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ORANGE, Calif., Feb. 6, 2007 Chapman University's annual Phenomenal Women's Week will feature distinguished speakers, an awards banquet and other events on February 20-26, 2007. The week of special events, sponsored by Chapman's Associated Students and the new support group Women of Wilkinson, is designed to celebrate and recognize outstanding women both on the Chapman campus and in the local Orange community. For more information about the following events, the public can call (714) 532-775 or e-mail wow@chapman.edu. Highlights of the week will include:

Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. (Argyros Forum 209)

LECTURE: Dr. Pumla Gobodo-Madikizela

Dr. Gobodo-Madikizela, an internationally known psychologist from the University of Cape Town, served on South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission, established to investigate atrocities that occurred during apartheid. Her topic will be Trauma, Apology and Forgiveness in Post-Apartheid South Africa. (FREE and open to the public.)

Wednesday, Feb. 21 (Orange High School)

The Phenomenal Women High School Award which includes the Marion Knott Scholarship -- will be presented to an Orange High School student. The scholarship, donated by James and Lynne Doti, will be presented to the selected winner (a \$500 scholarship for the college of the winner's choice, or a \$1000 scholarship if the winner chooses Chapman University).

Friday, Feb. 23 at 7 p.m. (Argyros Forum 206)

Phenomenal Womens Week Awards Reception

Phenomenal Women Awards will be presented in the categories of Orange Community Member, Chapman Faculty/Staff or Administrator, Chapman Student and Orange High School Student (high school student named the day before, but will accept her award at this reception).

Monday, Feb. 26 at 7 p.m. (Beckman Hall 404)

LECTURE: Dr. Lori Cox Han: Madame President: Now or Never?

Dr. Lori Cox Han, chairman of the Chapman political science department and an expert on the U.S. Presidency, will focus on the obstacles that Hillary Rodham Clinton and other potential women presidential candidates face on the campaign trail, including fundraising challenges and negative stereotyping of women candidates in media coverage. (FREE and open to the public.)