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Ethan Coonen ascends the Trinity trees on campus. | Henry Faust

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Is the glass half full or half assed?

by Rebekah Staub

When the clock strikes 3 p.m. on Humboldt State's campus it means one thing: the Depot is serving beer.

Students know at the end of the long lines is a glass of cold, crisp, local beer at Muddy Waters Cafe. What students do not know is the beer they buy is less than the advertised pint.

Geography major Kyle Powell worked at the Depot for two and a half years. He thought the glasses were pints the whole time.

"I feel cheated," Powell said. "It accumulates. When you order four beers you get cheated half a glass."

Students have been spending \$4.25 plus tax for 14 ounce glasses while a standard glass of beer is 16 ounces. The Depot's website states beer is sold by the glass but a TV above Muddy Waters Cafe advertised them as pints.

Ron Rudebock, director of dining services, has worked at HSU dining for 42 years. Rudebock said dining has been ordering 14 ounce glasses since he can remember but he did not know the TV in Muddy Waters showed that glasses were pints.

"We need to be truthful," Rudebock said. "It's bad of us to have not proof-read and checked it and followed up."

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Planting a similar seed



Fruit Tree Alliance members from left to right, Nick Rogers, Madison Whaley, Molly Gilmore, Alec Howard, David Glickman, and Jonathan Wiley. | Ivan Soto

by Berenice Ceja

Gardening "guerilla style"

Molly Jo Bowman bought plants, picked up a shovel and chose Humboldt State's campus as her garden bed.

Bowman, 22, is a double major in communication and Span-

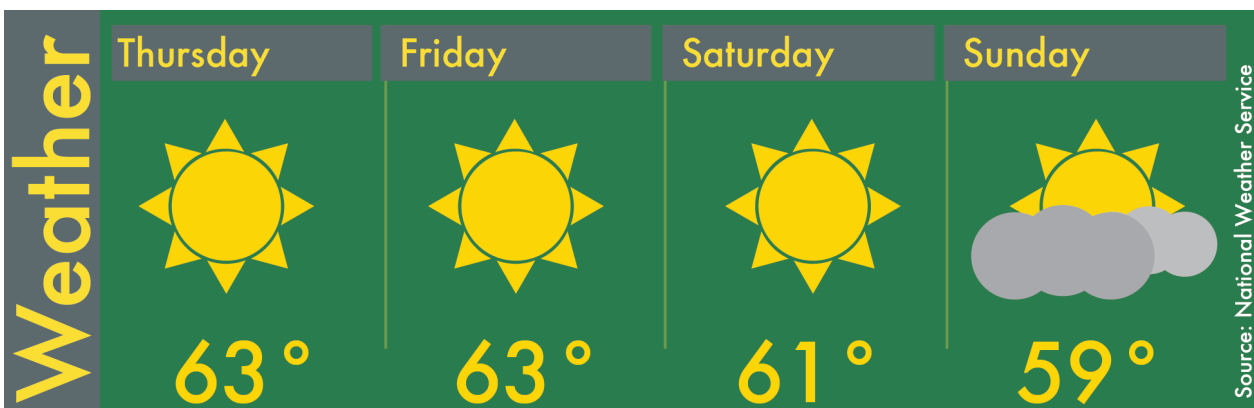
ish with a minor in environmental ethics. She gardened during busy hours when people were not necessarily paying attention to a girl digging in the dirt.

During her planting she received some strange looks from bypassers. As she tried her best to keep the planting low-key, she

noticed people giggling as they passed by. Some even saw her and said, "Hell yeah!"

Bowman had been thinking of planting fruits and vegetables for a while but it was not until this semester that her professor, Michael Bruner, assigned a creative

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Stop, drop, en-roll

by Paul Matli

Students can be undeclared majors until they reach 90 units because colleges generally accept that they may struggle with what to study.

In the coming week, Humboldt State students will have to learn to be more decisive since students could be required to add or drop a class in two weeks instead of five.

HSU's academic policies committee proposed a bill that would give students two weeks instead of five to make a decision whether or not to add/drop the class. Instead of the fifth Monday, students will be required to add or drop their class on the third Monday into the semester.

Rebecca Ingerson who is a business administration major and member of associated students said the proposed change will not be effective if passed.

"Students will still wait until the last possible day to drop classes," Ingerson said. "Just because the drop date is reduced doesn't mean the problems will be addressed."

Ingerson said she is mostly concerned with the stress and mental health of students. She said if a student is stuck in a class they are having trouble in, it could cause them mental harm because they know they will not pass the class.

"The vote is May 12," Ingerson said. "I hope that students will take this opportunity to let their voice be heard."

Ingerson said the proposal has yet to be passed. She said the overall student reaction to the proposed change was negative. She said it is hard to judge a class in two or three weeks because sometimes professors do not hand back any work until the fourth of fifth week of the semester.

"In classes like political science I know professors don't hand back work until almost halfway through the semester," Ingerson said.

Monty Mola, a physics professor and member of the academic policies committee, said the idea to change the add/drop deadline originated from a presentation he heard by one of his colleagues a few months ago.

Mola said the presentation was based on ten years of research done by San Diego State University regarding add/drop rates. Mola said the data illustrated less student withdrawals and a decrease in the number of repeated classes.

Mola said in most classes there are more students than seats available. This could mean some students will not get into a class they might need for graduation because that class is already filled up.

"The new add/drop deadline will ultimately force students to decide how much do they really want to take a class, and how successful they would be in it," Mola said. "By reducing the add/drop deadline it will ensure that students get the classes they want."

Alex Stauffer, an economics major, is aware of the proposal to reduce the add/drop deadline. He does not feel like it would make a difference for him when it comes down to deciding whether to drop or add a course.

"I personally haven't dropped a class before the five week deadline anyways," Stauffer said. "The change wouldn't affect me."

Mola said not everyone will be happy with the new change. He said he expects students to be upset initially and it was split between faculty who were for and against it.

Ingerson said some professors are against the change.

"I think it's around a 50-50 split as far as faculty," Ingerson said. "The faculty in natural resources are fine with it because of how impacted their college is."

Ingerson agreed with Mola in regards to faculty reaction. Ingerson said professors in the natural resources department are in favor of the change because they will not have to worry about trying to catch new students up.

"Most of the other schools have the add/drop deadline two weeks into the semester," Mola said. "HSU is an outlier."

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Compiled by Miranda Hutchison



Feb. 6
15:02

Staff report of a male subject laying in the mud and using the electricity to charge his phone.

Does the new iPhone come with a built in shower?

Feb. 18
13:57

Nelson Hall - Subjects on a slackline on the west side of the building were contacted and admonished.

UPD, saving us one "slacker" at a time.

March 19
22:37

Two skateboarders warned for grinding on permanent structures.

C'mon guys, you are not at Sidelines.

April 26
12:05

Motel 6.

Enough said. Even UPD thought so.

May 3
14:05

Three male juveniles riding their scooters in the entrance to Del Norte and Shasta. Asked to stop, they refused.

Was it a slow Sunday, UPD?



BEST (WORST) OF THE SEMESTER

Jan. 18

22:41

CA out with one subject with an open container in the smoking area.

Someone didn't learn their lesson.

Jan. 31

01:50

Staff complaint of approx 10 people climbing the large redwood tree in front of CCAT.

How many hippies does it take to climb a tree?

Feb. 13

8:48

Housing staff reported a UPS package arrived in the mailroom smelling heavily of marijuana.

The staff reportedly did not mind, they just wanted their share.

March 2

11:48

Wax art object is running really hot, they are currently pouring sand on it. Engineer and officer responded.

So much for surprising Rossbacher with a wax likeness of herself.

April 8

13:58

Skateboarder vs. pedestrian. The skater was transported by ambulance to Mad River Community Hospital.

Ironic.

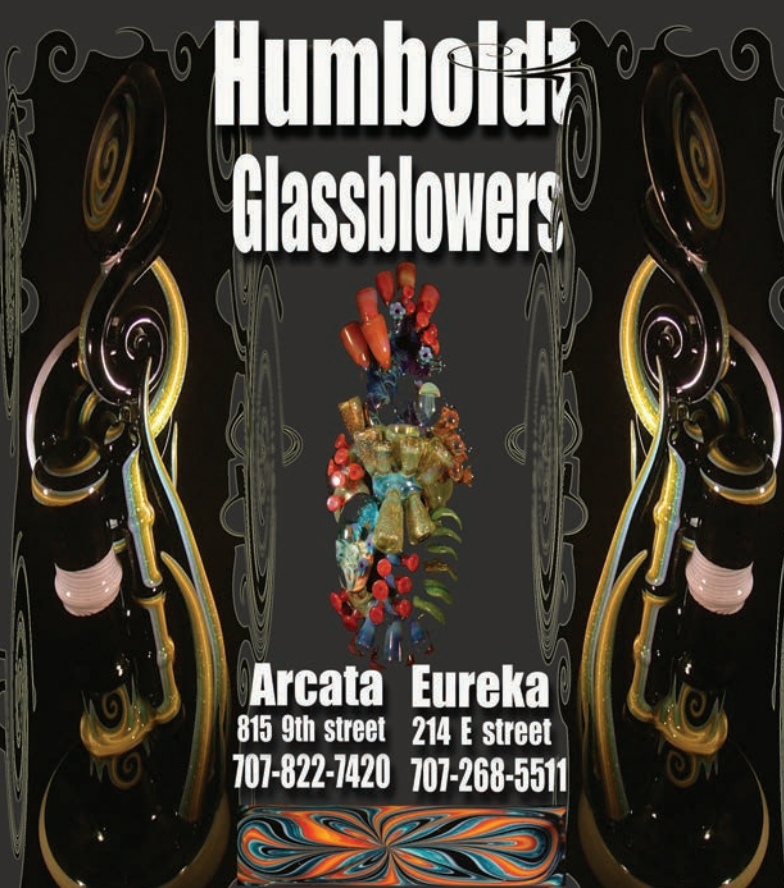
April 28

11:39

Male subject arrived at KHSU office stating he had an appointment. He did not have an appointment. Subject was talking nonsensically, he was escorted out of office. Subject left, last seen in the area of the quad.

