



**James C. Cox Jr. and his Kappa Alpha Psi award, which he received for inspirational achievement from his fraternity.**

*Photo by Lawrence Guerrero*



## Ohlone employee receives educational services award

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On Jan. 22, Ohlone Financial Aid Outreach Coordinator James C. Cox Jr. (Jimmy) received the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity's "Knowledge is Powerful" Award for his dedicated educational services.

The honor is a regional award that is part of a national fraternity, where it is awarded to inspirational leaders annually.

Cox said, "My fraternity's motto is 'Achievement in every field of human endeavor,' and I honor education as a part of my motto's achievement."

Cox has been motivating and

inspiring young minds for over a decade. It has been said that he has the unique ability to connect and draw a crowd with his charismatic message of hope, along with his exciting and inviting personality.

Following in his footsteps of his father, Cox is a member of the Berkeley Alumni Chapter where he has held the positions of Keeper of Records, Board Member, and where he currently serves as Chapter Advisor for the Nu Sigma Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi.

Cox is a licensed and ordained minister. Besides working at Ohlone, Cox serves as the First Assistant to the Pastor of the Olivet Institutional Baptist Church of Oakland, where his preaching has taken

him throughout California, Nevada, and the Western United States.

Earning his bachelor's degree for CSU Hayward, Cox focused on Liberal Studies with an option in psychology.

With an extensive background in education, student services administration, and mentoring groups, Cox infuses spirit into those who follow.

Sandy Bennett, of the Extended Opportunity Programs and Services Coordinator at Ohlone, said, "Jimmy is one of today's finest leaders because he understands that people are intrinsically different and he recognizes the needs of others and appreciates their unique skills and talents."

## World Forum scheduled Feb. 24

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Only 10 days after the elections in Iraq, 175 people have died in the continuing violence. Among those killed were 153 Iraqis, with at least 106 of them being Iraqi soldiers, police officers and recruits.

An additional 15 U.S. soldiers have died in combat.

Although some see an increasing level of hostility in Iraq and

Afghanistan as a necessary growing pain for the road to democracy, others blame this cycle of violence on poor strategy.

On Feb. 24, these topics along with others regarding the Middle East will be discussed at Ohlone's first World Forum by two experts. Keynote speaker, Jamil Hanifi, Emeritus professor of Anthropology at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, and Stephen Zunes, professor of Political Science and

Chairman of the Peace and Justice Studies at the University of San Francisco, will critically analyze the situation.

Ohlone President Doug Treadway initiated the forums to get students involved in world affairs. An additional forum will be held in April on the topic of "China, the U.S. and the Global Economy."

All students and faculty are invited to attend the forum at the Epler Gym, beginning at noon.

## ASOC plans events

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ees are welcome.

A dominos tournament is scheduled for March 3 from 4 to 7 p.m., aiming to include more evening students. Gift certificates will be awarded to the top three winners.

Unity Week, an annual campus-wide event, is scheduled for April 4-8, which will include cultural performances, guest speakers, panel discussions and many other activities.

ASOC took an advisory vote in favor of supporting a \$0.25 increase in the student health fee. The council agrees that it is a continuation of last year's policy.

The ASOC also made an advisory vote to financially support three students to attend a Journalism Conference in Washington D.C. The members also approved \$600 to produce discount cards for Ohlone students.

To express appreciation of Ohlone's faculty, staff and administration, the ASOC will be hosting an afternoon filled with food and games. Some possible ideas are kick ball or flag football, or having employees against students.

The official ASOC meeting times have been changed to start at 4 p.m. for the remainder of the semester. All are welcome and encouraged to attend these meetings to give and/or receive student input.

## Higher profile for Ohlone

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of their education.

3. Ethnic groups who are unaware of the extent to which Ohlone seeks to help meet their multi-cultural, educational needs.

In effort to target these people, the end-of-year budget included running larger ads for 9, 12 and 15-week classes in the Chinese yellow pages, Spanish newspapers, the San Francisco Chronicle at Naz Cinema, on bus billboards and on posters at BART stations. Ohlone students also participate in service projects and the Adopt-a-Highway program.

Press releases are sent to radio stations, "The Argus" and the "San Francisco Chronicle," depending on how broad a release is desired.

The results of increased awareness throughout the school will result in company awareness and consequently, their donations of computers for labs, scholarships and hopefully opportunities for internships.

Finally, the higher the profile, the more students enroll. Based on a state-determined quota, Ohlone must meet a certain enrollment number. This quota is inflexible.

If Ohlone does not fulfill enrollment requirements, the college is penalized for every student they are short. At the same time, schools are required to not overstep this quota.

Birkedahl sees the increased profile as a, "Good investment for bringing money back into an operating budget."

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