



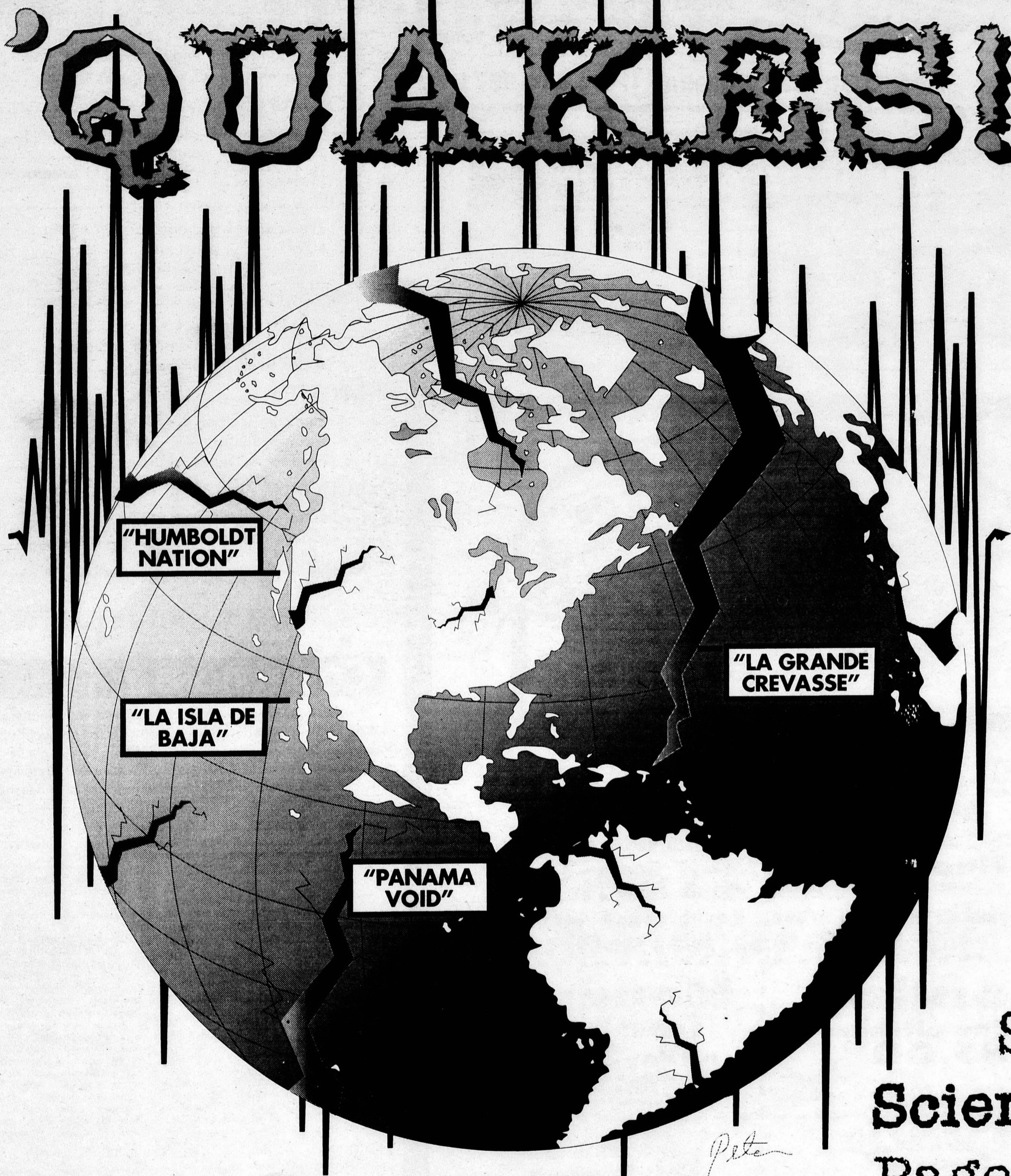
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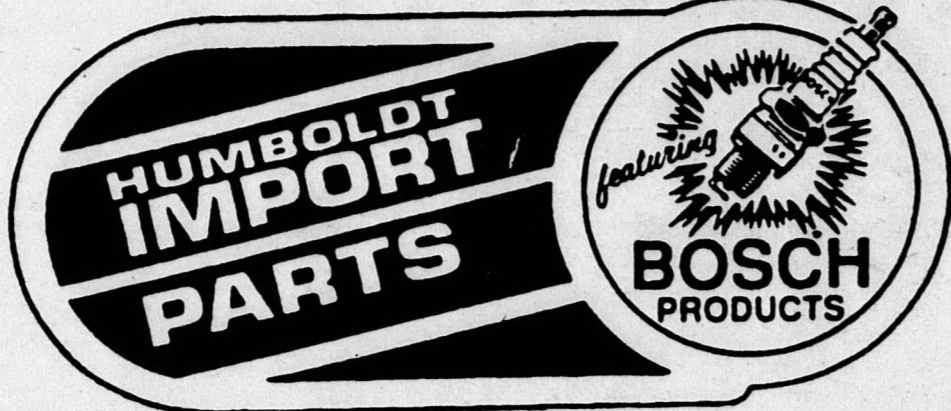
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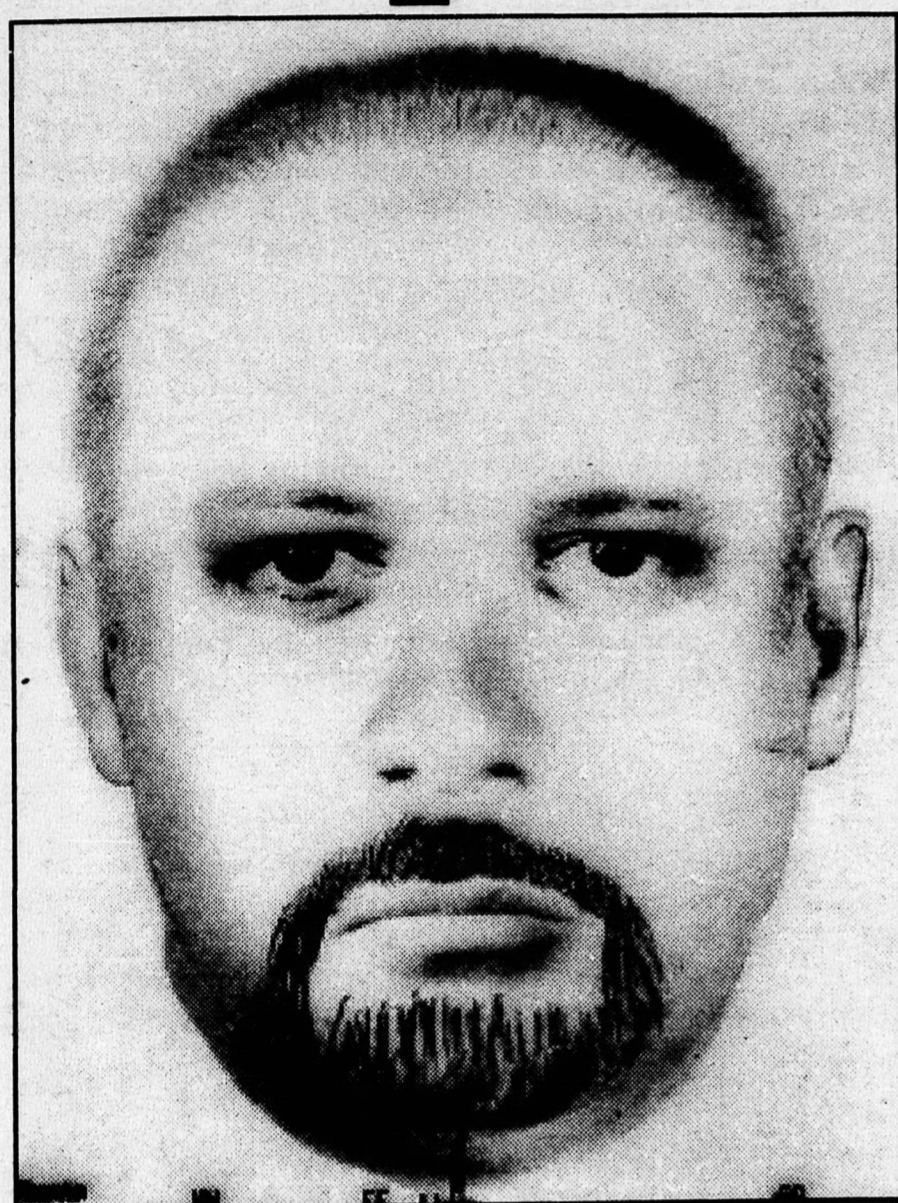
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# Rapist on the loose



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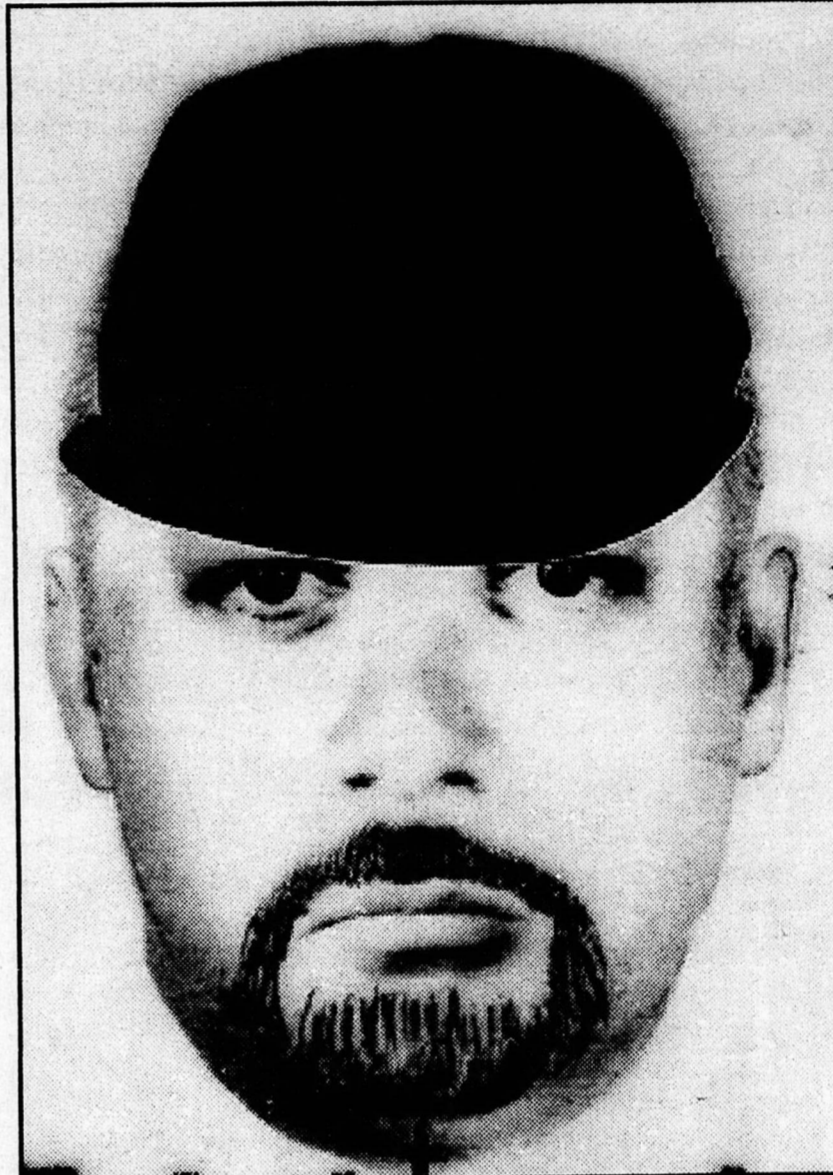
**Age:** 20-26  
**Weight:** about 250 lbs.  
**Height:** 6'2"-6'3"  
• dark brown goatee  
• mustache  
• wide shoulders  
• round face with small ears  
• "beer belly"

**Last seen wearing:**  
• a green baseball cap and a gray or off-white T-shirt both with "Humboldt" written across the front  
• dark color shorts to the knees  
• white socks  
• light-colored tennis shoes

**Last seen leaving area on foot**

SOURCE: APD

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■ A \$500 reward is being offered to find the suspect involved in the rape of a 19-year-old HSU student.

**By Ananda Shorey**  
LUMBERJACK STAFF

The Arcata and University Police Departments are still searching for the suspects involved with the rape that occurred near L.K. Wood Boulevard and California Avenue Saturday night.

A \$500 reward is being offered for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the suspects involved

in the case.

The victim, a 19-year-old female HSU student, was raped outside a party attended by about 200 people, said Sgt. Richard Zinotti of the APD.

An APD press release stated its Sexual Assault Response Team investigators have located a black Casio sports watch which may possibly be linked to the crime.

"Sally," a friend of the victim who was not

at the party, but went with her to the hospital after the assault, asked to remain anonymous in order to protect the privacy of the victim. The victim declined to comment at press time.

Sally and the victim asked people if anyone could remember the suspect from the party.

"No one can remember anything," Sally said.

Investigators have talked with several people, and plan on continuing the investigation.

Sally said when the victim was unable to find her friends at the party, she followed the suspect outside after he said he knew where

to find them.

He led her to the side of the house where they were blocked from view by a cluster of bushes, pushed her on the ground and raped her, Sally said.

Four other men were there when the rape occurred. One man sat on the victim's feet, one held her arms down and covered her mouth, while two other men watched, Sally said.

Zinotti said rapists do not generally have motives.

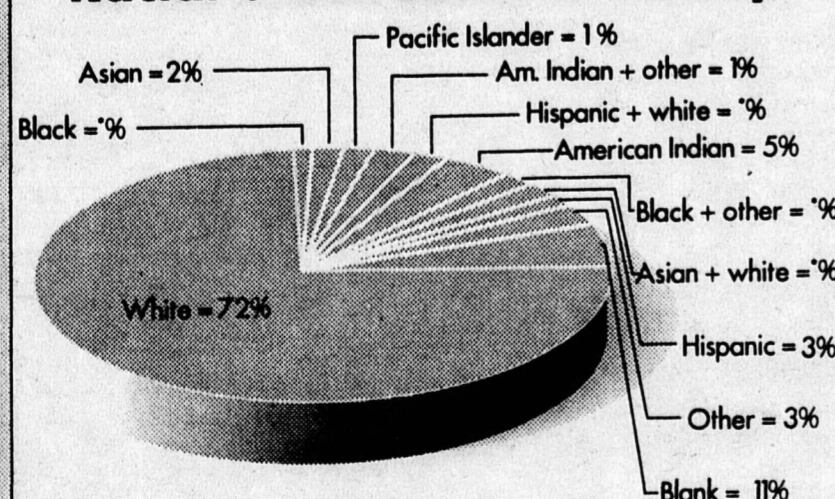
"It's a crime of power," he said.

Sally said the victim thinks the suspect

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## Weekly Report Faculty demographics

### Racial breakdown of faculty



The demographic composition is from a 1995 staff sample. Provision of demographic information by staff members was optional. \* = less than one percent.

SOURCE: HSU CAMPUS CLIMATE REPORTS

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# KHSU has money problems; low morale among volunteers

**By Eric Grammer**  
LUMBERJACK STAFF

KHSU is having some problems.

The station is still nearly \$40,000 in the red and the morale among its volunteer staff is low, some of its members said.

The reasons for these problems vary among the staff at KHSU, which consists of seven paid staff members and a volunteer staff of approximately 150.

Former executive producer of KHSU Sharen Fennell said that some of the budget problems may be due to an inability to keep a cushion of money in case of emergency.

"One of the problems regarding the budget ... was some years ago, NPR (National Public Radio) gave the station a monetary break in the dues that we (KHSU) were supposed to pay them, but the break was only good for four or five years,"

Fennell said. "But nothing was done throughout those years to put money in the bank for the inevitability of the dues increase, and no money was put in the bank for getting new equipment."

KHSU General Manager Jill Paydon said she was unaware of any increase in NPR dues for the 1997 fiscal year until September, two months after KHSU's fiscal year had started. The only notification KHSU received prior to the increase in NPR

dues was through a phone call informing her the discount policy was going to be reviewed.

Paydon said there was no money to set aside for a contingency plan, which is a plan to pay for unpredictable emergencies or developments.

"We didn't have any money to set aside," she said. "We've been operating at an extremely reduced budget

**See KHSU, page 9**

## Close to voting time

## A.S. election process starts next month

By Ann Johnson  
LUMBERJACK STAFF

Associated Students officially announced its schedule for spring elections and is getting ready to start the candidacy process on March 10.

According to interdisciplinary studies junior Rob Hatfield, elections commissioner for A.S., election packets will be available at the A.S. office in the University Center for students interested in running for an office in student government.

In the election packets, there are step-by-step directions, as well as the rules and regulations for de-

claring candidacy and running an election campaign.

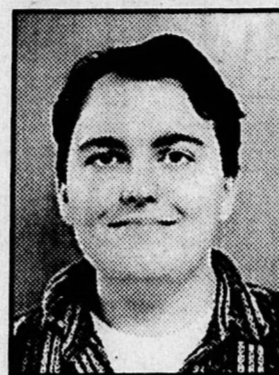
Hatfield said student interest in running for office and voting has been lacking in the last couple of years, so he has been trying to boost involvement this year.

"You get a little cloistered up in the office, and some groups on campus don't think they have a chance to get in," Hatfield said. "I'm trying to spread the word about elections to groups that are really active on campus but not involved with A.S."

A.S. President Keith Wagner, an environmental science senior, said that HSU student voting numbers have been fluctuating between



Keith Wagner



Charles Douglas

11 and 15 percent in the past couple of years. Wagner said that last year's voter turnout was 11 percent, but compared to other CSUs Humboldt is above average. Many CSUs have been voting at a 9 percent average, while some have been as low as 6 and 7 percent.

"We'd like to see it hit 30 percent, but it's a big step above what we've got going right now," Hatfield said.

A.S. Professional Studies Representative Charles Douglas, an economics and political science junior, stressed the importance of a student's vote.

"The higher the turnout the more credible the decision," Douglas said. "If you're not interested in voting for the offices, at least vote for the initiatives."

Wagner said "when you're representing students, student involvement" is absolutely necessary.

He also said that since every HSU student pays \$47 a year to

A.S., it would be smart to get involved with A.S. in order to have a say in how the money is spent.

A.S. collects about \$330,000 annually from student fees and as a result, provides students with 18 programs including the Legal Center, Campus Recycling, the Multicultural Center and the Women's Center.

"People use these facilities on a daily basis, but they don't appear out of thin air," Wagner said. "(A.S.) makes these programs possible."

Students interested in getting involved in the elections should contact Hatfield in the A.S. office at 826-3771.

## Associated Students' elections

March 10

Election packets available with a \$10 deposit.

April 7

Petitions, registration form and candidate questionnaire due.

April 8

Candidates meet to review material and take photos for voters guide.

April 16, 17

Candidates forum on the quad at noon — each person speaks.

April 18

Write-in candidate deadline

April 21

Last point at which candidates can withdraw

April 22, 23, 24

General Elections 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Library open till 8 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday

April 30  
May 1

Run-off elections

May 5

Install new members at A.S. council meeting.



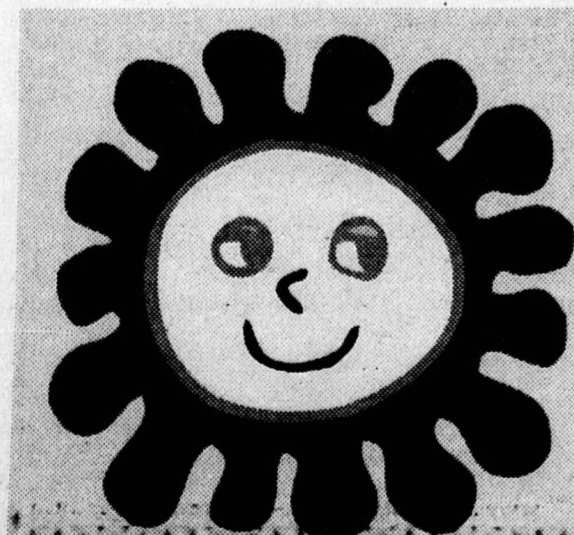
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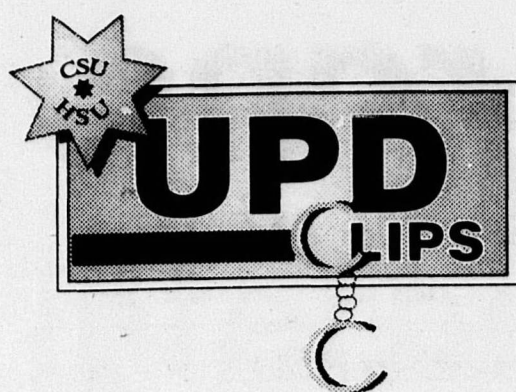
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**Feb. 17:**

• A subject is held at the Bookstore for possible theft. After reviewing videotape the subject is not detained.

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**Feb. 18:**

• A report is received of a dog threatening passerbys from a vehicle parked on B Street.

• A traffic accident involving a bicyclist and a vehicle occurs on B Street. The bicyclist is transported to the Health Center for minor hand abrasions.

• A gray Ford Escort is reported left running on B Street. The car is turned off and the key is taken for safekeeping.

**Feb. 19:**

• At 5:45 a.m. three males wearing long trenchcoats and hoods are reported acting suspicious at Gymnasium Lane and Union Street. The subjects are unable to be located.

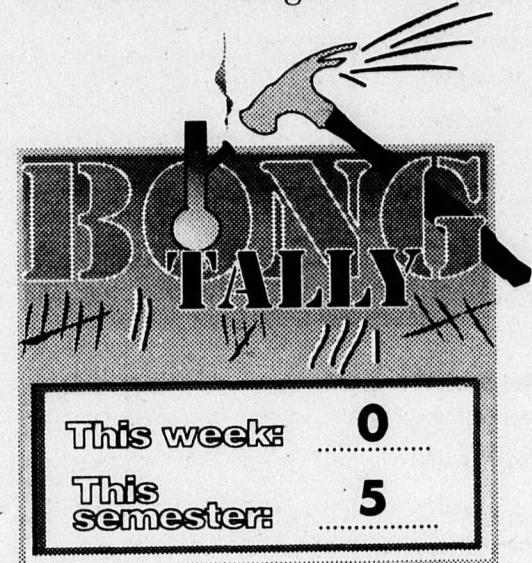
• A non-student is first removed from the Harry Griffith Hall computer lab and then from the Li-

brary computer lab. The computer monitor is advised to contact UPD if the subject is seen again using facilities.

• A subject on the fourth floor of Cypress Hall is determined to be "out of control." The subject is transported to Mad River Community Hospital by ambulance.

**Feb. 20:**

• A suspicious man is reported looking into vehicles in the Mai Kai parking lot. He is described as white and wearing an olive base-



ball cap and a faded maroon long-sleeved shirt. Upon arrival, he is unable to be located.

• Subjects are found writing with chalk on the University Center Quad. A woman is transported to Vice President for Student Affairs Edward Webb's office.

• A report is received of a dog tied-up below the Fieldhouse tennis courts. The dog is gone upon arrival.

• Three to four subjects are reported skateboarding in the

Balabanis Quad. One subject is contacted and issued a ticket.

• A report is received of a man harassing females in the Jolly Giant Commons cafeteria. Upon arrival, he is unable to be located.

**Feb. 21:**

• A student who requests checking out a van at Plant Operations is believed to be intoxicated. After submitting an alcohol test, the student is allowed to check out the van.

• Two children are climbing a tree outside the Balabanis House. They exit upon request.

• A strong marijuana smell is reported coming from the first floor of Redwood Hall. Upon arrival, four residents are contacted, fingerprinted and released. Only an odor of incense is detected.

