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Mountford approached Parks with an organized plan, and Parks felt it was a good idea to reactivate the magazine class. Students and Parks met with Mikelyn Stacey, dean of language arts, social sciences and library sciences, to get things started. Mountford will also be the editor in chief of the magazine.

Estimated printing costs are \$2,200 per 1,000 copies for a 24-page issue. A number of fundraising ideas are being discussed. The magazine class is in the catalog, but not in the schedule of classes. It will be updated by the curriculum committee by the end of this semester. After the meeting, Dean Stacey said, "I think we have a lot of talented people at Ohlone and it will be good to draw on them again."

Students may sign up for one, two or three units for the magazine class, Journ. 173, 174 or 175. The class will be an hour and a half long, beginning at 11 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The class was not reactivated in time to be printed in the catalog. However, the class will appear on WebAdvisor in Spring.

To more information or to apply for staff positions, go to <http://www.mountmos.com/tomahawk>. Mountford plans on interviewing prospective staff in an effort to assure that the magazine will maintain a high level of quality.

Ethics seen as election message

By ERIC DORMAN
Staff writer

After the Democrats took control of the House of Representatives as well as several key states Tuesday night and Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld resigned, Political Science Professor Alan Kirshner expressed optimism in the country's future.

"Good morning America; good-night, George Bush," said Kirshner. "It's nice to wake up to the future and speculate on change."

The Tuesday elections shifted the balance of power in the House to 229 Democrats and 196 Republicans, from a formerly Republican majority of 222 Republicans to 203 Democrats, according to MercuryNews.com.

Furthermore, Democrats gained key victories in states such as Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York to pull off what President George Bush called "a thumpin'".

As far as Rumsfeld's resignation Wednesday morning, Kirshner said he believed Rumsfeld to be a "sacrificial lamb" that Bush used to attempt to reassign blame and start anew with the Democrats. He said he believed Bush would be able to work with the Democrats success-

fully, and that he did so in Texas (when he governed under a largely Democratic legislature) and that he could probably do it again.

Bush has already nominated Robert Gates, a former CIA director, as new Secretary of Defense.

Most of California's propositions – though not its bonds – were defeated, such as Proposition 88, which would have increased funding for schools (including Ohlone), and Proposition 86, which would have increased the cigarette tax.

"Generally, anything that taxpayers feel will hurt their pocketbooks will go down in defeat," said Kirshner.

But despite an overall victory by Democrats nationwide, California decided to stick with Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, who soundly defeated Democrat Phil Angelides.

Kirshner noted that it was interesting that in the exit polls, when voters who voted Democratic were asked why they didn't vote Republican, the top reason given was not the war in Iraq, but rather corruption.

"I think the demand for honesty has to be filled in the future," said Kirshner. "The American public has shown that it won't put up with dishonesty."

See's Candy Sale

By Ohlone's Softball Team

The annual fundraiser of selling See's Candies to raise money for the softball team has begun. All orders need to be in by Thanksgiving, and delivery will be during the first week of December.

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Renown pianist performs

By FRANKIE ADDIEGO
Staff writer

Internationally recognized pianist Jon Nakamatsu played a fundraising concert Sunday in the Gary Soren Smith Center for the Fine and Performing Arts. Nakamatsu, who won the Gold Medal at the Tenth Van Cliburn International Piano Competition in Texas, played a number of classical pieces to an enthusiastic crowd in the Jackson Theater.

Nakamatsu was born in San José in 1968 and has been playing piano since the age of 6. He served as a German teacher at Mountain View's Saint Francis High School from 1991 to 1997. It was that year that he won the top prize at the Van Cliburn competition. Since then, he has released several albums on the Harmonia Mundi label.

The event began with at 4 p.m. with Four Sonatas composed by Domenico Scarlatti. According to Walter Birkedahl, Ohlone's Dean

of Fine and Performing Arts, "It's all music that requires a virtuoso." Nakamatsu played unaccompanied through the event, though he spoke to the audience. "Another thing that was fun about it," said Birkedahl, "he had a little lapel [microphone] and he talked to the audience." Birkedahl also praised the technical aspects of the show saying, "[the] sound and lights were really good."

Other pieces Nakamatsu performed included Two Impromptus from Franz Schubert; Felix Mendelssohn's "Rondo capriccioso," Op. 14; and "Widmung" by Robert Schumann, as arranged by Franz Liszt. Nakamatsu closed with various works composed by Frédéric Chopin.

Lighting operator Matt Arnold, said that the lights were dimmed to prevent glare from the keys of the piano. Arnold spoke highly of Nakamatsu, saying, he's "actually a really nice guy," and that he was "very down to Earth."

Ohlone College Foundation employee Thomas Hsu, who also attended the performance, echoed this sentiment, saying that Nakamatsu is, "really personable." According to Hsu, Nakamatsu gave long-stemmed roses to the women who attended the VIP party after the performance.

Ohlone will also be founding a scholarship in Nakamatsu's name. The fund will be for students wishing to study the fine arts. According to Josephine Ong-McBride, the executive director of the Ohlone College foundation, a number of people have already donated to the scholarship.

Ong-McBride is a personal friend of Nakamatsu, and arranged the whole thing. "Jon Nakamatsu is the most sought after musician of his generation," she said, "therefore, his professional fee is very high." However, because it was a fundraiser, and because Nakamatsu knew Ong-McBride very well, he reduced his fee.

Walston is retiring

By EMILY BURKETT
Staff writer

College vice-president Deanna Walston's retirement was made official at last night's Board of Trustees meeting. The Board reluctantly accepted the dedicated administrator's retirement and recognized several of the achievements she made in the Ohlone budget. She will leave in June.

The Board also discussed the conflict with the residents of Witherly Lane. With the impending lease of the frontage property, a possible street name change came under fire. Neighboring property owners disagreed with any name change and the Board meeting culminated with the decision to leave Witherly Lane as Witherly Lane.

New Student Trustee Sahar Yousef mentioned the Thanksgiving feast put on by Associated Students of Ohlone College (ASOC) which will occur next Thursday and is free to all.

'Smoke Out' at Ohlone

By NOAH LEVIN
Staff writer

For smokers interested in kicking the habit, the Great American Smoke Out is coming on Nov. 16.

Sponsored by the American Cancer Society, the Smoke Out is a national anti-smoking campaign, encouraging current smokers to try and quit "cold turkey" and inform non-smokers of the dangers of picking up the habit. Joining with millions of others around the country, smokers are asked to go "cold turkey for 24," a step toward eventually quitting altogether.

The Smoke Out idea started in the mid-'70s, and became recognized nationwide in 1977 under the sponsorship of the American Cancer Society. According to the Great American Smoke Out's website, as many as "one-third of the nation's 46 million smokers will be taking the day off from smoking."

Ohlone's own Health Center will be promoting the event by setting up a table in the Quad Nov. 16. Muffins and juice will be offered at the table, as well as a raffle for those who want to commit to not smoking for 24 hours. Raffle contestants stand to win a whole "cold turkey," literally.

"It's our way of being supportive of those who to quit," said Sally Bratton, head of the Student Health Center here at Ohlone. Bratton also offers counseling as well as motivational materials and prescriptions for those seeking to quit smoking. Ohlone has been a smoke-free campus since June 2004.

Ohlone's official smoking policy states "Smoking is prohibited in all college vehicles, buildings, indoor and outdoor facilities, handicapped parking and all open areas except for general use parking lots."

The Smoke Out takes place on the third Thursday of November, one week before Thanksgiving.



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