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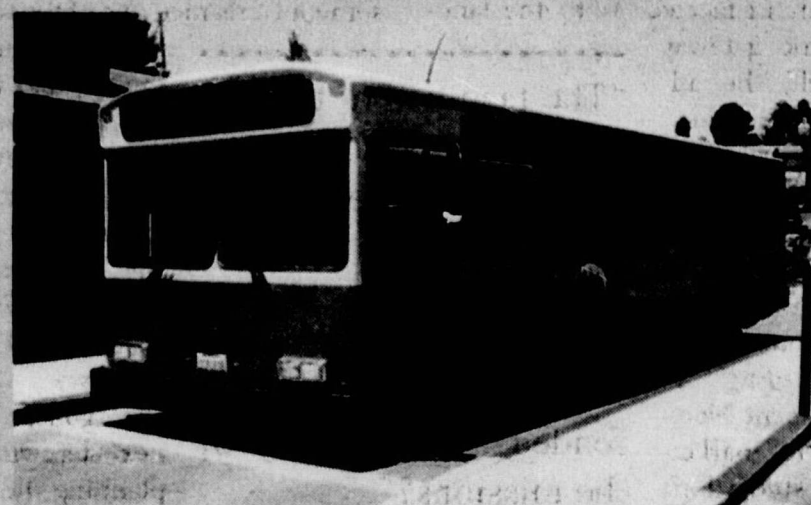
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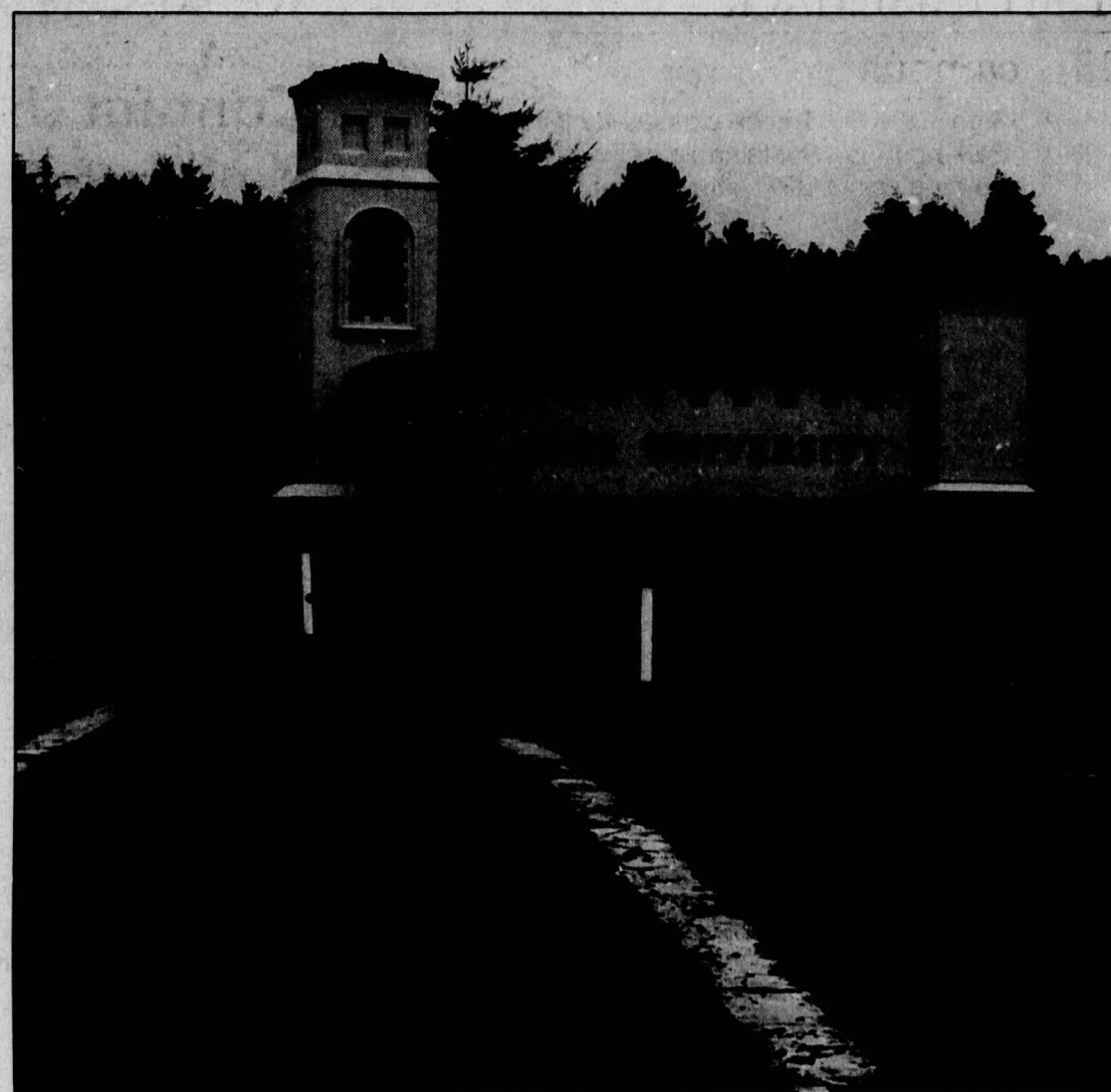
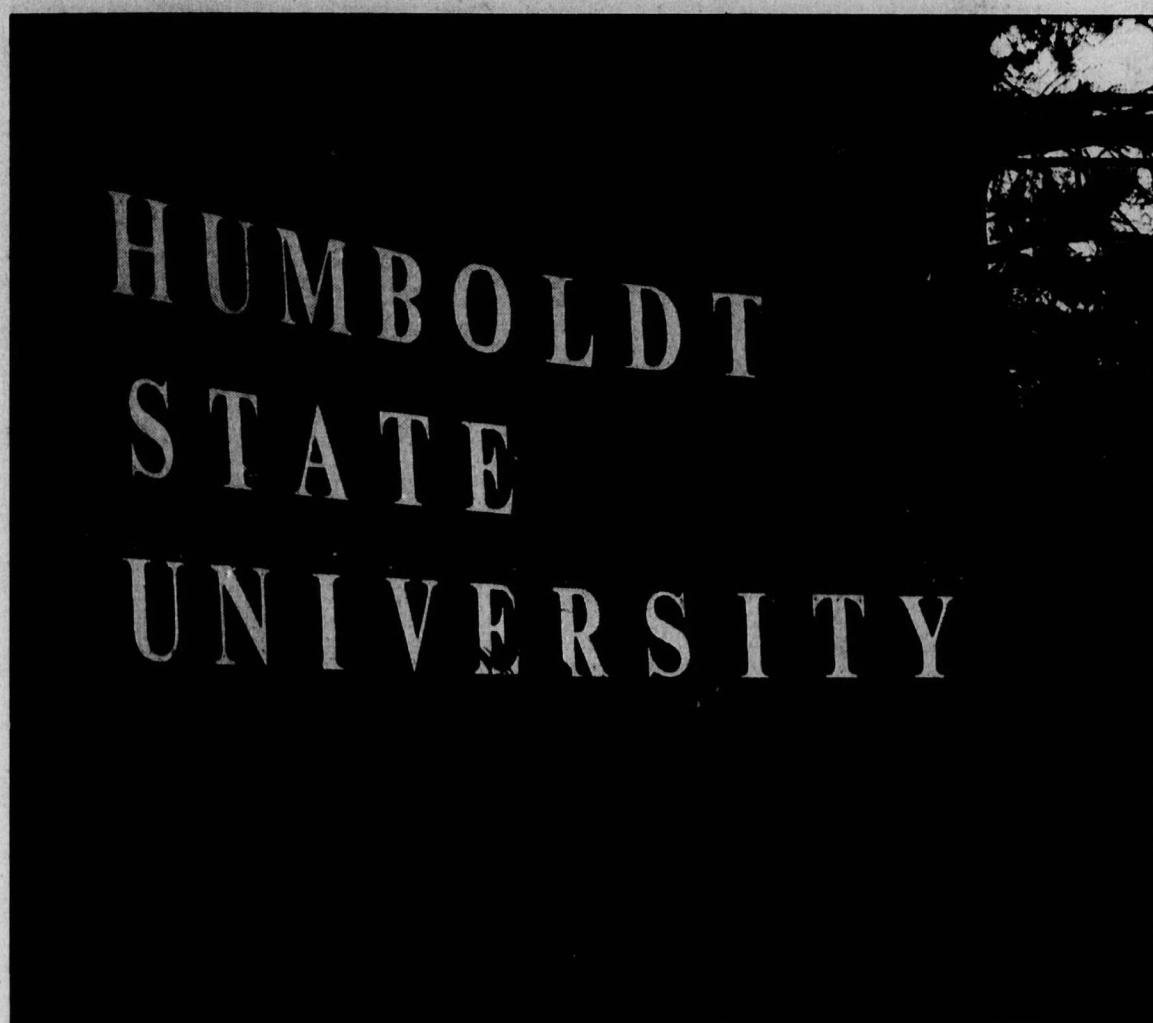
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## Old School...



## ...New School

### New HSU gateway evokes mixed response from students, faculty and community

Adam Creighton  
Campus Editor

HSU's southern entrance received a face-lift this summer with a new gateway built in the style of Founder's Hall.

Last spring, President Rollin Richmond approved the sign, designed by the Playa Del Rey firm Selbert Perkins, and constructed entirely in-house by Plant Operations staff.

The gateway is one component of the Campus Master Plan's "Wayfinding and Signage" program. According to its online statement the program "aims to reinforce Humboldt's sustainable identity and encourage its consistent use to create a sense of place apparent from the campus interior and perimeter."

But with the CSU system in the midst of a recession and HSU facing another consecutive year of stagnant enrollment, many are wondering where HSU got the

money, or the idea, to build the sign.

Richard Engle, research assistant at Schatz Energy Research Center, felt strongly enough about the sign to stage a one-man demonstration Monday morning, the first day of classes.

"I thought it was important to ask the question," said Engle, whose sign asked passers-by whether the sign, estimated to cost \$350,000 was "money well spent."

According to Bob Schulz, Associate Vice President of facilities management, the money spent on the project (which includes removal of the trees and funding for new lights on LK

Wood), now over \$375,000, came from two sources.

"Part of what we were using was special repair funds, and part of it came from minor capital outlay," Schulz said.

In fact, Schulz said the campus saved money by constructing the gateway using all in-house labor from Plant Operations, and saved a further \$30,000, 15 percent of the cost of the \$200,000 sign itself, by using a set of design drawings without final detailing.

"We were using in-house [labor], we went into it with a very simple set of design drawings...the crews did an amazing job."

**Bob Schulz**  
Associate Vice President of Facilities Management

"The crews did an amazing job," Schulz explained that funding

came from sources that could not be used to shore general budget shortfalls; it could only be used "to take care of maintenance and improvement of campus facilities."

The sign, he said, is a qualified expense because "it improves visibility for the campus as a whole."

The visibility improvement is multi-faceted. With the land-

mark gateway itself, the administration hopes to help spread awareness of HSU to families in Northern California, who according to a recent Noel-Levitz marketing study, don't know we're here. Beyond the gateway, dozens of non-native trees have been cut down, replaced with sod, to increase visibility for pedestrians and motorists as part of a campus security agenda.

"We had safety concerns," said University Police Chief Tom Dewey. "The public safety committee did a walk-around last year at

night and had complaints...there was concern about how dark and shadowy LK Wood was for the entire length."

Not only did the committee find the stretch dangerously dark, the stretch between Harpst street and 14<sup>th</sup> had claimed a life.

"From a traffic standpoint, there was a fatal accident when someone creamed one of the trees

in the middle of the median two and a half years ago," Dewey said. "The driver was killed and the passenger was injured."

Now that the shadowy trees are gone, the next step will be planning the location for new lighting.

"We looked at sites to increase the number of lights,"

Dewey said. "I'm optimistic that there will be more lights placed on LK wood to brighten it."

Despite the improved visibility however, some staff and community members don't like what they see.

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## GATEWAY : Facade Faux Pas?

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Native American studies professor Joseph Giovannetti objects to the sign.

"I think it's grossly insensitive," Giovannetti said. "I think the only things missing are the unmarked graves."

Giovannetti, a member of the Smith River Rancheria in Del Norte county, believes the Mission-style architecture is offensive to the native Californian population.

The mission period between 1769 and the 1830s, Giovannetti said, was characterized by a huge drop in the native population, by some estimates as high as 150,000 people out of an initial population of more than 350,000.

"The taco bell at the end of the campus ... I have to have a sense of humor about it ... I drive by it everyday," Giovannetti said. "How could they be so unaware there are natives here that are offended by the legacy of the missions?"

Suzanne Burcell, Director of the Indian Teacher and Educational Personnel Program was disappointed with the choice as well.

"Do I think better signage is a good idea? Of course. But the gateway to the university could have just as easily portrayed the mouth of a river—something representing our commitment to social responsibility and environmental justice."

"I've suggested in the past that we have an Indian student center with greater aesthetic appeal designed to be more welcoming to Native American people, for many of whom any architecture reminiscent of Missions is haunting and daunting," Burcell said. "The California missions were part of the physical and cultural genocide of the native population."

Many returning students, however, are delighted with the new sign.

"I think our old sign was embarrassing," Tim Smith, CIS junior, said. "It looked like a community college sign, not a university's."

Sarah Wade, cellular-molecular biology sophomore, agrees. "It makes us look official, you used to never know you were on campus unless you were in class."

Kristina Horn, social work junior, wasn't quite as enthusiastic.

"I don't think it's something we needed," she said, "I'm not against it ... it's nice to have a sign, but it's a huge mini-version of Founder's Hall."

Response from the city of Arcata is mixed.

Arcata town council member Dave Meserve disapproved of the sign, while Mayor Michael Machi approved, but both agreed that the University, although not required to, did not do a good job keeping the city informed of its plans.

"I saw the very first preliminary drawings," Machi said, "I knew the general shape of what the sign was going to be, and that some trees were going to be removed. I didn't realize that it was going to be all the way up LK Wood."

Despite the surprise, Machi is pleased with the new condition of LK Wood.

"It reflects a further image of the main building on campus, one of the more significant buildings in all of Arcata. If you want to read something further into that, that's your choice."

**Michael Machi**  
Mayor of Arcata

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Meserve disagreed. "I was shocked by the massive...sheer bulk of the gate, and disappointed in its ethnic insensitivity," he said. "The mission style does not really belong in Humboldt County and represents the worst of a genocide of the native peoples."

The Wayfinding and Signage program is scheduled to build a "Secondary ID" gateway at the intersection of LK Wood and Sunset, which Schulz hopes to begin construction on this spring. Although not as large as the south gateway, the secondary ID will be built in the same style. Several more signs identified by W&S will be constructed this year around campus.

"We hope to build a lot of the directional signage, and install wayfinding signage for the disabled community," Schulz said.

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## Green Versus Garage

### Jacked? \$2,000,000 sits in HSU Parking Services Reserve Fund

**Michael Smith and Adam Creighton**  
Staff Writer and Campus Editor

HSU students, staff and faculty leaders, administrators and President Rollin Richmond struggled to find a sense of unity after a dramatic increase in student parking fees—an increase that continues a CSU trend to raise money for new parking structures on campuses across the state.

The dead of summer announcement came at a time when bargaining unit negotiators

for many CSU faculty and staff members, including hundreds working on HSU campus, were negotiating parking fee increases with The CSU Chancellor's Office staff. The CSU system stands to collect millions of dollars statewide if the Board of Trustees is successful in gaining significant parking fee increases from the two largest bargaining units in the CSU system.

Faculty and staff on the HSU campus had strong words for President Richmond for raising student parking fees at a time when tuition hikes, mandatory student fee increases, transportation costs and other rising educational expenses drain student bank accounts and cause some students to struggle to stay in school.

Robin Meiggs, a Chapter President of the local California Faculty Association, made several arguments in a letter to Richmond after a conversation with HSU Associated Students Presi-

dent Nicole Alvarado.

"Students have had increased tuition foisted upon them by decisions made at the state-wide level. They have had to bear these increases or drop out of school," Meiggs wrote. "The processes involved have had the effect of making students feel helpless in any decision-making process."

In early July President Richmond decided not to accept the recommendation of the Student Fee Advisory Committee to keep the parking fees at the same level as the spring semester. Meiggs

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**Robin Meiggs**  
Chapter President, California Faculty Association

fees," Meiggs continued.

Meiggs referred to an argument made by at least two university officials that higher parking fees would encourage students to seek alternative forms of transportation.

"Don't blame the pollution problem on the students," Meiggs wrote.

#### \$2,000,000 Parking Services Reserve Fund

In an interview last week, John Capaccio, Director of Fiscal Planning for the HSU Parking and Transportation Committee, said \$2 million was in a parking services reserve fund.

Via email, The Lumberjack received a copy of another letter written during the summer by Meiggs to an HSU student, discussing CFA's knowledge of the

reserve fund.

"CFA has made an information request in the past asking for the total amount of money in the parking [reserve] account and have been told the university is not required to release that information, since it is in a foundation account..." Meiggs wrote.

"If there are hundreds of thousands of dollars (which has been the speculation of CFA) then Dr. Richmond's argument for increasing the fees would appear to be hollow," Meiggs wrote.

"I will write a letter asking Dr. Richmond to postpone a parking fee increase until he has consulted the student body," Meiggs concluded. According to Meiggs, President Richmond did not respond to her letter.

University officials have argued in press releases and interviews that parking services is losing money. On Monday morning, Meiggs confirmed the general accuracy of the reserve fund figure in a letter to The Lumberjack. The Lumberjack also received a copy of a parking line-item budget projection. The document appeared to confirm that over \$2 million sits in a reserve fund as indicated by Capaccio. The document also showed that parking services might have lost money in recent years.

#### Alternative Transportation vs. Library Parking Garage

Mary Kay is a HSU librarian and served as the Academic Senate Representative on a 2001 ad hoc subcommittee of the Public Safety Committee with the goal of helping mitigate ongoing campus parking problems. Originally, Kay supported a parking structure but changed her after working with two alternative transportation student advocates, Panama Bartholomy and Koree Karr.

"The campus culture here is

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Adam Creighton

## Alternative Transportation Club proposes changes to the status quo, bikes.

**Adam Creighton**  
Campus Editor

Can't find a parking spot?

Throughout Arcata, bike lanes are buried and ticket dispensers are churning out citations, as another parking-impacted semester begins at HSU.

While many new and returning students are making desperate laps of parking lots in frustrated searches, at least one group of students is looking forward.

Chris Rall, Wildlife graduate student and secretary of the HSU Alternative Transportation Club, had a message for students frustrated with parking permits that don't guarantee a place to park.

"You can turn your permit back in and get refunded for the proportion of the semester you haven't driven," Rall said.

This year, with permit prices raised to \$90 a semester, parking is at a premium. Between mileage costs and the permit, alternatives to driving begin to seem less about ethical imperatives and more like practical considerations.

But, economics may be the best way to change driving behavior over time.

Making alternative transportation successful "is less about appealing to people's virtue and more about making it worth their while," Rall said.

This year the Alternative Transportation club will pro-

moting three initiatives to combat the transportation crunch: a plan to make it easier for residents live without cars in the residence halls, a recommendation to charge a surcharge from people living near campus who insist on purchasing a parking permit, and a "Jack pass" offering a variety of services to commuters who purchase it.

"You can turn your permit back in and get refunded for the proportion of the semester you haven't driven."

**Christopher Rall**

*Alternative Transportation Club Secretary*

The proposed Jack Pass would cost about half that of the regular parking pass and provide free parking for carpool of three or more, or free parking with two Jack Pass-holders in one car, half-rate on one-day parking, a free RTS pass, and five days of free parking per semester.

"Flexibility is the key," said Kevin Wright, Forestry senior, President of the alternative transportation club.

So far the University Administration has not adopted the Jack Pass plan, but John Capaccio, Di-

rector of Housing and Parking told the Lumberjack, "We want to be at a point where we have a Jack Pass to allow travel on the bus at very economical rates."

The HSU alternative transportation club had its first meeting Sunday to gear up for September 22, on which day Arcata and HSU will join hundreds of cities and communities globally to participate in World Car Free Day: celebrating and encouraging the use of bikes, buses, feet and other alternatives to the notorious automobile.

The day starts early at 7 a.m. with Tour D' Arcata bike riders congregating at one of two locations, the Bayside Grange or the Mad River Community Hospital.

Riders then peddle to the Plaza in downtown Arcata to meet the other group before heading up to the Quad at HSU for a free breakfast complements of the Alternative Transportation Club (Tour D' Arcata riders only).

After breakfast, demonstrations conducted by local alternative transportation advocates are scheduled. Artful "socio-bytital" sculptures and other groovy stuff placed in faux parking spaces around the quad will be installed to add ambience.

There will be speakers at noon and a band will share the stage.

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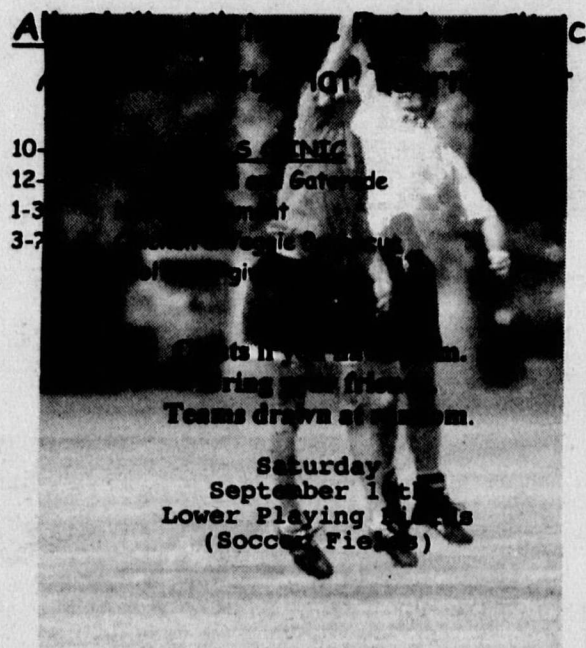
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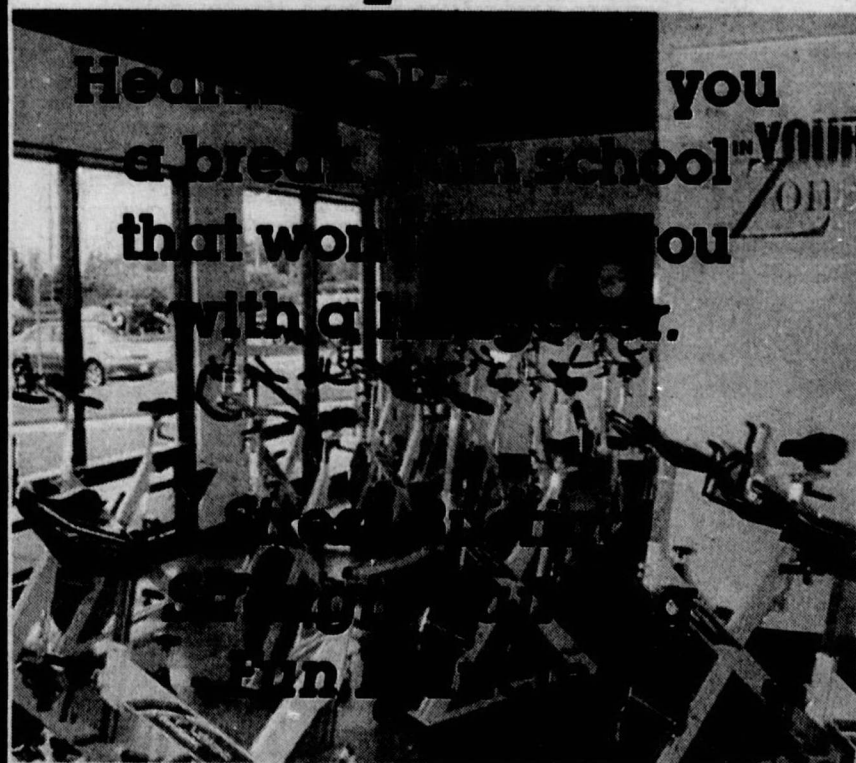


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## Parking info at a glance

•HSU raised parking fees for all students effective the first day of school primarily to start the funding process for a large parking structure in the vicinity of the library parking lot.

