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Parking Machine 101



After students complained that the new parking permit machines were broken, campus police decided to run a remedial course on vending machine strategy. Step One: press the No. 1 button and wait until it says to put in your money. Step Two: put

in your money. Step Three: take the permit when it comes out. Police say students have tried to put in money before they press No. 1. This won't work. The machine will spit out your dollar, and you may get a \$28 ticket; don't let this happen to you.



Photo by Devina Deo

Ohlone officer Stewart Dawson monitors images from surveillance cameras.

If you're on campus, you're on camera

By ANNA NEMCHUK
News editor

More than 30 surveillance cameras now grace the grounds of Ohlone College. They will be recording 24 hours a day, Campus Police Chief Steve Fajardo assured, and will be monitored at certain times by campus security personnel.

Due to security issues, some details are unavailable for publication at this time.

The cost of the project was in the range of \$300,000. The money came from a bond approved four years ago and is part of a general campus security improvement program.

In the works are "code blue"

phones to be installed around campus that would instantly connect to campus security, and the police department, in the absence of the former.

The camera installation had no connection to the alleged rape last year, Fajardo firmly stated.

The keyless locks currently ensconced at "key locations" around campus, however, were in response due to the equipment thefts last year.

Despite rumors to the contrary, the Campus Chief was adamant that no cameras have been installed in private areas, which include locker rooms and bathrooms.

"People first, people always first," Fajardo declared.

Environment World Forum set Sept. 20

By ANNIE UTTER
Staff writer

The Sept. 20 World Forum will be about The Natural Step Approach to Environmental Sustainability in the gym starting at noon. A guest speaker will be announced. An open discussion will commence after the meeting to answer questions. Students, faculty and the community are invited. For more information, contact Sarah Zentner at (510) 659-7369.

English Dept. gets its AA degree

By ANNA NEMCHUK
News editor

"You, too, could be an English major," Alison Kuehner, professor of English, offered with a smile upon hearing that Ohlone's new English AA degree had been approved by the Chancellor's office.

Kuehner spearheaded the combined efforts of faculty and administrative staff, which took more than two years to come to fruition.

The degree is integrated with all the major UCs and CSUs in the area, though students should still check with their prospective schools to pinpoint the best classes for them.

The degree is a quick 20 units with English 101A and 101B re-

quired, a choice of three out of five core classes and the student's pick of another course among 19 which include: English 106 - Censorship and Literature, 117 - Science Fiction and Fantasy and 114 - World Mythology. The exact requirements can be found on Ohlone's web site at www.ohlone.edu/org/currguides/current/english.html

Some controversy has come up over making two of the five core classes English 105A and 105B, Survey of American Literature and English Literature, respectively, year long courses, improving integration further with some universities. The major concern is whether students would want to have one class extend over two semesters.

"I think the question has been

what's going to work for our students, what can help them," said Kuehner.

Goals for this degree are weeding out liberal arts majors who are actually English majors and giving students specific skills aimed at improving writing and critical thinking.

The degree has gone into effect immediately, so anyone having already completed the requirements is eligible.

This spring's course offerings have already been largely determined, but the English department is excited at reintroducing more courses next fall.