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Living with Doc Rock

HSU completes first year of faculty-in-residence program

by Miranda Hutchison

Geography professor Amy Rock ate, slept and spent quality time playing “Halo” on her Xbox just feet away from some 18-year-olds who were likely doing the same.

When Rock moved to Arcata she wanted to immerse herself into the Humboldt State experience. HSU introduced a faculty-in-residence hall program at the beginning of this year, so Rock has lived alongside freshmen throughout the year in the Sunset residence hall. The program is an attempt to raise student’s GPAs among other goals.

Biology major Jenna Santangelo, 19, has lived in the Sunset residence hall for most of the year. She said Rock greets her everytime she runs into her and always encourages her to come to weekly craft nights.

Santangelo said students party but as far as she knows, Rock does not get involved.

“Partying with Doc Rock would be fun,” Santangelo said. “Students are like cats, they vomit everywhere.”

Rock said she did not have problems with loudness or partying while living next to students new to living on their own.

“I think they’re mature enough to know not to do that,” Rock said. “But one time during quiet hours I heard a student tell another student to be quiet because there is a professor next door.”

HSU’s housing director Stephen St. Onge said the overall goal of the program is to enhance the relationship between students and professors so grades can improve overall. Onge said research has shown out of classroom interaction between students and professors increases GPA, retention and overall academic success.

Onge said a reason for the program is to eliminate negative energy in order to create more opportunities for positive learning.

“Tap into that emotion of the first day of college,” Onge said. “It’s scary. We want to make students less afraid to introduce themselves to their professors.”

During the fall semester there were two hour study sessions held every Sunday night. However, Rock

said the sessions did not do as well as expected due to a low turnout. She said by the second semester, the sessions were assigned to different days which went smoother.

“As professors we know how to engage people in a classroom setting but some of us do not know how to outside of one,” Rock said. “It changes how we present.”

Rock and other professors hold craft nights, on-campus field trips, tutoring sessions and continuously provide updates about what is happening on campus. She said they want to expose students to options they might not otherwise come across.

“Last semester we visited the Zoology Mammal Collection and students loved it,” Rock said. “I heard some students talk about taking more zoology classes and changing their major. And that’s what this program is for.”

Rock said the program breaks down student and professor barriers. She said many schools across the country have been participating in the program.

“With first year students it helps them understand that faculty are approachable,” Rock said. “They can come to us if they are afraid or concerned, and we can help them or refer them to other resources for help.”

Onge expects the program will face future challenges. He said there are plans for expanding the program. One aspect housing should keep in mind, Onge said, is making the apartments larger and more attractive for faculty members with families.

Rock will live in the residence hall again next year with hopes to improve the program by continuing the popular Thursday crafts nights and increasing field trips.

“We’re restructuring the program based on what we learn,” Rock said. “It took a while to figure out how it worked.”

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HSU Geography professor Amy Rock sits in her office in Founders Hall. | Javier Rojas

WORD ON THE STREET

How would you feel if a professor lived next door to you?



“Fortunate because it would be an opportunity to get to know a professor at that level. Hopefully they’d be cool. I don’t have anything to hide.”
Danny Ladd, 36, wildlife, junior



“I wouldn’t care, I’m not a huge partier.”
Bonny Ryan, 20, psychology, junior



“It would depend on the professor. If we get along it would be fantastic but if not it would suck.”
Mariah Lehnertz, 19, psychology, sophomore



“I wouldn’t really care. They’re just doing their thing and I’m doing mine.”
Connor Austin, 19, communications, sophomore



“Depends on who I lived with and if they’re rowdy because I’m mellow. If I lived next to a professor I would keep it down.”
Pumin McDermott, 20, art, sophomore



“It would really depend on who the professor is. Some professors are younger and like to do stuff like we do. I would prefer to live next to a younger professor, no to an older.”
Angel Winston, 21, business, junior

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The big man on campus

Get to know the new AS president

Campus | by Jami Eiring

Humboldt State students elected Juan Cervantes, 31, as next year's associated students president. The philosophy/psychology double major was raised in Sacramento and will spend his last year in college hoping to be an accessible AS president.

Q: What brought you to Humboldt?

A: The philosophy program is pretty amazing and I like the woods.

Q: Are you excited to be the new AS president?

A: I am, because there is a lot I kind of want to see happen and a lot that we've been working towards this year that I want to see continued next year.

Q: What made you want to run in the first place?

A: Like I said, I feel like there is a lot I want to see done and followed through.

Q: Do you have a favorite animal?

A: I like turtles, I don't really know why. They are cute and they are really fast swimmers. I like to swim fast. I don't know, I just like turtles.

Q: What is one thing you want to do as AS president?

A: That's tough. There is a lot of 'one things.' But, transparency is a big issue in general. That was the blanket thing I pretty much ran on. Transparency between the administrative processes done on campus, to students. Transparency between AS (associated students) and students. Most students don't know who we are and what we do, and I think that is a big problem given how much money they give us. And so I'm hoping to move AS to more of a facilitator-like role so that we can talk to the students more about what they want done and we help with the bureaucratic aspect of it.

Q: Who is your role model? Why?

A: My mom. She's awesome. She is like the awesomest mom in the whole wide world. I wouldn't be here if it wasn't for her for a myriad of reasons. I'm a first generation college student and a second generation Mexican-American. So my mom migrated here and if it wasn't for her hard work and everything she put in I wouldn't have had the opportunities that I've been given.



Q: What makes you the best person to represent HSU as AS president?

A: I have a lot of experience. At my community college (Yuba Community College) I was the AS president and then our community college trustee. Here at HSU, I served on the University Senate and then this year I am the external affairs representative. Since I've been at HSU (3 years) I have gone to just about every AS meeting since I've been here (3 years). I'm kind of a student government nerd.

Q: What is one thing that you want the students of Humboldt State to know about you?

A: That I'm accessible. That they can call me or email me. If they have any concerns, even if I might not be able to answer their question, I can let them know that I'll figure it out and get back to them. Part of my platform is that AS should be student run.

Q: What do you like to do in your free time?

A: Free time...that is an interesting idea. I don't have much free time. But, I like to hang out at home. I have two cats and a partner that I wish I spent more time with.

Q: What is your favorite thing about Humboldt?

A: I like the school, obviously. I like to be able to hike in the woods and then on the beach almost back to back. I like the fresh air. I like the rural aspect of it. I've lived in cities and I'm definitely not a city person.

Q: Do you think you will ever run for president of the United States?

A: Never. (laughs) Never.

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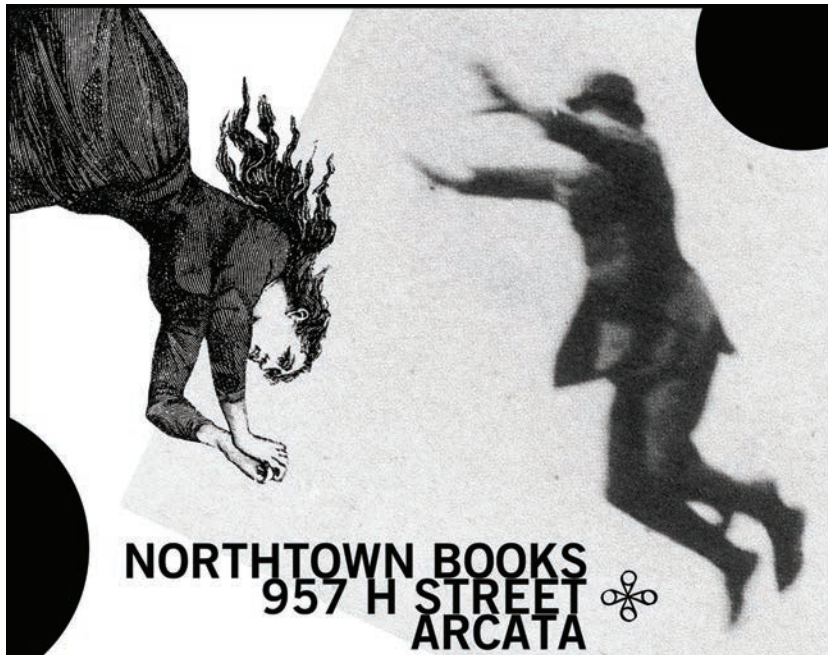
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May there be a common place

HSU students hold 24 hour demonstration on May Day

by Louis Ramirez

Students found comfort in the Humboldt State library to talk about labor, campus safety and other issues on May 1.

Members of Unified Students of Humboldt, M.E.Ch.A (Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan) and supporting students worked alongside the dean of the university library, Cyril Oberlander, to keep the library open for 24 hours this past weekend.

Peter Mueller, a member of Unified Students of Humboldt, said the purpose of the event was to find a common place for students to talk about issues affecting them.

