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James Zachos, professor of Earth and planetary sciences, was quoted in a New Yorker magazine article about the effects of carbon dioxide emissions on ocean chemistry.

Sociology's Dane Archer, an expert on nonverbal communication, was featured in a New York Times article about the touchy issue of personal space--those invisible zones people create around themselves to avoid intimacy. Archer discussed several of his research projects and weighed in on important cultural differences in preferences for personal space.

Literature professor Nathaniel Mackey was quoted in a Santa Cruz Sentinel front-page story announcing that he won the 2006 National Book Award in poetry for his collection, Splay Anthem. His award was cited in newspapers throughout the country, including the New York Times, San Francisco Chronicle, Los Angeles Times, Chicago Tribune, Philadelphia Inquirer, Baltimore Sun, and San Jose Mercury News.

The Santa Cruz Sentinel ran a front-page story about the potential local impacts of climate change, focusing on research led by Lisa Sloan, professor of Earth and planetary sciences, and also featuring biologists Mark Carr and Pete Raimondi.

History of consciousness professor Angela Davis was interviewed on National Public Radio's All Things Considered program about the legacy of blues singer Mamie Smith.

Michael Loik of environmental studies was featured in a lengthy Contra Costa Times article about how gardens can incorporate the Golden State’s water woes into their landscaping plans. Loik also appeared in the Santa Cruz Sentinel article about Lisa Sloan’s work on how climate change could impact the central coast.

Mary Silver, professor of ocean sciences, was featured in a story in the Santa Cruz Sentinel about red tides and whether they affect surfers.

David Haussler, professor of biomolecular engineering, was quoted in a story in the Santa Cruz Sentinel about the use of DNA analysis to study human evolution.

Jonathan Zehr, professor of ocean sciences, was quoted in a story about the microbial world that ran in various McClatchy newspapers, including the Charleston Gazette, Kansas City Star, and Minneapolis Star Tribune.

Research by geophysicists Robert Coe and Gary Glatzmaier on reversals of Earth's magnetic field was the subject of a story in Discovery News.

The Buffalo News ran an article about biologist Scott Shaffer’s research on the migrations of sooty shearwaters.

Feminist studies professor Bettina Aptheker was featured in an extensive cover story in Metro Santa Cruz about her new memoir, Intimate Politics.

Geophysicist Steven Ward was featured in a San Francisco Chronicle story about Crescent City’s vulnerability to tsunamis.

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