Celebrate the Groundbreaking of New Plant Conservatory Feb. 28
The campus community is invited to join President Armstrong, dean of the College of Science and Mathematics Dean Wendt, and faculty and supporters from across campus to celebrate the groundbreaking of the new Cal Poly Plant Conservatory from 3-4 p.m., Friday, Feb. 28, near the entrance to Poly Canyon. The new conservatory will feature a tropical house, desert house, cool tropical house, a propagation greenhouse and research greenhouses. The Plant Conservatory will also feature a living wall facility located on the outward face of the new facility, while the interior will house experimental living wall units for student research donated by Habitat Horticulture. The facility is being moved and upgraded as part of the construction of the William and Linda Frost Center for Research and Innovation. For more information, visit https://afd.calpoly.edu/facilities/planning-capital-projects/project-news/plant-conservatory/.

Angela Davis to be Keynote Speaker at 18th Annual Change the Status Quo Social Justice Leadership Conference
The Center for Service in Action will host the 18th annual Change the Status Quo (CSQ) Social Justice Leadership Conference on Saturday, Feb. 29. The conference aims to empower students to use the Learn by Doing spirit to challenge social norms, ask critical questions, demand solutions and make lasting social change. Through guest speakers, inspiring workshops and engaging sessions, students will leave the conference with a newfound sense and understanding of social justice, and how they can take ownership of their role to advance social change. This year’s keynote speaker is world-renowned political and social activist, scholar, author, educator, and National Women’s Hall of Fame honoree Angela Davis. Pre-registration for the all-day conference is now live at serviceinaction.calpoly.edu/CSQ. Early bird conference fees are only $10 for students and $30 for faculty, staff and community members. Fees include breakfast, lunch and a tote bag with conference materials.

Tickets Available for March 17 Annual Service Awards Luncheon
Tickets for the Annual Service Awards Luncheon will be available for purchase starting Wednesday, Feb. 19, for $15 each. State, Corporation and ASI employees with milestone service anniversaries in 2019 will be honored at the Annual Service Awards Luncheon from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 17, in the Recreation Multi-Activity Center (MAC). Directional signage will be posted along the walkway between the Recreation Center and Mott Gymnasium. Tickets can be purchased using the link on the event flyer at https://serviceawards.calpoly.edu/ and will be sent via email or can be picked up at the Cal Poly Ticket Office, located at the Performing Arts Center, from noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Award recipients have received an email with a link to RSVP to the event (awardees are required to RSVP to participate in the award ceremony). Questions? Contact the committee chair at serviceawards@calpoly.edu. The committee is compiling photos for a slide show presentation at the luncheon. Send photos of the awardees to serviceawards@calpoly.edu by Friday, Feb. 28. There is limited seating, so purchase tickets early to ensure attendance at this special event.
Laura Wunsch, accountant II for the Cal Poly Foundation, is retiring after 15 years of service to the university. Wunsch is a Cal Poly alumna with a degree in business administration. Prior to her career with Cal Poly, she attained 30 years of accounting experience with local businesses. Wunsch began her Cal Poly career at the Corporation in 2005. She started as the Cal Poly Corporation senior accountant and was transferred to Cal Poly Foundation around 2013. Wunsch was an integral part of converting the accounting system to PeopleSoft in 2014. She helped maintain and ensure the accuracy of the Cal Poly Foundation ledger. In retirement, Wunsch looks forward to traveling and spending quality time with her children and grandchildren. Her incredible knowledge, expertise and dedication will be greatly missed.

Poly Royal Rodeo Celebrates 80 Years on April 17 and 18
The 80th annual Poly Royal Rodeo will once again be staged in Spanos Stadium, bringing a lively performance to commemorate eight decades of history. New this year, the Poly Royal PBR (Professional Bull Riders) Classic will take place in Spanos Stadium on Friday, April 17. The Poly Royal CINCH Chute Out will be held Saturday, April 18, followed by a concert presented by ASI. The venue allows for a capacity of 11,000 spectators each night. Tickets are sale at https://tickets.calpoly.edu. All proceeds from the event will benefit the Rodeo Program. Friday’s new Poly Royal PBR Classic, part of the PBR Velocity Tour, brings the top bull riders from around the world for a one-night-only competition.

New Interruption-Free Learning Zone Now Open
Employee and Organization Development introduces the Learning Café, a new personal study room creating more space for Cal Poly employees to learn and grow. Open to all faculty and staff members, the learning space offers not only a quiet place to study, but also a spot to take advantage of online learning opportunities through the Cal Poly Learning Hub and LinkedIn Learning. The Learning Café is located in the Administration Building (No. 1), Room 125, with six individual computers available for online training as well as space for in-person activities. Faculty and staff members can also create a personal learning plan with the help of an Employee and Organization Development professional. Managers and directors can schedule training opportunities in the Learning Café for their direct reports. The space is now available for use during drop-in hours from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays, and also by appointment. With the Learning Café, the Employee and Organization Development team looks forward to providing ample space for all faculty and staff members to use while enriching the overall Cal Poly experience. Learn more at https://afd.calpoly.edu/learn-and-grow/.

Faculty and Staff Mixer at Myron’s Set for Feb. 20
Join friends and colleagues for a crawfish boil at Myron’s Mixer from 4-6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20. The event’s special cuisine will feature crab cakes, shrimp and grits, gumbo, salad and a pastry known as king cake. Two glasses of beer or wine are included, all for only $6.50. There will also be a raffle to win lunch for two at Myron’s. Mixers are first come, first served, and space is limited, so be sure to come early to guarantee your spot. Myron’s is located upstairs in the Dining Complex (No. 19) across from the Recreation Center. For additional information, visit https://www.calpolydining.com/myrons/.

Staff and Faculty Can Apply or Renew Passports on March 5
The International Center, in conjunction with the USPS Passport Agency, invites interested faculty and staff to renew or apply for their first-time passport from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, March 5 in the Science Building (No. 52), Room E46. Attendees must bring the necessary documents for their application on the day of the event, and will also have the ability to have their passport-compliant photos taken by an agent for an additional fee. Questions? Email Ingrid Almaguer at ialmaguer@calpoly.edu. Sign up for a 15-minute appointment at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040e45a4af23a2f94-passport1. Walk-ins cannot be accommodated.

Employment

Corporation Employment Opportunities
Cal Poly Corporation is a separate entity operating in concert with the university to provide a diverse range of services and resources to students, faculty and staff. View all available job postings or apply at https://www.calpolycorporationjobs.org/. For assistance, contact Human Resources at ext. 6-1121.

Director of Information Technology, Information Technology, Salary is commensurate with experience.

Catering Assistant Supervisor, Campus Dining, $15-16 per hour.

Assistant Supervisor, Campus Dining, $15-16 per hour.

Coffee Assistant Supervisor, Campus Dining, $15-16 per hour.