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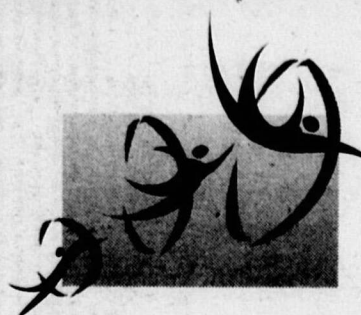
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Parking permit hours changing

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If you want to come to HSU to use the Library or other facilities when school is not in session, unless you have your parking permit handy, you may be risking a parking ticket.

The administration proposed a new policy that would require paying weekday rates for parking at HSU, even when classes aren't in session. The policy, if passed, will go into effect Aug. 8.

Steve Sullivan, the parking manager at HSU, said increasing the times when permits are required will help pay for a new parking garage.

"Only the customers here on campus will pay for the structure they will be using," he said.

Sullivan said the cost of parking permits, which have increased in recent years, will continue to rise over the next three years. A parking permit for the 2005/2006 academic year is \$90 per semester for students, faculty and staff. The cost of a permit in 2006/2007 will rise to \$112.50 per semester. In 2007/2008 the cost of a parking permit will be \$135 per semester, and in 2008/2009 it will be \$157.50 per semester.

"It's been approved by the committee to raise parking fees over the next several years," Sullivan said. "The purpose of raising parking fees is to fund the new parking structure and to promote alternative transportation. It's free to ride the bus."

Parking Services would like to enforce parking fees on the weekends as well, though this is not part of the current proposal.

Sullivan said that enforcing parking fees during breaks when HSU is not in session would have little or no effect on students or members of the community who come to the university for athletic events, concerts or performances.

"Personally I think [requiring permits during weekends] would be a more fair way to run the

business of parking," Sullivan said. "On Saturdays we have a lot of football games and tailgate parties, and that is causing more wear and tear on the parking lots."

Sullivan said people should pay for the facilities they use.

"People don't mind paying the costs of transportation, whether it is parking fees, bridge tolls or toll roads," he said.

John Capaccio, a parking administrator and the director of Housing at HSU, agrees with Sullivan.

"There's no such thing as a free lunch," Capaccio said. "When someone gets a free lunch, somebody has to pay for it somewhere down the line."

Capaccio said students end up paying for the community to park on campus for free on weekends, while California law requires all people to pay when parking on campus.

"There is a California state code that says that parking must be enforced on state university campuses 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. One third of Cal State schools enforce this," Capaccio said.

Sullivan said the code that Capaccio referred to, Title 5, does not specify times or dates for enforcement.

Nicole Reis, an elementary education junior, did not buy a parking permit this semester because of the price and the lack of available parking on campus.

"My classes don't start until later in the day and it's harder to find parking then," Reis said. "I found a parking spot off campus where I can park for free, but it's a hike." She said she bought a parking permit her freshman year because she had 8 a.m. classes and it was easier to find a parking space.

Reis said the problem with parking at HSU is that there aren't enough spaces and that they oversell parking permits.



Jill Koelling

Along with increasing parking fees, HSU will soon require permits during school breaks.

"If you have a 12 o'clock class you're going to have to wait around to find a space because there won't be any open," Reis said. "They don't tell you that when you buy a permit."

Lynn Johnson, the parking field supervisor at HSU, and her staff already work during breaks when HSU is not in session, and she said she doesn't mind

working during those times.

"If you're here for two hours or less per day it's more economically feasible to pay the meters rather than buying a day permit, if the meter is located at a 10-hour area like B Street, Harpst Street or Rossow Street," Johnson said. Johnson said buying an evening permit is also cheaper if students have class only after 5 p.m. An

evening permit for 2005/2006 costs \$33.50 per semester.

"It will affect people's priorities, whether they drive to work or school or use alternative transportation," Johnson said. "I have seen a positive change in people making an effort to carpool, and a lot of people are walking, taking the bus and biking more."

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A.S. election results

Race for Associated Students positions draws less than 10 percent of student body

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The Associated Students election took place last week and the results are in.

HSU's new A.S. president is Tony Snow, who won by slightly more than 100 votes against Rob Christensen.

"We're returning Humboldt State back into who we are," Snow said. "I strongly encourage that students start contacting the representatives and myself because change involves full participation."

Snow is open for communication, even if students just want to get to know him. His e-mail is aws10@humboldt.edu.

Rob Christensen said that he's only slightly disappointed with the outcome of the election and hopes that the A.S. executives commit to appoint students from diverse backgrounds to powerful committees and positions.

"I would have been excited to have served as the first A.S. president in the CSU that ran and won as an openly gay student," he said. He now plans to step back from A.S. and "work on issues beyond higher education for the queer community."

HSU's new administrative vice president is Crystal Chaney along with David Backues as the legislative vice president.

There will be a run off between Noelle Perlmutter, John T. Carter and Colleen Roberts for student affairs vice president. The results have been disputed because a majority vote was not reached. Also, Roberts trailed behind Perlmutter by two votes, but the A.S. elections committee did not publish Roberts' candidate platform in the online voting guide.

The new College of Natural Resource Sciences Representatives are Sarah Wood, Jacqueline Lee and Tara Holloway.

The two new Arts and Humanities and Social Sciences Representatives are Alan Chesbro and Saqib Keval.

The three new College of Professional Studies Representatives are Stephanie Riddle, Amanda Saide and Brandon Hemenway.

Finally, Tara Holloway is our new student-at-large representative for the University Board of Directors.

The all-university representative positions are still open, along with the Graduate Student Representative, so students are still encouraged to be a part of the A.S. government.

New A.S. representatives

President
Tony Snow

Administrative VP
Crystal Chaney

Legislative VP
David Backues

Student Affairs VP (run-off)
Colleen Roberts
Noelle Perlmutter
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HSU cuts trees for space CCAT upset at the decision

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HSU cut down six trees Thursday morning at the site of the new Behavioral and Social Sciences Building to make room for disabled access to the Native American Forum.

Whether the trees needed to be cut is in dispute. Directors of CCAT, the Campus Center for Appropriate Technology that borders the construction site, say the trees were sacred and they were never told the trees needed to be removed.

The building inspector and the project manager of the site said the trees were marked to be cut for a wheelchair-accessible walkway, but they waited to make sure cutting the trees was necessary.

The walkway will lead to the BSS Building and the future Native American Forum Building, which

will be sandwiched between the BSS Building and the CCAT property. Evan Barnes, the HSU building inspector for the site, said the trees needed to be cut down to build a retaining wall to hold the soil for the walkway.

The members of CCAT, who called the trees the Redwood Grove, say it was a spiritual site. Former co-director Patrick McAuley, an environmental science senior, said the trees formed a ring and members of CCAT would hold meetings and workshops inside the ring.

"It was sacred in the CCAT tradition," he said. "It was the only thing remaining from the old site."

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Classes help students stay safe



Jo Bundros

Carrying pepper spray is one way people can protect themselves from danger.

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No matter how small they may be, college campuses aren't always safe, and HSU is no exception.

According to the U.S. Department of Education, there have been 13 reported forcible rapes at HSU in the past three years. Most recently, a student reported that she was raped in the Library parking lot on April 4. Students, faculty and staff organized a walkout on April 6 to support her, as well as others who have been raped.

Thomas Dewey, interim police chief of the University Police Department, said being aware of one's surroundings is imperative to campus safety. "Students need to report all suspicious activities," he said. "We (UPD) take all calls very seriously."

Security on campus has always been a priority, Dewey said. In the past few weeks, UPD has increased their patrols, but Dewey said with so much ground to cover and a limited staff, the police can't be everywhere at once.

To prevent attacks when the police aren't available, individuals can learn to protect themselves in a variety of ways, from physical self defense to simply paying attention the people around them.

Possibly the most well-known program on campus pertaining to personal safety is the Rape Aggression Defense Program (RAD). The program is offered as a one-unit class held once a week for nine weeks. Students learn about the ideas behind self defense in a lecture format. After the lecture, students practice the moves they have learned, first in the air and then building up to hitting pads held by instructors.

The final stage is for students to perform their

new ass-kicking moves on people dressed in a RAD-System Aggressor suit, a black or red padded plastic suit that resembles what a hockey goalie would wear if he were fighting a grizzly bear.

Aleli Lawson, the administrative coordinator for the University Police Department, says the program has an average enrollment of 10 to 13 students per semester, although the largest class they've had was 23 students.

"Once students complete the program, they are able to repeat the program at no cost at any other university in the country," Lawson said.

Currently, the program is only available for women. "We don't have any instructors certified for men's classes right now," Lawson said.

"If a girl's at a bar and she thinks there might be something in her drink, she can drop a little of her drink on the different test strips, and it could tell her if she was slipped something."

Phillip Richer

director of global sales, Waypoint Biomedical Inc.

In light of the recent sexual assault, an extra class is taking place on April 29 and 30, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. The RAD program is \$15 for students and \$20 for community members.

Monica Newman, administrative support for the HSU Physical Education Department, said multiple other physical self-defense classes are available on campus for credit. "Next semester there is a self-defense class on Monday and Wednesday mornings and there are also Aikido classes Monday, Wednesday and Tuesday, [and] Thursday."

There will also be a self-defense course for all sexes, lead by Daniel Perez.

According to the National Council on Alcohol and Drug Dependence, 90 percent of crimes on campus are alcohol related, and the U.S. Department of Justice names drug-facilitated rape as the fastest-growing form of sexual assault. Drugs slipped into drinks are often colorless, odorless and tasteless and can make the victims defenseless and unable to remember what happens around them.

Some companies have developed products to help detect the presence of these drugs, such as Waypoint Biomedical Inc. in Southern California, the producer of Drink Detective.

Phillip Richer, director of global sales at Waypoint, discussed how the product works.

"If a girl's at a bar and she thinks there might be something in her drink, she can drop a little of her drink on the different test strips, and it could tell her if she was slipped something," he said.

Drawbacks to the products include their prices and availability. Drink Detective is \$5.95 per kit and not easily available locally, but can be ordered online. Richer

said that some universities have taken steps to supply Drink Detective to their students.

"Colorado State at Boulder has purchased kits, so has MIT. Police stations nationwide have been using it too," he said.

Currently HSU does not provide any brand of kits. Aleli Lawson said there just isn't money for it.

"Unless one of the officers here takes that cause on, it won't happen," she said. "It's just too pricey."

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Students average \$13,000 in debts

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By the time the average student graduates from HSU, he or she will owe the federal government more than \$13,000.

With the prices for higher education on the rise, students in college today are borrowing more money and leaving school more in debt than ever before. With graduation approaching for the class of 2006, many seniors will soon have to pick up the tab for the past few years of their lives.

Students who have taken out loans in the past may want to consolidate their debt soon, because on July 1, interest rates on student loans will become locked at 6.8 percent. At present the interest rate is only 4.7 percent for current students and 5.3 percent for graduates.

Government loans are not subject to credit checks and are available to almost anyone needs them, which makes them the only viable option for some students.

Cody Riffle, a liberal studies senior, and Sean Bascetta, a computer information systems senior, are two of those students.

"If you hand a starving man food, will he not eat it?" said Riffle, who will graduate this year.

"And will he not pay you later, twice what it's worth?" said Bascetta, who is also graduating in May.

Bascetta has taken out loans for five-and-a-half years of college and plans to begin making payments on them soon.

"I figure you get 10 years to pay it off. I'm about \$20,000 down, so about \$2,000 a year, about \$200 a month," he said.

According to the HSU Financial Aid Office, students took out 6,840 federal loans for this academic year, totaling over \$24 million. Paying back this substantial chunk of change poses a huge challenge to many students after they graduate.

Often students are faced with large purchases immediately after graduation. Vehicles, rent

and housing deposits can add thousands of dollars on top of pre-existing loan debt. After graduation, students have a six-month grace period to begin repaying their loans. For students facing a difficult situation, the Direct Loans Program, which is HSU's primary financial aid provider, may grant a forbearance, or temporary extension.

"This is your government. They want to see that you stay in good standing as a borrower," said Kim Coughlin-Lamphear, interim director of HSU's Financial Aid Office. "They don't want you to go into default."

Defaulting on a loan, or not complying with the repayment terms agreed upon in the promissory note and repayment plan, can lead to serious consequences for the borrower.

Students who default on a loan face penalties such as the loss of deferment options, the withholding of wages from an employer, or even the repossession of property.

Another option is the in-school

deferment. By remaining enrolled in school after graduation, students can delay having to pay back loans. Allesandra Lanza of American Student Assistance said enrolling part time (six or more units) at any accredited institution will allow a student to defer his or her loans indefinitely.

Coughlin-Lamphear said students should be careful before accepting any loans. "Borrow mindfully," she said. "Don't do it without thinking about exactly what type of debt you're getting yourself into. Keep track of your total debt and don't borrow more than you need."

Despite these warnings, Coughlin-Lamphear said that wisely used school loans are an excellent option for students who can't afford the expenses of college on their own.

"Your brain is something they can't repossess," she said.

"This is your government. They want to see that you stay in good standing as a borrower. They don't want you to go into default."

Kim Coughlin-Lamphear
 Interim director, Financial Aid Office

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Staff protests



Jo Bundros

Members of the CSU Employee's Union protested for higher living wages. They met at the Library and marched to the UC Quad. "We're more than 15 percent behind in cost of living, and have been like that for more than a decade," said local union president Lawrence Williams.

TREES: CCAT says they shouldn't have been cut

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CCAT's home, the Buck House, was where the structure of the BSS Building is now. The construction has displaced CCAT into another home for the past two years, while the Buck House has remained on stilts.