"This was meant to create a non-exclusive place where students can bring their own goals and concerns into discussions," Mueller said. "And the library is where students should feel comfortable, especially as paying students, to discuss concerning issues but even that isn't always true."

Mueller mentioned the importance of May Day, the international day of labor, and how labor is behind everything we consume whether it is the coffee people drink or the clothes people wear.

During the demonstration Humboldt State's police chief Donn G. Peterson was present, but not in uniform, with two on duty university police officers. The presence of law enforcement was seen as an unnecessary measure taken by UPD (University Police Department) and a collective decision was made among the students present to ask them to leave.

"Some people didn't feel comfortable expressing themselves with cops present," Jonah Platt, a member of Unified Students of Humboldt, said.

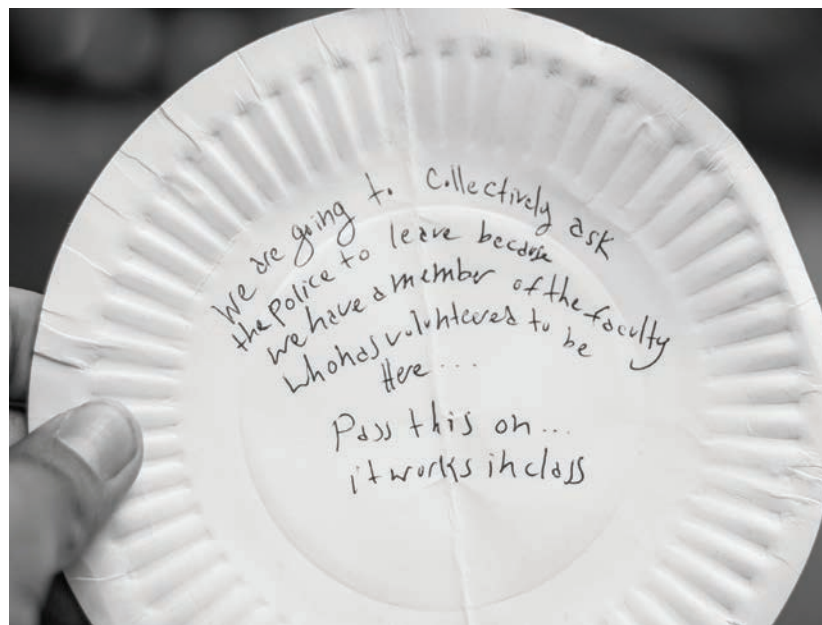
Oberlander said if students want to have a place that is open for demonstrations 24 hours like this there needs to be a partnership with UPD to make sure the students are safe.

"After 2 a.m. there is generally a lot of people leaving the bars and they can be difficult to manage," Oberlander said.

Both Oberlander and the administration wanted to give students an opportunity to demonstrate the importance of labor.

"The administration and us (the library staff) appreciate what they are trying to do which is appreciate labor rights," Oberlander said.

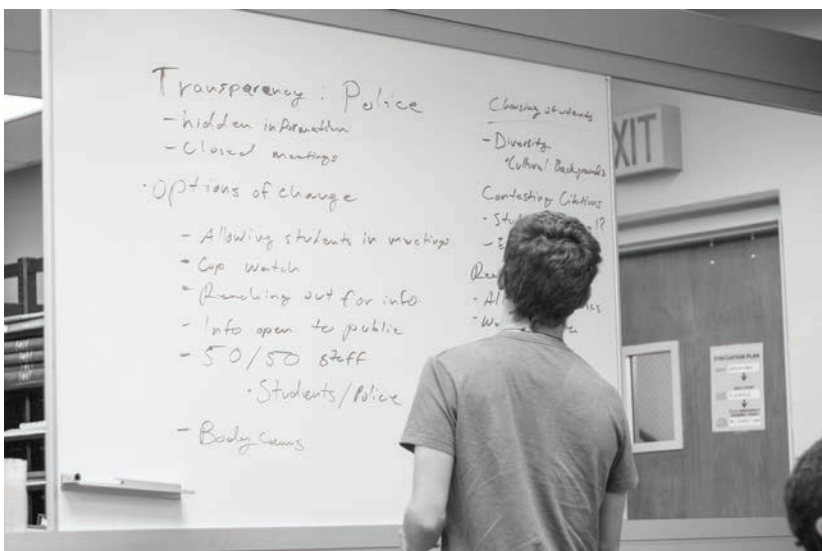
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A paper plate with a note asking Chief Peterson to leave was passed around the group during the protest on Friday. | Louis Ramirez



Two University police stand near the protest on Friday. | Louis Ramirez



A student looks at what they have written during the May Day demonstration. | Louis Ramirez



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What you see may not be what you get

A semester of HSU's diversity

by Miranda Hutchison

Veterans

While many people enjoyed barbecuing on their Tuesday off for Veteran's day, some of Humboldt State's veterans felt otherwise.

Just before the holiday on Nov. 11, members of HSU's veterans club were told by the steering committee that they were not a cultural group.

"We submitted a request to the steering committee and the cultural part of the funding was denied," Thomas Midget Jr., an HSU's veteran's club officer, said. "We wanted to have a barbecue on campus and we're veterans who eat hamburgers and hot dogs, so we were denied for that reason."

Humboldt State's website (<http://www.humboldt.edu>) features tabs for students in different categories including: international, Native American and veteran students.

Unified Students of Humboldt

Veterans are not the only group that feel like they are not positively recognized at HSU.

HSU's homepage links people to information regarding prospective Native American students as well. The site states, "We guide native students from the time they're considering college to the day they graduate... We're proud of that commitment... At Humboldt State University, you'll find a community of cultural support."

The website begins with, "That's why it's so important you choose a university that values you and your ideas and cares about your heritage. It should be a university committed to your potential, and to helping you make a real difference for your community."

Many Native American students do not agree that HSU is upholding to this mission.

There have been a series of protests demonstrated by Native American students this year. The first began following the termination of former director of INRSEP (Indian Natural Resources, Science, and Engineering Program), Jacquelyn Bolman and ended with a month long sit in demonstration at the beginning of spring semester.

International

Similar to INRSEP (Indian Natural Resources, Science, and Engineering Program) and ITEPP (Indian Tribal Education and Personnel Program) moving under one roof, HSU's International English Language Institute joined under the Center for International Programs. The Center for International Programs was originally in Siemens Hall and IELI (International English Language Institute) was in the basement of the Bret Harte House, which is home to the journalism department.

However, some of these students do not feel they are adequately represented under such divisions at HSU.

"Because we didn't do anything for Veteran's Day, nothing was done," Midget said. "The institution didn't do anything. There wasn't even an email acknowledging at least why we have the day off."

Midget, an environmental science policy major, said the problem is not that every veteran wants to be labeled as being part of a cultural group. However, he said they do want to be recognized like any other group.

"If the international students ask for Chinese New Year funding, no one will ask why is this important or how is that a culture?" Midget said.

Clicking on the information tab for veterans on the HSU website redirects the viewer to a website

Members of Unified Students of Humboldt, who have spearheaded the movement, and have since been meeting with HSU's administration in hopes to make changes on how Native American students are represented.

HSU's Indian Natural Resources, Science, and Engineering Program (INRSEP) and Indian Tribal Education and Personnel Program (ITEPP) endured a change within the last year. They were removed from their respective colleges and put under the Retention and Inclusive Student Success program.

Sarah Caligiuri has been with Unified Students of Humboldt since its inception.

The Native American studies major said discretionary funding (\$40,000) did not transfer because it did not come from the Center for Academic Excellence in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics). Caligiuri said that was pocket money used for field trips.

"The administration and Radha Webley will tell you discretionary funds is not real money, but \$40,000 is a lot of money and it's no longer for INRSEP," Caligiuri said. "We're in college, we don't have trips anymore, we have internships. Internships that build our community. We

titled "2014 HSU Veterans Outdoor Program" and a mission statement: "provide the best possible services to veterans by making Humboldt State University a home away from home and providing a safe learning environment that each alumnus will take with them in pursuit of a better future."

Midget said he does not feel veterans are recognized at HSU. The clubs office does not recognize the Veterans club as a cultural group. Midget said He said he requested the club be labeled as a cultural one and instead it was categorized under special interests.

"Sometimes we are a cultural group and sometimes we're not," Midget said. "When we ask for funding we're not but on the website we are."

used that money, it's important to us."

Last year Dr. Bolman submitted a document, (Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation), in which she assessed the progress of INRSEP. The report stated, "The current percentage of URM Students at HSU is continually growing (currently at 29% of the student body) as the percentage of URM faculty and staff continues to decline (current URM faculty and staff represent only 12% of all full time positions are HSU). The percentages of URM in full time positions in the CSU system are 42%."

Caligiuri said that although the student population and money has increased, the money is not balanced for ITEPP (Indian Tribal Education and Personnel Program) and INRSEP (Indian Natural Resources, Science, and Engineering Program).

"ITEPP was originally a program for CDIB (Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood), a card carrying Indian, and now anyone who says they are Native American can join," Caligiuri said. "So the numbers grew, but there's one academic adviser for about 300 students."

"Being scattered around campus can be very stressful," Khoupradit said. "It was heartbreaking and confusing for students."

Soderfelt said HSU's business department recently added internationalism into its curriculum. She said integrating internationalism across the campus would bring HSU to the next level.

"I would like to see internationalism of the campus become a mainstream thought," Soderfelt said. "It would be beneficial to bridge the gap between academics and international. The curriculum can be more internationalized."

