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Students not strategic weapons



Photo courtesy of the internet

President George W. Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney at news conference.

Now we have a country deeply split by the 2004 election, an election that has become one of the most negative and longest events witnessed by our current generation. President Bush won the election with 51 percent vs. Senator Kerry's 48 percent; this percentage split a record 59 million voters. While claiming his second term, President Bush said, "A new term is a new opportunity to reach out to the whole nation."

For the most part, voting went surprisingly smooth. In spite of that, only ten percent of the record number of newly registered, young voters, actually turned out to vote. New young voters, many of whom registered at colleges across the country, were not the strategic weapons, which Democrats had thought they would be.

For the second-term, President Bush plans to renovate the tax code and Social Security, all the while still administrating a war in Iraq. President Bush wants the nation to have faith in his ability to make this nation stronger.

There is smoke on campus

By Lachele Thomas
Student Issues Editor

Chabot's designated smoking areas have generated numerous complaints this semester. The general smoking population feels they have been discriminated against and excluded from Chabot's policy-making loop. It is important that students know

the fight is with California, not Chabot.

On January 1, 2004, State Bill AB846 prohibited smoking within 20 feet of entrances, exits and windows of public buildings went into effect. Because Chabot is a public institution, designated areas were the only legal way to accommodate smokers.

Many see designated smoking

areas as unjust and discriminatory, but it is the fairest solution Chabot could make on their behalf. Instead of eliminating smoking altogether like Ohlone, Chabot chose to work within its boundaries to satisfy its population. Any outrage regarding this issue should be further expressed to Governor or your state representatives.

By Sharon Le
International Editor

Finally, after what seems like a two-year campaign of rhetoric filled with innuendos and insinuations — followed by long lines at the polls, complaints about touch screen voting, ballot shortages, and states too close to call, the presidential race has finally come to an end.

In the end, President George W. Bush defeated Senator John Kerry by more than 3 million votes. Nevertheless, we still have a country deeply divided, and many in the minority expressing anger. There are even reports of United States citizens wanting to immigrate to other countries!

Upcoming Events

- ◆ November 11, 2004
Fashion Show
The Experience
Chabot Cafeteria
Hip Hop & Giveaways!
12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- ◆ November 16 & 17, 2004
ASCC Movie Nights
Shrek I & II
Student Center Balcony
Room 2301
Free Food
6:00 PM to end of movie
- ◆ November 19, 2004
International Night
The Café Chabot
Admission \$5 student
\$10 General Public
6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- ◆ November 24,25,26, 2004
Thanksgiving Break
No School—Have fun!
See all of you back here on
November 29th!

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The inside scoop

Tech jobs are slipping away a bit at a time

By Alla Barbalat
Assistant Editor

The forecast for computer technology looks cloudy. Corporations who focus on the bottom line hire employees in foreign lands to reduce their cost moving high paying computer technology jobs out of the country.

Schools, such as ITT Technical Institute's Hayward campus, are planning to cut or reduce their computer technology programs because there are too many computer classes for too few computer science students.

There are rumors of the discontinuing computer technology programs at Chabot. Chabot also has a list of technology classes with a low number of students enrolled.

Interim Dean of Business and Applied Technology, Nolly Ruiz said, "[this] means there is less demand for computer science students, then that'll translate into students going to a field where there is less promise and students will then see they might as well go into another area".

Will Chabot retain classes in computer technology as students flock to other majors? Some computer science faculty think not and even claim to have predicted the crash of the computer technology industry.

Cuts to Chabot's computer science seem inevitable with an ever-declining job market and an increasing number of firms outsourcing technical jobs. How Chabot will handle the computer, technology situation remains unclear.



Photo taken by Ada Wong

Professor Gene Rockemann works with students in the Computer Aided Drafting and Design (CADD) class here on the Chabot campus. This type of class would be lost if the industry crashes. Per Rockemann, Ohlone College eliminated all of their CADD programs last year. The future does not look good for these type of programs on the Chabot campus.

International night

By Jaja Bayading
ASCC Staff Writer

The International Club together with the Associated Students of Chabot College (ASCC) will be hosting an International Night.

This event will take place on November 19th from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Café Chabot.

The purpose of this event is to celebrate cultural diversity and awareness by bringing together the Chabot College community, as well as the community at large.

There will be 14 countries from around the world represented at this event, including, Brazil, Greece, Hong Kong, and Ethiopia.

This celebration will consist of food, music, dance, theatre and much more.

Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. and the nights performances will

begin at 7 p.m. A transformation of The Café Chabot will take place helping provide the perfect venue for this event.

Tickets admission prices are \$5.00 for students and \$10.00 for the public. Event tickets can be purchased at the Office of Student Life or at the door.