• A report is received of subjects writing with chalk on walls in the Art/Music fire lane. The subjects are contacted and warned.

**Feb. 22:**

• In the Wagner Lot, two subjects are contacted and advised regarding rules against camping on campus.

• A report is received of a party with loud music at the Rugby House on Granite Avenue. The music is determined to be coming from a live band playing at a pink house. Upon arrival, the band is leaving.

• A woman suffers a back injury in the Kate Buchanan Room. She is transported to General Hospital by ambulance.

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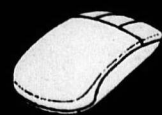
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## Rape

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was wearing a condom because the rapist said, "I don't want to catch anything from this bitch." Then the victim heard the suspect's friend throw something.

The victim was treated, examined and released by a team of medical and law enforcement officials at St. Joseph Hospital in Eureka, Zinotti said.

Sally said the victim is fairing well physically and has only one visible bruise.

"She is doing okay. She is a really strong person, and dealing with it the best she can," she said.

Sally said the victim just wants to forget about the incident and go on.

The reward is being offered by Upnorth magazine, who sponsored the party at a private residence.

"If anyone has any decent morality they will turn the person in," said Mark Badal, publisher and editor of Upnorth magazine.

Badal said he didn't expect so many people to turn out for the party.

"The party turned into a big jock mess," he said.

He also said the big rumor going around right now is that the rapist may be a football player.

"It (the rapist) was most likely a football player or

one of the (football) recruits that was up from Stockton," Badal said.

"Someone on campus knows," he said. "People are being quiet about it. It's just a real weird situation."

Badal, the only person at the party who was taking photographs, thought he might have taken a picture of the suspect.

"The flash was not in



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Watch found by APD, which may be linked to the crime.

sequence with the shutter and the photos did not turn out," he said.

"We (APD) believe someone at the party knows the suspect and they will call us. We are going from there," Zinotti said.

APD said they contacted several individuals and have numerous leads about the case.

Anyone who may have seen the suspect or has information about this case is asked to contact APD at 822-2428.

# Understanding rape

## Where to turn and how to prevent it

By Christina Begley

EDITOR IN CHIEF

With statistics estimating as many as three out of four women will be a victim of sexual assault in their lifetimes, knowing how to deal with a rape is critical to recovery.

The Northcoast Rape Crisis Team provides answers to many of the questions a victim or friend of a victim might have. Community outreach coordinator Paula Dabill said each person is treated particular to the circumstances involved in the crime.

"Dealing with an assault is a very individual thing, and there is no one way to best deal with it," Dabill said.

Counselors on the team's 24-hour hotline go through several stages in responding to a call. The first is to verify the victim is in a safe place where a reassault will not occur, then to identify the options and consequences of perusing those options for the victim.

"We try to advise a victim of all the options, whether the person decides to report the assault or not," Dabill said. "If the person does want to file a report, we advise them not to shower and

to keep the clothes they were wearing so that any evidence can be collected during a medical examination."

Another important thing for victims to know is that by law they have a right to have an advocate with them when dealing with law enforcement to provide support and make the situation more comfortable.

"Although many victims choose not to report the crime, we encourage them to contact us because we're here, in support of whatever decisions are made, to help them find and receive whatever help they need," she said. "We want to stress that it is never their fault and that they will be listened to and believed when they come to us."

Dabill said she and the other members of the team spend a lot of time in the community dealing with prevention and dispelling myths surrounding rape.

"Most rapes, about 90 percent, are never reported. That's a national statistic that holds true for Humboldt County. Another important fact is that 80 percent of all rapes are acquaintance rapes, which might mean knowing someone casually, dating or meeting someone

### Reported rapes within HSU's primary jurisdiction

(on campus or at a campus-related event, would not include off-campus parties)

1992- one rape, one attempted rape  
1993- one sexual assault with foreign object  
1994- no felony sexual assault reports  
1995- one sexual assault with foreign object  
1996- one rape

SOURCE: UPD

### Community and campus resources

Northcoast Rape Crisis Team  
24-hour confidential hotline  
445-2881

Arcata Police Department  
822-2428

University Police Department  
826-3456

St. Joseph Hospital  
445-8121

at a party," Dabill said. "Also, the age group for women most at risk ranges from 15 to 25, and within that age group most rapes involve a party or dating situation."

Because of the high percentage of acquaintance rapes, Dabill said many victims don't come forward to report the crime out of a fear they won't be taken seriously.

Dabill said there are several considerations to keep in mind to prevent an assault.

"Trust your instincts," she said. "Any of us can remember times in the past when we had that funny feeling that something wasn't right and we chose to ignore it for social reasons only to then find ourselves in a dangerous situation."

She also said avoiding isolation is an important factor in protecting yourself.

"Most people think of isolation as being alone with someone, but really, and especially in a high school or

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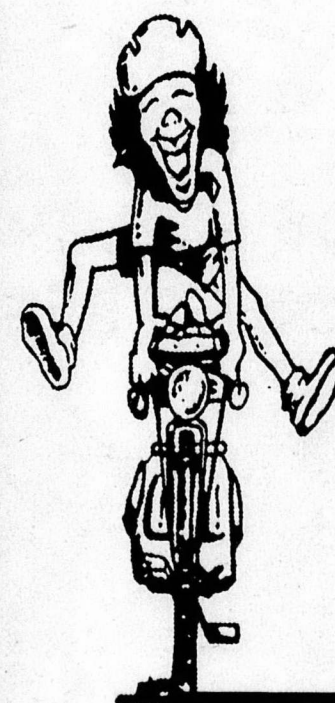
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# Get grades, transcripts via Internet, telephone

By Mike Camara  
LUMBERJACK STAFF

HSU is in the process of upgrading the Banner Student Information System to provide access to grades and unofficial transcripts by Internet and telephone.

Bill Cannon, director of computing and telecommunications for HSU, said that money has already been allocated to expand the school's existing financial aid voice response system to include access to grades and transcripts.



Bill Cannon

and Budget Committee," Cannon said.

Along with the \$60,000 to expand the voice response system was \$25,000 to make grades and transcripts available from the Internet.

"These changes will have two main benefits. The first is to give students better service and the second is to make more efficient use of staff in a school with a growing

student body," Cannon said.

HSU Registrar Dennis Geyer said the Internet access will be first followed by the touch-tone access. Both of these systems should be ready by spring semester 1998.

"There are many security issues that have to be worked out before we can go ahead with the plan," Geyer said. "As we all know security on the Internet is a big issue these days and I want to be able to insure privacy for everyone."

Some students share Geyer's concern for privacy.

"It sounds like a good idea as long as it is a secured system, if other people gain access to grades it will turn into a mess," said Patrick Yango, an industrial technologies senior.

One plan to insure security is to change the computers in Siemens Hall that are now used for registration and set them up as self-service terminals. These terminals will allow students to have secured access to transcript and grade information without having to wait in line.

Right now there is no plan to stop mailing out grades in light of the new computer and telephone access, Geyer said. The registrar's office spends approximately \$2,300 per semester on postage for grades.

According to the Associated Press, other schools have undergone similar automations such as the University of Utah, who save \$10,000 a month by exclusively distributing grades through telephone request or the World Wide Web.

Along with the new touch-tone and Internet technology that is being put in place is the capability to automate HSU's registration process.

"We are not sure that we want to turn our registration process into an automated touch-tone system," Geyer said. "We have a high satisfaction rate with the registration system we are using now, especially from students who have transferred from community colleges that have automated systems in place."

Along with the fear of losing direct interaction with students is the problem of a complicated academic program that would be hard to tailor for an automated system. Problems such as requiring signatures for adds and drops further complicate the issue.

"We feel that there is no need to

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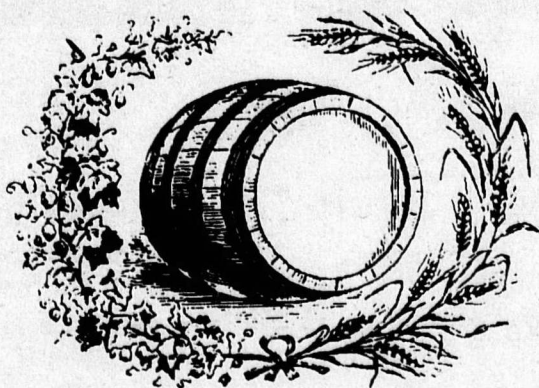
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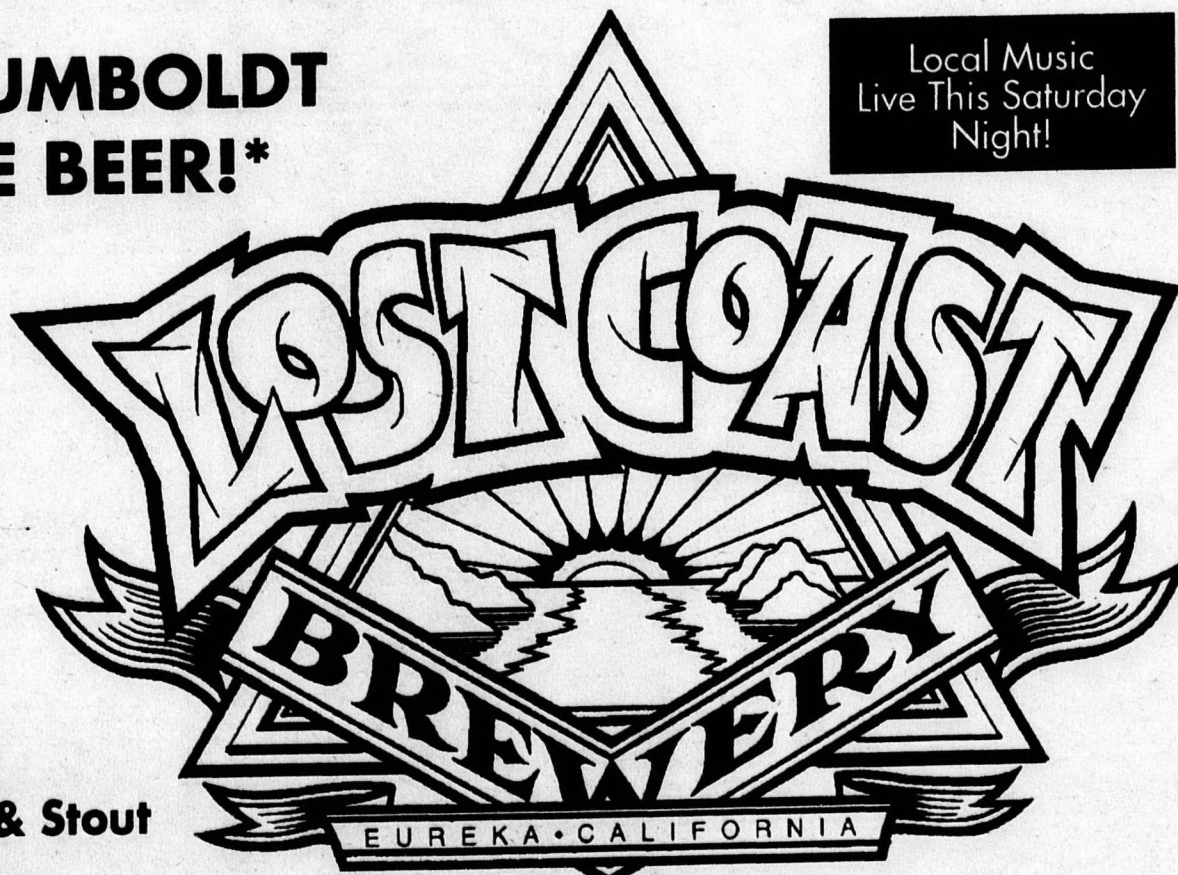
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# Get a workout while doing laundry

By Jenna Gold  
LUMBERJACK STAFF

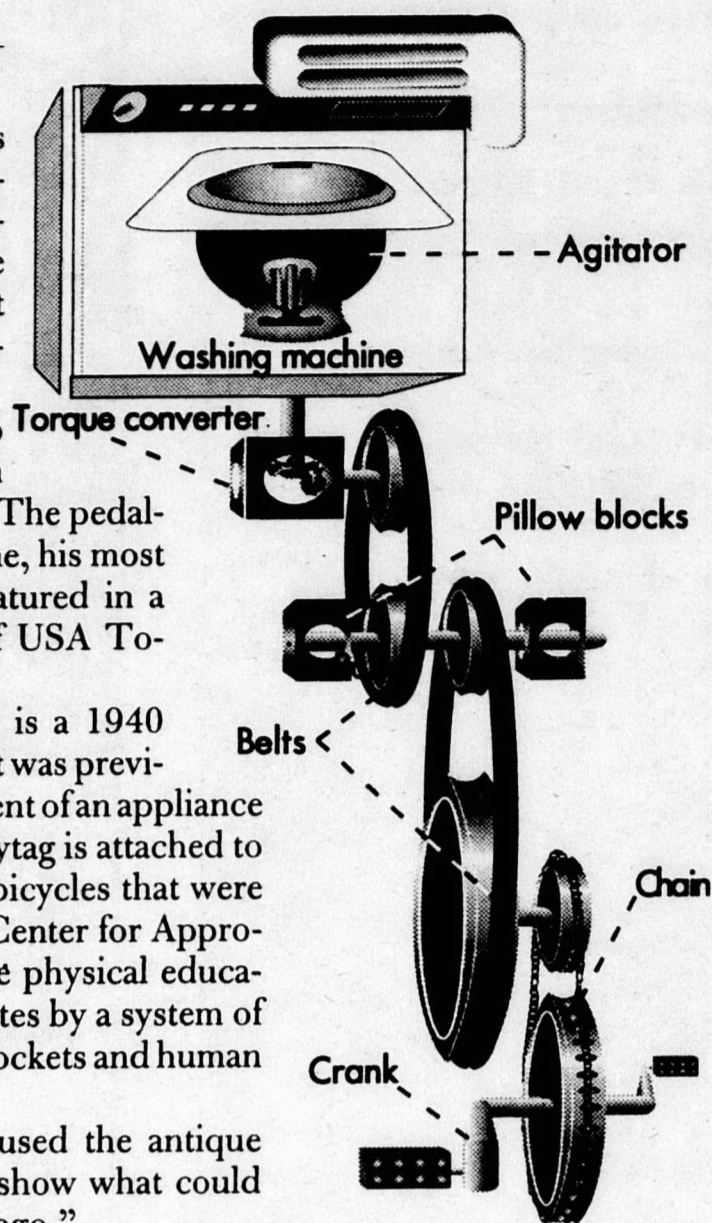
In the future, Arcatans may find themselves doing their laundry and getting a workout at the same time at the world's first "people-powered" coin-operated laundry.

Inventor Bart Orlando hopes to see this happen within the next 10 years. The pedal-powered washing machine, his most recent invention, was featured in a November 1996 issue of USA Today.

The washing machine is a 1940 Maytag Ringer model that was previously stored in the basement of an appliance store in Eureka. The Maytag is attached to one of four old exercise bicycles that were donated to the Campus Center for Appropriate Technology by the physical education department. It operates by a system of belts, pulleys, chains, sprockets and human energy.

Orlando said that he used the antique machine specifically to "show what could have been done 50 years ago."

The washer sits in a spot in the CCAT house previously occupied by a sink. There is a hot water pipe and a cold water pipe protruding from the wall that are attached to garden hoses. After the clothes have been placed in the washer and detergent has been added, the two hoses are used to fill the tank. Someone then pedals the bicycle, and a system of belts and pulleys transfers the energy produced to the agitator, the propeller on a shaft in the center of the washing machine.

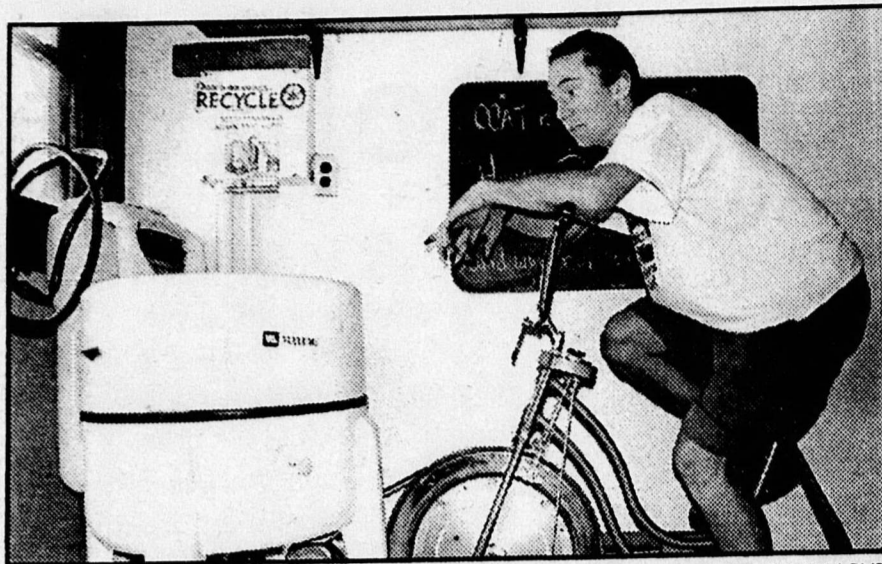


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After 15 minutes, the tub is drained and refilled with fresh water. Someone pedals for another 15-minute cycle and then drains the tub.

Two people are required to utilize the wringer: one to feed the clothes through by hand and one to pedal the bicycle. The clothes are then hung to dry in CCAT's greenhouse.

"If you are out of shape, it's a tough work-



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Neil Thompson, co-director of CCAT, demonstrates how the pedal-powered (shown in detail at left) washing machine works. He already used the machine to wash his sleeping bag and said it wasn't an easy job.

out," Orlando said. "To someone in good shape it's a moderate workout, and to an Olympian athlete, it would be easy."

The fan-belt drive system that the machine operates on is not as efficient as Orlando would like it to be.

"Thirty percent of the energy created by pedaling is being lost to friction, per belt," he said. This problem could be remedied by using a more expensive chain drive.

"In order to use a chain drive system, a machinist has to custom modify sprockets to fit the bicycle chain," Orlando said. This process will cost hundreds of dollars unless CCAT can get the work donated, he said.

"When you build a contraption like this you keep improving it and making it better," Orlando said.

His next step is to figure out how to build a pedal-powered machine using a modern washing machine.

Orlando would like to see a pedal-pow-

ered laundry facility with modern machines set up in downtown Arcata, preferably near the Arcata Co-Op.

"It would go with Arcata's general ambience," he said. "Customers could either do their own laundry and get a workout, or people who are just hanging around can earn a couple of bucks by doing your laundry for you."

Orlando, 40, began experimenting with alternative forms of energy after he graduated from UC Irvine with a degree in pre-medicine biology. He also took several physics courses.

"I realized that the system wasn't applying what was known," he said.

As a street musician, Orlando used batteries for his amplifier. He said he felt bad about throwing the old batteries away so he figured out how to recharge them. Later, Orlando moved into his Volkswagen bus and needed a source of electricity, so he installed solar panels.

He soon progressed into creating environmentally friendly appliances such as a "human energy converter" that was used to generate some of the electricity for the Hog Farm Pig-nic (an annual two-day music festival held in August in Laytonville) several years ago. Unfortunately, some time after the event, the Humboldt Creamery crates that had been incorporated as seats were confiscated by campus police, and the contraption was completely disassembled.

Orlando said there are two kinds of inventors — "those who invent with machines and those who engineer with heart." He would like to combine the two schools of thought in order to "create machines that liberate us from destructive high technology," and aren't resource intensive.

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## KHSU: Station having high turnover rates

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level since the early 1990s when the cutbacks at the state level started happening.

Duane Goforth, a volunteer at KHSU for four years, said, "We should have known it (the rate increase) was coming. It was not a surprise."

"We have been trying to figure out ways to generate enough revenue in a year that allows us to have a contingency fund, however we've had to replace a lot of equipment," Paydon said.

KHSU Music Director Russ Cole said, "We had a lot of old, outdated equipment that was failing because for over 10 years or more, nothing had been replaced. We had to buy a lot of ... things that were needed to be on the air."

Paydon, who has been the general manager at KHSU for three years, said there have been steps taken to reduce the public station's budget.

"We didn't hire any additional personnel in that time period," she said. "We also made some other cuts in other areas where we could. We quit sending people to conferences, doing any kind of professional development — those kinds of things you do in professional organizations."

Eight of the nine staff members interviewed, said there are other problems at KHSU besides the budget. They said other problems include an unusually high rate of turnover

and low morale among some of the volunteer staff.

Fennel, who had worked for KHSU for 14 years prior to her leaving in December, said, "When the previous GM (Parker Van Hecke) left, things began to unravel. Then a lot of people quit,

**"Of people she (Paydon) has hired, at least two have quit already, and I understand that some others are looking for ways to leave."**

**DUANE GOFORTH**  
KHSU volunteer

including myself, in succession."

Goforth said, "The (employee) turnover has been quite high, higher than it ought to be. Of people she (Paydon) has hired, at least two have quit already and I understand that some others are looking for ways to leave."

Paydon said there are three reasons for this turnover: the pay at KHSU is lower than normal for public radio stations, there has been an increased workload which the staff has had to handle and public radio stations have a high turnover rate, because people are

working their way up the ladder.

"It (turnover rate) was higher than it had been in the past at KHSU, but I would not say it was unusually high. It might have been a little higher than we were used to," she said.

Fennel said one of the reasons she severed her ties with the station is she felt she could no longer, in good conscience, ask the members of the community to support the station when she believed the money was being mismanaged.

Goforth said, "I don't think we've listened to (by Paydon). It's a public radio station and certainly the listeners and the volunteers are all members of the public, but we're never listened to and so there's no communication."

"I've written a few letters to her (Paydon) myself and never got a response," he said. "Nobody gets responses and she doesn't even take our concerns seriously."

He said that among the volunteer staff "nobody seems to be happy anymore and it is due to her inability to communicate."

Goforth said that there is still the possibility that things can be changed and improved.

He said if KHSU could create "a volunteer advisory board and we sat down and talked and she listened I bet we could come up with solutions. And we all have the same goal — that's the quality of the radio station."

## Prevention

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college setting, isolation most typically occurs at a party setting where there are 150 people, a lot of noise and activity and people aren't aware of each other," she said.

In the most at-risk age group, Dabill said alcohol is often a factor in many assaults, "whether used by the perpetrator or as a weapon to disable the victim."

Dabill recommends self-defense classes to learn how to use the body as a defense.

"Most rapists look for someone vulnerable to target because no one is there to help that person get out of the situation," she said. "Rape is a crime of violence, power and control and has nothing to do with physical attraction. It's important to remember that this can happen to anyone."

In Humboldt County, most rape victims are referred to St. Joseph's hospital for treatment. Dr. Larry Frisch, a physician at the Student Health Center, said immediate treatment for a rape victim is not available at the health center because of the expertise needed in gathering forensic evidence.

"It takes someone who has been trained extensively in this area to make sure the difficult task of collecting evidence is done in such a way as to ensure there would be no legal prob-

lems in presenting this evidence," Frisch said. "You would be looking for something to identify someone, and we don't want to jeopardize the evidence recovery process."

Although the health center can't provide services immediately after a rape occurs, it can help victims who are dealing with something that happened in the past.

"For those who maybe haven't admitted to anyone that this happened to them and six months later decide they want to get treatment, we can help in three ways," Frisch said. "We would test for pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases and then try to look at any psychological stressor that need to be addressed."

