff
California Polytechnic State University
San Luis Obispo, CA 93407

Retired Faculty and Staff Centennial Scholarship Donation Form

If interested, you may donate to the Cal Poly Retired Faculty & Staff Centennial Scholarship Endowment. A \$250 gift to the endowment provides you with a lifetime membership to the Cal Poly Retired Faculty & Staff Club. You may also make a donation in honor or in memory of someone, or make a future gift to the endowment by including the scholarship in your will.

Please make your check payable to Cal Poly. For more information, contact Jenny Gann at 805-756-5508.

Mail to: Jenny Gann, University Development, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, CA 93407

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