Co-director Noelle Melchizedek said the grove of trees was a multipurpose area. "It was large enough to have redwood stumps for seats to have workshops and classes and chill out time," she said. Melchizedek also said it was a place for meditating.

Melchizedek said former CCAT directors told the university about the importance of the trees. She said CCAT never knew the trees were to be cut.

Bob Schulz, associate vice president of Facilities Management, said the decision to cut the trees down was made on Tuesday afternoon. CCAT was informed on Wednesday.

Schulz said he wasn't clear about the significance of the trees to CCAT.

"I understand it was important to them," he said. "I understand now."

Last November, HSU updated the landscape plans for the BSS Building site. The plans noted

[The trees were] the only thing remaining from the old site."

Patrick McAuley
environmental science senior

that trees might need to be cut, but nothing was certain until the site was surveyed for the Native American Forum Building. Kristi Janowski, HSU's project manager for the BSS Building, said they made sure the trees needed to go before cutting them.

"We dug back as far as we could without jeopardizing the trees, and then it became evident that in order to place the walkway at the width needed, the trees would need to be removed," Janowski said.

The walkway is the only way to a

wheelchair-accessible path from the main BSS Building parking lot to the Native American Forum Building, Barnes said.

The two options in building the walkway, he said, were to either cut the trees down and have a four-foot retaining wall built at a 45 degree angle, or not cut the trees down and have a vertical retaining wall that needed to be up to 10 feet tall in certain areas to hold the root

system in.

Melchizedek said she was disappointed with the action of the administration during the process.

"They didn't even stop the work for a moment while we voiced our concerns," she said. "We regret that we couldn't stop it despite trying every avenue and communication channel that we knew."

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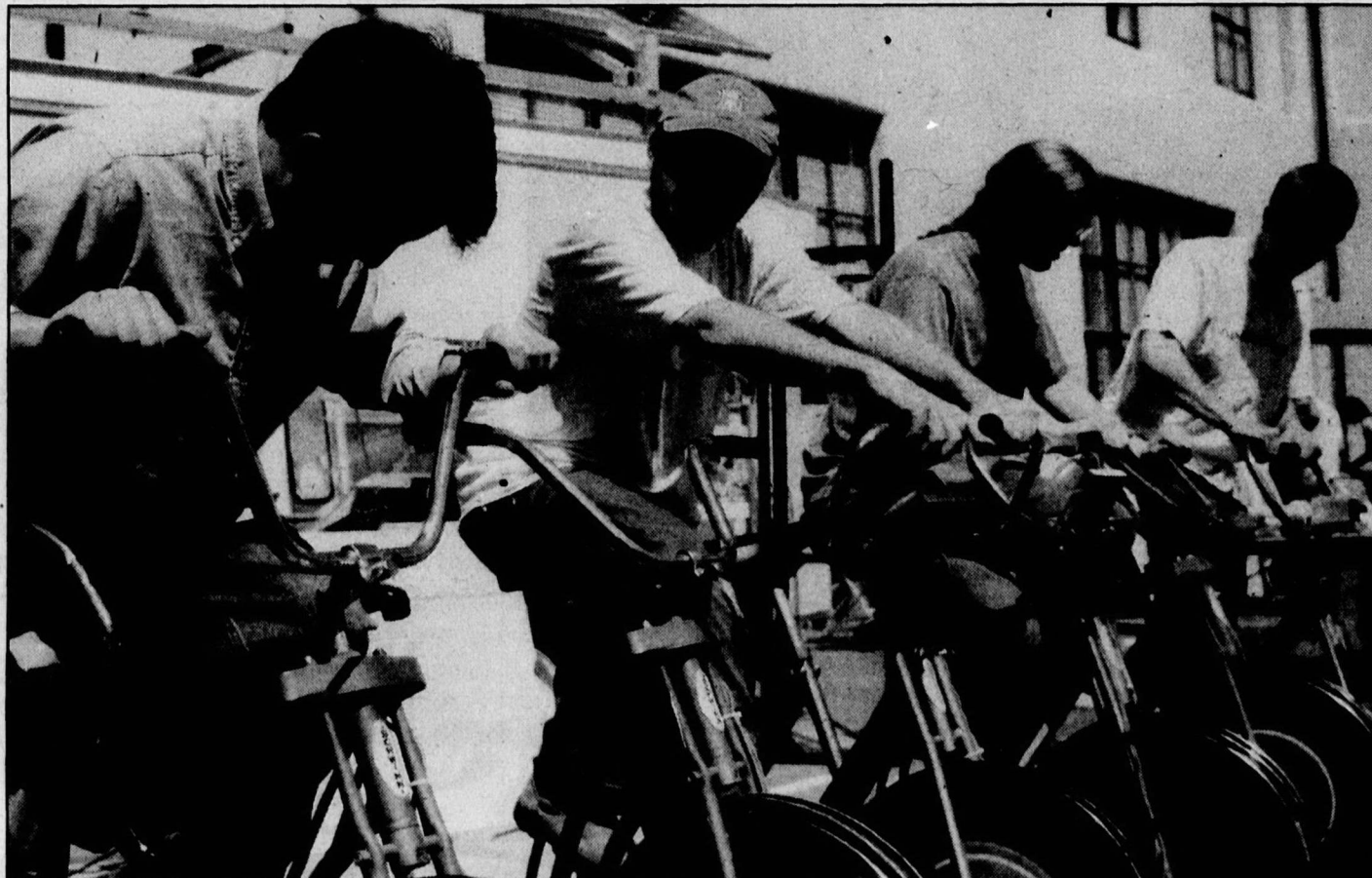
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Local organization spearheads new campaign to educate community



Alyssa Grassi, left, and Tech Williams, right, are using a bicycle and blender to make paper at the SLAMfest.



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From left to right, Kyle Taylor, Ben Mattio, Aaron Jefferson, and Peter Johnstone generate energy on bicycles at the SLAMfest.

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Humboldt County's first Earth Day Energy Efficiency Action Day flopped as stores failed to sell energy-efficient products despite the 20 percent one-day discount on these products on April 22.

The Ace Hardware stores in Fortuna, Garberville and Sunnybrae, among others, offered a discount on energy-saving supplies such as compact fluorescent light bulbs, which use fewer watts but emit the same amount of light as regular lightbulbs, and low-flow sprinkler heads.

Stores participated with the hopes of "selling a lot of fluorescent bulbs, water heater

blankets, and insulation, because it is a really good idea," said Ron Olsen, manager of the Garberville Ace Hardware store.

"Implementing energy efficiency technology is the most cost-effective way of saving energy and reducing global warming pollution."

Jennifer Berman
Redwood Alliance Climate Action coordinator

The Redwood Alliance Climate Action Project is an organization that aims to educate people about ways to buy more energy efficient products and find solutions to global warming. Redwood

Alliance coordinated the project to illustrate easy ways to be more energy efficient.

Project coordinator Jennifer Berman said, "Implementing energy efficiency technology is the most cost-effective way of saving energy and reducing global warming pollution."

One suggestion that can be put into practice cheaply and simply is replacing four standard light bulbs with compact fluorescents to save money on the electricity bill and reduce carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, Berman said.

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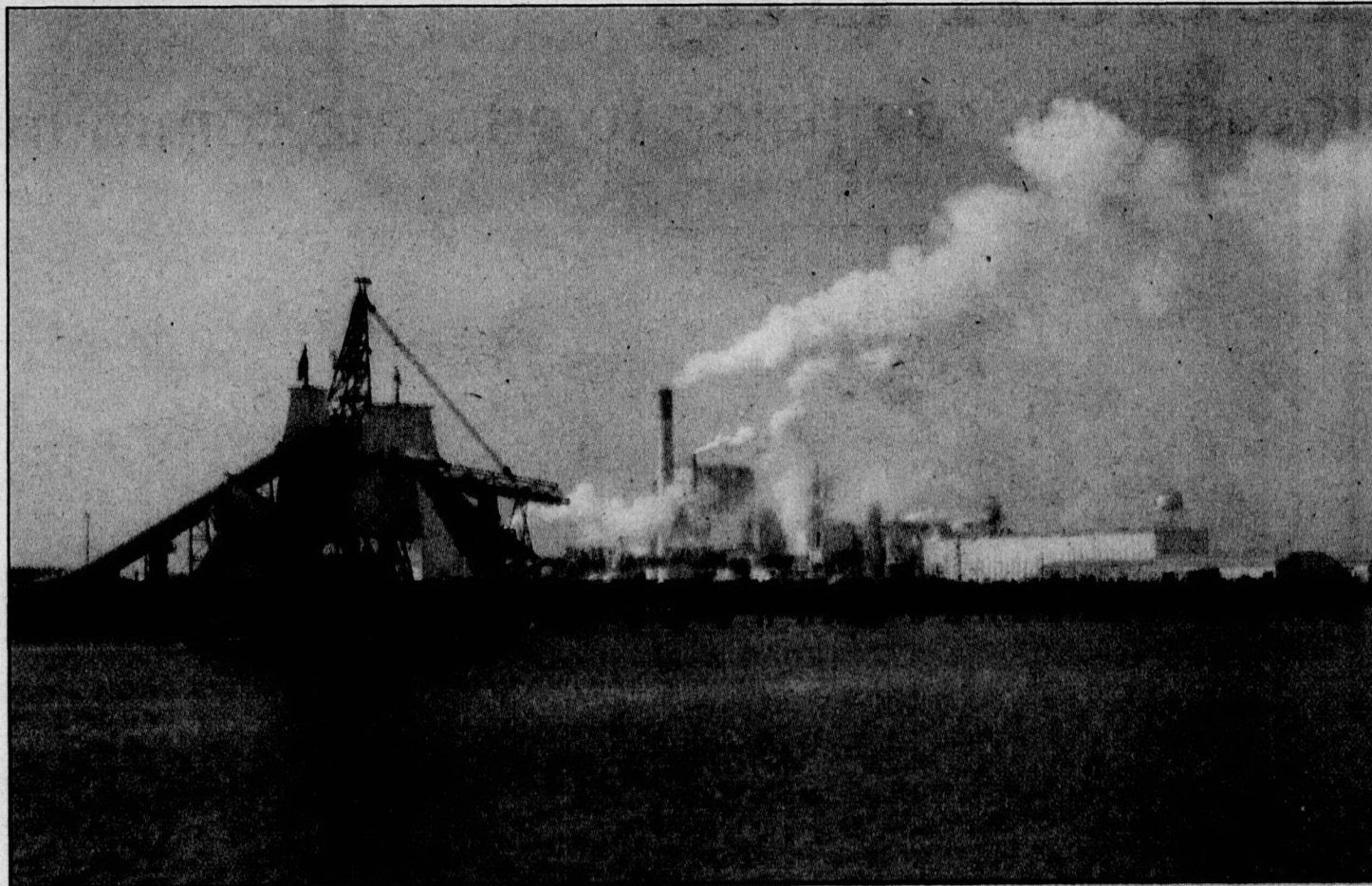


A frictionless solar-powered motor is just one of many alternative devices to increase energy efficiency.

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Ahoy Matey!

See page 11 for more on the tall ships



In stark contrast with Humboldt Bay, *The Lady Washington*, a replica of the first U.S.-built vessel to play the China trade, sails April 22 in front of the Evergreen Pulp Mill in Samoa.



