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By Bill Kellogg

"We Should Be Proud"

We conducted three outstanding luncheon programs this year. In the Fall we toured the new JUSTIN and J. LOHR Center for Wine and Viticulture, in Winter Quarter listened to Vice President for Strategic Enrollment Management, Terrance Harris, and this quarter toured the new William and Linda Frost Center for Research and Innovation. I came away from all three events having the same common thought. That thought had to do with how essential the great work of the past faculty and staff were to the success the University is experiencing now. If it were not for the excellent work of the past faculty and staff to provide students with the essential knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for their future success, I doubt very seriously if any of the donations that contributed to these new facilities, or the success the campus is currently enjoying with an excellent application pool of students, would have happened without YOU, our retired faculty and staff population. We can take pride in what is occurring at Cal Poly right now, as I firmly believe what is taking place is a direct result of the excellent work and dedication of our retired population. If you were not able to join us for our luncheons this year and tour either of the two new facilities we saw, I invite you to stop in and take a personal tour on your own. You will be very impressed. And yes, thank you for the great job you did as a faculty or staff member at Cal Poly.

Our next event to take place this year will be the annual June Jubilee hosted by President Armstrong and his wife, Sharon. This luncheon is a tribute to the retired faculty and staff. It is likely that we will fill up, so be sure to make your reservations early and plan to attend.

Since the writing of my last newsletter article, we lost one of our strongest supporters of Cal Poly, Don Morris. Don was a Board member of the RFSA for many years and constantly inspired our Board and membership with great memories of the past. We will miss Don and his leadership! Lark Carter provided an excellent reflection about Don's life, and his Cal Poly involvement at our Winter Quarter luncheon. We want the spouses of our deceased members to know they are welcome and encouraged to participate in our RFSA events. Life membership in our organization is transferable to a surviving spouse

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upon the death of a life member. If you know spouses of former Cal Poly retired faculty and staff members who have passed away, please invite them to join us for our events.

We are having tremendous success with our Coffee Hour meetings taking place every month. Gail Simmons is doing an excellent job promoting and hosting these monthly connection opportunities for the RFSA. Besides the opportunity for great fellowship, we have also heard from wonderful speakers on topics relative to San Luis Obispo County. If you have not joined us for Coffee Hour, please know you are welcome to attend!

Thank you to those who have contributed to this issue of our newsletter, and especially to Elaine Ramos Doyle for her editing skills.

COFFEE HOUR

The Coffee Hour programs will continue on the third Monday of the month. Coffee Hour has had excellent speakers the last couple of months. In January, the speaker, Dr. Benjamin Ruttenberg, discussed offshore windmills, the clam population and aquaculture on the Central Coast. He was an excellent speaker! In February, there was a record crowd to listen to David Blakely tell us about his father, a former pilot during World War II. Coming soon there will be a movie that documents some of his stories. In March, Katelyn Malo from Tenet Health was the guest speaker. She took us through the Stop the Bleed program. Attendants of this program found it very worthwhile. The next scheduled Coffee Hour is Monday, April 17th with a speaker yet to be determined. Everyone is welcome, so come join us for coffee, pastries, and fellowship. The programs start at 9:30 a.m. at the Dairy Technology Center on Campus and end around 10:30 or 11:00. Plenty of parking is available.

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from the editor

If you have a short article, remembrance of a significant person, or event from your time at Cal Poly, submit the article and I will include it in our next newsletter.

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Join the Cal Poly Women's Club for a no host dinner from 5-7 pm at Milestone Tavern, 972 Foothill Blvd. in San Luis Obispo on Monday, April 24, 2023. Milestone Tavern will be donating 20% of meal and drink checks to the Cal Poly Women's Club Scholarship fund. RSVP to Natalie White at nataliewso@gmail.com.

The Cal Poly Women's Club also invites you to their May Luncheon to be held Saturday, May 20, 2023, at the SLO Country Club. Eve Vigil, founder of the Friends of San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden will be the guest speaker. RSVP to Elaine Ramos Doyle at emrdmom@gmail.com for more information.

RETIRED FACULTY AND STAFF CENTENNIAL SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

By Laura Dimmitt

Greetings for a warm and dry spring 2023!

With the recent close of the first quarter of 2023, figures are not yet available to report. Stay tuned for our next publication for an update. As reported in January, the RFS Centennial Scholarship Endowment fair market value is \$154,700.43. Considering the ongoing market fluctuation, it remains critical that we encourage you to remember or honor a loved one with a donation to the endowment. **It is also a rewarding and personal benefit to donate.** We look forward to meeting our 2022-23 academic year scholarship awardees at the June Jubilee!

You can find a donation form in this newsletter or visit <https://rfsa.calpoly.edu/scholarship> to donate online. Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

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friends noted in passing

BY ELAINE RAMOS DOYLE

RENNY AVEY (AGRIBUSINESS)

Renny passed away October 31, 2022. He taught students in Agribusiness for over 30 years. Renny was well loved in the department by administration, fellow teachers and students alike. He enjoyed nothing better than being on a river with a fly fishing rod in hand.

JAMES GUTHRIE (ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEERING)

Jim passed away November 9, 2022. He retired from private industry after 30 years and taught at Cal Poly for 7 years. Beyond Jim's passion for building and construction, he loved good meals and conversations with family and friends. And he was always generous in sharing his time and the benefit of his experience.

WHO, WHEN AND WHERE?

Theresa Rush (Multicultural Engineering) – I'm a swimmer. I read novels, am learning Spanish, and enjoying family! I'm also enjoying walking, hiking, and cooking.

Sandra Wallace (Dairy Products Technology) – I volunteer a lot!

Ken Barclay - (Student Life) – Keeping as active as possible!

Dave Christy - (College of Business) – Trying my best to avoid getting COVID!

Rick Ellison - (University Advancement) – I retired in 2016 after serving in the CSU at Cal Poly, Chico and CSUN. I currently serve as the Executive Director of Bike SLO County and am involved with bicycle education, advocacy and a D14 bike shop called the Bike Kitchen.

Mark Shelton - (Crop Science) – I am enjoying fly fishing, playing tennis, reading, visiting kids and grandkids and friends. Am really enjoying being healthy after a health setback following cancer surgery.

Nancy Wardlaw - (Cal Poly Corp and State) – I am trying to keep moving and playing mah-jongg with friends and beyond.

TECHNOLOGY NOTES

By Joe Grimes

Based on interactions with some of you, the article, "Protect Yourself Online" has been revised throughout with a couple of additional items added at the beginning. To see the document, tap the following "Read More" button. ➡ **Read More**

If there is a topic that you would like addressed in the newsletter, please let me know. Also, I will be happy to answer any individual questions you might have. If you do wish to contact me, please send me an email at jgrimes@calpoly.edu or give me a call (805) 540-0678.

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Thank you!

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is a way for us to give back and collectively make a greater impact on deserving students. Please consider donating to our endowment by using the form on the right.

One may also donate online at <http://bit.ly/2u3r6yM>. It is a perfect opportunity to secure lifetime dues and/or honor or memorialize someone special.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity and believing in the future leaders of tomorrow.

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