



Foundation, Financial Aid work together

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The Ohlone Foundation and Financial Aid Department are joining forces in an effort to distribute more money in scholarships in a trouble-free manner to the students.

The college foundation has been working with the Financial Aid Department in a continuous effort to

find innovative ways to get scholarship and grant money out to the students.

Foundation Coordinator Johari Peebles announced that the Foundation is giving away \$20,000 by the end of this semester for a variety of students studying in general education, nursing, chemistry, math, bio-tech and non-specified majors. The goal is to

inspire students to take advantage of all the money being offered by the college.

The college received its money from various funds accumulated by private companies and other sources. "We are pulling money from gifts and endowments given to the college and are awarding scholarships from the interest accumulated [by the funds]," said Peebles.

The Financial Aid department is working in conjunction with the foundation to distribute its own money from private foundations, banks and other sources.

All applications for the scholarships must be filled out at the financial aid department. "The foundation gets the money and financial aid distributes it, unless otherwise specified," said Peebles.

Financial Aid Student Services Representative Spencer Washington emphasized the need for students to follow exact directions when completing the applications for the scholarships. "It's very important for students to follow directions. If the exact requirements aren't followed, they will not be considered for their scholarship," said Washington. Each scholarship may have its own specific criteria and instruction.

Prior distributions of scholarships were done through individual departments. The new structure will simplify things for students who will be able to go to one place for all foundation and financial aid scholarships and grants.

Detailed information for scholarship distribution will be placed on boards throughout the campus and on the white bulletin board in front of the financial aid department.

The *Monitor* will be announcing weekly scholarship availabilities.

Treadway moderates peace panel

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A panel of speakers moderated by Ohlone President Doug Treadway criticized the Bush administration for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and for mishandling the war on terrorism.

Nearly 100 people filled Newark's Chandni Restaurant to attend the "War or Peace?" symposium sponsored by the American Institute of International Studies.

The occasion was reminiscent of a growing anti-war movement, according to Institute President Syed Mahmood. DVD's of all speeches will be sent to national and state leaders if enough money is raised, said Syed.

Rep. Pete Stark, D-Fremont, former Illinois Republican Congressman Paul Findley, University of San Francisco Professor Stephen Zunes and other speakers represented a variety of viewpoints about Bush and his foreign relations policies.

Findley, an 83-year-old native of Illinois who served in the House of Representatives for 22 years asked, "Why did we invade Iraq? Iraq had nothing to do with 9/11 and posed no threat whatsoever to the United States. They had no weapons of mass destruction."

Stark stated that America's double standard of providing weapons to Israel and banning it to other Middle Eastern countries leads to oppression and bitterness.

Zunes, who spoke at Ohlone's first World Forum on Feb. 24, blamed every U.S. president since Eisenhower for financially and militarily supporting Israeli crimes against the Palestinians. Zunes said this was the real cause of the attacks against America.

"Iraq and Palestine are two sides of the same coin. If our government truly seeks justice for the Palestinian people, the Iraqi insurgency will subside," said Findley.

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