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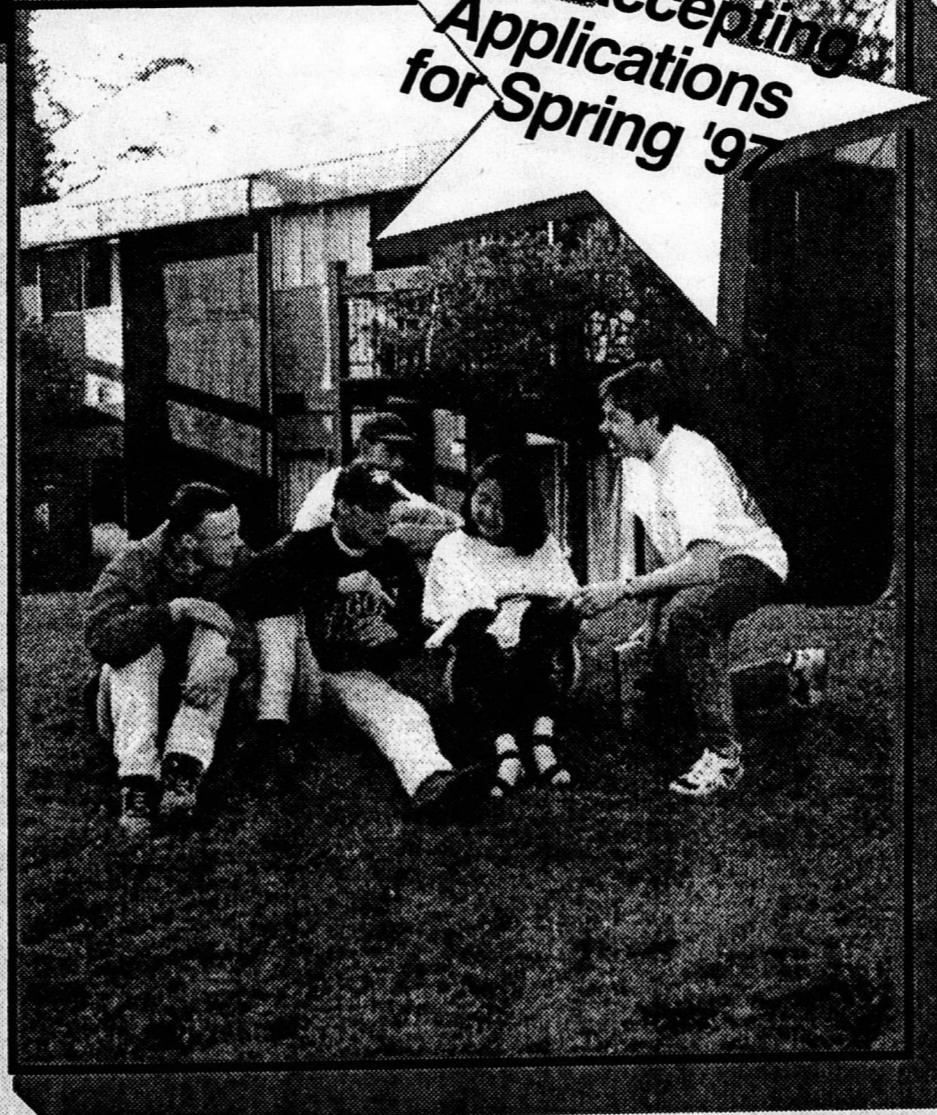
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# Limbo:

■ The Arcata City Council delayed a decision on the cost of saving the recycling center until its March 5 meeting.

By Jonathan Jeisel  
MANAGING EDITOR

As discussions about the long-term survival of the Arcata Community Recycling Center (ACRC) continue, solving differences over facts and figures seems to be the biggest task right now.

"We've been hashing out numbers," said Councilwoman Jennifer Hanan.

A working group that includes Hanan, Councilman Bob Ornelas, ACRC Director Kate Krebs and staff has met twice to talk about the center's future.

"We're exploring options of how the ACRC can continue recycling in the most efficient and least expensive way," Hanan said.

Last month the center asked the council for a monthly \$15,000 subsidy, the amount it loses a month due to plunging values of recyclable materials.

The council responded by voting to give the center as much as \$20,500 over the next three months to keep it open while long-term options are explored.

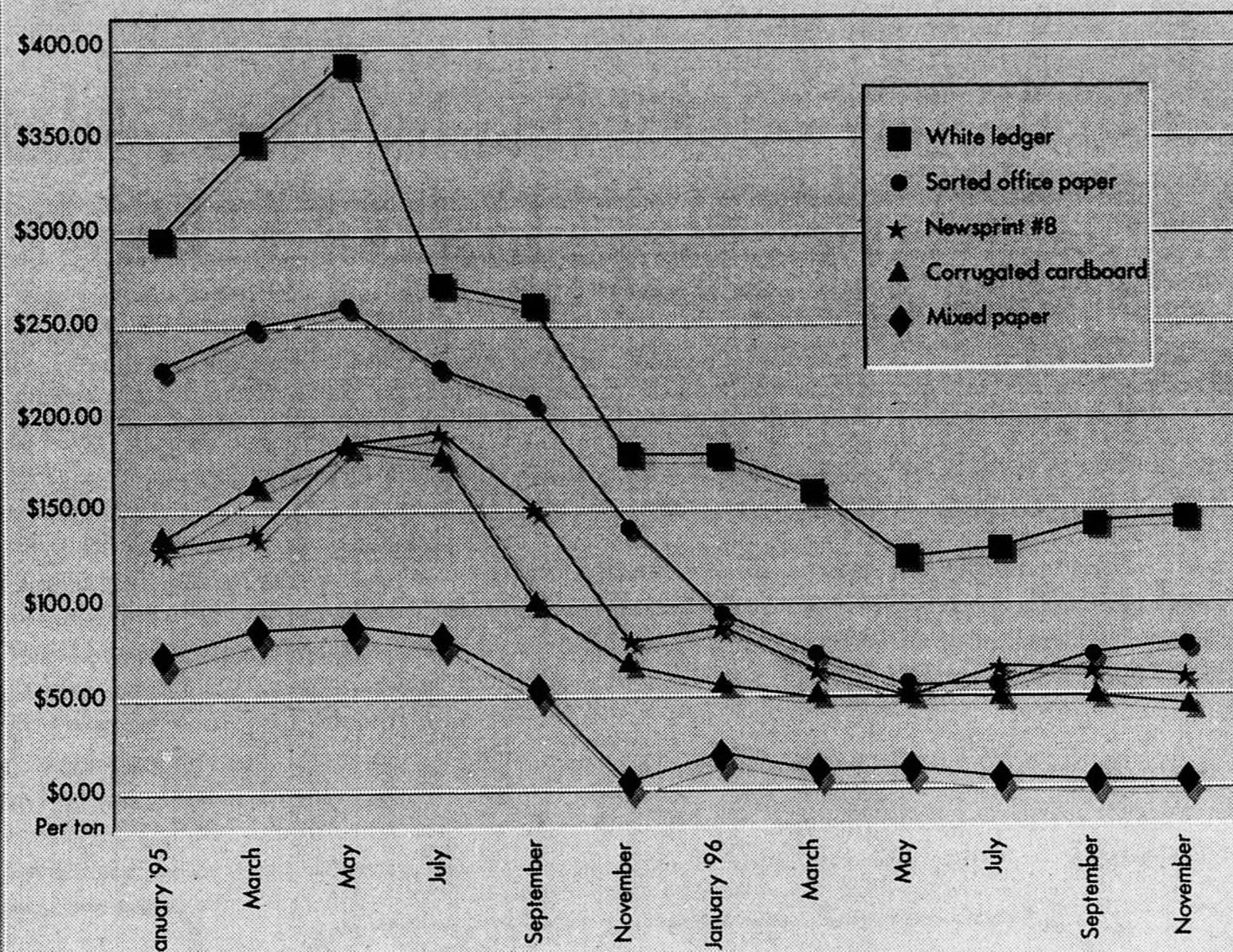
The amount, which equals roughly \$6,830 a month, is the initial estimate made by the city of what it costs the center to accept materials donated by Arcata citizens at its Ninth Street facility.

A more recent and thorough analysis by city staff resulted in a new, but similar figure — \$6,872 per month — that was announced at last week's city council meeting.

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## Fate of Arcata Community Recycling Center still undecided while officials crunch the numbers

### The paper plunge



The values for paper products listed above were taken from the 1995 and 1996 year-end reports for the California Integrated Waste Management Board. The statistics are compiled by the quarter-year. Statistics for 1997 were not available because the quarter has not ended.

Recycling centers such as the Arcata Community Recycling Center may lose even money on materials with positive value because of collection, processing and transportation costs. For example, mixed paper may have a value of \$5 per ton when a center's transportation or processing costs are \$25 per ton.

SOURCE: CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD

BRYAN JACOBS / LUMBERJACK STAFF

## Humboldt County updates 50-year-old zoning code

By David Collier  
LUMBERJACK STAFF

After 50 years of causing hassles and requiring constant updating, the Humboldt County zoning code is going to be revised.

This time the public will be involved with the planning process as the planning committee, headed by former County Counsel Steve Nielson and David Morrow, a natural resources consultant. They will hold public meetings to discuss ideas.

"People have been giving consistent responses, from Garberville to McKinleyville to Willow Creek," Morrow said. "We try and take down verbatim what the people say."

The committee will create focus groups that will look into these problems, which include confusion about timber harvesting rules in residential areas, guest houses in agricultural areas and creating alternate street designs which encourage biking and walking.

According to Nielson and Morrow, over 60 specific problems with the current code have been identified.

Humboldt County is divided into coastal and inland zones, and has required hundreds of amendments to keep pace with population growth and changes in state law. However, at times the amendments have conflicted with one another.

"When people amended the code over the years,

### Last public zoning meeting

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they didn't take into account how it would affect existing parts of the code," Morrow said.

"It's like a car. The timing is off, so people mess with that, then the radiator blows up. These things are all interconnected."

Morrow gave an example of a typical problem people have with the code.

"People build a house, then a few years down the road they have a problem with the septic tank. But to fix it they have to get a permit from the Health Department, who send them to Fish and Wildlife to get a permit in case it affects local water tables. The process goes on and on."

The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors held three meetings in February and has one meeting scheduled in March. Each meeting has been in a different community along the North Coast. The Humboldt County Board of Realtors has donated \$5,000 to the rezoning committee to assist in reach-

ing the community for its output.

The turnout so far has been low. Only three people showed up to the Willow Creek meeting on Feb. 22.

"Contractors and builders recognize the problems," Morrow said. "They will be waiting for a draft before they take their shots."

Plans for rezoning include combining the inland and coastal zones and simplifying and condensing the code.

"The original inland section of the code is over 300 pages long. We have condensed it to 130 pages so far. The original code is a mess, and very hard to understand," Morrow said.

He said people do not need to be afraid about losing their land or current building permits. The revised zoning code will not affect plans for land use or change any zoning in specific areas.

"We are going to avoid change that will impact the environment negatively," Morrow said. "We are going to comply with the laws that we have already set up with the coastal zone."

The final community meeting is in Eureka on March 8. About a month later, the commission hopes to have a rough draft available in libraries and on the Internet, where people can compare copies of the old and new code and offer more suggestions.

However, Morrow said the final decision, made by the Board of Supervisors, might not be made for quite some time.

## New & Clips

### Eureka wins award

Gov. Pete Wilson presented the Helen Putnam Awards at the annual meeting of the League of California Cities, Thursday.

The awards were given to cities for innovation and creativity in facing civic challenges. Eureka won an award for excellence in the Economic and Community Development Partnerships category, along with the cities of Cloverdale and Riverside. The grand prize winner was the city of Cypress.

### Committee meets today

The California Coast Province Advisory Committee will hold a public meeting today to discuss the Northwest Forest Plan.

The committee will meet from 1 to 5 p.m. today, and from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday at the Six Rivers National Forest Supervisor's Office at 1330 Bayshore Way in Eureka.

Both meetings are open to the public.

### Mountain lion attack

The Department of Fish and Game said there was no conclusive evidence to verify a mountain lion attack of an Albany reserve police officer near Millville on Feb. 16.

The DFG closed its investigation of the alleged attack after three days.

### Recycling center time line



SOURCE: ARCATA RECYCLING CENTER

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## Recycling: Community center has troubles with Ninth Street drop-off

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ACRC directors present at the meeting noted the amount was still too low to keep the center open, even after a series of cost-cutting measures.

"You need to know that \$6,872 a month isn't enough," said Michele McKeegan, chairwoman of the ACRC board. "It does not allow us to stay open the number of hours we are currently open or to take the materials we currently take."

The center has cut back the number of days it is open from six days to four.

McKeegan, filling in while Krebs

**"There have been differences in the numbers, but there is no difference in the fact that we all want recycling."**

JENNIFER HANAN

Arcata City councilwoman

was out of the state on business, asked the council to delay final acceptance of the figure until city and ACRC staff met together to discuss it.

"I feel some confidence that the \$6,872 will be inadequate," she said.

The council delayed the decision until its March 5 meeting and also set up a public meeting on March 10 to help gauge commu-

nity opinion. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

In a later interview, Krebs said ACRC's \$15,000 request was based on the center's 1996 numbers, especially in the third quarter when values for recyclables were low.

"We focused on the third quarter because that's when markets really started to slip," she said. "I haven't been told by one broker that (the low values) would im-

prove."

City staffer Mark Andre said the city could sympathize with the drop-off in market values and could help find solutions—but only ones that would benefit Arcata citizens.

Hanan said the city could give only as much as it cost to divert materials from the landfill. It currently pays ACRC approximately \$66,000 a year for the diversion of 2,300 tons of waste.

"The city giving out public funds is the big issue," she said.

Krebs thought the city's calculation of how many materials Arcata citizens were responsible for could be too low.

"I don't know how they came up with that number," she said.

Krebs said surveying ACRC patrons as they brought in materials would be an accurate method of finding the number.

"If that's the big issue for the city, let's do this the right way and do a survey," she said.

Hanan said, "there have been differences in the numbers, but there is no difference in the fact that we all want recycling."

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*Crescent City Chamber of Commerce produces award-winning CD-ROM*

By Bryan Jacobs  
LUMBERJACK STAFF

The Crescent City-Del Norte County Chamber of Commerce has shown it is not necessary to have a large population to be a technological innovator.

The Chamber of Commerce and the North Coast Small Business Development Center were the recipients of an award for the Best Multimedia Production at the 1997 California Tourism Awards. The award, presented Feb. 4 in Sacramento during the Conference on Tourism, was given for the CD-ROM "Trek Among the Giants."

With the CD-ROM, users are led on a virtual journey through redwoods, sea coast and rivers flowing through a temperate rain forest. You can get an electronic tour of Smith River National Recreation Area, Redwood National and State Parks, America's tallest lighthouse and see pictures of elk, seals and bald eagles.

The CD-ROM is one part of the Community Information System (CIS) for Del Norte County. The other components of the system include a page for Del Norte County on the World Wide Web and an interactive kiosk in the

Chamber of Commerce's Visitor Center at:

(<http://www.delnorte.org>).

The CIS was made possible by an \$80,000 grant from the U.S. Forest Service and Six Rivers National Forest, with an additional \$75,000 being donated by the community.

Frances Clark, executive director of the North Coast Small Business Development Center, said the money was acquired for more than just the physical results of a CD-ROM, kiosk and web page.

"This is a project to help local businesses build skills in technology and attract other technology oriented businesses to the area," she said in a phone interview from Crescent City.

Neither the Arcata nor Eureka Chamber of Commerce produce multimedia productions.

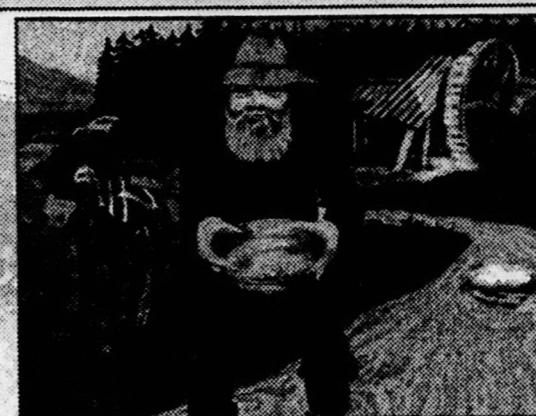
The project of producing the CD-ROM was given to three businesses. Jo Baird of the firm Chollowell, Benz and Harwick provided the money management. Marketing was taken care of by Stacey and Mike McKenzie-Bahr of Marketing by Design. Produc-

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## Scenes from 'Trek Among the Giants'

*Trek Among the Giants* takes you on a virtual journey through Del Norte County. The CD-ROM won the Crescent City Chamber of Commerce and the North Coast Small Business Development Center an award for best Multimedia Production.

### Trek Among the Giants



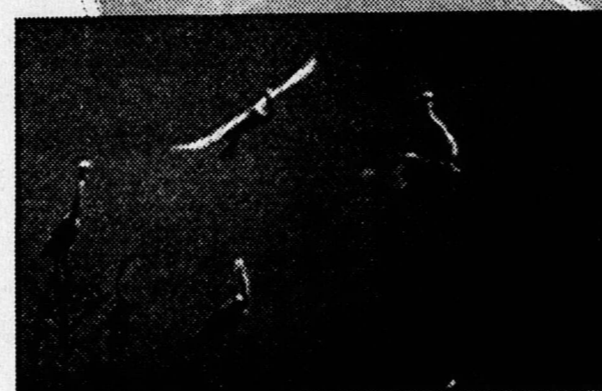
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The station where you begin your trek



Wild Elk in Prairie Creek State Park



The Great Egret found throughout Del Norte County



Navigational options for most scenes

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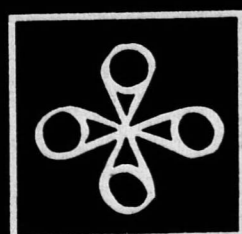
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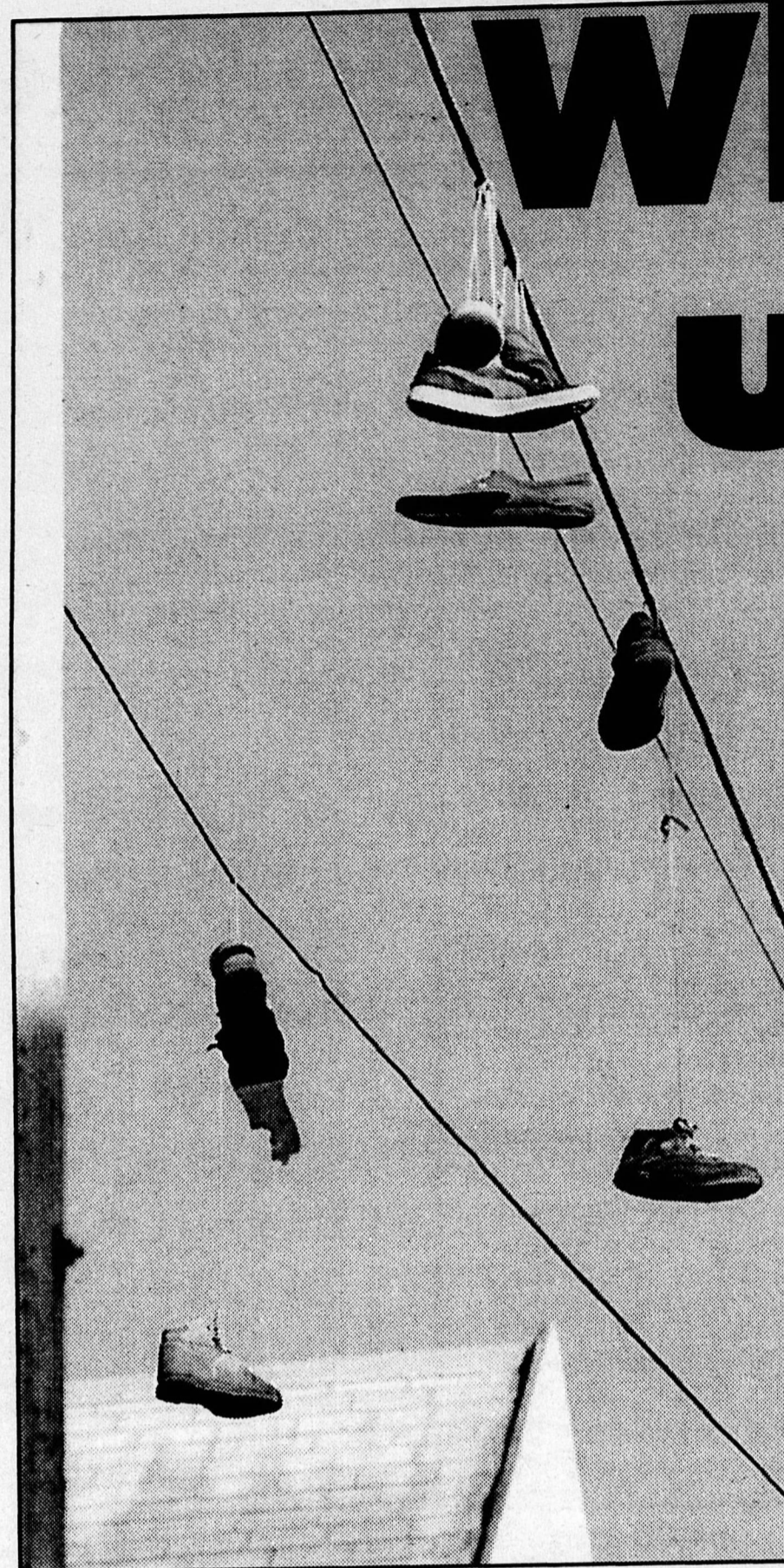
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## Shoe riddle

Shoes hang from the phone lines that cross G Street near the 11th Street intersection in downtown Arcata. The occurrence is not peculiar to the North Coast.

## What's up?

## Shoe phenomenon perplexes experts

By Ananda Shorey

LUMBERJACK STAFF

A country-wide phenomenon has people gazing upward at the worn-out soles of abandoned shoes on telephone wires.

"I have seen shoes hanging all around North Carolina State University, mainly near the campus apartments, but I have no idea what they mean," said communication senior Jennifer Runyon, who is an exchange student.

According to articles in the New York Times and the Los Angeles Times, the tradition of hurdling shoes over telephone wires, which dates back to the 1970s, has been a method used by gangs to mark their turf and show where their friends have died. It has also been used as a form of competition or a way of harrasing enemies.

"I heard an old story that some drug dealers hang shoes in front of their houses," environmental science sophomore Jeff Thrope said.

HSU English Professor James Johnson, who previously taught a folklore class, is aware of the phenomenon but does not know why it exists.

Shoes can be found dangling from wires in

See Shoes, page 16

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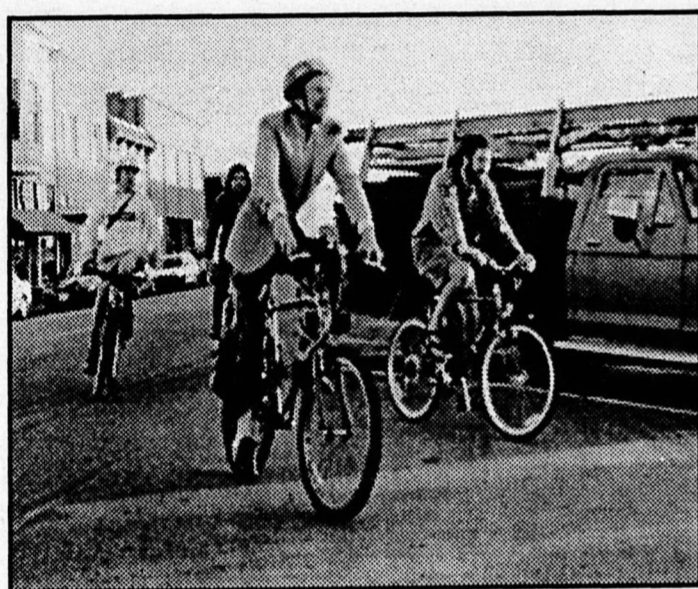
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Arcata cyclists ride down H Street during Friday's "Critical Mass." The participants rode in support of bike lanes on G and H streets.