•The structure is expected to have from 800-1000 spaces and may be constructed underground.

•Construction is not expected to begin until 2007 or later and will be limited to primarily the summer and early fall months due to environmental impact concerns.

•Effective the first day of school, the cost for a one-semester parking permit for a car was raised to \$90. Last spring, the fee per semester was \$67.50.

•Student cost for the pass will rise to \$112 per semester next school year. In 2007-08 the permit will be \$135 per semester. In 2008-09, the price will rise to \$157 per semester.

•Motorcycle permit parking costs went up effective Monday to \$22.50 a semester and will continue to rise for the next three years. After that, all parking fees may be subject to a yearly cost-of-living adjustment.

•Daily parking permits stayed stable at \$2.00 per day. Parking Services is considering increasing the cost of the daily permit in the future.

•Other CSU campuses with newly completed parking structures charge students \$4 dollars or more for a day permit to park on campus.

•Summer and evening parking rates also increased significantly.

•University officials believe building the parking structure is the essential first step to solving parking problems on campus and reclaiming land as part of the HSU Master Plan.

•Creating a pedestrian-friendly campus is also a major goal of the Master Plan, which was approved for HSU by the California State University Board of Trustees in 2004.

•A portion of the money raised from the fee increase may go directly toward alternative transportation programs. John Capaccio, Director of Fiscal Planning for Parking, said the school will increase the funding for alternative transportation by \$150,000 in the 2005-06 operational budget.

•President Richmond did not accept the recommendation of the Student Fee Advisory Committee that voted down the parking fee increases presented to the committee on short notice during finals week of last semester.

•A parking fee increase was also voted down by the advisory committee in 2004 but was re-submitted a year later after the University Executive Committee again gave the parking fee increase general approval in April.

•The University Executive Committee also gave tentative approval to 24-hours per day, seven day-a-week parking enforcement effective as early as July 2006.

•Concern was voiced at the executive committee meeting regarding the impact the fee increases would have on new student recruitment.

•Student fee increase proposals are required to go in front of the Student Fee Advisory Committee.

•HSU Public Affairs Department announced Richmond's decision in July while many students were out of town.

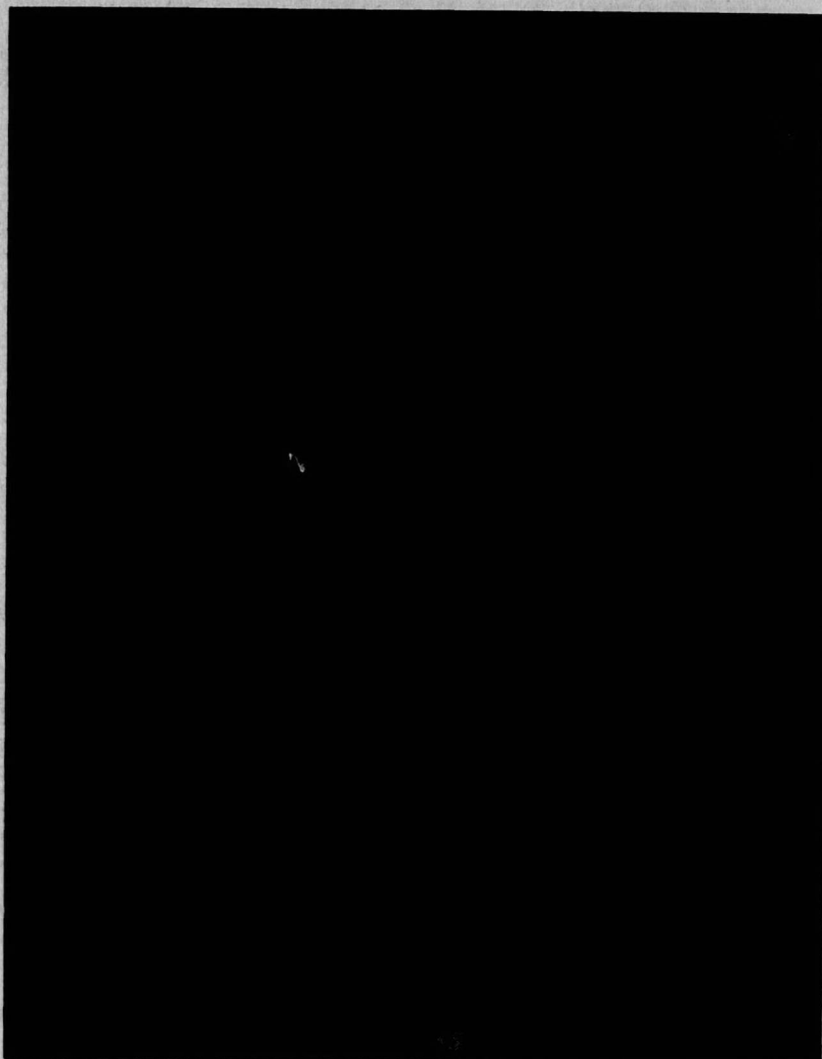
•Associated Student President Nicole Alvarado was an outspoken critic of the parking fee increase. Several local papers printed stories concerning student objections this past summer.

•Richmond's decision is expected to raise hundreds of thousands additional dollars for parking services from the pockets of students parking on campus over the next four years.

•The parking structure is expected to be constructed over several years.



## New student rec center



Ryan Ruiz, a psychology junior, lifts weights in the new Student Recreation Center.



Steven McFarland, a recreation junior, tries out the new cardiovascular equipment in the Student Recreation Center.



The field in the new Student Recreation Center. This field will be used for intramural activities including soccer, softball and jogging as well as for class instruction.

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The SEN meets at Muddy waters to discuss direction for the semester. Faculty Advisor Maggie Gainer and future sustainable entrepreneur Carrie Wolski, President Brandon Hemenway, Vice President Scott Farmer, and Entertainment General Jesse Jonathon.

Adam Creighton

## The profit margin of sustainability

Adam Creighton  
Campus Editor

You're a Humboldt student, infused with the desire to be environmentally responsible, but you're on the verge of starting your own business and don't know where to start? What do you do?

Last year, Business Administration Junior Brandon Hemenway foresaw a time when he would face this dilemma. Rather than wait, he began taking steps to establish a support network for green-minded entrepreneurs.

"The problem with HSU's [business administration] program, like most programs, is that it does not offer training specifically in entrepreneurial skills," Hemenway said, "it prepares you for mid-level management in an existing corporation. Right now, sustain-

ability is not integrated into the business school curriculum."

When he found there was no existing group for like-minded professionals, following his entrepreneurial spirit, he created one.

Through the clubs and groups office Brandon started something, not a business, but a network: the Sustainable Entrepreneurs Network.

"Most people see social responsibility as an extra cost of doing business," Hemenway said, "What we see are the economic opportunities of creating sustainable solutions."

Hemenway held several meetings last semester and started a web page through HSU. Before the end of the year, he attracted a small cadre of dedicated members, and faculty sponsor Maggie Gainer from the office for economic and community development.

Together, the group drafted a statement to explain its objectives:

"Our mission is to educate and

empower people who are interested in sustainable issues and entrepreneurship. Our local and global network of students, educators, and community businesses focus on integrating business planning with appropriate ecological design. We strive to continually improve the quality of life by considering the triple bottom line of the social, economic and environmental results of our actions."

Scott Farmer, Vice President of the SEN, was drawn to the club despite the difference between his own major and the business ori-

entation of the club. Farmer is a Natural Resources Individual Design major who drafted a bachelors curriculum for himself around his specific interests: regenerative planning and design.

Farmer said the goals of the club are interdisciplinary.

"What sets us apart is we're

merging sustainable technology with the business aspect," he said. "The discipline of business/economics with environmental engineering, chemistry, physics...the club is welcome to students of any level, any major, and to community members."

SEN's first event will be a kick-off open to the public, Saturday, September 24 after the farmers market in the straw-bale greenhouse at the corner of A and 11<sup>th</sup> streets in Arcata. There will be sustainable conversation and a band. After that, meetings are scheduled for Tuesdays at 6:00 in the Karshner Lounge.

Jesse Jonathon, music senior and entertainment general for the group, hopes to see you there.

"It's about coming up with ways to put your education to use, hopefully in ways that add to your community," Jonathon said.

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## HSU to offer new human rights education course

HSU students  
team up  
with faculty,  
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teach children  
the value of  
equality

Kimberly Thorpe  
Copy Chief

It's never too early to learn about democracy and human rights, and for children in Humboldt County, that can start as soon as kindergarten.

A new one-unit course through HSU's social work department will train students to design and teach peace and justice curriculum for kindergarten through third grade. The class is part of a pilot program that will work toward establishing a three-unit course in the spring.

"The goal is to build interest and energy in local schools here, especially for this kind of progressive education," said Mike Cipra, the community partner liaison for the Service Learning Center. "[Students will] learn how to design peace and justice curriculum. It's about learning how to think outside of ranking."

The class, taught by Jerome Bearbower, is cross listed as Sociology 494 and Social Work 494. Bearbower graduated with a Master's degree in sociology in 2000 and works with local elementary schools developing human rights coursework.

"His commitment is really extensive," said Pam Brown, the social work department chair at HSU.

There are no prerequisites for the course, and it is open to all students, although the class will be capped at 15 people.

"I'm already getting inquiries from across the campus from a variety of disciplines and majors," Brown said. "I just received an email from an environmental sci-

ence major ask about the course."

The class will be part of a collaborative effort with Arcata's Redwood Peace and Justice Center, which will be one of the places students will practice their teaching skills in after-school programs.

Depending on the level of interest this semester, the university may be able to double the enrollment for a three-unit course in the spring. By then the class may be cross listed with other majors, including political science and child development, since it will cover everything from political to social to environmental justice.

"We want to start with a small group," Brown said. "They're going to be connected with schools, so we really want the time for the teacher to develop relationship with the schools and with the students."

Bearbower, who has taught classes at both HSU and College of the Redwoods, plans to use a more hands-on approach for the course.

"There'll be a lot of role playing and discussion," he said. "It should be fun, especially of students like to have really interactive classrooms. They'll get the opportunity to work with different techniques of teaching."

In addition to completing reading assignments and organizing various projects, students will fulfill the Service Learning Component, which lasts nine weeks beginning in October. This part of the course requires students to perform a peace and justice-related learning activity in a local community educational program.

To receive credit for the course, students will also have to participate in The Human Rights Education for Kids Project, which runs through the Redwood Peace and Justice Center and meets every week. Among other things, students will work on community outreach programs, fund raising and age-appropriate curriculum designs.

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## PARKING: Fees increase despite protests

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to pay attention to what student priorities are," Kay said. "Panama and Koree were really adamant about alternative transportation."

Kay is opposed to funding parking structures at the expense of alternative transportation programs.

"I do not think it is appropriate for the ethos of this campus, it has a commitment to green initiatives. Housing is getting more expensive in Arcata, it's going to be more and more a commuter campus," Kay said. "We probably will need a parking structure

eventually, but we don't know that because these initiatives haven't been tried."

The 2001 subcommittee on which Kay sat published a report advocating better programs for bike riders, reduction of long term parking, and many other alternative transportation improvements. Kay doesn't believe a large parking structure is realistic or healthy for the environment.

"We need to preserve our vegetation and this structure will mean losing more of it. We've already lost quite a bit with the median destruction," Kay said. "I

think they're going to make the library unusable for studying if they do heavy construction. It's a problematic idea given the needs of the students and questions about land stability."

### Rocky Waters

Tensions at HSU began to surface in July after President Richmond approved the parking fee increase while most HSU students were away for summer. AS President Alvarado rallied with other students before contacting local media that began publishing stories about the fee increase. At least

one story focused on an equitable fee argument pushed by the CSU Chancellors Office and locally, by President Richmond and other administration officials.

The major premise of the equitable fee argument is that students, staff and faculty on each of the 23 CSU campuses should pay the same parking services fees appropriate to their campus.

This argument is important for the CSU Chancellor's Office and proponents of the HSU parking structure since increasing staff and faculty fees for parking could provide millions of dollars in funding for structures across the CSU system — and help make the HSU parking structure a reality.

Another premise of the equitable fee argument is that CFA and California State University Employees Union members, the two largest unions in the CSU system (and on HSU campus), pay approximately 40 percent less in parking fees than smaller bargaining units in the CSU system — and on HSU campus. For example, HSU Campus Police, who are responsible for protecting HSU students from crime on campus, pay the same amount as students do for parking.

Rocky Waters is a HSU staff member and CSUEU Statewide Bargaining Unit 9 Chair. Waters sits across the table from CSU Chancellor's Office staff and helps negotiate labor contracts for 12,000 CSUEU employees.

Waters stated several reasons why CSUEU members, including hundreds on HSU campus, are against the systemic parking fee increase trend.

"Staff on HSU campus haven't received a raise for a couple of years, so an increase [in parking fees] would be a pay cut we can't afford," Waters said. "In the past ten years, pay raises we have received have not kept up with cost of living increases."

Waters said CSUEU supports free or discounted mass transit passes, rideshare points, commuter tax benefit programs and shared car programs. Waters also commented on student parking fees increases.

"I like alternative transportation for students," he said. "It is better than continuing investments in parking spaces."

Part II Next Issue September 7th

Interviews with different student voices and comments from President Richmond, Nicole Alvarado, John Travis, Chris Kerrigan, Harmony Groves, Mark Wheelley, Michael Winkler, and the Alternative Transportation Club. Also information on the HSU Master Plan and Environmental Impact Report.

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Torin Hults

Rocky Waters is a lifelong Humboldt County resident and a former ultra-marathon-runner. He has worked at HSU for 23 years. Here, he stands at one of the proposed locations for a parking garage on HSU campus.



# UPD Clips



August 1

11:02 a.m. A bicyclist ran a stop sign at the corner of Harpst and B streets and got hit by a car. The anonymous bike rider refused medical treatment, opted to walk it off.

2:32 p.m. When you park illegally in the library parking lot for the sixth time, they boot your car.

5:58 p.m. Payoff all your old tickets and they take the boot off, 3 hours and 26 minutes later.

9:52 p.m. Somebody called the cops on some folks for playing Frisbee near Library Circle. ...in jail, you get a shiv in the ribs for snitching like that.

August 2

7:37 a.m. Apparently unimpressed by the performing arts in general, some critic busted a window in the Theater Arts building.

7:16 p.m. Someone was riding a tiny motorcycle in the Creekview parking lot so someone else called the fuzz.

August 3

1:10 a.m. A guy came into UPD to report perceived threats. Huh? Sticks and stones will break your bones but perceived threats cannot hurt you.

1:11 p.m. A guy on 17<sup>th</sup> and B Streets was yelling that he was going to beat people up. An officer contacted him and told him not to beat people up.

10:36 p.m. Somebody wrote all over an emergency call box at the end of Cypress Trail. Little tip: they don't check those things for notes. You've got press the button for help.

August 4

3:45 a.m. UPD assisted APD with a reported prowler on F St. Turned out to be a drunk feller moseyin' 'round the backyard. APD helped him mosey to jail.

2:39 p.m. UPD assisted a caregiver in finding an autistic guy who had wandered off. They found him before anything awkward happened.

August 5

Found a cell phone around lunchtime. That's all that happened today.

August 6

4:48 p.m. The Library is for learning, not for fun. A couple of skateboarders found that out when an officer told them to knock it off.

11:50 p.m. Not the best time to be completely wasted right in front of the cop station. They arrest you for that.

August 7

Opened a couple doors for dorm kids who lost their keys. Another relaxing day on the force.

August 8

1:33 a.m. Someone made a complaint about loud music in Willow Hall but the party moved to the 1700 block of H Street.

3:34 a.m. Noise complaint on the 1700 block of H Street.

9:02 a.m. An alarm activated in the greenhouse near Science E. Officers found no signs of criminal activity. Ninja Botanist?

1:37 p.m. UPD received a 911 hang-up from a Siemens Hall elevator. Officer found nothing unusual at the scene. All secure. Ninja who hates stairs?

6:08 p.m. Hemlock Hall LGA reported a student smoking grass two days ago. LGA advised to power-trip promptly in the future.

August 9

1:46 a.m. An officer advised a guy that it's impolite to sleep in doorways in Pepperwood Hall.

8:08 a.m. A guy with a chain saw was making some folks in Fern Hall uncomfortable but it turns out that he was on private property and it's totally legal to chain saw stuff at 8 a.m.

1:44 p.m. Found a wallet.

9:05 p.m. Unlocked a door.

10:56 p.m. A citizen hailed an officer at 14<sup>th</sup> and G Streets "Sup" said the officer. That's it. Nothing else happened.

August 10

3:37 a.m. Subject cited for peeing on the Forestry building. Dude, I said IN the FOREST.

9:46 p.m. Seems a bit late to

be chucking garbage cans at cars but someone was doing just that on the north end of LK Wood. Freakin' geniuses in this town.

August 11

3:26 a.m. UPD apprehended a combative female near CCAT and transported her to Mad River Hospital, and later transported her to SemperVirens psych ward to determine whether she was crazy.

8:10 a.m. An abandoned bike

reported on the shoulder of LK Wood near Granite Ave.

3:48 p.m. Someone plugged their electric bicycle in at the University Center. UPD advised the subject not to practice alternative transportation without written permission.

4:27 a.m. Officers and an ambulance responded to a report of an unresponsive male at Redwood Bowl. The guy refused the ambulance, promising to see a

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Adds or drops AFTER 9/2/05 or, in the spring, after 1/31/06 will not change your funding for the current semester; however, drops may cause satisfactory academic progress problems. If you anticipate a satisfactory academic progress problem, please schedule an appointment with a financial aid counselor.

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doctor later.

August 12

11:54 a.m. someone dialed 911 and hung up from Van Matre. Call later determined to be a phone malfunction. Ninja gremlins?

12:01 p.m. Contraband found in Creekview recycling bin. Talk about over zealous environmentalism.

2:49 p.m. Residents reported a strong smell of marijuana on the third floor of Hemlock Hall. Officers responded but the resident was not home—i.e., saw the cops coming and didn't answer the door.

August 13

10:35 p.m. Two suspicious looking guys were rummaging through recycling bins in the Creekview parking lot. Wonder what they were looking for?

1:33 p.m. Housing staff reported a rude message left on a message board in Sunset Hall. Damn this youth generation with their dry erase markers and ideas on free speech.

1:41 p.m. Student reported her bike stolen from a rack in front of Sunset Hall. Little tip: check the shoulder of LK Wood near Granite Ave.

August 16

12:09 a.m. Student reported unwanted contact by male student. Officer told him to stop contacting her, gave "other fish in the sea" pep talk. Male said "OK"



Torrin Hults

## Car burns behind residence halls

Torrin Hults

Special to The Lumberjack

On the night of August 18, UPD responded to a car fire behind the Redwood residence halls, in the parking lot between Redwood and Nelson Hall.

A black Ford Mustang convertible was reportedly smoking when it was admitted to the parking lot around 9:40 p.m. It apparently caught fire around 10:05 p.m. Sarah Bo-Linn, 18, was walking behind Redwood with a friend when they noticed a "burning rubber" smell. Continuing around the building they discovered the mustang on fire. U.P.D. was alerted by two Living Group Advisors, and responded within five minutes. The fire engulfed the engine and melted the car battery.

Redwood Hall residents were advised to shut their windows because the smoke was toxic. Paizha Stoothoff, 18, said she and other residents couldn't leave the floors of the dorms. The first attempt to put out the fire was by an unknown UPD officer with a small carbon dioxide fire extinguisher. Two Arcata Fire Department trucks rolled up to the scene a few minutes later and put the fire out within four minutes.

Officers speculated that an overheated engine caused the fire. The charred sports car was removed from the lot and the debris swept into a pile for removal. The owner of the Mustang could not be found for comment.

## UPD changes emergency services number

Cerena Johnson  
Managing Editor

UPD has changed its 826-3456 number to 826-5555. UPD intends for this change to prompt students to call this number for business related calls, and 911 for emergencies. Dialing the old number 826-3456 will activate a recording, telling the caller to dial 911 for emergencies, or 826-5555 for all other calls.

This change coincides with technological upgrades that will

allow UPD to better organize and prioritize the response to emergency and non-emergency calls. With the phone technology upgrade, all UPD calls will now be filtered through a computerized answering system separating business calls from emergencies, and enabling dispatchers to assess which calls should be answered first.

"The problem was that we couldn't tell when the old number was ringing if a student had passed out, had a heart attack, or lost a disc," said Interim chief of police Tom Dewey.

"The technology update allows us to communicate more efficiently so we can expedite service," said UPD dispatcher Liz Schallon.

Additional future enhancements, also provided by state subsidization will enable UPD to utilize single button call cellular technology, text messages from hearing and speech impaired students, and will enable dispatchers to receive calls from the Internet.

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## Entry level job market in Humboldt County

Where they are, who gets them, what you have to do

**Tara Apperson**  
Editor-in-Chief

Working full time to find a part-time job may not sound exhilarating, but it could be the only way to beat out the competition. Each year as the fall semester begins and thousands of students return, the complaints of lack of job availability ring out across campus and the community.

Finding a job in Humboldt County may be much harder than in more urban areas where a one-day job hunt lands you a position as a waiter, barista, record store clerk, or other coveted entry level job.

The problem could be attached to many variables. Many job seekers are unwilling to compromise on wage, time off, drug testing

and transportation. Other contributing factors are that unemployment rates are high, and there is competition between locals and students for entry-level jobs. It is difficult to answer whether or not there are enough jobs for everyone looking, it's more of a question of what kind of jobs are available, what the wages are, and what people are willing to do.

**"One employer offered a dollar more an hour for people to show up on time."**

**Pam Godwin**  
Career Center job development program coordinator

and prepare for employment. The career center recruits job listings by calling local businesses, and then posts those listings on a Web site.

Rees Hughes, the director of student life and the Career Center said "We hear students saying that there's no jobs in Humboldt, but we just don't

think that's true. I think there are a lot of jobs out there."

Pam Godwin, the job development program coordinator at the Career Center agrees. Godwin said students are limiting themselves with intransigence. Many students insist on working close to where they live. Some want to be able to go home for school breaks, but in the biggest entry-level industries, which are food service and retail, this can't usually be granted.

"We've had several employers tell us students demand more than what the employer can provide," Godwin said.

Godwin said many job seekers are only looking within walking distance because they don't have cars, which greatly limits job opportunities.

"If employment is a critical factor, that may need to be rethought," Godwin said. She suggested students look into bus routes as a means of transportation to Eureka.

Amber Youngman, an English sophomore, spent months looking for a job last year when she moved to Arcata. She didn't have a car, but was willing to work in Eureka and take the bus.

"The job market is tough," Youngman said.

When she finally got a job at Spotlight Video in Eureka,

she was thrilled, only to find out that she couldn't accept the offer because the store was not close enough to the bus route.

"I didn't have a car, I can't get there," Youngman said. This year Youngman brought her car and plans to start searching for a job soon.

Andi Brady, a marine biology freshman just moved here from Boise, Idaho.

Brady has submitted applications to five or six employers, but hasn't had any responses. "They'd take a resume, but everyone said they weren't hiring."

She has experience in the food and catering industry. "It's pretty easy to get a job in Boise," she said. Because Brady needs to get job for residency she is willing to travel to Eureka, but hopes to find something closer to school.

Though job seekers face obstacles such as transportation and schedule conflicts, employers are having difficulties finding suitable and reliable workers.

"One employer offered a dollar more an hour for people to show up on time," Godwin said.

Though students may be having trouble finding the right job, locals who are looking for entry-level jobs may have an even harder time. Erick Eschker, an associate professor of economics at HSU has studied the local economy. Eschker said employers often look for fresh, new students to

fill positions, as opposed to older, uneducated locals.

Hughes said there are enough jobs for those who are willing to take the extra steps and compromise with employers, but Eschker pointed out that Humboldt County's unemployment rate, at 5.7 percent, is higher than the State and the National levels at 5.4 percent and 5.2 percent respectively.