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Alison Kuehner



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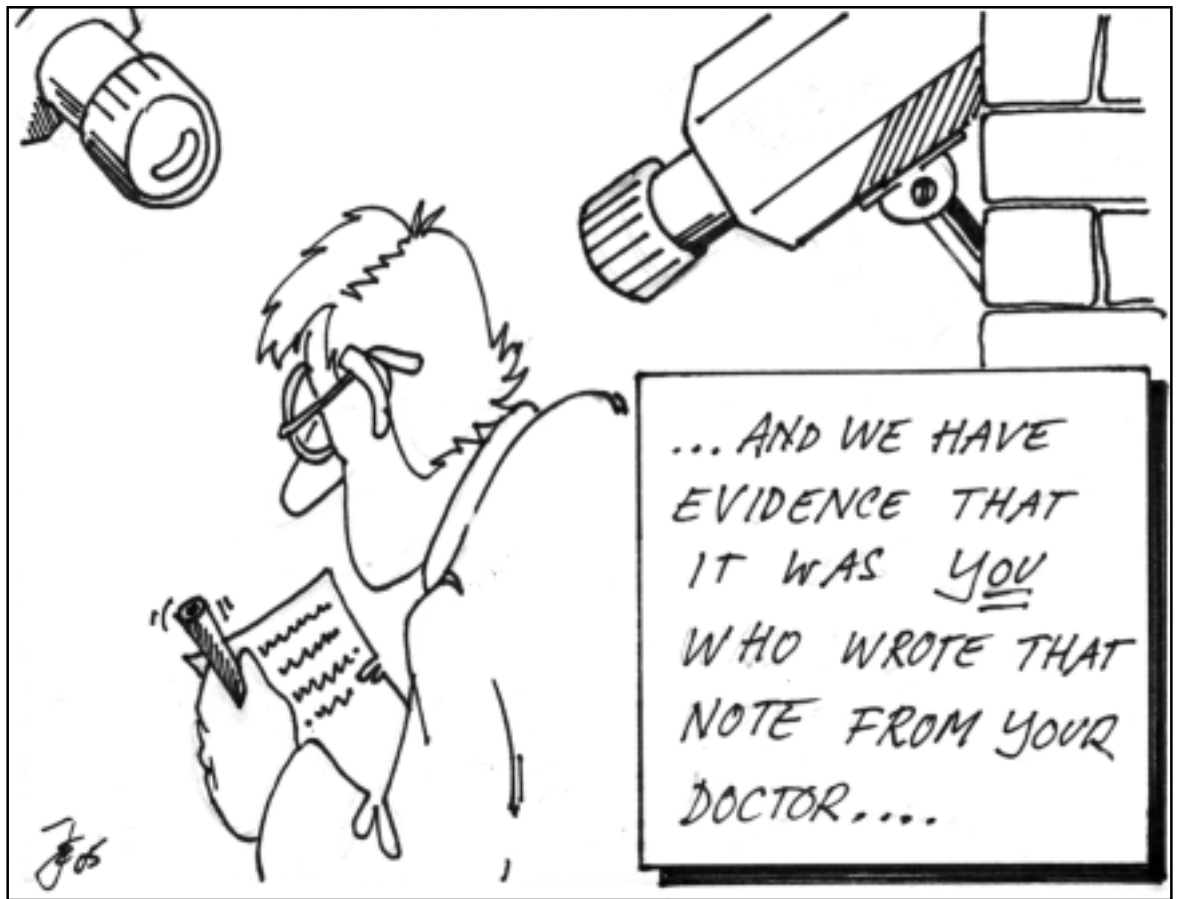
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OPINION

IS big brother watching? And what is he seeing?

By **JEROME ENGELBERTS**
Opinions editor

In a society that is more and more under someone's watchful eye every minute, the arrival of surveillance cameras here on campus will strike some as a non-event, and some as yet another instance of control-from-above.

Apart from the campus police's increase in ability to go after those who take liberties with the law on campus – how will the cameras affect students, if at all?

First of all, we should realize that none of us have that many secrets left anyway. The arrival of on-line shopping, email, cell phones

(you're not calling in your credit card number on one of those, are you?) and the assorted combined databases of banks, insurance companies and credit bureaus, to name a few, have created a wealth of information about our personal life, to be tapped into by many people we know nothing about.

Unless you stay completely off the grid (and say bye-bye to your bank account, internet, cell phone – except if you use a pay-as-you-go phone), and don't forget to opt out of each insurance company's option to sell your information – not to mention realtors, mortgage brokers, magazines you subscribe to, associations you may belong to – the list

is enormous you can expect to rack up an increasingly fat file on much of your behavior, and not just for marketing purposes, either. The FBI really wants to know about you if you combine reading *Soldier of Fortune* magazine with posting blogs to www.coup-d'etat.com (I made it up) and taking pilot lessons.

Ok, so we've established that you're already being looked at a lot.

So what's a few more surveillance cameras? After all, you're not a delinquent, right? No spray paint in your pocket, no malicious intent while lurking on campus after dark. Why should you care if your blurry countenance is seen on a few monitors? Welllllllllll.... You shouldn't,

really. But maybe you should also develop the common sense that perfectly legal, but non-educationally oriented activities on-campus might be seen by others.

How about that half hour kissing session between MATH151 and ANT101?

And was that you I saw kicking the soda machine in Building 6? Did you know that so-and-so has a hairpiece that comes off in moderately strong breezes?

Is that your boyfriend getting "friendly" with my...boyfriend? Hmmmm.