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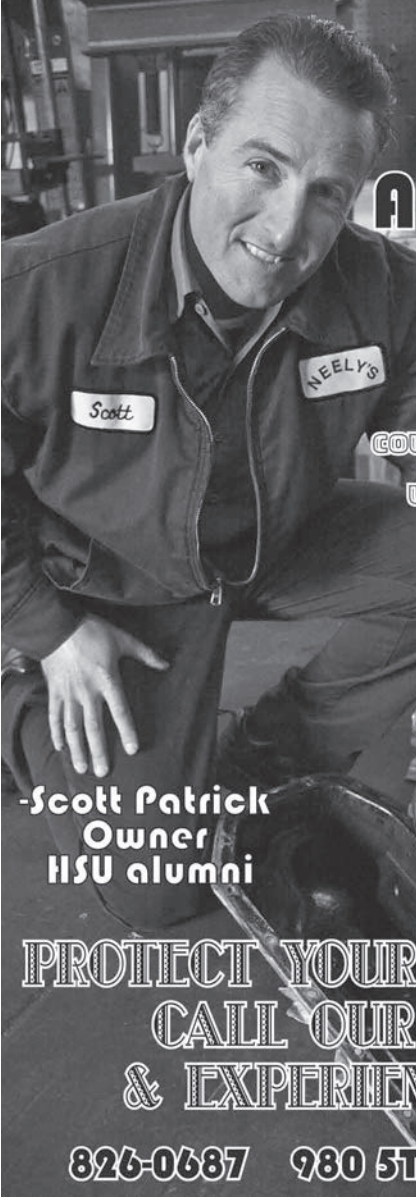
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Music professor Dr. Harley Muilenburg retires

After four decades of teaching music

by Berenice Ceja

Dr. Harley Muilenburg’s father was a farmer in North Dakota. There was an expectation for Muilenburg to take over the family farm but his heart was in music and teaching.

“I would’ve been a terrible farmer,” Muilenburg said.

Muilenburg has been teaching music for 43 years now. He is in his last week as a professor after four decades of teaching aspiring musicians his knowledge of music.

Muilenburg has been a professor at Humboldt State University for 32 years. He is a professor of voice in the music department, which includes various voice choirs such as the University Singers, Madrigals and the Mad River Transit Singers.

Muilenburg said he knew he wanted to teach since he was in high school.

“My high school music teacher,” Muilenburg said. “Emily Stordahlen... She had such a passion for music and for teaching. I caught that passion from her.”

His first teaching job was at the high school level. Muilenburg said he loved it because students came to class because they wanted too, not because it was required.

“It was something special,” Muilenburg said. “I enjoyed everything about that job. I enjoyed it immensely.”

During his three decade career at HSU, Muilenburg founded the Madrigal Dinner. This last fall was the 28th dinner. At this event the Madrigal choir hosts a dinner once a year at Baywood Golf and Country Club with a three course meal and non-stop live choir singing.

He was also honored by the California Music Educators Association as College Music Teacher of The Year in 2002.

Students are amongst his career highlights.

Once Muilenburg had a student, David McMullin, who sang on the production of Rent in Broadway. As well as Earl Thomas, a former student of his that is now a professional jazz/blues singer.

“A highlight 10 years ago was when the MRTS (Mad River Transit Singers) joined Bobby McFerrin and Carl Anderson on stage at a Jazz Festival in central California,” Muilenburg said.

“They called our group to stage to join them to sing.”

Muilenburg has a three step process for present and future music majors: write down your dreams on paper, organize and prioritize them and make them happen.

“If you get knocked down that’s okay, get up and start again,” Muilenburg said. “Music is worth it.”

Just a few weeks away from his new chapter, Muilenburg has a retirement plan in mind. The immediate plans are to take care of family business activities, which he said will likely be taken care of in the course of the next two years.

“I want to compose and arrange music for choirs and also I want to improve my golf game,” Muilenburg said. “Last, I want a lot of time to hug my grandchildren.”

After his long career there is something that Muilenburg has learned from his students.

“That age is a state of mind. I come to school and I feel young everyday thanks to the singers,” Muilenburg said. “They give their time, talent and energy to singing and to make music.”

Muilenburg said his favorite part about his job is rehearsing and preparing for concerts.

“Being part of the process of making music with college students: there is nothing better on the planet,” Muilenburg said. “That is what I am going to miss the most.”

Muilenburg will be conducting the University Singers choir at his last concert at Humboldt State on Sunday, May 10 in the Fulkerson Recital Hall at 8 p.m.

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Dr. Harley Muilenburg conducts the University Singers in preparation for their recital, University Singers and Humboldt Chorale, on Sun. May 8, 2015.| Louis Ramirez

For Harley

“Harley, thank you so much for everything you have taught me this past year and for giving me the opportunity to grow as a musician this semester in MRT, your teachings will always be treasured. You have influenced me and my passion for music so much and I can never thank you enough. I am so grateful to have met you and to have been influenced by you. You are a constant positive energy that motivates me every day, and I will miss so incredibly much.” - Jordan Kramlich

“The amount of admiration and respect I have towards Harley is difficult to put into words. Thanks to him I was able to have the courage to pursue my true passion and love towards music, specifically singing. Thank you for helping me become the vocalist I am today for that I will be forever grateful. Best wishes to him on his retirement and future goals.” - Ana Ceja

“Harley is an exceptional musician, man, friend, and teacher. Over the last three years I have had the pleasure of learning about music as well as life from Dr. Muilenberg. He has continued to inspire me daily with his everlasting patience and passion for music and teaching. Words can not express how grateful I am to know Harley or how thankful I am for all of the ways he has touched my life.” - Jessie Rawson

“The love and admiration that I have toward Dr. Muilenburg is inexplicable. He is so passionate about music and his students. He encourages his students to be the best at what they do, even if it’s not music. I have never felt so respected and appreciated by a professor. I am so happy that I got to work with him for the last 3 years. He will forever have a place in my heart.” - Lorena Tamayo

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Israel

Thousands of people (Mostly Black Israel’s Jewish) protested in Tel Aviv against racism. Israeli police was violently firing stun grenades and tear gas shells on the protesters. The spark of this movement was a video showing two white Israeli policemen punching, beating an Israeli black soldier in what appeared to be an unprovoked attack.

Cuba

A mass gay wedding will be hold in Coba this weekend, by gay rights activists. Though Gay marriage is still not legal in Cuba. The daughter of President Raul Castro, Mariela, will be leading the activists. She is a transgender rights campaigner. The wedding ceremony will be a part of Cuba’s annual gay pride parade.

Compiled by Ahmed Al-Sakkaf

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Story by Jami Eiring
Graphics by Tyler Marshall

As the semester comes to an end, summer plans are forming. Some students may be going home or on an epic adventure, but if you are staying in town this summer we have a list of things for you to do. Here is what is going down in Humtown for the next couple months.

SUMMER ARTS AND MUSIC FESTIVAL, BENBOW LAKE STATE RECREATION AREA, MAY 30-31

For the past 39 years the Mateel Community Center has brought singing, dancing, arts, crafts and great live music to the banks of the Eel River. This year some of the confirmed talent includes Blackalicious, The Brothers Comatose, Farmhouse Odyssey and Liquid Cactus. People who have enjoyed the sunshine and fun recommend camping for a weekend getaway.

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If you have ever wanted to try a plethora of delicious, grilled, flavorful oysters this is your chance to do it. The Oyster Festival is the largest one-day event in Arcata where local vendors show off their oyster craft. There is even a shucking and swallowing contest. The Plaza is packed with people and sunshine... including the people who just go for the beer.

KINETIC GRAND CHAMPIONSHIP, MAY 23-25

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Game meat: it’s what’s for dinner

The Wildlife Society’s latest big meal

by Michael Roccaforte

The smell of red meat floated from the Arcata Community Center as a cascade of community members took seats for the Beast Feast.

The Beast Feast was put on by the North Coast Chapter of the Wildlife Society. Proceeds from the event went to the student chapter of the Wildlife Society. The feast was a buffet featuring dishes made from wild game, fowl and fish.

Forrest Hansen, 22, came to the Beast Feast to hang out with the people he knew in the Wildlife Society and to round up the buffet.

“I had the fish tacos, and I made an elk-venison taco,” Hansen said. “I had an elk-venison stroganoff and the elk-based pasta was really good too.”

The buffet was complete with

locally hunted meat. The table was swarmed every time a new dish was put out to serve. The game meats stayed on the table for a short time before being devoured by guests.

Todd Derkes, 32, is a graduating senior in the wildlife department at HSU. He was beat out by the competition for food and missed some of the key meals. He will have more chances in the future to enjoy game meats, as he hunts many of his meals to avoid eating commercially processed meat.

“Even though 80 percent of the people here, or more, don’t hunt, everyone understands how important it is to conservation,” Derkes said.

Derkes said when you buy hunting licenses and equipment, a portion of the money goes directly to conservation efforts

that support struggling animal populations.

“Whether it’s a hunted species or not, money from hunting goes to support it. Even if it’s a non-game species it’s still supported by hunting permits and tags,” Derkes said. “A lot people don’t realize what an important thing it is, as long as it’s done correctly, it’s really the most powerful conservation tool that we have.”

Ken Mierzwa, 59, is on the board of the North Coast Chapter of the Wildlife Society. He credited the Beast Feast as a networking opportunity for wildlife students.

