Election Issue

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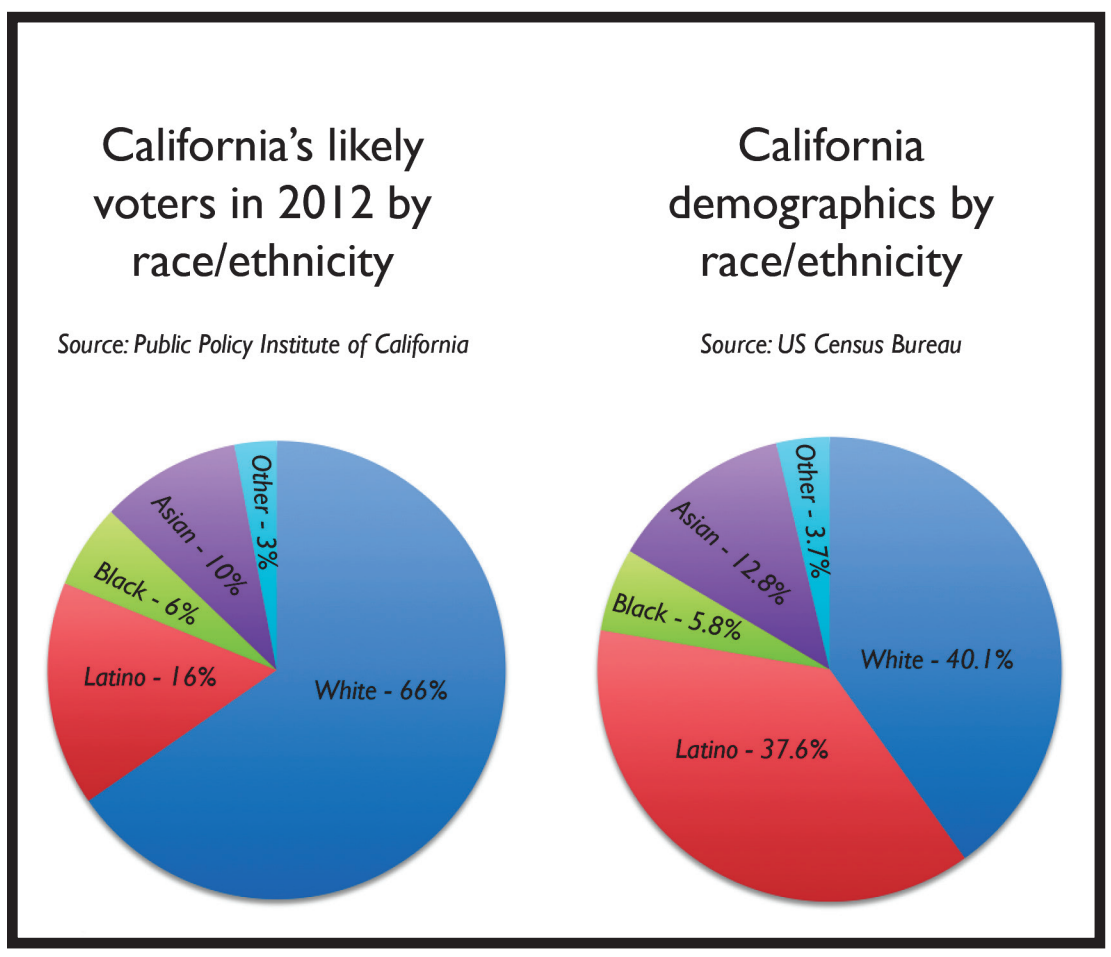
Low voter turnout among students



Graphs by Melissa Coleman

by Marie F. Estrada

While many Americans will head to the polls or mail in their absentee voter ballots next week, Rudy Garcia, a senior at Humboldt State, will not participate.

Garcia, like a number of other students and Latinos nationwide, is not a registered voter.

A nationwide survey of 1,765 Latinos conducted by the Pew Hispanic Center — part of the nonpartisan Pew Research Center — found that registered Latino voters prefer Obama to Romney 69 to 21 percent respectively. However, Latino voters are less likely to vote in the Nov. 6 election.

Garcia, a kinesiology major, said if he knew more about what is on the ballot he would vote.

"Voting has its purposes," Garcia said. "Presidentially I don't see the point, but [local measures] and propositions are worth voting for."

Kathleen Lee, a politics lecturer at HSU, said voting comes down to the sociological and political demographics of a state.

"Whites don't make up most [of the voters]," Lee said. "But they are [around] 70 percent of the vote."

Lee attributes the low numbers of student and Latino student voters to a lack of education in terms of local and state government.

"When it comes to political promises people have to realize nothing gets done by one person," Lee said. "It's important to see campaign rhetoric for what it is."

Maral Attallah, a critical race, gender and sexuality studies lecturer at HSU, feels that there is more to the low Latino turnout than a lack of knowledge.

"I think for some folks [not voting] is part of distancing themselves — not voting is only one part of [the issue]," Attallah said. "People start to distance themselves because of the policies that fail and never pass, but that's the most important time to act."

Attallah feels that choosing to not vote — whether it is due to lack of knowledge or lack of interest — is silencing yourself and others around you.

"If you have the legal right to vote then take it — it is yours," Attallah said. "Think of all of the other people who will be affected."

In regards to the electoral versus the popular vote, Attallah said participating is part of voicing personal opinions.

"I can't control if my vote gets lost, or what happens after I leave my poll place, but I can control voting," Attallah said. "I'd rather be optimistic and think my vote counts."

Lee believes candidates focus less on young people because they tend to not vote, but it would be in the best interest of Democrats to reach out because oftentimes students vote Democrat.

"The presidency isn't the only race," Lee said. "And even if you don't agree with both [candidates] it is [better] to choose the lesser of two evils. If you don't then you're defaulting to the people who always turn out to vote — and they're typically older."

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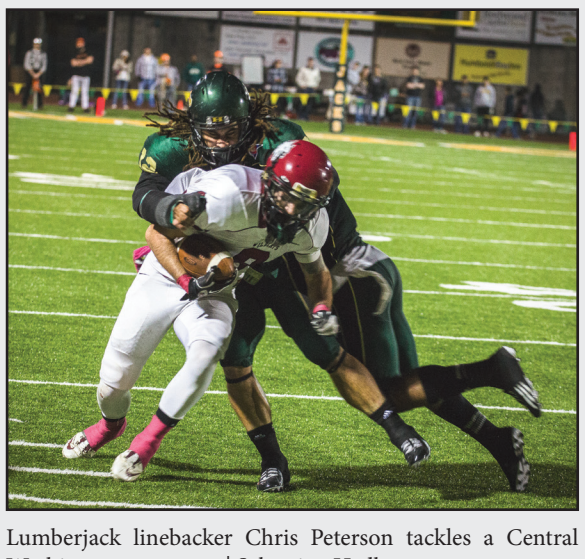

Lumberjack linebacker Chris Peterson tackles a Central Washington opponent | Sebastian Hedberg

Home win

With just two games left in conference play the Lumberjacks reclaimed the first-place spot in the Great Northwest Athletic Conference on Oct. 27 with a 14-10 win over Central Washington.

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Arcata voters to decide on 'grow house tax'

by Melissa Coleman

Marijuana grow houses may soon help fund parks and energy projects in Arcata. A local ballot measure could force growers to pay the city more for their electricity usage.

Arcata voters will decide on Measure I next week. If it passes, the city will impose a 45 percent tax on residential electricity usage that exceeds 600 percent over the established yearly baseline allowance — the minimum amount of energy a household requires.

The current energy tax for all Arcata residences is 3 percent. Measure I would increase this tax for those over the threshold by 1,400 percent.

Arcata Vice Mayor Shane Brinton said that during his last campaign he heard a lot of complaints about marijuana grow houses in the city.

"I support medicinal marijuana, but we don't want entire houses taken over," Brinton said. "[Measure I's] message is that you can't do this in residential areas, and if you do you will have to pay."

About 7 percent of Arcata households — 633 out of 9,500 — had energy usage more than 600 percent over the baseline.

In an analysis of Measure I, Arcata City Attorney Nancy Diamond wrote that the city will get an additional $1.25 million in taxes per year if the measure passes.

Arcata's expected revenue for 2012-2013 is $12.25 million, 60 percent of which comes from taxes. The estimated additional revenue from Measure I would increase the city's total revenue by about 10 percent.

"[It] is expected to decrease over time as residential customers implement energy efficient measures," Diamond wrote.

The Schatz Energy Resource Center at Humboldt State, which specializes in researching and developing renewable energy and energy efficiency, worked with the city council to develop Measure I. Senior Research Engineer James Zoellick said the center found that, on average, Humboldt County increasingly uses much more energy than others in California.

"We got data that broke down usage by tiers," Zoellick said. "We found that a very small number of customers in the very highest tier used an excessive amount of energy."

Zoellick said that it is circumstantial evidence, but those in the highest tier are probably grow houses.

"There could be someone with medical equipment, like an oxygen machine," Zoellick said. "Or somebody with a home business with a lot of computers, or just a really big household. Some of the very top users I think would have to be grow houses though. It gets kind of ridiculous."

Households with life support or other high-usage medical equipment will be exempt from the Measure I tax.

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Presidential Persuasions

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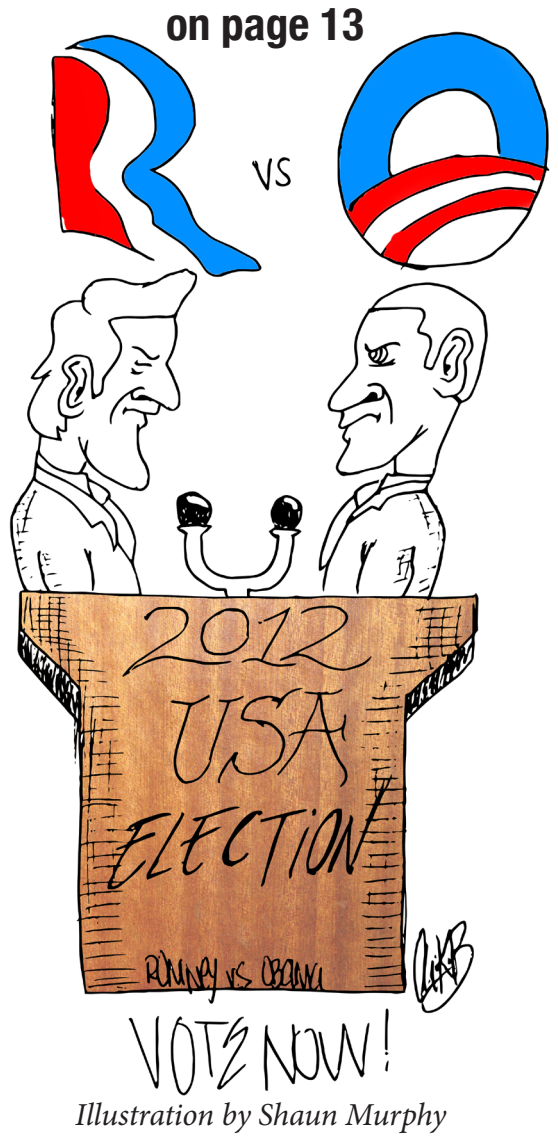

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WEEKEND WEATHER

Source: The Weather Channel

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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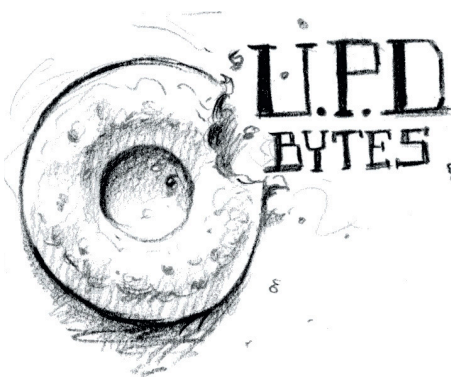

FRIDAY, OCT. 26

9:01 a.m. - Report of a pipe hanging from a tree behind Founders Hall. *That gives a whole new meaning to "blowing trees."*

FRIDAY, OCT. 26

3:54 p.m. - Non-student male found in the Student Health Center inside of an exam room playing with medical instruments. Police warned him for trespassing and restricted him from campus. *Did Dr. Frankenstein move to Humboldt County?*

FRIDAY, OCT. 26

10:06 p.m. - Housing staff requested that officers drive through the Jolly Giant Commons parking lot due to a large group loitering with unsure intentions. *The group probably couldn't find a party.*

SATURDAY, OCT. 27

10:39 p.m. - A resident at Hemlock Hall was cited for possession of marijuana. *Not new for Humboldt County...or the dorms.*

SATURDAY, OCT. 27

11:28 p.m. - Non-student male loitering inside the Ceramics Lab. He left prior to officer's arrival. *Tsk Tsk, stifling his inner artist.*

Compiled by Melissa Coleman. Written by The Lumberjack staff.