Eschker said part of the problem is that large manufacturing industries who could provide jobs in the area don't move to Humboldt County because the cost to import raw materials and to export manufactured goods is much higher in a rural area such as this one.

"It's a very large barrier to industry moving here," Eschker said.

Eschker said the main thing driving growth right now is the government because they provide an unusually high number of jobs in the area, including jobs at HSU. Out of a 62,100 person work force in Humboldt County, 25,900 people work in government positions.

Because of this, when there are government budget crises, layoffs occur, and unemployment rates go up in this area, which might contribute to the competition in temporary, entry-level jobs.

Currently, job availability is good. The career center had 277 individual listings for students and 697 openings. The Job Market, located in Eureka, is another free resource for local job seekers and has over 200 job listings. The Job Market caters to 5,101 customers in Eureka, and also has offices in McKinleyville, Hoopa and Garberville. The Job Market listings can also be viewed on [Caljobs.ca.gov](http://Caljobs.ca.gov); to see the career center listings, students can visit [Monstertrack.com](http://Monstertrack.com).

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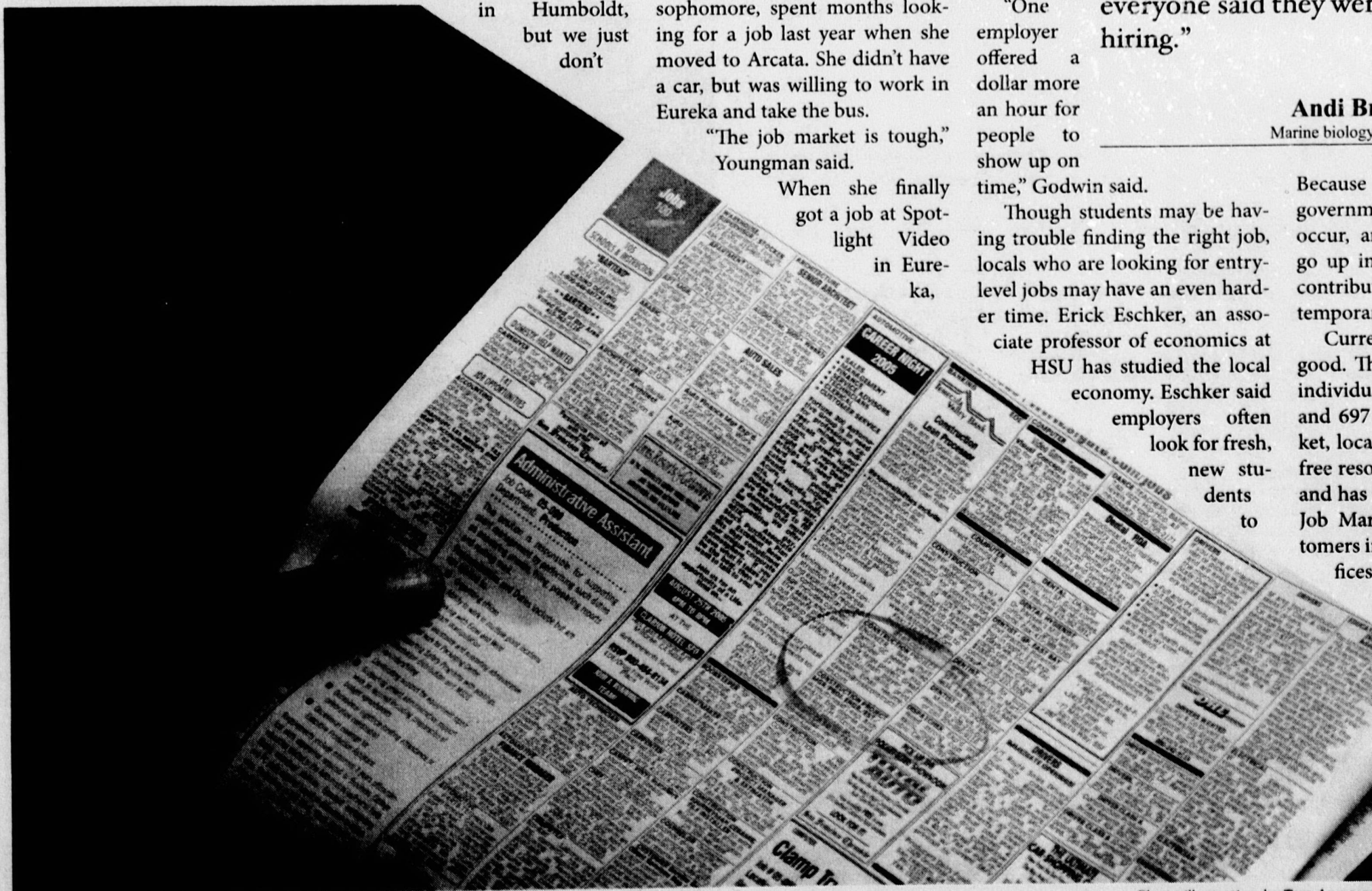


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## Protesters Demand Pulp Mill Compliance

Samoa mill does not meet California emission standards

**Karla Rivas**  
Community Editor

The Pulp Mill Committee protested in front of the Eureka Courthouse last Thursday wearing breathing masks and holding up signs that read "Fix it or shut it down!" Founded on June 21, the committee decided to take a stand when they realized that the pulp mill was not meeting California

state emission standards and are being granted variances for a plant that was out of compliance since 2004.

The forty-year-old pulp mill went broke in December and was sold to a company from Hong Kong named Lee & Man Paper Manufacturer. Instead of fixing the problem, the company decided to go into production and asked for an intermediate variance ranging from February 25 to the end of June. The problem persisted and they were granted another variance until the end of this year.

"Pulp mills can be very hazardous to the health if they don't have many pollution controls on them," said Patrick Eytchison, a member of the Pulp Mill Committee and husband of Elizabeth Eytchison, also a member. They bought their house in the area of Eureka that is most directly affected six years ago and don't want to move.

Elizabeth has been hyper sensitive to chemicals and even though they believe that the symptoms may have already been there from the past, they feel the Mill just contributes to the problem. "It's just one of those typical situations where industrial toxins are being exposed in a low-income work-

ing class area," said Mr. Eytchison.

"I live on the waterfront of Eureka and when the wind hits southwest, it goes right to your campus and it will affect you too," said Fred Bear, a retired schoolteacher. "I come to visit my family every summer and after midnight the volume of the smoke that's coming out of the plant increases."

According to Mr. Eytchison, the variance granted to the

mill requires very limited testing methods. The Air District Office wanted to impose source point monitoring, which is the collecting of samples from the emission points inside the plant, and air monitoring air samples near the plant, but Evergreen Inc., refused.

Instead of the extensive testing methods, the variance only requires the testing of particulates, which is the testing of tiny particles for fungi, lead, dust, etc ... Furthermore, by September 15, more expensive methods for dealing with problems will be used if the cheap methods don't work.

An article by Mr. Eytchison, "How the Pulp Mill Poisons Us," gives a partial list of toxic air emissions from the Eureka's pulp mill. The list is based on official rough estimates from the local Air Quality Office (the papers that were handed at the second variance meeting) and from [scorecard.com](http://scorecard.com), a pollutant listing web site that gets its estimates from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The rough estimates developed in Mr. Eytchison's list are as follows: Eight tons per year of carbon dioxide; 300 tons per year of sulfur dioxide; 61 tons per year of nitrogen dioxide; 41 tons per year of particulates; 19000 lbs per year of acetaldehyde; 75000 lbs per of ammonia; 4000 lbs per year benzene; 4200 lbs per year formaldehyde; 100,000 lbs per year of methanol; 3500 lbs per year of methyl ethyl ketone; 150 lbs per year of naphthalene; 1400 lbs per year of styrene, and finally 1000 lbs per year of xylenes.

All of these toxins can affect the body in many different ways, such as decreasing oxygen in the brain and heart; risking one to cancer causing compounds; giving off eye, nose, ear irritation; damage to the liver; giving dizziness, fatigue, memory alteration; concentration problems, and muscle weakness.

EPA says that because the mill is 40 years old and has a long history of violations, the rough estimates of the toxic air emissions from the Mill are most likely underestimated. According to the same list, "Since the June 28 Variance hearing, the mill has had at least 3 serious accidental emission incidents: June 30, August 4, August 17."

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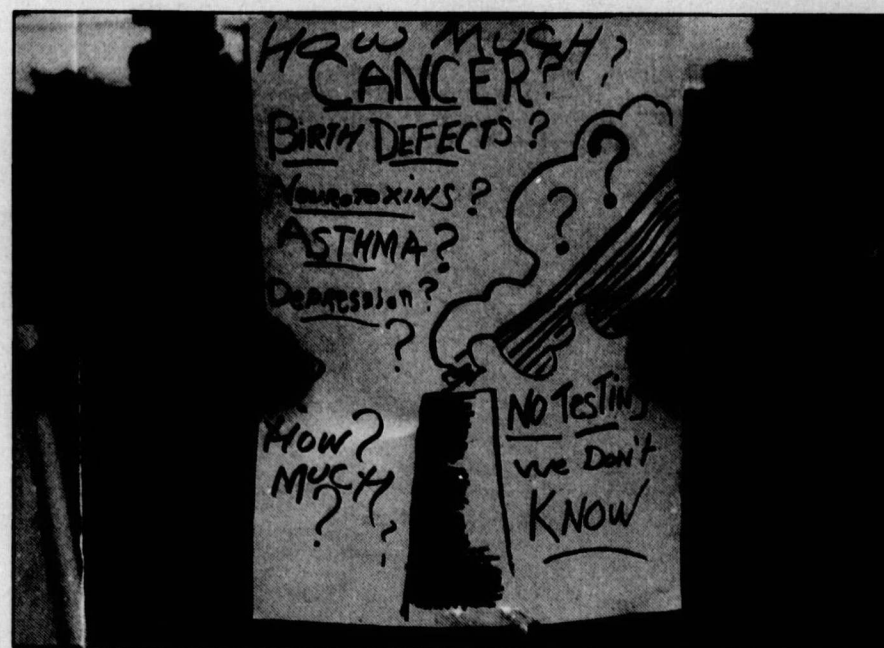
Top left: Protester proudly holds up sign as traffic goes by

Bottom left: Patrick Eytchison holding a sign reading, "Clean it up or shut it down!"

Top Right: Protester holding up a sign with a drawing of the Samoa Pulp Mill that asks how many cancer causing compounds will be released without proper testing

Bottom right: Protesters stand together with breathing masks on their faces flashing their signs as traffic goes by honking their horns

Photos by Rose Mitchell





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It also mentions that the mill has had many fines, breakdown reports and non-compliance citations involving the mill since 1995.

The North Coast Air and Quality District had a ten-hour discussion with Evergreen Pulp Inc., before the second variance was granted. According to Mr. Eytchison, the majority of the discussion dealt with the conditions if the variance were to be granted. For example, what should be done to remedy any problems?

There are six legally defined point findings the board all need to agree on in order to grant a variance. Within 20 minutes the six points were found and the variance was granted. The Pulp Mill Committee claim that there were more reasons not to give the variance.

"We don't want them to completely shut the plant down," said Mr. Eytchison, "We just want to get particular emissions coming out back down to CA regulations."

Elizabeth Eytchison filed a petition for a writ of mandate on

August 12 asking the District Attorney to overturn the variance. She should be getting a response within 30 days of the complaint.

"I know they think of us as some extremist," said Mrs. Eytchison. "The reason we are doing this is because the pulp mill has had many problems in the past with lack of compliance."

Even though David Tsang, CEO of Evergreen Pulp Inc, couldn't be reached for comment, he did say in an interview with The Eureka Reporter, "It's like anything else that runs, (such as) a car, you can't test whether there's emissions from the engine unless you turn on the car."

He also mentioned that even though the smelt dissolver is out of compliance that the mill as a whole is in compliance.

Mr. Eytchison claims that Lawrence Odle, Director of the North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District, argued that the mill as a whole was not in good condition because of its age. Lawrence Odle could not be reached for comment.

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Though there are many listings, Cherry Ouellette, the on campus recruiting coordinator for the career center, is quick to point out that 80 to 85 percent of jobs are not listed, and are filled by word of mouth.

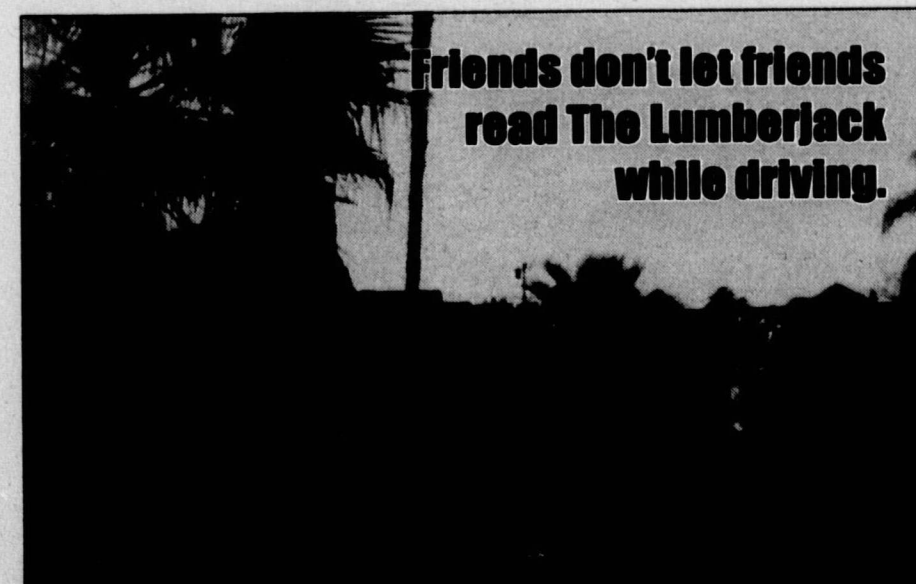
Dennis Mullins, the labor market consultant for The Job Market, agrees. "It helps to know people, it still works that way," he said.

Though Mullins said it's tougher to find student-type jobs here than in other areas because of the small community

and high competition, he said the people who work at it are going to be successful.

Working at it includes having a well-made resume, looking professional and presentable, being polite, and following up on places who took your resume among other things. Both The Job Market and the career center have workshops and professionals to help job seekers prepare for getting jobs, and beating out the competition.

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## World Briefs



### Quit complaining and help do something about it!

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### First state to challenge the 'No child left behind' law

Connecticut sued the federal government Monday on the grounds that President Bush's education law is making them spend millions of dollars on new tests without scientific proof that these new tests are actually helping these children. This lawsuit is the first by any state to challenge the "No Child Left Behind" law. Connecticut's attorney general, Richard Blumenthal, tried to persuade other states into joining the suit, but the other states didn't have proof that the federal law had caused them to spend state money on federal mandates.

### No human embryos needed

The Harvard University team fused lab-grown embryonic stem cells with the adult cells to create a new stem cell that can help disease research without having to use human embryos. Even though UK experts warned that the hybrid stem cells were not a perfect match, scientists say that these stem cells that are harvested from early stage human embryos have the potential to become any kind of cell in the body. Scientists hope that one day the replacement tissue made from the stem cell can one day treat a host of diseases, including current incurable conditions such as Parkinson's and diabetes.

### 31 Cubans missing after ship sinks

Three Cubans were rescued at sea by a merchant ship on Sunday about 30 miles north of Matanzas, Cuba. The men claimed that their 28-foot boat sank with 31 others on board. The Cuba government notified the U.S. Coast Guard, which began its search late Sunday and found only a capsized boat about 16 miles from where the three men were found. It was assumed that the 34 people were trying to enter the U.S. illegally because it wasn't known where the boat was headed and the boat should have only been carrying 10 people at the most.



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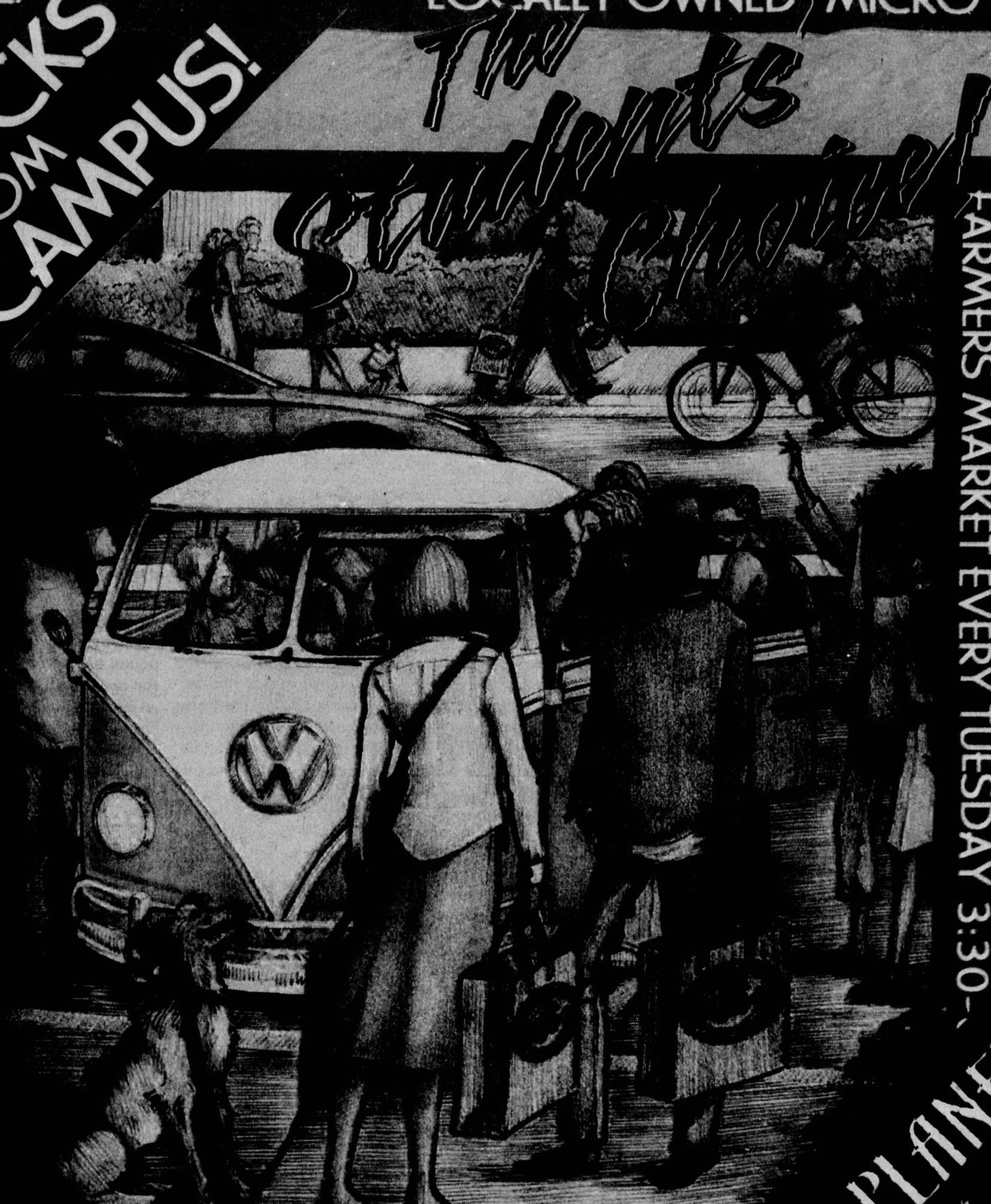
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## eBay fraud hits Arcata

### Local man sells, but doesn't send

Karla Rivas  
Community Editor

After receiving a complaint from an EBay Customer who had purchased valuable collectable baseball cards and failed to receive the merchandise, Officer Dan Dotson began to take investigative steps and connected four other cases within the United States to the same suspect.

A resident of Arcata for 30 years, Heath Roland Harris, whose primary business was selling expensive collectable baseball cards, failed to ship out the merchandise in five different states. The victims were located and contacted about the same set of circumstances. Every case involved Harris as the suspect in the fraudulent selling of valuable collectable baseball cards.

Because there were five different cases of theft across the U.S., a search warrant was issued at Harris' residence and a criminal complaint was submitted to the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office.

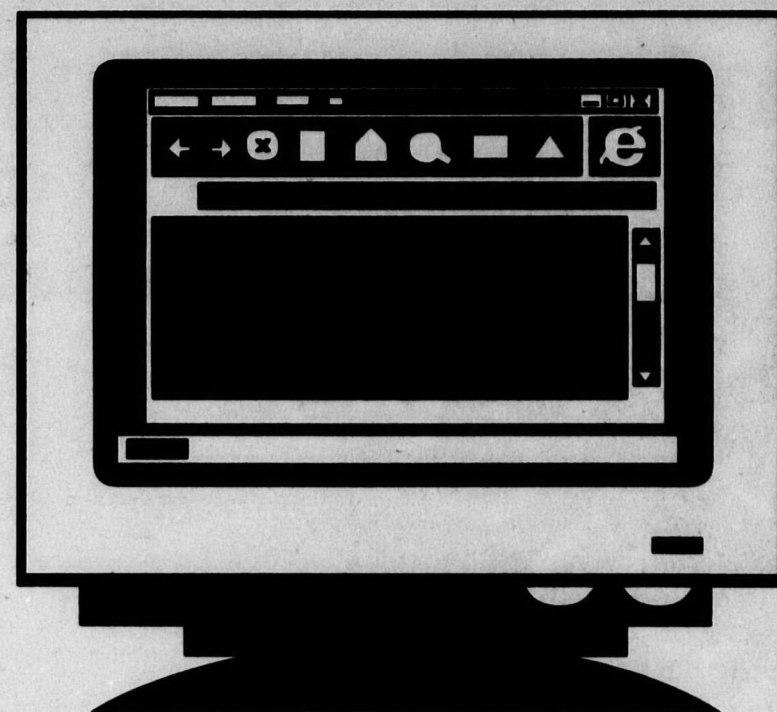
After the complaint was submitted, the District Attorney's office filed a complaint and issued a warrant for Harris' arrest on five counts of grand theft.

Harris moved out of Arcata but was arrested by the Ukiah Police Department for the outstanding warrant. When Harris will be returned to Humboldt for conviction is unknown at the moment.

Lieutenant Ryan Peterson says that it really depends on the District Attorney's office, how much the merchandise was worth, and what he's convicted on, to know how much time he'll be facing when convicted.

Officer Dan Dotson could not be reached for comment and the locations of the other victims couldn't be released at the moment.

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Just because no complaints have been made about a seller does not mean that they are not fraudulent. Sellers who rip you off usually open and close shop quickly, so there is no time to even file a complaint.

Don't believe in promises of easy money. If someone claims that something is free, or that you can earn money without having to work for it, it's probably some kind of scam.

Understand the offer, including what you will pay for the item, what you will pay for shipping, how and when it will be shipped and an exact and detailed description of the item. It doesn't hurt to contact a seller before making a purchase.

Don't give into pressure, legitimate organizations should be willing to give you plenty of time. If they won't take no for an answer it's probably a scam.

Think twice before entering sweepstakes through companies you have never heard of. Dishing out personal information on the internet is asking for identity theft. Fraudulent sellers also use contests to identify possible victims.

Beware of unsolicited e-mails. Respond only if you know who the sender is. Oftentimes if you respond to an e-mail from a company asking to be taken off their list, it just verifies that yours is a working e-mail address, and you are a potential victim.

www.internetfraud.org



# Temporary law enforcement

Local PD will be harsh on bikers and skateboarders, but not for long

Rose Mitchell  
Staff writer

Bicycle and skateboarding laws will be enforced more thoroughly through Sept. 3 by both HSU and APD in an attempt to educate the public about traffic regulations.

According to a news article in Humboldt State News, UPD Sgt. Greg Allen said, "This effort is being made to educate the public regarding these laws, as well as to ensure the safety of bicyclists and skateboarders. UPD and APD will be issuing warnings when appropriate, and citations when necessary."

With the new school year UPD hopes to advise newcomers about the laws in order to prevent violations in the future Allen said. Bicycling and skateboarding is prohibited in the inner part of the HSU campus, which includes the Quad.

A map of the prohibited area can be found at UPD, located on 1 Harpst Street. Riding in areas that are out of bounds can result in a ticket.

Both APD and UPD are willing to answer any questions and explain the law in more detail.

It's also important to get your bike licensed in the case of bicycle thefts, Allen said. "There were a lot of bikes stolen in the past week," he said.

You can license your bike for three years for free at the Parking and Commuter Services booth located on Harpst Street. Lynn Johnson, Parking and Commuter Services Field Operations Supervisor, recommends bringing your bike down to get it licensed.

You'll fill out a registration card while they call to verify that the bike isn't stolen. If the bike is legitimate you'll get a license along with a renewal sticker Johnson said.

However, the success rate of recovering stolen bikes is hard because they are usually taken out of town Allen said. He said many times the local pawnshops in Eureka help the police departments in recovering stolen bikes.

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Photo essay by Cerena Johnson



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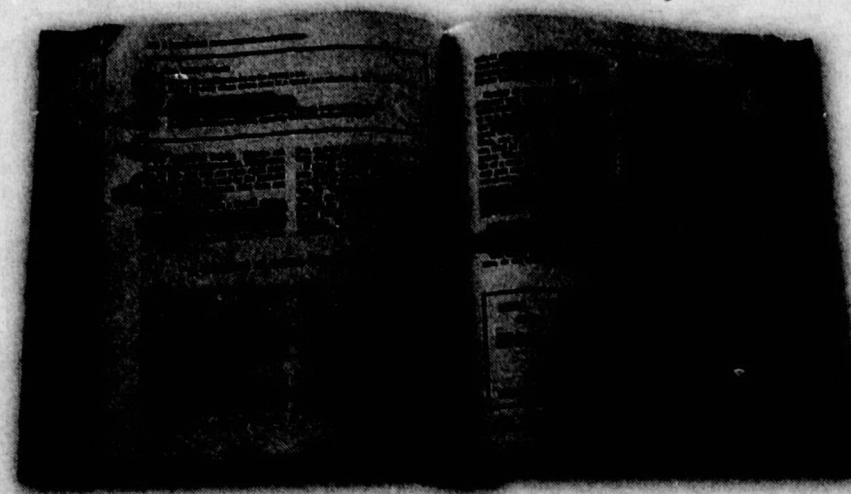


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## Men's soccer

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The men's team is preparing to build upon a successful season by winning a championship and earning some national recognition. With added depth and a good leadership, the team is expected to improve from last year's record and become a contender.

An up-and-down season for the women's team could be better. The improvement in the women's team is expected, and the squad is expected to play to its full potential. Despite not having a single senior on the team, the squad is expected to be successful.



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## In full swing of things

### Offseason improvement encourages head coach



photos by Ray Aspuria

A lumberjack quarterback fires a pass during practice Monday. They have big shoes to fill with the departure of former starting quarterback Jason Baughman.

**Ray Aspuria**  
 Sports/Online editor

It's always difficult to replace the productivity of a wide receiver whose name is in the school record books. That's just one area of focus HSU Football Head Coach Doug Adkins has for the upcoming season.

Not only has wide receiver Dustin Creager come and gone, but so has quarterback Jason Baughman, the two primary weapons on offense last season.

"We obviously haven't replaced Creager," Adkins said. "But we're trying to with a group of receivers rather than with an individual."

Other than wide receiver and quarterback, the linebacker unit and the team's kicking game are also under Adkins microscope.

"We have a little more depth at linebacker this year," Adkins said. "Obviously in the first game the kicking game is an important part, we'll see if it's alright."

Adkins was encouraged by the team's off-season, however, and believes the departure of key players has been filled with new and returning ones. He was especially pleased by the progress his players made during the off-season.

"They have improved a lot," Adkins said. "They are bigger and faster than when they first came in."

Although no one really surprised Adkins during the off-season and practices, he is pleased to see that everyone is doing what they are supposed to do, meaning

no one is falling behind.

There are plenty of position battles ensuing during the teams practices, Adkins said, which is an encouraging sign. He noted that the team could field as many as six or seven new starters this season.

On offense the 'Jacks appear ready to hit the field and score some points. Blake Moorman is currently pegged as the team's new starting quarterback and a group of young wide receivers will provide him with targets.

Senior Daniel Nembhard returns at running back with adequate depth behind him.

**"We obviously haven't replaced (Dustin) Creager."**

**Doug Adkins**  
 football head coach

Adkins said the team is running the ball very well during practice, better than it has in recent years.

Defensively the team should regain its 2004 form if not improve as the defensive line returns intact. Another positive in Adkins eyes is that the defensive line is interchangeable. However, the stout linebacker unit the team fielded last season has been redone and so has the secondary.

Junior Kyle Killingsworth, one of the team's bright spots in the

defensive backfield last season, returns to his strong safety spot.

Even with the possibility of fielding of up to seven new starters, Adkins said the team would use the same system and schemes it used last season.

The 'Jacks are scheduled to open the season on Sept. 3 against Mesa College. That's when Adkins will get a chance to gauge where the team is at in terms of performance.

"Only time will tell," Adkins said. "Only time will tell."

#### Position Outlook

##### Quarterback

Three candidates will try to follow up on the passing game established by Jason Baughman and Chris Dixon in the last two seasons. Leading the list is Blake Moorman, whose promise in spring ball that brings him to fall camp as the leading contender for a starting role.

Challenging him for the spot will be senior transfer Monty Duke, who came to HSU last year as a transfer from Clarion University. A third candidate, freshman Paul Tierney out of Truckee, is expected to redshirt.

##### Running Back

Daniel Nembhard comes back for his senior season after seeing considerable time in the Jacks

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## Fast Forward

New season provides clean slate for women's volleyball

**Ray Aspuria**  
Sports/Online Editor

Every time they made a mistake during practice the team had to do ten sit-ups. But each time they did, the glimmer in their eyes was stronger. The desire to win was evident in each player.

The women's volleyball team is gearing for a better season than it showed last fall. Winning only two games last season, the women are eager to put the past behind them.

"It's a whole new year and a new team," sociology senior Maya Domoto said.

Despite the terrible season every player seemed indifferent to the record they posted a year before.

However, Head Coach Sue Woodstra has mixed feelings toward the team's previous record.

"I'm ok with us knowing our record," Woodstra said. "I'd like to see the team get a chip on their shoulder about it."

She added that the team lost to teams they really shouldn't have last season.

All that is left now is the excitement for the upcoming season.

"We are very excited," kinesiology major Courtney Lee said.

"We are looking forward to our first tournament, we'll have new opponents and new faces on the other side (of the net)," Domoto added.

A youth infused roster may provide a welcome change and burst of energy to the team or it could prove fatal, as inexperience is the downfall of any sports team.

"We have a very young team, ten out of 15 of them are freshman or sophomores," Woodstra said. "It may take a little while for us to fully develop."

However, the young roster encourages Lee since they have already jelled together as one cohesive unit.

"We are all so close already, plus we are all hungry," Lee said. "We are young this year and we have a bright future ahead of us."

Domoto said trust and respect are the catalyst for the team's unity.

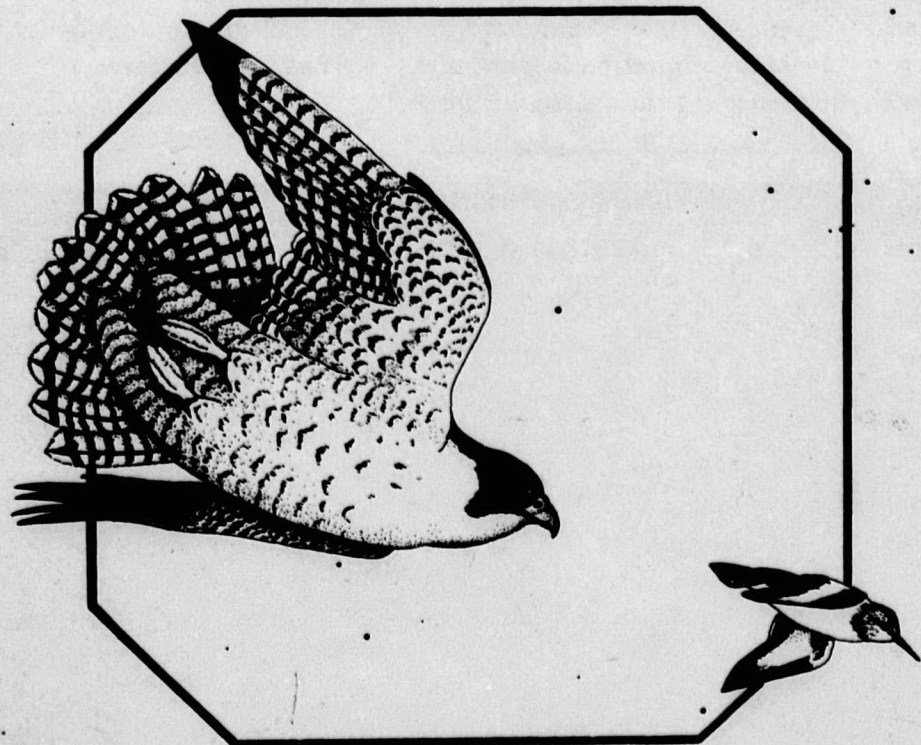
The team is currently working on improving every aspect of their game during practices.

"The servicing will be better," Woodstra said. "We're working hard on blocking and defense as well."

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Ray Aspuria

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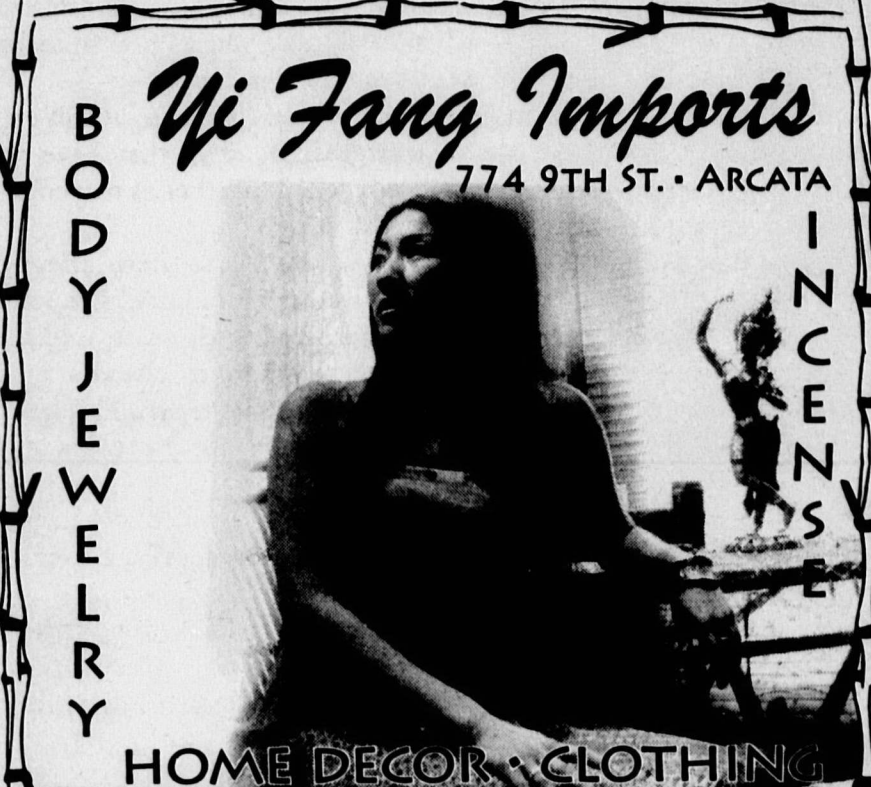
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## Rebuilt and overhauled

A stronger squad with leadership a winning formula



photos by Kira Rubenthaler

A heavily guarded Lumberjack attempts to shoot the ball into the net during the team's practice.

While it may seem that the Humboldt State men's soccer program is in the midst of a rebuilding process, head coach Andy Cumbo feels that his team is past rebuilding and is ready to compete in the 2005 season.

"I'm excited about this group," Cumbo said of his squad. "We have more depth than last year, our starting 11 are stronger and our leadership has been good. These guys have a lot of energy, excitement and desire to win."

Last season, Cumbo took over the reigns of the men's program, as he also continued in his fourth season with the women, leading the team to an 8-12 overall record and a 0-6, fourth place finish in the Great Northwest Athletic Conference. The 8-12 mark following a 2-19 finish the previous season put the Lumberjacks in a tie for the third best turnarounds among NCAA Division II men's

soccer programs.

This season, the Jacks are looking to take that a step further. "We want to be at .500," Cumbo said. "We're also looking to gain some more respect in the conference by getting in the win column."

At the forward position, Cumbo has returning starters Jonathan Eseman and Trel Mangarin along with newcomer Lance Pimentel to lead the attack.

Eseman, a sophomore, was named the co-GNAC Freshman of the Year in 2004 while also earning all-conference second team honors. He was second on the team in goals scored with five and first in assists with six.

"Jon is nursing an injury and is not fully over that, but he looks good when he is playing," said Cumbo.

Mangarin, also a sophomore, scored one goal and added three assists as a freshman and is look-

ing to make a bigger impact this season.

"Trel is at the top of his game right now," said Cumbo. "He playing very unselfishly and creating and finishing well."

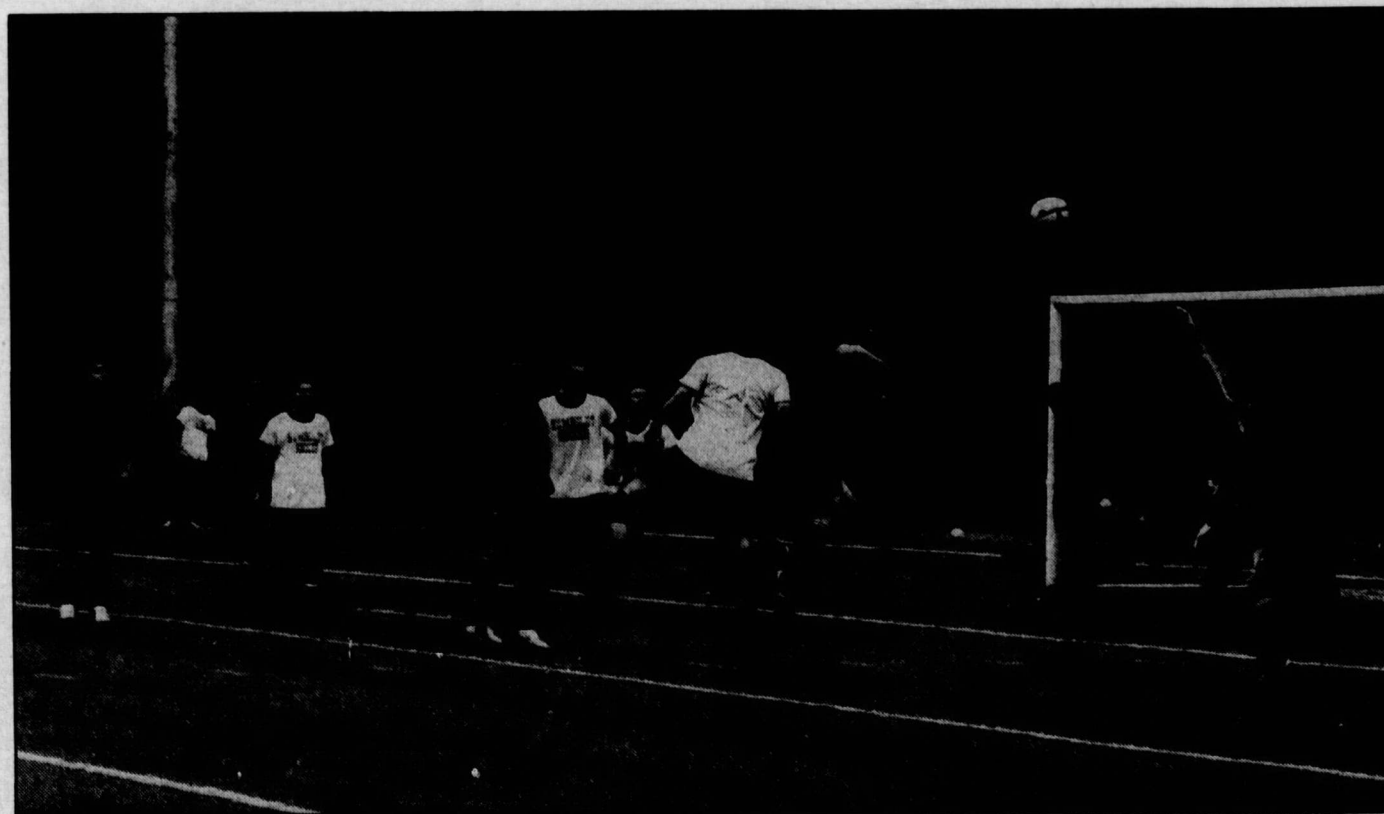
Pimentel is a junior originally from Arcata who spent two years as the leading scorer for Shasta Junior College. Also looking to get into the mix up front is Eureka native Gabby Herrera.

"Lance is looking very strong and Gabby has tremendous pace," Cumbo said.

In the center midfield, senior Tomo Fujita and sophomore Eric Webster return after holding the starting spots least season. Added into the mix is senior Julian Fulwiler who anchored the Jacks' defense in 2004.

Webster and Fulwiler both earned all-conference second

see SOCCER pg. 29



A lumberjack attempts to headbutt the ball into the net as others watch on during the team's practice.



## Following through

Youth-infused roster hopes to reach its full potential by winning throughout season

After a history of early season success and late season disappointment, head coach Andy Cumbo hopes that the 2005 HSU women's soccer squad has the experience and leadership to play to its full potential for a complete campaign.

"We have the experience and emotions and rivalries" Cumbo said. "We need to maintain a 20-game consistency level."

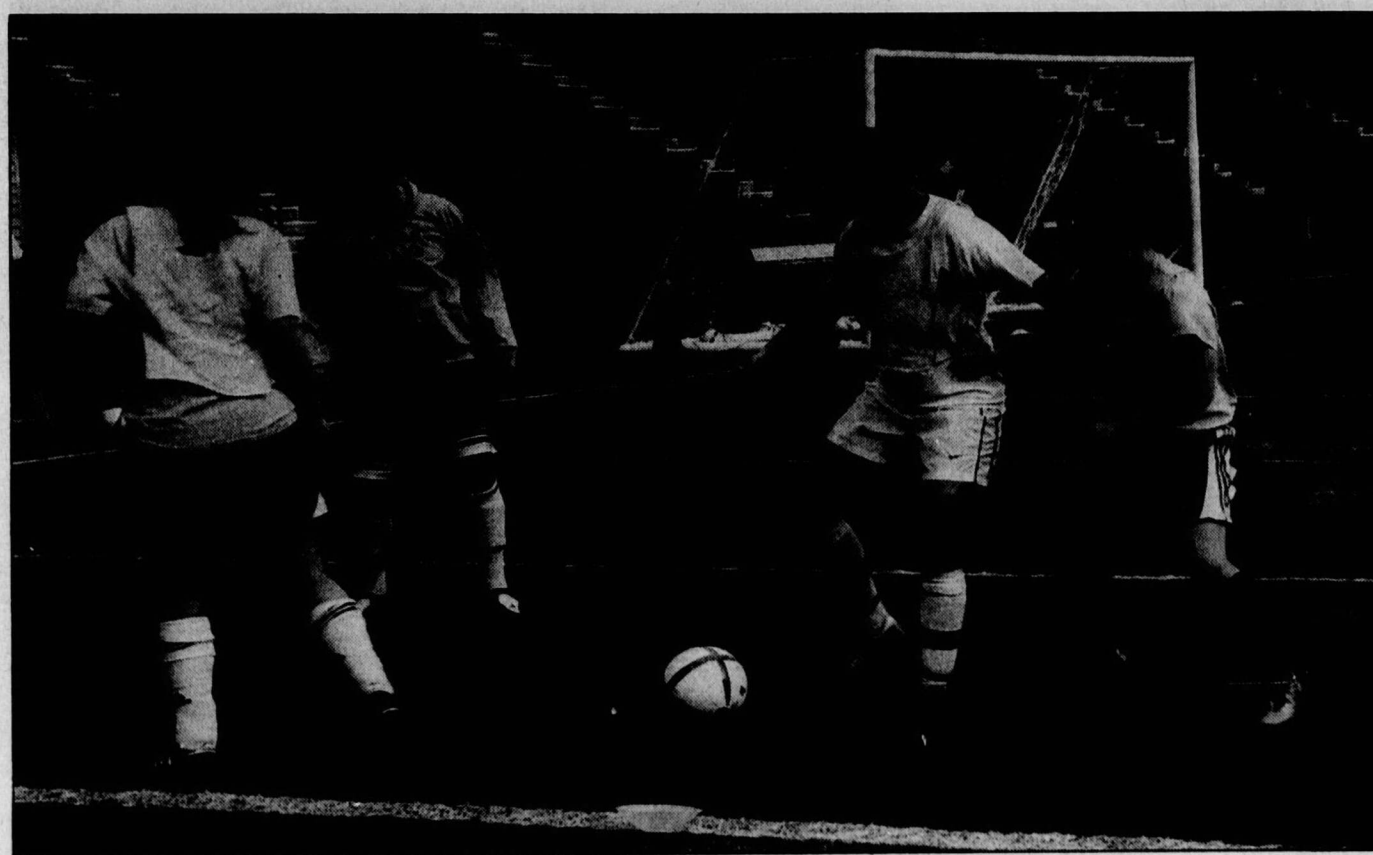
Without a single senior on the 25-member team, the strength lies in a junior class Cumbo is relying on to pull the team through the season.

Up front, junior Katie Coppoletta will lead the offensive attack with help from sophomore Karen Camilli and freshman Tisha Cotta.

Coppoletta was named to the all-Great Northwest Athletic Conference honorable mention team in 2004 after scoring five goals and adding one assist.

"Copp is at the top of her game," said Cumbo. "She is taking players on and beating them consistently."

Camilli, an Arcata native, came off the bench in 11 games for the Jacks last season



Kira Rubenthaler

**Working hard during offensive and defensive drills, the women are gearing themselves for their first match up Thursday at San Diego Christian. They are scheduled to play UC San Diego Friday.**

to score two goals. Cotta was named a high school All-American in soccer while playing at Golden West High School.

"All three are similar in that they are quick, fast and aggressive," said Cumbo of

his front line. "However, they differ in the way that they play."

In the center midfield junior Jessica Hewins returns along with junior Libby Kimmet, who moved from the defensive line

to the middle. Hewins led the Jacks with eight assists last season, earning all-conference honorable mention honors, while Kimmet made her mark on defense, also adding one assist.

Added to the mix is freshman Elizabeth Magdaleno who was named Player of the Year, first team all-league and first team all-CIF at Bonita Vista High School.

"Jess, Libby and Elizabeth complement each other well," Cumbo said. "They all have good vision, good ball control and they can control the game."

On the outside midfield, three players are fighting for two spots. Eureka High School graduate Lindsey Harpham returns for her junior year after coming off the bench in 18 games last year and tallying four assists.

Redshirt freshman Erin Ashdown out of Analy High School will compete for a spot as well as freshman Kathryn Scheuring, a three-time first team all-league selection at Ponderosa High School.

"These three are quick and explosive as well as strong and aggressive defenders,

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## FOOTBALL: A position-by-position breakdown

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A Lumberjack kicker/punter blasts a punt during special team's drills Monday. Head Coach Doug Adkins has his eye on the team's kicking game coming into the season as an integral part of the squad's success.

