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ORANGE, Calif., Jan. 21, 2009 -- Chapman University will present a series of “green” luncheon talks at the Pacific Club in Newport Beach, addressing current climate change across the globe and how corporations and businesses are responding to environmental challenges. Titled “Change and Sustainability: Leadership for a New Tomorrow,” the series will feature expert speakers addressing work on areas of concern to businesses and society, such as hazards research, adaptation to climate change and economic opportunities. The series is co-presented by Bank of America.

Cost of each lecture/luncheon is \$50 per person (\$25 for students with valid ID). Sponsorship opportunities are also available. Go to www.chapman.edu/green for more information. Contact Chapman University Special Events at 714-744-7958 or events@chapman.edu to purchase tickets.

The Pacific Club is located at 4110 MacArthur Boulevard in Newport Beach.

The first two talks scheduled are:

Thursday, Feb. 12, 11:30 a.m.

Peter C. Schneirla, Tiffany & Co., Chief Gemologist

Tiffany & Co. is a leader in the fine jewelry industry in environmental awareness, practices and social responsibility. Over the past nine years, the company has implemented a strategy outlining ways to reduce the risk of environmental hazards and reform mining operations.

Wednesday, March 18, 11:30 a.m.

Roian Atwood, Sole Technology, Environmental Affairs Manager

Sole Technology, which manufactures apparel and footwear, has been at the forefront of corporate sustainability for the past seven years. Company practices include use of alternative fuels for company fleets, use of alternative and sustainable fibers, and implementation of a waste-management program for T-shirt manufacturing.

The third talk in the series, featuring U.S. Senator Barbara Boxer, will be presented in April on a date to be announced.