“That’s one of the important parts of the (Wildlife) Society, the opportunities to network among students and different kinds of professionals: government people, private sector people,” Mierzwa said. “I think we all can, in some way, learn things from each other.”

Mierzwa enjoyed the buffet and got a kick out of how the menu items were named. One of them being a crowd-favorite bear stew titled, “bearly-legal stew.” He was happy to see a big turnout at the Beast Feast.

“It’s refreshing to see something that’s not politically correct,” Mierzwa said.



Skulls lined the stage where Thursday Night Bluegrass played at Beast Feast. | Sarah Bradbury



Six Rivers IPA or Pale Ale were the beer choices at Beast Feast on Saturday night. | Sarah Bradbury

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New show on the block

Lost Coast Avenger throws first annual block party

by Javier Rojas

Synthesizers and screeching vocals poured out of a few 11th Street residences in Arcata on Saturday afternoon.

No, it was not just another backyard music gig. It was a block party the likes of Arcata had never seen.

Lost Coast Avenger held a first annual 11th Street block party as an official launch to its music website.

The Bat Cave, Green House and MoonLodge each hosted the block party as local bands across Humboldt County played tunes throughout the day.

Site founder and head party organizer Benji Aguirre said the event was a taste of the unique music scene in Arcata and wanted the party to showcase that.

“We were trying to represent the whole music community here,” Aguirre said. “I feel as one genre predominates the area like reggae or funk it’s still essential to what the culture around here really is, so it’s good to represent everyone and is what we wanted in the end.”

Aguirre’s website is a glimpse of local music in Humboldt County that includes genres from folk and bluegrass to metal and psychedelic-punk. He said the site was created as a project from a journalism class and evolved into a music site that now has recommendations and tour calendars of bands in Humboldt County.

Aguirre said the event planning started in the beginning of March. The event was made possible with help from friends

and word of mouth. He recruited bands to play from shows he attended in Arcata and volunteers that wanted in on the lineup card.

The event began at noon and lasted until 10 p.m. Aguirre said noise complaints were not a problem as he contacted police beforehand in case neighbors called in.

“Going out there and alerting police was great because they told me that no one before me in the local music scene had ever talked to them about throwing anything,” Aguirre said. “After our meeting, they made sure to leave notes for all the local residents about what we were doing.”

The event also had its own unique twist as bands were not the only attraction at the block party. A bounce house, a dog show and a henna tattoo station were all part of the festivities.

By 8 p.m. the venues had reached maximum capacity as a little under 300 people crammed into the show to see Aguirre take the stage at the Green House.

His band Dahi Lola performed at Humboldt Rising, a music festival at Humboldt State two weeks ago where it had to be shut down because people began to mosh during the set.

This time around there were no restrictions. There was just music, good vibes and of course some moshing.

Aguirre said the highlight of the night was the local electronic music act Hudson Glover who was a last second addition to the

show.

“He just blew me and everyone in that room away because we didn’t know what to expect,” Aguirre said. “I then led 17 of the 50 people in that room to start a stage dive and crowd surfing trend that I never tried before and no one got hurt. I had a blast Saturday and I could tell everyone had one too.”

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Concert goers take part in some henna tattoos as bands performed at The Moonlodge. | Javier Rojas



Members of Mind Wanderer play thier set as the 11th street block party was in full force. | Javier Rojas

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project which made her put her ideas into action.

“I definitely had fears when I was planting,” Bowman said. “I think it is fear in general, that students have, that has lead us to this point. But we have to make a scene in order to make a change.”

Bowman believes all students should have access to food and wants to bring attention to food security on campus. She used to get a small meal plan without living on campus because she thought it was easier to eat on campus instead of packing lunch everyday.

“After being on my own for so long I realized the potential of eating mostly plant matter and how good you can feel and can drastically change your health just by what you eat,” Bowman said.

Bowman wanted to start a community garden not affiliated with the garden at the Campus Center for Appropriate Technology. She said that when she told professors and people on campus about what she wanted to do, most gave her a look of exhaustion as if they had tried it before.

Bowman said she was discouraged when it came to finding legal ways to plant on campus. She ran into barriers, one of which she said is that student-run groups lack the administrative resources or approval to implement long lasting change.

“Our campus should not be an obsessively groomed land, untouchable by students,” Bowman said. “No one was going to

give me a golden ticket to start planting a luscious garden, so I had to go guerilla style.”

Sustainability you can taste

A freshly picked but blooming group is planting its roots on Humboldt State soil.

The Fruit Tree Alliance consists of faculty members and students who want to plant fruit trees on campus. FTA members said the idea is that the harvest will be open to all students, faculty and employees of HSU.

Environmental studies major Zane-Isaac Mumford grew up in San Luis Obispo County where his dad loved growing fruit trees. Mumford said fruit trees are part of his family culture so he wanted to join and help out with the first stages of FTA.

“HSU is preaching to be a ‘sustainable’ campus,” Mumford said. “ We are currently trying to get a pledge for what we want to do.”

The Fruit Tree Alliance wants to become an official club on campus next fall. The group hopes to plant fruit trees around campus in areas where they have mapped out.

However, Mumford said one thing holding them back is the administration because students are impermanent on campus. This means that students are ongoing and only last a short time.

“The administration’s biggest fear are the trees and who will care for them,” Mumford said. “They feel that we won’t take care of them because students are a transient population.”

Nicholas Rogers, 22, is one of the students who is helping in the early stages of building up the Fruit Tree Alliance.

Rogers said that the idea came from lecturer Will Fisher from the economics department at HSU. The new group started about one month ago and Rogers said people quickly jumped on board to initiate the FTA.

“We tabled in the quad during Earth Week,” Rogers said. “We had a petition going and people seemed excited.”

David Glickman, an FTA member, said the petition helped them gain a sense of what kind of support the club has in the campus community. Glickman said the idea of fruit trees on

campus appeals to almost every student and faculty member they have talked with.

“The placement of fruit trees in the HSU landscape is a step in the direction of sustainability,” Glickman said. “And it benefits everyone who participates in making it happen and everyone who shares in the harvest.”

Glickman said FTA’s final proposal will encompass detailed explanations of their plans, analyses of potential planting sites and how to manage any problems that may arise. Glickman said there are questions about fruit falling from the trees and attracting wildlife.

Will Fisher, the economics professor who inspired the stu-

dents, said that one of the most inspirational elements of FTA is that it is student run.

“They are wonderful people, wonderful students, doing a small, important, thing,” Fisher said. “But, Howard Zinn once said, ‘Small acts, when multiplied by millions of people, can transform the world.’”

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Fruit Tree Alliance plants a lemon tree at CCAT on Friday. | Ivan Soto



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Tree research taken to new heights

Forestry students climb trees on campus

by Henry Faust

Michael Kennedy forgot about his fear of heights when he found himself swaying 130 feet up a Redwood tree.

“I almost felt like it was fitting to have a beer in the canopy,” Kennedy said. “But for safety reasons I wouldn’t recommend it.”

Kennedy is learning how to climb and conduct research in a tree along with 50 other students in the forestry department’s silviculture class. Silviculture studies the physiology of trees and measures them in a non-destructive manner.

Observing a Redwood tree’s canopy validated Kennedy’s love of the natural world. Kennedy said one can learn more about a tree by climbing it rather than cutting it down and dissecting it.

“We can continually do measurements of the tree over time and go back to it,” Kennedy said. “Redwood’s are an enduring species and they have a lot of stories to tell.”

Lucy Kerhoulas teaches silviculture at HSU and leads the tree climbing lab. She is hoping to further canopy research by teaching her students tree climbing skills.

“To rig a large tree for climbing you have to shoot an arrow connected to a rope at the lowest solid branch,” Kerhoulas said. “Then you leapfrog from one branch to another until you reach the top.”

Once a rope is rigged from the top of the tree to the bottom climbers begin ascending the tree.

Kerhoulas said tree canopy research is a largely unexplored frontier of the scientific community.

“There’s not a lot of people doing tree canopy research because its difficult to access the canopies,” Kerhoulas said. “You basically have to learn how to get into these trees.”

Kerhoulas learned how to climb trees from fellow HSU forestry professor, Steve Sillett. Sillett is famous in the forestry community for pioneering new methods of climbing, exploring and studying tall trees.

“It’s a profound feeling to be in an old-growth redwood,” Kerhoulas said. “To think that this tree has been around since the time of Christ and I’m at the top of it.”

Lucy’s husband, Nick Kerhoulas, assisted with the tree-climbing lab. Nick Kerhoulas is

an evolutionary biologist and mammalogist by trade.

“I’ve studied flying squirrels up in these trees,” Nick Kerhoulas said. “It’s interesting to see firsthand the three-dimensional world that these animals live in.”

Nick Kerhoulas said large redwood trees contain a richer ecosystem than most people might expect.

“There’s a lot of soil, ferns, huckleberries, and salamanders up in the canopy,” Nick Kerhoulas said. “Our whole reality is on the ground and their whole life and ecosystem is in the tree-tops.”

Climbing the tree is just the commute to work for most canopy researchers.

“Once you’re up in the canopy, you’re moving around taking measurements or placing recording devices to study light or sap flow,” Nick Kerhoulas said.

Kennedy said it is ironic that Redwoods have tiny seeds but are one of the biggest organisms in the world. He cannot help but marvel at the seemingly immortal powers of Redwood trees.

“Whether there’s a forest fire or a flood,” Kennedy said. “Redwood’s will be some of the last trees standing.”

