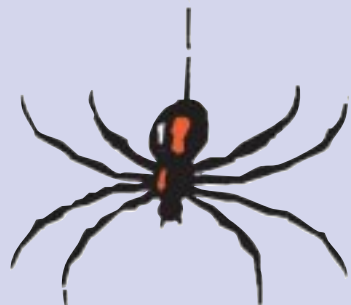


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In-sync: Wowning the crowd with all the right moves, Caleb Patterson (above right) becomes the star of the show, getting cheers Tuesday from all the women in the audience. The young ladies of Na Mamo O Ke Anuenue A Kamakani, (The Children of Rainbow and the Wind) (above) seduce the crowd. Pictured left to right, Sarah Marbella, Kuuipo McGaffey, Keuilani SizDeortega, and Tracie Abela. Gabe Rayray (above left) feels the music. **Photos/Colin Underwood**

Academic Senate Approves Communication Department

By Jennifer Givens
Staff Writer

The Cal State Hayward Academic Senate has voted in favor of the merger of the Speech Communication and Mass Communication departments.

The merged unit will be called the Communication Department and will begin operations next fall, provided the merger is approved by CSUH President Norma Rees.

The location of the new department likely will be in Meiklejohn Hall, but that has yet to be officially confirmed. However, it has been assured that faculty from both the Mass Communication and Speech Communication departments will be in the same building once the merger is completed.

The merger will give students the opportunity to learn both oral and written skills, according to Professor John Hammerback, as well as techniques from both disciplines. The new skills will give the communication students the upper hand in a competitive and ever changing work force, he said.

Hammerback, who chairs both the mass and speech communication departments, said, "In the communication-rich 21st century, the understanding of and skills in communication have never been more essential, valuable or prized in our personal lives and professions."

"When our students enter the job market, they will find that their knowledge and skills are particularly sought in the Bay Area, with its high-tech, multi-media industries and its many communication-related fields."

The curriculum has already been approved and will require the department's new students to enroll in six core classes that will cover areas in both speech and mass communications.

Once the six courses are completed, students will have the opportunity to pick an option that best suits their career needs or they may obtain a general degree in communication.

Speech Communications will bring to the new department a master's degree program that will be modified

to include students who are enrolled in Mass Communication options.

The department also will bring a forensics program and a communications laboratory. The former is an activity-based course designed to engage students in intercollegiate speech and debate competitions.

The laboratory is designed to assist students in a variety of ways, including activities for improving communication apprehension and audience analysis.

The Mass Communication department will bring to the new department a campus radio station (KSUH), weekly newspaper (The Pioneer) and computer lab equipped with new Macintosh computers.

Hammerback believes the new department will make CSUH unique among universities in the Bay Area, offering students an opportunity to create degrees tailored to their particular career needs.

School Boards Oppose CTA Bill

By Wronga Sediqa
Staff Writer

Gov. Gray Davis and school boards are against it, but Assembly Bill 2160, which would give public school teachers a say in curriculum matters and text book adoptions, has passed the Assembly Education Committee with the minimum votes needed.

Authored by Assembly member Jackie Goldberg, D-Los Angeles, AB 2160 would make curricula and text books matters for collective bargaining, providing teachers the right to negotiate the procedures for developing or implementing any program to improve student success.

Teachers would be able to negotiate not only textbook selections, but also selection of external evaluators and intervention teams to help improve low-performing schools and programs for involving parents.

The California Teachers Association, primary backer of the measure, believes teacher involvement in these matters would mean a broader education for students through the varied perspectives of different teachers.

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Cal State Hayward Students Win Top Awards for Research

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Two Cal State Hayward students won first place awards at the 16th Annual California State University Student Research Competition held over the weekend at CSU Long Beach.

Christine Sessions-Petty won first place in the Creative Arts and Design category for "House Work" a portfolio of assemblage art. Her faculty advisor was Dickson Schneider of the Art Department. Sessions-Petty's art is currently being shown at the Sun Gallery in Hayward.