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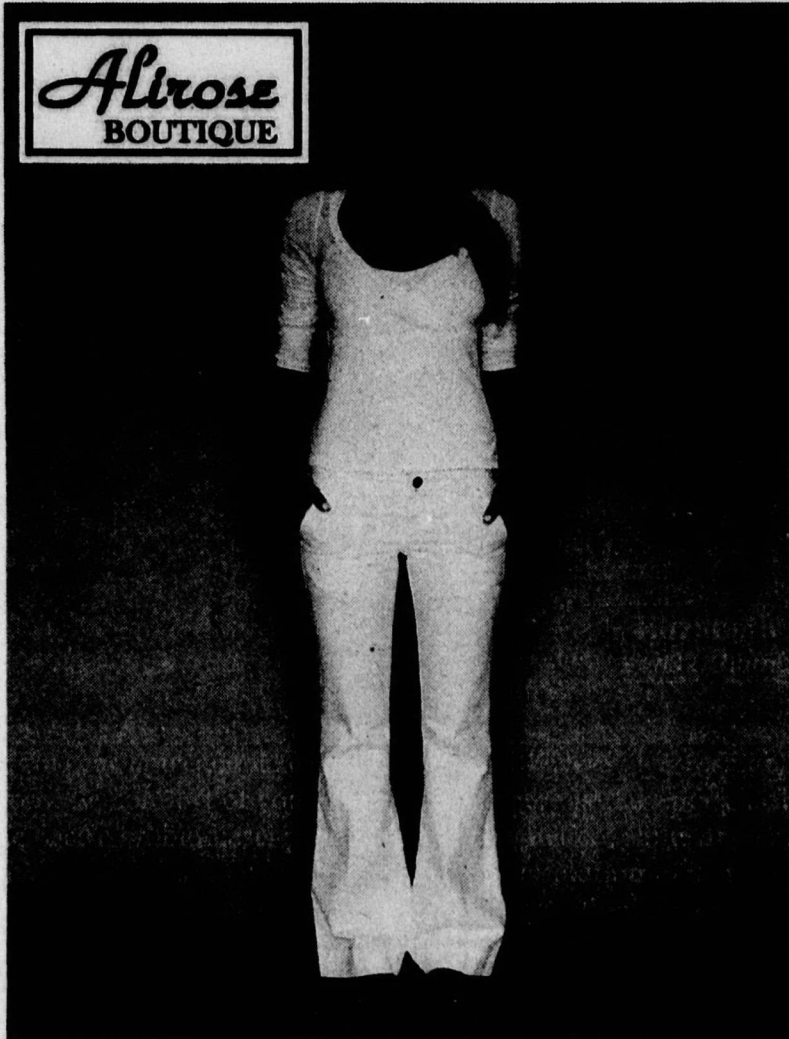
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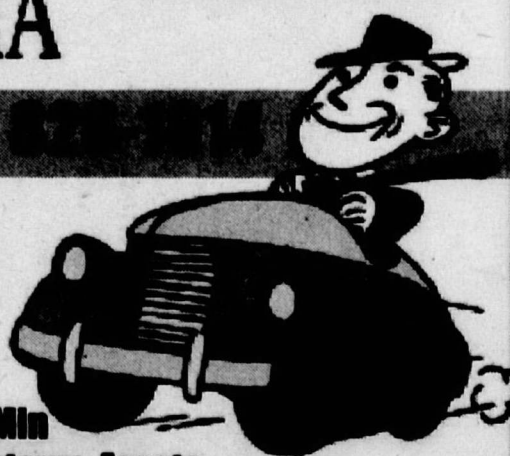
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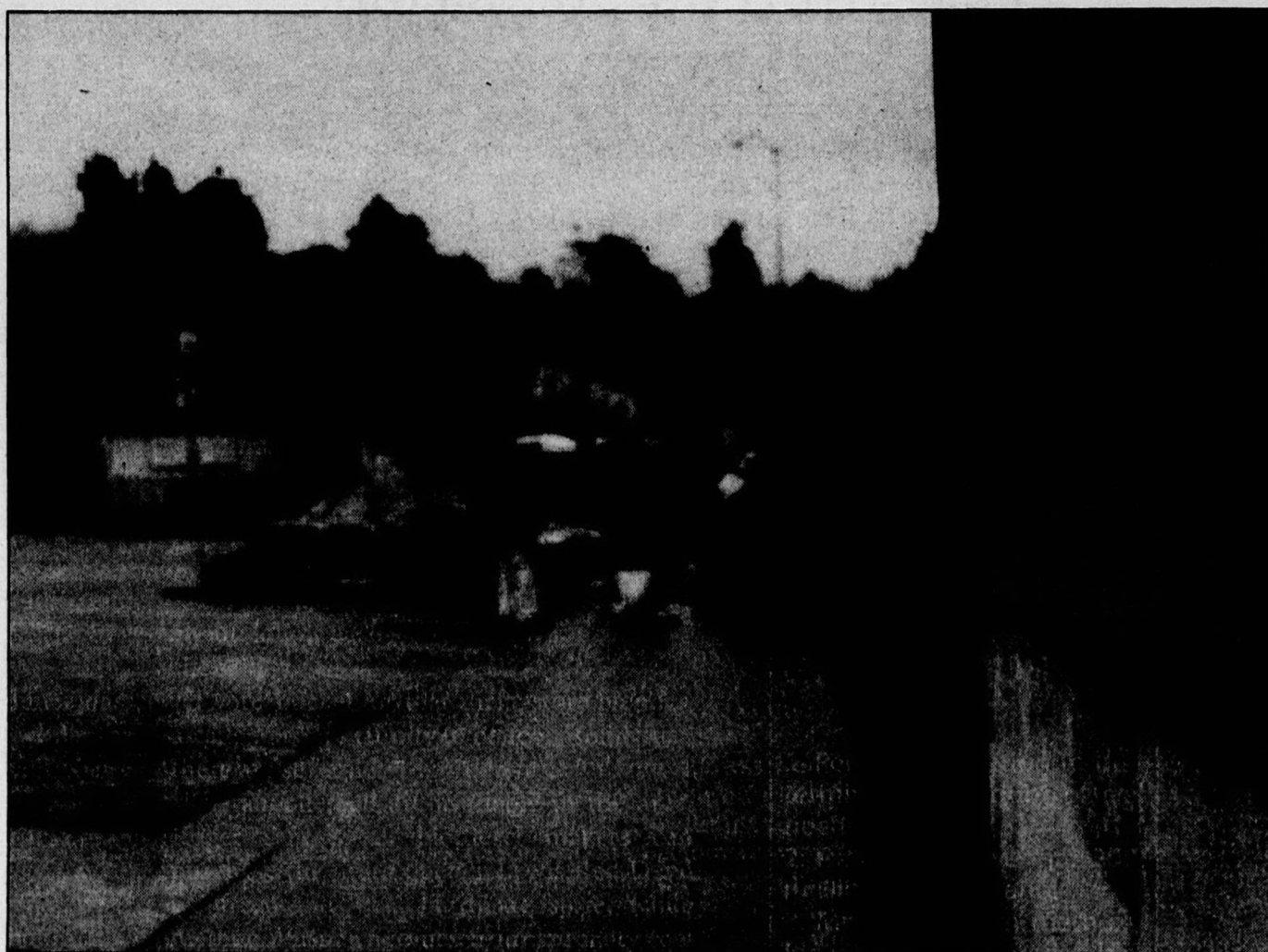
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Endeavor hosts banquet

Goal to raise awareness about poverty, hunger



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A group of homeless people gather outside the Arcata Endeavor on a wet day.

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The Arcata Endeavor will host a banquet in hopes of raising awareness about hunger and poverty, both locally and globally, this Friday. In addition to a dinner, there will be music, presentations and a silent auction.

"Poverty isn't just a local issue, it's a global issue," said Lisa Clarke, a volunteer coordinator for the fundraiser and the secretary for the Arcata Endeavor board of directors.

According to the World Bank, 2.6 billion people live on less than \$2 per day, while a fifth of the population (one billion people) live on less than \$1 per day.

Clarke said when people come to the event they will be provided with cards assigning each person to a group based on world income levels. The smallest and richest group will receive a large meal, consisting of a main course, soup, salad and dessert, complete with table settings and a wait staff. Participants in the middle-income group will have more of a cafeteria-style meal where they will have to go through a line to get rice and beans. People in the lowest income group, which will be the largest, will be given a serving of rice and some water, much like going to a soup kitchen.

Dan Faulk, an HSU political

science lecturer, and Sharona Thompson, a returned Peace Corps volunteer, will speak at the event. After the dinner, those participating will reflect upon their experience in their specific groups.

"A lot of people are really at risk from the amount of rainfall they get every year," Thompson said. The amount of rainfall affects harvests since droughts and flooding can dramatically determine whether people will eat.

When Thompson was in Senegal, Africa, with the Peace Corps, she said she witnessed hunger on a personal level. Meals usually consisted of rice and water from April to October, after harvests became depleted. "It was really disturbing to see," she said.

"Food is politics," Faulk said. He said the majority of agriculture within the United States is controlled by corporate agribusiness, which is mainly profit-focused and responsible for the displacement of smaller family farms.

Faulk said there is not a shortage of food with which to feed the world. "Supply and demand determine the price of food," he said. "The issue is how you distribute that food in the global

economy." Those with less money and fewer resources have less access to food.

Faulk said two of the main reasons for hunger being a local issue are a lack of jobs and the high cost of housing.

"The reality is it isn't just single moms and it isn't just minorities that are on welfare," said Maria Bartlett, an HSU social work professor.

Bartlett said 25 percent of people living in Humboldt County are living in poverty. Bartlett worked on the board of the Arcata Endeavor for three years and now supervises the executive director. She plays with local band Blues Per Square Inch, who will perform at the banquet.

"I would hope it [the banquet] would raise consciousness about hunger in the world," she said.

Faulk said we need to think about how to create self-sufficiency locally as one way to counter hunger, such as community-based agriculture.

"If you keep people in the margins, they never have the investment that makes them part of a community," he said.

The banquet will take place at 5 p.m., April 29, at the D Street Neighborhood Center in Arcata. Tickets cost \$20.

Reliving life at sea

Hawaiian Chieftain and Lady Washington dock in Eureka on educational tour

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If you forgot your earplugs you were out of luck on *The Hawaiian Chieftain*. On Sunday, the *Chieftain*, a square-topsail ketch (type of ship), sailed over the bar with the replica brigantine *Lady Washington* last week.

Fans may recognize the *Lady* from her appearance as the *H.M.S. Interceptor* in the movie "Pirates of the Caribbean." Both double-masted tall ships are in port on their yearly educational tour up and down the West Coast between San Diego and Alaska.

This weekend, the two vessels, based out of Aberdeen, Wash., engaged in what their crew call a battle sail — mock naval combat between the two ships — all sound and no fury.

As the captains and crew tacked in the channel between the Coast Guard and Del Norte pier — plying favorable but light winds — each vied for position for the prize of a broadside volley. The crew of both ships, comprised of

volunteers and paid sailors, enjoy the life at sea.

The captain of the *Chieftain* is Ryan Meyers (pirate name: "Evil") who left land at age 18 to sign aboard "as soon as they'd let me, and I've never looked back," he said. Meyer went on to become the youngest active tall-ship captain in the world.

Eight years later he says he hasn't tallied his time at sea because it might scare him. Volunteers sign on for two-week stints aboard, and many sailors are known to return yearly, planning their vacations around the ships' schedules.

Other folks come out to greet the *Lady* every time she's in port, many adopting the period dress of the crew and taking part in hauling the lines. "Lines are what a rope's called once it has a job," said Nathalie Reginester, the ship's education officer on the *Lady*.

When asked who won the battle sail, members of the crew said, "The *Chieftain* of course, she

always wins." Though largely a matter of pride, victory is often decided in a tavern afterward. Like it was for sailors of yore, life on the seven seas is often more fun in the telling.

School tours run on both vessels during the week. They will be open for dockside tours to the public weekdays through May 1 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Two more battle sails are scheduled for April 29 and 30 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. (\$50 adults, \$30 children 12 and under) call (800) 200-5239 for reservations.

An adventure sail, where passengers may participate but without cannon fire, is scheduled for April 30, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (\$45 adults, \$35 students and seniors, \$25 children). My tip: the best free seats are near the county boat ramp on Samoa. Bring a windbreaker and enjoy the view.

ENERGY: Project obstacles

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"We thought it would be nice to get the hardware stores to help," Berman said. "It is actually sort of a test run to see how it goes. Normally, with Earth Day, its 'go to this fair' or 'see this booth,' but you never leave with something you can actually do. Now there's something."

Berman said she hopes that by next year, the project will have reached a national, corporate level, with stores like Home Depot participating. Before then, she is working toward having sales at more hardware stores in the fall, just before winter hits.

One thing that must be considered before this project goes to stores outside of Humboldt County is how well the "test run" did. The Garberville and Fortuna stores had a bad experience with this project.

"It did not go well at all," Olsen said. "We did not get a lot of response to it [the discounts]. I don't know whether it's the

area or what, but we ran ads that we paid for ourselves, and saw some that we didn't pay for, and I heard stuff on the radio." Despite many advertisements and employees telling their friends about it, the 20 percent discount did not contribute to the store's daily sales, Olsen said.

The Fortuna Ace Hardware had similar results.

"The number's aren't good," Assistant Manager Jeff Fournier said. "I actually sold four times as many items today [Monday] than I did on Saturday."

Fournier offered a few possible reasons why the stores saw little success with the Earth Day sale. "Maybe it's that nobody cared out here, or that our advertising wasn't that good, or the fact that it was so nice out, maybe people were just focused on that."

In the end, both the Fortuna and Garberville stores agreed that if the project were proposed to them next year, they would still participate.

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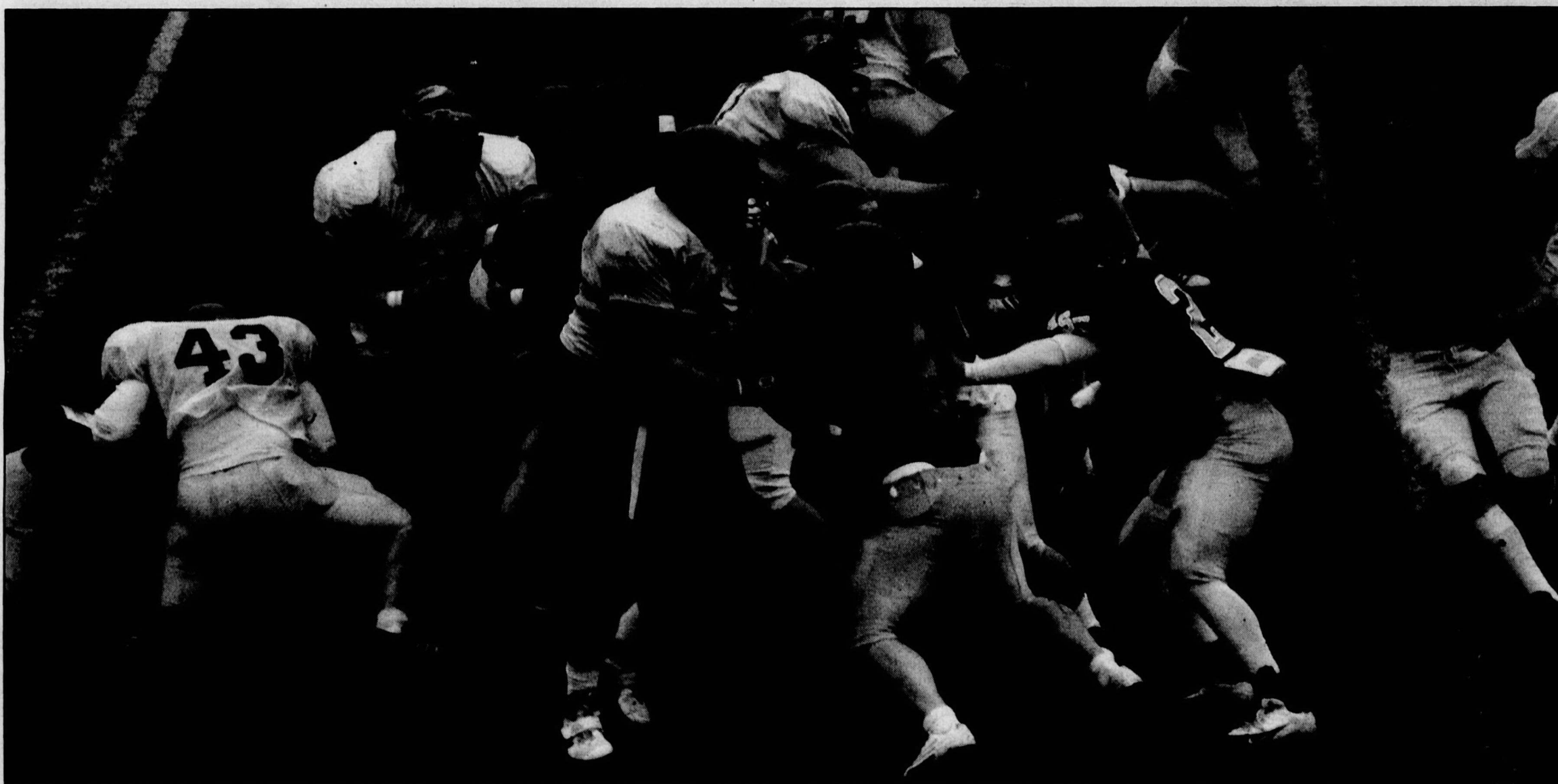
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Still looking...

Two consultants assist HSU football team during practices as the search for a new offensive coordinator and defensive coach continues



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Football head coach Doug Adkins would like to see more of a ground attack in order to balance the team for the upcoming season. Last season, under departed offensive coordinator Bob Owens, the team accumulated 3,410 total yards, with 2,437 coming from the air.

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With the offensive and defensive coordinator positions still vacant, the HSU football team is moving forward with its preparations for the upcoming season.

The spring football sessions will end this weekend, culminating with a game on Saturday pitting current players against alumni.

Fortunately for the team, they still have time to find replacements for Bob Owens and Doug Mitchell, the offensive and defensive coaches who left HSU for head coaching positions, before the real games begin.

Head Coach Doug Adkins brought in two offensive consultants to help the team while the search continues. The consultants have focused on the

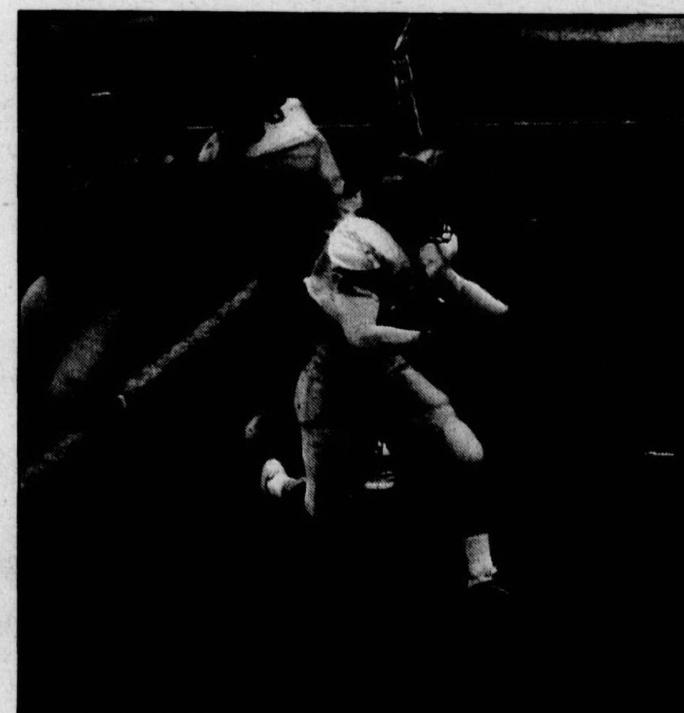
offensive line and quarterback positions.

Under Owens the focus on offense was the passing game. In 2003, Owens' first year at HSU, the passing game accumulated 3,072 yards, the second best total in the 'Jacks' history. Last season the offense accumulated 3,410 total yards, with 2,437 of those yards coming via the passing game.

"It's been different (without Owens and Mitchell)," said freshman running back Devon Libran. "There's been a lot of learning and changes, especially with the offense."

Adkins said he hopes to have the permanent replacements in place in six weeks. He said that even

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How the mighty have fallen

Undefeated in regular season, HSU falls in second round of Elite 8 tournament



photos by Eric Hedstrom

The HSU men's rugby team ran over opponents during the regular season and opening rounds of the playoffs as they entered the NCAA Division II Elite 8 tournament in Florida over the weekend. Despite a valiant effort, the team fell to the Coast Guard Academy team in the second round.

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Dominating opponents and going undefeated in their division during the regular season, HSU men's rugby marched into the NCAA Division II Elite 8 hoping to claim a National Championship. They narrowly defeated their first opponent in the tournament and hope seemed lost as they headed into round two — it was.

HSU went head on against Georgia Southern University in the opening round of the Elite 8 tournament in Sanford, Fla. over the weekend and won a nail biter. The final score was HSU 28, Georgia Southern 27.

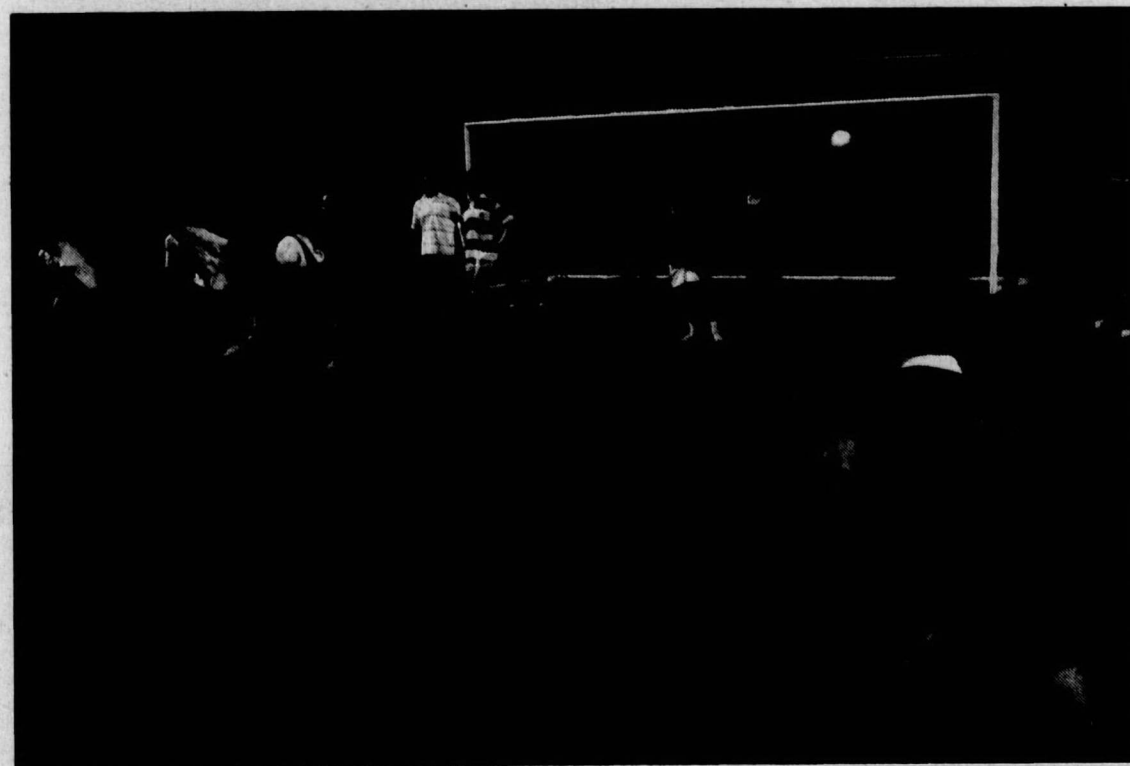
After going 8-0 in the regular season and

steamrolling their competition with one-sided scores in the playoffs prior to the Elite 8, the team was in dire straights.

With their eyes on the National Championship, HSU pushed forward and faced off against the Coast Guard Academy rugby squad, a team out of New England.

HSU and the Coast Guard exchanged points and, despite a valiant effort from the 'Jacks, the team from New England came out on top, 12-6.

The Coast Guard team is now scheduled to face Northern Colorado University for the National Championship at Stanford in May.



The team's offense was superb this season as many games had one-sided scores in favor of HSU.



Not to be outdone, the team's defense also shined during the season, holding opponents to low scores.




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'Jacks pummel Wolves

Women's softball annihilates Western Oregon
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courtesy of Sports Information

Sarah Davini, center, is met by her teammates after she blasted a grand slam homerun during the women's softball team's matchup against Western Oregon last Saturday. Her rocket over the fence helped the 'Jacks shut out Western Oregon 16-0 and 15-0.

Courtesy of Sports Information

The No. 1 nationally ranked HSU softball squad exploded for 27 hits, including four home runs, one triple and eight doubles, in a pair of shutout wins, 10-0 and 15-0, against Western Oregon Saturday in Arcata.

The 'Jacks improved to 45-4 overall and 17-1 in Great Northwest Athletic Conference play while Western Oregon fell to 10-27 overall and 4-10 in league play.

While the Jacks' offense had a huge day, the defense and pitching was near perfect as well. HSU committed just one fielding error while Lizzy Prescott was a walk away from a perfect game and Tracy Motzny allowed just one hit.

Prescott earned her 20th win of the season, walking one and striking out six in the six-inning first game. Motzny (22-2) followed that with a near-perfect five-inning performance, striking out three and not

giving up a hit until the final inning.

Leadoff hitter Carolyn Cameron was 5-for-8 on the day, including three doubles and four runs scored. Freshman first baseman Natalie Galletly wrapped up a stellar week of play with a combined 3-for-4 performance while Jessica Padilla was 5-for-9 with two doubles and four RBIs.

Reserve freshmen Sarah Davini and Nikole Gandara joined in the hitting barrage, knocking a grand slam and three-run home run, respectively. Davini's grand slam was the 'Jacks' second in two days against Western Oregon, and the backup catcher's second hit of the year.

HSU wraps up regular-season play at home next week, facing Saint Martin's tomorrow and Western Washington on Saturday and Sunday.

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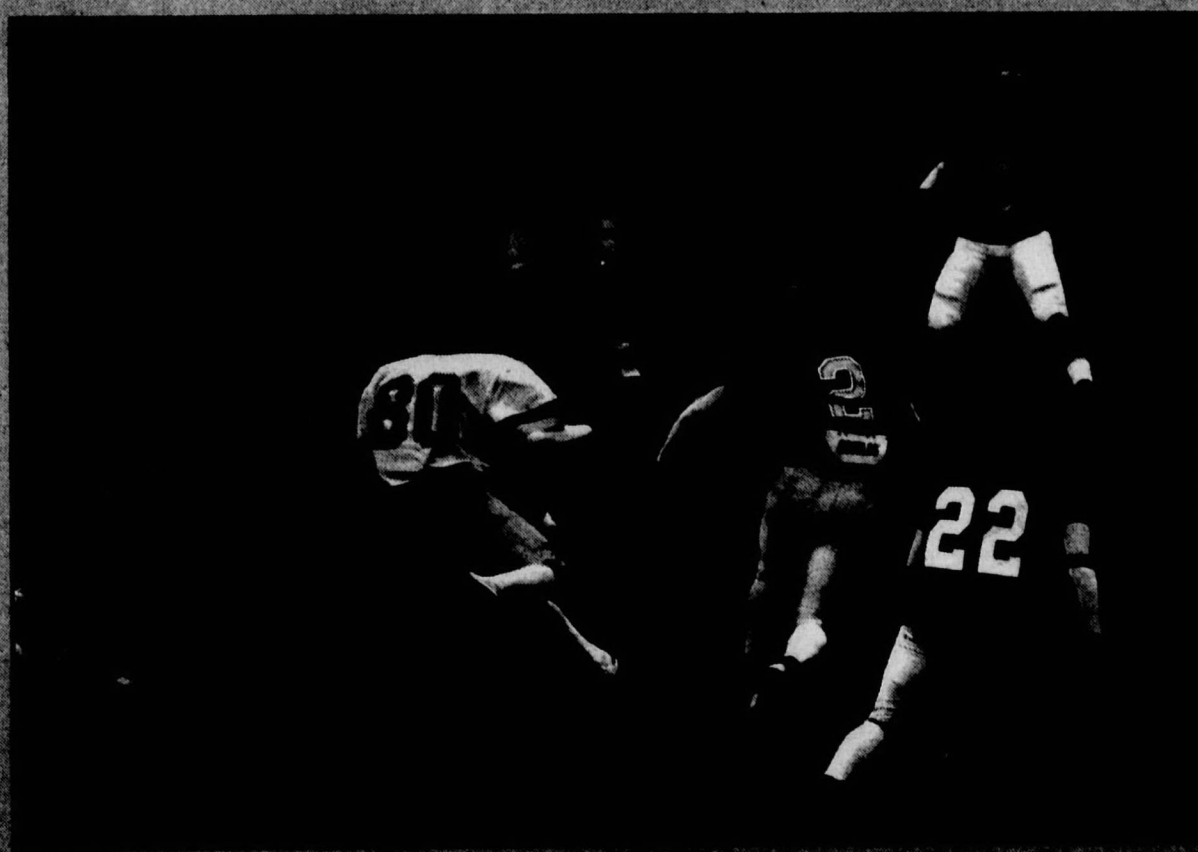
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FOOTBALL: Balanced offense a focal point

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Despite not having an offensive or defensive coordinator, players have continued to practice and are optimistic about whatever the team brings in.

with Owens and Mitchell gone, he is pleased by what he sees from the players.

"Spring football has been going well," Adkins said. "We're just trying to get through without any injuries."

When asked about the offense, Adkins said that the team will try to run the ball more.

"We're trying to become a more balanced team," said freshman wide receiver Edwin Henry.

He said that the running game is looking quite well and that the team, although hurt by the loss of Owens and Mitchell, is ready to play for their

replacements.

"We have a lot of veterans, so I think we'll adjust quite well," Henry said. "We just have to stay focused and we can't take a day off."

Several players said that it has been tough without the leaders of the offense and defense in place, but they believe that the transition to new coaches will go smoothly.

"I'm an optimistic individual," said sophomore quarterback Richard McNeal. "I just hope they can help us win the championship."

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Sudoku intrigues, perplexes

Japanese puzzle has different reactions from HSU



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A student tries to solve a level-5 Sudoku puzzle. Can you solve the puzzle that was started?

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To Craig Kurumada, Sudoku is not something you play. It's something you do. The computing science administrative support coordinator for HSU completes "a couple a day," as he has done since last summer when he heard about the popular puzzle on the radio.

"It's interesting that you call it playing," Kurumada said. "To me it's like a crossword puzzle, and you don't play a crossword puzzle."

Some see the puzzle as mathematical in nature, but Kurumada doesn't see it that way. You could use any symbol, but numbers are something that everyone knows, he said.

"It looks like math, but it isn't," he said.

The puzzle is a nine-by-nine grid with some blank squares for the player to fill in, with clues from numbers already in other boxes.

To complete the puzzle, found in most newspapers, one must fill in all the columns and rows with the digits 1 through 9 without repetition.

Katie Willard, a 19-year-old elementary education sophomore, plays Sudoku every morning. She has a Sudoku calendar and when she's finished she posts the completed puzzles on her bedroom ceiling. Willard said the puzzle is not like television and it's a stimulant for your mind. "It's fun and entertaining and it gets your mind going," she said.

Willard began playing last October in The Depot on campus when her friends were doing it. She helped them and began to find the answers they couldn't find.

Chris Andriessen, 21, plays Sudoku at work. "It's the only puzzle I can't solve all the time," said Andriessen, a political science junior. "I play at work and there's nothing else to do." He started the puzzles a month ago and plays about three times a week.

But Sudoku isn't for everyone. While some, like Kurumada, like to solve puzzles, others find them boring or difficult. Rosa Villa, 24, often gets frustrated by the puzzle.

"I have better things to do," said Villa, a liberal studies

elementary education senior. "It's really frustrating and I get three complete squares [and then I give up]."

According to www.sudoku-world.com, Howard Garns designed and first published Sudoku, then called Number Place, in 1979.

Garns most likely was inspired by something called the Latin Square, a mathematical matrix introduced by Leonhard Euler in 1738. Garns probably built on the Latin Square by taking out some numbers, thus creating a puzzle.

In 1984, the puzzle was introduced in Japan under the name "Suuji Wa Dokushin Ni Kagiru," which means "the digits must remain single." It was later shortened to its current name, sometimes spelled Su Doku.

"It's definitely the most fun puzzle that's come along in a while," Andriessen said. "A nice break from all the crosswords and word searches."

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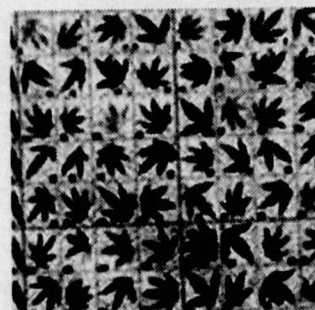
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7. SUVs with bumper stickers such as "No war for oil" and "Save the rain forest."

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5. Peaceful protests and walkouts at least twice a month.

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Women's studies not just for feminists

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Kim Berry, the Women Studies Department chair, teaches her WS 108 Power/Privilege: Gender and Race, Sex class.

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Feminazis ... man haters ... lesbians. These are usually the first thoughts that come to mind when thinking about women's studies majors. However, it isn't the case.

"Women's studies is about the lives, experiences and voices of women in the U.S. and around the world," said Kim Berry, the Women's Studies Department chair.

The women's studies program offers an interdisciplinary major, minor or certificate to interested students.

The classes also serve as Diversity and Common Ground as well as general education classes.

The three most popular classes are WS 106 — Introduction to Women's Studies, WS 107 — Women, Culture, History and WS 108 — Power/Privilege: Gender and Race, Sex, Class.

Of the 45 interdisciplinary studies women's studies majors, one is male.

There are two full-time faculty members and one temporary instructor. Also, there are about 50 affiliated professors who teach cross-listed classes.

Berry said there is a need for women's studies because there is an omission of women's lives, issues and perspectives in the dominant disciplines and a misrepresentation of

women's lives produced by those disciplines.

David Hickenbottom, a business administration sophomore, is a student in WS 107.

He initially enrolled in the class to fulfill the Diversity and Common Ground requirement. He said that he was interested in learning what women really think about men. However, he has been enlightened.

"I like the discussions we have in class," Hickenbottom said. "It made me see women in a more positive note, seeing how they've been oppressed. I have more respect for women and their struggles now."

Lupe Rizo, a political science junior, has taken a few women's studies classes.

She said for her, women's studies is about empowering women, especially women of color, and makes intersections such as power, privilege and race visible.

"I take [women's studies classes] for self gratification," she said. "I'm not doing this for credit or anything, I want to learn it on an intellectual level."

Rizo said it seems as if many people think women's studies is either a class about lesbians or hating men.

"It's a misconception. People shouldn't go in thinking it's

a man-hating class," Rizo said. "It's not just about women hating men and how horrible they are but how gender, class and race come into play — how to succeed in life."

Berry said in women's studies classes, "we are looking at complex relations of power, identity and privilege in the classroom. Our focus is on social institutions, not on individuals."

Hickenbottom said when he arrived on the first day of class and saw only three guys and 27 women, his first thought was "it was going to be a man-hating class."

He said he is now more open minded about things like sexuality, class and gender than he once was.

"It's important to have a historical understanding of why feminism is equated with man haters," Berry said. "Equating feminism with man hater is a strategy to delegitimize social justice work feminism calls for."

"[Women's studies] deals with intersection, not just about gender," Rizo said. "It's not women against men, it's about a community against institutions that keep people oppressed."

— Viola "VI" Kerhoulas contributed to this story.

SLAMfest 2006

Sustainable living delivered in festival form

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Last weekend, HSU and the Arcata community celebrated the 11th annual Sustainable Living, Arts and Music Festival, also known as the SLAMfest.

Starting at noon and running until 8 p.m., the event showed the best of environmental awareness and appreciation of the arts. With the temperature in the upper 50s with clear blue skies, it was

definitely a day to celebrate the environment.

The event was held in the Gist Hall parking lot and adjacent courtyard with classroom lectures being held indoors. The main area was comprised of booths where different vendors and nonprofit organizations were showing and selling their services and wares. To the back of the booths was the

main stage and to the side of the stage was the courtyard where HSU clubs tabled.

"I knew there was going to be some music and some booths about environmental activity," said Julia West, an economics junior. "Basically, I came to see what's out here and to check out the music."

The event started off with a

performance by the HSU Calypso Band playing the main stage, and the music was able to keep the spirits up for the duration of the event. There were performances by local bands Stereo Chromatic and WoMama, the Oakland-based hip-hop group Zion I, and The Motet, a Boulder, Colo.-based, Afro-beat, Afro-Cuban, Latin, funk and jazz band.

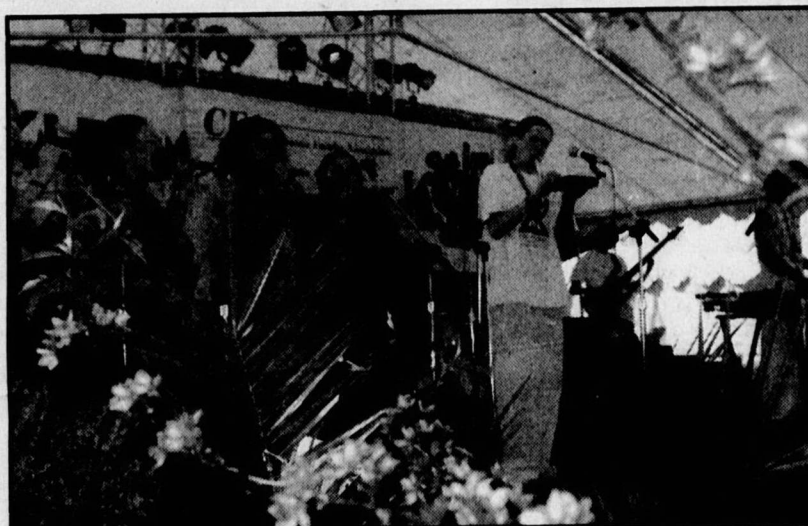
Over the course of the event, speeches were given by Gregg Gold of the Sierra Club, former Green Party presidential candidate David Cobb and Arcata Vice-Mayor Harmony Groves on political and environmental responsibility.

Regarding the significance of

see SLAMFEST, next page



The SLAMfest cools down, thanks to a hose shower.



When not learning the ins and outs of sustainable living, the crowd was entertained by WoMama, one of the four acts at this year's SLAMfest.



Photos by Elizabeth Hilbig

Broadcasting students go live

'The Humboldt Report' gives students a crash course in television news

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Under the guidance of faculty adviser Jan Kraepelien, students have the chance to step into the fast-paced world of TV broadcast news. It's 3:50 p.m. on a Thursday

afternoon, and excitement is running rampant for one group of HSU students. Only 10 minutes to go until their skills will be put to the test during the television

broadcast of "The Humboldt Report."

The one-hour news program is produced by students in the TV news workshop course, JMC 490. But unlike the staff of a professional news program, students in the TV news workshop are allowed to experience each job involved in the production of a live news broadcast. Reporters this week may be directors the next week.

"We're all kind of involved in everything," Izabella Szarama said. "None of us have one set role that we do. We rotate. Sometimes I do the weather for 'The Humboldt Report,' other times I'm behind the camera, or even in the studio, editing or working on field reports."

Efren Lopez has been an anchor for three weeks in a row, but said that he doesn't mind taking on other jobs.

"I enjoy every bit of it," Lopez

said.

Although this is the first semester of broadcasting "The Humboldt Report," Kraepelien was the faculty advisor for a similar TV news workshop in which HSU students produced a news program called "The Tuesday Evening Report." Kraepelien had set up that workshop in the early 1990s and it was offered at HSU for several years.

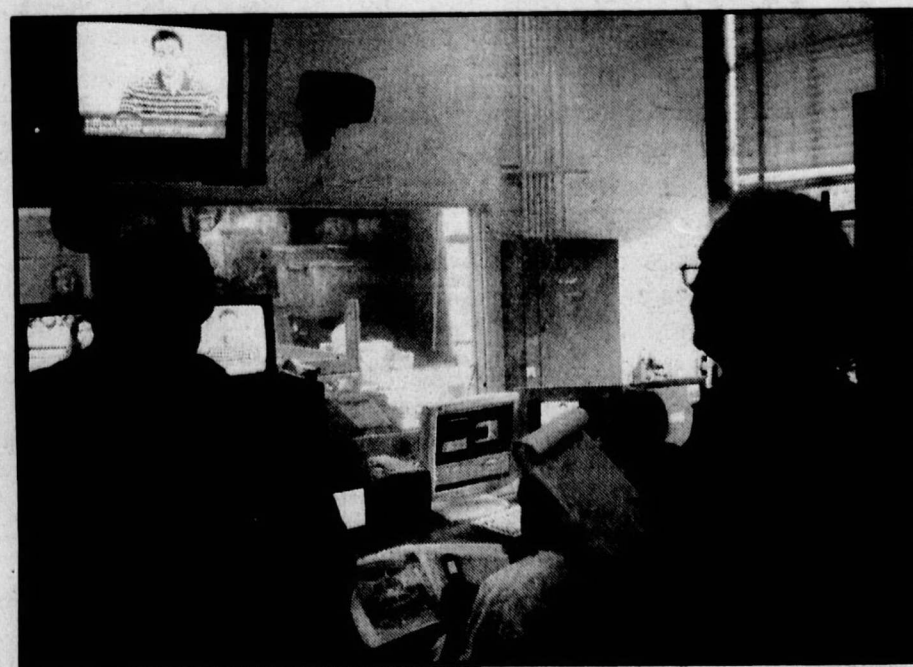
"It was very successful when we did it before," Kraepelien said. "And I wanted to bring it back."

But the chance to work on a live news program is something that HSU students enrolled in the previous TV news workshop did not get to experience. Members of the news team working for "The Humboldt Report," such as Amy Rooker, are appreciative of that opportunity.

"There's just something about becoming familiar with the time

frame around a live show," Rooker said. "Things start to happen and in that hour whatever happens, happens. And we try to make the right things happen. It's a really good experience that you don't get very often. Because the potential for mistakes is so great with a live broadcast, a lot of times they're really looking for people who already have experience with a live broadcast, and the question is, 'how do you get that experience the first time?' And this is a great way to get it."

"The Humboldt Report" is broadcast live every Thursday at 4 p.m. on the Arcata Community Access station and is replayed at 7, 8 and 11 p.m. the same evening. At the end of this semester, "The Humboldt Report" will go on hiatus, but Kraepelien said the course will be offered again next spring.



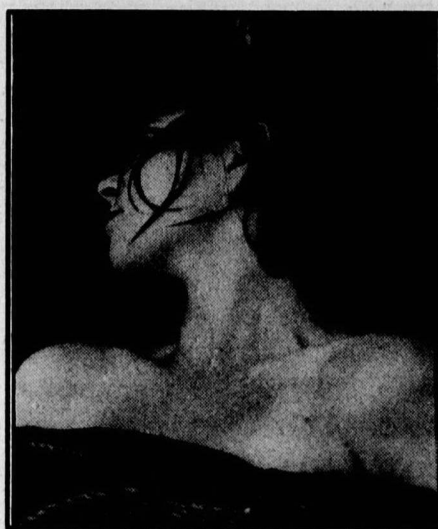
Jan Kraepelien watches as Efrén Lopez delivers the sports news for the Humboldt Report.

Cole Saxton

Who's on display?

Q & A with Amber Agent

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Q. How long have you been an art student at HSU?

A. I am currently a fourth year senior.

Q. How would you describe your style of art?

A. I have two styles of art, black and white, and color. I started exploring things around me. I do self portraits and also portraits of others with black-and-white film. I also do nature photography and landscape photography.

Q. What is your favorite medium to work in?

A. I work in black-and-white and color 35-millimeter film.

Q. Which animal would you take home: Nemo, from "Finding Nemo," or Stitch from "Lilo and Stitch?"

A. Definitely would have to be Nemo. I love the ocean and it would be awesome to have a saltwater tank.

Q. Has your style progressed at all since you have been at Humboldt State University?

A. Before coming here, I was shooting more straightforward images. Now I am taking more of an artistic approach to shooting pictures. Also, before coming here I didn't have a sense of image manipulation during the printing process.

Q. Which other artists have influenced your style?

A. The artist Wyland with his marine art. Marine photography is where I would like to go in the future. I took a scuba class in Australia where I was certified, however I have not taken any classes in underwater photography as of yet.

Q. Do you have a favorite piece of artwork by another artist?

A. Jim Warren, "Tea Party," it is done in a Wyland-like style.

Q. Your house is under attack by 7-foot tall barbarians. What do you use to defend yourself?

A. I would beat them off with my heavy metal tripod. With one swift blow to the legs, they would be crushed.

"Who's on display" is a regular feature that profiles an HSU student currently displaying his or her work somewhere on campus.

Q. What books have you read recently?

A. I read a book for photo class recently called "Art and Fear." I don't remember the name of the author.

Q. What movies have you watched recently?

A. "Touching the Void." It is a documentary about rock climbers.

Q. If someone filmed a documentary of your life, what would it be called?

A. "Quest for Adventure."



Amber Agent is currently displaying her work at the Foyer in the Art building as part of the Advanced Photography class.

SLAMFEST: Education and entertainment

continued from previous page

the issue of environmental sustainability and its societal significance, the views of the participants in the SLAM festival were similar.

"I think it is a big issue everywhere," said Andrea Allen, an environmental engineering graduate student volunteering at the Green Campus table.

Paul Nicastro, a geography major at HSU volunteering at the Summer Leadership Education Adventure Programs booth, said, "I think that Humboldt County is more aware of the issue, but I think it needs to be applied in more places than Humboldt County."

The crowd was constantly fluctuating, but it appeared that there were always several hundred people at the festival

at a given time.

"I was expecting more people to show up later on," West said.

"There are probably around 500 people here at a given time," Nicastro said.

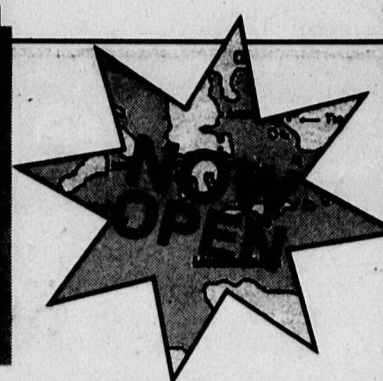
The Sustainable Living, Arts and Music Festival has done well to open people's minds to environmental sustainability and the groups that support it.

"It does a good job with that. Community involvement benefits organizations that won't get publicity elsewhere," Nicastro said. "Besides that, it is a great way to spend a Saturday."



Zion, of Zion I, finishes the festival with a hip-hop beat.

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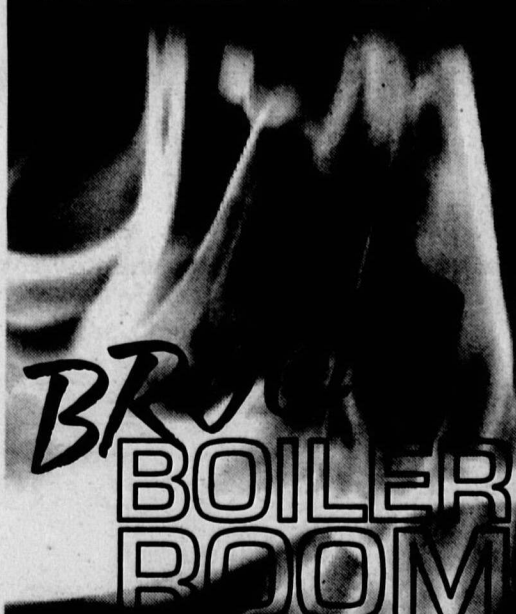
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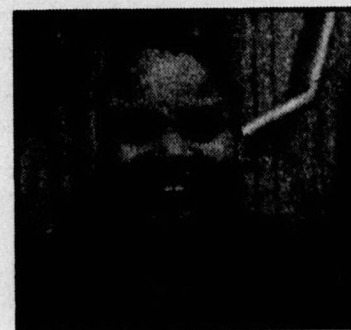
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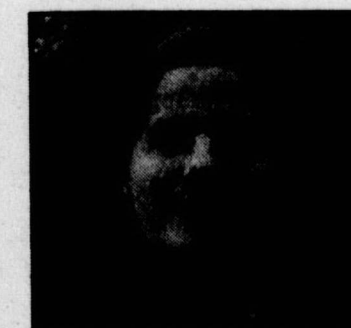
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Biodiesel in a blender

Small batches of the same fuel Footprint makes can be made in your own blender

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With the right gear, you can make your own biodiesel from the comfort of your kitchen. Here are the basics on biodiesel production in a blender.

Industrial technician Mike Koger dedicates himself to maintaining and improving the biodiesel production at Footprint Recycling. He said that most people involved with biodiesel began experimenting with fuel production on the small-scale blender level.

"Biodiesel production in a blender is the same as production at Footprint, but on a different scale," Koger said.

He said, due to the chemicals involved, a blender used for biodiesel should never be used for food preparation again. He added that, since blenders usually include brittle plastic parts, the appliance needs a thorough cleaning after every batch. He also recommended using a blender with a glass container.

Astrid Dobo, a 2005 HSU graduate in environmental science, ran her last truck on biodiesel. She also worked as a biodiesel technician at CCAT during her junior and senior years.

Dobo said any container works for mixing, as long as it holds enough liquid for the batch you have planned. Considering the volume of a fuel tank, Dobo said the ideal container is larger than a blender: a 5- to 10-gallon bucket, or bigger. She suggested using a drill with a paint mixer to stir the large batches.

It is important to make several test mixes to determine the lye needed to neutralize and react oil, Dobo said. The titrations, or chemical tests, allow you to properly set the pH for the biodiesel reaction.

Dobo said the only complicated part to making your own biodiesel is calculating the amount of lye needed for the chemical reaction to occur that splits the vegetable molecules from glycerin.

This depends on a mathematical equation and varies based on the fatty acids in the oil. The amount of lye solution required for titration provides one variable in the equation.

New vegetable oil needs a set amount of 3.5 grams of lye per liter, rather than a value determined by the equation.

"If you have too much lye, the biodiesel

will have a lye residue," Dobo said, "and if there is not enough, the biodiesel will be coagulated, white and soapy."

The solution must then be stored in a glass jar or other covered container while the settling process unfolds, Koger said. Once the solution mixes into biodiesel it stays good for at least a year, and longer if kept in a cold climate.

Dobo said the finished product may need to settle out for several weeks before the cloudiness from the glycerin byproduct

"Biodiesel production in a blender is the same as production at Footprint, but on a different scale."

Mike Koger
Industrial Technician

drops out, but a well-mixed batch can feed the fuel tank a day after production.

If the fuel hasn't reacted fully it could cause damage to your car. Dobo said a friend recently filled his diesel tank with biodiesel from a Ukiah-based company, only to find that the fuel was too thick. His filter had to be replaced and his fuel tank pumped 3 times, all due to poorly manufactured fuel.

Look at your biodiesel after the settling period and make sure no soapy residue sits on top or glycerin remains in solution, and

"Do not use a batch that you have doubts about; follow each step carefully for success."

Astrid Dobo
Environmental science graduate

go to a reliable source to fuel up when on the road. Dobo said it should be a clear and light yellow syrup, separated out from the glycerin.

"Do not use a batch that you have doubts about; follow each step carefully for success," she said.

If your bucket, or that thrift-store blender, awaits the opportunity to concoct some fuel, there are several key ingredients.

The supplies all are available in the area. Koger said small biodiesel makers can purchase the drain opener Lewis Red Devil lye from the local hardware store, while methanol usually comes from specialty fuel suppliers in the form of racer fuel.

"Waste oil is kinda' hard to get these days because restaurants are in contract with rendering companies," Koger said. Often blender batches involve fresh, store-bought veggie oil; waste oil is messy and difficult to obtain, he said.

Once you have the goods, Koger said it is important to work in a well-ventilated room.

"Worst-case scenario: sitting in a barrel of methanol, eventually you will go blind from exposure; stay longer, and you die," Koger said.

Methanol in the vapor stage gets inhaled and leads to headaches and nausea before symptoms worsen, he said.

This is why biodiesel should be made in a well-ventilated room, Dobo said.

HSU Biochemistry Professor Jeffrey Schindler said properly handled chemicals pose no threat.

"You have to wear the appropriate gloves, eye protection and lab coat," he said.

Schindler and Koger each said they keep a material safety data sheet on hand, with chemical information from the supplier.

While it requires careful adherence to the guidelines and involves some dangerous chemicals, the produced fuel you can make out of a blender will power your diesel motor and spill all over you without any health concerns.

If you want to take corporate control out of your gas tank, one thing you can do is make diesel. And with a little effort and some patience, that fuel can be a product of elbow grease as well as vegetable oil.

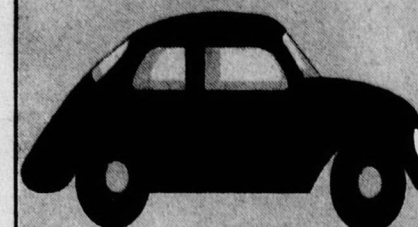
Biodiesel in 6 easy steps

1. Perform a titration to determine the amount of lye needed
2. Dissolve the lye into 200 milliliters of methanol
3. Mix the sodium methoxide with 1 liter of vegetable oil for 20 minutes
4. Allow the glycerin to settle for at least 8 hours. Most of the separation occurs within the first hour, so you will see immediate progress.
5. Separate the biodiesel from the glycerin, using a siphon or other method that allows collection without pouring, as this would undo important settling
6. Drive!