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Nick Kerhoulas (left) checks Nick Coleman’s climbing gear. | Henry Faust



The Trinity trees are roughly 130 feet tall, and are located between the Science B and D buildings. | Henry Faust

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And the California Collegiate Athletic Association Awards go to...

by Annamarie Rodriguez

Softball

On Friday, eight Humboldt State Lady Jacks were named All-California Collegiate Athletic Association award winners. These women have worked hard all season and along with their team successes there is also individual triumphs. The All-Star First Team recipients were sophomore second baseman Tiffany Hollingsworth, junior catcher Darian Harris and junior pitcher Katie Obbema. The All-Star Second Team award winners were freshman outfielder Hanna Holland, junior third baseman Julie Pena, and senior outfielder Dani Randall. Senior first baseman and pitcher Hannah Williams received designated player and sophomore pitcher Madison Williams earned honorable mention.

Women's Basketball

The All-CCAA First Team Conference were awarded to junior A'jaee Foster and senior Kersey Wilcox. Seniors Jae Shin and Megan Shields also earned the All-CCAA Second Team selections. Foster earned third in conference averaging nine rebounds per game. Taking fourth in conference for field goal percentage Shields averaged 52.4 percent. Shin placed first in conference for 3-point field goal percentage. With all their triumph the Lady Lumberjacks returned to the playoffs. Although they lost (77-62) in the opening game against Seattle Pacific, the women left the court with many accomplishments. They ended their season with an overall successful outcome.

Men's Basketball

There were four players who earned CCAA honors. Earning the First Team selection were seniors Austin Bryan and Allan Guei. Freshman of the year and Second Team choice was awarded to freshman Malik Morgan. The individual state leaders for the CCAA had at least one player from the Jacks in every category. In points per game Austin Bryan took third averaging 14.7 points per game. Calvin Young II took first in field goal percentage, making more than half of every shot he took, averaging 64.6 percent.

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Gold rush

HSU claims nine medals at CCAA conference championships

by Rebekah Staub

As some Humboldt State students spent last weekend relaxing, the men's and women's track and field teams spent theirs winning.

The Jacks won nine medals at the California Collegiate Athletic Association conference championships. Five of the medals were gold.

According to a press release from HSU's athletic department:

- Senior Teigan Eilers was crowned the CCAA decathlon champion.
- Senior Kate Earl took first place for 100 meter hurdles and won CCAA's

Female Field Athlete of the Year award. She also won third for the high jump and sixth for the 100 meter dash.

- Sophomore Alyssabeth De Jerez won gold medals for the 400 meter dash and the 400 meter hurdles.
- Junior Kori Gilley won silver for the 3,000 meter steeplechase, fourth for the 1,500 meter run and seventh in the 800 meter run.
- Freshman Tatiana Gillick won fourth for her 1,500 meter dash.

- Senior Fred Rosser won second for the 400 meter hurdles (he lost by four tenths of a second).

The Lady Jacks ended up winning fifth place with 95 points and the men won sixth place with 40 points.

The conference took place over four days in San Francisco.

In a press release, head coach Scott Pesch said it was one of the best showings the program has had in the last 10-15 years.

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Throwback soccer game

HSU alumni play against HSU's current soccer team

by Louis Ramirez

On Saturday, May 2, the Humboldt State men's soccer team hosted a game against HSU alumni. The game ended up in a tie with a score of 4-4.



Alumni Goalkeeper Javier Torres (left) kicks the ball away from HSU's Brandon Griffin (right) in a soccer game on Sat. May 2, 2015 on the College Creek field, the game ended in a tie 4-4. | Louis Ramirez

HSU's mens alumni and soccer team after the end of a tie game, 4-4, on Sat. May 2, 2015. | Louis Ramirez



The alumni soccer team faced off against HSU's soccer team in a game ending in a tie, 4-4, on Sat. May 2, 2015 on the College Creek field. | Maya Pszyk

Alumni Michael Powell (left) breaks Brandon Griffin's (right) attempt to make a play inside the box during HSU's alumni mens soccer game held at the College Creek field on Sat. May 2, 2015. The game ended in a tie 4-4. | Louis Ramirez



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Floyd Mayweather/ Manny Pacquiao fight does not live up to expectations

by Javier Rojas

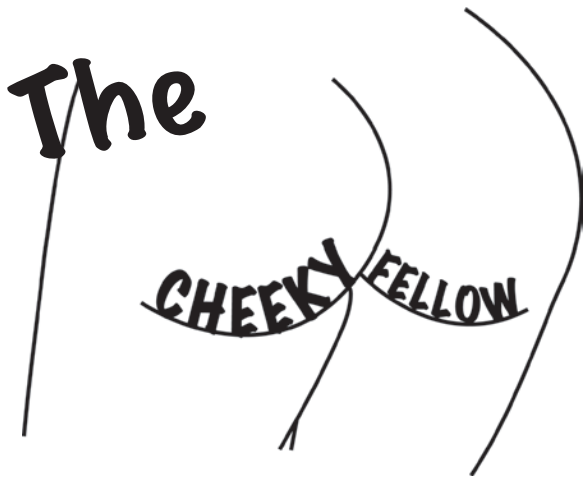
It took five years to get Floyd Mayweather and Manny Pacquiao into a boxing ring on Saturday night. And it only took 12 rounds to realize we were all fooled. Yes all of us. For a brief moment on Saturday most of the world stopped to watch arguably the best two boxers of this generation take the ring. Both entered the match with impressive records, Mayweather 48-0 and Pacquiao 57-5-2. But Mayweather and Pacquiao never gave the audience what they waited years for. Mayweather

dodged, ducked and hugged his way into a unanimous victory that had more holding than hard blows. The fight was dubbed as the match that was supposed to save boxing but failed. Pacquiao landed only 19 percent of his punches in the 12 rounds (81 of 429) and Mayweather actually threw more punches than Pacquiao but landed 148 of his 435 punches. Mayweather used the strategy that made him one of the most dominant boxers of his generation. He adapted to Pacquiao's boxing style primarily using his defense to counter him, which resulted in the dull contest. For boxing fans they got just what they expected, a defensive duel that Mayweather is known for. Casual fans expectations were not met as the 45 minute bout had people demanding for refunds. There was no knockout or bloody finish, just millions of disappointed viewers who wanted to see a mixed martial arts type bout. After the fight, social media blew up with memes that poked fun at Mayweather's tactics during the bout. Critics called the fight a "hug-fest" and "a track meet" because of all the holds and running in the ring compared to punches landing. Even the star studded sellout crowd at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas was not pleased with the bout as silence took over as the 12th round came to an end and chanted in displease. It was not necessarily that the fight was not good. It just was not good enough. Mayweather vs. Pacquiao was five years too late as many analysts said both were past their prime and

contract disputes that included drug testing delayed negotiations. The fight is already predicted to break the all-time pay-per-view (PPV) buy record and generate an estimated \$500 million from tickets and sponsors. Many agree that the long wait added to the intrigue of the dream match and heightened revenue costs but it failed in its most important incentive. The fans. For people who never grew up ever watching a single boxing match, they tuned in to watch this supposed "once in a lifetime" match. Unfortunately these people spent \$100 to order the fight but were met with failed expectations. But is it really boxings fault for this? Probably not but Saturdays match was indicative of the way our society is today. We want fast paced action and hard hits. Prime example is the rise in popularity in MMA fighting and football. While boxing and baseball once part of mainstream sports have taken a backseat to more action packed athletics. Months of coverage and hype from ESPN raised expectations of this matchup and the results were a knockout blow to the sport. With Mayweather set to retire from boxing after September and Pacquiao nearing the end of his career, boxing's biggest stars could not deliver the knockout the sport wanted. While boxing will surely make a comeback from this the real question is will the fans do the same.

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Summer is almost here! It's that time of the year when all we wanna do is just kick back and head to the beach. Finals will be over before you know it and you'll need some tunes to chill with friends. The Lumberjack staff is giving you their final playlist of the semester as we share our favorite kickass summer jams. Enjoy and have a great summer Lumberjacks!



Why Can't People Be More Like Dogs?

by Jacob Cheek

I am the proud owner of an English labrador named Ziggy. I named him after one of my favorite musical artists Ziggy Marley. Ziggy is five-years-old and has a great personality, which he shows with his happy go lucky attitude. He is wonderful to be around. Anytime I have been gone or I have had a bad day, he is always there to greet me with a smile and his wagging tail. He jumps onto my bed and wrestles around with me to show me, "where have you been all day dad? I missed you." I look forward to this each and every day. Dogs are your best friend because they are perfectly satisfied with being by your side without

judging you. They do not show hate or shun you for being who you are. They might get upset at you every now and then for not taking them on a walk but at the end of the day dogs love you for you and that is what matters. Humans can learn a lot from their faithful companions. We do not see these types of interactions amongst humans very often. As humans we judge and have opinions about the people around us. People boost their ego by talking about someone else instead of being content with who they are. Each and every one of us is unique in our own way and that is the reason we are who we are. We all have our own lifestyle



that we live by just as dogs do. Dogs do not go to the dog park and say, "no I am not going to chase the ball with you cause I do not like the way your butt smells." There is no judgment. They just want to have fun and interact with other dogs. Humans should be the same and interact with each other regardless of how their butt smells. But all joking aside, we should all be able to see people for the good and treat each other with respect while leaving behind all the judgment and negativity. As people say, be the person your dog thinks you are.