## 'Critical Mass'

*Bikers ride in support of lanes*

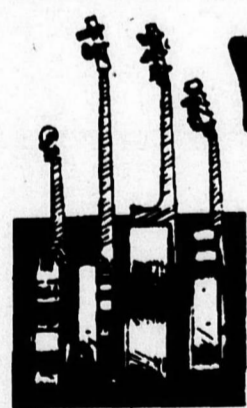
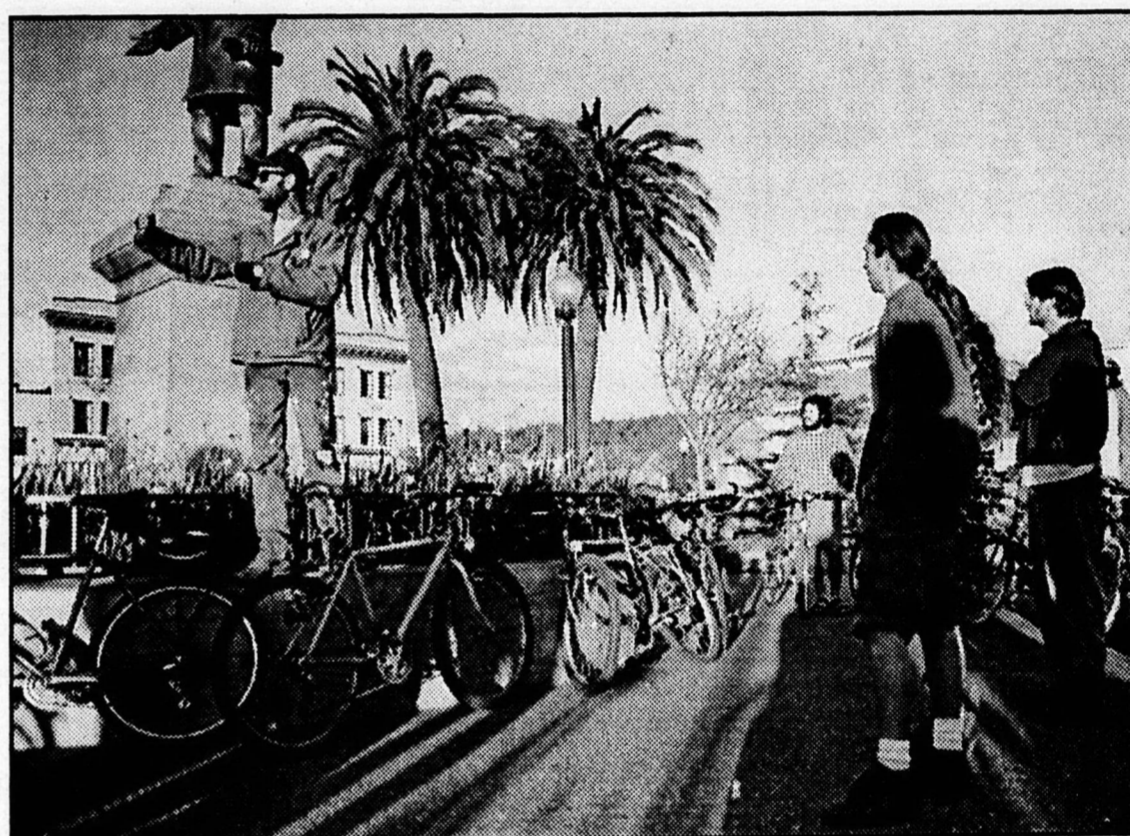


About 30 Arcata bikers took to the streets Friday in support of a proposal to create bike lanes on G and H streets. According to "Critical Mass" organizers, area cyclists intend to meet monthly, every third Friday, and ride together. The last "Critical Mass" was held Oct. 22.

◀ Jan Lundberg, head of the activist group Alliance For a Paving Moratorium, circles the Plaza ahead three other riders.

Mark Knipper (left), who organized the event, speaks to his fellow riders at the Plaza. ▶

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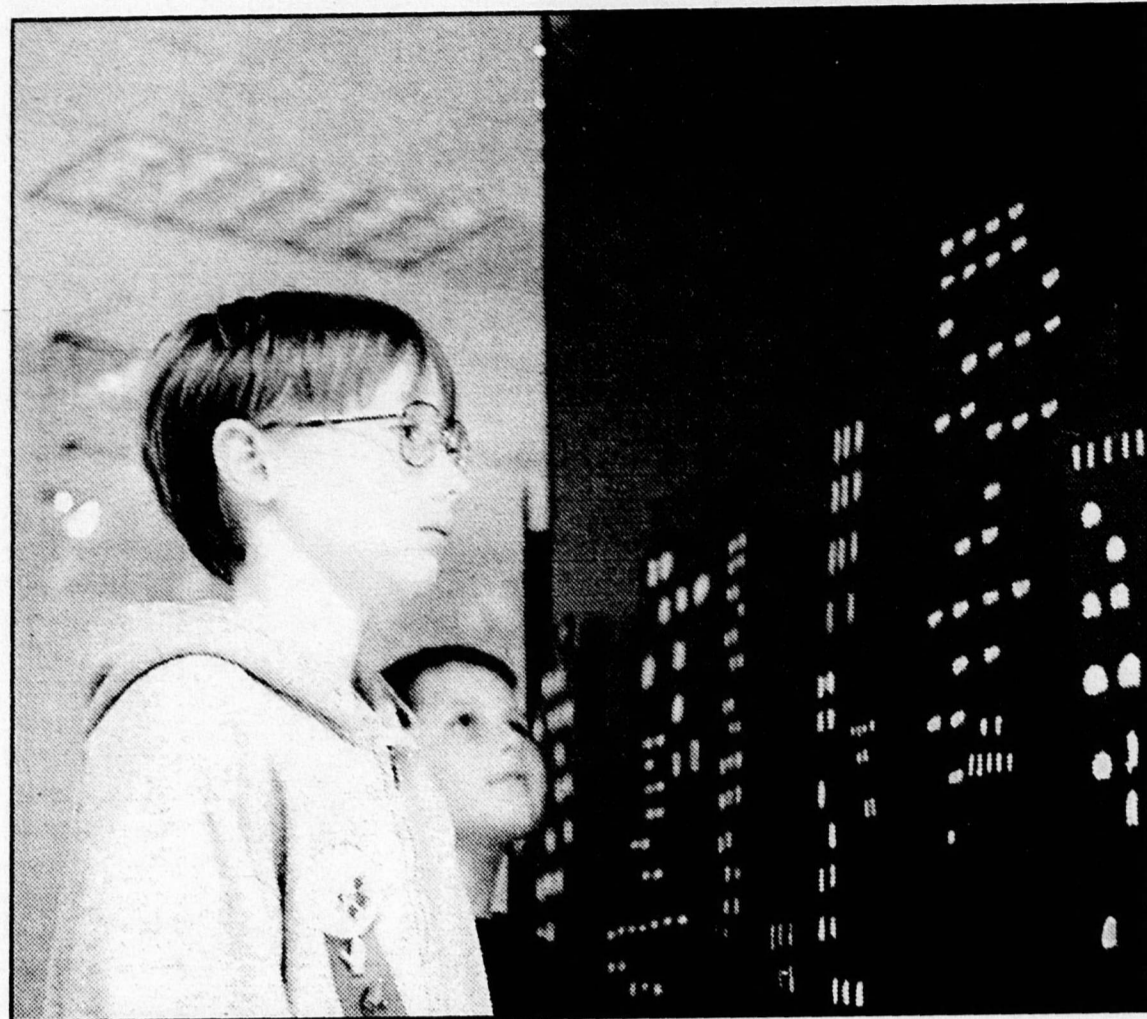
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Fortuna's Tim Lory, left, and Arcata's Kylar Moser examine a display at the Discovery Museum while waiting for the planetarium show to start. The museum is located in the Bayshore Mall in Eureka.

## Museum gets new attraction

By Mike Camara

LUMBERJACK STAFF

The only planetarium on the North Coast has moved from the College of the Redwoods to the Discovery Museum at the Bayshore Mall in Eureka and is now open to the public.

"The faculty decided that it was under utilized, and they needed the classroom space, so it is on long-term loan to the Discovery Museum where more people will be able to see it," said Bob O'Connell, astronomy professor at College of the Redwoods.

The planetarium show gives people a brief orientation of the stars and planets in the night's sky above Humboldt County.

The planetarium has been spruced up with the help from the Louisiana-Pacific Corp., which provided a new 16-side exterior. The exterior features lights portraying various constellations such as Orion and Gemini on each side.

Ken Collins, executive director of the Discovery Museum, said the next closest planetarium is in Redding, so the planetarium is a definite asset to Humboldt County.

The Discovery Museum is looking for someone to sponsor the planetarium.

"We will name the exhibit after a company or citizen who makes a sizable donation to help keep the only planetarium on the North Coast running," Collins said.

The idea for the Discovery Museum started in the fall of 1994, when a group of volunteers began working towards building an indoor interactive learning center for children.

Over 25,000 people have visited the museum since it opened. It has been open for one year at the Bayshore Mall and is now looking for a new home.

The museum features hands-on exhibits ranging from a mock grocery store, provided by the Eureka Co-Op, to a fire engine, donated by the Samoa Peninsula Fire Protection District.

There are planetarium shows for children and adults at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. So far there are no regularly scheduled shows during the week. The planetarium show costs \$1 with all proceeds going to the museum.

For more information about the museum or to volunteer time and support, contact Ken Collins at 443-9694.

## Shoes: Phenomenon remains mystery

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Arcata on H Street, on the corner of 12th and J streets and on the corner of 11th and C streets in front of the track house.

"It's (throwing shoes) a tradition," HSU runner Fergus Breck said. "It is something we do to set ourselves apart from everyone else."

The HSU track team acquired the idea from the cross country runners at the University of Oregon.

HSU runners have a couple of methods of flinging their shoes.

Holding one shoe in each hand with the laces tied together or catapulting the shoes up with one hand to get good momentum are both adequate methods, HSU runner Adam Lockert said.

"We want people to know this is the track house," HSU runner Francisco Rubalcava said.

Pacific Bell has received complaints about shoes hanging on their telephone wires, Service Representative Tina Wulfert said in a phone interview from Rocklin.

Pacific Bell is unable to get the shoes down because it does not have ladder trucks that can reach them, she said.

"We have not had any complaints or heard of any hazardous conditions," Pacific Bell Supervisor Rick Kennedy said in a phone interview from El Monte. "My interpretation has been that it is a way gangs say this is where you can find drugs."

According to different references in the Los Angeles Times, theories and interpretations about shoes dangling from telephone wires are everywhere, but no one seems to have any certain answers.

"It's a kind of cultural art thing," Breck said.

## CD-ROM

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tion work was handled by Dave Powell of PSI Computer Services. Both Marketing by Design and PSI were formed in the expectation that this project would lead to future contracts.

Over 800 copies of "Trek Among the Giants" have been sent out to travel writers throughout the country, and it has attracted the reviews of media and technical writers in the Sacramento Bee and the Redding Record Searchlight.

Jim Six, a multimedia instructor and producer at HSU, reviewed the CD-ROM and said while he found the production interesting it could use some refinements.

"I'm glad to see somebody made it, but it lacks good navigational instruction and is difficult to use," he said.

Six also said he wondered about the practicality of the hardware requirements of the CD-ROM. In order to view the CD-ROM, it is recommended to have a quad speed CD-ROM drive and 16 megabytes of random access memory.

"There will be many people that won't be able to view it because of this," he said.

More information and a copy of the CD-ROM can be obtained through the Crescent City office of the North Coast Small Business Development Center at 464-2168.

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## Community Clips

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### Blood bank schedules spring series of drives for North Coast

The Northern California Community Blood Bank is holding a series of blood drives in Humboldt County. All blood types are welcome and donors must be at least 17 years old.

The blood drives will be held at the following times and locations:

- March 5 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Rohner Recreation Hall in Rohner Park, Fortuna.
- March 6 at St. Bernard's High School in Eureka (time to be announced).
- March 11 from 2 to 7 p.m. at the Humboldt Bank in Willow Creek.
- March 12 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the United Indian Health Services in Trinidad.

For more information, call Peggy Blumer at 826-3271.

### March is Wallflower Month; celebrate with walking tours

The Friends of the Dunes will be having guided nature walks at the Lanphere-Christensen Dunes Preserve every Saturday in March to celebrate Wallflower Month.

The Humboldt Bay Wallflower will be in full bloom the month of March. You can learn about the wallflower from experts, who will also cover coastal dune ecology, cultural history, dune restoration and local lore.

On the first and third Saturdays of the month, the walks will leave from Pacific Union School in Arcata. On the second and fourth Saturdays, the walks will begin at the Manila Beach and Dunes Community Center.

All walks start at 10 a.m. and last about two hours.

For more information, call the Friends Of the Dunes at 444-1397.

### Camp Fire group holds wine, cheese tasting benefit in Eureka

The Northern California Council of Camp Fire Boys and Girls is having its 12th annual wine and cheese tasting benefit at the Eureka Inn Colonnade Room on March 14 from 6 to 8 p.m.

The event will cost \$12 per person. Contact the Camp Fire office at 443-8019.

## Environmental Clips

### Proposal recommends poison to combat troublesome gophers

A new proposal by the Klamath National Forest recommends that strychnine be used to kill gophers that interfere with conifer plantation reproduction.

The Oak Knoll Ranger District issued a report in 1994 saying that the poison was the most feasible way to get rid of the gophers and save the plantation.

Environmentalists say that the problem with this plan is that the dead gophers would become poisoned food for predators such as game birds and owls. They say the strychnine-laced bait used to lure the gophers would also attract deer, mice, chipmunks, ground squirrels and other ground rodents.

Those interested in finding out more information on the proposal or wanting to voice a complaint should call (916) 468-5152.

### Louisiana-Pacific shuts down Mexican plant; 200 left jobless

Slumping production from North Coast timber shortages forced Louisiana-Pacific to close its \$20 million Mexico redwood processing plant at the end of January.

Two hundred employees of the plant in El Sauzal, a city of 7,000 on the Baja California coast, were left without jobs.

The salaries of Mexican workers at the plant, which averaged about \$50 a week, were some of the best in that region.

### New study indicates trouble for majority of protected species


A new study by the Environmental Defense Fund said that two-thirds of the plants and animals protected by the Endangered Species Act are either still in decline or have only stabilized reproduction rates.

Protected species are in even bigger trouble on private land, where one-fourth are declining and the status of 50 percent of the others is unknown because access to the land has been restricted.

David Wilcove, an ecologist and one of the authors of the study, said that only a small fraction of endangered species are improving. The report said less than 10 percent of the species are improving, but nearly four times that number are still declining.



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# Earthquake watchdogs

## Center promotes seismic awareness

By Jenna Gold  
LUMBERJACK STAFF

In the basement of Founders Hall at the end of the hall way is a small room known as "the vault" which contains the instrumentation used to detect earthquakes that occur all over the world.

In the center of the room is a brick platform that extends into the ground about 20 feet to pick up the seismic waves that travel all over the world immediately following an earthquake. These vibrations are sent to a copper coil attached to a magnet hanging from a string.

The magnet moves up and down as a result of the vibrations, creating an electrical current that travels by wire to the needle of the seismograph in the next building over, which houses Humboldt's Earthquake Education Center.

"We have lots of instrumentation and we can come up with the magnitude of the quake and a radius of where it occurred," said director Kathy Moley. The center has been staffed by Moley, an HSU geology alum. It serves many functions in addition to measuring the vibrations from an earthquake.

"We have various information

that we give out. I have people call me and ask questions about recent quakes, the best way to secure a water heater and other questions about earthquakes," Moley said.

She also gets calls from schools, people working on projects and people who just want to learn more about earthquakes. Moley offers tours to elementary schools, private schools and summer schools in between teaching geology courses at HSU.

In addition to educating the pub-

lic, the Earthquake Education Center operates the "Humboldt Earthquake Hotline," a number that community members can call to get facts about earthquakes on the North Coast ... or anywhere in the world.

A major function of the center is to compile and publish intensity studies of regional earthquakes.

"There's two ways to measure an earthquake; magnitude and intensity. Magnitude is a finite measurement but intensity is depen-

dent on how close you are to the epicenter of the quake, the type of soil you're on and your situation — if you were sitting, standing, in a house with a solid foundation or in a high rise building," Moley said.

After the 6.7 quake in Northridge in 1994, Moley and her student assistants made 20,000 phone calls and spoke to about 55,000 adults.

"We asked them a series of questions; did they feel the earthquake, did it wake them up, what was their experience, were they scared? Based on all that we came up with a calculated intensity of the quake," Moley said.

In December 1994 the seismograph ceased functioning.

"Just after Christmas, there was a large quake. Everybody wanted to come up (to the center) and see it on the seismograph, but our machine was broken. As a result of that there was an inpouring of interest and donations throughout the community so we were able to buy the new one," Moley said.

If you are interested in learning more about earthquakes, visit the Earthquake Education Center in Van Matre Hall or sign up for the Center Activities class called "Shake, Rattle and Roll."



Kathy Moley, an HSU geology alum and director of Humboldt's Earthquake Education Center, shows off the seismograph in Van Matre Hall.

### Tectonic Terms

**Isostasy** — The state of flotation balance of Earth's crust. Continental rock tens of miles thick floats on top of oceanic rock formed from dense basalt. Mountains, as they extend higher into the atmosphere, are supported by a larger mass of rock underneath ... similar to how a boat floats.

**Hot spot** — A thermal center fixed deep within Earth's mantle that sends up plumes of volcanic rock while tectonic plates slowly drift across. Hawaii formed from the Pacific Plate moving southeast across the hot spot.

**Pangaea** — A super-continent that existed in early geologic history before it fragmented. The super-continent first broke in two to form Gondwana and Laurasia.

**Mantle** — The interior of the Earth between the solid iron inner-core and the cool, outer crust that humans habitate.

# JGC reconstructs

## workers toil, students boil

By Sarah B. Gregory  
LUMBERJACK STAFF

When the noise ceases and the construction crews move on to their next project, there will stand the "new" seismically improved Jolly Giant Commons.

The Jolly Giant Commons, or the "J," was built in the '60s under the seismic codes and regulations of its time. Now 30 years later those codes have changed ... and so must the "J."

According to Housing Director Rees Hughes, the building was identified as a problem area during a seismic study of all California State University campuses and in '94 was determined to be a severe problem that would have to be remedied.

"At that point we began the process of a more formal exploration, which is a long, involved process of selecting an architect and engineering firm to do seismic work.

"There are a limited number of firms prepared to do that (kind of work)," Hughes said.

The engineering firm Interactive Resources was hired to develop and design the seismic improvements that would help the "J" survive "the big one." The designing process, which included a model to simulate different seismic events, took more than a year to prepare.

"The design had to be reviewed by a seismic board, which looked at the design and then signed that it looked like a seismic remedy," Hughes said.

That seismic remedy includes three major elements: the construction of a grade beam, the addition of more shear elements and the strengthening of the internal splendor columns.

Hired to oversee the construction of these elements was the general contracting company Resco.

Resco's project superintendent, Dirk Atkinson, is also an HSU environmental resources engineering senior.

Atkinson said he feels the most obvious element that needed attention on the "J" was the splendor, or vertical support columns.

"Those are being encased in concrete and steel. They were 12-inch square columns and now they are being moved out to be 20-inch square columns."

The subsurface grade beam built around the base of the building is also built from concrete and steel.

This grade beam will tie together the structure of the building to the internal columns giving the building additional seismic support, Hughes said.

The idea is to tie together the building at the base so it will have more of a chance of moving as a unit and have less chance of collapsing.

"To add more shear elements

## "Smart matter" It really satisfies

By Frank Vella  
LUMBERJACK STAFF

Imagine a world where buildings, bridges and towers could structurally adjust themselves to absorb powerful earthquakes and minimize damage. Imagine a world where millions of microscopic devices work in tandem to continuously shift a structure so that it dances in harmony with the seismic upheaval of the earth.

Scientists at the Xerox Corp. have imagined this and a whole lot more. At its Palo Alto Research Center, Xerox is working feverishly to develop what is predicted to be the next wave of the future. It's called "smart matter," or micro-electro-mechanical systems (MEMS), and it's being looked at as the biggest advancement in technology since the microchip.

"The 1980s were defined by the microprocessor, and cheap lasers have made possible the communications advances of the 1990s," Paul Saffo, a computer industry consultant at the Institute for the Future, told the New York Times. "The first decade of the next century is going to be shaped by MEMS."

The technology is still in its infancy, but Xerox has high hopes for MEMS. According to Xerox, MEMS has the potential to give birth to a new generation of computers and machinery in which individual parts and mechanisms actively adjust to changing internal and environmental conditions. This is machinery with intelligence: a technology which can diagnose and solve many of its own problems.

MEMS is a set of technologies which dynamically responds to the

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Like the action found in a pot of boiling water, convection currents in Earth's liquid mantle slowly moved whole continents to their positions as we know them today.

The ancient super-continent Pangaea fragmented and slowly drifted apart as a result of these convective forces applied over Earth's long history.

## Smart Matter

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physical universe. The responses to the environment are dependent on tiny sensors and actuators which utilize the mechanical and electronic properties of silicon. Most MEMS devices are very small, on the scale of tens of microns (1,000th of a millimeter). While equipping buildings and freeway overpasses with MEMS is impossible at present, scientists foresee a future where structures could shift weight and strength repeatedly during an earthquake in order to counterbalance the destructive waves of seismic force. At present, MEMS technology is only able to successfully control small structures set up in laboratories, but it is a sign of what's to come.

Already, Xerox scientists have been able to more than double the strength of a laboratory model. A recent experiment showed that placing a patchwork of strain sensors and actuators on a column of fiberglass 18 inches long, 2 inches wide and 0.093 inches thick could effectively increase the buckling load of the fiberglass by almost three times. The strain sensors detected when a certain portion of the column was experiencing a high amount of stress and triggered the actuators to respond by using electrical pulses to dampen the vibrations moving through the column, thus relieving the strain.

The experiment only concentrated on one dimension, however. In an earthquake, an actual structure would experience strain in three dimensions and this, Xerox scientists say, is not possible to control at present. Part of the reason for this is that with so many sensors and actuators, it is impossible to coordinate and arrange so much information in such a short time. A single highway support column would be covered in millions of MEMS sensors and there is no known computer fast enough to control so many sensors.

One solution to the problem might be to program individual sensors to interact only with their neighbors. By doing this, it could be possible to solve the computing problem to a more easily handled size. Another Xerox experiment using this method has increased the strength of a model more than five times for brief periods.

There are already MEMS equipped devices on the market. Nearly \$2.2 billion worth of MEMS devices are sold annually to be used in automobile airbags and home blood-pressure kits. For example, after less than one year on the market, a company called Analog Devices has become the leading producer of a \$7 MEMS-based mo-

tion detector for airbags. The sensor is made up of a microscopic splinter of silicon which detects the sudden deceleration signaling an impact and triggers the bag to inflate. Not only is Analog Devices' sensor half the price of earlier mechanical sensors, according to industry engineers, it is far more reliable.

Uses for MEMS include the introduction of an airplane wing which steers itself. According to Xerox, the wings could be coated with a "peach fuzz" of sensors one-fifth of a millimeter long. When connected to a computer, these tiny sensors could monitor air flow across the wing during flight and respond to stabilize and even turn the aircraft, much like a multitude of tiny rudders.

A new market is also seen emerging for an inexpensive chemical analysis instrument. Ever since recent disclosures revealed that U.S. troops were exposed to toxic residues during the Persian Gulf War, the Pentagon has been pursuing a

portable device to detect chemical and biological weapons. MEMS could replace \$17,000 laboratory spectrometers, devices which identify chemicals present in an object, with \$20 devices that are easily portable and comparable to carrying a chemical laboratory on a computer chip.