China

Thousands of middle-class demonstrators gathered to protest the expansion of a petrochemical plant in the small city Ningbo just outside of Shanghai. After three days of protests Chinese authorities decided to stop the $8-billion expansion of an industrial complex funded by the major oil monopoly Sinopec. The industrial complex is suspected to have had an effect on the increased cancer rates in surrounding areas. Protesters were concerned with the increased cancer rates and health issues connected to industrial pollution.

Syria

The UN ceasefire imposed last weekend in Syria for four days has been rendered obsolete. On Sunday armed groups opened fire on army checkpoints in the third day of the truce violation. Syrian government launched more than 60 air strikes on Monday aimed toward rebel targets. Many are wounded and officials said the death tolls reached around 500 people in a four-day period from last Friday to Monday –– the truce was to supposed to take place in line with the Muslim holiday Eid al-Adha.

Italy

On Sunday Italian ex-premier Silvio Berlusconi warned that his political party –– The Peoples of Freedom party –– might withdraw support for the government. The announcement is seen as a declaration of war against Italian Prime Minister Mario Monti and an attempt to prove Berlusconi has great political weigh in Italy. Berlusconi's PDL party is the largest party in parliament and could force early polls if it withdraws. Last Friday Berlusconi was sentenced to four years in jail for tax fraud and banned from ever being in office again. Berlusconi is also on trial for bribery and for having sex with a 17-year-old prostitute.

Nigeria

During morning mass on Sunday, a suicide bomber drove a car full of explosives into a Roman Catholic Church in Kaduna, Nigeria. More than 100 people were injured and at least 8 killed. The explosion spurred retaliation attacks in which two more people were killed. It is unclear who is responsible for the bomb but it is similar to recent attacks by the extreme Islamic group Boko Haram. Kaduna is a religiously diverse area and a hotbed for periodic violence since 2009 when Boko Haram's rebellion began. Since then at least 2,800 have died in fights.

Haiti

Hurricane Sandy's damage in Haiti proved evident on Monday. The storm's center never directly covered Haiti but more than 20 inches of rainfall caused 52 deaths. Almost 400,000 Haitians remain homeless from the January 2010 earthquake and the government said Hurricane Sandy damaged about 200,000 more homes. Haiti finds more struggle hardship as a result of Hurricane Sandy which followed the August Tropical Storm Isaac and a cholera outbreak that began 10 months after the 2010 earthquake — all events plagued by death and illness.

Compiled by Shelby Meyers | Globe graphic by Zoe Berman

SOURCES: The Los Angeles Times, The New York Times, Fox News, The Wall Street Journal, The Associated Press, The Global TImes, Agence France Presse, Reuters, All Africa News

Healing from violence: Peace advocate against death penalty despite son's murder

by Dennis Lara-Mejia

If a gang member murdered one of your family members would you want the gang member to be executed or would you forgive him? How far would you go to forgive the person who murdered your loved one?

In 2004, a gang member shot and killed Terrell Sherrills, a former Humboldt State student, at a party in Ladera Heights, Calif.. Terrell Sherrills was the son of Aqeela Sherrills — a national advocate for peace.

"Losing my son in that way, [and having worked] for 16 years at that point [as a peace advocate] it shook me," Sherrills said.

Sherrills lived through the height of gang wars in Watts, Calif., between 1987 and 1988. Sherrills escaped the war to attend California State University, Northridge. In reaction to the ongoing bloodshed on the streets of Los Angeles, Sherrills and members connected to the Watts community drafted a peace treaty between the two rival gangs, "the Bloods" and "the Crips".

"Within the first two years of the peace treaty, gang violence in LA dropped 44 percent," Sherrills said.

Sherrills founded some of the most successful gang intervention programs in Los Angeles County.

"In the past 25 years, 18,000 people have died to gang violence," Sherrills said.

Yet, every year the number of deaths as a result of gang violence has continuously decreased.

"[But] none of that was able to keep my son from being murdered," Sherrills said.

Soon after the death of Sherrills' son, a friend of Sherrills' brother phoned him to say he knew the murderer's identity. The name, address and telephone number of the alleged killer was given to Sherrills' brother, but Sherrills made it explicit to gang members not get involved and not to retaliate.

"When I told them not do anything and was serious about it, they looked at me and asked if something was wrong with me," Sherrills said.

This inspired other people in Sherrills' neighborhood — people who were instrumental in writing the peace treaty who had lost loved ones at the hands of gang violence — not to retaliate. "They [all said,] 'We got to stop this thing here. It ends with my child,'" Sherrills said.

Following the death of Sherrills' son, Sherrills took a sabbatical and traveled to war zones and sacred places around the world.

Sacred places are believed to hold spiritual significance — which is what initially drew Sherrills in.

"I really wanted to reflect on the role spirituality plays in activism," Sherrills said.

He started in Mexico, traveling to the pyramids of Teotihuacan, which literally means "where man met the gods." Then he went to Machu Picchu in Peru, Auschwitz in Poland and visited various countries including Egypt, Serbia, Cambodia and South Africa.

Sherrills left the nonprofit he co-founded with his brother, Community Self-Determination Institute, an agency dedicated on transforming and improving the Watts community through social activism, and returned to found a new organization called The Reverence Project, a wellness center geared towards sufferers of post-traumatic stress disorder who are living in communities similar to Watts.

Sherrills came to forgive his son's murderer after his spiritual quest and admits that he feels compelled to help his son's killer through the healing process.

"He has to live with that, [killing my son]," Sherrills said. "You don't kill someone and just go off skipping and dancing."

In a presentation Sherrills held at HSU on Oct. 23, Ismael Delgado, a freshman kinesiology major, asked what Sherrills thinks to be an appropriate replacement to the death penalty."[I think that] until we eliminate the death penalty, we can't have a real discussion about what should replace the death penalty," Sherrills said.

For more on the death penalty, see The Lumberjack editorial on page 13

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YOUSHOULDKNOW

@Community

There is a Rock the Vote Election night party at Humboldt Brews on Nov. 6 at 8:30 p.m. Open to the community, the event will feature live election coverage and music by The Human Revolution — an organization which brings a mix of artists together to promote social, political, and ecological change through music. DJ Odabayo and friends will also perform dance music. It costs $5 at the door.

@CSU

The California State Student Association announced the success of voter registration efforts among college students this week. What the CSSA referred to as a system-wide effort to increase voter registration generated more than 31,000 new voters in California. The second phase of the effort is voter mobilization — to ensure new registered voters and previously registered voters go to the polls Nov. 6. Humboldt State along with CSU Chico, Cal Maritime Academy, Sonoma State and CSU San Marcos registered more than 10 percent of their student bodies.

@Nation

The Northeastern United States felt the effects of Hurricane Sandy yesterday morning. People in metropolitan areas like New York City and New Jersey woke up to 80-mph winds and 13-foot water surges. Seven subway tunnels are flooded in New York, 8 million people are without power and debris line the streets of Manhattan. Forecasters believe the storm to still be dangerous. The U.S. death toll is at 50 as of Tuesday.

@Nation

Florida Gov. Rick Scott's higher education task force announced an agreement to hold tuition rates and avoid tuition increase for certain students who start at a community college and finish their degrees at a university. For students in strategically emphasized programs that go into high-demand, high-wage, and high-skill fields, tuition will be held at around $15,000 for four years until the Florida unemployment rate drops below seven percent.

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Sources: Humboldt events, Calstate.edu, the Sacramento Bee

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Corrections

Cartoon Rollin was not in the Oct. 24 issue for the "Where's Rollin?" search.

The Oct. 24 story "HSU club and community project team up to fight breast cancer" states that Elica Aramesh's mother received a double mastectomy nine years after doctors diagnosed her with breast cancer. She was actually cancer-free after nine years and received the procedure earlier.

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Sunday routing for bus commuting

Humboldt Transit Authority anticipates Sunday bus schedules

The Northbound Redwood Transit bus pulls into library circle Oct. 30. | Jeremy Smith-Danford

HSU Library Circle Sunday bus times

Southbound

9:15 a.m. 12:02 p.m.
3:06 p.m. 5:06 p.m.

Northbound

10:22 a.m. 1:26 p.m.
3:27 p.m. 7:08 p.m.

For full schedule visit hta.org

by Lillian Boyd

When Humboldt Transit Authority adds Sundays to its route schedules in November, Humboldt State student Elizabeth Cabrera could potentially earn an extra $160 on her paycheck each month.

"I decided to get a job while attending school because I needed the money to pay my bills, rent and groceries," Cabrera said. "My financial aid wasn't enough so I needed to find another way."

Cabrera began to work for Journeys — a shoe store in the Bayshore Mall — three months ago and looks forward to the new bus schedule.

"Extra hours mean more money. Every hour counts when you're working as a college student," Cabrera said.

Four bus lines will run from Scotia to Trinidad beginning around 8:30 a.m. until around 7:30 p.m.

Former Arcata City Council Member Paul Pitino saw that Sunday bus rides were an "unmet need" and brought it to the HTA Board. He advocated for them during his 2004-2008 term by attending meetings with the Humboldt County Association of Government and the Citizen Advisory Committee.

"You have to have board members that are willing to make a change," Pitino said. "So I went to as many meetings as I could and got involved."

Michael Winkler, a member of the HTA Board of Directors and mayor of Arcata, helped make Sunday schedules a reality for Humboldt County.

"I think it's really important to meet the needs of [our citizens]," Winkler said. "And [Sunday schedules] are one of those needs."

While most Humboldt County citizens favored adding the extra day to the bus schedules, city finances slowed the process down.

"It was a matter of money. Arcata didn't have a problem but the city of Eureka had trouble meeting the funds for a period of time," Winkler said.

The total costs over the course of a seven-month budget add up to about $57,000. The City of Arcata paid about $8,179 while the State Transit Assistance Funds helped Eureka pay their portion of about $12,887.70. Trinidad, Fortuna, Rio Dell and the county contributed as well, Greg Pratt, general manager of HTA, said in an email correspondence.

Sunday bus schedules will undergo a two-year trial.

"If we don't meet our [passenger percentage rate], we will have to discontinue it," Winkler said. "We just have to be prudent and see if enough riders will be utilizing this."

Clifford "Al" Yeager, a bus driver for HTA, is not as enthusiastic for the schedule changes.

"I understand both sides of the spectrum," Yeager said. "But for me, personally, I want to spend Sundays with my wife and son. I already give up my Saturdays."

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How would you you benefit from a Sunday bus schedule?

Juan Miranda
math, sophomore
"I do errands on Sundays and it's a hassle to have to catch a ride with a friend ... they have to waste gas … instead of taking the bus."