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by Ahmed Al-Sakkaf

I never thought fuck or the f-word would have all these meanings and be this famous. Not until I arrived to Uncle Sam's country also known as the United States. Before coming here the word "fuck" meant actual sexual intercourse to me. Coming here, where "fuck" is heard everywhere at any time was strange. "This is as cool as fuck", "fuck you", "what the fuck" and a lot more versions of it are heard in American music. Songs are played everywhere in public spaces and "fuck", "shit", "ass" will always be stressed and highlighted. Yes, we do swear back in Yemen, but if an elderly person heard me swear then that could be very embarrassing for me. Since swearing is highly unacceptable back home people very rarely swear. There is a cultural restriction for it. A male can never swear in the presence of a female and a female better not be heard swearing in the presence of males or else they are looked down upon. Swearing in public is an illegal

practice in Yemen and is considered offending to the society's modest nature. If somebody is caught swearing in public he or she can be charged a fine or taken to jail. Public includes newspaper and other mass media forms. In America, however, the word fuck can be used almost anywhere. Fuck and other curse words are allowed to be in publications like newspapers. Even pictures of women wearing almost nothing in magazines like "Playboy" would be blurred out if it was somehow published in Yemen. This also applies to pictures of male private parts. This whole year has been such an... oh, fuck.

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Letter to the editor

My name is Maral Attallah, Lecturer in the Critical Race, Gender & Sexuality Studies Department, as well as Faculty Advisor for the Armenian Student Association (ASA). April 24 marks a very important day for Armenians and our allies: a sacred day when we remember the Armenian Genocide and honor the Armenian, Greek, Assyrian, and Chaldian populations who were systematically targeted for extinction under the Ottoman Empire’s Young Turk regime.

The ASA put on a beautiful commemoration (see Rebekah Staub’s wonderful cover-piece, “HSU Remembers the Armenian Genocide” 4/29/15). As the keynote speaker I had the privilege of meeting folks who traveled from near and far to stand up for justice and truth. We paid tribute to the survivors and to the memories of those whose lives were taken during the Armenian Genocide 100 years ago. Worldwide, Armenians and our allies witnessed the largest globally-mobilized efforts to bring attention to the genocide its denial by the current Republic of Turkey.

I want to thank the ASA and everyone who came to support the Armenian Cause, bringing attention to the Armenian Genocide and combating genocide denial. I also want to extend a heartfelt apology to those who came with positivity in their hearts but may have left with feelings of despair. It has been brought to my attention that some in the crowd made others very upset by exclaiming their irritation at “all the White people in attendance who don’t really

care about genocide” and were “just there to make themselves feel better.” I find these remarks to be utterly ignorant and disrespectful. I apologize to those who left the event before learning about the Armenian Cause and how important it is to combat genocide denial.

I understand that targeted and marginalized groups need separate spaces so that we can cultivate and nurture a sense of self-determination, on our own, free from judgement and well-intentioned “guidance.” When we demand our rights it needs to be on “our” terms. When we go about achieving those rights, our course of action must come from within because, after all, we are the ones who are targeted. I know this, I have lived this, I teach this... but I also teach coalition and alliance building. You see, I understand the need for these spaces and I will be the first to advocate for them, but what I will not stand for is the notion that one’s ability to be an ally should be based on appearance. When it comes to genocide awareness I have little patience for those who promote “exclusive” arguments.

When I found out there were folks in the crowd spewing such narrow-mindedness it honestly angered me. I wondered if they had ever taken a class from me and if so, did they learn nothing of empathy, coalitions, alliances, and upstanders? Worse yet, did they think their words mirrored my own? I will give them the benefit of the doubt and assume they were simply being ignorant as opposed to willfully ignorant,

but that still does not let them off the hook. So, to those who spoke in exclusive ways, I am calling you out. Now you cannot say you did not know the effect your words had on others. If after reading this you still feel the same way, take a class from me. I am calling you out because you do not speak for me. I have worked too hard bringing attention to genocide and genocide denial to have folks derail genocide recognition based on misinformed opinions. Guess what, the event you were attending was honoring genocide victims, many of whom would phenotypically be identified as White. There were descendants of genocide survivors in attendance who are phenotypically identified as White. Think about how your words sounded because when combating genocide denial, words matter! Being an “upstander” has nothing to do with race, ethnicity, gender, religion, sexual identity, etc. Combating genocide and genocide denial means EVERYONE must step up. Due to the prevalence of genocide denial it is even more important that we have as many voices as possible united in the fight to end genocide. The international community is quite diverse, in all aspects of the term, which is why we call on everyone to stop genocide and genocide denial! We all have the capacity to be upstanders -- I could not do my job if I believed otherwise.

In Solidarity,

Maral N. Attallah
Lecturer- CRGS Dept.

Gov. Brown, public higher education needs full funding!

by Pat Gantt

Three years ago Governor Jerry Brown launched a four-year program of gradually increased budgets for the University of California and the California State University systems, contingent on keeping student fees flat.

Sounds pretty good, right? The problem is, such small increases in the state’s share of funding, combined with tuition freezes, means funding for higher education is actually lower than the rate of inflation. Rather than a guaranteed slow rate of funding growth, this is instead a guaranteed slow bleeding to death of California’s public higher education systems. Plus, starting the Multi-Year Stable Funding Plan at the depths of the Great Recession meant starting when the schools were already terribly wounded.

In other words, even with these increased budgets, none of the state’s three public higher education systems—UC, CSU, and the community colleges—is receiving enough funds to maintain their enrollment levels or to fix their decaying campus infrastructures.

In fact, none of the systems is receiving the full funding that they need just to maintain the status

But that can be fixed. And it can be fixed now.

This spring, the legislature is finalizing the 2015-16 state budget. Legislators need only look at the budget requests that each system has made to see that there’s an urgent need to in-

crease the governor’s proposed higher education budget—just to keep our campus doors open and our higher education systems running.

By July 1, when the budget is set to be finalized, we could have a fix in hand, if only legislators and the governor will use some common sense and allocate full funding to all three systems.

Let’s look at the CSU system for an example. As part of his four-year funding plan, the governor has proposed \$119.5 million in additional funding, which looks good on paper but in fact is \$97.5 million less than the CSU Board of Trustees requested late last fall.

That’s \$97.5 million for student success and completion initiatives, as well as critical technology and infrastructure needs. The full \$217 million in additional funding would allow the CSU to enroll up to 12,000 additional students, hire more faculty and staff, and invest in new educational approaches and proven technologies to increase graduation rates.

And, even then, it would only leave the CSU with the level of state support it had in 2007-08, without even taking inflation and student growth into account.

California will need at least one million more graduates by 2025 to remain economically competitive, according to the Public Policy Institute of California. How can we possibly meet this need if the state short-changes public higher education year after year?

A coalition of stakeholder

organizations representing students and employees across all three systems has come together to press not only for full funding but also for a re-commitment to the California Master Plan for Higher Education. Reclaim California Higher Education (www.reclaimcahighered.org/) advocates for a return to the vision of higher education affordability, accessibility, and quality for all Californians.

This spring, its members are talking to legislators across the state, urging them to restore adequate state funding to higher education, starting with the pending 2015-16 state budget. Now is the time to implement both increased state investment and institutional reforms.

As the group stated in a letter to Gov. Brown in early March, “Tuition and administrative costs are skyrocketing, while enrollment of in-state students is not keeping pace with the needs of our economy. Our institutions of higher learning should, once again, be engines of economic growth and good jobs in our communities.”

With the 2015-16 budget, it’s time to again prioritize higher education within the State of California!

Pat Gantt is president of the California State University Employees Union, which represents 15,000 classified staff employees across the 23 CSU campuses and the Office of the Chancellor.

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Dear Lumberjack,

I would like to see a Department of Appropriate Technology be established at Humboldt State University and that the Campus Center for Appropriate Technology be placed under its auspices and advocacy. I would also like for CCAT to hold a more permanent place on the master plan for further campus construction so that it does not have to be moved out of “the” way a second time.

I was curious about how much funding the university has appropriated for rebuilding the appropriate technology displays, representing over 25 years of effort by hundreds of students, faculty and community volunteers, many of which were dismantled and discarded in 2003.

One such project would be to create a professionally tooled and supervised, appropriate technology workshop facility, where future students majoring in appropriate technology can receive assistance fabricating prototypes of their ideas for engineering 305 class projects. While few qualified machinist would be willing to take a cut in salary to accept a position as an appropriate technology workshop supervisor, there will be a chosen few, already committed to the ethics principles expressed in CCAT’s mission statement., that would be grateful for the opportunity to help champion such a worthy cause.

Sincerely,
Bart Orlando

Appropriate Technology Educator

PS.
And while we’re at it, how about full time salaries and health care benefits for the CCAT co-directors and staff.