Other technologically based companies, such as Texas Instruments, are beginning to research MEMS as well. Texas Instruments has produced a new type of projection-television system which features sharper pictures and brighter color. The video projector features MEMS-based technology which reflects images off millions of microscopic controllable mirrors. The mirrors float on a single silicon chip called a digital light processor.

While many ideas for using MEMS are still only a glimmer in scientists' eyes, the technology is definitely developing. Xerox foresees a future where true "smart matter" can be used to control and alter the fundamental properties which govern matter. Characteristics such as shape, stiffness, color and reflectivity of light and sound could be altered to enhance performance, or even just to appease a consumer's taste. "Smart matter" could change the very basic ideas of what constitutes physical objects.

"It took a long time for the transistor to have an impact," Gordon Moore, chairman of Intel, told The New York Times. "MEMS is a really intriguing technology and I believe it will have a significant impact in the next century."

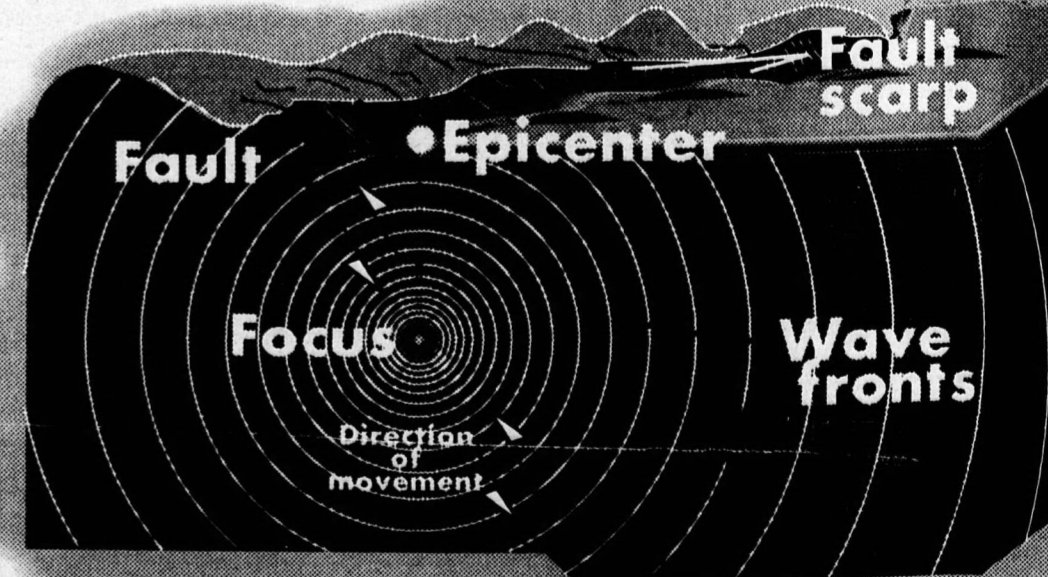
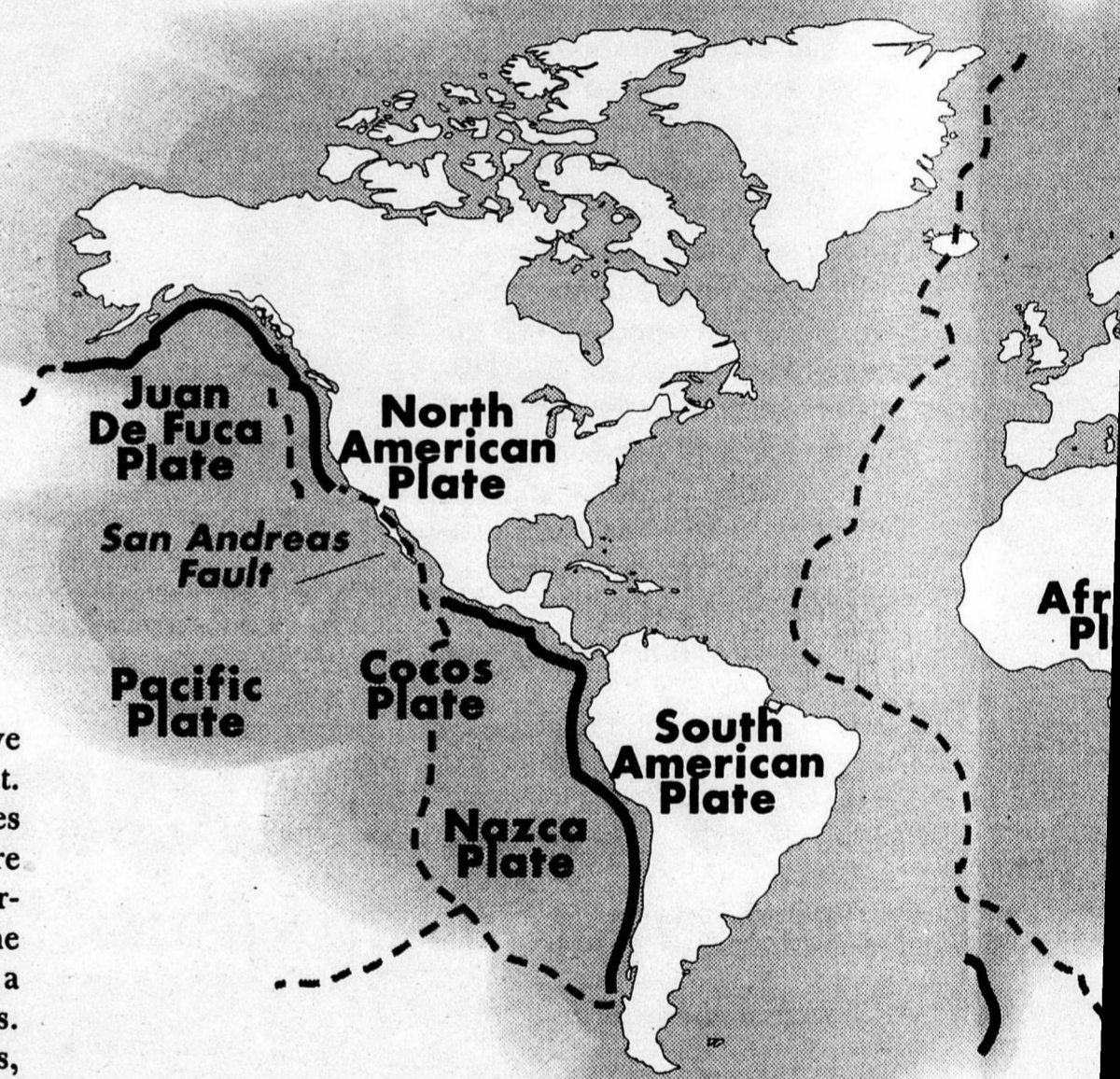
Known as continental drift, this theory was first proposed by Alfred Wagner in 1912 and greatly added to our understanding of Earth's geologic history.

Mid-ocean ridges on the sea-floor create new basaltic rock which spread to the deep-sea trenches or subduction zones.

There it's pushed under the less-dense continental rock causing shallow- and deep-focus earthquakes. The plate melts as it dives deeper into the asthenosphere, starting 40-90 miles below Earth's surface. The melted magma resurfaces through faults and fissures in the plate creating volcanos. These geologic phenomena are especially familiar around the Pacific rim of fire ... of which Arcata is a part.



## Plates of the Earth's Lithosphere



# Mendocino

## Still shakin' after all these years

By Denise Rogers  
LUMBERJACK STAFF

Humboldt County is unique for many reasons. We are host to the Reggae on the River and Hey Juan's burritos, nationally recognized by Sunset Magazine. But the county is also host to one of the most seismically active earthquake regions in all of the continental United States — the Mendocino Triple Junction.

The Triple Junction is where the Gorda, Pacific and North American tectonic plates meet off the North Coast.

Each of these plates have long fault

systems in them; the Cascadia subduction zone, the San Andreas Fault and the Mendocino Fault — two of which meet on shore near Petrolia.

According to the HSU geology department's web page, Humboldt County is susceptible to offshore earthquakes which typically range from 5.0 to 7.5 in magnitude. This is most likely the type of earthquake that will affect our coast in the future.

The county also has a chance of an onshore earthquake, which usually average between 5.0 and 7.1 in magnitude, but could be larger.

The type of earthquake which is of the most concern would be on the Cascadia subduction zone which most of Humboldt County sits on top of. Scientists have found paleoseismic evidence such as changes in the ground surface elevation, exposure of salt marshes and sites of thick, coarse tsunami sands which all are from historic quakes that had magnitudes of 8.0 to 9.0.

This county could easily have

another large earthquake which would result in strong ground motion and tsunamis from California to Washington, said Lori Dengler, geology professor at HSU and director of the Humboldt Earthquake Education Center.

**"The Mendocino Fault ... is the single most active fault in California."**

LORI DENGLER  
HSU geology professor

times under Eureka or Arcata.

"Most of the past damage in Humboldt County from earthquakes is from ones that occurred on the Gorda Plate," Dengler said.

Looking at the long term the next big quake with magnitude above

8.0 will most likely be on the Cascadia subduction zone and other associated Humboldt County faults such as the Little Salmon Fault, which runs under

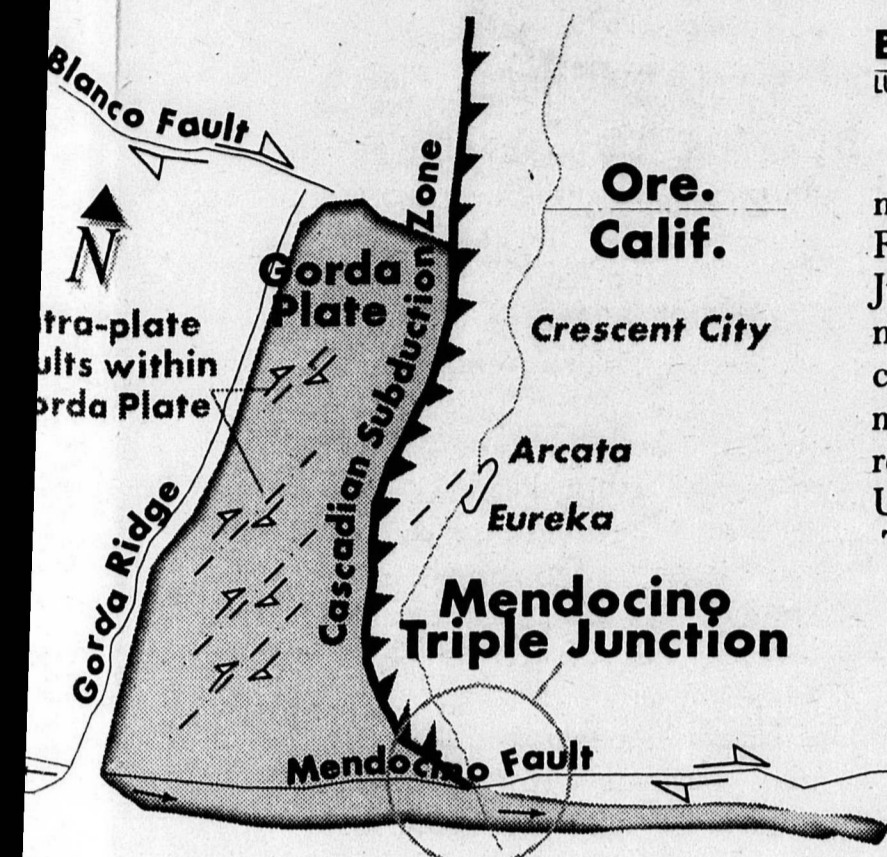
College of the Redwoods, the Fickle Hill Fault, which runs under most of Arcata, and the Mad River Fault, Dengler said.

"That's the greatest potential risk to people," Dengler said. "We are on top of (the fault) — it is eight miles directly below us."

The U.S. Geological Survey has approximately 12 seismograph stations set up, including one at HSU, which measures seismic waves but not ground movement.

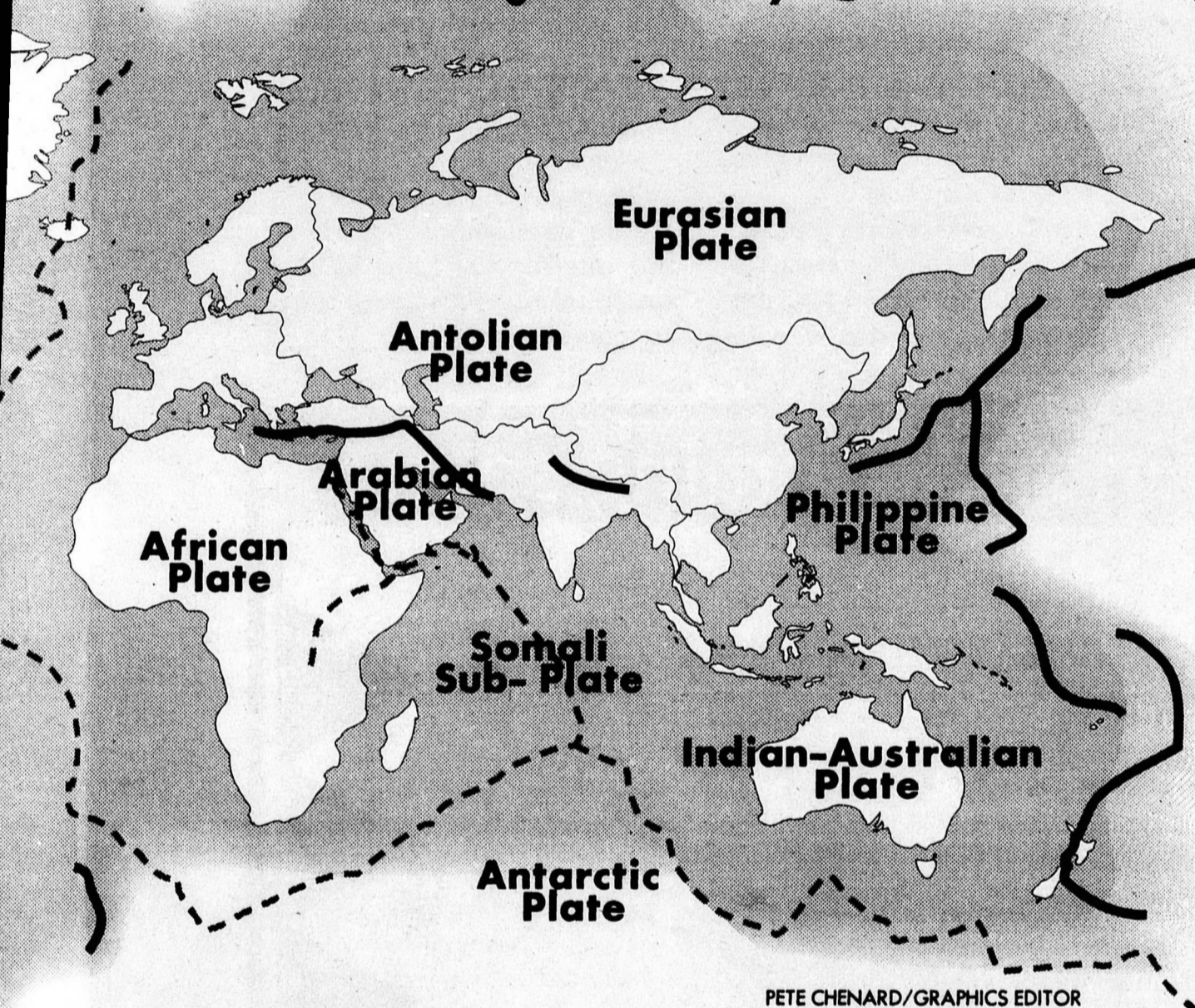
In 1992, after the Cape Mendocino Earthquake, the USGS put in sensors which over time measured Earth's deformation.

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Divergent boundary  
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### Sea-floor spreading

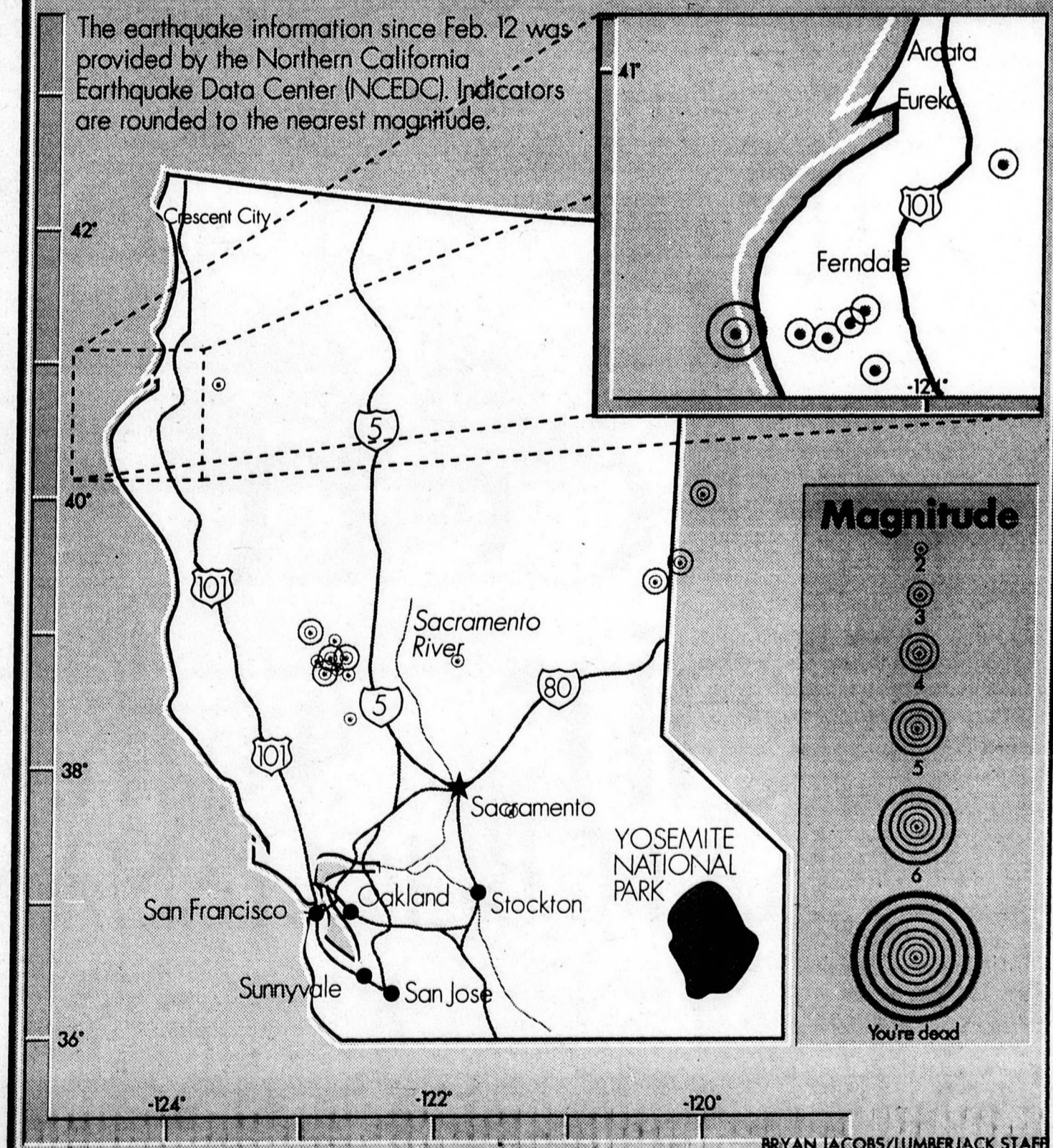
Spreading rates for Earth's divergent boundaries in inches per year as determined by measuring the magnetic correlations on the sea-floor to changes

North Atlantic Ridge	1.25
North Indian Ocean	1.5
South Atlantic Ridge	2.0
North Pacific Ocean	3.75
Pacific-Antarctic Rise	5
East Pacific Rise	7.0

SOURCE: CONTINENTAL DRIFT AND PLATE TECTONICS BY WILLIAM GLEN

### What's shakin' near you?

The earthquake information since Feb. 12 was provided by the Northern California Earthquake Data Center (NCEDC). Indicators are rounded to the nearest magnitude.



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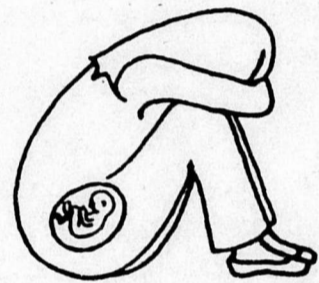
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## Mendocino: learns to groove

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tion and uplift of land using global positioning satellites.

During 1992, the station closest to Cape Mendocino recorded the highest amount of uplift resulting from an earthquake.

On April 25, 1992, the largest earthquake measured with modern instruments happened on the Cascadia subduction zone off the North Coast. It created a tsunami and coastal uplift of four feet from Cape Mendocino to the mouth of the Mattole River.

The first seismic wave hit at a magnitude of 7.1 causing buildings to shift, chimneys to fall, windows to break and liquefaction of land. For the next month there were over 144 aftershocks with magnitudes 3.0 or greater. The Petrolia General Store, post office and fire department station completely burnt down because of an earthquake-related fire.

That quake was felt nearly all over Humboldt County but nowhere as strong as in Petrolia, which sat directly above the epicenter.

"We had a lot of damage done to the city of Ferndale in the '92 quake," said Betty Briggs of the Ferndale Chamber of Commerce. "Hardly any of our buildings were retrofitted for earthquakes."

"We have just recently adopted

a City Management Emergency Plan at the last city council meeting," said H.D. Hively, Ferndale city manager. "Right now it is in skeleton form but will be filled in to conform to the state codes."

Ninety-year-old Mae Bugbee, a Petrolia homeowner for 37 years, sustained \$11,000 of damage from that quake but was able to replace nearly everything with assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, she said.

"I had no earthquake insurance at the time and I lost my chimney, nice dishware, my foundation fell and my main roof support beam slipped. Everyone told me to send my name into FEMA requesting money to help so I did. Two months later I received a check for \$10,000."

"I reinforced my foundation, rebuilt my chimney and straightened the beam. I used the rest of (the money) a year later when my roof started leaking due to the installation boards being cracked."

So why after reading about all these potentially dangerous situations do residents still love Humboldt County? Perhaps Mae Bugbee sums it up best.

"This place is as safe as any place. There are worse things than earthquakes in this country. I may not like them, but you learn to live with them," she said.

## Retrofit

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they are making the walls bigger and stronger (by adding more concrete and steel) so they can handle more force. They are also putting in a large stairwell in the northeast corner of the building to serve a little bit like an anchor," Hughes said.

Hughes explained that the stairwell — a deeply embedded solid shear element — will restrict the building's movement in a large earthquake.

"I think the building was safe. I just think now given what we know about earthquakes we have to make it as safe as it can be," Atkinson said.

Native American studies freshman Kate Kiesz worries about the seismic safety of the building during the retrofitting project.

"What if an earthquake happens now? (The building) doesn't seem too safe," Kiesz said.

Gina Regalmute, an undeclared freshman, shares the same concern as Kiesz. "If (an earthquake) hits now, the whole building might fall apart," she said.

Atkinson said he feels the building is safe. "From an engineering standpoint we are taking and interrupting some of the structure but at the same time we are reinforcing it."