Megan May
critical race, gender and sexuality studies, senior
"[The bus schedule] would be most helpful in the rainy season and probably affect a great many students."

Jason Lauck
botany, junior
"The new bus schedule really doesn't affect me. I'm going to ride my bicycle."

Jennifer Ventura
liberal studies and elementary education, senior
"It would be more efficient for me and perfect timing too."

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Wednesday Oct. 31
Salva, Russ Liquid, Clicks and Whistles
Doors at 9:30 p.m. | $20/$15 | 21+

Thursday Nov. 1
Ocean Night ft. Surf Journalist & HSU Alum Michael Kew
Doors 6:30 p.m.| $3 | All Ages

Friday Nov. 2
Genetic Roulette: The Gamble of Our Lives (Film Screening)
Doors 6:30 p.m.| Free | All Ages

Saturday Nov. 3
Passion Presents Melvin Seals w/ JGB
Doors 7:30 p.m.| $25 | 21+

Sunday Nov. 4
Harry Potter & the Order of the Phoenix (2007)
Doors 5:30 p.m. | $5 | Rated PG-13

Monday Nov. 5
Giant Screen Monday Night Football
Doors at 5:15 p.m. | Free | All Ages

Tuesday Nov. 6
EPIC presents Low Coal
Doors at 5:45 p.m. | $5-$10 | All Ages

Wednesday Nov. 7
Sci Fi Night ft. The Giant Gila Monster (1959)
Doors at 6 p.m. | Movie at 7:15 p.m. | Free | All Ages

Thursday Nov. 8
KRS One
Doors at 10 p.m. | $25/$22 | 21+

Saturday Nov. 10
Starkey, Kastle and Ital Tek
Doors at 9:30 p.m. | 21+

ARCATA NOW PLAYING
This week at **Arcata Theater Lounge**

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A staged reading of a new play by
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for marriage equality

One Night Only!
November 1st
7:30 p.m.
JVD Theatre

$5 donation
Limited free seating for HSU students with ID

This production is partially funded by the Instructionally Related Activities Fee and HSU's Department of Diversity and Inclusion.

The tricks and treats of Halloween spending

Kimberly Chambers shops for accessories at Halloween City in Eureka on Oct. 30. | Lorrie Reyes

by Lorrie Reyes

Halloween gives each participant the chance to be someone else for a day. But consumers have to pay for it.

Last year Americans spent an average of around $72 on decorations, costumes and candy according to the National Retail Federation. This year the average is around $80.

Seasonal stores, like Halloween City in Eureka, pop up to benefit from the nearly $8-billion industry.

Halloween City store manager Hidee Morris said it was difficult to keep merchandise in stock.

Morris worked with her district manager to bring additional merchandise from stores in Santa Rosa, Richmond and San Francisco.

"Humboldt County really loved Halloween City," Morris said.

The temporary store, owned by Party City, began setup on Aug. 28. On average, Halloween sales reached between $20,000 and $30,000 per day.

Party City now operates more than 400 temporary Halloween stores.

"We have exceeded the company's predictions," Morris said. "We are No. 1 in our region and have been since we opened."

Humboldt State kinesiology major Daniel Mariani and broadcasting major Jessica George shopped at Halloween City to buy a $7 beard for their "Castaway" costume.

Mariani will be Chuck Noland — played by Tom Hanks in the film — and George will be his volleyball companion, Wilson.

"The store was a lot bigger than I thought," George said. "And they weren't too expensive."

Other students choose to make their own costumes to save money.

Finance and economics major Ashley Cronk has three costumes this Halloween but did not buy any of them.

Over the weekend Cronk was the Cheshire Cat from "Alice in Wonderland."

She and five friends also completed the outfits for the ensemble cast of "Bridesmaids" and she will be Robin Hood on Halloween night.

"It's a lot cheaper if you make your own costume," Cronk said. "Halloween can get really expensive."

She borrowed the Cheshire Cat costume and only spent $12 on her bride dress. The most expensive accessory was the 4-foot bow and arrow for her Robin Hood costume, which cost $18.

If she were to buy her Robin Hood costume online at PartyCity.com, it would cost either $29.99 or $99.99.

"For college students, it is just a waste to spend [so much] for one night," Cronk said. "But a lot of people do it because they don't think they can make their own costume."

Usually it is not the college students who shop at stores like Halloween City.

Morris said there are students who buy from the temporary store but the customer base is mostly members of the surrounding communities.

Kimberly Chambers, a Ferndale resident, shopped at Halloween City for five costumes.

She bought one cowboy costume, one school girl costume and three morph costumes for her children.

Chambers' first trip to Halloween City cost nearly $300. Her second trip for accessories cost nearly $60.

Halloween City costume prices range from $.99 to $100.

After Halloween is over they will have a three-day sale where all leftover merchandise will be marked down 50 percent.

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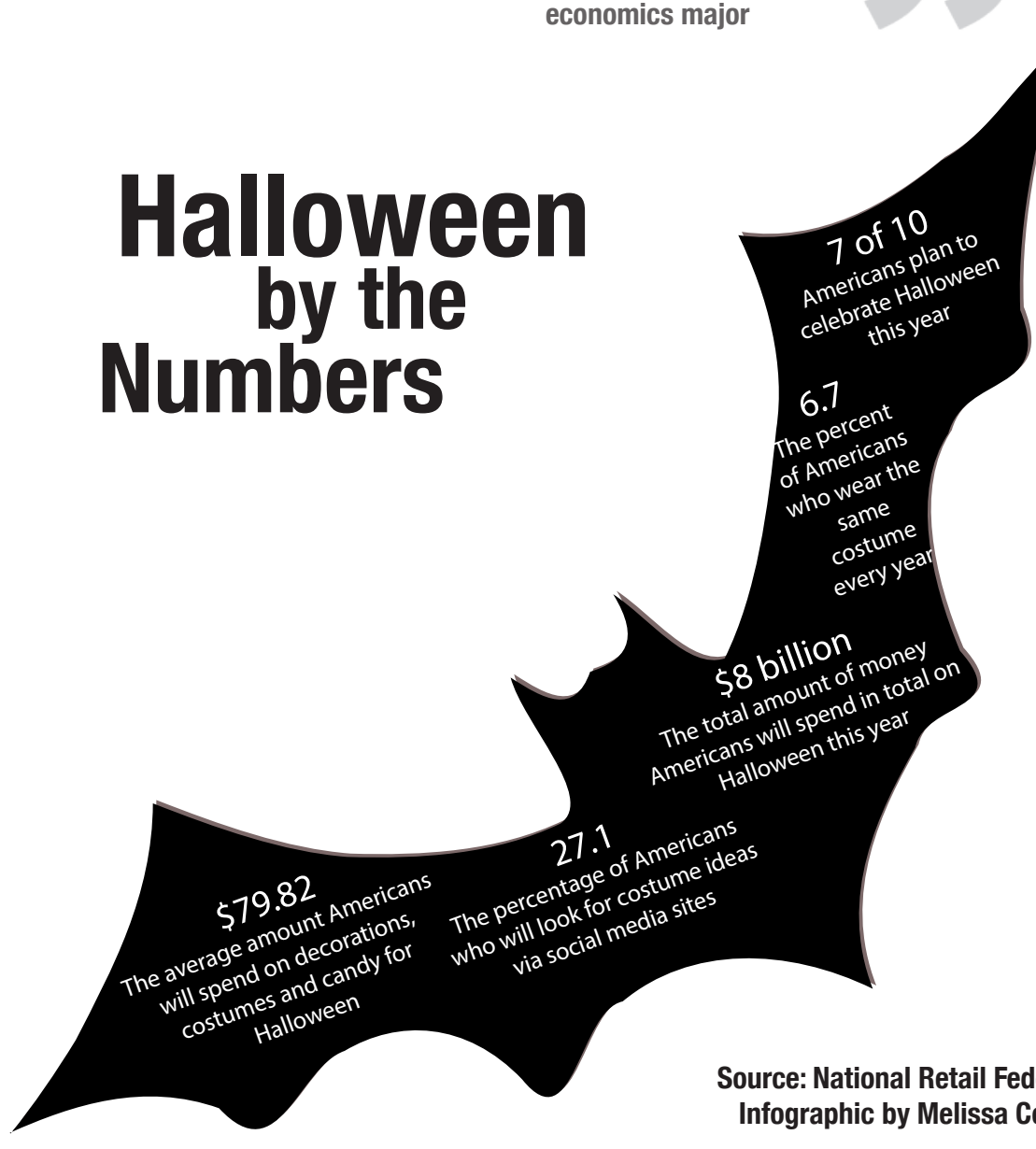
> **- Ashley Cronk, HSU finance and economics major**

Halloween by the Numbers



Source: National Retail Federation
Infographic by Melissa Coleman

Life & Arts

Campus Weekly

"California's Clean Energy Future: Policies and Politics"

Thursday, Nov. 1
5:30-7 p.m.
Science B 135
Free

HSU's Sustainable Futures speaker series presents Anthony Eggert, executive director of the UC Davis Policy Institute for Energy, Environment and the Economy.

Anthony served as an appointee of Govs. Brown and Schwarzenegger in several senior policy positions including science and technology policy advisor to the chair of the Air Resources Board, commissioner for the California Energy Commission, and deputy secretary for energy policy of the California Environmental Protection Agency, overseeing clean energy and environmental policy development for California.

Theatre, Film & Dance Production of "8"

Thursday, Nov. 1
7:30 p.m.
Van Duzer Theatre
$5 donation

Humboldt State presents "8," a staged re-enactment of the federal trial that led to an appellate court's overturn of California's Proposition 8 banning same sex marriage.

Standing on the Shoulders of Those Who Came Before Us: Unsung California Heroes and Heroines

Friday, Nov. 2
5-7 p.m.
Kate Buchanan Room
Free

Stan Yogi and Elaine Elinson, authors of "Wherever There's a Fight" will speak at the keynote for the 15th annual Campus Dialogue on Race.

A Chorus Line

Sunday, Nov. 4
3 and 8 p.m.
Van Duzer Theatre
$65/$35 HSU students

A Broadway performance comes to Humboldt State for one day only.

Tunnel of Oppression

Wednesday, Nov. 7
5:30-9:30 p.m.
Jolly Giant Commons Recreation Room
Free

Tunnel of Oppression is an introductory experience in understanding oppression through a theater activity known as Theater of the Oppressed. Tunnel is an interactive event that educates participants about issues of oppression, privilege and power, while giving participants the tools to recognize and address issues of injustice.

Source: Humboldt Events

Compiled by Melissa Coleman

Keynote Speakers on racial justice

by Joe Shapiro

How much do you know about freedom and equality? Do you believe both are still challenged in society today?

Stan Yogi and Elaine Elinson will talk about racial justice and its links to oppression as part of Humboldt State's 15th Annual Campus Dialogue on Race.

Yogi and Elinson have each spent more than a decade working at the American Civil Liberties Union fighting to defend and preserve individual rights and civil liberties guaranteed by the Constitution.

Yogi and Elinson co-authored "Wherever There's a Fight: How Runaway Slaves, Suffragists, Immigrants, Strikers and Poets Share Civil Liberties in California." The book tells the stories of individuals who stood up for their rights against social hostility, violence and hardship.

Cherry Sripan, HSU junior international studies major, read the book in her critical race, gender and sexuality studies class. She also attended the last presentation Yogi and Elinson gave at HSU two years ago.

Star Togo and Elaine Elinson, authors of "Wherever There's a Fght" will speak at Humboldt State on friday, Nov.2. Photo provided by Campus Dialogue of Race

Reception and book signing (with Yogi and Elinson)
Fishbowl on the second floor of the Library
3 p.m.
Food and drink will be provided.

