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RETIRED FACULTY AND STAFF TOUR OF VANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE



On **Thursday, October 12, 2017**, begin the 2017-2018 academic year by joining your fellow Cal Poly Retired Faculty and Staff members to learn about the Vandenberg Air Force Base. We will visit launch sites, observe dog training, visit a naval ship crash site, and hear a base overview. Air Force Staff Sergeant Shane Phipps is scheduled to be the tour guide and will provide information and answer your questions about base facilities. This special tour is being provided for us, because of the special relationship with Cal Poly. This tour is not provided during other public events. The following URL site provides a seven-minute video of 2016-year review of activities on the base. <http://www.vandenberg.af.mil/News/Video/dvpTag/dogs/>

NOTE: Each member may bring one guest only.

TIME: Charter bus leaves the Performing Arts Center at 7:15 a.m. and returns at approximately 2:00 p.m. Our gourmet box lunch will be served during our return trip.

COST: \$18 (includes chartered bus and box lunch). Cal Poly University Development has subsidized our tour which is much appreciated!

PARKING: If you have an Emeritus parking pass, park in the Grand Avenue structure adjacent to the Performing Arts Center. You can use any Sponsored Guest, Staff, or General parking space. Remember that Emeritus passes can be ticketed in expired meter parking spaces or handicap parking spaces without a handicap placard. There will be reserved event parking spaces on the upper level for anyone who does not have a parking pass.

WALKING, STANDING, AND STAIRS: There are no stairs and minimal walking is required. The dog training demonstration will require 45 minutes of standing, but you may bring a portable chair that will be loaded in the storage area on the bus.

PLEASE RSVP BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 USING THE FOLLOWING SIGN-UP FORM:
COST OF \$18 PER GUEST DUE TO GAIL BY SEPTEMBER 14, 2017.

GUEST #1: (First and last name) _____
DATE OF BIRTH (month/day/year): _____
DRIVER'S LICENSE (State & license #): _____
Or
PASSPORT NUMBER (Country/ number): _____

LUNCH CHOICE: Sandwich Choice - Turkey Cordon Bleu, Roast Beef, or Grilled Chicken
Choice of one side - Green Salad, Pasta Salad, Fruit Salad or chips -- CIRCLES CHOICES

GUEST #2: (First and last name): _____
DATE OF BIRTH (month/day/year): _____
DRIVER'S LICENSE (State & license #): _____
Or
PASSPORT NUMBER (Country/ number): _____

LUNCH CHOICE: Sandwich Choice - Turkey Cordon Bleu, Roast Beef, or Grilled Chicken
Choice of one side - Green Salad, Pasta Salad, Fruit Salad or chips -- CIRCLES CHOICES

For more information contact Gail Simmons at: gsimmons@calpoly.edu or 805-462-9148.
Mail payment to: 4615 San Vicente Ave, Atascadero, CA 93422.

If you have a question about the tour or want to submit a question for the tour guide, please contact:

Joe Grimes at jgrimes@calpoly.edu

We will not be touring the Heritage Center, because that tour takes two hours and consists of walking and standing the entire time. If you wish to have that tour, it is provided monthly on the third Tuesday and information may be found at: <http://www.vandenberg.af.mil/Public-Tours/>

NEWS – CENTENNIAL SCHOLARSHIP AND CHANGES TO THE 2017-2019 RETIRED FACULTY AND STAFF CLUB BOARD

Our entire Board and University Development wish to thank Richard Equinoa, our Centennial Scholarship Chair for the past eight years, for his excellent service in that role. During his time as Chair, the scholarship award has grown from a single yearly scholarship of \$1,600 to an award of a \$3,000 with an additional scholarship given every third year. The endowment fund is doing so well that our Club awarded two scholarships this past year and two may be given again this coming year. Rich has served on our board as our Programs Vice President, as President, and as Past President all while as Centennial Scholarship Chair. Please thank Rich when you see him!

Now, it is our pleasure to announce that Laura Dimmitt has agreed to be the new Centennial Scholarship Chair. With her professional experience in this area, she is an excellent person for this position. Thank you, Laura, for accepting this responsibility and for your two years of service (2015-2017) as Programs Vice President.

