

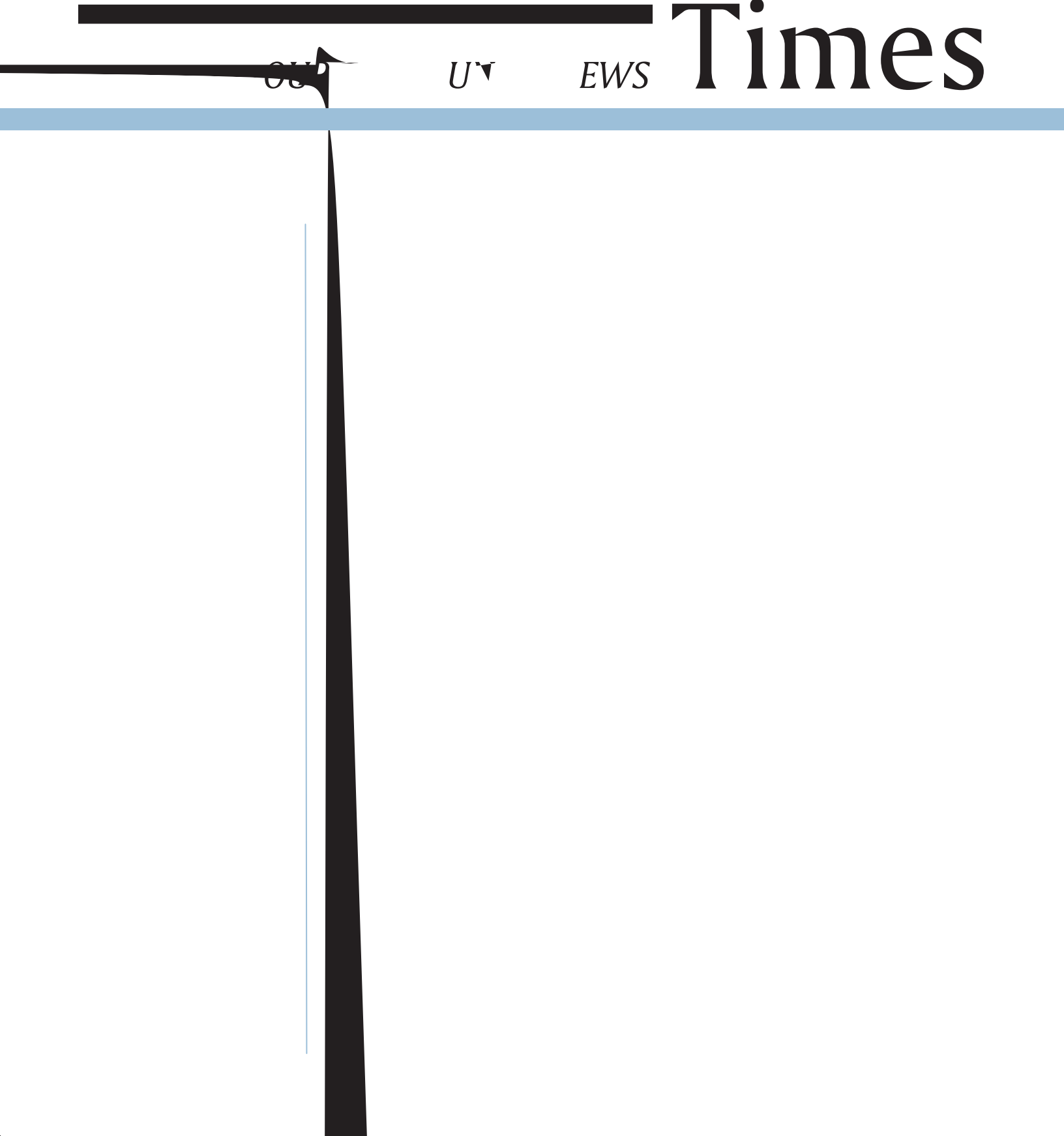
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## Forest Stewardship continued

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An example of a major threat to our forests is a small bug found from central America and north to New Jersey —the southern pine beetle. “The southern pine beetle devastated 14,000 acres in 2010, and in the last two years they have devastated between six and seven thousand acres. Our forests are highly vulnerable, and one of our high priorities is defending our campus against this pest,” said Dr. Zimmermann.

“We want to bring faculty members together for interdisciplinary research,” he added.

Stockton’s efforts will “demonstrate what good ecological forest management can do for the health, resiliency, and biodiversity of our forests,” Dr. Zimmerman said.

Stockton is nationally recognized for its sustainability initiatives. The college’s Environmental Studies program is one of the oldest in the nation.

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## Dr. Calicdan-Apostle Delivers Speech on Equality at Area Prison



Assistant Professor of Social Work Dr. Guia Calicdan-Apostle delivered a speech to commemorate Women’s History Month in a highly unusual setting.

Speaking before 100 employees, Dr. Calicdan-Apostle recently appeared at the Fairton, NJ Correctional Institution, a minimum security federal prison. Going inside the walls of the all-male prison, based in Fairfield Township, Cumberland County, she spoke to a diverse audience including correctional officers, administrators and support staff.

The Affirmative Employment Committee at the institution sponsored the talk, part of the Women’s History Month program.

Dr. Calicdan-Apostle’s speech stressed the importance of striving for women’s equality.

“Until womanhood reaches (equality) with men, extraordinary attainment for humanity cannot be realized,” she said. Calicdan-Apostle’s speech emphasized the importance of collaboration rather than competition in the workplace. “We are all in this together and we need to create a work culture that promotes cooperation,” she said.

Her visit to the prison was not uncharted territory for the Stockton faculty member. Dr. Calicdan-Apostle currently serves as a board member for community relations at the prison and previously worked at a state correctional facility. She also has more than a decade of experience as an Affirmative Action officer in a school setting.

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“Social work representation is important on the PTAC calls and in modifying policy changes because our worldview is one that considers long-term-care patient issues from a wider lens than just pills and insurance coverage policies. We view policies and patient care from a person-in-environment context,” Cox said.

Dr. Cox’s liaison role comes with several responsibilities, incl

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