"Hearing them talk opened my brain and my mind to topics that were previously untouched," Sripan said. Her emotions were evoked when she heard stories of Chinese immigrant discrimination as well as the World War II internment of Japanese-Americans.

"Yogi and Elinson are passionate speakers and passionate people spark others." Sripan said. "The talk was emotional and kept the fire inside going."

Kumi Watanabe-Schock, HSU Library media coordinator, also read the book after it was recommended to her in 2010. She was so impressed she arranged for Yogi and Elinson to speak at HSU twice.

This time, Watanabe-Schock only knows the title of the presentation the two co-authors gave her, "Standing on the Shoulders of Those Who Came Before Us: Unsung California Heroes and Heroines."

She predicts they will talk about their book, people's struggles and upcoming election issues.

"You'll learn a lot from what they have to say," Watanabe-Schock said.

A traveling exhibit created from the book is currently on display in the library. The exhibit documents minorities' fight to overcome prejudice and discrimination.

Clarissa King, freshman art major, is planning on attending the presentation.

"I am interested in learning about California's diverse history," King said.

In their presentation on Friday, Nov. 2 Yogi and Elinson will talk about California's history and will present ways to improve from the past mistakes.

The presentation will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Kate Buchanan Room. Admission is free.

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Día de los Muertos celebrated at HSU

by Adrian Barbuzza

Melissa Estrada did not celebrate Dia de los Muertos until her grandmother Apolonia Estrada passed away in 2010.

"We celebrate the things she has left us rather than focusing on that she has gone because she is still here. She is still here in spirit," Estrada said.

Venerate honor the deceased Friday Nov. 2 and and Saturday Nov. 3 at the Día de los Muertos events hosted by Movements Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan and Lambda Theta Alpha sorority at Humboldt State.

Día de los Muertos, a pre-Columbian celebration, honors ancestors, respected community figures and loved ones who have passed away. Traditional belief holds that the doors between the world of the living and the dead are open to one another on Día de los Muertos and the living invite the dead to celebrate. The celebration recreates how the dead once lived. An altar is a table like surface that commemorates the life of a departed loved one with photos, a favorite dish, beverage or a flower are among the items that adorn an altar to commemorate with the dearly departed.

Cemeteries traditionally host the living and dead as families and friends celebrate the holiday.

Yosimar Reyes is a poet performing at the spoken word event hosted by MEChA.

Dia de Los Muertos events hosted by MEChA

Face Painting/ Sugar Skull Decorating, Calaveritas,
Mask Decorating and Altar Demonstrations
Friday Nov. 3
Karshner Lounge
4 - 7:30 p.m.

Spoken Word @ Kate Buchanan Room 7:30 - 9 p.m.

Dia De Los Muertos Ball hosted by Lambda Theta Alpha

Friday, Nov. 3
Goodwin Forum 9 - 1 a.m
18+ ID required
Presale tickets $3, at the door $4

"As a queer working class immigrant I grew up believing that my voice did not matter," Reyes said. Speaking and performing poems helped Reyes stabilize spiritually and emotionally.

Leslie Valencia, also a poet, will perform her poem "Drunk Daddy" at the spoken word event. The poem is a celebration of different memories of her father, who passed away.

A community altar is displayed in the Karshner Lounge in honor of Dìa De Los Muertos. | Adrian Barbuzza

"Día de los Muertos, the way in which we all celebrate, here and in Latin America is reflective of our community. We are a very diverse community so a lot of us celebrate it different and view it differently but for me it is very sacred and nice to have," Valencia said.

A Día de los Muertos altar will be displayed in the Karshner Lounge. Visitors are welcome to donate items and honor the memory of perished loved ones.

Anthony Moreno, a groundskeeper for HSU Housing and Dining, built the main altar. The main altar's construction began with a pallet of wood that delivered air conditioning units to the Jolly Giant Commons. Moreno converted a 10-foot pallet to a 3-by-6-foot altar at work.

The clubs invite the entire community to participate, learn and experience the event.

"In times where culture is under attack from the banning of ethnic studies in Arizona to xenophobic laws in Alabama, maintaining our traditions is vital. What MEChA is doing with this event is reminding the world that we are still here," Reyes said.

As MEChA's events end, the ladies of Lambda Theta Alphas will host the Día de los Muertos Ball on Saturday evening.

"People tend to think Día de los Muertos is a Mexican Halloween and not as the honoring and celebrating with ancestors and dead loved ones," Moreno said. "Hopefully this event can change that view a little."

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Broadway show comes to HSU

by Katherine Monroe

Have you ever wanted to see a Broadway musical, but New York is too far away and the ticket is way out of your price range? Fear not. You have two chances to see the Broadway show, "A Chorus Line" at Humboldt State this Sunday.

Fiona Melia, a dance major, cannot wait to see professional dancers perform a musical about dancers and hear stories about dancers. For her, this is an opportunity to see a show that is relevant to her area of study.

"Having 'A Chorus Line' come to HSU means we're on the map in terms of performance venue. It's a nice reminder that even though we live in a small, remote community, we can still get exposure to the arts," Melia said.

Melia bought her ticket through the dance department for $10, but said she would have paid the $35 HSU student price had the department not been able to get seats.

Melody Collver, a psychology major at HSU, will attend the show on Sunday.

"I've never seen a professional musical come to HSU and I've lived here my whole life," Collver said.

Jenny Wright, a dance major, obtained her ticket through her ballet class for $10.

"I'm excited to have the opportunity to see a Broadway show in the HSU theater for a reasonable price," Wright said.

"A Chorus Line" was written in 1975 when the director, Michael Bennett, sat down with his cast with a tape recorder and talked about how and why they all became dancers. At the end of the meeting, he knew there was a show in those stories and thus "A Chorus Line" was born.

The show has won nine Tony Awards, including "Best Musical" and the Pulitzer Prize for drama. "A Chorus Line" was the first Broadway show made specifically for dancers. Dancers were cast in Broadway productions as background dancers and the chorus, never as lead roles.

"A Chorus Line" is the story of 17 dancers auditioning for an upcoming Broadway production for roles in the chorus. The director asks them a series of grueling questions to which they respond in song and dance. They share stories of triumph, vindication, heartache abandonment and loneliness. In the end the director can only cast eight, but who and how will he choose?

Sunday, Nov. 4
John Van Duzer Theatre

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Beer for birds

by Ryan Nakano

An injured bird lies helplessly on the ground. A man finds the bird and remembers what to do. He heads toward Wildberries grocery story in Arcata, picks up a 22-ounce bottle of Windshield Owl Pale Ale and calls the number on the back: 707-822-8839.

The hotline number belongs to local nonprofit organization Humboldt Wildlife Care Center and the scenario is one that Humboldt Wildlife Care Center President Linda Parkinson said happened.

What started 32 years ago out of several homes, has expanded into a volunteer based wildlife rehabilitation program with its very own beer label.

The center receives 90 cents for every 22-ounce bottle of Lost Coast Windshield Owl Pale Ale sold.

With no federal or state funds, the center makes $50,000 a year on only donations and fundraisers. Last year the organization made $8,000 from beer sales.

Every penny goes toward food, medication and proper shelter for rescue animals.

The fundraiser itself is not entirely new to the care center; the idea started brewing five years ago.

In 2007, Jody Rusconi, former Humboldt Wildlife Care Center board member, asked fellow businesswoman Barbara Groom for help.

Rusconi, upon retiring as the owner of Graystone Jewlers in Eureka, focused almost all her attention on finding a proper fundraiser for the care center. Her search ended at local Eureka brewing company, Lost Coast Brewery.

Owner and founder of Lost Coast Brewery, Groom agreed to support the nonprofit organization. One year later, Lost Coast Brewery started bottling Windshield Owl Pale Ale.

Lost Coast Brewery supplies the pale ale and the Humboldt Wildlife Care center pays for the label.

On average the center receives 300 bottles of pale ale per month to distribute to local grocery stores, markets and gas stations.

Rusconi said the new label helped increase the amount of sales of the Lost Coast pale ale — the one beer the brewery did not regularly promote.

"There are several reasons why I think the Windshield Owl Pale took off. For one, Humboldt County really likes its local beer," Rusconi said. "But also, people realized almost all the proceeds go to a local cause [and] for animals within driving vicinity."

Drawn up as a tongue-in-cheek cartoon, both the name and label allude to the increasing number of birds of prey hit and killed by automobiles. The label itself features a great horned owl caught in the headlights of an oncoming car.

Linda Parkinson, president of the care center and artist of the Windshield Owl Pale Ale, explained the tragedy.

"When people throw food and trash out of their cars it all ends up along highway roads where rats and mice find their next meal," Parkinson said. "This makes hunting easy for birds of prey but leads many [birds of prey] to get hit by cars."

Around 75 to 80 percent of the birds of prey brought to the the care center are struck down by cars.

Although the benefits are obvious for the care center, Rusconi believes the Windshield Owl Pale Ale is not a complete waste of time or money for Lost Coast Brewery.

"Sure the owl is on there but its still a Lost Coast beer, and they get that recognition," Rusconi said.

Briar Bush, the Lost Coast Brewery sales director, said the care center is one of many local nonprofit organizations the company donates and fundraises for. Bush admitted the company is losing money on the deal, but remained positive about the fundraiser.

"We give them a chance to show who they are," Bush said. "And we still get the notoriety."

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"8," the trial for equality

by Dennis Lara-Mejia

Have you ever thought about getting married? What if you were told that the only way to get married involved challenging former "Governator" Arnold Schwarzenegger in a legal wrestling match?

In 2008, California voters passed Proposition 8, a state constitutional amendment that prohibited same-sex marriage. Kris Perry and Sandy Stier, a lesbian couple of more than 11 years, applied for a marriage license but were denied because of the Proposition 8 ban.

With the help of the American Foundation for Equal Rights, a nonprofit that strives to protect and advance equal rights for Americans, Perry and Stier filed a lawsuit against California state officials in the case "Perry v. Schwarzenegger."

Video recordings of the actual trial exist, but as Manny Rivera, a spokesperson for the foundation explained, those recordings are not available to the public.

"Proponents of Prop. 8 filed an injunction to prevent the official video tapes from being released," Rivera said. "The digital video recordings are now under seal as part of the case record, and cannot be unsealed for at least 10 years after the case is closed."

Foundation members felt compelled to share and inform the public about the importance of the case.

"When [the foundation] found out that the case wasn't going to be viewed by the public, the leadership got together to find a way to showcase both sides of the marriage debate," Rivera said. "Academy Award winner and social activist Dustin Lance Black went ahead and penned a play going by the actual court proceedings."

"8" is a theatrical re-enactment of the events that went on inside the courtroom.

Shea King, a sophomore theater major, will play the role of Ryan Kendall, one of the witnesses in the case.

"I'm only on [stage] for five to six pages, but [Ryan Kendall] says so many important things," King said.

Ryan Kendall grew up in the small town of Colorado Springs and was afraid to come out as gay because of his religious upbringing and feared that he would be rejected by his family. When Kendall's parents found out that he was gay, Kendall was sent to undergo reparative therapy aimed at converting his orientation from gay to straight.

"[Kendall] represents the [gay] people who have been sent to reparative therapies or discriminated against," King said.

King can relate to Kendall's experiences.

"I grew up in a small town too," King said. "[Homosexuality] isn't exactly thought to be a good thing."

Dr. Christopher H. Rosik, president of the National Association for Research and Therapy of Homosexuality, asserts that sexual orientation during adolescence is malleable in the research he has seen.

"As they move from adolescence into adulthood, sexual minority youth report approximately 25 times more change in their self-reported sexual orientation identity than do youth who report having experienced only opposite-sex attractions," Rosik said.

It is in this sense that sexual orientation appears to be fairly malleable in adolescence.

However, he said therapy is not for everyone.

"Counseling is useless if people are forced into something," Rosik said. "[Going into therapy] has to be a freely chosen autonomous decision."