Contact the International Club at: wknights@yahoo.com.



Photo taken by ASCC Staff

Students from the International Club staff their booth at Club Day.

A Poets Place

Lipstick

Crimson red lipstick

All over your face and cheek.

That's not my color.

Lachele Thomas

(Haiku)

Francisco Zermeño speaks God's native tongue



Photo taken by Jaime Hernandez

Chabot Professor Francisco Zermeño during one of his lighter moments in class.

By Ygnacio Becerra
ASCC Staff Writer

If you ask Chabot Spanish Professor Francisco Zermeño what he thinks about the fourth highly spoken language in the world, his answer may surprise you.

Zermeño will reply. "Es la Lengua de Dios, el idioma mas culturalizado de todo el planeta tierra". Which translates to the following; It is God's native tongue, the most culturalized language on planet Earth.

The passion that Zermeño shows his students is very assuring and unmatched.

Zermeño is truly one of a kind. He opens the eyes of the community to a culture full of history and positive energy.

Not only does Zermeño feel the need to educate the student of Chabot College; he also branches out to any person or group of people that are in need of an awakening.

Zermeño's current attempt for such an awakening is high-

lighted in Hayward's very own newspaper "The Daily Review". Zermeño publishes a weekly article every Wednesday in the "Local Section".

Two of his main goals in publishing his articles are to educate the community and the public about cultural ethnicities and their positive impact in our forever-changing world.

Zermeño also would like to highlight minority owned businesses.

Students for Social Justice speak

By Ada Wong
Chief Copy Editor

The club spotlight this month goes to Students for Social Justice (SSJ). This club has been very active on the Chabot campus, they have held a variety venues in order to inform students of their political viewpoint.

Many students as well as faculty have had the opportunity to view one of the movies which SSJ has shown here on campus. These movies have included such notable movies as Fahrenheit 9-11, a film by Michael Moore.

On this past November 2 (election day), SSJ hosted a **Pro-Peace Rally** providing a forum for people to speak out as well as providing information on what is going on politically.

There were a number of individuals who spoke of their war experiences as well as others who recited poetry. Among those who spoke was Erik Larson, a Chabot College alumni a Gulf-War resister and also political rapper and poet, Boots Riley.

Many individuals turned out for this event, filling a good part of the Cesar Chavez Court Yard. Organizer and SSJ President Jocelyn Lengua said, "I was really surprised to see a large crowd, and a number of new faces attend our event, especially from those who I thought could not attend."

If you are interested in sharing SSJ's goal to work towards an egalitarian, just, and progressive society, please attend their club meetings on Thursdays from 4-5 pm in Room 510.

Club spotlights are chosen based on a clubs visibility and activity here on the Chabot campus.



Photo taken by Students For Social Justice

SSJ members Jocelyn Lengua, Aaram Shirani and Amir Talai.

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ASCC Spotlight

Ygnacio Becerra is in this issues ASCC spotlight. Becerra or "Nacho" as his friends call him has his own distinctive syllabus of working with student issues. Nacho has been very active in the many campus and community program as well as being a very active member of M.E.Ch.A Nacho goals to be an attorney and an active community member of the Oakland Fruitvale District in Oakland are the future.



Photo taken by ASCC Staff
Ygnacio Becerra gets serious while attending an Oakland A's Baseball game.

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We want many voices

Opinion of ASCC

The ASCC wants to clear the air on our relationship between the *Associated Students of Chabot College (ASCC)* and the school newspaper, *The Spectator*.

It has never been and will never be the intention of the *ASCC* to censor or shut down any publication on the Chabot campus. Yes, we have had misunderstandings between the two parties, and yes, there have been harsh words expressed by both sides. But that is as far as it goes.

Never at any time has it been the intention, nor will it ever be the intention of *ASCC* to shut down *The Spectator*. It is the opinion of the *ASCC* that there should be multiple student voices heard on campus. The more voices heard the better for all students. The intent of newsletter *The Student Scribe* has been and will always be that of another student voice. We will be a voice that will champion the causes of students. We will be the voice that spotlights student issues and events. We will be a student voice period.

The *ASCC* realizes that a campus newspaper is an important part of a campuses well being. We also realize that not all student matters will be reported. The *ASCC* resurrected the newsletter for this purpose and this purpose only. We will continue to support *The Spectator*.

The Experience

A Fashion Show and Chabot College Event

Coordinated by: CC Positive Image Productions

Sponsored by: KCRH 89.9 FM (Chabot Radio)

& Associated Students of Chabot College (ASCC)

Guest Appearance by: KMEL 106.1 FM

November 11th from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria