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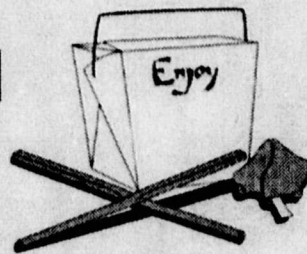
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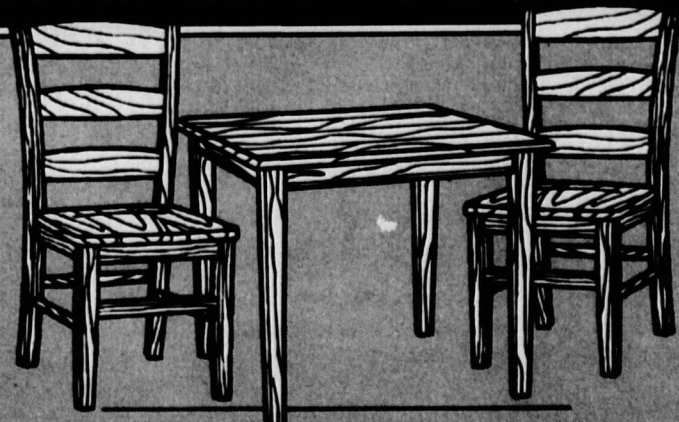
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backfield last year. Utilized mostly as a backup, Nembhard rushed for 500 net yards and five touchdowns, and was the Jacks No. 3 receiver with 16 catches. Chris Smith is another returner who was used primarily on special teams last fall.

Also expected to shore up the running game is newcomer Maurice Dotson. Dotson joins the Jacks as a junior.

Joevany Cueva, a redshirt freshman from Santa Ana, and returner Daniel Suban, who accumulated 34 yards in an injury-shortened 2004 season, should also see time.

Taylor Diaz, a former Eureka High Standout who returned to school this fall, may see time at fullback, as may returner Rickie White, a sophomore.

### Offensive Line

Returning first team all-conference performer Michael Dean heads up a veteran offensive line of returnees, some of whom are back after one or more years out of the program.

Returning are junior Brett Battle who played for HSU in 1997 and 1998, and sophomore Richard Torrence, who started at right tackle as a redshirt freshman in 2002.

Also back are seniors Matt Albanese and Chris Wallace.

Senior Justin Heimiller started at tight end for the Jacks last year, catching 15 passes for 184 yards. He will be challenged for playing time by redshirt freshman Will Hansen, newcomers Chris Ogden and John Duran, both of who participated in spring ball, and Trevor Messersmith, a freshman from Galt High School.

### Wide Receiver

A committee of receivers will share responsibilities, with 13 individuals in camp vying for ros-

ter spots. Seniors Jonathan Rosen, who made three catches for 49 yards last year, and Efen Lopez, who had 11 grabs for 125 yards in 2004, are the only two with HSU experience.

Prospects for starting assignments include Joey Stein from Fresno City College/Central High School (Fresno). Stein started for Cal-Lutheran College as a freshman in 2003 at defensive back and led the team in interceptions. He transferred to Fresno City College where he led the team with 28 receptions and four touchdowns.

Darren Ross, from Long Beach City College finished his sophomore year with 50 receptions for 780 yards and seven touchdowns, helping Long Beach City to a conference championship in 2003.

Other talented receivers include junior transfers Craig Neuvort, Richard Perkins and Milton White.

### Defensive Line

Last year's much-improved line looks even better in 2005, with returnees Todd Eagle, Justin Funderburk, Chris Hegler and Adam Fain all among the Jacks' leaders in tackles last year. Funderburk was second on the team in sacks with four and Eagle had a pair of sacks to his credit.

Junior Tom Connolly who played a big role for the Jacks in 2003, returns at defensive tackle, while sophomore Adam Maser and senior Justin Butler are also back in the interior line.

Another player back in the mix is junior Sean Sherbert, who played for HSU during the 2001 and 2002 seasons.

Two newcomers, freshmen Lucius Mills and Stanley Clairborne are talented but will likely redshirt.

### Linebackers

Sophomores Johnny Terrell and Allen Brunner, and junior

Markeese Wilson are the only players to see playing time in 2004. They'll be joined by a deep and talented group of newcomers, including juniors Brian Iriye and Josh Costa transfers from Fresno City College, and junior James Nelson, a transfer from Mendocino JC.

### Secondary

Killingsworth is HSU's top returner in the defensive backfield after accumulating 86 tackles and picking off three passes as the Jacks' starting strong safety last year.

Other veteran performers are cornerbacks Chris White and Emmet Bowman, both of whom were occasional starters last season. Returning seniors Eli Curtis and Don Wilson add more experience to the secondary.

Secondary coach Nick Mitchell also has the benefit of employing three players who joined the Jacks for spring ball. Nick Dominielli, who transferred in from New Mexico Highlands, and Lennox Hunte, who previously played at Southwest Missouri State, both have strong credentials, and redshirt freshman Brandan McCullen is also expected to challenge.

### Kicking Game

Returning place kicker Ben Peterson is back for his junior year after sharing duties last season. In 2004, he was good on three of seven field goal attempts and 13 of 16 PATs.

A newcomer to the Jacks' kicking game is Giancarlo Martinelli, who transferred in from Fresno City College. At FCC, Martinelli handled the placekicking chores and was a spot-punter.

The No. 1 candidate at punter appears to be quarterback Blake Moorman.

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## SOCCKER: Team great on the outside and the inside

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team honors last year and Fujita was named to the honorable mention team as the three combined for two goals and seven assists.

"All three are very aggressive players with good ball skills and vision," Cumbo said. "They also have the ability to change the point of attack with one long pass."

On the outside, two freshmen with very different styles have claimed starting positions.

Arcata High School graduate and two-time Humboldt-Del Norte League most valuable player Matt Colwell has secured a spot on one flank while Andres Ripa will start on the opposite side.

According to Cumbo, "Matt is adjusting well to the

outside. He has great one-on-one skills and if we can isolate him on the outside he will have success in beating his defender. Andres is aggressive and strong and knows the position very well. He sends balls across the field very well."

Freshmen Kevin Maxwell, out of Piedmont High School, and Jojo Hansen-Judge, will also vie for time on the outside midfield.

"Kevin has been a good con-

tributor so far and will help us the year," Cumbo said. "Jojo is moving in the right direction and we're working him into the midfield a bit."

In the back, junior Arcata native Dane Valadao returns after two years as a staple in the Jacks' defense. Added to the mix is junior transfer Keith Lambert and

Houck was named his league's defensive MVP while playing at Chaparral High School.

"These guys are very organized in the back and are all strong defenders," Cumbo said. "This line gives us the ability to possess the ball in the back."

Also figuring into the mix is junior returner Jeff Dean who is currently nursing a back injury.

In goal, freshman Drew Ryan has moved himself into the starting position, Cumbo said. Ryan was a three-year varsity player at Del Campo High School and was named the 2005 Cal League Goalkeeper of the Year.

"Drew is wellrounded, a good shot stopper and a good communicator,"

Cumbo said. "He is still getting used to this level, but he was brought to fight for the top spot."

"We are definitely stronger than we were last year," said Cumbo of his entire squad. "We need some luck on our side, we need to keep fresh and gain some momentum at the start of the season."

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A Jack player dribbles the ball during the team's practice.

freshmen Zlatan Sahmanovic and Geoff Houck.

Valadao earned all-GNAC honorable mention honors in 2004, scoring two goals and adding one assist while Lambert transferred to HSU after two seasons at Cal State San Bernardino. Sahmanovic was an all-Cal League first team selection and all-Metro second team selection at Del Campo High School while

## WOMEN: Younger classman the core of the team

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who have the ability to score as well," said Cumbo.

On defense, sophomores Kelsey Gomula and Elissa White return after starting all 20 games as freshmen in 2004. Gomula anchored the defense in the "sweeper" position while White had one goal and five assists as a marking back, earning an all-conference honorable mention.

Also vying for time in the back are freshman Amy Androsko, a three-time all-Century League first team selection while at Canyon High School, Erica Laugalis, a sophomore who played in six games for the Jacks last year, and junior Juliana Goldstein who played for Humboldt in 2002 and 2003 but took last year off as part of a foreign exchange program.

"When we're healthy, we'll be strong," said

Cumbo of his defenders, some of whom are nursing injuries.

The backbone of the team, according to Cumbo, is junior goalkeeper Staci Self. Self, a two-time all-conference honorable mention selection, allowed 0.71 goals per game last season while also posting six shutouts.

"She (Staci Self) is a team captain, she came back in great shape and is playing well."

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our core returners and five or six new impact players are doing very well," Cumbo said.

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## VOLLEYBALL: New offense and defense are key

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Woodstra instilled a new system for the team to use this upcoming season, both on offense and defense.

"We're running a different system, a 6-2, where our setters will move to the back row with three hitters at the net," Woodstra said. "We also have a new blocking defensive system."

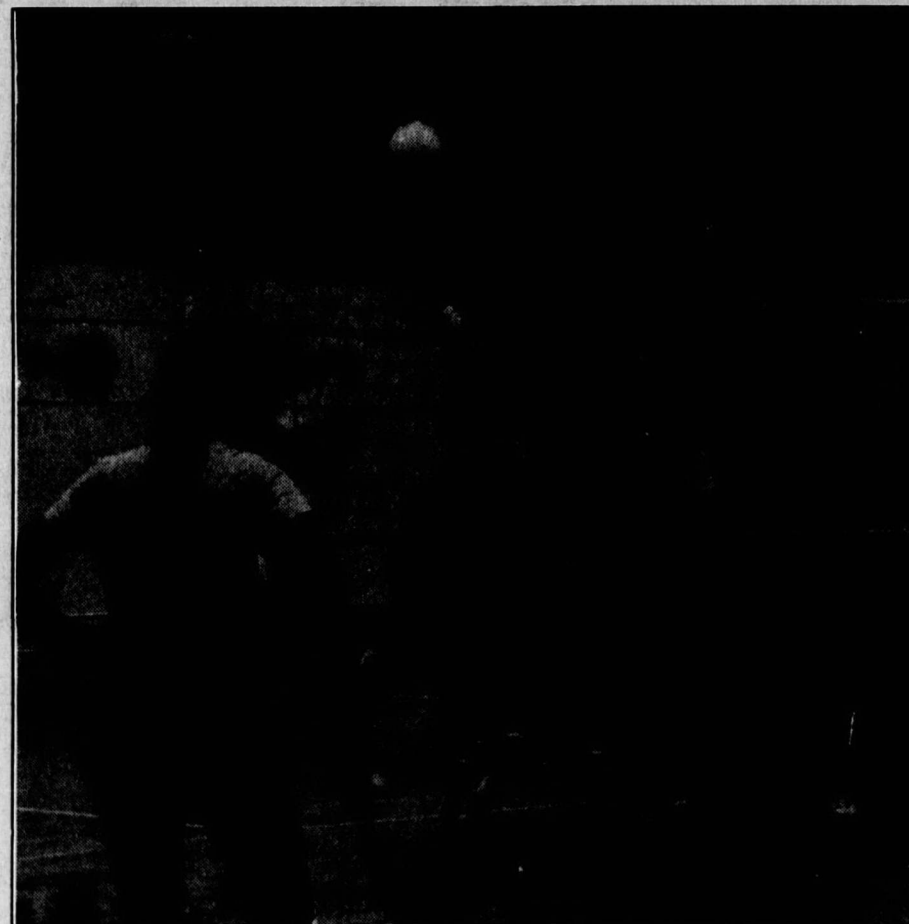
But in order for the new system to work the team must be united and willing to work for each other.

"We're relying on more people to contribute and it's a little more specialized," she said. "I'm hoping we can use each strength of players better."

Armed with the hunger to win and their unity, the women might just make all of us forget about last year's record.

"We only won two games last year, so we are looking forward to playing and winning," Domo-to said.

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Kira Rubenthaler

Two 'Jack defenders attempt to block a spike attempt during the team's practice.

## Quick hits

### Volleyball and soccer start on the road

The Lumberjacks hit the road for the first intercollegiate athletics competition of the term a day after the official start of the 2005 fall semester. Of course, Humboldt State student athletes have been on campus for at least two weeks, honing their skills for this week's openers. After facing off against their teammates in intrasquad action, HSU volleyball, women soccer and men soccer teams get a chance to test themselves against outside competition this week.

### Mens soccer starts in San Diego

Humboldt State made the third best turnaround nationally among NCAA Division II men soccer programs a year ago, and hopes to further that progress under second-year head coach Andy Cumbo this fall. The Jacks begin that quest with three road games this week.

On Thursday the Jacks open with a 4 p.m. game against San Diego Christian, then they continue the Southern California swing with a 4:30 p.m. game against UC San Diego on Friday. The trip concludes Sunday when HSU faces off against CSU Stanislaus at 1:30 p.m. in Turlock.

### Womens soccer opens on the road

Joining their male counterparts, the Lumberjack women's soccer team plays San Diego Christian at 2 p.m. Thursday as the opener of the doubleheader.

On Friday, the women play the feature match at 7 p.m. against UC San Diego. The finish off the first week with a 11 a.m. game against CSU Stanislaus in Turlock on Sunday.

### Volleyball squad at Monterey tourney

Humboldt State volleyball starts its season at the CSU Monterey Tournament Friday, playing a noon match against College of the Southwest and a 5 p.m. match vs. William Penn. On Saturday, the Jacks continue tournament action with a 9 a.m. battle against Sonoma State and a 1 p.m. match against Chico State.

### Football scrimmages Saturday

Football offers its annual preview Saturday at the Green & Gold Scrimmage, scheduled for noon in Redwood Bowl.

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## IT'S PAYBACK TIME

Exploring options to take care of loans

**Tara Apperson**  
Editor-in-Chief

An \$18,349 debt looming over your head may not be what you want to think about this first week of school. Unfortunately paying off student loans is probably in the near future, especially if you are graduating this year. The mentioned figure is the average amount undergraduate students who have federal loans will owe by the time they graduate.

Minimum payments will probably be around \$225 per month, unless you discover one of several options to reduce, erase, or at least defer loans while you save some cash to pay for them.

Barbara Keating, a financial aid counselor who has been part of the HSU financial aid staff for 30 years, has seen student debt increase over the years. "Graduating with that debt burden is a problem for students," she said.

Keating said lenders are not out to get borrowers, and they do want to see people succeed. "The worst thing you can do is ignore it and hope it will go away, because it won't," she said.

There are a plethora of options for paying back loans, or at least putting them on hold, including volunteering and working. Some of the most common options include teaching, AmeriCorps and PeaceCorps.

Keating said if students are interested in participating in any of the programs that help relieve the burden of loans that "It is very important for the borrower to review the qualifications and obligations (of the program)...and to ask questions."

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way to have the government forgive your direct loan. All other options to have your loans paid for involve a third party paying the government or bank in lieu of you making the payments.

APLE [www.csac.ca.gov](http://www.csac.ca.gov):

The Assumption Program of Loans for Education is for teachers in California. To get money you must have your teaching credential and teach for one full year before they send money to your lender. APLE will pay up to \$11,000 of your loans, except if you teach math, science, or special education, in which case they pay the lender an extra \$1,000 per year of your service.

Redwood Community Action Agency in Eureka. But you can go anywhere you want. "One of the neat things about AmeriCorps is that you get to choose where you go," said Debbie Hart, the training and support specialist at Straight Up AmeriCorps.

AmeriCorps members receive a salary as well as an education award for service. Education awards can be used for anything having to do with the cost of attendance to school. The education award is given to the school of your choice in an account in your name, so you have to go through the school to use the award.

Hart said she receives many applications, mostly from HSU graduates. Students who are not graduating yet can

also participate in AmeriCorps while they are still in school by applying for a work study position instead of a full time position. Straight Up AmeriCorps is currently trying to fill four work-study positions.

Full-time terms require a minimum of 1,700 service hours, and pays minimum wage as well as a \$4,725 education award. The full-time term usually lasts nine to 12 months.

Work-study positions require either 450 or 300 hours, pay minimum wage, and have an education award of either \$1,250 or \$1,000 respectively.

Peace Corps [www.peacecorps.org](http://www.peacecorps.org):

Though the Peace Corps does offer debt cancellation, it only does so for those who have Perkins Loans, a type of government aid that few students receive. However, the program does offer loan

deferment during the two-year commitment, it pays medical and dental costs, and provides a living allowance.

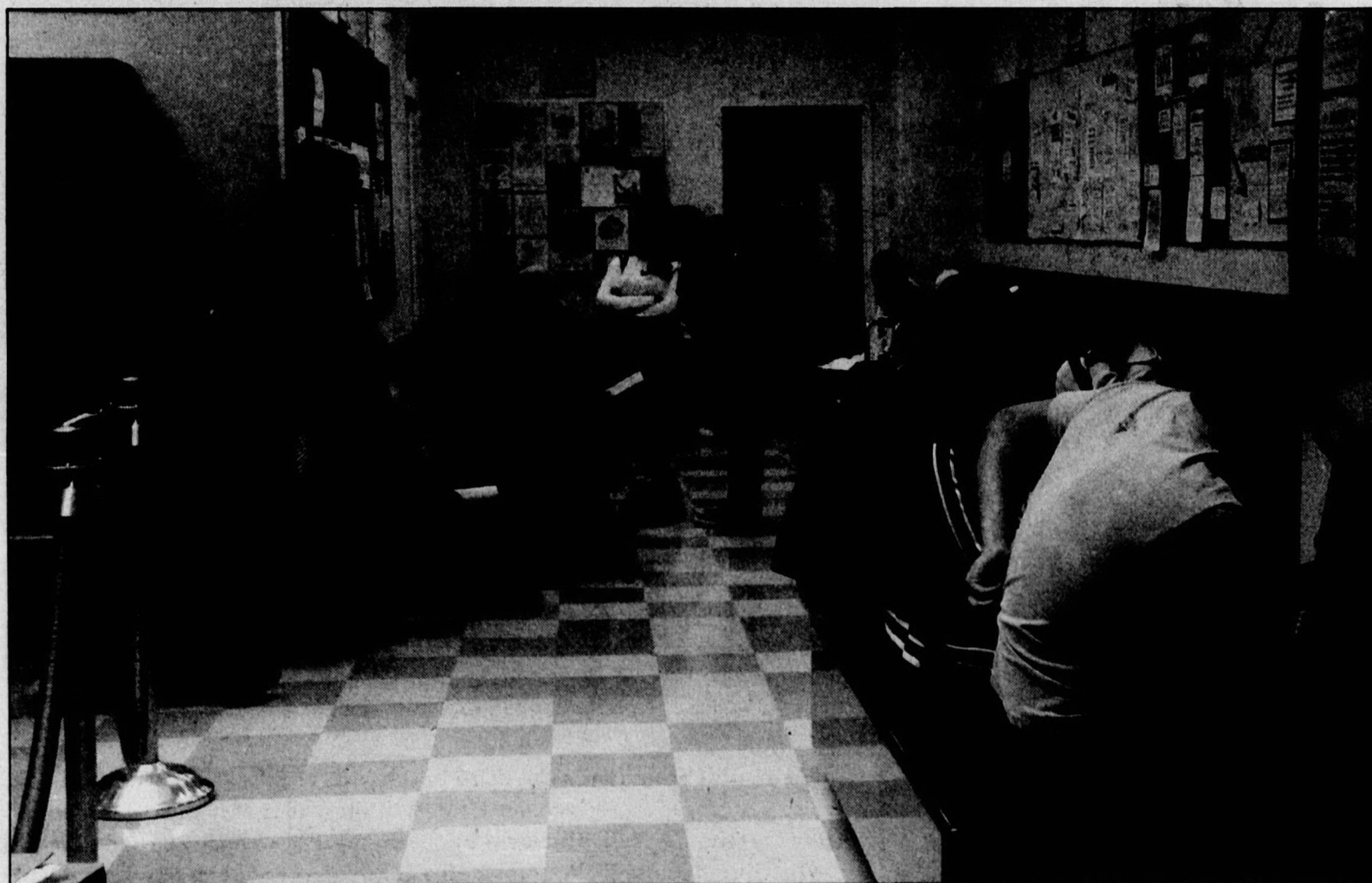
Lance Woolley, the Peace Corps adviser on campus said he was able to save \$1,000-\$2,000 during his service in Panama.

Once service is completed, the Peace Corps will give you about \$6,000 in "transitional funds" to use as you wish. Currently, there are about 20 applicants from this area Woolley said. HSU graduates have traveled with the Peace Corps to places like Madagascar, Morocco and France among many others.

The application process can be completed in a minimum of four months, and requires dental and medical reports, essays, and three letters of recommendation. Though the process may sound overwhelming, Woolley said it isn't.

"It's not really competitive, most people have a college degree. If you have a skill to offer and you're a stable person (you have a good chance)," he said.

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HSU students wait in line at the Financial Aid Office on the first day of classes. Eventually they will be paying back the money the money they are borrowing.

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Teach for America [www.teachforamerica.org](http://www.teachforamerica.org):

Teach for America is an AmeriCorps program. Those who participate in the program receive an educational award of \$4,725 each year for two years. The award can be used for any expenses having to do with education. Participants are also paid a salary by the school they are working for. Teach for America requires that you have graduated college by the first day of the summer training they provide, and that you graduate with a minimum 2.5 GPA. Applications for the 2006 Corps are due by October 30, 2005, and can be found online.

When it comes to AmeriCorps there are many options. The program sends volunteers to different areas of the United States. If you want to stay close by, there are about six different programs in Humboldt County that specialize in different areas. For example, the Watershed Steward Project is a community based watershed restoration and education program based in Fortuna, or you can apply to participate in Straight Up AmeriCorps, which works with youth in schools and the community, and is based in the



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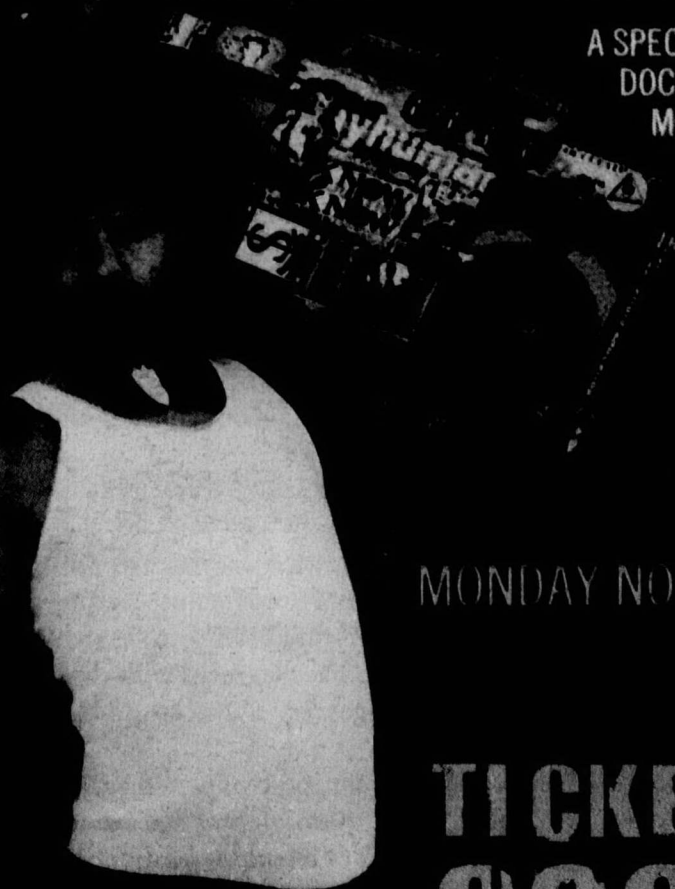
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# Dorm life- New and old residents speak up

Jenny Henrikson and Torrin Hults

Features Editor and Staff writer

What are two complete strangers sharing one small space, day and night, through laughs and snores, dirtying and tidying, guests and mating to anticipate in the larger mishmash of dorm life? Either clammy skin or the chills, not to mention the mac & cheese blues.

"The only bad thing about living in the dorms was in the Canyon. You can't change the heat- either the whole building gets hotter or colder, depending on who tells the staff what to do last," said 20-year-old wildlife junior Sadie Gaffney, who lived in the dorms for two years. Gaffney said she was also surprised at how many people weren't afraid to break rules, even though they still got caught. "My roommate was hecka-cool though," she said.

Ross Nolan, 22, a geography graduate, who sometimes shared a room with his brother before coming to HSU said, "I didn't find it hard to adjust. Understanding my roommates and how to live with them took a little time. It may take people who are only children longer to adjust."