King wants to portray Kendall as best he can.

"I don't want to make Kendall a victim — because he's not," King said. "He's brave for what he did."

During the play, cast members will act with their scripts in hand. This is called an on-stage reading.

Juancarlos Contreras, a sophomore, will play the part of Eliot, one of the twin sons of plaintiffs Kris Perry and Sandy Stier.

"We're doing a stage reading, which means we have a script in our hand, but we're adding movement to it," Contreras said.

King noted that Humboldt State's rendition will be more theatrical than the popular stage readings.

"It's kinda surreal because our judge is behind us, but when we speak to the judge, we speak to the audience," King said. "The audience is also the judge."

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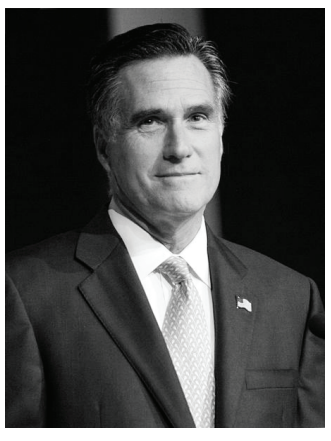

	President Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Jill Stein	Gary Johnson
Basic info	Party: Democratic Experience: incumbent president, former U.S. senator from Illinois	Party: Republican Experience: former gov. of Massachusetts	Party: Green Experience: held no previous elected office	Party: Libertarian Experience: former gov. of New Mexico
Economy	Passed Wall Street reform during his term and has attempted to revive manufacturing jobs. He plans to eliminate tax breaks for companies that ship jobs overseas.	Wants to reduce taxes, spending, regulation and government programs while increasing trade, energy production, human capital and labor flexibility.	Proposes a "Green New Deal," which she said will create 25 million jobs and a renewable energy economy.	Wants to cut spending and revise funding on defense and programs such as Medicare and Social Security. Cut taxes and abolish the Internal Revenue Service and reduce federal involvement in the economy.
Education	Prevented federal student loan interest rates from doubling and capped payments at 10 percent of income during his term. He implemented "Race to the Top," which encourages local school reforms and innovation.	Opposes federal financial aid for college., but wants to refocus Pell Grants on those who need them most.	Wants education to be free through graduate school. "Let's help our kids' schools, rather than penalizing them when they are struggling," she said.	Proposes to localize education by giving parents and teachers control of funds. Abolish the Department of Education and give school officials the power to decide how to spend education dollars.
Healthcare	Passed the Affordable Care Act, which includes allowing people to stay on parents' insurance until age 26. He also wants to strengthen Medicare.	Will repeal the Affordable Care Act as soon as possible and encourage each state to create its own program.	Stein proposes replacing the Affordable Care Act with "Medicare for All." "ACA makes a profit-driven system even more expensive by adding complexity to an already massive bureaucracy," she said.	Would repeal the Affordable Health Care Act and allow innovation and competition to make health care more affordable and accessible. Allow states to provide federal assistance for those who can't afford health care.
Environment	Will expand domestic oil production, as well as production of wind and solar energy. He also invested in clean coal technology.	Believes that climate change exists and to some extent is man-made. He wants to expand drilling in the US and become energy-independent from foreign oil within a decade.	Move away from oil to renewable energy as quickly as possible. "We will stop subsidizing and expanding polluting fossil fuels and nuclear energy," she said.	Stop government subsidies and incentives for new energy resources. Apply common sense and enforce cost-benefit analysis to set new regulations.

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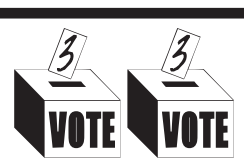

Automobile Insurance Persistency Discounts Initiative

- Proposes auto insurance companies should be allowed to offer lower insurance rates to new customers who can prove they had continuous auto insurance coverage from any company over a five-year period.
- If you vote yes on Proposition 33 auto insurance companies would be allowed to increase insurance costs for drivers who have not maintained continuous coverage. This means if for any reason — even if you no longer own a car and do not drive — auto insurance companies can charge you a higher insurance rate.
- Exempt from the rate increase are periods of time lapse caused by military service, loss of employment or if it is less than 90 days.

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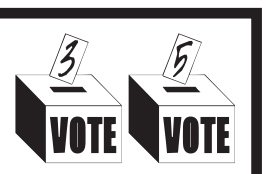

Californians Against Sexual Exploitation Act

- Proposition 35 is an initiative aimed to reduce and eliminate human trafficking.
- If you vote yes, prison terms for human traffickers would increase to 15 years or more in prison. Convicted sex traffickers would be required to register as sex offenders.
- All sex offenders' internet accounts would be disclosed to authorities. Convicted human traffickers would pay criminal fines to pay for services provided to help victims and mandated training on human trafficking would be implemented for law enforcement.

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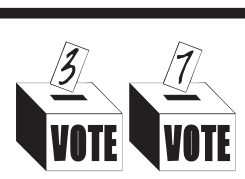

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- Would require companies to label genetically engineered or modified foods
- If you vote yes on this propostion, labels will be required on foods made from plants/animals that have been genetically altered.
- An exception is made for foods accidentally or unintentionally produced with genetically engineered material.
- The California Legislative Analyst's office stated costs to regulate the labeling of genetically engineered food could cost up to $1 billion.

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"Obama ... I don't want Mitt in office — he's slimy."

Daniel Shepherd
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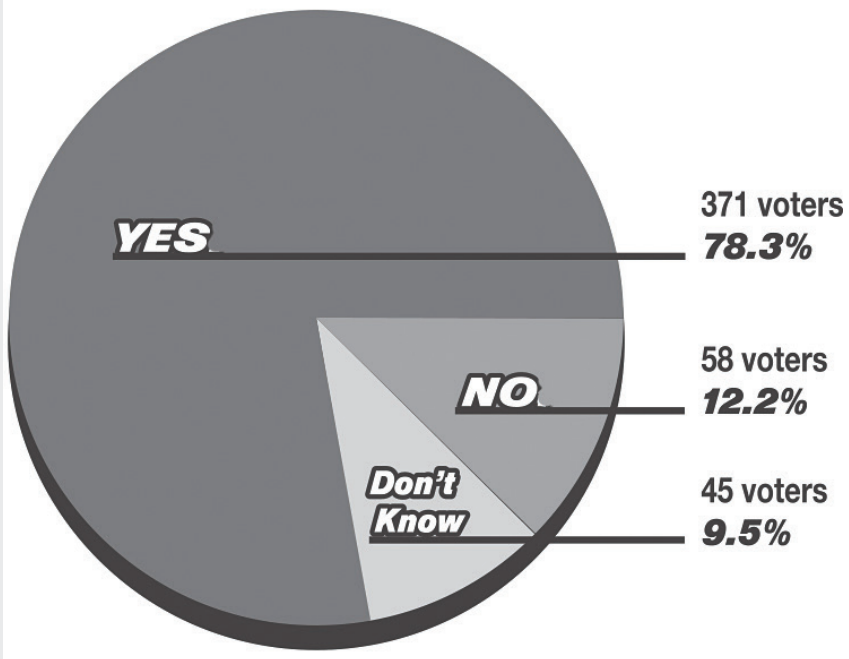

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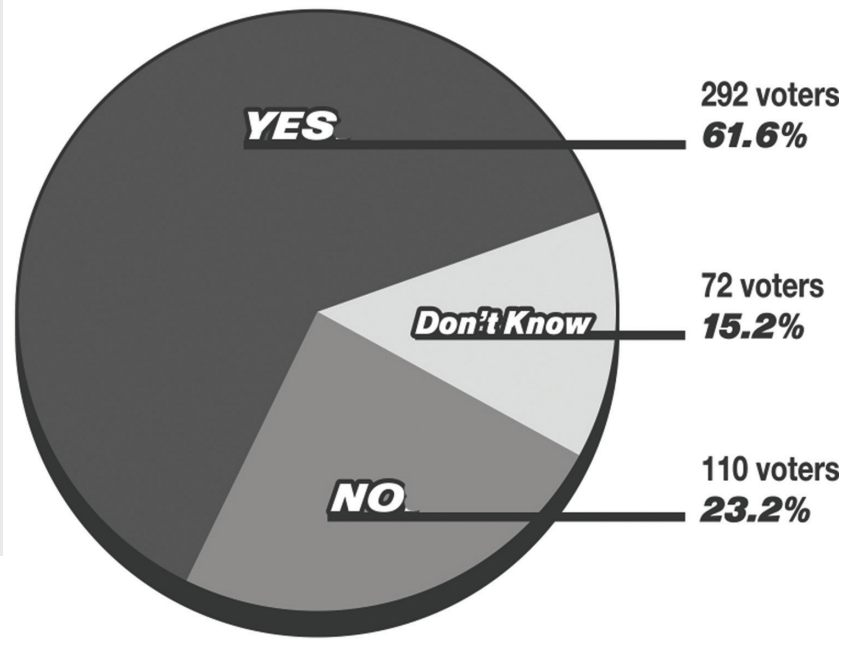

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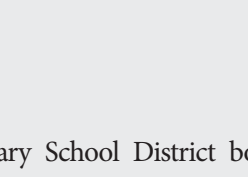

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Shelby Meyers and Melissa Coleman

Pot growers to potentially pay the price

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exempt from the Measure I tax.

Brinton would like to use the tax revenue for Arcata's energy projects and parks.

"It is an opportunity to get revenue from people who can afford it," he said.

Brinton said Measure I is a general tax, which means that no one can decide exactly where the money will go before the measure passes. If it does pass, the entire city council will decide how to spend the money.

PG&E spokesperson Brittany McKannay said Arcata is the first city it knows of to suggest a tax like this.

A poll of 474 random registered Arcata voters conducted last week by HSU journalism students found that 61.6 percent — 292 out of the 474 respondents — said they support Measure I.

About 15 percent of voters were still undecided. The error margin is plus or minus 4.5 percent.

HSU wildlife major Gabriel Paarmann is a registered Arcata voter but has not yet decided how he will vote on Measure I.

"I'm more in favor than against," he said. "Growers use their own energy, but the way they keep the place is filthy. It's detrimental not only to the environment but health too." Paarmann also said that higher taxes could decrease the demand for energy, which would be beneficial for the environment.

Susana Gonzalez, an HSU biology major, said she would probably vote against Measure I.

"I see what they're going for, but it wouldn't be fair to those not involved [with growing]," she said. "It is not really budget-friendly."

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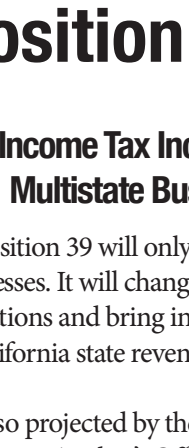

Max Little

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"I'm undecided, I guess politics just aren't really my thing,"

Lucy Chernow

environmental energy and climate, junior

"I am voting for Jill Stein. I am in favor of the the Green New Deal. It is important to get away from this two-party system, too."

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Sports

HSU hoops back on the court

by Lorrie Reyes

After only six practices, 10 newcomers and losing all of last year's starters, Humboldt State men's basketball head coach Steve Kinder needs to find new leadership on the court.

HSU won their first game over Pacific Union College, 87-45, on Oct. 25 in the Lumberjack Arena.

All 15 players played during the Pacific Union game, but only one player, senior forward Alec Williams, saw more than 17 minutes on the court.

Williams finished with 12 points and 9 rebounds in 21 minutes in his first game at HSU. He transferred from San Diego State, a NCAA Division I school.

"It's early, but the team is coming along," Williams said. "We are almost there. Time is everything."

Although they dominated the Pioneers and scored on their first possession, HSU was down 8-4 early in the first half.

"We are taking baby steps," Kinder said. "We are trying different combinations of guys and our starting five will continue to change."