Anyone who has spent some time trolling around the Internet (I know, we would never do a thing like

that) knows that "interesting" footage from security cameras has a way of showing up in unexpected places.

Does that mean we shouldn't have surveillance cameras? I, for one, think we should: if only because they might prevent a repeat of last year's rape.

But I also feel that good intentions and common sense notwithstanding, we should be conscious of the fact that somebody is watching, and modify our behavior if we think that's advisable. And by the way: did you know you were wearing two different socks last Tuesday? It's on www.un-aware.com – or something.

LETTERS

Student government says welcome to Ohlone

EDITOR:

The Associated Students of Ohlone College (ASOC) welcomes all students to Fall Semester 2005! The ASOC is your student government council. The purpose of ASOC is to serve Ohlone College students and meet their needs. A multitude of campus events, activities, workshops, speakers, community outreach projects and much more are produced, funded or coordinated by the ASOC.

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The members of ASOC represent the students' voice on campus, locally and nationally. They strive to address the student's issues and needs. The ASOC is comprised of executive officers, senators and two advisors. The Executive Officers are elected each Spring during a campus-wide election.

The senators are inducted each semester upon meeting certain qualifications and submitting a pe-

petition with 50 signatures.

To find out what's happening on campus, the ASOC invites students to drop by the Student Activities Center located next to the information desk in the lobby of Building One.

The Student Activities Center is an area for students to get information about upcoming campus events, in addition to promoting club activities, athletic teams, classes and much more. Students will also have

a chance to meet and speak with ASOC representatives. By connecting with ASOC members, getting involved with student government or clubs, or attending ASOC sponsored events and activities, students get the entire college experience.

The ASOC is currently accepting applications through Sept. 6 for students interested in becoming a Senator. If you'd like to join ASOC by becoming a senator,

please drop by the Campus Activities window, Room 1140, or by the ASOC office, Room 1130. You can also contact Renee Gonzales, campus activities student services assistant at 659.7311 or rgonzales@ohlone.edu.

Upcoming events include Club Days, Sept. 6-7 in the Quad, and the Ohlone Carnival, Oct. 5.

RENE GONZALES
Campus Activities Assistant

CAMPUS COMMENT >>>

How do you feel about cameras on campus?



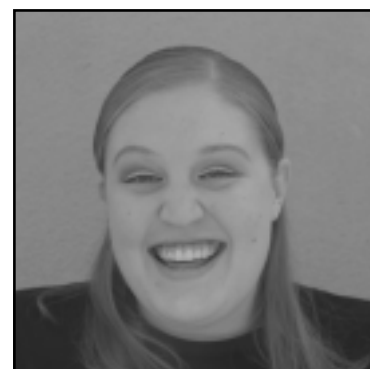
NICOLE PRICE
Psychology
"It's cool, I feel safer."



JOSH DAUGHERTY
History/Political Science
"I don't want to live in an Orwellian culture."



LISA KEYES
Undecided
"It's a good thing considering what happened last semester."



SHELLY BAKER
Literature
"Big brother. That's horrible."



AOISE SANDS
Undecided
"I'm not doing anything wrong. It doesn't bother me."



CAMPUS EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

12 21st Annual Golf Tournament -- All day. Registration fee of \$225 for individuals or \$900 for groups of 4 includes green fees, cart, lunch, dinner, and prizes. Tournament will take place at Castlewood Country Club in Pleasanton. For the registration

form, visit www.ohlone.edu.

14 David Tomb: Paintings -- This exhibit will be open from September 14th to October 15. Reception and Artist Lecture will be held on September 21st from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

17 Smith Center's 10th Anniversary Gala-- 6:30 p.m.

Special guest star Alex Borstein of MADtv hosts an all-out salute to the 10th Anniversary of the Smith Center. Borstein performs her stand-up comic act as part of the evening's entertainment, which features music, dance and comedy. Tickets are \$50 for adults, \$40 for seniors, and \$25 for youth under 12.

24 The Great Garage

Sale Blast -- 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. in Ohlone College Parking Lot "E." The Great Garage Sale Blast is to give those who need to clean out their house the possibility to take advantage of the large crowds. There will be no competition from professional vendors or arts & crafts vendors. Pre-Registration is \$25 or same day sign up is \$30. For more information contact rettare@ohlone.edu.

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CHS 106-A (UC & CSU Transferable)

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