

Summer Times



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Final Lap!

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Two of my favorite hip hop artists are Andre and Big Boi from Outkast. One of the lines from Ms. Jackson says "you can plan a pretty picnic, but you can't predict the weather." As much as we try to prepare you for the academic year during SI, there's going to be things that you can't foresee. Make the best of whatever happens and enjoy both the rainy and the sunny days. 50 Cent once said, "Sunny days wouldn't be special if it wasn't for rain. Joy wouldn't feel so good if it wasn't for pain." Sometimes it feels like we're not getting what we think we deserve. That's a tough thing to go through. Just remember that rainy days don't last forever. This also reminds me that Sheryl Crow once said, "It's not having what you want. It's wanting what you have." Better days (Tupac) will come. But sometimes we have to make the best of what we have. So with that in mind, remember these three things:

1. Things won't always be perfect during the academic year
2. When things aren't going well remember that the struggle will help you appreciate the good times

3. And when you struggle, remember to still take time to appreciate the good things that you have. Hopefully this serves as a good reminder for you during the academic year.

It's been a pleasure working with you during SI. We look forward to working with you during the academic year. You have been an amazing group of students and we wish you the best!

-Uncle Jon

#TeamToad



Who Will be America's Next Top LA Team?



#TeamDK



#TeamPrincessPeach



#TeamDaisy



#TeamLuigi



#TeamKoopaTroopa



#TeamYoshi



#TeamMario



#TeamBowser

Reminders

Alumni Banquet

Friday, August 18th

Check-In—5:15 PM

Banquet—5:30-8:30 PM

At the Performing Arts Center
(PAC)

* This is a mandatory event!
Fifteen alumni guests are traveling a long way to support you, so your participation is needed to make this event successful!

Closing Luncheon

Monday, August 21st

12:00-2:30 PM

At the Performing Arts Center
(PAC)

Come and celebrate your success over the last three weeks and enjoy our final Special Event of SI 2017!

Study Sessions

Don't forget to ask your LA about this Sunday's study sessions. It's your final exam so make sure to get rest, eat well and study!

* You don't need your lanyard/nametag for the Alumni Banquet or Closing Luncheon

Money Management

By: Brenda Jimenez

Money is a key issue in the lives of college students, or should I say, rather the lack of. How can it not be an issue? With new products, and new technology coming out every day, how could we not want to spend every cent we get? The freedom that comes with being on your own in the big world, also comes with new responsibilities, specially financial responsibility. In your first year of college, money management will become one of your most valuable skills. Money management goes further than just not spending money, it is about knowing how to prioritize and how to handle the money that you do have to spend. Luckily, there are many ways in which you can better manage your finances.

Opening A Bank Account

The first step would be to open a bank account, preferably a checking or savings account, this will allow you to carry less cash on you and to be able to arrange your finances electronically and even pay bills online. Opening a bank account does not mean getting a credit card, and you should make sure you understand the difference between a credit card and a debit card. Credit cards bring more responsibility and can become a problem in the long run if not used properly. Credit card bills can add up, and if not paid in time, can greatly damage your credit score – which follows you around wherever you go. They also give the illusion that you have more money than you actually do, which once again can become a great danger when shopping for unnecessary things, or things you simply cannot afford.

Apps For Money Management

Another way to help you manage money is using apps that can help you do this. Some of these apps include: Mint, Spending tracker, Daily budget, Quick money recorder, Penny, and many more that can be found on the App Store. These apps allow you to input the amount of money you have to spend, the bills you have to pay, savings, and calculates how much 'extra' money you have to spend on other things. These can be helpful in organizing your finances and realizing how much money you can actually spend on other things.

Other Resources

You can also look for resources on campus, such as the financial aid office, where there are counselors that can give you financial advice. It is important to also remember that your parents are your biggest advisors. Your parents will most likely be your main financial source, so it is important to keep them informed about what bills you are paying and how you are spending your money.

Tips For Saving Money

There is also many ways in which you can save some money by changing a few things.

Some of these tips include:

- * Buying used books instead of new books
- * Figuring out whether you will actually need to buy a book for a class or if you can just use the book on reserve at the library
- * Pay bills on time to avoid a late fee
- * Don't make impulse purchases
- * Try not to eat out as often
- * Exploring all of your resources before you make any financial decisions

Knowing how to manage your money will be very beneficial in your first year of college. Spend wisely!

#TeamPrincessPeach



Move-out Information

You must be completely moved out of PCV by **Tuesday, August 22nd**. Make sure you are on the lookout for updates from the PCV Housing staff about move out procedures you must follow. Breakfast burritos will be provided.

Birthday Shoutouts! — Final Edition

- * Jose Gonzalez 8/18
- * Nomar Isais-Barajas 8/19



Cassie's Corner!

Don't leave us! It feels like you just got here...it's been incredible to be a part of your Summer Institute journey (my first one too!). I'm excited to see you when you come back in the fall and hear about your time spent with you friends and families. These connections you've made with your fellow SI-ers, LAs, the EOP counselors and everyone else on campus are a part of your Cal Poly family now. We're here for you ALWAYS!