HSU used the full-court press, a system where a team defends the basketball from the moment their opponent takes out the ball, to take control of the game.

"That is one of our staples here at Humboldt. We like to press, we like to run and get up and down the court," assistant coach Aaron Hungerford said. "I thought our guys brought the energy necessary to play that style."

Sophomore guard Nathan Hentley and senior forward Aaron Chamberlain led the Lumberjacks with three steals each. The team created a total of 29 turnovers with their defensive scheme.

Returning sophomore Ethan Dillard led the Lumberjacks with 16 points. He also had two steals in his 16 minutes on the court.

With the first game won, HSU does have things to focus on.

Kinder said the team fouled Pacific Union too often and turned the ball over too much but the more minutes they have on the court will help reduce those numbers. HSU had 18 turnovers against the Pioneers.

The HSU Jacks will have another chance to get acquainted with each other on the court this Halloween. They will travel to Tucson, Ariz. to face the University of Arizona, a NCAA Div. I basketball program.

Lumberjack senior forward Aaron Chamberlain is double teamed by Pacific Union defenders as he attempts to score for HSU. | Sebastian Hedberg

The Wildcats are ranked 12th in the country in a preseason Associated Press poll.

"We are excited to go [to Arizona]," Kinder said. "This is an opportunity to show we can play with the big boys and stay competitive."

HSU's early home opener was "scheduled by design" to prepare for the Arizona trip, Kinder said.

Last year HSU lost to Arizona 60-51, but led the Wildcats by 12 points in the first half in front of nearly 12,000 fans.

This season's game will also be played in front of a large crowd and be nationally televised.

Williams is excited for the rematch.

"I love playing in big arenas versus a big team," Williams said. "We are expecting our team to leave it all on the court. The results will not matter if we do not hold back."

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Jacks Roundup

by Alexa Malmgren

Women's soccer:

Humboldt State women's soccer ended their rocky 2012 season this past weekend with two losses against Sonoma State and CSU Chico.

On Oct. 26 the Lumberjacks suffered a drastic defeat to SSU at the Seawolves' home field in Rohnert Park, Calif. The Jacks attempted a mere four shots on goal and were unable to find the back of SSU's net for the entirety of the game — which resulted in a 8-0 loss.

On Oct. 28 the Lumberjacks continued their road trip and traveled to CSUC for their last game of the 2012 season. Lumberjack Lizzie Mitchell headed a corner kick from Colette Behen into the back of the Wildcat's net for the first goal of the game.

However the Jacks were unable to maintain their lead and the Wildcats took the victory with a 3-1 final score. The Lumberjacks concluded their 2012 season with a 1-13 overall record.

Volleyball:

This past weekend proved to have another disappointing outcome for the struggling HSU volleyball team. On Oct. 26 the Lumberjacks traveled to La Jolla, Calif. for a match against the UC San Diego Tritons.

Despite Alexa Rosendale's 16 kills and three service aces the Jacks were unable to win a single match against the No. 24-ranked Tritons and dropped their conference record to 0-14.

On Oct. 27 the Jacks faced off against Cal State San Bernardino but were once again unable to walk away from the match with a win, despite winning the first set of the game. The Coyotes responded quickly after their early loss and did not allow the Jacks to score more than 18 points for the remaining three sets.

With only seven games left in the season the Lumberjacks will host Cal State East Bay on Nov. 1 in hopes of winning their first conference match.

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Bouldering under black lights

Brian Fagundes, 26-year-old HSU graduate, climbs a cave-like boulder during the black light competition at Far North Climbing gym on Saturday Oct. 27, 2012. | Ryan Nakano

by Jessica Snow

Loud music blasted throughout the climbing gym, neon tape adorned the walls, black lights provided the only light to see by.

A man wearing a unicorn horn lost his grip and tumbled from the climbing wall while a nearby Stormtrooper planned a prospective path. A girl in a tutu slowly ascended the wall, closely watched by a man wearing a jumpsuit.

Matt DeShazo, owner of the Far North Climbing Gym, heard about black light climbing competitions held throughout the country and decided that it was time he held one in Arcata.

Preparation for the competition took two days, during which employees marked climbing routes with various colors of neon tape in a variety of designs.

"Nearly 60 people showed up tonight; that's close to a record [of attendance] for any competition we've held," DeShazo said.

Joe Zanetell, a freshman outdoor recreation major, wore a towering pink wig to the competition.

"I saw a flier for this and people on the climbing team were talking about it. I'm here to have fun, that's definitely what it's all about," Zanetell said. "It was my first time at Far North Climbing Gym and I was pretty impressed. They have a really cool oriented gym that's got a lot to offer."

Each route, marked with neon tape, was a different difficulty and awarded the climber a different number of points.

Additional points were awarded if the climber could "flash" the route — meaning if they could climb it in the first try — which many of the climbers were able to do.

Prizes, including climbing shoes and gear, were given to the top three participants in each category: beginner, intermediate and advanced.

Zanetell, a member of the HSU climbing team, said the course was difficult but his eyes adjusted.

"[The black lights] added to the difficulty of the climbs at first but eventually you just got used to it and had a kick-ass time," Zanetell said.

Because it was the weekend before Halloween, costumes were highly encouraged and many of the climbers dressed up. One man pushed his Guy Fawkes mask up in order to properly see the wall he was climbing.

Patricia Terry, who has been climbing on and off for eight years, wore a tutu and a wig. She has not been to any of the previous competitions but came to this one because of the black lights.

"It was challenging in the dark. [My] costume was fine except when I was climbing overhanging stuff," Terry said. "My wig would start falling off and I'd have to choose between looking cool or finishing the route. Of course, I chose the climb."

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HSU reclaims the top spot in conference

by Alexa Malmgren

Humboldt State's football team regained their first place standing in the Great Northwest Athletic Conference this past weekend for their final home game of the season.

The Lumberjacks' 14-10 win over the Central Washington Wildcats broke a three-way first place conference tie between HSU, CWU and Western Oregon University — who all held 5-2 conference records prior to Oct. 27.

Western Oregon's 19-3 loss to Azusa Pacific last Saturday places them in a second place tie with CWU for the GNAC standings.

The Lumberjacks will now travel north to Burnaby, British Columbia to face Simon Fraser University, one of the GNAC's most dominating offensive teams, for their second to last game of the 2012 season.

"We all have to play in sync and play team defense," Lumberjack linebacker Chris Peterson said. "Everyone plays a role and we have to do our part."

Simon Fraser's sophomore quarterback Trey Wheeler leads the GNAC in yards per game and completion percentage — which contributes heavily to SFU averaging the most points per game in the GNAC.

"They've put points up against everyone. On the same side, defensively, they've given up a lot," HSU head coach Rob Smith said. "We've got to force them into mistakes."

> "We all have to play in sync and play team defense. Everyone plays a role and we have to do our part,"
>
> *— Chris Peterson, Lumberjack linebacker*

However, if the Lumberjacks' defense attains a similar performance to the one they did against Central Washington they are likely to accomplish this goal. HSU strong safety Jerry Maluia and HSU linebacker Ryan Moreno each picked off an interception against the Wildcats.

Moreno's interception resulted in a 20-yard touchdown while Maluia disrupted CWU's attempted fake punt and returned the ball to the Lumberjacks' 37-yard line. Maluia's interception set up quarterback Casey Mintz's 47-yard pass completion to wide receiver Victor Spencer — resulting in running back Nick Ricciardulli's 1-yard touchdown run.

Lumberjack linebacker Chris Peterson added to the defense's success with eight tackles while fellow linebacker Colton Russi forced nine for the Lumberjacks. HSU free safety Tanner Webb led the team with 10 tackles.

"It was a defensive battle and a great win over one of our top rivals," Smith said. "It was clearly a game for the conference lead."