Xiaojie Li won first place in the Graduate Physical and Mathematical Sciences category for "A User-Friendly SAS Program for Determining Statistical Dependence Between Two Variables in Observational Studies."

Li is a master's degree candidate in the Department of Statistics. Her faculty advisor is Ward Rodriguez.

Cal State Hayward was represented by eight student projects in five categories. Twenty CSU campuses were represented in the competition. No campus won more than two first place awards.

The other members of Cal State Hayward team were Chimalphin Arce, multimedia; Shannon Austermann and Nora Jacobs, communicative sciences and disorders; Satkartar Kinney and Hui

Liu, statistics; and Adranan Ratsch-Rivera, music.

Dr. Sally Murphy of the Speech Communications Department helped the students prepare their oral presentations.

'Terror and Justice' Panel Set For Friday

By Wronga Sediqa
Staff Writer

A panel of college professors will address issues related to the attacks of Sept. 11 Friday at Cal State Hayward.

The conference, running from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., will be in University Union room 311. "Terror and Justice" is directed at the feelings and emotions aroused by the terror attacks with the hope of creating an environment in which people can cope with those feelings.

All faculty, students and members of the community are welcome to attend the free event. A limited number of breakfasts and lunches will be available.

The conference will be divided into three segments. The first - from 10 a.m. to noon - will focus on psychology, morality and religion.

The second panel, from 1 to 3 p.m., will deal with social justice and the use of force. The concluding panel, from 3 to 5 p.m., will discuss the conflict between strategic defense and preservation of individual freedom.

Dr. Lani Wilson, political psychologist and professor at Chabot College, is on the first panel. She will address the ways in which faculty members handled or mishandled the psychological consequences of 9/11.

She notes that while the problem occurred across the country from the Bay Area, it changed everybody's lives.

"I want to see if people are aware of what happened and what it will mean from here on," she said. "The situation will be ongoing. I think we should be

thinking about the framework of our feelings and behaviors."

Although Wilson did not have any family members directly attacked Sept. 11, she feels the situation always will affect her.

In her online message about the panel, she said, "Regardless of the discipline, the best teachers are those who are unafraid to incorporate their own experiences into their courses. I am

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Egg Donorship Includes Risks As Well as Happy Endings

By Linda Polasek
Staff Writer

Women between the ages of 22 and 33 are sought out to donate their oocytes (eggs) to infertile couples, possibly giving them the gift of a child.

The process consists of injections of hormones that over-stimulate the ovaries to produce a mass amount of eggs. Then the eggs are surgically retrieved and fertilized with the recipient father's sperm.

Then the fertilized egg is placed in the mother-to-be's uterus and if all goes well the woman carries the pregnancy to term.

Some recipients ask to meet the donor after they get pregnant just to say thank you, but all donations are confidential unless otherwise stipulated.

"What the donors worry about the most is having a child come knocking on their door down the road, calling them 'mom,'" said Sharon Pusso-Gianfrate, a genetic counselor and donor service liaison for the Reproductive Science

Center of the San Francisco Bay Area.

Before the process of egg donorship can start, the would-be donor has lengthy forms to complete detailing family history, medical, physical and psychological tests.

After donorship is approved, a series of injections is started and self-administered by the donor for a three-to-four-week period.

The process may start with administration of a hormone called Lupron, which results in menopause-like effects.

It stops the donor's body from producing eggs and there are side effects, like hot flashes and irritability. This drug is not specifically approved for the egg donorship program but is used extensively abroad for assisted reproduction.

During the second week the donor begins taking a follicle stimulating hormone. It is continued for four to six

See Donor, page 5.

Have a Spot of Tea!



Mad About Art: About 150 people turn out for the Mad Hatters tea party sponsored by Friends of the Arts, a volunteer board that supports art programs at the university. See more photos, stories, pages 2,3. **Photo/Colin Underwood**