Photo by Torrin Hults

(Left to right) 18 year-old economics major Kyle Taylor, 18 year-old music major Andrew Harris, 17 year-old Studio Art Ted Pickett, 18 year-old social work major Jessica Ross.

John Cappacio, Director of Housing said, "Most roommates have problems because of lack of communication." He said the two best ways to combat communication breakdowns are 1) start the relationship off with an understanding of the ground rules and 2) keep talking to each other as problems arise. "If you can't work it out on your own any housing authority is there to help," Cappacio said.

Nolan, who lived in the dorms for five years, said that the best advice he could give for living in the dorms is to stand up for yourself if someone is not being respectful.

"You're a big kid now," he said. He also said people should be more positive about the repetitive food at the "J". "People complain too quickly," he said.

Nolan said he didn't mind having to buy a meal plan because he thought it would have been hard to cook for himself in the facilities provided. "The kitchens would be too dirty, especially in Sunset and Redwood where there is only one kitchen," he said.

John Capaccio said that meal plans are required in most of the dorms because it is

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more practical. "The non-apartment dorms are not set up for people to cook," said Capaccio. He said that when the "J" opened, the Housing Department made an agreement with Dining, which is run through the University Center. Housing assured Dining that a steadfast number of people would always eat at the "J" so that the program would be economical.

New Canyon Suite resident, 18-year-old Axel De La Pena, undeclared, from Southern California, doesn't like to wait in the "J" too long. "The salad bar in the "J" is good because it usually has a shorter line," he said. He said his favorite thing about living in the Canyon are the nice, new bathrooms and that it is quiet.

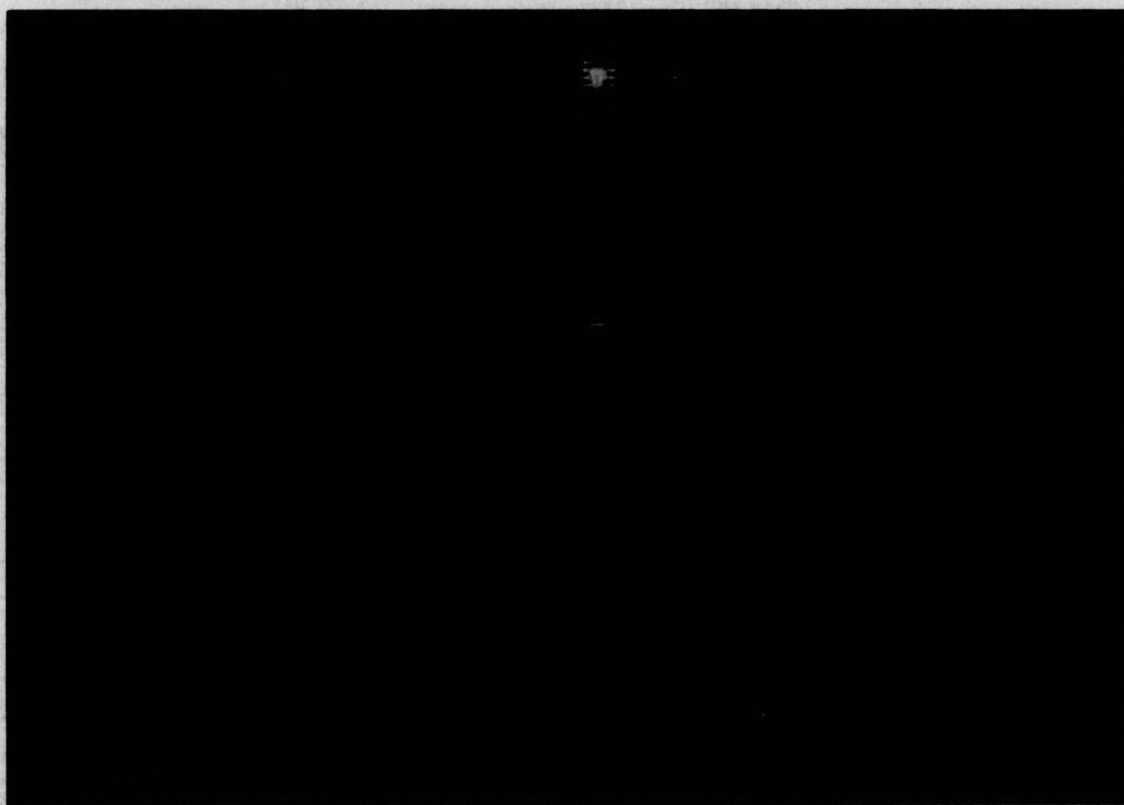
Another new resident, 19-year-old psychology major Eric Leo-

hard from Encinitas, doesn't mind the "J" but said that, "The laundry facilities are nice, clean, and efficient, but too expensive." Overall he is happy with his new home. "The dorms are pretty dope and bigger than I expected," Leohard said.

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18 year-old Theater Arts major Marisa Castanada in a Cypress Double Dorm.



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Redwood Dorm- Left is 17 year-old psychology freshman from La Palma, CA, Sarai Bordeaux. Right is 18 year-old undeclared freshman from Belvedere, CA, Sarah Bo-Linn.

Freshman roommates comment on their new town....

"Arcata is cute," Sarai Bordeaux

"Arcata is a pretty chill town and everything you need is there except entertainment." Sarah Bo-Linn



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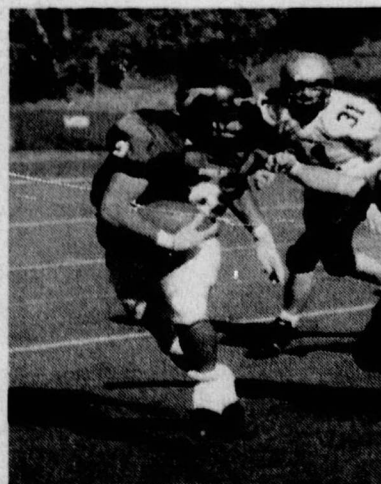
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# Not understanding horseracing

## A firsthand account of a journalist's betting experience

**Brian Early**  
Staff writer

I was assigned to cover the last day of horseracing at the 109th Annual Humboldt County Fair last Sunday in Ferndale. I spent five hours trying to understand horse racing. I failed. If you're looking for results, you won't find them here.

Inside the grandstand, waiting at one of the 20 or so betting lines with my racing program, I took last minute advice from my friend Dave, nodding at every word he said, without understanding what he was talking about.

Dave made his bet, and turned to his girlfriend Suzie, "I just put down 13 bucks, baby," he said with excitement.

I walked up to the man, ready to invest at least \$10 in my first plunge at horse gambling. I had no idea what I was doing, how to bet, or what to say, so I mustered up some confidence and tried to repeat the exact words I thought Dave used, "I'll have the trifecta with one, six, and eight."

"That will be a dollar, please."

"Only a dollar?" The man just took my money, gave me a ticket, and shook his head. "Go over to the racer's education tent."

I thanked the man and sheepishly left. I had already been to the racer's education tent.

The horses broke out of the gate and charged down the track. People yelled and cheered as the horses galloped past the grandstand with bouncing jockeys on top. Everybody seemed to know what was going on. I could barely read the numbers on the horse.

To place the trifecta bet, I bet the exact order of the first three winning horses. None of my horses placed. I shrugged and turned my attention to other aspects of horse racing.

I watched the next race on the top of the grandstand. No gambling revelers, just the sound of hooves trampling though soft dirt on the half mile track, and two officials charting the progression of the race at each turn. One stood with binoculars and another stood with a clip-board.

At each turn the binoculars man would start with auctioneer speed, "Okay, we've got four by two, six by two

and a half, five by one, four by three, two by a nose, and seven at three and half," as the man with the clip board frantically scribbled notes.

Right after the race, the two men scurried down the stairs back to the press box to update the odds. I scurried down to the photo finish booth. Mike Hanna, the photo finish operator, explained that two cameras take the finish photo (in case one camera fails) as the racers cross the finish.

Outside the grandstand and behind the paddock (the paddock is where the groomers lead the next racing horses around a tiny track, and the gamblers hover, comparing odds to the horse) reside the jockeys.

The jockeys were short and stout, weighing no more than 125 lbs. One jockey finished a cigarette before heading to his horse. Jockey Joel Holmes, said most jockeys smoke. "Oh yes. We all smoke. There's only a few who don't," he said.

The jockey's hang out with each other before and after the race. Holmes is a son of a jockey. "We take care of each other.

We tell each other what's happening, like 'My horse is coming in,' or 'my horse is coming out.' It's a dangerous sport out there, and when you're a half an inch from the next rider at 30 mph, anything can happen."

Indeed it can. April Grenamger, 24, was unconscious for 15 minutes last Thursday when her horse jumped the track and gave her a concussion. She was out six months earlier this year when she fell off her horse and broke a bone in her leg in half.

The jockeys average up to five races a day. They travel around the state or country much like carnies, moving from place to place and racing all year round, many times together. Many claim to have no home.

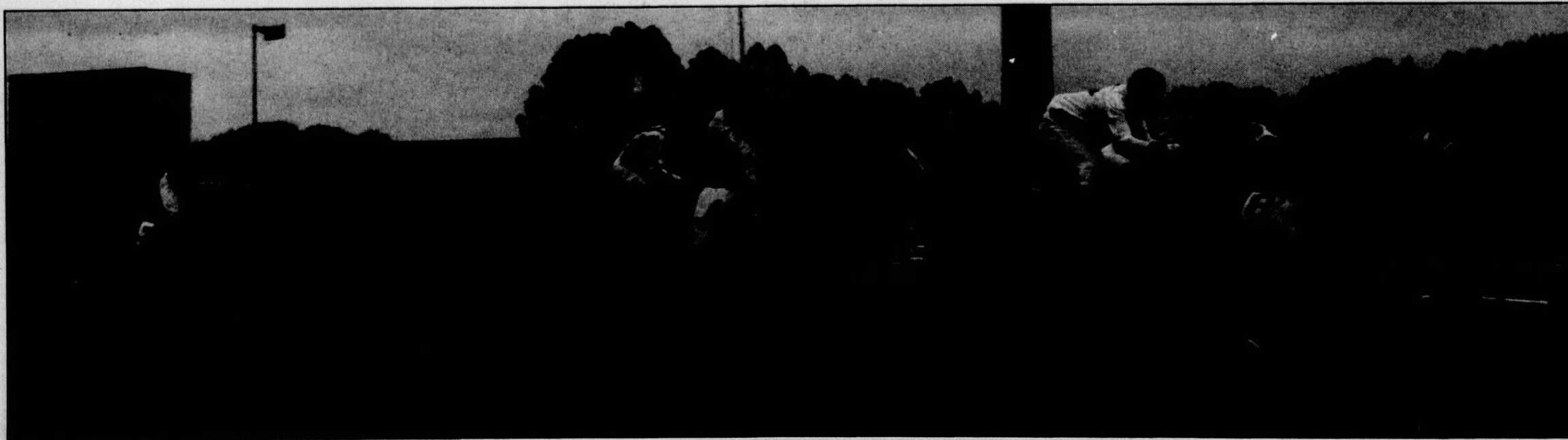
When the last of the ten races were about to start I found my friends and watched the three-lap race. As the horses came into final turn, everyone was in a total frenzy shouting and waving their arms. Then it was over. The winners went to collect, as the losers headed out. A slew of papers with lost bets and beer cups lay scattered all around. The excitement dwindled as the sun melted into the early evening, and Ferndale horse racing packed it in for another year.

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Cerena Johnson

**Racetrack bugler Pete Estabrook signals the beginning of the horserace.**



Cerena Johnson



# Free Stuff!

About to head to the bookstore? Try Warren House 53 instead

**Tara Apperson**  
Editor in Chief

Don't pay for all of your office or school supplies; you can get them for free. The Reusable Office Supply Exchange program, which is run alone by environmental science, ecology, and appropriate technology senior Jolynn Mahmoudi, redistributed \$8,000 worth of school and office supplies to students, staff, faculty and local schools.

In 1998, in R.O.S.E.'s early years, only eight people took advantage of the program. Now up to 150 people use the facility, which is based on the honor system. Any student, staff, or faculty can check out the key to the storeroom, located in Warren House 53, from the building next door (Bret Harte House) and help themselves to binders, pens, folders, envelopes, staplers and more. Users just have to



Jolynn Mahmoudi, environmental science, ecology, and appropriate technology senior, runs the Reusable Office Supply Exchange program, part of the Campus Recycling program on her own.

make sure whatever is taken is written down on an inventory list.

"As soon as we come back with more binders they're all going."

**Jolynn Mahmoudi**  
Head of the R.O.S.E. program

On Monday R.O.S.E. was set up on the quad with what seemed like an endless supply of binders. "They went quick, I don't know how we're going to table all

week," Mahmoudi said. "As soon as we come back with more binders they're all going."

Sophomore Sierra Spooner had heard of the R.O.S.E. program, but had never used it before she took advantage of their set up on the quad.

"I think it's a great idea," Spooner said.

Binders alone can cost over five dollars in the bookstore, so getting them gently used for free is a treat for students, who are generally trying to spend the least amount of money on school supplies, especially with book prices as they are.

Social sciences senior Maria Kemp, was shopping for binders in the bookstore. When approached and informed about the R.O.S.E. program and its free binders right outside, she promptly put the binders she had planned on purchasing right back on the shelf, and said she intended to head outside to pick some up.

Mahmoudi will take donations, like departments lost and found, sort through it for the office supplies, and donate the rest to local charities. Supplies can be sent through campus mail, dropped off at the storehouse, or Mahmoudi can pick them up.

Mahmoudi has been a one-woman show at R.O.S.E. for the past few years, and is currently looking for two successors to keep her legacy alive at HSU. Contact [jpm22@humboldt.edu](mailto:jpm22@humboldt.edu)

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Noah Koeppel (left), freshman CIS student snags a free binder while friend Gabriella Regan, also a freshman, learns more about the R.O.S.E. program

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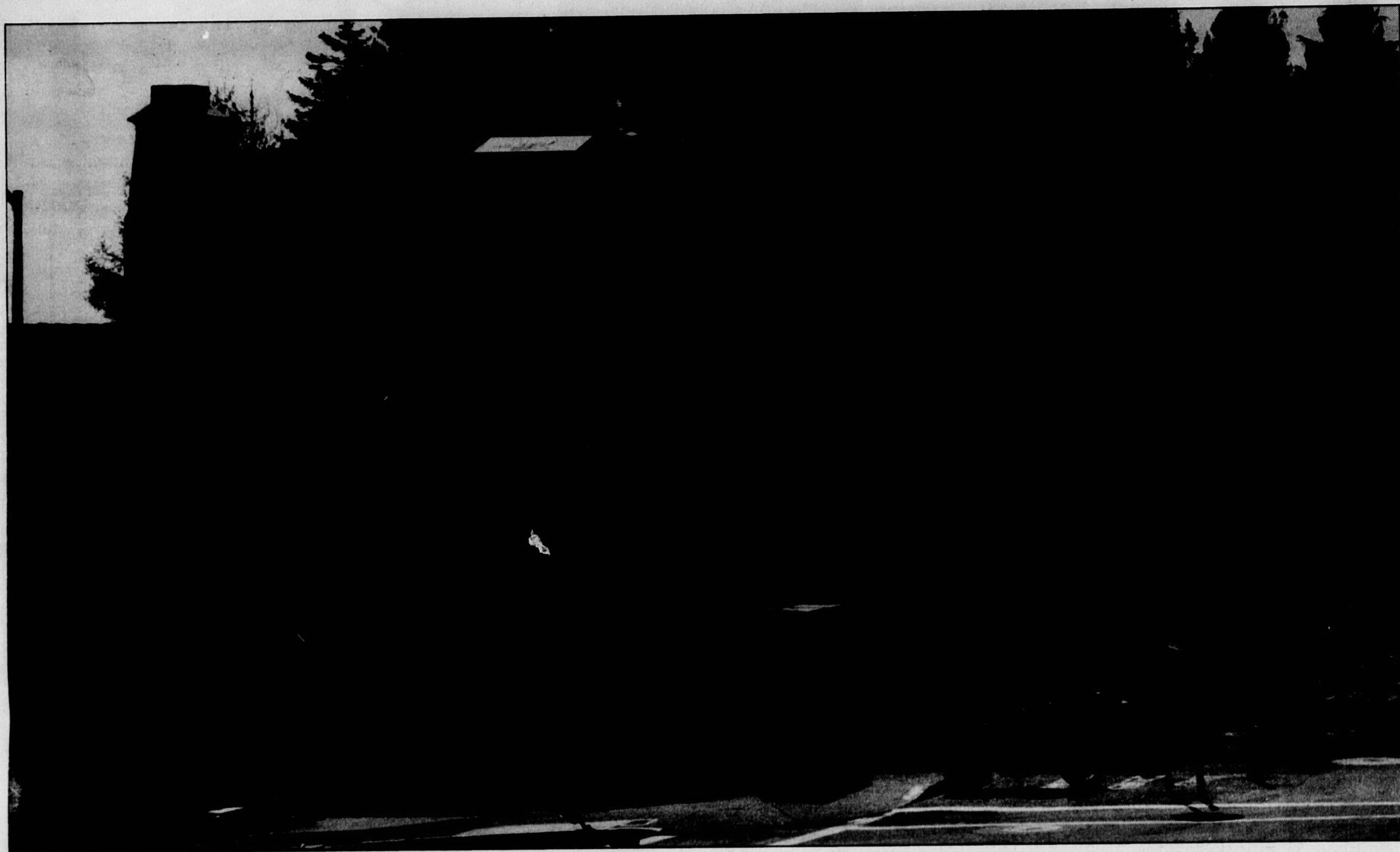
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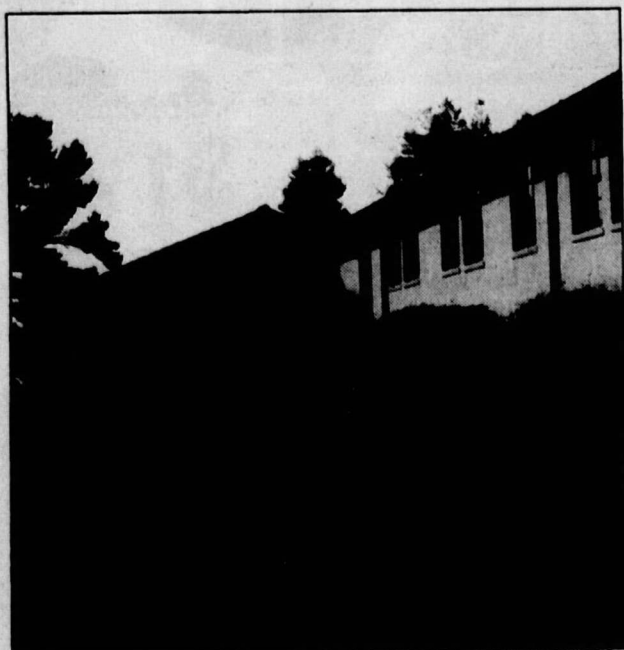


# What was that building?

Gist Hall



## Nelson Hall



## Founders Hall-

The first permanent building for what was the Humboldt State Normal School, erected in 1922. HSNS was a school that trained students to teach young children. Students had to be at least sixteen years of age. Interestingly, HSNS costs for teacher training were higher than sister institutions in California. For example, students in Santa Barbara paid \$291 while HSNS students paid \$753. The structure consisted of classrooms, offices, a library and an auditorium. Thirty-nine arches and doorways remained open-air until 1927. In 1923 a bookstore filled the entrance, and in 1925 the red-tile roof was put on. Founders Hall was called the Main Building or Administration Building until 1959 when it was renamed.

## Gist Hall-

Built in fall 1933 to house the College Elementary School, which was previously in Founders Hall, or at that time the Main Building. CES was the school where HSNS students practiced their teaching skills. The elementary students were local. Some were students of local educators and some were "slow learners" who were sent from Arcata Grammar School. In fact, most Arcatans sent their children to Arcata Grammar School because they considered CES too permissive.

Gist Hall had two giant fireplaces, one where the computer lab is, that, along with boilers, heated the hall.

## Nelson Hall-

Built in 1939 to be a dormitory, from state legislature appropriated funds. The kitchen was above the current Lumberjack office and the Lumberjack office was kitchen storage.

## Founders Hall





# Tropical islands and looser admission standards-

## Why not go to Medical School in Paradise?

Jenny Henrikson  
Features Editor

Michelle Houser, a 24-year-old mid-westerner, is completing her last year as an HSU pre-medical student, and is busy applying to medical schools in the United States. Despite the lower admissions standards and diversity that an international campus might offer, Houser will not be applying to a non-American medical school.

"Any medical school advisor I have ever talked to said that international schools are the last resort," Houser said. The lower admissions standards for international schools, compared to American schools, convinced her not to pursue any, she said.

Like all medical school hopefuls, Houser has choices. There are 125 medical schools in the United States alone and increasing numbers of international medical schools.

Robert Harris, 30, from Long Island, N.Y. chose to attend St. George's University on the Caribbean island of Grenada. St. George's offers Medicine and Medical, Veterinary Medicine and Veterinary graduate programs.

"I wanted the diversity of an international school," said Harris, a fourth-year medical student.

He said he likes living on a tropical island, being able to meet people from all over the world, and having the chance to be exposed to advanced diseases that would not be seen in the United States.

Jacob Varkey, HSU biological science professor and adviser for pre-med students, said that the only reason someone would attend a school outside of the United States is if their MCAT, Medical School College Admissions Test, scores or GPA were low.

MCAT scores are easy tools to use to compare the varying difficulty of entrance into different schools, including international schools. The average MCAT scores for American medical schools is a total of 31, while the average MCAT scores by St. George's Uni-

versity admits are only 24 and the average GPA, only 3.2. The University of Iowa, an average esteemed medical school, takes students with a median GPA of 3.78.

Medical students in the United States have a high chance of getting the type of residency they want. Because the lower admissions standards for international schools lessen their reputation, it is harder to do a residency in America if you attend a foreign school. If medical students do not complete their residencies in the United States or all over the world, which is the freedom of an American degree allots.

"Students who attend an international school have to wait, or find a backdoor to get a residency in the U.S. There are a number of ways though," Varkey said. One way might be to pick a field of medicine that is not a popular choice.

Unlike all international schools, St. George's University is accredited for everything. Harris said he thinks that the standards to get into international schools are lower because of the smaller applicant pool. "People don't want to go to an international school because they don't want to leave their family or don't like to travel," he said.

Not all foreign schools administer the USMIES, a test that second year medical students take in the U.S., but St. George's does, and the pass rate is 92%. Even Hauser said the number is good, and a sign that St. George's may be one of the more reputable international medical schools. Hauser said that often international schools do not even look at MCAT scores and most do not administer the USMIES.

el," he said.

"It is the best by far [compared to other Caribbean schools]," said Harris, who is studying to be an OG-GYN. "I absolutely won't have a problem getting a residency. No matter what school you come from some fields of medicine, like plastic surgery, urology, and orthopedic surgery, are difficult to get into," he said.

Michelle Hauser, who has a minimum of 8-9 years left before she completes an M.D. in preventative medicine and an M.P.H. (Masters of Public Health), said that Caribbean medical schools have been sending her information about their programs since she was in seventh grade while

American schools almost always make her request information. The frequent mail from Caribbean schools seems almost like advertisements. American schools do not have to advertise, she said.

"I don't assume that if someone goes to a Caribbean school they won't get a good education, but the selective environment in the United States, seems more apt to be a challenging environment,"

Hauser said. "There is also a greater chance of having every type of resource you may need, including financial, faculty, research facilities, and networking between medical schools and peers, if you go to school in the U.S., and you know that you are getting a second to none education," she said.

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## Placebo leaves Manila; hosts Bummerfest at Eureka Vet Center

The Placebo struggles to find a replacement home after leaving the Manila Community Center

**Oliver Symonds**  
Scene Editor

Despite the lack of a permanent location, The Placebo will be hosting their largest event of the year, Bummerfest, this weekend.