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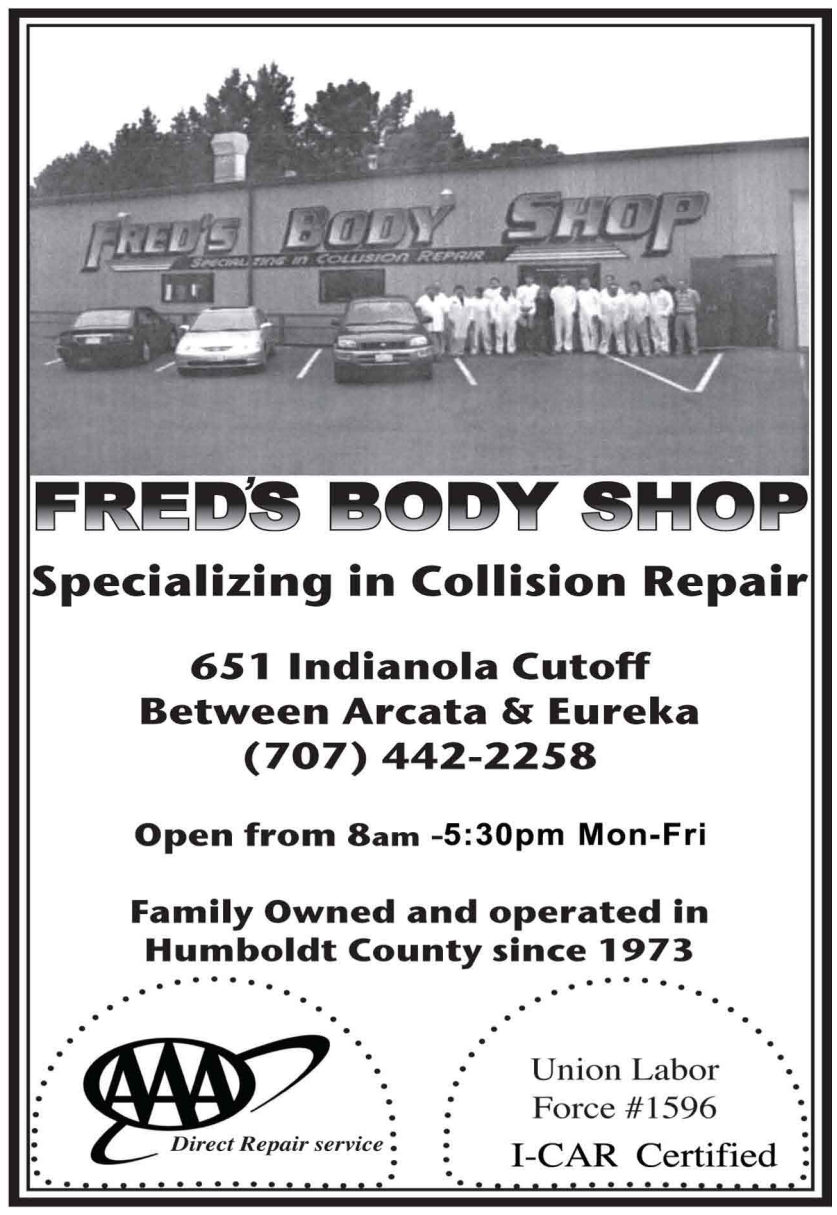
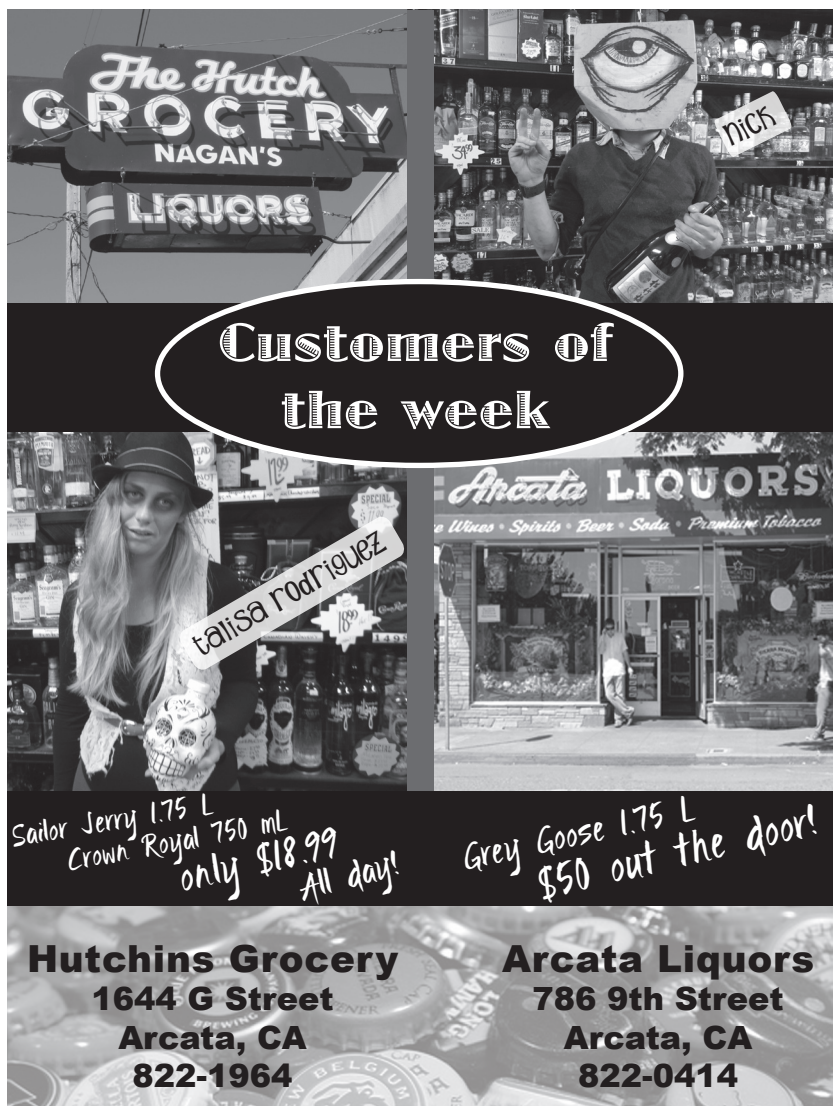
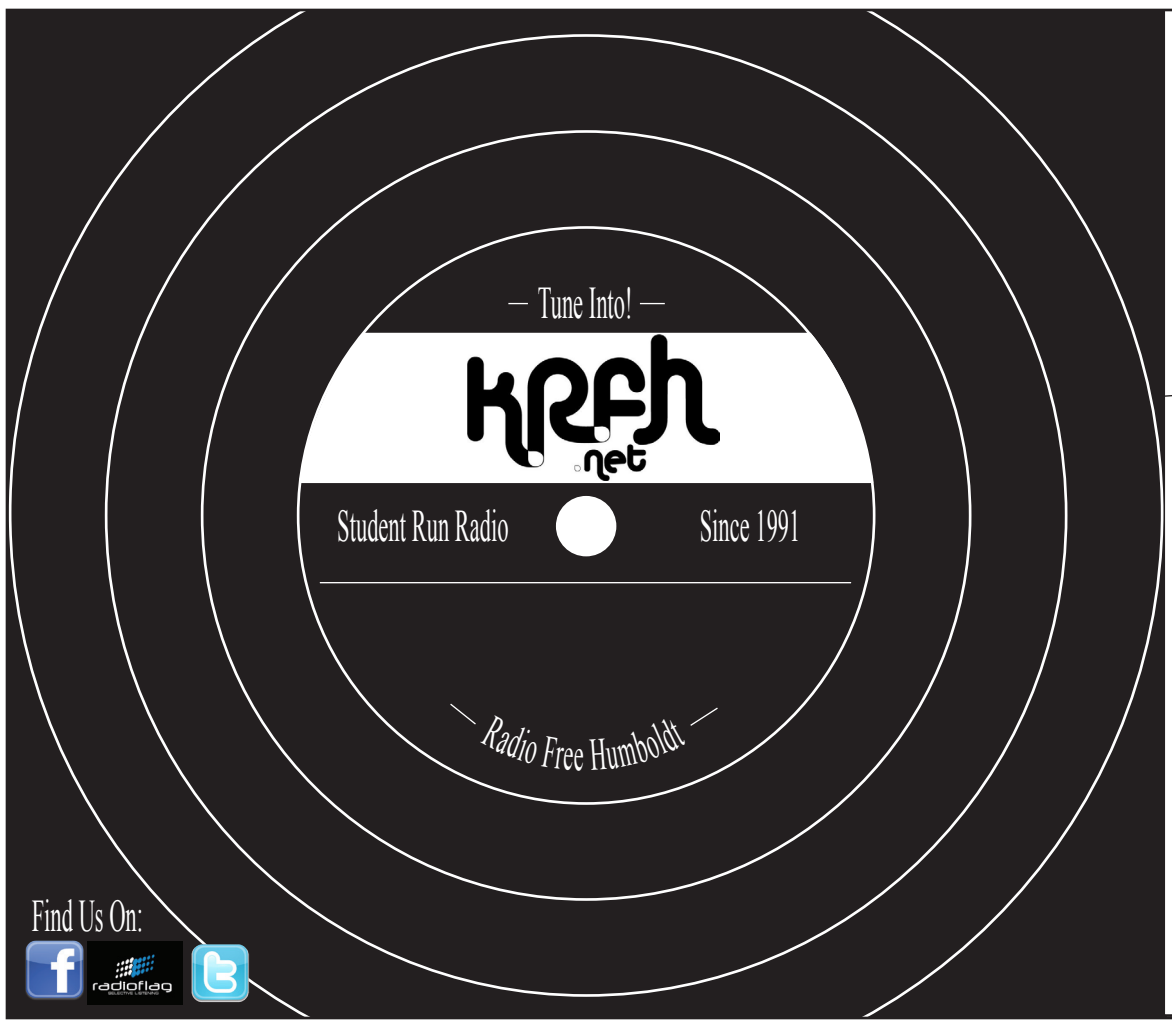
The Lumberjack's defense tackles Central Washington's running back Jordan Todd. | Sebastian Hedberg







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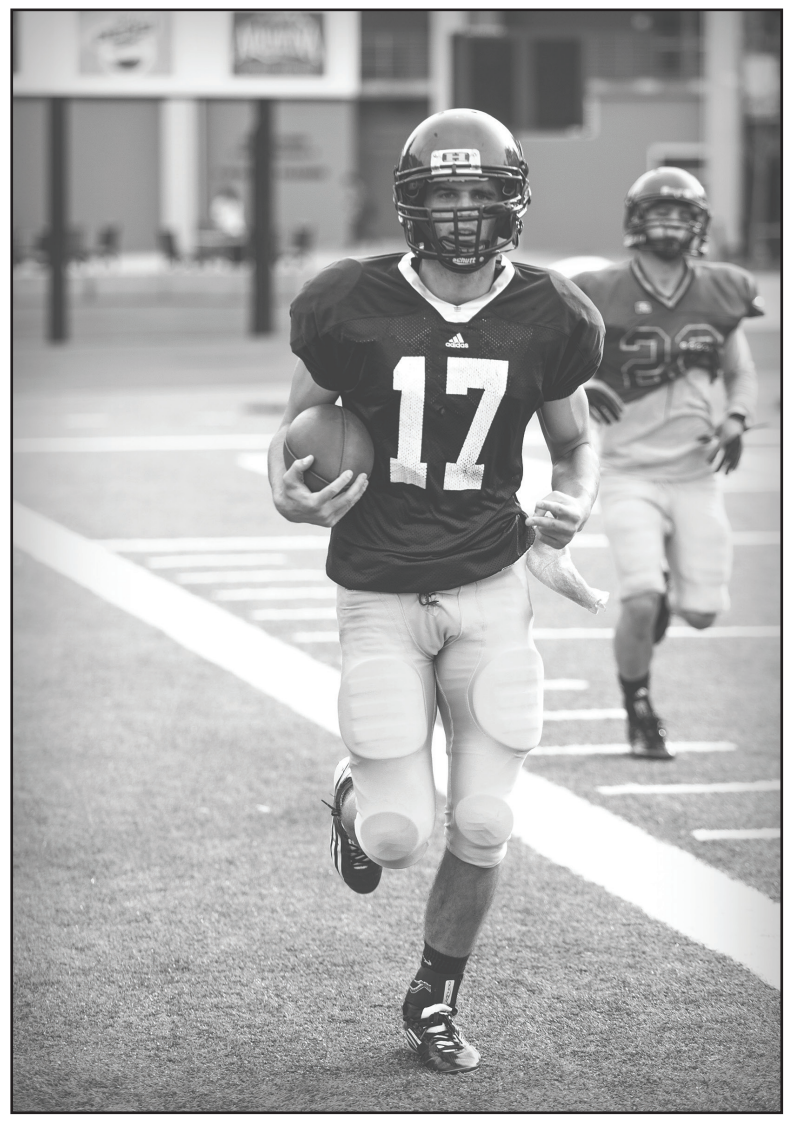
Casey Mintz steps into the starting lineup

by N. Hunter Cresswell



HSU quarterback Casey Mintz warms up on the sidelines of the Redwood Bowl during practice. | Qinjin Yang

In less than a year and a half Casey Mintz went from being Humboldt State's fifth string walk-on quarterback to starting the last three games of the Lumberjacks conference play.

On Oct. 6 Mintz stood on the sidelines of the Redwood Bowl as he watched his predessor, the Lumberjacks' starting quarterback Alex Rump, suffer a game-ending hit from Western Oregon's offensive line.

Two series after the hit occurred Mintz was shocked to learn he was going in to replace Rump.

"I had no idea what to do." Mintz said.

Beforehand, Mintz had only been in games that did not matter because the team had been winning or losing by a lot. Despite being nervous Mintz scored off of his first drive after Rump was injured.

Mintz has started in three games so far but was already given a concussion in the Oct. 13 Azusa Pacific game, though this was not a serious injury that caused him to miss playing time.

Mintz started his first homecoming game on Oct. 20 against Dixie State, and came out the victor.

The score was 57-18 thanks to two touchdown passes Mintz threw and running back Nick Ricciardulli who played a great game, Mintz said. This was the biggest crowd Mintz ever played in front of but the large audience did not add to the nerves.

"I zoned the noise out," Mintz said.

It is unusual for a player to go from being a freshman who never gets any game time to being the starting quarterback in little over a year, head football coach Rob Smith said.

Being a walk-on means that Mintz was not chosen to be on the team. Instead he chose to try out, "He recruited us more than we recruited him," Smith said.

Mintz sent tapes of himself playing in high school to the HSU coaching staff and was then added to the recruiting list.

"I was planning on playing when I came here," Mintz said. "I hoped they would have recruited me more."

Last year HSU football lost its star quarterback, Mike Proulx, who started for four years and is HSU's career passing leader — he passed more yards during his time playing here than anyone.

Smith knew that Proulx was leaving and anticipated the scramble for the starting quarterback position. At the end of the year he had his three top quarterbacks, starting was Kyle Morris after him was Alex Rump then Casey Mintz.

Morris did poorly in his summer courses and as a result was ineligible to play this season, Smith said.

Rump suffered a shoulder injury during the home game against Western Oregon on Oct. 6.

Rump said he was, "crunched while covering a fumbled handoff."

After recovering the ball, two Central Oregon defensemen piled on him and his right throwing shoulder was hurt as a result. Though Rump feels like he let the team down because of his injury he has a lot of faith in Mintz, whom he works with in practice to sharpen his game.

"Every game at this point is big," Rump said, "especially with the conference losses. "Casey has an incredible skill set for how young he is," Rump said.