Titration:

Measurements

1. Dissolve 1 gram of lye into 1 liter of distilled water
2. Dissolve 1 milliliter of vegetable oil into 10 milliliters of isopropyl alcohol
3. Drop the solution, one milliliter at a time, into the diluted vegetable oil while measuring the pH
4. When the pH rises to 8 or 9, the free fatty acids have been neutralized



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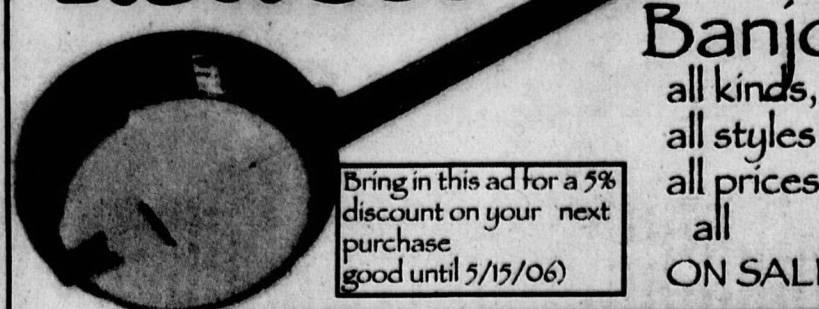
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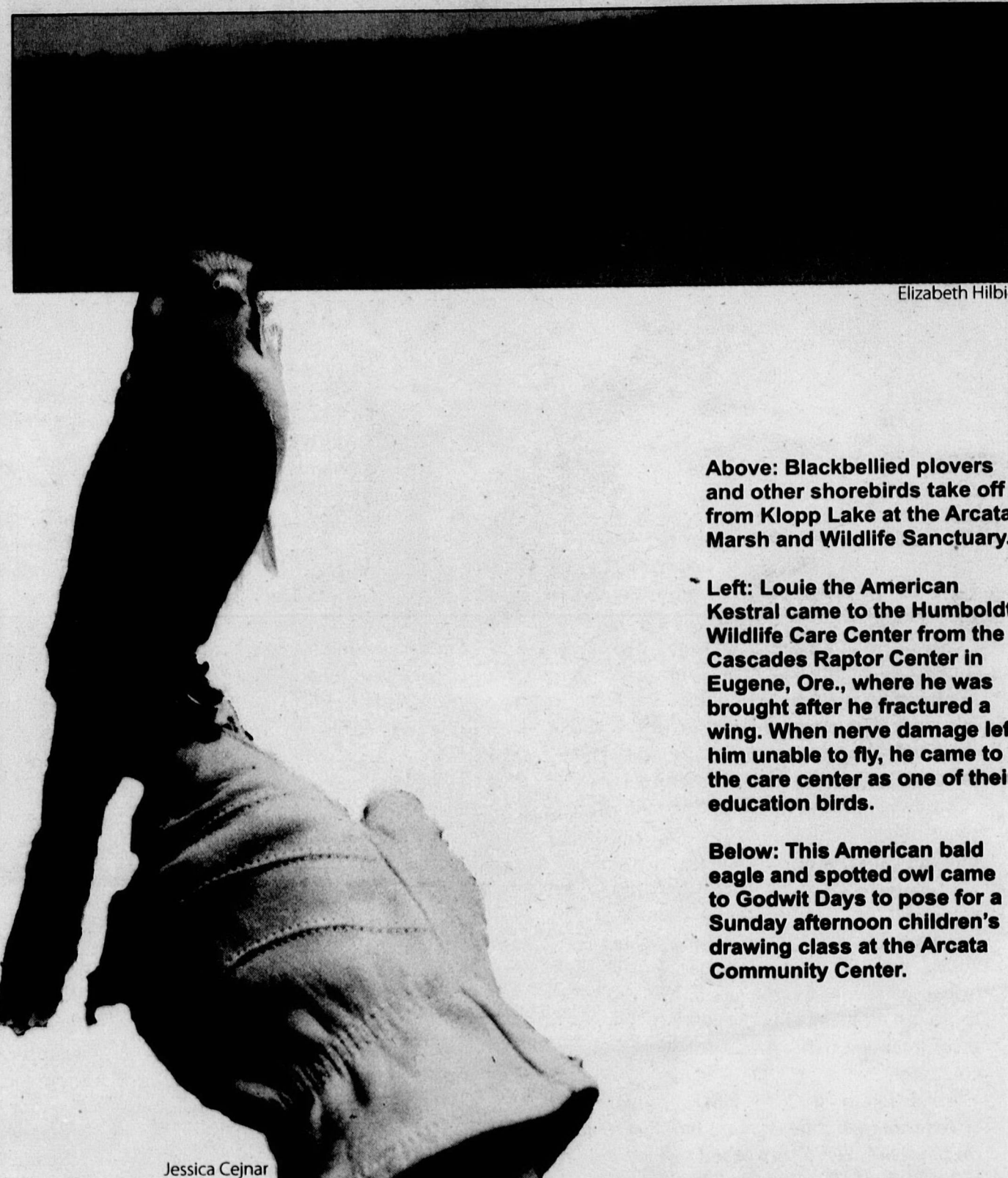
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**Above: Blackbellied plovers
and other shorebirds take off
from Klopp Lake at the Arcata
Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary.**

**Left: Louie the American
Kestrel came to the Humboldt
Wildlife Care Center from the
Cascades Raptor Center in
Eugene, Ore., where he was
brought after he fractured a
wing. When nerve damage left
him unable to fly, he came to
the care center as one of their
education birds.**

**Below: This American bald
eagle and spotted owl came
to Godwit Days to pose for a
Sunday afternoon children's
drawing class at the Arcata
Community Center.**



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Jo Bundros



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Above: A marbled godwit wades in the shallows of the Arcata Marsh in search of insects and other invertebrates.

Middle: Utah residents Leslie and Christo Morris look at an osprey through their scope during a Godwit Days fieldtrip to the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary.

Right: Al the Great Horned Owl hangs out at the Arcata Community Center for the 11th annual Godwit Days festival. Al came to the Humboldt Wildlife Care Center in 2000 with a broken wing and has served as an ambassador for



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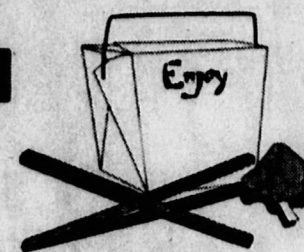
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Lumberjack Editorial

Pricey parking permits

In the next three years, parking permits will nearly double, from \$90 per semester to \$157.50. On top of that, the HSU administration has proposed charging weekday rates for parking and requiring permits when classes aren't in session.

The current proposal doesn't include enforcing parking fees on the weekends, although that may become an issue in the future. Those trips to the Library on Saturday may end up costing students as well.

HSU Parking Manager Steve Sullivan said the proposal, as well as the increased parking fees, will go toward the parking structure the university plans to build. It will also encourage alternative transportation such as taking the bus and carpooling. "It's free to ride the bus," he said. So true. But let's think this through. The university is trying to discourage people from driving their cars to school. They do this in several ways, including supporting Car Free Day and the Green Wheels Club, formerly known as the Alternative Transportation Club. Yet by raising fees and consequently forcing students to re-think their modes of transportation, they're funding a structure to add more parking spaces. Make sense?

The most ludicrous thing of all, perhaps, is that Sullivan said such fees aren't a problem for people. "People don't mind paying the costs of transportation, whether it is parking fees, bridge tolls, or toll roads," he said. "Each customer pays for the product they are using." Did he ask any students if they will mind paying nearly double what they're paying now for parking?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

HSU officials downplay choking

Dear Editor,

In February I was shocked to hear that a fellow student/TA was accused of choking a female student and threatening to kill another female student. I was even more surprised to find out that, although an investigation was actively going on, the student/TA remained in class.

When I communicated my concern to University officials, some were indifferent, some were resentful, and others were helpful. But none were able to take the student/TA out of class or offer me any option to complete the class without the student/TA being in the same room.

HSU students should not have to endure the

fear and intimidation of knowing that a person accused of choking and threatening to kill another person is sharing the same classroom. I was also surprised and amazed that President Richmond not only failed to act on this matter but did not find the subject important enough to even respond to my e-mail or phone call.

I am graduating soon and would like to give something back to HSU by helping to create a comfortable and safe learning environment. Please call me at 822-5632 if anyone has questions.

Olivia Carter

fisheries biology with a minor in scientific diving

Resistance works

Dear Editor,

An inspiring example of civic courage appeared in John Osborn's report about the actions of Melbee Batka [The Lumberjack, April 19]. Ms. Batka, a marine biology major, had the fearless determination to single-handedly track down the thief who had broken into her car and then she drew upon her resourcefulness and dauntless perseverance to recover her stolen possessions. Ms. Batka's display of tenacity and GUTS presents a stark contrast to those who say "it doesn't do any good" to resist the criminal element.

My thanks to Mr. Osborn and to The Lumberjack for proclaiming the account of Melbee Batka's resolve and fortitude to the attention of the public.

Carman Gentile
Eureka

CAPS can do better

Dear Editor,

I am a resident and nurse in Arcata. I just read the article in The 'Jack "Counseling center doing its best" [The Lumberjack, April 19] by Jennifer Sanford. I recently came across the Web site for UC Irvine's counseling and health services ...

My comment to her is: When a counseling center does its best, this is what it looks like: www.chs.uci.edu.

Dawn LaBorde Wade
Arcata

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Political stain remover

Dear Editor,

Our District Attorney has spoken, on many occasions, about the need for professional and personal distance between his office and the law enforcement agencies he oversees. If there was ever any doubt about the correctness of such a policy, recent events involving apparent "excessive and unnecessary force" by members of these agencies should prove his point.

The notion that a small force such as ours can investigate and prosecute its members fairly and without bias is suspect in the least event.

This is not a "least event."

The victim I refer to was identified as a woman, suffering from "post traumatic stress disorder," not having taken her medication, and behaving in an irrational manner. But was she a danger to anyone? If a threat existed, why weren't the streets cleared? The stores and apartment building should have been emptied if she was considered likely to discharge a "deadly weapon." Or was it in fact a weapon at all?

I wonder how much official "stain remover" will be spread to recreate the illusion that it was all done for our protection; no mistakes were made, no poor judgment was exercised, and the chain of command performed flawlessly. I personally put my trust in this D.A.'s office to come to the correct and just conclusion of this tragic page in our city's history. Think about this when you vote on June 6.

Jaime O'Donnell
Trinidad

Ape Launcher silenced from Siemen's Hall

Dear Editor,

On Monday afternoon, our band, Ape Launcher, attempted to play for those who would listen on the HSU Quad. This was not our first time playing there, nor will it be the last. However, after our first song, Steven Butler, Vice President of Student Affairs (whose office views the Quad from the southeast corner of Siemens Hall), asked his messenger to tell us we must turn down our volume or be pulled.

Out of respect for ourselves, and his wishes, we turned down. After the second song we were asked again or we would be pulled. As I peered beyond the messenger, I saw staff watching and waiting for my decision. Again we turned down and tried to play a third song, but who will accept that our music is not dance-groove or otherwise aesthetically happy or friendly. Steven had no interest in disrupting his job or passive hearing experience to converse with us as to why there was a problem.

Yet we have successfully performed on the Quad twice before with no mention of decibel problems or volume offense. Perhaps it is our abrasive style of music that Steven found unnerving. I am proud that our music can have such an effect; maybe it is a wake-up call that diversity includes accepting what you don't like and considering from a different perspective.

The serious lack of venues and performance options for bands in Humboldt County makes the noon-to-1-p.m. option in the Quad the perfect opportunity for artists to share their ideas in a safe environment.

In my five years here, I have witnessed many offensive acts of religious, social, political and otherwise personal opinions expressed and debated in a mature fashion. What we experienced on Monday was a mistake, a step away from the openness of a mature college community. Steven, reconsider your position to represent the students. We care about our freedom of expression even though it might not suit your personal view. Grow up.

Kevin Repp
Ape Launcher

Smoking situation not working

Dear Editor,

Right now, a group of concerned students is working to change the smoking situation on campus. We are working in the interests of both smokers and non-smokers in order to safeguard the health of HSU students. We have gained a lot of support around campus, but still need to spread the word about our cause.

Currently, the smoking policy states that people can only smoke in designated areas, but very few people follow this rule. There are two main reasons for this.

The first is that the signs that are currently up are few and far between, as well as hard to notice. Also, smoking areas are not indicated on the campus maps. So, because of inadequate signage, people don't KNOW where they are (and are NOT) allowed to smoke.

This results in people smoking in non-smoking areas, which is bad for everyone involved. The smokers get abused, and the nearby non-smokers get exposed to a large amount of air pollution and secondhand smoke.

The other problem is the lack of covered smoking areas. We all know how the weather can be around here. Because there are not enough covered smoking areas, smokers are forced to either stand out in the rain or seek shelter under overhangs and in doorways.

The health of smokers is compromised when they have to stand in the rain, and the health of non-smokers is compromised when they are exposed to the secondhand smoke from people smoking in the shelter near buildings and doorways.

We are working to get HSU to approve the installation of more appropriate signs and the building of covered smoking areas. This change will benefit the health and well being of both smokers and non-smokers. We really need support.

Erin Brianna Kirwan

Tragedy in Redwood Grove

Zachary Mermel and Noelle Melchizedek
Guest columnists

On Thursday, April 20, six trees were removed from the redwood grove directly above the site of the new CCAT facility. The trees were allegedly felled in order to accommodate a boulder retaining wall above a handicap-accessible sidewalk leading to the Behavioral and Social Sciences (BSS) Building's Native American Forum.

Those overseeing the BSS project maintain that stability and soil conditions warranted the creation of a slope from the sidewalk, at a 45-degree angle. This supposedly necessitated cutting down the six trees.

This news was communicated to the members of the CCAT community on the eve of the actual cutting, less than 24 hours prior to the activity. Many of those involved with CCAT who had shared, learned, taught, played and meditated in the redwood grove have been deeply affected by this event.

Tears were shed and hugs were shared as the noise of chainsaws pronounced the fate of those six redwood trees. CCAT classes and workshops have been taught in this grove for the better part of three decades. Even though CCAT only recently obtained a defined border for the new site,

this redwood grove was the last intact part of the old CCAT grounds, a place that was one of the most peaceful, calming and

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sacred at CCAT.

Just over an hour after the chainsaws were started, the two of us contacted and spoke with HSU administrators about this matter, in an effort to both understand the situation and work toward an alternative solution. While a CCAT co-director was able to meet with three top-level administrators, the administration was unwilling to find alternatives to the sidewalk construction that supposedly required that the trees be cut.

The chainsaws were cutting down these trees as this meeting took place and were not stopped by those who had the ability to do so, even during the discussion.

There was an obvious lack of communication between HSU and CCAT that the removal of

the redwood trees was even a possibility. When the plans for the BSS building were first being developed, CCAT made every effort to be involved. However, it was never expressed to CCAT that the redwood trees in the grove were in danger of being cut.

There is the very real possibility that the lives of two more trees will be taken from within the redwood grove. The destruction of these redwood trees is the most recent example of the unwillingness of certain persons within Humboldt State University to be truly inclusive of CCAT specifically, and of the student voice generally.

This action flies in the face of one of the core values that CCAT stands for: intentional planning, namely, thinking about the impacts of our actions upon the future, facilitated by communication and cooperation with the groups affected by decisions. If these recent actions foretell the possible future of HSU, then immediate action must be taken so that the students of this university play an equal part in the decision-making process.