The RFS Centennial Scholarship is the official philanthropy of the Retired Faculty and Staff Club. We are pleased to report that the endowment is currently at a fair market value of \$146,905.31 as of June 30, 2017. All lifetime membership fees collected enhance this endowment. Many students have received this scholarship, which is awarded to top scholars entering Cal Poly as freshmen and who have also demonstrated leadership and meritorious service to their communities.

For more information on the scholarship endowment, contact fundraising chair Laura Dimmitt at: ldimmitt@gmail.com .

UPDATES FROM OUR MEMBERS:

MARJORIE DAVIS (Health Center) - is enjoying life in Idaho with its four seasons, my family of children, grandchildren and my granddaughter's new puppy. (an Alaskan Siberian huskie). The huskie is teething now and has huge feet - will be 70 lbs. (at least) when full grown.

BOB LUCAS (Graduate Studies and Research) - Bob still teaches university level workshops on scholarly writing and proposal development. He also keeps up with his four kids and two grandkids, and is involved with local politics. Bob manages these activities while enjoying Central Coast life and travel, especially to Washington State and Italy.

DOTTI MUNRO (Mailroom) - Dotti has not a thing to report and just loves it!

JAMES NEELAND (Supervising Technician) - James enjoys fishing in Wyoming but is now recovering from a broken leg and knee surgery.

JOSEPH W. TRUEX (Graphic Communications) - Joseph is in physical therapy to regain some lost muscle strength.

STANLEY YUCIKAS (Bookstore) - Stanley now has time for writing, wine tasting, and volunteering with the Guadyiste Festival

FRIENDS IN PASSING:

CHARLES ATLEE (Crop Science): Charles passed away in March 2017. He retired after 20 years but stayed active and volunteered internationally in many agricultural projects including the California Rare Fruit Growers.

ARLENE CHANDLER (ASI): The founder of Cal Poly's Week of Welcome died in April 2017. Arlene was born in rural Wisconsin and moved to San Luis Obispo in 1960 for a job at Cal Poly as student activities advisor. One of her first accomplishments at Cal Poly was the creation of WOW, a student orientation program that continues today and serves as a model for universities across the nation.

JEFFREY DANES (Business) died suddenly in May 2017. Jeffrey had a varied career before joining the Cal Poly Marketing faculty. He had 30 years of service when he retired.

ARTHUR F. DICKERSON (Engineering) passed away in May 2017. In addition to teaching, Arthur was an accomplished artist, poet and singer.

WILMA PIERCE (Cal Poly Foundation) died in March 2017. Wilma retired after 18 years in the Business Office. Wilma is remembered as an avid bowler both before and after she retired.

CHARLES QUINLAN (Architecture) died at home in April 2017. Charles taught from 1966 to 1994 which included a Distinguished Teacher Award in 1974.

EDWIN C. SEIM (Crop Science) passed away in May 2017. In addition to teaching, Edwin worked with students in many enterprise projects. He retired in 2004.

WILLIAM THURMOND (Biological Science) died in April 2017. Bill taught from 1951 to 1990. This included several years as a visiting professor in Germany. He was also faculty advisor for the Cal Poly Chinese Students Association.

MICHAEL WENZL (English) passed away in June 2017. This editor remembers Michael fondly as one of her favorite professors who brought great insights and inspiration to his classes all with a wry sense of humor. Michael taught for 37 years and also served as Athletic Faculty Advisor.

HENRY JOSEPH WESSELS (Art & Design) died in March 2017. Henry taught at Cal Poly for 30 years and started the glassblowing program and sculpture garden.

Dues and News Form

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

DUES AND NEWS FORM

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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 _____ Today's Date _____

Please share some of what you are doing in retirement.

Mail the above form and check to: **Gail Simmons, 4615 San Vicente Ave., Atascadero, CA 93422**

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

CURRENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Street Address

City/State

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Email Address: _____

Year Retired from Cal Poly: _____

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

Enclosed is my contribution of: \$ _____

Name/s _____

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Explore the New Website!

Members and friends are invited to explore the RFS Club website at <http://www.cpretirees.org/index/html>. One of our students in Donor Relations, Mr. Matt Horst, has updated the site. There is an opportunity to provide direct input by filling out a brief questionnaire. We welcome your ideas and suggestions.

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 the article and I will include in an upcoming newsletter. Please email your article to: valerie.barboza@gmail.com or you can mail it to me at: 1756 Cordova Drive, San Luis Obispo, CA 93405. If you have any questions, call me at 805.264.5901.

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