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Monsters stroll in the Redwood Bowl

by Jazmine S. Quintero

The Fresh Prince of Bel Air, Lion King, football players and Christmas carolers all took the Redwood Bowl on Oct. 24 for Women's Walk, a night filled with costumes, performances and food.

Women's Walk is an annual fundraiser that begins in mid September. All women athletes and coaches send out pledges asking for contributions that will benefit their sport. Money that comes in serves for the team's equipment and travel expenses.

The event began with participants from every female sport lining up on the track. Zombies with white face paint, fake blood and wrapped in toilet paper performed Michael Jackson's "Thriller." Each team performed a skit for the audience to thank their donors.

After their performances, an award ceremony was held in the Redwood Plaza by the Student Recreational Center. Dinner was provided for all the teams and their coaches.

Women's athletics raised $42,300 for their organizations through their annual Women's Walk.

Edith Sullivan, a freshman from the women's crew team, raised the most money on an individual basis. She brought in $1,405.

"My grandmother donated a large portion of it," Sullivan said. "She's generous like that."

Scott Pesch, the head coach of the Humboldt State cross-country team, brought in $2,500 and raised the most money among the coaches.

Shelli Maher-Sarchett, assistant coach of the softball team, said her team began planning their skits and their costumes about a month ago.

"Most athletes participate in the performance," she said. "There was a few with schedule conflicts."

Donors decide which women's team they want their money to go to. They can choose to donate to an individual team or the whole athletics program.

The Corbett's Clan — started by Kathryn Corbett — is a team from the community, participates in the walk and has all of their donations go to the entire women's athletics department.

Corbett taught at HSU from 1952 until to 1980. Since then she has been an advocate for women sports.

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EDITORIAL

You have the power to significantly change our state this election. With your vote, laws can be reversed and a shift in our political realm could occur. Several propositions are not well-known, but count on your vote to create big change in California. We offer our advice in helping you make the right decision this election.

Proposition 31: Two-year budget cycle — Lumberjack staff votes no.

This proposition establishes a two-year budget and sets up pay-as-you go rules which require new spending projects or tax changes to be funded by cuts to other programs or new revenue. This will allow the governor to cut any program during a fiscal emergency.

The proposition sets up strict guidelines necessary for managing the budget, however, a measure of such fiscal austerity allows for programs Californians want to be immediately cut without our say. During a fiscal crisis, do we want drastic cuts to our education?

Proposition 34: Death Penalty Repeal — Lumberjack staff votes yes.

This proposition repeals the death sentence as a maximum penalty for murder and replaces it with life imprisonment.

California's death penalty is extremely costly for the state and carries the chance to execute an innocent person. The special housing and double trial process are among the various costs involved with the death penalty. Life imprisonment without parole has the possibility of saving the state $130 million a year.

Proposition 35: Human Trafficking — Lumberjack staff votes no.

This proposition increases the penalties for convicted sex and labor traffickers, requiring a convicted trafficker to register as a sex offender.

Proposition 35 is meant to combat human trafficking, but the state's broad definitions of sex trafficking could turn virtually anyone into a sex offender, including the children or family members of those benefiting from the profits of forced prostitution.

Third party presidential votes challenge political norms

by Jessica Renae Buxbaum

Political cartoon submitted by Shaun Murphy

As Nov. 6 approaches, the question "Who are you voting for?" arises. When I reply that I am voting for the Green Party presidential candidate Jill Stein, most people are perplexed. Under the assumption that third party candidates have no real chance of winning, my peers cannot understand why I would vote for a third party candidate.

It is true that the likelihood of a third party candidate win is doubtful, yet for me it is not about whether or not Stein wins; it is about how much of a vote she wins and what that vote means.

If Stein were to win even 3 percent of the vote it would send a clear political message: Americans are pushing for an alternative political system.

This election should not be about deciding to vote between two mainstream candidates with more in common as far as values go than deceptively appears.

In these crucial times, significant change should happen, not the same endless pattern of corporate leadership and America's 99 percent struggling for good education, healthcare and jobs. We need to make our voices heard, make it clear to Washington we do not want the same political leadership that reverses democratic progression. Take a stand with your vote because this election should be about voting with your values, for what you truly believe in, knowing there is an alternative out there for politics and gaining a step closer to that alternative.

Jill Stein's political goals strike a chord with average Americans worried about our struggling economy. She proposes a "Green New Deal," a four-part program inspired from the 1930s New Deal programs. The Green New Deal gives our country not only economic relief, but propels us into a sustainable, healthy and just future for all.

Unlike Republican candidate Mitt Romney's five-point plan to economic recovery, Stein's Green New Deal does not exploit our natural resources, citizens within the U.S. or people around the world.

Romney calls for America's energy independence by increasing coal and oil production. In contrast, Stein wants to move our country towards progressive and sustainable energy sources of wind, solar and geothermal by investing in research in these alternatives.

Many voters are tired of President Barack Obama. They feel he has not done enough for them or that he has not lived up to the policies and values he preached during 2008.

Yet apprehension for a Romney administration sends voters, out of fear, to again vote for Obama, considering him the lesser of two evils.

However, Obama is not much different than his opponent, Romney, and overall the 1 percent.

Obama's Affordable Care Act is health reform designed for the private insurance companies to still rip people off. If you make more than $20,000, 10 percent of your income will go to an insurance plan that does not fully cover you.

Stein advocates for a single-payer public option of health care — the medicare for all option. This health care plan provides its funds from a single insurance pool that is run by the state. This is health reform that fully covers you and is affordable for everyone.

The seemingly endless War on Terror now has taken a violent turn, using destructive means to end global terror. The Obama Administration uses drone strikes across the Middle East, especially in Pakistan where between 474 and 881 civilians have been killed since 2004, the International Human Rights and Conflict Resolution Clinic reported. Romney supports Obama's drone attacks, and if he became president would continue to use them as a foreign policy tactic.

Do we want a president who believes that killing civilians in foreign countries is the necessary solution within foreign policy? For peaceful global relations, diplomacy should not only be advocated but enforced. Stein is against drone warfare, and if president would end this completely.

There are more options than just two, and voting should not be about picking out which option is worse than the other. Romney and Obama are from separate parties, but their decisions as leaders are similar and still harmful for America and nations around the world.

This election, decide what your values are and find the candidate that embodies those values. Are you for peace, diplomacy, non-violence, public health care, fair trade, liberty and democracy? Green Party presidential candidate Jill Stein is the right candidate for you. Vote with your values on Nov. 6, not with your fears.

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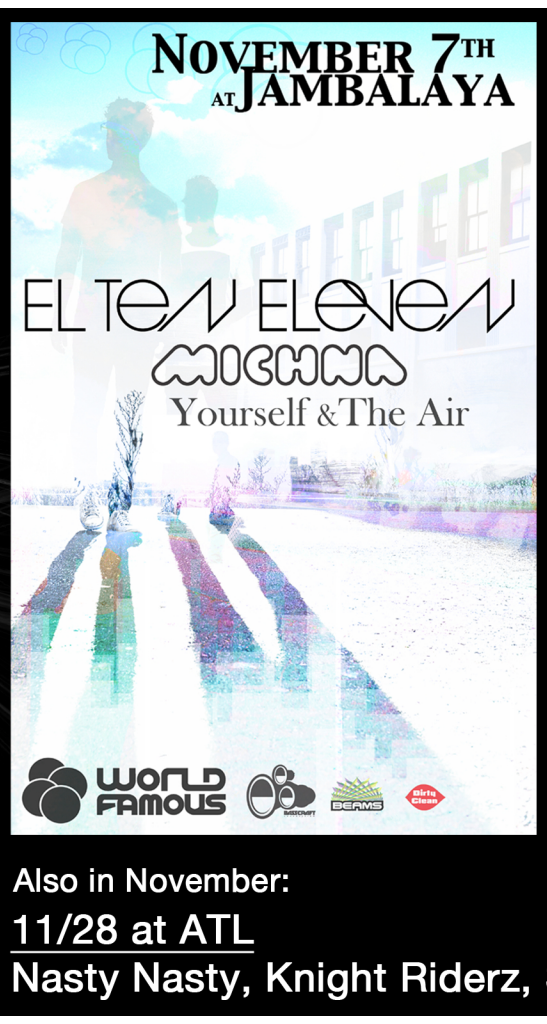

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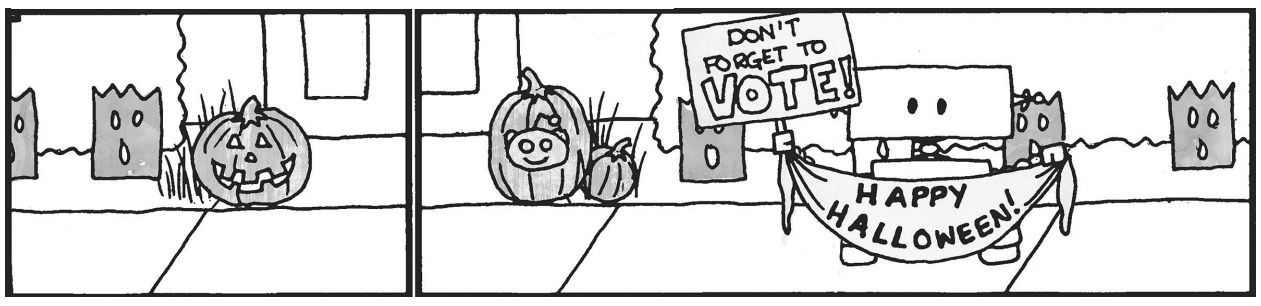

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HUMBOLDTJUMBOLDT by Melissa Coleman

Rearrange the letters to form a word. Set aside the double underlined letters on the line below. Rearrange those letters when all words are solved to find this week's answer! Plurals allowed, no proper nouns though final answer may be a proper noun. *Answers in the next issue.*

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Lumberjack Fact Check

Win a $5 gift certificate to Arcata Scoop!

If you read all the stories in this week's issue, you will know the answers to the following trivia questions. Submit your answers to thejack@humboldt.edu with the subject "ATTN: Fact Check." A winner will be picked on a lottery system and announced along with the prize in next week's edition.

1. What is the hotline number to Humboldt Wildlife Care Center?
2. Who is Dr. Christopher H. Rosik?
3. How long is the trial for Sunday bus schedules?
4. How many points did men's basketball player Alec Williams score in the Pacific Union game?
5. What did Patricia Terry wear while rock climbing?
6. How many Arcata residences' electricity usage exceeded 600 percent over the established yearly baseline allowance?

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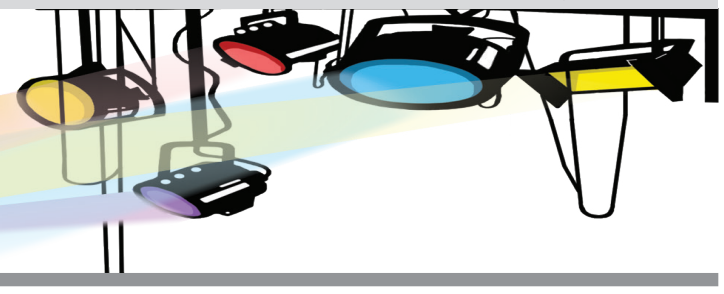

Soul'd out at Soul Night

by Jeremy Smith-Danford

Dinosaurs, bacon and Chewbacca were among the hundreds dancing at Missing Link Records' Soul Night one-year anniversary Halloween party. The party, held at Humboldt Brews on Oct. 27, sold out nine days before the event took place and continued the streak of Soul Night's selling out for 10 months in a row.

Green screen projections, provided by local video store La Dolce Video, and a disco ball lit up the dancing crowd. Disc jockeys King Maxwell, DJ Red, Mantea$e, Jaymorg and Matt n' Adam played soul, funk, garage and world music late into the night.

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