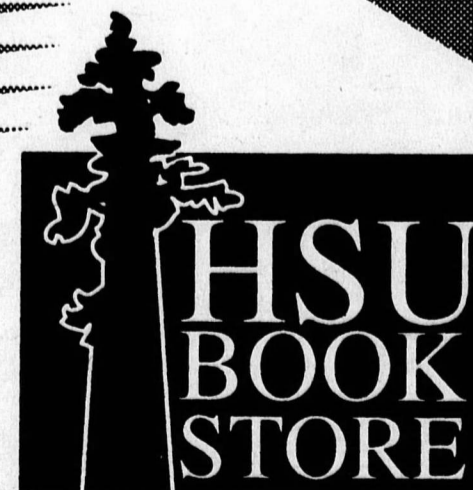
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# Adrian Legg

## 'Acoustic guitarist of the decade' to play in Arcata

By Ananda Shorey

LUMBERJACK STAFF

Adrian Legg's dry English wit, superb story telling ability and signature acoustic guitar technique combine together for what promises to be a unique show next Monday.

"I play tunes on the guitar," Legg said in a phone interview from Los Angeles.

"Whatever I have to do on stage in order to be heard is what I do."

He will play a combination of older tunes as well as tunes from his new release, "Waiting for a Dancer," at Celebration Hall in Arcata next Monday.

"It's not a concept album, it is a collection of tunes," Legg said. "I tried to have a little fun between birth and death in 'Waiting for a Dancer.'"

"It is not very pure in acoustic terms. I don't believe in purity. I believe it was an awful mistake. I think it's very destructive."

Legg, who has been playing the acoustic guitar for about 20 years, taught himself to play at 19, and joined a band in Liverpool.

"Maybe I started playing the guitar because I wanted to get laid or something," he said. "For a guy with glasses you have to do something a little more dramatic than standing there and looking gorgeous."

"I don't know what motivates people to do the things they do, but I guess you find some kind of focus and there you are."

His five albums have won him awards in "Guitar Player" magazine such as "Best Overall Guitar Album." For this award, his release beat out Joe Satriani's "Time Machine" compilation and Smashing Pumpkins' "Siamese Dream." Through this publication he has also won awards for "Best Acoustic Album," "Guitarist of the Decade" and "Best Acoustic Fingerstylist," in which he garnered more votes than all his competitors combined.

"I was thrilled to bits," he said. "That kind of recognition is wonderful."

"It's not the be-all and end-all, but it's a wonderful compliment to have."

Legg said guitarists are no longer categorized.

"It seems there isn't a category anymore for people who play tunes on the guitar," he said. "I don't



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Adrian Legg's performance on Monday will consist of old material and selections from his latest album.

know if there ever was." Legg said he played banjo for a short time, but it interfered with another hobby of his.

"I did play the banjo briefly but it came down to a choice between that and sex," he said. "I preferred sex. It (the banjo) was a profoundly anti-social instrument."

"My cat left home as soon as I got it. I should have realized from there I suppose."

Legg is a photographer and a writer as well as a musician.

"I enjoy communica-

tion."

His biggest influence is his mother, who hates guitars.

**"Maybe I started playing the guitar because I wanted to get laid or something. For a guy with glasses you have to do something a little more dramatic than standing there and looking gorgeous."**

**ADRIAN LEGG**  
Acoustic Guitarist

"When I started playing the guitar our elders hated it and that was a lot of its value — that it was profoundly disapproved of by those who were trying to subjugate us into the education system."

"It is not a process of educating, it is a process of making people conform and people don't like that. That's why you have so many pissed off kids. They can see that there is a lot of shit they are being made to conform to, so they rebel."

Legg said the guitar is a more

common instrument in America than England.

"The guitar is not really a natural instrument in England," he said. "The guitar is essentially the American national instrument."

"It's your real folk instrument. It serves everybody in America — every class, creed and strata of society here. So it has been a universal thing for you in America the

### Concert Information

**Where:** Celebration Hall in Arcata

**When:** Monday at 8:30 p.m.

**Ticket Prices:** \$12 advance, \$15 at the door

way it hasn't for England."

While on the "G3 Tour," which featured Legg, Joe Satriani, Eric Johnson and Steve Vai, Legg broke a guitar string and ended up reading the audience a poem he wrote about a dead cat.

"I suppose for a lot of people their art is a bit like a teddy bear in the sense that it can be a staging post between them and the world," he said. "A child's teddy bear is a place where emotions going in and out are tried out, and I think an instrument can work like that."

"I think it probably works like that for me."

Legg said life on the road is boring for him.

"Being an artist on the road is pretty mundane," he said. "It's not glamorous at all. It's a matter of finding laundry mats, freeway exits and trying to find a veggie restaurant."

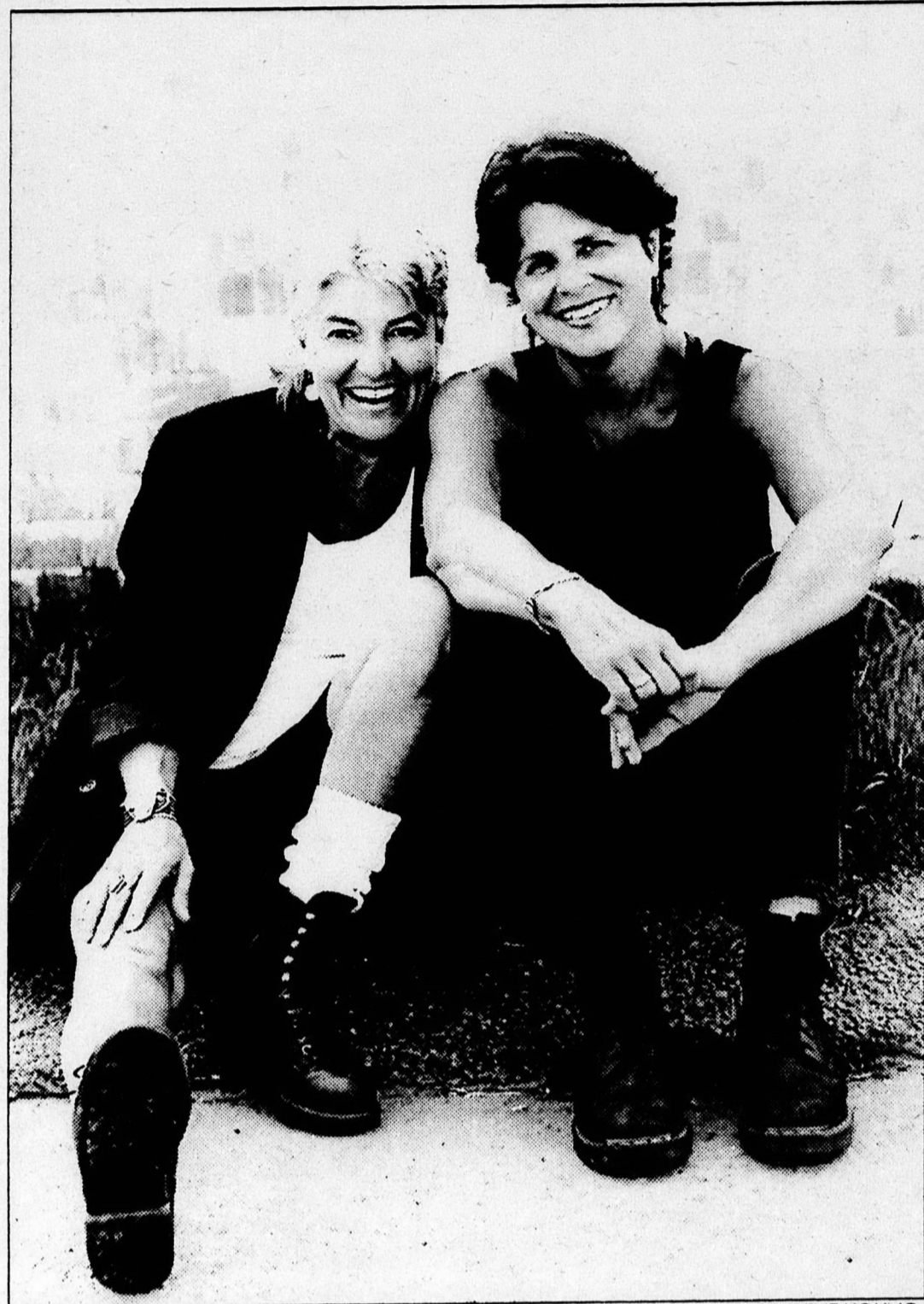
"Road food in America is absolutely junk, as it is in England. I would never eat McDonald's. I think it's poisonous."

Legg said he tries to have fun as much as possible.

"Life has to be fun, that is all there is really between life and death," he said.

All ages are welcome at Adrian Legg's performance at 8:30 p.m. at Celebration Hall in Arcata. Tickets are available at The Works (Eureka and Arcata), People Records (Arcata), Wild Horse Records (Garberville) and at all Bass Outlets. They will be \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. For more information call Rhythmic Productions at 496-0192.

# Pioneering musicians to play Club West



By Nicole Keele  
LUMBERJACK STAFF

Musical pioneers Cris Williamson and Tret Fure will be appearing at Club West in Eureka next Tuesday to share their new album, "Between the Covers," with Humboldt County.

In a phone interview Williamson said her and Fure's music has therapeutic qualities.

"Our music is like food and medicine to help make the world a better place," she said. "I sing from my spirit, from my heart."

Williamson has been performing and changing the music industry since 1975, when her first album, "The Changer and the Changed," was released.

After the debut of the album Williamson co-founded Olivia Records, and eventually released 14 separate titles.

Williamson said Olivia Records was created so women in music can come together and create a record label that is operated and produced by women. She said the record label allows women to break free from a male-dominated industry.

With her bold and fresh sound, Williamson opened the door for women, especially lesbians, to freely enter the music scene as singers and producers.

Fure said the 1997 spring tour her and Williamson are on will feature mostly songs from the new album.

"Our spring tour concert is based on our album release with three or four selected, favorite works from previous works," she said.

The songs from "Between the Covers" are based on the love Williamson and Fure have for one another and the intimacy they share. "Our relationship was important in the making of the CD. It gives the music strength," Williamson said. "The songs are about longevity and commitment, and that true love is out there if you actively look for it."

Williamson said she wants her music to come across as inspirational.

"We use a seed idea — our music is made to be inspiring," she said. "Our lyrics apply to everyone, we sing from the heart to everyone."

Both Williamson and Fure have traveled throughout the world, sharing their music with listeners throughout the U.S., Russia, Australia and New Zealand and several other countries.

Fure and Williamson met in 1981 when Fure engineered a children's record for Williamson. Since then, the two have been

## Concert Information

Where: Club West in Eureka

When: Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Ticket Prices: \$10 advance, \$12 at the door

musical and life partners.

Fure, like Williamson, has a long list of musical background in her past. She opened for several prominent bands like Yes, Poco and The J. Geils Band.

After leaving mainstream music, Fure became increasingly interested in creating independent, women's music.

The unique styles of Williamson and Fure have given women's music a standard that is challenged by many female musician. These two women have made their place in the world of music — not only for female musicians but for lesbians as well.

Williamson and Fure's music is full of soul and the lyrics on "Between the Covers" is a narrative heartfelt journey into the souls of the two women.

"Everyone is welcome to come to our concert," Fure said. "It's not gender specific."

The concert will be at Club West, Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Williamson and Fure's songs are about longevity and commitment.

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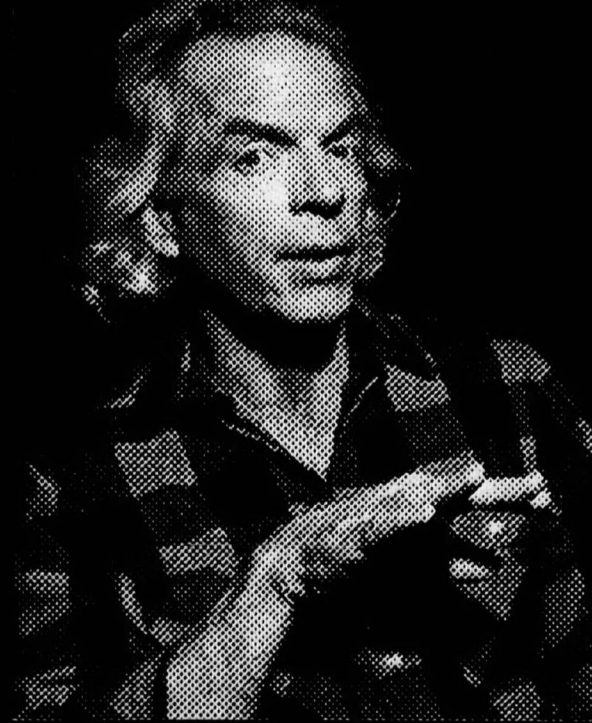
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# HSU goes 'Into The Woods'

*Campus production of classical fairytale is biggest show in two years*

By Nima Reza

LUMBERJACK STAFF

There won't be another production as big as "Into The Woods" for another two years at HSU.

One major reason for the time discrepancy is the cost to do a production of this magnitude.

"It's probably the biggest production that our departments (art and theater) do every two years, and generally big musicals are just really expensive to do well," said Bernadette Cheyne, the play's stage director.

Royalties are the key reason for such high costs. Royalties for this Broadway musical are \$3,150, paid to Music Theatre International. An additional \$600 is used for material rentals.

One reason why "Into The Woods" was chosen for the bi-annual production was because the music and theater departments collaborate on the choosing of a musical that will offer opportunities from students in both departments, Cheyne said.

"I'm particularly interested in productions that are ensemble productions, where it's not necessarily one or two big stars but where a lot of people really get opportunities to develop a character," she said.

"Into The Woods" is a musical that can almost be considered "light opera" said Craig Benson, a natural resources graduate student who plays the characters of the wolf and Cinderella's prince.

A memo from the HSU music department describes the plot as follows: "...beneath the illusion of 'happily ever after' lies a darker world fraught with danger and disappointment."

"It takes certain expectations that many of us have based upon what we know of certain fairy tales (Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood, Rapunzel and Jack and the Bean Stalk) ... then it turns it all around and we see the aftermath of happily ever after," Cheyne said in describing the musical's plot.

Cheyne said this musical is essentially taking childhood heroes and shedding a new, and maybe not such a positive,



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The Baker (Patrick Spike), his wife (Katrina Eads) and Little Red Riding Hood (Rachael Bell) wander in the forest.

light on them.

"We tend to think of Jack (of the Bean Stalk) of something of a hero," Cheyne said. "He was a thief and a murderer."

Younger children may not be able to comprehend the underlying themes in this production. However, adults may learn an interesting lesson about the fairy tales that are prevalent in this society.

"The ideas of these fairy tales ... may not necessarily be teaching them just exactly what you want them to learn,"

said Patrick Spike, who plays the Baker and is a graduate student in the theater department.

"Into The Woods" will be showing in the Van Duzer Theatre tonight, tomorrow, Saturday and March 5, 7, 8, 12, 14 and 15 at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$15, \$10, \$8 general and \$13, \$8, \$6 students and seniors. They are available at the Works in Arcata and Eureka, the New Outdoor Store in Arcata and the University Ticket Office.

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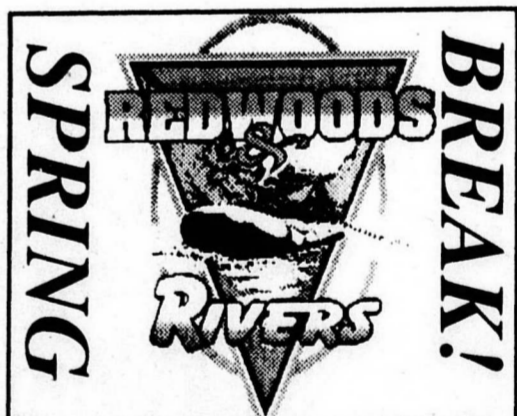
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# Upful Livin's positive message

By Erin Cassidy

LUMBERJACK STAFF

"Positive vibrations" is the message projected by one of Arcata's hottest reggae acts, Upful Livin.

This twelve member group consists of Amosis Law (lead vocals), Blossom Fisher (backing vocals), Brian Greenway (bass), Jason "J-bird" Osburn (drums), Marissa Cohen (percussion), Sean Powers (percussion), cousins Justin Ward (guitar) and Tyler Vack (guitar), Jeff Camp (Keyboards), Kris Sundeen (alto saxophone), Dave Harrah (trumpet) and Phill Anton (trombone).

The band, which is composed of students from HSU and College of the Redwoods, was formed in fall of 1994.

"I met Brian the bass player at school," Law said. "While hanging out and getting to know him, he said I should come over and jam one night."

"It was so fun that I found myself coming out there every week wanting to do it over and over again."

After a year of rehearsing every

Friday night and playing local parties the band started to evolve its music and developed a huge gathering. Opening up for another local band called GravyBoat Joyride at Jambalya was the first professional show for Upful Livin.

Upful Livin has been influenced by bands such as the Wailers, Israel Vibration, and the Sheppards.

The band has performed at venues such as Hefes, Celebration Hall, Humboldt Brewery, KRFH campus radio and Redwood Park, where they headlined last year's Hempfest West.

"Redwood Park during the Hempfest was where we had our favorite show because of the vibration and the area — people were feeling it," Osburn said. "It was one heavy meditation."

The band has also opened for some popular acts in Humboldt such as Jah Levi and the Higher Reasoning, Clan Dyken and a newly signed touring band from Kentucky called the Catawampus Universe.

Right now the band is short its keyboardist, Jeff Camp. He desired time off from the music and



ERIN CASSIDY/LUMBERJACK STAFF

Upful Livin members (from left to right) Tyler Vack, Marissa Cohen, Amosis Law, Phill Anton, Dave Harrah and Kris Sundeen playing at Celebration Hall last Saturday night as the opening act for Shinehead.

moved to Costa Rica, only to find himself in a little bit of trouble.

"After 10 days he and his friend Frosty were attacked, blindfolded, kidnapped and robbed while camping," Fishersaid. "They were stuffed in a car for three hours and


got dropped off in the middle of the jungle.

"Somehow they made it back to the Bay Area, and Jeff is now saving trying to come back to Humboldt."

During this incident, the thieves

stole money, their rental car and even a brand new surfboard.

For the future, Upful Livin wants to play in the annual "Reggae on the River" festival, which has featured such acts as Jimmy Cliff and Israel Vibration.



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# Everyone should fear to tread into a showing of the drama 'Fools Rush In'



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Alex Whitman (Matthew Perry) and Isabel Fuentes (Salma Hayek) smooch after Isabel gives Alex a box of hot dogs for his birthday.

By Nicole Keele

LUMBERJACK STAFF

"Fools Rush In"  
Columbia Pictures

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Directed by Andy Tennant

Lead Actors

Matthew Perry, Salma Hayek

On film



Only fools will rush into the movie theater to see the recent release "Fools Rush In" playing at The Movies in Eureka.

Mathew Perry, from the television sitcom "Friends" plays Alex Whitman, a straight-edged businessman from New York who flies out to Las Vegas to build a night club.

While in Las Vegas, Alex meets Isabel Fuentes (Salma Hayek), a sultry Mexican-American woman who seriously believes in the power of destiny. The two end up spending the night together.

Once Alex and Isabel meet the

movie becomes a typical love cliché where two people from opposite sides of the track meet, fall in love, are torn apart and then are once again romantically brought back together because of their deepest love for one another.

"Fools Rush In" is so predictable, the minute the movie starts, the audience can guess the ending. The plot is missing one very important element — an entertainment value.

Three months after the one night stand, Alex finds out that Isabel is pregnant. Soon after the two are married.

The entire movie revolves around the different lifestyles and cultures of the two newlyweds. Isabel's family, especially her father, doesn't like Alex. Alex's parents think that Isabel is their son's house cleaner.

In a desperate attempt to have Alex fit in with her family, Isabel sends her husband out with her brothers and ex-fiance, Chuy (Carlos Gomez), to the desert to shoot guns. Alex comes back drunk and with his backside full of cactus spines.

For Alex it is important that Isabel move back to New York with

him so they can live in the concrete jungle and raise their child there. This is a move that Isabel is reluctant to take.

Unfortunately, conflict arises when Alex takes a job in New York without telling Isabel. Feeling betrayed, Isabel leaves Alex with divorce papers and runs to her great grandmother's hacienda in Mexico.

Alex, saddened by the thought of not being with his true love, flies to Mexico to make-up with Isabel only to find that Isabel has gone back to Las Vegas to deliver their baby.

Alex rushes back to the border of Arizona and Nevada on the Hoover Dam, where he patiently waits in the rain for his wife.

As Isabel drives up to the border, her water breaks and must deliver her baby on the Dam. As in all romantic movies all is forgotten and the two lovers are brought back together.

Perry does a good job at portraying a young man in love and Hayek is great as a fiery woman who gets everything she wants, including her destiny. Aside from talented actors, the movie is void of plot, humor and entertainment.

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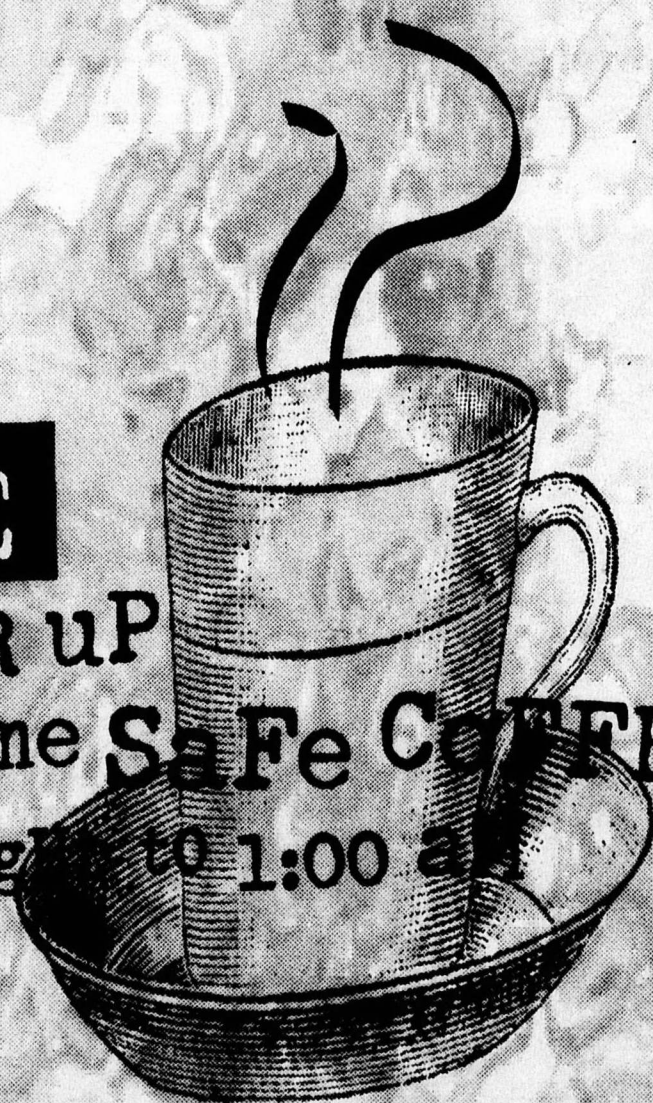
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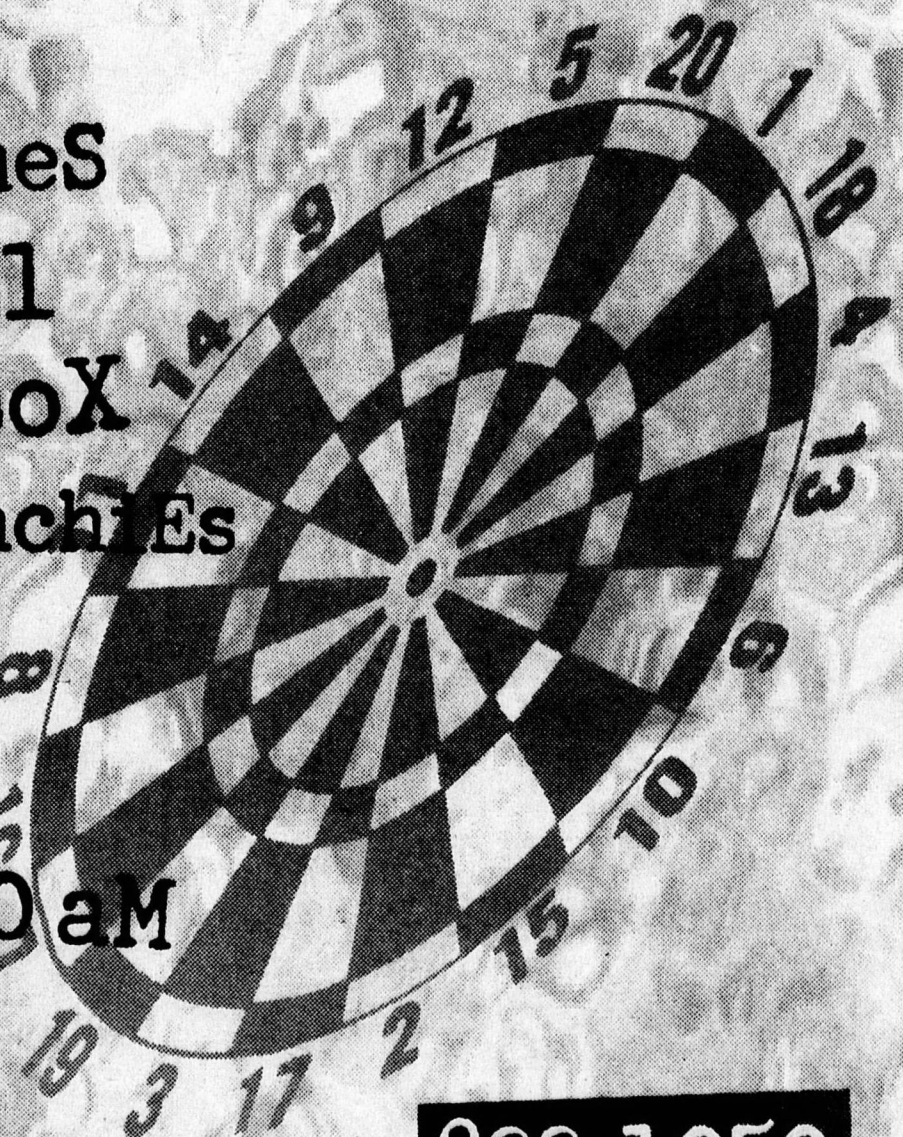


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# Hittin' for the fences

*Freshman shortstop Marroquin taking NCAC by storm*

■ "Blue chip" player is one of Coach Frank Cheek's army of young talent.

