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Treadway says no to guns for campus police

EDITOR'S NOTE - One of the most controversial issues on campus this semester has been the request by campus police to carry guns. Student, faculty and staff groups have held discussions and voted support or opposition. Police Chief Steve Fajardo has spoken to numerous groups to build support for his request to carry guns. Wednesday night Ohlone President Doug Treadway issued his decision on the issue by way of email to the campus community. Here it is.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OHLONE COLLEGE

PRESIDENT'S POSITION ON PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE FIREARMS TO CAMPUS POLICE

The Ohlone Community College Police Department has requested of me a change in policy so that the chief of the department and the (one) sworn police officer be authorized to carry firearms. This proposal has been presented to the

College Council for a recommendation. Each of the constituent groups of the Council took a vote on this proposal. The Council decided in its most recent meeting that the votes of the member organizations would stand and the Council itself would not make an independent recommendation to the college president. The pattern of voting did not generally show support for the proposal.

During the time this matter has been under consideration, I have met with not only the College Council but also the college chief of

safety and security and the chief of the police department for the City of Fremont. I attended an open college forum on this subject and received e-mails from concerned individuals on both sides of the question. I have contacted other community colleges to determine the status of their campus-based police departments.

After full consideration, I have decided not to request of the Board of Trustees a change in policy that would have the sworn officers of the campus police department carry firearms. I am at this time confi-

dent that should there be an incident on campus where a firearm or other deadly weapon is involved, the city police would arrive within 3-5 minutes to effectively deal with the situation.

I am also confident that our chief, police officer and the security officers currently on our staff are now doing and will continue to do an excellent job. They are keeping us safe and secure and they have my unqualified respect and support. Should conditions change in the future, I am of course prepared to reconsider the proposal.

World Forum: democracy vs. terrorism

By OLIVIA SPERANZA
Opinion editor

Where does terrorism come from? What is the best way to prevent another terrorist attack? Are we winning the war on terrorism?

These were some of the questions addressed during Ohlone's first World Forum in Epler Gymnasium last Thursday.

An audience of more than 700 students, faculty and community members heard Dr. Steven Zunes, professor of Middle eastern Studies at the University of San Francisco, talk about Afghanistan, the war in Iraq and terrorism.

Ohlone President Dr. Doug Treadway organized the World Forum to promote understanding of world events in the Ohlone community. Originally two speakers were scheduled Thursday to give

divergent perspectives on the issues, but one of the speakers canceled. Zunes spoke for about 50 minutes, leaving only a few minutes for questions. He remained in the gym after the forum to answer more questions and sign copies of his recent book.

One of Zunes' themes was the conflict between democracy and terrorism. He said terrorism flourishes when the government fails to respond to the needs of the people. A repressive government encourages extremists.

For instance, he pointed out the irony of U.S. demands for democracy in Iran, when the CIA engineered the overthrow of Iran's democratically elected government in 1953 in order to install the corrupt, repressive government of the Shaw of Iran.

For the next 25 years, the Shaw's



Photo by Shari Wargo

Dr. Steven Zunes signs a copy of his book after World Forum in Epler Gym.

government imprisoned, tortured and killed anyone opposed to the government, meanwhile assuring a flow of cheap oil to the U.S. With

all moderates crushed, the leadership vacuum was filled by religious extremists when the Shaw finally was removed from power. All of

this set the stage for the kidnapping of the consulate, the oil crisis and, recently, the threat of nuclear weap-

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Grad to mentor Berkeley transfers

By OLIVIA SPERANZA
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When she left Ohlone more than 15 years ago, Annette Abbott started down a long adventurous path that has led through Hong Kong and most of the Pacific Rim, and now is curving back to Ohlone.

After working 15 years living in Hong Kong and working in marketing for Nature magazine, she is back in California, attending UC Berkeley, and offering her services as a mentor to Ohlone students. She is part of the Starting Point

Mentorship Program, which provides transfer students the opportunity to gain knowledge and answer important questions about continuing their education at UC Berkeley.

For those who may doubt their ability to get accepted or lack the information they need to get started, this program is suited to cater to those needs. Ohlone students will work with a mentor from UC Berkeley, such as Abbott, to enable a support system that will help them on the road to academic success.

Abbott is a student who attends

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Annette Abbott

Security cameras installed

By JAMES HEDRA
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Soon there will be 38 security cameras watching as you pursue your education around the Ohlone campus.

Ohlone's Buildings and Grounds Department is hard at work installing the cameras around the campus, as part of the improvement project funded by the \$1.5 million bond issue passed by Fremont voters three years ago.

Paula Bray, assistant director of Facilities, working with Steve Fajardo, Chief of Police, are installing the cameras all around campus, including parking lots and major public pedestrian areas. Most of the cameras are fixed, while five can pan and tilt. All of the cameras are being placed in outdoor locations, to

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