June 25 marked the end of a 3-year run The Placebo had with the Manila Community Center. Abe Ray, in partnership with his roommates, took loans from their parents at the age of 19 to rent the space for The Placebo to embark upon.

"The goal was to create a spot where people could go to listen to good music," Ray said. "When I started playing there was only one place that let us play, and that place has since closed."

Although Ray and the others who run The Placebo, which can run from 10 to 20 people at any given time, have not found a permanent alternative to the Manila Community Center nor even specif-

ic prospective locations. Instead, they have landed a temporary spot at the 'D' Street Neighborhood center.

Ray said the Manila Community Center wasn't allowing them to reach their full potential. Many nearby neighbors complained of the disruptions it would cause, and countless others complained of the hassle it took to get to the venue.

Now, in the search of finding a new location the same issues are being kept in mind to find the right spot. According to Ray, they need to find a place that is not only away from heavy residential areas, but that can also hold a large amount of people at low cost.

Although The Placebo's preference would be permanently moving into Arcata, Ray stated, "Chances are far greater we will end up in Eureka than Arcata."

Through all this, The Placebo is intensely looking forward to what will be their largest event of the year. Bum-

merfest, which will be held at the Eureka Veterans Center this Saturday and Sunday, will consist of 30+ bands (see list at right).

Bummerfest is themed Bummer School, to coincide with the beginning of a new school year.

Not only will musical acts be present at Bummerfest, but also a clown, video games, handmade buttons and film screenings.

Tickets for Bummerfest can be purchased in advance or at the doors. Advance tickets may be purchased at the Works, the Metro, Wildwood Music or People's Records and are \$10 for one day, \$15 for the weekend. At the door prices are \$12 for one day, \$18 for the weekend. The doors will open at noon and the show starts at 1p.m.

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An empty room at the Manila Community Center where the Placebo used to call its home. Oliver Symonds

### Complete Line-up

#### SATURDAY August 27th

1:30 DJ Mistake  
2:00 801 Warning  
2:30 DJ Mistake #2  
2:45 A car a man a maraca  
3:15 The Lowlights  
3:45 Level Anchorage  
4:00 Optimystic Populists  
4:30 Daytime Minutes  
5:00 Level Anchorage  
5:15 The Dean  
5:45 The Bug Pedals  
6:15 Caveman  
6:30 Que La Chinga  
7:00 8-Bit  
7:30 Caveman  
7:45 The Ravens  
8:15 The Pasties  
8:45 ELFS  
9:00 Trash and Roll  
9:15 DJ's  
9:30 Datura Blues Revival Orchestra  
10:15 Los Bandidos Muertos  
10:45 ELFS  
11:00 Do Not Resuscitate  
11:30 ELFS

#### SUNDAY August 28th

1:30 Swimming  
2:00 The Disappointments  
2:30 Swimming  
2:45 Ape Launcher  
3:15 The Signals  
3:45 DJ Red  
4:00 The Buffy Swayze  
4:30 Shaking Hands  
5:00 DJ Red  
5:15 Winston Smith  
5:45 The Ian Fays  
6:15 Eureka Garbage Co  
6:45 Foxy Autopsy  
7:00 Dragged by Horses  
7:30 Quem Quaeritis  
8:00 Foxy Autopsy  
8:15 Monster Women  
8:45 Sharp Ease  
9:15 DJ Spencer Doran  
9:30 The Great Salvation  
10:00 Romanteek  
10:30 DJ Spencer Doran  
10:45 Pubic Zirconium



## HSU graduate hits the reggae scene

Erik Riesenberger, aka Reasoner, anticipates next album in early January



courtesy of Erik Riesenberger

**Oliver Symonds**  
Scene Editor

Local reggae artist and recent HSU art graduate Erik Riesenberger released his debut album, *Soon Come*, last May under the alias Reasoner and expects his second album, *Moving 4word*, to hit the stands in early January.

Chosen because of the similarity to his last name, Riesenberger said, "I chose Reasoner because everything happens for a reason."

Riesenberger has a strong love for music that has inspired him to pursue it further. "I have been pretty much [singing] for my whole life," he said. "I have really got into reggae just over the last few years."

With nearly 700 copies of *Soon Come* sold, it has already sprung onto the worldwide scene, Riesen-

berger said. "There is even a DJ in Amsterdam playing my stuff."

Although Riesenberger is rotating through three DJs who spin other artist's beats, his lyrics are completely original, upbeat and meaningful.

Riesenberger will be recording *Moving 4word*, as he did *Soon Come*, in his home state of Michigan.

Riesenberger will be doing two performances on the Quad this semester, once on September 26 and again on October 21. Both shows will be at noon.

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## Muddy Waters closes doors on those under 21

**Oliver Symonds**  
Scene Editor

If you are looking for music and you are under the age of 21, don't go looking at Muddy Waters, General Manager Chris Nicols does not want you.

Beginning on July 29, Nicols changed the coffee house policy so that all future performances will be exclusively for those 21 and over. The coffee house features performances Wednesday through Saturday, featuring jazz on Wednesdays and dancing with Moontribe on the second and fourth Saturday of each month.

"It was my decision," Nicols said. "And it's not going to change. Ever."

Regardless of the small, intimate setting Muddy Waters presents, Nicols was worried about the intermingling of those underage and alcoholic beverages.

As of yet Nicols has not had any reports of underage drinking on the premises, but is making this decision as a preventative measure.

Even with the policy change

and numerous complaints from disappointed underage music lovers, Nicols said there has been no effect on the attendance of shows, or sales within.

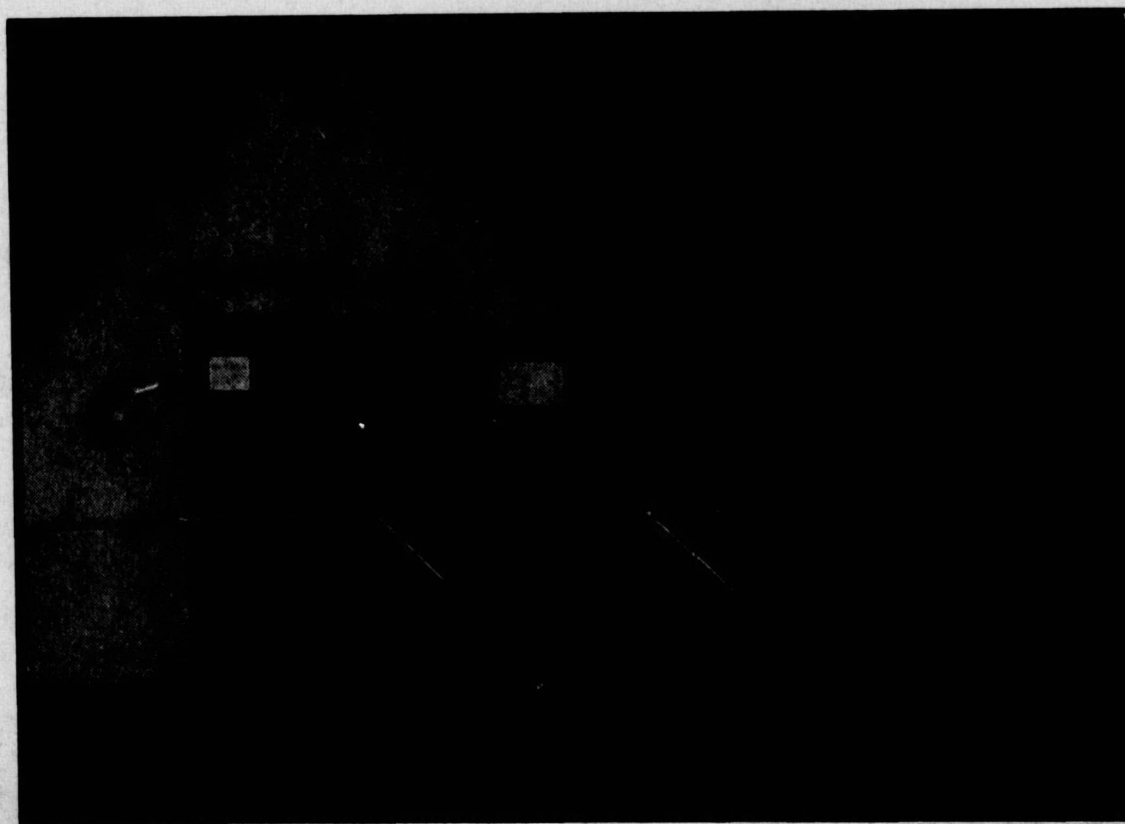
"It sucks," Teresa Persons said, senior engineering student at

HSU. "I'm allowed to smoke, I'm allowed to go to war, but I'm not allowed to listen to music."

For the underage crowd, this leaves few options for places to kick back and listen to good live music while tossing back a nice

cold nonalcoholic beverage. For starters, there is The Placebo, which is stuck in transition of relocating, occasionally Mazzotti's and a few other small locations.

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Kira Rubenthaler

What was once one of the few places that had no age restriction for their shows, Muddy Waters now only allows those 21 and over.



## C.A.T. sponsors first annual Organic Planet Festival

### Local organization makes attempt at world record

**Oliver Symonds**  
Scene Editor

As you wake up in the morning and step onto your bedroom carpet, lean over and slip into your clothes, slowly make your way across the varnished hardwood floors to the kitchen where you eat your breakfast and look out onto your picture-perfect lawn, you probably don't consider all the toxic chemicals that are used to create and maintain so many bits and pieces of your daily life.

Californians for Alternatives to Toxics (CAT) and staff member Jason Beaver, Event Coordinator for Organic Planet Festival, wanted to make people more knowledgeable about the effects of non-organic, toxic chemicals used in people's daily lives and so created the first annual Organic Planet Festival which will be held Saturday from noon to 8:30 p.m.

"[Toxins are] one of the largest health issues we face today," Beaver said. "The No. 1 cause of death in the United States and Canada is cancer, which is di-

rectly related to toxicity."

Unfortunately, this is not a problem with an easy solution. According to Beaver the production of these toxins needs to come to a halt before

eliminating what has already been produced.

What complicates situations, Beaver said, is even when a pesticide is outlawed it is usual-

ly just taken overseas to somewhere where it has not been forbidden.

"The 1940s, and everything prior, was pretty much an organic planet, there weren't pesti-

cides, food production was done under an organic method," Beaver said. "Toxins are a failed experiment of the last 50 to 60 years."

In an effort to entertain and enlighten, CAT is hosting the festival, which will provide organic alternatives, music, and even an attempt at the world's largest organic salad.

The salad, Beaver said, will not only be a traditional green salad, but will also contain a variety of salads including fruit salad, potato salad and coleslaw.

There have only been two other attempts at the world's largest organic salad, in Santa Cruz in 1991, and Great Britain in 1998. Each instance the salad came in around 200 pounds, Beaver said.

"It's not even going to be close," Beaver said, stating that his salad will be weighing in over five hundred pounds.

Alongside the giant salad will be workshops and presentations scheduled throughout the entire day that encourage methods to see ORGANIC PLANET, pg. 48



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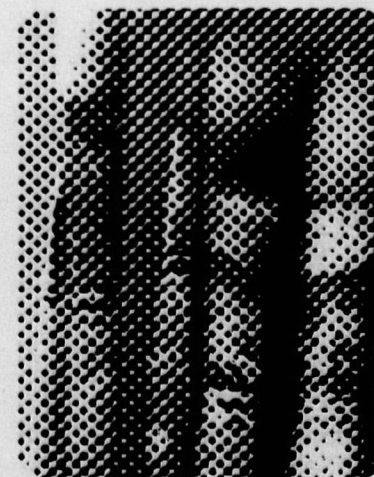
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# Concert Spotlights



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## Medeski, Martin and Wood

**Tonight in the Van Duzer Theatre, Medeski, Martin and Wood will be performing at 8 p.m. They are a group that has been noted as relentlessly innovative musicians and enormously popular since their beginning in 1991. Medeski, Martin and Wood have managed to produce an average of an album per year throughout their 14-year stint as a band.**

**Mixing sounds between modern day improvisation and groove-based jazz, they are a show that should entertain audiences of all kinds.**

**Tickets are available at the University Ticket Office and are \$30 for general admission, \$20 for HSU students.**

*Compiled by Oliver Symonds*

**Blackalicious will be performing in the Kate Buchanan Room on Thursday, September 1 at 8p.m. in support of their latest album, The Craft. Chief Xcel and Gift of Gab originally met during their high school years due to their similar passion for hip-hop. In 1991, after being apart for some years, they rejoined under the name Blackalicious.**

**Their latest album is something of an extension from their last two. Nia, released in 1999, was about purpose, Blazing Arrow, released in 2002, was about faith, to walk the path once you have found that purpose. Now, The Craft is about understanding that they have received a blessing but also that they need to focus on discipline.**

**Tickets are available at the University Ticket Office, the Works and The Metro. Admission is \$25 general, \$20 for HSU students.**

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## Blackalicious



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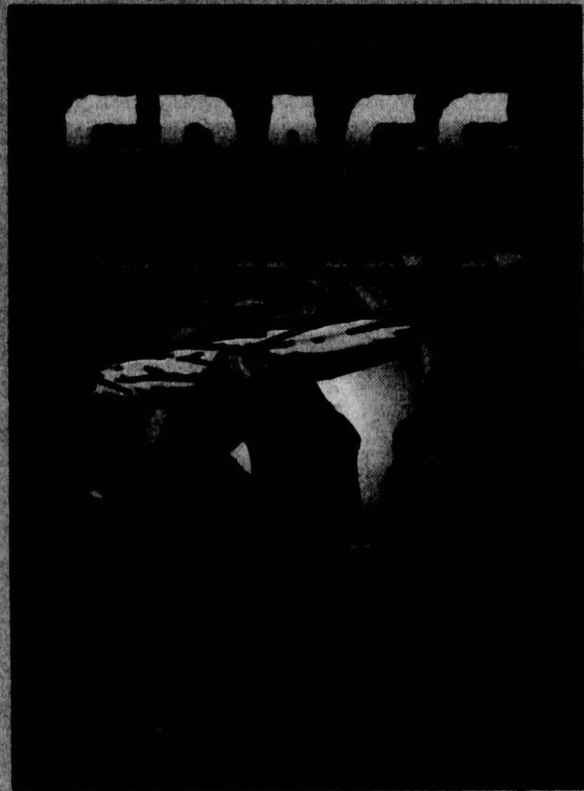
## Rental Review: Grass

Cerena Johnson  
Managing Editor

Grass is a thought provoking but somewhat half-baked historical documentary that traces the criminalization of marijuana in America. Grass is narrated by actor/activist Woody Harrelson, who starred in such films as Anger Management and The People vs. Larry Flynt; and who is infamous for scaling the Golden Gate Bridge in environmental protest. Using hilarious footage from various propaganda films, Grass successfully illustrates the manner in which the U.S. government attempted to manipulate public opinion about the dangers of marijuana, such as with clips of marijuana smokers going insane. Additionally, it shows the considerable amounts of funding spent on fight-

ing the Drug War. But Grass fails to adequately analyze the impact these policies are actually having on society, or to make a convincing case for legalization.

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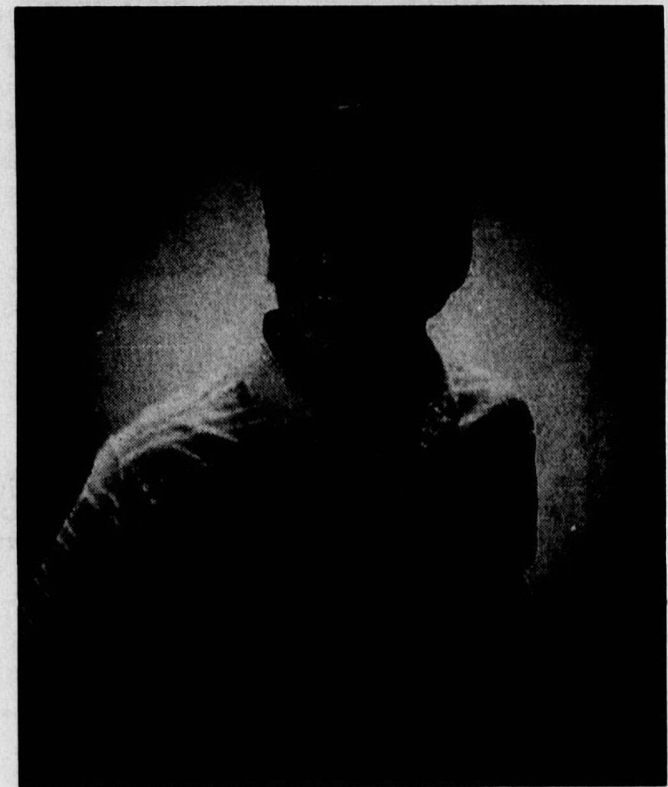
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## The 40 Year Old Virgin

Oliver Symonds  
Scene Editor

The 40 Year Old Virgin follows main character Andy Sitzler, played by Steve Carrell, and his three coworkers as they attempt to finally get him laid. Andy never grew out of his youth, he has an action figure collection prized at over one hundred thousand dollars, reads comic books, has a video game system any kid would die for, rides his bicycle everywhere and, as the title says, has never had sex. Somewhat reminiscent of Doug Liman's Swingers, only lacking the funny and interesting factors, his friends make it their sole duty to improve his life by getting him laid. The movie slowly drags along as you watch the three coworkers continually setting him up in different, usually awkward, situations. The 116-minute long movie can be summed up in its 4-word title, the same repetitive joke that seems to stretch from beginning to end. The premise was good, the idea was quasi-original but the execution was far below par. It was a nice attempt, but when it comes to my money, you don't get A's for effort. After his feature film directorial debut, Judd Apatow is still a virgin as far as making decent movies go. Overall it got two laughs and a chuckle.

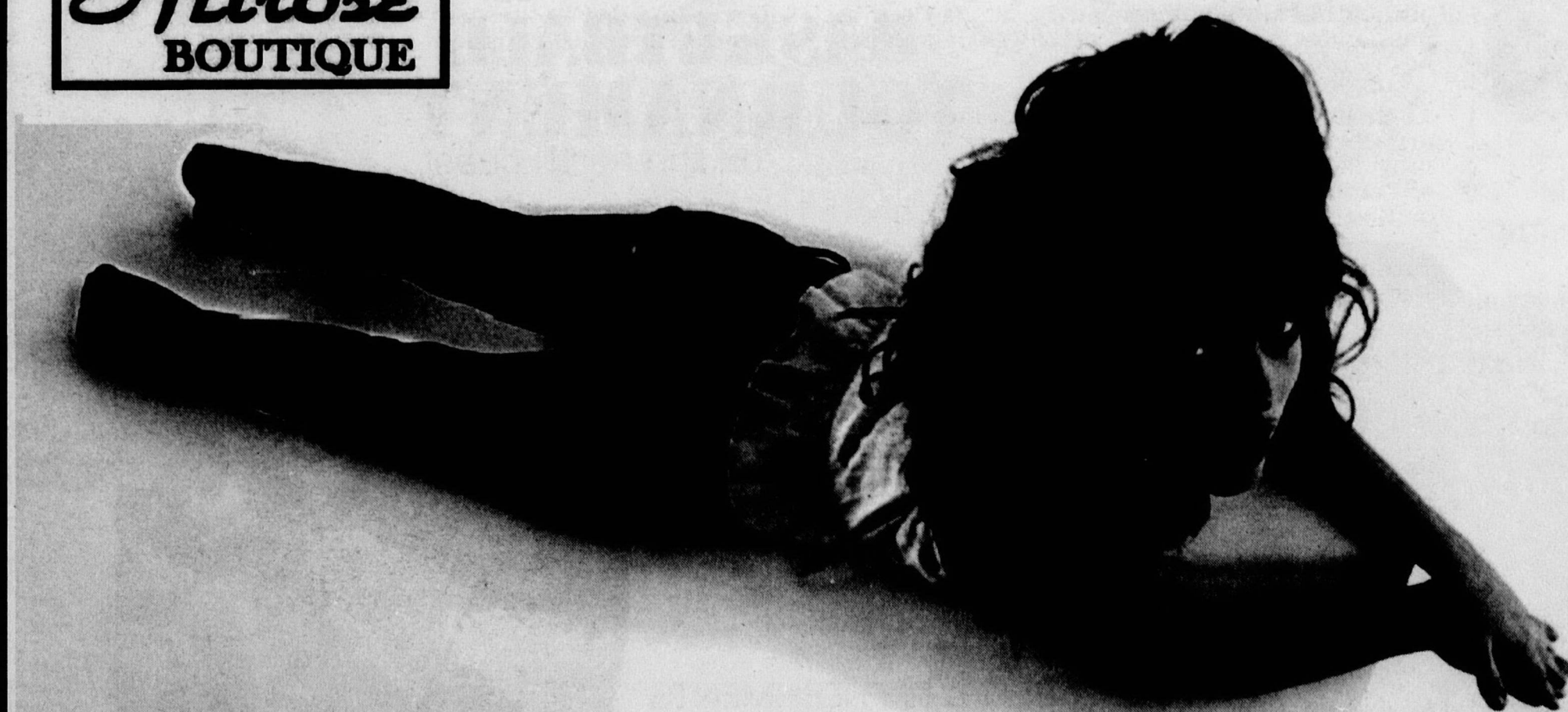
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# STEALTH

## He Said, She Said: Adventures In Cinema with Chuck and Lucy

**Marianne Gifford & Josh**

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**Plot:** Dismal... HAHA, no seriously, three fine upstanding Navy pilots with billion dollar jets meet their new co-worker... a super-intelligent robot plane named EDI. Hilarity ensues when EDI... you guessed it... breaks the cardinal rule of all military personnel and starts thinking for himself.

**The Conversation:**

**Lucy:** Here's a film that follows in the footsteps of such classics as Top Gun and... ok, I can't think of another movie involving the Navy, planes, and explosions; I'll leave that to Josh. Anyway, I know there have been many. The seemingly simple plot became entirely too convoluted somewhere over Tajikistan, and by North Korea. I realized I had no idea what was going on, and that it didn't matter.

**Chuck:** OK, Iron Eagle, Foxfire, Broken Arrow, hello? Sheesh.

Anyhoo, speaking of borrowing from classic movies: somewhere, in a quiet, misty cemetery, Stanley Kubrick is gouging the inside of his coffin lid with his fingernails. Remember that not-so-friendly computer named HAL from 2001: A Space Odyssey? Here he is again, acting under a new name (EDI) in Stealth.

**Lucy:** Sorry I guess I've just been too busy watching the good movies to notice. But I do have to say: just like HAL was my favorite character in Odyssey, EDI was the best and, sadly perhaps, the most well developed character in Stealth. EDI displays a wide

er range of emotions than the majority of the humans in this film - despite his stainless steel exterior; you can sense he's a teddy bear underneath.

**Chuck:** But let's be fair here. The script is one part military jibber jabber and two parts not-so-witty one-liners. Consider the ef-

fort Jessica Biel had to put forward to say "The Blue Ferret is prepped for explosive penetration!" without getting stomach cramps from suppressed laughter. Does she really have time to focus on developing an actual personality? And considering Stealth's limp romantic subplot... Lucas and Biel whis-

per sweet nothings that make an answering machine message seem like a meaningful relationship... maybe that lack of personality isn't such a bad thing.

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**Lucy:** Yep, I guess I would have hoped that these three actors



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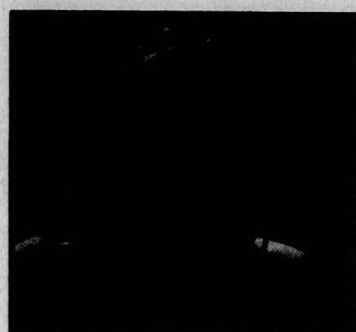
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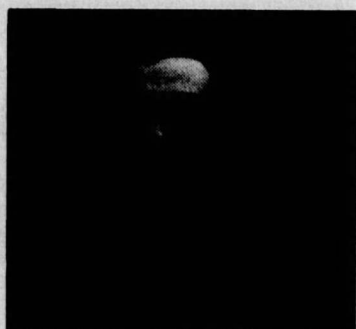
*“What are your thoughts on the new sign?”*



**Elaine Wilkinson**

Junior  
Biology

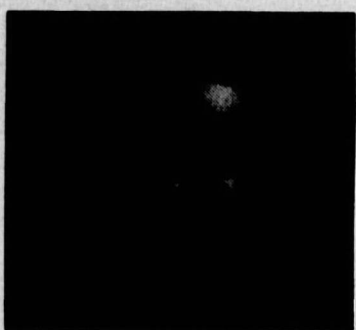
“I don’t know anything about it.” (because she’s new here)



**Maxfield Atturio**

Senior  
English

“I think they’re too big for the little school that I’m used to.”



