

## College in good shape for quake *Where were you during the quake?*

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Prediction Evaluation Council the "earthquake has significantly increased the probability above the normal level for a damaging earthquake along the Calaveras and/or Hayward faults within the next several days. However, the overall likelihood of such an event is still low. Scientists will be continuing to monitor the situation and advise OES of any changes."

A Hetch-Hetchy water pipeline travels underneath the Fremont campus but does not go under any of the buildings. According to Emergency Preparedness Coordinator George Rodgers, the pipeline is en-

gineered to withstand earthquakes, and was re-engineered several years ago to make it even stronger. It is now able to withstand a far more significant earthquake than Tuesday's magnitude 5.6 quake. Rodgers said the power lines located to the east of the campus would be vulnerable to a quake with a magnitude of 8.0 or higher, which could possibly cause a grass fire.

Rodgers said Ohlone is relatively safe because it is built on top of bedrock and firm soil. The Bay Area has about 1,500 quakes per year and most are undetectable. According to Rodgers, the Mission fault located under the Fremont campus hasn't

had a major geological episode for hundreds of years. The fault is monitored, but it is now thought to be inactive. Before the campus was built, the state conducted exhaustive seismic studies and periodically checks the fault to make sure it remains inactive.

Rodgers stressed that earthquakes "are not the San Andreas's fault, and not the Hayward's fault; they're your fault if you're not prepared." Rodgers encouraged students to take one of the Personal Emergency Preparedness (PEP) classes he teaches periodically. He can be reached at [grodgers@ohlone.edu](mailto:grodgers@ohlone.edu).

## Where were you during the quake?

"I was in rehearsal for Much ADO. It sounded like the set was moving...we all went outside."  
--James Lewis



"I was sitting in my car, talking to my ex-girlfriend. I was wondering why the car was jumping all over."  
--Carlos Patterson



"I was at a radio class here...it was funny because someone in the class was freaking out."  
--Ben Johnson

"I was at home, on my computer, and I felt a subtle jolt. It scared the hell out of my parrot."  
--Charles Olson



"I was in bed. I saw the windows shaking, so I started walking toward the front door."  
--Matt Macedo



"I was in Palo Alto, visiting my nephew in the hospital. I thought it was cool."  
--Catherine Eusebio

## Bands Rock the Hill, better late than never

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said student Jeremy Leonard.

The part grindcore, part experimental "Destroy All Operating Systems" played for only about 20 minutes. Their performance was hampered by the absence of singing and drowned-out drumming. When asked why he didn't sing, "Destroy All Operating Systems" singer and guitarist Aber Haleem

replied, "I just didn't feel like doing it." Drummer Josh Mendoza added that he didn't think the drums needed to be miked.

The next band, "Weslester" changed the show's atmosphere, mellowing the performance out. The band was full of energy and had great stage presence. The Hyphy/Metal/Funk/Reggae band, which has been around

"Prolonging the Days," available at [myspace.com/weslester](http://myspace.com/weslester).

Hopefully, this first show served as an experiment to learn from, since the ASOC hopes to schedule at least eight performances next semester, when Steadman envisions an Ohlone version of "Battle of the Bands" a tournament of bands on campus.

Next semester, bands will rock it out against each other. Only the best will be left in the final round. Prizes will be awarded to the winner of Rock the Hill.

If the ASOC decides to go forward with having regular performances on campus, emphasizing the need for timeliness to the bands they bring to campus will be a necessity.

Although the campus has hosted live rock bands on campus, this is the first time a concert has performed under the name of "Rock the Hill." Steadman, who heads the Live Music on Campus committee, felt that there was an absence of musical performances at Ohlone. Steadman decided to fill in that gap and took on the responsibility in producing the show.



Photos by Daniel Yuan

**Bands play at the 'Rock the Hill' concert Friday. Jallah, left and top, of Wes Lester plays with Isaac B., top, and Taylor Rodriguez. Middle, Steve Gonzalez plays and left, Rizaldy Abawag, Alex Takacs and Arnold Stovall of the Jazz/Rock Combo Class play.**



for about five years, has recently published an album titled

## ASOC discusses food, plans for IT Department

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With "Rock the Hill" behind them, the Associated Students of Ohlone College (ASOC) has now turned its attention to upcoming matters, including replacements for the president of Ohlone College, the future of the IT Department,

the state of the cafeteria and the upcoming Thanksgiving Feast.

Sen. Ken Steadman brought up some highlights from the previous college Board of Trustees meeting. Steadman informed the ASOC that Ralph Kindred would be leaving the IT Department and some managers might be leaving with him. According to Steadman, Vice President of

Business Services Mike Caligari suggested hiring a company to manage the IT Department at more than twice the cost of the current budget.

The Food and Cafeteria Committee announced that it is planning to conduct a survey of the student body in regard to organic foods. It was also mentioned that the current con-

tract for the cafeteria which is held by the company "Fresh and Natural" will be coming up this year.

The ASOC took an advisory vote in regards to the Thanksgiving Feast, which has been an annual tradition at Ohlone College. For economic considerations, the planned caterer for the event would be Burrito Loco, which came in

with a bid lower than that of the cafeteria's. The amount discussed for the event came to \$4,875. President Tatyana Hamady admitted the price seemed high but said the event was "well worth it."

The ASOC also approved a money request of \$385 from the Math Club. The amount will go to prizes and other expenses.

## Trustees approve budget

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unanimously approved \$44,982,329 for the 2007-'08 fiscal year budget on Oct. 10. The district's estimated expenditures for the upcoming fiscal year are \$43,475,730. This seemingly gives the college \$1,509,599 in surplus revenue, but according to Schultz, the 2007-'08 expenditure estimate does not cover potentially bargained raises for faculty and staff.

As a governmental entity, Ohlone must pass a budget by Sept. 15 to legally operate.

Currently, the union negotiations regarding raises are ongoing. "It's not really a surplus," said Schultz. "The budget is in essence balanced, because raises are not included. [The state] provided a cost of living adjustment [COLA] at the beginning of the year. The COLA is on the entire budget, but we can't include the amount that might be given to our [unions] until the contracts are settled . . . The \$1.5 million that

looks like net income will really be taken up by those raises when they get put into effect."

According to Schultz, Ohlone had to increase the 2007-'08 budget well beyond the COLA from the state. "The revenue COLA we got was \$1.8 million. That should have been plenty to cover raises and other increases that we had," said Schultz.

However, the district had to increase the 2007-'08 budget to accommodate some of the expenditures absent from the 2006-'07

budget. These included an estimated half-year expenditure for the Newark campus at \$402,000, additional post-employment retirement benefits at \$500,000 and the \$145,000 cost of the president's reorganization following President Doug Treadway's retirement next summer.

Schultz said, "We had to carve money out of the expenditure budget in order to have money for raises. We're not overspending, because we have the money in reserves to do [all of] that."

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