By John Baker  
LUMBERJACK STAFF

HSU softball player Terry Marroquin likes to talk to herself.

"I always talk to myself — I always say something," said the freshman shortstop. "I think before a play is going to be made, 'Where am I going to go if (the ball) comes to me this way.'"

Even at the plate, Marroquin said, she continues her one-person conversations.

"I talk to myself all the time," she said. "I'll mumble — you can see my mouth moving. Sometimes I talk to myself when I'm walking down the hall. I have my own conversations."

She has a lot to talk about. The 18-year-old jazz music fan is one reason the Lumberjacks are 14-3. Marroquin is batting .407 with 16 RBIs, is 5-5 in the stolen base department and leads the team with 48 assists.

"She's as an outstanding a shortstop, defensively, that we've had at HSU," softball coach Frank Cheek said. "The thing I like about her is her consistency. She's not flashy, so she goes out there and makes the play and she's smart. We're

pleased to have her and we're going to have her for three more years."

Marroquin grew up in Culver City, began playing organized softball when she was 14 and was a three-time all-league selection at Crossroads High School in Santa Monica. She was also a two-time all-CIF selection and was named to the all-state team. In addition, she lettered in basketball and spurned offers from East Coast schools to attend HSU.

"I wanted to stay closer to home and HSU is known for a great softball program," she said. "Coach Cheek is well-known. (But) I really came to get an education."

Cheek learned about Marroquin from Crossroads coach Tom Grey, whose cousin attended HSU. Cheek made it a point to actively recruit Marroquin.

"I went down and saw her play

in Mission Viejo," he said. "I made a special trip to see her and talk to her — we even flew her

up here. She was just too good to be true."

Coming to the North Coast after living in the sprawl of the Los Angeles area forced Marroquin to make adjustments.

"It's definitely different from back home, but I think I've adjusted to it and I like it very

much," she said. "Softball takes a lot of my time and school (does) as well. I came here more for education."

The fact that softball has taken up a lot of her time in recent years has been a positive occurrence, Marroquin said.

"It gives me something to do," she said. "It keeps me from getting into trouble."

Unfortunately, Marroquin has found herself in trouble more than once.

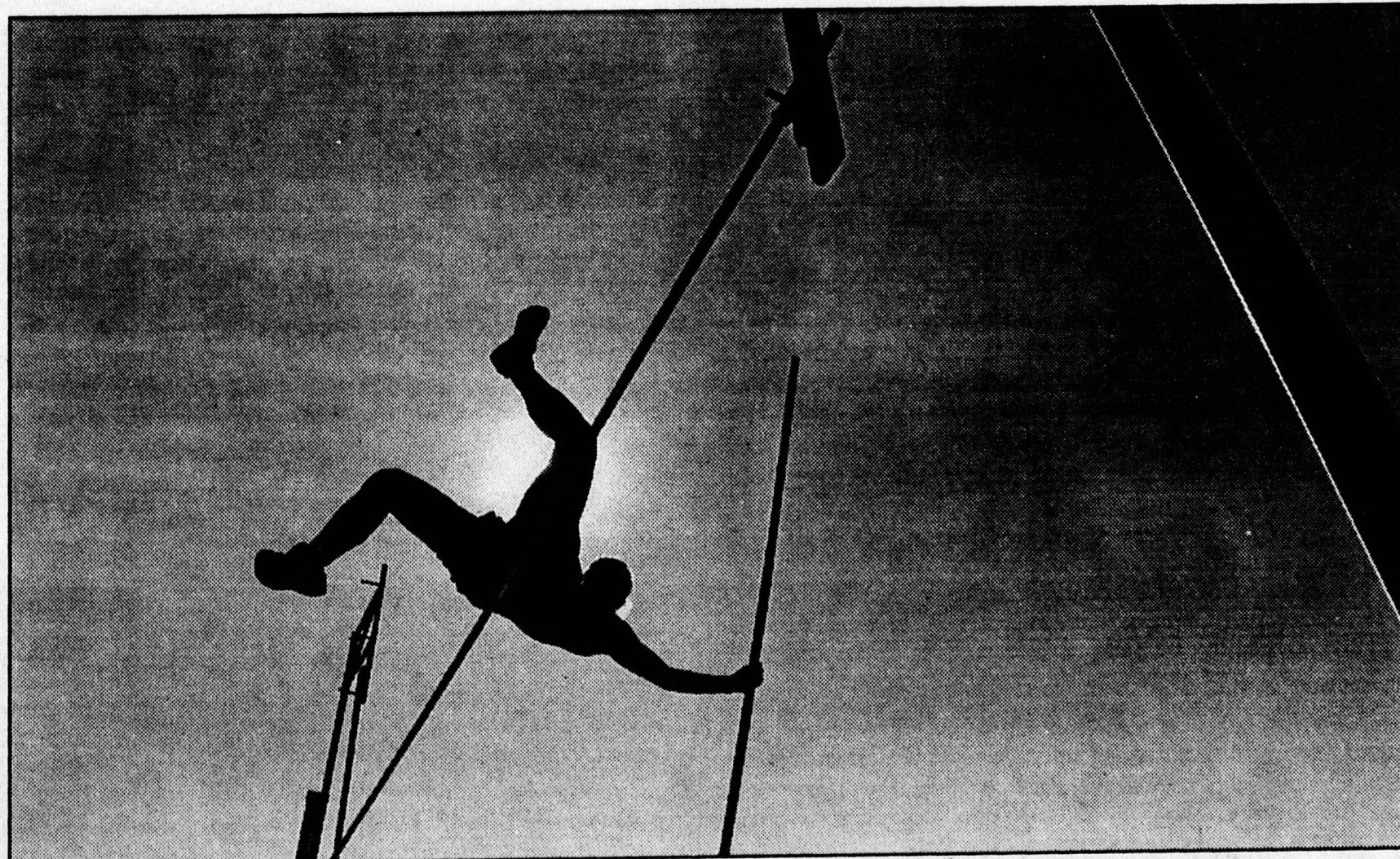
Marroquin's grandmother was declared her legal guardian after her parents' divorce. Her mother had been declared an "unfit" parent and Marroquin's visits to her father generally consisted of raiding his beer supply after he had gotten drunk. She began to develop an alcohol problem. Finally, Marroquin said, she'd seen all-too-many fights, arguments and shootings, and worried that she might be next. But when she transferred to Crossroads, things changed.

"Before Crossroads, all I thought



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## A day at the races

At left, Anna-Maria Hird competes in the pole vault at Saturday's Green and Gold intrasquad meet in Redwood Bowl. Above, Kristina Paulo, right, leads Rosa Quintos in the 60-meter hurdles.

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## Matt Krupnick's Wood Olympo

• Useless sports fact of the week: Giuseppe Dordoni of Italy won the Olympic gold medal in the 50-kilometer walk in 1952.

• Obscure men's college basketball score of the week: Catawba 76, Mars Hill 61. I thought they found life on that planet.

• Obscure women's college basketball score of the week: St. Andrews 66, Mount Olive 65. Isn't that what Popeye did?

• Friday, the HSU softball team will play CSU Stanislaus, against whom the 'Jacks are 45-2 all-time. Where did those two losses come from?

• Since the field in Redwood Bowl is being replaced, the javelin competition in Saturday's

track meet may have to be relocated, so be careful walking on the UC Quad that day.

• Now that softball's Taiisha Pleasant has four homers on the season, Coach Frank Cheek is ready to sign her to an \$11.45 million contract, making her the highest-paid player in HSU history.

• Prediction: Now that Princeton is the first team in the NCAA basketball tournament for 1997, Steve Lavin will have his UCLA team lose the rest of its games.

• Well, both HSU basketball teams are done with their seasons. At least we have the high school championships this weekend. Go Arcata!

Find out how the women's crew team will do in its second season, next week in The 'Jack.

### Softball opens NCAC play with road wins

The softball team opened conference play Saturday with a sweep of Chico State in Chico.

The 'Jacks won the first game, 10-0, in a game shortened to six innings because of the 10-run mercy rule. B.J. Helfrich earned the win for HSU.

The 'Jacks won the nightcap, 8-3, behind the pitching of Erin Raethke. Jamie Peterson had four hits on the day for the 'Jacks.

Sunday, the 'Jacks came back from a first-game 4-0 loss to Santa Clara with a 4-1 win over the Broncos.

"We split with them every year," Coach Frank Cheek said.

Freshman designated hitter Taiisha Pleasant hit a three-run home run in the second game to seal the victory for HSU. Pleasant has four homers on the season to lead the 'Jacks.

The 'Jacks (13-2, 2-0) will play a doubleheader Friday at CSU Stanislaus and a second pair at CSU Hayward on Saturday.

### Track opens season with good marks

The track and field team opened its 1997 season Saturday with the Green and Gold intrasquad meet in Redwood Bowl.

Despite its low-key status, the meet produced some impressive marks. Catherine Hall threw the hammer 135-10, which would break the school record by more than 10 feet in an official competition.

"Catherine is just going to be tremendous for us," Coach James Williams said.

Other highlights included the



men's 600 meters, in which Josh Quintal edged Dutch Yerton and Gilbert Hernandez in a time of 1 minute, 21.2 seconds.

The Gold team defeated the Green, 123-121.

The 'Jacks will open their conference schedule Saturday with a meet in Redwood Bowl against UC Davis and CSU Stanislaus. Field events will begin at 9 a.m. and running events will begin at 11 a.m.

### Women's basketball ends season with loss

The women's basketball team ended its season Thursday with a 70-62 loss to Sonoma State in the East Gym.

The 'Jacks (9-16, 5-9) were led by Sarah Trobee's 14 points. Tami McCanless had seven assists to end her HSU career with 260, fourth on the all-time list.

This season marks the first time the 'Jacks have failed to make the playoffs in five seasons.

### Men's hoops fails in NCAC playoff bid

The men's basketball team failed in a bid to make its fourth-straight playoff appearance, losing at home Thursday, 71-57, against Sonoma State.

With the victory, the Cosacks beat out the 'Jacks (13-12, 7-7) for the fourth and final conference playoff spot.

Toby Tollack led the 'Jacks with 15 points and 14 rebounds.

### HSU to host high school games

HSU will play host to this weekend's Dick Nicolai Humboldt-Del Norte League Basketball Championships for the third consecutive year.

The girls' title game, matching the Big Five Conference and Little Four Conference champions, will be played Friday in the East Gym at 7 p.m. The boys' game will occur Saturday at 6 p.m. Tickets cost \$5.

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2. Jennifer Fritz (93-96) .....	9
3. Stacie Longquist (93-94) .....	7
4. Amy Circo (89-90) .....	5
4. Tammi Richards (90-91) .....	5
6. Taiisha Pleasant (97) .....	4
6. Debby Ryles (89-92) .....	4
6. Joni Hildebrand (89-90) .....	4
6. Dawn Valenta (95-96) .....	4
10. Courtney Watson (96) .....	3



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## Leader of the pack

From left, Clover Codd, Denise Walker, Lara Schultz, Courtney Cannizzaro and Emily Chilton race in the 600 meters in Saturday's Green and Gold meet. Walker, a former HSU All-American who runs for Humboldt Track Club, won the race with a time of one minute, 39.1 seconds.

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## Marroquin

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about was when is the next party," she said. "My whole week was just a waiting period for Friday and Saturday nights."

Marroquin said Crossroads challenged her. She buckled down in school, worked harder in softball and set a goal to become the first in her family to go to college—a goal she accomplished with her admission to HSU last fall.

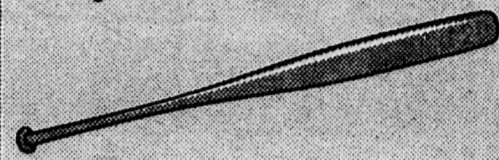
"I hope that Crossroads will be there for other kids with backgrounds like mine," she said. "Working hard is not easy (but) it feels great when you succeed."

Cheek said he believes Marroquin wanted to attend a university where she would continue to be both challenged and supported.

"I feel she wanted to go to a school where the coach would make sure she graduated and assist her in making important decisions," said Cheek. "She's very loyal to her past coach. That's the kind of person she is."

Marroquin said she follows the Golden Rule of "Do unto to others

### Terry Marroquin ... by the numbers



Batting average: .407

Doubles: 3

RBI: 16

Slugging average: .463

On-base average: .452

Stolen bases/attempts: 5/5

SOURCE: HSU SPORTS INFORMATION

as you would like done to yourself." That motto affects her loyalty, she said.

"When I gain respect for other people, that's when I become loyal," she said.

Marroquin is now a kinesiology major, but is leaving her future options open and considering child development as an alternate major. Ultimately she is looking for a job where she can "help others."

"I like people," she said.

Marroquin can talk to herself all she wants as far as Cheek is concerned. She lets her play speak for her.

"She's a silent leader—she communicates well on the field," Cheek said. "She lets her actions do her talking. If she makes a mistake she feels very upset about it."

The Lumberjacks are a young team this year—in the Feb. 8 contest at San Francisco State, the entire defense was made up of freshmen, except for sophomore centerfielder Kathryn Hutchings. HSU won, 16-0, in that game. Cheek said the best on the diamond is yet to come as Marroquin gets older.

"Your game always gets better," he said. "You become more polished, you make greater plays, get greater range. Hittingwise, you get more selective at the plate."

"By the time she's a senior, she's going to be worth her weight in gold. She's very valuable to us now. We depend on her."

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3/8	Sacramento State	Noon
3/26	UCLA	Noon
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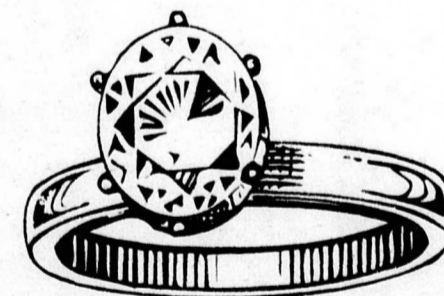
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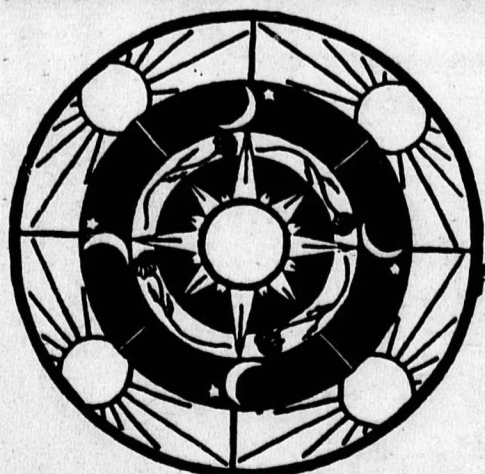
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### Men's standings

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	W	L	W	L	
UC Davis	10	3	18	8	Davis vs. Sonoma 2/25
Hayward	10	3	17	9	Hayward vs. Stanislaus 2/25
Stanislaus	10	3	14	12	Stanislaus @ Hayward 2/20
Sonoma	7	6	15	10	Sonoma @ Davis
HUMBOLDT	7	6	13	12	
Chico	6	7	10	16	
Notre Dame	2	12	6	20	
SF St.	1	13	10	16	

### Last week's results

HUMBOLDT	L 57-71 vs. Sonoma
Chico	L 56-80 vs. Davis
Sonoma	W 71-57 vs. HUMBOLDT
Davis	W 80-56 vs. Chico
Hayward	W 57-47 vs. Stanislaus
Stanislaus	L 47-57 vs. Hayward
Notre Dame	W 98-89 (OT) vs. SF St.
SF St.	L 89-98 (OT) vs. Notre Dame

### Women's standings

	NCAC		OVERALL		NEXT GAME NCAC Playoffs
	W	L	W	L	
UC Davis	14	0	23	2	Davis vs. Sonoma 2/25
Stanislaus	9	5	16	10	Stanislaus vs. Chico 2/25
Chico	8	6	13	11	Chico @ Stanislaus 2/25
Sonoma	8	6	16	10	Sonoma @ Davis 2/25
SF State	7	7	14	12	
HUMBOLDT	5	9	9	16	
Hayward	4	10	10	16	
Notre Dame	1	13	7	19	

### Last week's results

HUMBOLDT	L 62-70 vs. Sonoma
Chico	L 55-77 vs. Davis
Sonoma	W 70-62 vs. HUMBOLDT
Davis	W 77-55 vs. Chico
Hayward	L 54-60 vs. Stanislaus
Stanislaus	W 60-54 vs. Stanislaus
Notre Dame	L 31-63 vs. SF St.
SF State	W 63-31 vs. Notre Dame

## Softball

Last week's results: HSU wins, 10-0, 8-3, over CSU Chico. HSU loses, 4-0, wins, 4-1, over Santa Clara.

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# Questions left unanswered in violent crime

## Editorial

The campus administration's and community's response to the rape of a 19-year-old student over the weekend serves as a reminder that we live in a small community where violent crimes are taken seriously.

The students, on the other hand, seem to be expressing some underlying perceptions of rape.

The apathetic non-response of those who attended the party or have recognized the suspect from the crime alert

posters signals an environment where rape isn't taken seriously.

No one is talking about this in the press releases or formal avenues of communication, but the truth is many people have said they know who was involved but are unwilling to take the information to the police.

At a party attended by 200 people, primarily students, no one seems to remember seeing anyone vaguely resembling the suspect — or at least no one seems to think it's important.

The real issue is why, when a person's life has just been traumatically crushed, is no one willing to talk about this? Is it unimportant to catch the people involved in this crime? Or is it just that we've become a generation that doesn't want to become involved in anything that doesn't affect us directly?

Could it be that we've all fallen into the trap of blaming the victim and it's easier to say, "She was probably drunk," or, "She must have asked for it." It seems an appropriate time to reiterate that no one ever asks to be or deserves to be raped, under any circumstance.

There are only so many excuses we can make for those who know who did this, but continue to divert their eyes while a woman is struggling to pull her life together

without the reassurance that the perpetrator is off the streets.

As we're walking casually through the quad on the way to class, it seems few of us are thinking of this violent and dehumanizing assault that occurred less than half of a mile from our campus to one of our students and possibly committed by one of our students.

We need to reassess the attitude that has led to such an apathetic response to such a disgustingly cruel power trip on the part of some jerks who not only lack self-respect but obviously any respect for the lives of others.

Luckily, HSU has consistently ranked low among other campuses in reported rapes, but if the perpetrators of this crime are not apprehended and no one divulges the information, that trend may reverse itself.

We can't afford to send a message of apathy, disregard for truth and disrespect for life. We have to have standards of what we will accept and stand up for when those standards have been violated. Clearly, in this case we are either saying we have no standards or we aren't willing to speak up in defense of them.

There are more than enough issues to battle as a student and becoming a victim of rape should never make that list.

## Letters to the editor

### More debate on Arcata recycling

This letter is in response to Carlton Yee's letter on the superior economics of land filling wastes in Humboldt County.

In the course of his letter, Yee strongly criticized the Arcata Community Recycling Center for its recent subsidy of \$20,500 from the city and marked efforts to divert waste and its use as a raw material for manufacturing as a "joke." While community dialogue on this issue is particularly good, it is unfortunate that Yee has entered the debate without having conducted the slightest bit of research on how solid waste is handled in Arcata or most communities in America for that matter.

When Yee mentions building a new landfill in Humboldt County to dispose of our wastes, he is woefully ignorant of modern landfill construction costs in this county for a climate (wet) like ours. When he discusses transporting wastes to a "humongous" old open-pit mine in Utah, he has to simply provide processing and transportation figures before proceeding any further.

Lastly, the labeling of waste diversion efforts as a "joke" is unfortunately beyond the scope of a simple letter, but his comment demonstrates a sharp lack of understanding the role industrial recycling plays in this nation's economy. As he is a professor of forestry, I will say that the handling and reprocessing of waste paper in this country is quite far

from being a joke and is, in fact, quite a serious industry and economy that I doubt any paper industry representatives want to go away anytime soon.

Mr. Yee, thanks for your interest in this matter. The community looks forward to more debate on this currently political and financial issue.

**Henry Jeanes**  
International development  
technology graduate

### Complaints sound like high school

Shannon Mortensen's article in last week's Lumberjack was very reminiscent of the editorials in my high school paper. In that paper, the columnist of the week would invariably spend the whole column bitching and making snide comments because he/she couldn't find anything else to write about. Sounds familiar does it not?

The main point in Mortensen's article that confused me was her question on why HSU students are so easily offended. My question to her is why do you care?

Some people are genuinely good people and make it their role in life to care about the environment, animals and the plight of our brothers and sisters around the globe. The students enrolled at Humboldt are what Humboldt is all about.

If you don't agree with these people, then don't follow them. We are all students here and I don't think it's cool of Mortensen to use her little column to make fun of any of us. Is she somehow better than

us because she doesn't protest against Pepsi-Co or the logging of Headwaters?

I don't think so!

Why does she have to use her space to write about what she thinks is wrong with everyone? Can't she find anything positive to write about?

Please leave our Humboldt ideas and values alone!

**Philina Birindelli**  
Pre-nursing freshman

### African American becomes role model

Good to read your feature on African American Marie Wilken and her Soul Food enterprise. Thank God Wilken didn't realize how "disadvantaged" she was and how few "role models" there were for black women up here. She might have stayed in L.A. instead of marching up here, working day and night and creating a line of condiments, a catering service and a restaurant. The interviews with the black students who bemoan role models are patently racist. They presume that only a black can be a role model for another black. Universities are places where people can come and think and learn from discourse with others, regardless of skin color.