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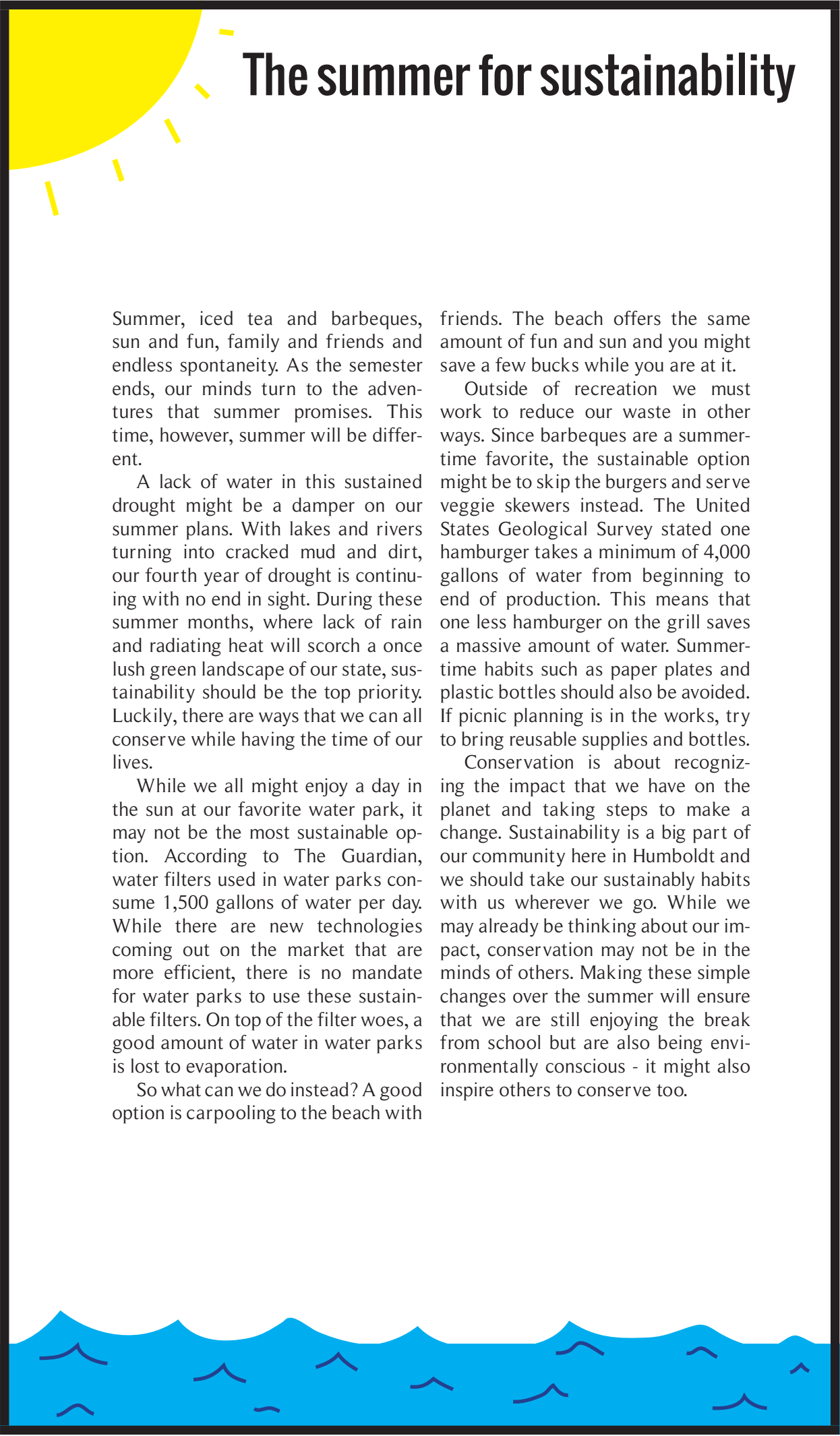
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EDITORIAL



The summer for sustainability

Summer, iced tea and barbeques, sun and fun, family and friends and endless spontaneity. As the semester ends, our minds turn to the adventures that summer promises. This time, however, summer will be different.

A lack of water in this sustained drought might be a damper on our summer plans. With lakes and rivers turning into cracked mud and dirt, our fourth year of drought is continuing with no end in sight. During these summer months, where lack of rain and radiating heat will scorch a once lush green landscape of our state, sustainability should be the top priority. Luckily, there are ways that we can all conserve while having the time of our lives.

While we all might enjoy a day in the sun at our favorite water park, it may not be the most sustainable option. According to The Guardian, water filters used in water parks consume 1,500 gallons of water per day. While there are new technologies coming out on the market that are more efficient, there is no mandate for water parks to use these sustainable filters. On top of the filter woes, a good amount of water in water parks is lost to evaporation.

So what can we do instead? A good option is carpooling to the beach with

friends. The beach offers the same amount of fun and sun and you might save a few bucks while you are at it.

Outside of recreation we must work to reduce our waste in other ways. Since barbeques are a summertime favorite, the sustainable option might be to skip the burgers and serve veggie skewers instead. The United States Geological Survey stated one hamburger takes a minimum of 4,000 gallons of water from beginning to end of production. This means that one less hamburger on the grill saves a massive amount of water. Summertime habits such as paper plates and plastic bottles should also be avoided. If picnic planning is in the works, try to bring reusable supplies and bottles.

Conservation is about recognizing the impact that we have on the planet and taking steps to make a change. Sustainability is a big part of our community here in Humboldt and we should take our sustainably habits with us wherever we go. While we may already be thinking about our impact, conservation may not be in the minds of others. Making these simple changes over the summer will ensure that we are still enjoying the break from school but are also being environmentally conscious - it might also inspire others to conserve too.

CORRECTIONS

THE HEADLINE FOR THE ARTICLE “HSU HONORS ARMENIAN GENOCIDE” SHOULD HAVE SAID “HSU REMEMBERS ARMENIAN GENOCIDE.” IN THE FIRST SENTENCE OF THE ARTICLE THE WORD “HONORED” WAS CHANGED TO “GATHERED TO REMEMBER” ONLINE.

IN THE APRIL 22 ISSUE, THE ARTICLE “OF BREATH AND BOOGIE” SAID “EVE OF DANCE” IS IN DECEMBER. IT IS ON THURSDAY, MAY 7 AT 7 P.M. IN THE VAN DUZER THEATRE.

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Friday, May 8

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Finals De-Stressor Extravaganza

It is about that time of the semester again: finals week. Students are beginning to scramble and that overwhelming to do list keeps growing even though you thought it could not get any longer. Sometimes what you really need to get through the chaos of finals, is a break. The library will hold a pre-finals de-stressor extravaganza for students which will include games, ice cream and pizza.

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Last month we celebrated earth day. This month, the City of Eureka will sponsor the ninth Annual Mayday Community Clean Up. Volunteers pick up litter at Halvorsen Park, Old Town, PALCO marsh and the Hikshari Trail and do their part in improving the environment. Tools and refreshments will be provided.

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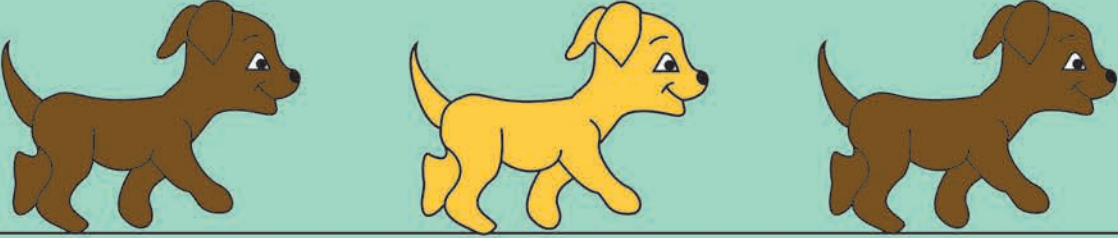
Thursday, May 14

Bike to Work Day

It is now May and you know what that means! National bike month! You can kick off Bike to Work Day in Arcata early beginning at 7 a.m. at the North Coast Co-op's morning energizer station. Cyclists wearing helmets will get free hot drinks, snacks and bike tune-ups until 9 a.m. People are welcome to join a two-wheeled rally beginning at noon on the Arcata Plaza.

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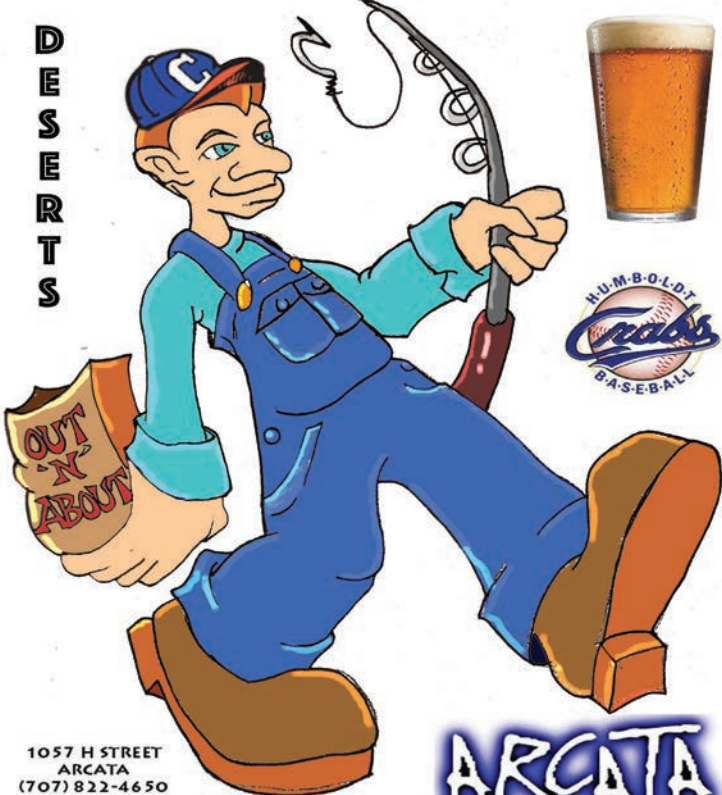
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