Patriotism, the Presidency and Public Perception of Terrorism on Agenda for Chancellor's Breakfast

Prize-winning journalist Lou Cannon and UC Santa Barbara professors Diane Mackie and Christopher Parker will discuss the events of September 11 and beyond in a UCSB Chancellor's Community Breakfast at 7:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 5. Titled "Communication in Time of Crisis: Media Coverage and Public Perceptions," the program will be held in the Cabrillo Pavilion Arts Center, 1118 East Cabrillo Boulevard, Santa Barbara.

The Chancellor's Community Breakfast's series is sponsored by UCSB Chancellor Henry T. Yang and the UCSB Affiliates. Admission is $10 per person. Reservations are required and must be made by Friday, Nov. 2. Call the UCSB Community Relations Office for details at (805) 893-4388.

The speakers will take different tacks in discussing the attacks and what has followed.

Cannon has invested more than 40 years in journalism, including 26 years as a reporter and columnist for the Washington Post, where he covered the White House during the eight-year presidency of Ronald Reagan. He also covered Reagan during
the latter's terms as governor of California and has written several biographies of
the former president, including the highly acclaimed President Reagan: The Role of a
Lifetime. He plans to discuss the Bush Administration response to the crisis, the
politics of patriotism, and the work of the media.

Parker, an assistant professor in the Department of Political Science, has studied
how military service influences political attitudes and will contrast patriotism with
nationalism. He will also talk about the implications of the crisis for race relations.

Mackie, a professor in the Department of Psychology, is the author of more than 70
articles and chapters on social influence and intergroup relations. She plans to talk
about how Americans feel about the attacks and how those feelings can be linked to
the groups they belong to, how they see those groups and how they see groups
outside their own.

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