When I went to college I was very poor, worked eight hours a night cleaning 33 restrooms to put myself through school. Foreign students came from all over the world to learn and never whined about role models. The black student who realized, "America

doesn't care what color you are if you can make some money," was on the right track over the whiners.

Racial bean counters like Nathan Smith are divisive in spite of all the rhetoric. His statement, "There is a movement afoot in America to take away all Civil Rights progress made in the last 30 years," (made regarding Proposition 209) was so preposterous, that if a white or christian had made it, he/she would immediately be run off campus by the "politically correct" crowds yowling. The society is filled with successful black role models. The only one needed now is that of black men staying with the women they get pregnant, so that the black society is not burdened year in year out by 66 percent illegitimacy — a much worse obstacle to success than skin color and a statistic not easy to lay on the white man's door.

**Joshua Kinch**  
Eureka resident

### Donation of boat thought questionable

Daniel Widmer should interview some of the local independent fishermen and ask them for opinions about Gib Hunter and Eureka Fisheries. This company is infamously greedy and a bastion of nepotism.

Did Hunter get a medal for donating that rust-bucket? An \$850,000 tax write-off is headed for the junkyard less than three years after recommission. Some benefactor! You students are sure hard on boats!

**Michael W. Stowell**  
Arcata resident

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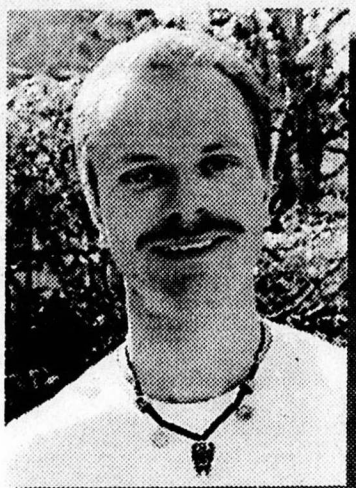
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# Public opinion

**Q:** Would you like to continue getting your grades through the mail or would you rather access them via telephone or the Internet?

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**Michelle Waller**  
Biology junior

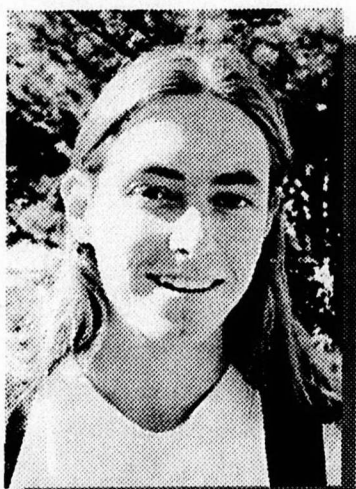


**A:** "It takes too much paper to send grades through the mail. I'd rather get them through the Internet."

**John Muckinhaupt**  
Engineering senior

**A:** "I'd rather have grades sent through e-mail and then if you want a hard copy you could put in a request for one."

**Bernie Bowman**  
Wildlife junior



**A:** "I'd like to get grades through the phone or Internet. It would save time and be more convenient. You wouldn't have to wait to have your parents forward them to you."

**Margaret Clinton**  
Interdisciplinary studies sophomore

**A:** "I'd rather have grades in the mail because if you had them through the computer they'd have the problem of grades not going through because of computer problems."

**Kristina Paolo**  
Business administration sophomore



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## Doing the '90s in style

### Planned Internet expansion

You knew it was coming: the need for new Internet domain names. It seems that ".com," ".edu," ".gov" and ".org" just weren't enough to satisfy the insatiable hunger and growth of the World Wide Consumer of Time.

The Wall Street Journal reported this month that the Internet Society's International Ad Hoc Committee has mandated the creation of seven new Internet domain names, including ".firm" for businesses, ".store" for retailers, ".web" for businesses related to the Web, ".rec" for entities dealing in recreational activities, ".info" for purveyors of information and ".nom" for users desiring personal nomenclature.

Additionally, there will now be 28 new companies registering addresses — up from the present one, Network Solutions Inc., which has handled all the Internet domain name registrations up until now under contract to the National Science Foundation.

The new names are expected to be in place by the end of the year.

### Sign of the times

In the package of "Conversational Hearts" I received this Valentine's Day, there was a new saying to add to the usual "hug me," "hi cutie" and "be mine." In true '90s style, the words on the heart were "fax me."

### Would this work better?

An AP story from Jan. 17 reported that the University of Utah has discontinued using the U. S. Mail to send students their grade reports and will instead distribute grade information exclusively by the World Wide Web or by telephone request. The university claims it will save \$10,000 a month. Grades can only be obtained with a confidential identification number.

### Random facts

The New York Times has reported that in Finland there are 62 Internet host computers for each 1,000 people, twice the proportion in the U.S. Nearly 30 percent of Finnish homes have portable computers and about 60 percent have access to the Internet.

On average, the human ear grows about one-fifth of a millimeter each year. While that sounds nominal, it adds up to nearly half an inch over 50 years.

### National academic electronic community debuts

College Club, developed by students at the University of San Diego, offers students and faculty members a nationwide e-mail system with services geared toward the U. S. academic community. Users receive a free e-mail account and may participate in chat rooms, discussion groups and take advantage of tools to design resumes, find jobs and build their own Web pages. The club can be found at <http://www.collegeclub.com/>.

### Bumper sticker

College is a storehouse of learning because so little is taken away.

### Fly the Internet skies

Forbes magazine reports that Richard Branson, founder and head of Virgin Atlantic Airways, says the airline plans to be the first to offer the Internet available, via Virgin Net, at every seat and in every class by the year's end. Branson says that in addition to things that can be done through the Internet now, passengers will be able to do in-flight duty-free shopping that will be waiting at their destination, get information about the destination, make dinner reservations and book tours.

### Reason to quit smoking #86,542

The World Health Organization and the Imperial Cancer Research Fund recently presented a report which shows that the number of people who die each year from smoking is now at 3 million. And if current trends continue, by the year 2020 that number will reach 10 million.

According to the report, the number of people alive today who will eventually be killed by tobacco smoking is half a billion.

### Riddle

Sam got out of jail and pushed his car to the St. James Place Hotel. When he arrived he realized he was bankrupt. How could this financial disaster be explained?

### Answer to previous riddle

The pitcher came in as a reliever.

# Self-righteous

## Arcata City Council considers ban on smoking on Plaza and surrounding bars

Staff Column

Ann Johnson

Lumberjack Staff



In the last few years, smokers seem to have been the scapegoat for our unhealthy society. It's no longer in style to smoke, which is understandable considering the last couple of Marlboro men have died of lung cancer. But even though it isn't stylish with the fat-burning-bottled-water fitness gurus that want to re-educate society, it is still a very real vice for many people.

There are worse vices, however. I don't go out and drink myself into oblivion and endanger others by driving home drunk, nor do I get high at 4:20 everyday. You "herbalists" out there that go to class high for days on end are kidding yourselves if you think smoking pot is better for you than smoking cigarettes.

Now the Arcata City Council is considering banning smoking on the Arcata Plaza and in Arcata bars. This self-righteousness is really beginning to piss me off. Skateboarders can't skate on the Plaza, drummers can't drum and now smokers can't smoke. What will it take for disgruntled citizens of Arcata to stand up for their rights and say "no more!" I wonder if the City Council has ever thought seriously about getting drug dealers off the Plaza.

I also wonder if the council has considered the imminent possibility that local businesses could (and will) lose money from a law like this. I can't count how many times I've

spent enjoying full afternoons on the Plaza giving my money to local shops and restaurants. Do you think I'd do that if I knew I couldn't sit outside and have a cigarette once in a while? Hell no. And what about Arcata Mayor Jim Test, where would he go to smoke? Would he get a special Plaza smoking pass?

Local bars would also lose a lot of business. Walk into Marino's or Jambalaya at night sometime and count how many people are smoking, then tally up how much money the businesses would lose by telling them "I'm sorry your kind isn't allowed here anymore."

By the same token I'd also like to address the rights of non-smokers. Non-smokers have the right to not inhale second-hand smoke, and I take this issue just as seriously as the opposite one.

I think that non-smokers have the right to expect respect from people who smoke. They can choose to go into establishments that do not allow smoking. For those who think that all bars allow smoking I would suggest you try out the Lost Coast Brewery in Eureka, Humboldt Brewery in Arcata, and the new Six Rivers Brewery in McKinleyville.

As you may have already extrapolated, I smoke. But I live with a non-smoker so I go outside to smoke. I don't delude myself and think that smoking is good for me, or for those forced to be around it. So I don't blow smoke in peoples faces or leave my butts on the ground so they can get clogged up in our sewer systems and pollute our water.

All I ask is that non-smokers respect my rights and I'll respect yours. If my smoke is bothering you, politely tell me and I'll move. My hope is to promote some dialogue on this issue between smokers and non-smokers because this problem isn't going to go away when smokers are totally ostracized. If this is what the City Council has in mind, I would offer some caution, because there is a large population of smokers in the Arcata area and we vote too. Maybe we even voted for you.

# African American males on trial

## Classroom skit draws criticism from female students

Guest Column

Daniel Faulk

Lecturer, political science

The O.J. Simpson trials are over, but the legacy of those trials have left a disturbing atmosphere across America and here at HSU.

Many black Americans remain skeptical of the U.S. criminal justice system that they feel is bias, while some white Americans cheer the Santa Monica civil court verdict, by a mostly white jury, holding Simpson responsible for the wrongful deaths of Ronald Goldman and Nicole Simpson.

At HSU, the jury was not in the courtroom but in the classroom where white students expressed their anger and frustration at the original acquittal of Simpson last semester by verbally attacking black males.

In one of my classes, white females verbally attacked a

black male who they accused of being hostile to women because he participated in a skit portraying politicians as corporate prostitutes.

While comparing politicians to prostitutes might be offensive to people who haven't followed the stories of massive corporate campaign contributions deposited in the pockets of Democratic and Republican politicians, most people are informed enough to understand a metaphor of the corporate dominance of our political system.

The real issue, in the students' minds and perhaps the minds of other students, is not corruption in the political system but the need to attack black males as symbols of fear and anger at Simpson's actions. As one student informed me, black men are violent towards women. The student used the example of rap lyrics to support her claim. She told me I must tell the black men in front of the 130 mostly white students that they are guilty, the skit inappropriate and that it encouraged violence against women because it portrayed a white male politician as a prostitute.

I refused to condemn the men as the student demanded and a week later, had her return to my office ordering me to

take action against them or face further action from her. I explained that African Americans have suffered lynching, murder and terror by white organizations in the past because too often white Americans chose to view black men as a threat to white dominance or as criminals. The African American students, I insisted, were guilty of no crime and would not be prosecuted in my classroom.

Distressingly, students like these have been encouraged to pursue a racist agenda by other white students and even from a white female professor, in the name of feminism (I consider the use of the word feminism to justify such attitudes as blasphemy). I am concerned that this form of racism at HSU reflects a dangerous trend in our society and creates a hostile atmosphere for minorities on our campus.

I hope other students and professors at HSU will welcome the expansion of diversity on this campus and not encourage racism in the name of any political ideology.

Black males on this campus are no more responsible for the actions of Simpson than women are responsible for the mothers, in the news of late, who have been convicted of killing their own children.

# Humboldt State pays its way in community recycling programs

Guest Column

Misha Beigay-Gutman

HSU Solid waste reduction coordinator

The impression left by the opinion article by Elijah Donat and Rob Hatfield (Feb. 19) that HSU is a "free rider" at Arcata Community Recycling Center is false and misleading.

It is true that HSU self hauls its garbage

programs and staff. This is justified by the fact that HSU has its own student-run Campus Recycling Program, whose stated mission is waste reduction, prevention and education on our campus and in the surrounding community. Additionally, CRP allows students to become involved and gain leadership ex-

waste directly to the landfill. By doing so, the university doesn't pay additional charges that Arcata residents are assessed by the city on their monthly garbage bills to cover the cost of the city's recycling collection, education pro-

perience in designing and administering programs that benefit the student body. The current arrangement allows HSU greater flexibility in its student-centered recycling education and collection efforts.

Furthermore, a portion of the tipping fee that HSU pays at the landfill gate does make its way back to the city of Arcata via Humboldt County. While this amount (known as Fixed Cost Reimbursement Funds) is small in comparison to the fees the city assesses its residents, we are paying into Arcata's recycling fund.

The CRP also has a contract to pay for the processing and marketing of the materials

the campus delivers to them.

Far from being so-called "free riders," CRP has paid a very big price this year in particular for diverting materials generated on campus from the landfill. So far this school year the fees CRP has paid to ACRC have exceeded revenues that the materials themselves have generated.

Like the meetings ACRC is conducting with Arcata, HSU and representatives will soon be meeting to explore ways to cost effectively maintain recycling education and collection efforts here on campus, now and into the future, irrespective of fluctuating market conditions.

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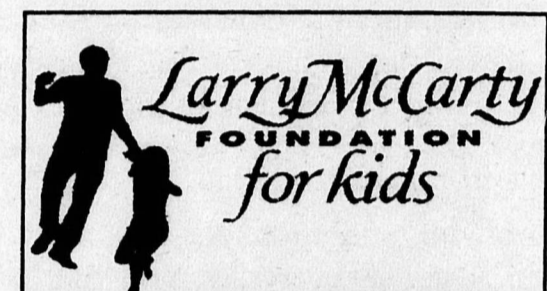
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# The Lumberjack CALENDAR

Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1997 **39**

## Bulletin Board

### Thursday

**BLOOD DONATIONS:** The Northern Californian Community Blood Bank will be on the Quad from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. 443-8004.

**MATH COLLOQUIUM:** Fred Cranston speaks on the "Applications of Nuclear Energy" at 4 p.m. in Siemens Hall 128.

**POETRY JAM:** "A light-hearted contest uniting open-mic and competitive poetry forums" at the Humboldt Bay Coffee Co., Eureka. Sponsored by the Ink People Center for the Arts. Reader sign-ups begin at 7 p.m. \$2. 442-8413.

**WORKSHOP:** "Build Reading Skills." Improve reading speed, comprehension and vocabulary. Offered by the Learning Assistance Center from 2 to 3 p.m. in House 71. Free to students. Reserve space by calling 826-5188.

### Friday

**BLOOD DONATIONS:** The Northern Californian Community Blood Bank will be on the Quad from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 443-8004.

**CLOSING CEREMONIES:** A look back on the events that took place during Black History Month at noon on the Quad.

**WORKSHOP:** "Powerpoint 1," offered by Reza Azarasa of Media Services from noon to 2 p.m. in Founders Hall 202. Register by calling 826-4953.

Send event listings to Shannon c/o The Lumberjack. Deadline for submissions is the Friday before desired publication.

## Saturday

### INTRODUCTION TO RIVER

**KAYAKING:** Offered by Center Activities and includes all equipment, transportation and instruction. 826-3357 to register.

**LECTURE:** "Reassembling the Pieces: Ecological Design and the Liberal Arts," presented by David Orr at 3 p.m. in Science B 135.

**LIVE MUSIC:** Roy Rogers and Norton Buffalo in an acoustic performance at 9 p.m. in the Garberville Theatre. Tickets are \$20 advance, \$22 door. 923-4599.

**POETRY READING:** "Whispering Winds of Native Time and Tradition," featuring Choctaw-Welsh poet Jim Barnes at 7 p.m. in Goodwin Forum. Sponsored by INRCEP. 826-5642

### TAKE PRIDE IN LIONS:

Learn about the African lion at the HSU Natural History Museum. Ages 4-5 from 10:30 a.m. to noon, ages 6-8 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. \$7. Pre-registration required. 826-4479.

**WORKSHOP:** "How to Make Your Money Work Harder." Call Center Activities to register. 826-3357.

## Sunday

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** This benefit for Mexico Orphanage, sponsored by Humboldt Community Service International, happens from 8 a.m. to noon at the Arcata Veteran's Hall. \$3 adults, \$1.50 children. 826-9079.

### INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL

**FESTIVAL:** Sponsored by HSU, the Office of Extended Education and the International Students Union from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Kate Buchanan Room. Featuring food sampling, music, dance, tables and artifacts from around the world. Free. 826-3731.

## Monday

**LIVE MUSIC:** Adrian Legg plays acoustic guitar for an all ages show at 8:30 p.m. inside Celebration Hall, 16th and L streets, Arcata. Tickets are \$12 advance, \$15 door. 822-1070.

**LIVE MUSIC:** Merl Saunders and the Rainforest Band, with the Mamma Jammass, plays at 9 p.m. inside Hefe's, 5th and F streets, Eureka. Tickets are \$12 advance, \$15 door. 443-HEFE.

### SUMMER CAMP INTERVIEWS:

Representatives from Camp Tawonga in Yosemite National Park will be on campus to talk to anyone interested in becoming a camp counselor or activity specialist. The Career Center has details. 826-4175.

**WORKSHOP:** "Sit Down and Take Note," teaches listening and note-taking techniques. Offered by the Learning Assistance Center from 2 to 3 p.m. in House 71. Free to students. Reserve space by calling 826-5188.

## Tuesday

**LIVE MUSIC:** Cris Williamson and Tret Fure play at 8 p.m. inside Club West, 5th and G streets, Eureka. Tickets are \$12 advance, \$15 door. All ages. 444-CLUB.

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING:** The Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council meets at noon in the First Christian Church, 7th and K streets, Eureka. Guest speaker from the Commission on the Status of Women will discuss Women's History Month. 443-8322.

### OPEN MIC NIGHT:

Hosted by the Humboldt Brewery from 7 to 10 p.m. Open to all. 826-2739.



## Wednesday

### ARCATA CITY COUNCIL MEET-

**ING:** At 7 p.m. in council chambers at City Hall, 736 F St. 822-5951.

**CCAT OPEN MEETING:** All volunteers, interns, staff and anyone interested are invited to attend from 5 to 6 p.m. at the CCAT house. 826-3551.

**SLIDE SHOW:** HSU graduate Jonathan Davies discusses his experiences teaching math and science during his stay in Papua New Guinea at 6:30 p.m. in Founders Hall 206. Presented by the Peace Corps at HSU. Free. 826-3342.



### WORKSHOP:

"The Juggling Act," techniques to manage time, study skills and get organized. Offered by the Learning Assistance Center from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Bayview Room of House 71. Free to students. Reserve space by calling 826-5188.

## Continuing

**ACOUSTIC MUSIC:** Performed by area artists from 7 to 10 p.m. each Saturday at the Humboldt Bay Coffee Co., Eureka. No cover. 444-3969.

**AIDS TASK FORCE:** Meets the second Tuesday of each month. 441-5632.

**ARCATA COMMUNITY POOL:** Offers a variety of family activities. 822-6801.

**CCAT'S GARDEN DAY:** Each Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at CCAT house. 826-3551.

**CHILD CARE INFORMATION:** Humboldt Child Care Council helps answer questions about child rearing. 444-8293.

**COMING OUT GROUP:** The North Coast Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Alliance. 445-9760.

**INTERNET WORKSHOPS:** Drop-in tutorials are available each Monday from 2 to 3 p.m. in Library 310 and each Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. in Siemens Hall 119.

**MARIJUANA SMOKERS SUPPORT GROUP:** Meets Tuesdays from 11 a.m. to noon in the Health Center building, room 223. Confidential. 826-3236.

**POETRY READINGS:** The first Tuesday of each month at 8:30 p.m. in the Jambalaya. Everyone welcome to read. Sign-up sheet available. \$1 cover. 822-4677.

**RENTER'S ASSOCIATION MEETING:** The first Sunday of each month at 7 p.m. in Library 114. 822-4066.

**WRITERS' GROUP:** The steering committee of the Redwood Coast Writers' Center meets the first and third Mondays of each month. 442-8413.

## Clubs

**AMATEUR RADIO CLUB:** Meets Tuesday at noon in Jenkins Hall 102. 839-3544.

**G.L.B.S.A.:** The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Student Assn. meets Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the Multicultural Center (House 55). 826-1053.

**JEWISH STUDENT UNION:** Meets Mondays at 7 p.m. in NHE 115. 826-7579.

**LIBERTARIAN CLUB:** Meets Mondays at 5 p.m. in NHE 119. 822-2617.

**LITERARY SOCIETY:** Meets Wednesdays at 8 a.m. in Crosswinds Restaurant, Arcata. 826-1053.

**MARINE BIOLOGICAL SOCIETY:** Meets Thursdays at 5 p.m. in SCIA 358. 839-4379.

**STUDENT ACCESS GALLERY:** Meets 2nd and last Thursdays at 5 p.m. in Art 205. 826-4149.

## Comedy

**SWEETRIVER SALOON:** Vince Valenzuela, with Steve Nielsen, performs Saturday at 10 p.m. in Bayshore Mall, 3300 Broadway, Eureka. 444-9704. \$6.

## Galleries

**ARCATA STOREFRONT GALLERY:** Daniel Baer, "Angels & Goddesses," paper sculpture; Arlena Gibson, large paintings. Through March 4 on the plaza, Arcata.

**HUMBOLDT ARTS COUNCIL:** "Works by Twelve Women Artists" in honor of Women's History Month. March 1 through March 22 at 636 F Street, Eureka.

**KARSHNER LOUNGE:** "Three Painters & A Potter" featuring artists Katherine Huelsbeck, Katie Schultz, Lien Truong and Justin Bright. Through March 7.

**WINDOWS CAFE:** Jerome Craig, "Color of Light," alternative process color photography; Jeff Lloyd, "The Critics Playground," acrylic, pastel and airbrush combination. Through March 7.

## Theater

**EYES OF THE BEHOLDER:** Plays Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays in the World Premiere Theatre, 615 4th St., Eureka. Through March 8. Call for prices and showtimes. 443-3724.

**GERTRUDE STEIN AND A COMPANION:** Plays Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. in the Manila Dunes Community Center. Through March 1. Tickets are \$6-\$8. 442-1533.

**INTO THE WOODS:** The Tony Award-winning Broadway musical opens Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the Van Duzer Theatre. Plays Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays through March 15. Tickets are \$15/10/8 general, \$13/8/6 students and seniors. 826-3928.

**SLIGHT OF HAND:** The Level Two student production, written by Jason Libfeld, deals with the "difficulty of communication" between genders. Plays Friday at 4 and 8 p.m. in Gist Hall 2. Free.

## Weekend Diversions

\*all events 21 and over unless otherwise noted.

	thursday	friday	saturday
<b>CAFE MOKKA</b> Fifth and J streets. Arcata, 822-2228		Howdy Emerson.	
<b>CLUB WEST</b> Fifth and G streets. Eureka, 444-CLUB	House Latin DJ dancing. 18 and over.	Power-96 Retro Revival Show. 18 and over.	The Roadmasters.
<b>HEFE'S</b> 432 5th St. Eureka, 443-HEFE	Open mic blues jam.	DJ Dance Party.	DJ Dance Party.
<b>HUMBOLDT BREWERY</b> 856 10th St. Arcata, 826-2739		Mother Wheel.	Jeff Jolly Band.
<b>JAMBALAYA</b> 915 H St. Arcata, 822-4766	Delphinium Blue.	Mamma Jammass.	Kachimbo!
<b>SIX RIVERS BREWING CO.</b> 1300 Central Ave. McKinleyville, 839-7580		Graffiti.	Cross Current.
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## TRANSITION TEAM OPEN MEETING DATES

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	TOPIC
Thursday March 13	10-11	Goodwin Forum	How will academic advising be handled?
Wednesday April 2	1-2:30	Green & Gold Room	Writing the mission statement of the college.
Monday April 14	1-2:30	Siemens Hall 222	Planning the structure of the constitutional convention.
Friday April 25	1-2:30	Green & Gold Room	The structure of the college.
Friday May 9	2-4	Fulkerson Recital Hall	Dean Mark Rocha will be there to answer <u>all</u> questions concerning the merger.

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