Zachary Mermel and Noelle Melchizedek are CCAT co-directors. Send comments to thejack@humboldt.edu.

Cell-phone abuse ringing across HSU and the globe

Thomas Williams
Guest columnist

Phone conversation:

"Hello, babe. What am I going to do? I can't get the class. It's full!"

Pause.

"You don't understand. I have to have this class."

Pause.

"I know it's not your fault, I'm just saying..."

Pause.

"I know I should have done it last week. I was just busy!"

Pause.

"You don't understand. If I don't get this class, I'm screwed; they only offer it in the fall. I'll have to drive all the way to CR. Oh, my, God, I had to do that my junior year. I don't want to do that again. It sucked! It took hella long to get there."

Pause.

"Whatever. I'm not yelling."

This phone call took place in the second floor computer lab in Gist Hall about a week ago, affecting myself and about 15 others. Prior to this jarring interruption, the lab was peaceful and quiet, everyone working separately yet all in harmony.

Currently, America is experiencing a phenomenon known as cell-phone abuse. With cell-phone use on the rise, it is inevitable that cell-phone abuse will increase as well. According to Brandon Griggs, author of "Cell Phones: Balancing the Good and Bad," "Almost 195 million

Americans — 65 percent of the population — own a cell phone. There are more cell phones in the United States than land lines, and the market for them continues to expand."

The problem isn't the cell phone itself; the problem is the user. In today's society, you can't go anywhere without being constantly bombarded by ring tones and moronic babbling. With the number of cell-phone users growing daily, approximately 2 billion worldwide, responsibility and discretion need to be practiced if we truly wish to live among each other in harmony.

Although I personally do not use a cell phone, I understand that it has become an integral part of society. Life is now lived at a much faster pace and much more is expected of us, yet less time is available.

Businessmen can now conduct their affairs without constantly checking in with the office. Doctors can be reached for medical emergencies in seconds. Roadside assistance can be reached from the comfort of our cars. The list is seemingly endless! "After all, cell phones aren't just phones anymore. They're PDAs, cameras, alarm clocks, MP3 players, text messengers, video-gaming devices, flashlights and mobile links to the Internet. At the end of

the day, the cell phone is a communicator rather than a divider. And that's why the product has been so popular," says Rick Barlow, area general manager for Cricket Communications, which operates in 20 states, including Utah. "It's changed social norms."

Although this case may seem extreme, it illustrates how powerfully agitating cell-phone abuse can be.

The problem of cell-phone abuse is not exclusive to America and Germany. In France, legislation has been passed permitting mobile-phone jamming devices in public venues. These devices are gaining popularity as surveys show that the devices are supported by 85 percent of the French people. In addition, the devices are gaining acceptance in both Finland

and Italy, where 70 percent supported their implementation.

Herein America, designers Jim Coudal and Aaron Draplin have devised their own creative measures to deal with disruptive cell-phone abuse. The

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The phenomenon known as cell-phone abuse is bound to worsen if we as a society don't start exhibiting more self control. Take, for example, the report in a European newspaper that, "A German man was battered to death with a beer bottle after his mobile phone rang repeatedly, annoying bystanders in a Hamburg beer garden."

two established the Society for Hand Held Hushing, or SHHH! Working together, they designed a series of free downloadable cards containing messages such as, "Just so you know: Everyone around you is being forced to listen to your conversation" and "The world is a noisy place. You aren't helping things." These "Hush cards" can be used instead of being passively victimized by cell phone abusers and can be accessed at www.coudal.com/shhhcards.pdf. For those who think the term "cell-phone abuse" is an exaggeration, tell it to the quarter of a million people who've accessed the site!

The epidemic known as cell-phone abuse is affecting every single one of us in America. The problem is that societal norms are changing slower than the technologies that cause the problems. Since arriving on the scene, cell-phone use has literally spread like a wildfire and has taken everyone by storm. It is impossible to say how and when cell-phone abuse started and it's futile to try. Our parents, who we rely on to provide us with sound morals and ethics, certainly couldn't provide us with the proper etiquette. They didn't grow up using cell phones and, as a result, are learning as they go, as we all are.

As Americans, we pride ourselves as being trendsetters, not followers. If we wish to retain our freedom and avoid having to be regulated by jamming devices, we need to take individual responsibility for our actions. All cell phone users need to take the time to ask themselves, "Is this an appropriate place to hold a conversation?" Showing a little common courtesy and self-consciousness will go a long way in eliminating cell-phone abuse.

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CALENDAR

29

26 Wednesday

Club Meeting. HSU Geographic Society. Founder's Hall 126. "The Harper Room." Noon.

Club Meeting. Black Student Union. Multicultural Center. House 55. 5 p.m.

Club Meeting. Asian Pacific American Student Alliance. Multicultural Center. House 55. 5 p.m.

Club Meeting. Oceanography Society. Marine science education, beach clean-ups, whales, turtles, aquariums, marine technology, science projects, volunteering and all things marine. Natural Resources building 205. 5 p.m.

Club Meeting. Child Development Association. Nelson Hall East 115. 5:30 p.m.

Lecture. Jane Roberts, cofounder of 34 Million Friends of the United Nations Population Fund, a grassroots movement asking 34 million Americans to stand up for the women of the world. Humboldt Area Foundation, 373 Indianola Rd., Bayside. 6:30 p.m.

Club Meeting. Poetry League. Founder's Hall 206. 7 p.m.

Movie Night. "Juvies." Come find out where your tax dollars go and why your tuition continues to increase. Sponsored by Operation U-Turn. Founder's Hall 126. 7 p.m.

Kelly O'Brien's Pub. DJ Rickshaw. 415 5th St., Eureka. Free. 7 p.m.

Center Arts. Ballet Folklorico de Veracruz - Quetzalli. Quetzalli whisks you away in a heady rush of tapping heels, dazzling costumes and seductive rhythms. Quetzalli journeys through Mexico's rich and diverse cultural history. Adults \$30, Senior/Child \$25, HSU Students \$15. Van Duzer Theatre. 8 p.m.

Six Rivers Brewery. Moses Lincoln Johnson, bluegrass. 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville. 8 p.m.

Broggi's Broiler Room. Makin Muzic Karaoke. 3534 Broadway, Eureka. 9 p.m.

27 Thursday

Club Meeting. Women's Center General Meeting. Multicultural Center. House 55. 5 p.m.

Club Meeting. Green Wheels. Create sustainable transportation. UC South Lounge. 5 p.m.

Club Meeting. Humboldt Circus. Come learn circus skills. Forbes Complex 201. 5 - 7 p.m.

Club Meeting. Mecha. The Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan invites you. Nelson Hall East 106. 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Club Meeting. Queer Student Union. Multicultural Center. House 55. 7 p.m.

The Pearl Lounge. 507 2nd St., Eureka. \$5. 8 p.m.

HSU Natural History Museum. Paleobotany, or Playing Detective With Dead Plants and Rocks. A visual journey to the world of plant fossils, looking at how they are discovered and how they have shaped the way we understand the history of life on Earth. Real fossil specimens will be shown. The lecture is geared for adults but interested children ages 10 and up are welcome with an adult. \$2 members/students, \$4 non-members. 7 - 8:15 p.m.

Center Arts. David Sedaris. One of America's wittiest, most irreverent voices and the author of the best-selling 'Me Talk Pretty One Day and Naked.' Van Duzer Theatre. 8:00 p.m.

Festival of Ten Minute Plays. Drama, comedy, satire, magical realism and more. The best of this year's ten minute plays written, directed and performed by HSU students. Event runs Thursday 27 thru Saturday 29. Gist Hall Theatre. Free. 8 p.m.

Dance. Teatro Pachuco presents "All Fall Down," a new dance show by Rudi Galindo. Local performing artist Rudi Galindo, in collaboration with Italian dancer Lisa Da Boit, use dance and movement to investigate the human condition and the boundaries of love, death, oppression and compassion. Dancenter, 824 L St., Arcata. Tickets are \$10 general, \$8 for students and seniors. Event runs Thursday 27 - Sunday 30. 8 p.m.

28 Friday

CCAT. Volunteer day. Pursue our multi-disciplinary volunteer experience for a more sustainable future. Work with our friendly staff on a variety of projects either in the CCAT house or on the CCAT grounds. All are welcome and no experience is necessary. Jenkins House 99. 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Fix it Friday's. Bicycle Learning Center will show you how to fix a flat tire. Patches and tools on hand, but no tubes. HSU Quad. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

NORML Hemp Workshop. Learn about California's industrial hemp legalization bill, HB 1147. Write a letter to your local representative or the governor, sign a petition, learn how to make hemp jewelry, and learn about the history of hemp and its many applications. CCAT Jenkins House 99. 3 - 5 p.m.

Poetry. Brent Jenkins will read with his own unique multimedia accompaniment. Mark Shikuma will read new poems with cellist Shao Way Wu. Northtown Books 957 H St. Arcata, CA. 7 p.m.

Humboldt Folkdancers. Presbyterian Church. Open to all, dances will be taught. 11th and G St., Arcata. 7:30 - 11 p.m.

Movies at The Shanty. Double feature of Seattle filmmaker Alex R. Mayer's cult classics, Hell Hole High and Doomed Planet. 21+ Free. 213 3rd St., Eureka. 9 p.m.

29 Saturday

Arcata Farmers Market. Ripe fruits and vegetables, sweet honey, fresh oysters, trees, flowers, herbs, cheese and more. Arcata Plaza. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

May Day! Celebrate the return of the sun with CCAT! We will offer a variety of workshops and speakers to educate and enliven about green living and social sustainability. Traditional May Day celebrations such as flowered headdresses and a dance around the may pole. Diverse musical lineup provides a backdrop of live performance. Fun for all ages. Jenkins House 99. Noon - 7:30 p.m.

Benefit. The Northcoast Preparatory and Performing Arts Academy benefit features French dinner, dancing to The Delta Nationals. wine tasting, hors d'oeuvres and the chance to bid on an array of silent auction items. Bayside Grange. 2297 Jacoby Creek Rd., Bayside. 5:30 p.m.

ARMACK Orchestra. 10th annual Gala Dinner at the Arcata Community Center. Tickets are \$25. For reservations call 839-4565 or 442-7250. Arcata Community Center, 321 Community Park Way, Arcata. \$25. 5:30 p.m.

Center Arts. Masters of the Steel Drum. steel drum virtuosos Ray Holman, Clifford Alexis, and Liam Teague backed by Humboldt State's own Calypso Band. Van Duzer Theatre. 8 p.m.

30 Sunday

Club Meeting. Lindy Hop Club. Forbes Complex 126. 3 - 5 p.m.

Economic Fuel Award Presentation. \$25,000 in seed capital will be presented to each of the top four teams, enabling them to start their businesses in Humboldt County. Four other contestants will be awarded the remaining \$17,000 in cash prizes to continue their entrepreneurial dreams. The Wharfinger Building at the Eureka Public Marina. #1 Marina Way, Eureka. 5:30 p.m.

Humbrews. Club Confessions, featuring Deep Groove Society. 856 10th St., Arcata. 9 p.m.

1 Monday

Associated Students Council Meeting. Open Meetin. UC South Lounge. 2 - 5 p.m.

Club Meeting. Chess Club. Nelson Hall East 116. 7 p.m.

2 Tuesday

Club Meeting. Humboldt Circus. Forbes Complex 201. 5 - 7 p.m.

Club Meeting. Natural Resources Club. Natural Resources 203. 5:30 p.m.

Club Meeting. Lutheran College Fellowship (The Path). Bible study. Nelson Hall East 115. 7:30 p.m.

Humbrews. Humboldt hip-hop Community. 856 10th St., Arcata. 10 p.m.

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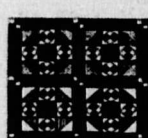
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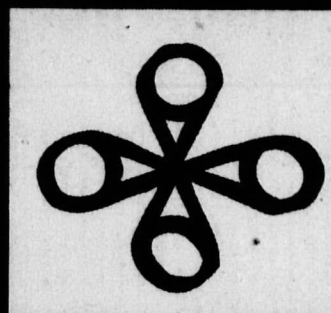
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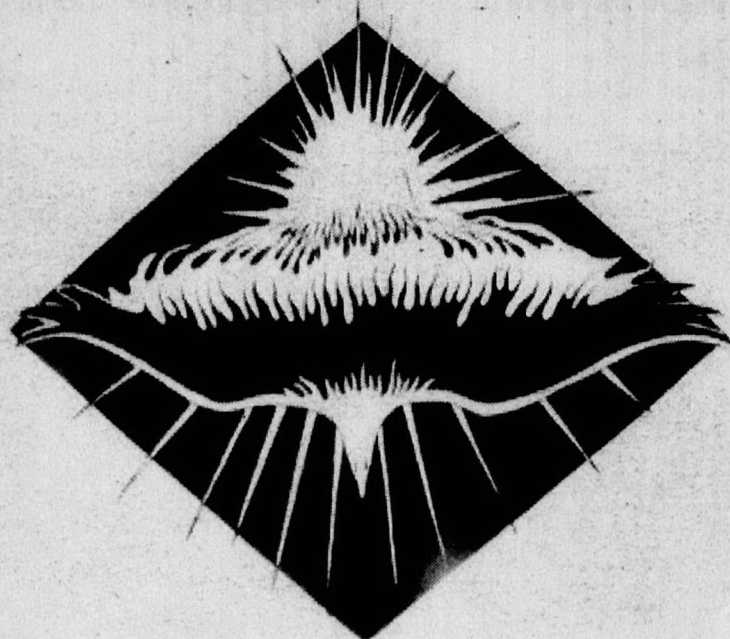
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