**Joy Broussard**

Senior  
Business, economics and dance

“I think it’s a waste of money. How does it help me as a student?”



**Josiah Maskaleris**

Senior  
International studies globalization

“I think the money could be better spent on books at the library and other things. [It’s a] waste of money.”



**Marisol Elizarraras**

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“It looks nice, but they could have spent the money on something else.”

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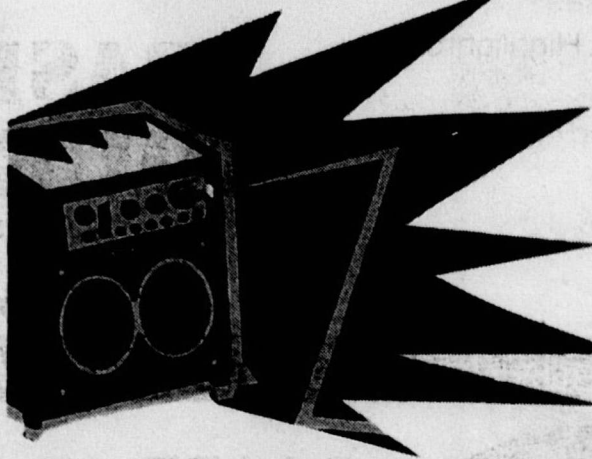
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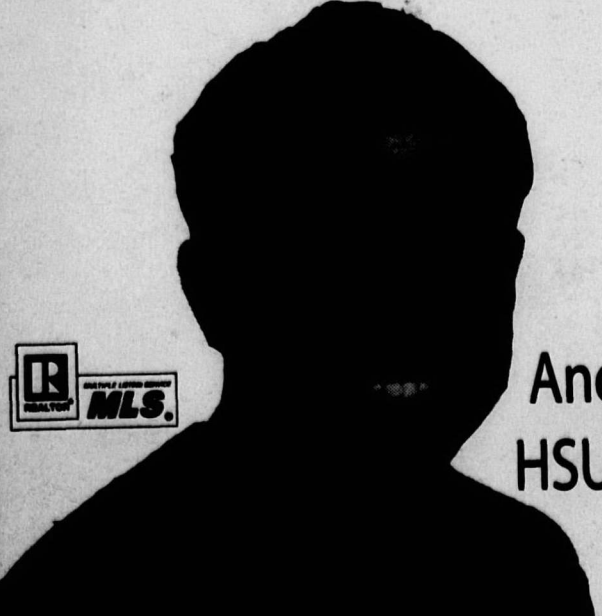
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## STEALTH

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would have put forth a little bit more, I don't know, effort. But you're right, even Jamie Foxx, an Academy Award winner, couldn't pull off lines like, "If I have to, I will blast you right out of the sky." On the other hand, it was amusing to hear what Jessica Biel would say if she was plummeting to the ground from 35,000 feet: mainly, "Ouch!" And whoever decided that the Navy standard pilot suits are worn skintight and without anything underneath was out of touch with reality.

Chuck: I'm not complaining! Did you see Jessica Biel's yoga ball routine? Rowrrrr!

The Verdict:

Lucy: All right, the movie may not have been painfully terrible, but I did continually find myself wishing Jaime Foxx would pull a piano out of nowhere and break out in "Georgia on My Mind." Stealth takes you up and then lets you down.

Chuck: Despite the unshakable feeling that you are watching the bastard child of Top Gun and The Flight of the Navigator, Stealth is a perversely enjoyable movie. If you're in the mood to watch a flick that budgeted more for high explosives than the script, take a few friends and go see it... but don't go alone.

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make an organic lifestyle possible and affordable.

Presenters will include HSU's CCAT, Els Cooperrider, Sheila Daar and Richard "The Bug Man" Fagerlund. They will be cover topics including toxic-free homes, GMOs, pesticides and pest control without poison.

There will also be a children's section with many fun filled activities such as a complete nine-hole mini-golf course, arts and crafts, and a petting zoo.

Quite possibly the main attraction for this

event, all salads aside, will be the musical line-up. Bringing in an array of worldwide music, CAT has managed to pull together an amazing show that will last all day long.

Starting off at noon, the groups will be, in performing order, SambaTa, a percussion samba ensemble, 7th Generation Rise, indigenous soul music, Magia Musical, Cumbia-style music, Groundation, a roots-reggae group. Headlining the event will be David Lindley Solo Tour, an eclectic multi-instrumentalist.

Many people are highly anticipating this event. Beaver estimates the attendance may be as high as 6,000.

Hilary Coile, a senior environmental science and technology major at HSU, said, "I think that having a local festival based on the ideals of organic agriculture and living an organic lifestyle is an awesome idea."

People like Coile say they are coming for the music, organic food, kind people and of course the 500 pound salad.

The event will be held at Halvorsen Park by the Eureka waterfront. Tickets are available in advance for \$6 at various locations throughout Humboldt County and \$8 at the gate. Admission is free of charge for people who show up between noon and 1 p.m.

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David Lindley will be headlining the first annual Organic Planet Festival.



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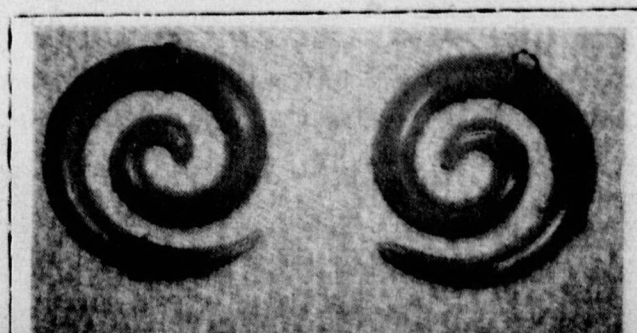
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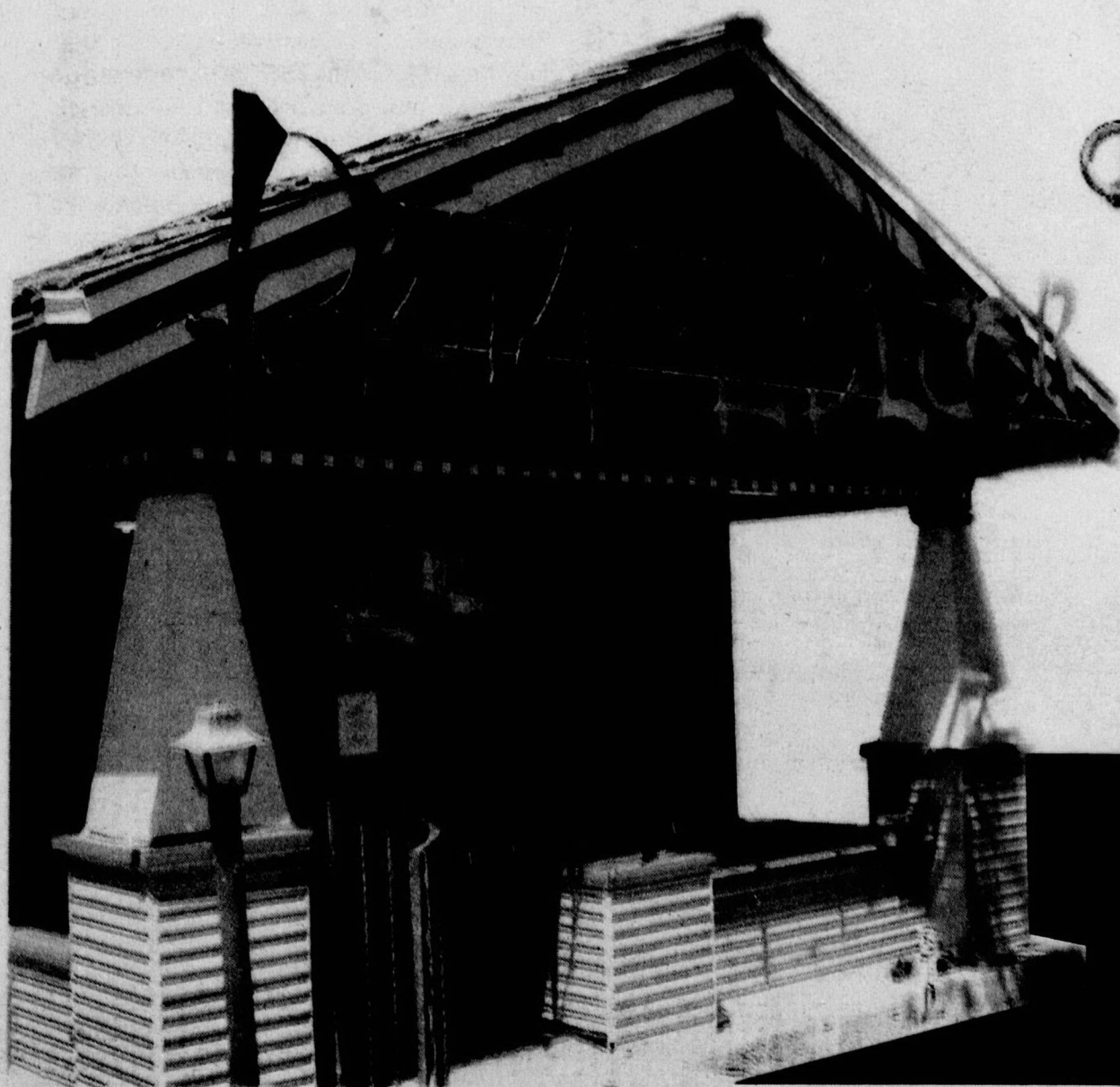
Didn't think the fattest selection of organics would be here in Humboldt?

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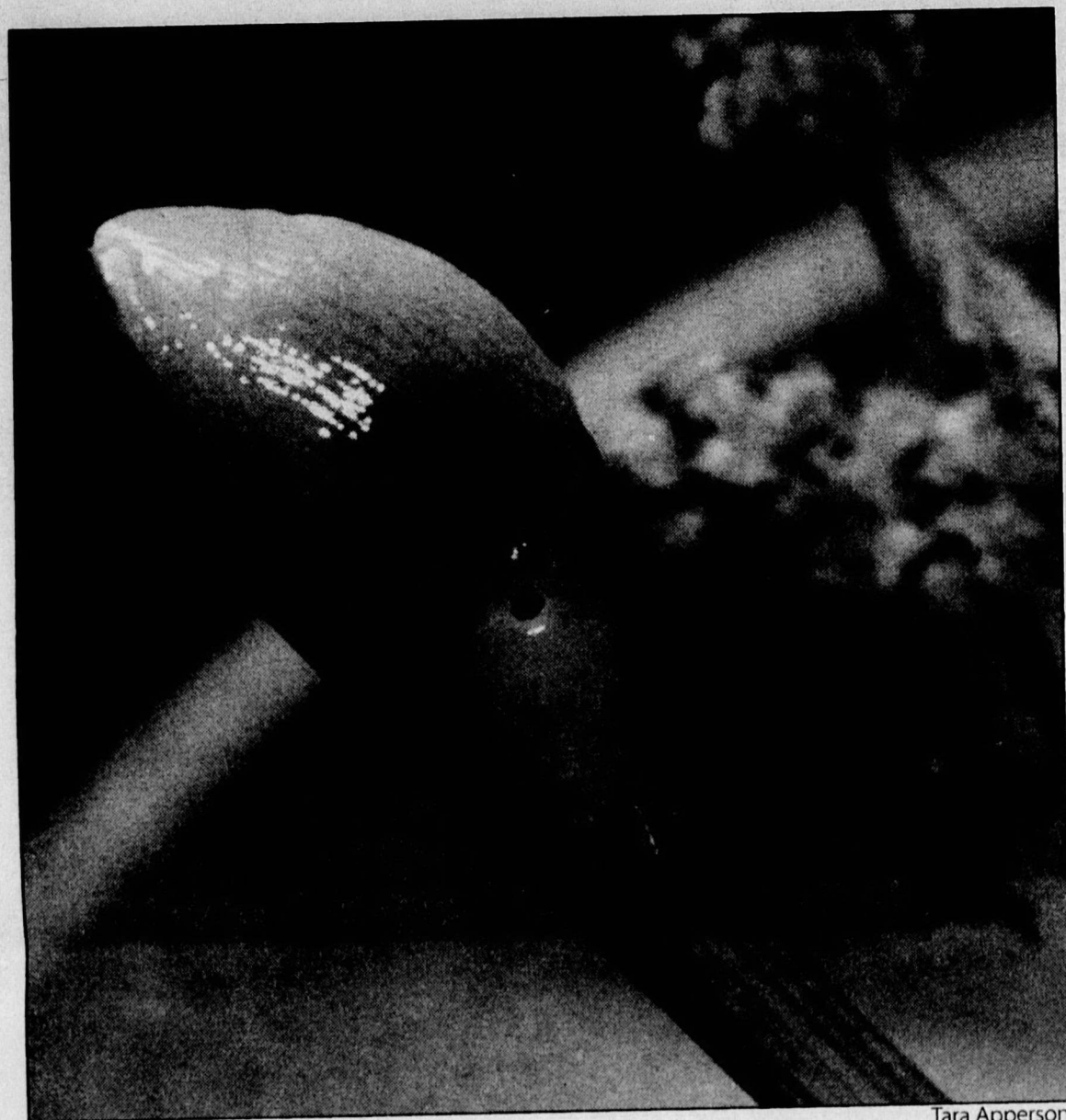


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Tara Apperson

Because they carry both male and female reproductive organs, all banana slugs have the ability to lay eggs, though they will not fertilize them on their own.

**Tara Apperson**  
Editor-in-Chief

After 36 years of collecting slugs and racing them, park rangers at Prairie Creek State Park developed a conscience. This year, for the first time, the park decided to hold a Banana Slug Festival, focused on educating the public about slugs and their contribution to forest ecology.

The festival has replaced the former event, known as the Banana Slug Derby, in which slugs were collected from the forest, and kept in aquariums, and taken out to race on wooden planks. "They don't (like to) stray far from their homes (in the forest), and we couldn't put them back (when we were done). We were putting them in the sun. Since they weren't enjoying it we figured [we should stop]," said Park Ranger Lucy Montgomery.

The decision to change the event to an educational celebration of the slugs instead of a displacement comes on the tails of an employee turnover Montgomery said. Other nearby national parks gave input on the derby, and those who put on the derby at Prairie Creek State park decided not to hold it anymore.

"Collecting (the slugs) contradicted the message we were trying to send," said Roxanne Jacobus, the park ranger who led a short walking tour of the forest.

On normal days the rules of the park were that you can't pick much of anything up from the forest, not even fallen dead wood, so picking up slugs and moving them went against regulations, even if it was for a special event.

Some long-time derby participants were surprised that there would be no race. Matt Lovett came with his father when he was 10. Now the father of two daughters, he has returned to share the festivities. "I'm disappointed, but I understand the reason," Lovett said of the absent races.

Dawn Levy has also been coming to the races for years, since she was 7. Her daughter, Geneva, is the fourth generation of her family to participate in the festivities. Levy recalled the fun of slug racing, but felt the decision not to move them from their homes was good. "I think [the park rangers] have more information and the whole point is education," she said.

With the focus of the event shifted to education, visitors can learn the importance of

## Slugs slime at festival

Prairie Creek's Banana slug festival replaces slug derby.

slugs to the forest.

"They're one of the most important animals in the park," said Park Ranger Melissa Andrychowicz.

Slugs are beneficial because they decompose forest debris, and they eat plants that compete for nutrients with the redwoods, allowing the redwoods more of a chance to grow.

Other educational opportunities were available at the slug fest. The Humboldt Wildlife Care center, a completely volunteer-supported organization, and the only wildlife care rehabilitation center was set up, as well as Save the Redwood League which was right next to Green Diamond Resource Company.

Green Diamond, a logging company, was at the festival by request of the park, in hopes that some of the concerns about logging could be relieved. "We're literally neighbors, and we cooperate quite a bit," said Craig Compton, a forester for the company.

Compton sees a lot of banana slugs in his line of work, and many who live near the moistness of the rainforest see them on a daily basis. Now with the Banana Slug Festival, you can celebrate and learn about their existence. They're not just slimy things you find stuck to your windows and plants, they have a purpose too.

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Banana slugs have 27,000 razor sharp, backward-facing teeth, which allows them to shred lichen and other plant material.





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Louie, the American kestrel, is perched on the hand of Trevor Parker, a volunteer at the Humboldt Wildlife Care Center. Louie broke his wing by being hit by a car in Eugene, Oregon. He can't fly because of nerve damage.

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The banana slug is California's official mascot and can be up to 10 inches in length.



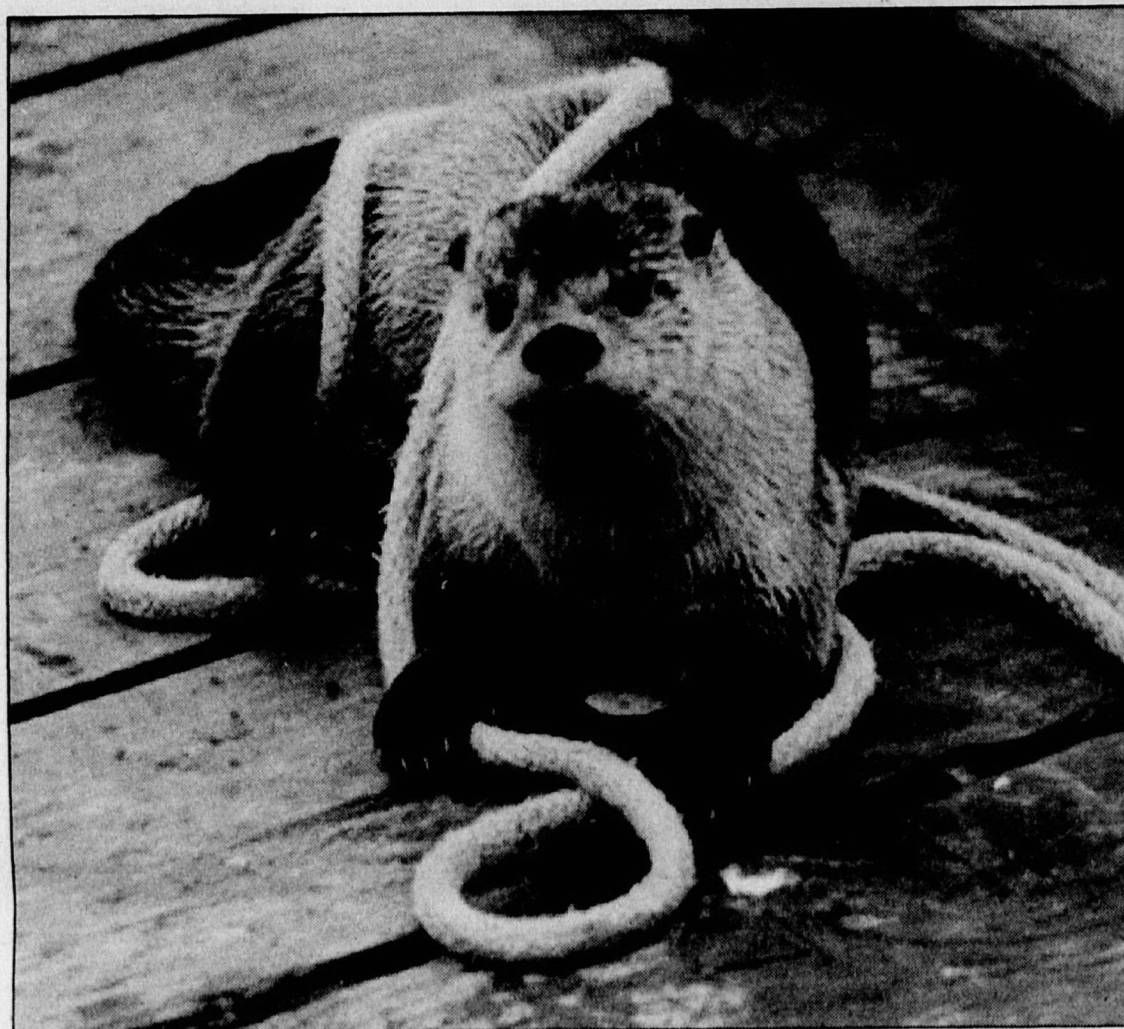
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Caroline Lovett, 7 (front left) and her sister Lauren, 11, make buttons with the assistance of Park Ranger Melissa Andrychowicz.



# Local otter family dwindling

Eighteen otters used to live in Trinidad Bay, now there's only one



courtesy of Scott Shannon

**Little Mama, who lived to be 13 years and 10 months old, was the oldest wild otter to ever be documented.**

**Jessica Cejnar**  
Science Editor

For the past 22 years, or seven otter generations, biologist Scott Shannon has seen them do everything but fly. But on the evening of August 17, the only critters in Trinidad Bay were seagulls and harbor seals.

"In the old days you had an 85 percent chance of seeing an otter (in the bay)," Shannon said. Now, with the death of the last matriarch in January, only one female is left and the chances of survival for this family are slim.

"The only hope is for Scoots (the last female) to decide to give birth to a female," he said.

Having spent close to 19 years studying five ocean-going river otter generations of this particular line of females, Shannon feels this loss deeply.

"There were once 18 otters in the bay," Shannon said. "I'm not optimistic about the survival of this line of females."

Three-hundred days out of the year at sunrise and sunset, Shannon can be seen scanning the waters around the pier for any sign that otters have been present.

Shannon's observations of this particular otter family began in 1986 while he was working on his master's thesis. A young otter, named Old Mama, arrived at the Bay and gave birth to 22 pups between the years of 1986 and 1991.

"What I consider successful," Shannon said, "is that the pups are able to forage and feed on their own when they are expelled from the family."

Little Mama, granddaughter of Old Mama, was the matriarch who was tangled up in some fishing line that killed her in January. Despite her name, Shannon said only three pups lived past 15 months old, an age that is critical to otter survival.

"I used to call her Wrong-way Mom," Shannon said. "Because she just went about motherhood the wrong way."

She got off on the wrong foot when she tried to raise her first litter of pups, Shannon said, because her mother died at an early age.

Because of her mother's death, Shannon said Little Mama was never able to observe the way motherhood works.

"Otters need a maternal role model to observe (maternal) behavior and see how it's done," Shannon said.

Little Mama's only surviving litter consisting of two females and one male, Shannon named Scoots, Misster and Complainer II, were born in 1996. Little Mama and the two older females formed the family core, while Complainer II went off on his own as soon as he could forage on his own.

The story of the decline of the Trinidad otter family is not one of human interference, despite the nature of Little Mama's death, but what Shannon says is "bad parenting."

"The females just don't want to be parents," Shannon said. This isn't normal behavior for these otters, and he doesn't know why this is happening.

Russell Link, an urban wildlife biologist for the Washington Department of Fish and Game, writes on their website, that because of delayed implantation, an otter may be pregnant for as many as 375 days. A litter can consist of two to four pups, which are born between the months of March and May.

Otters begin playing at four-months old and learn to swim at six-months. Pups are weaned between the ages of eight and ten months.

Shannon said once otters reach 13 months in age, they are no longer recognized as family. Males will usually hang out in numbers, while females will go off to establish territories.

"There is one (otter) family for every four kilometers (2.49 miles) of linear coastline," Shannon said.

Although Shannon isn't optimistic, he said the otters have surprised him in the past. At one point he thought Little Mama may not live to be a year old. When she died in January she was just two months away from her fourteenth birthday and was the oldest wild otter ever documented, and may still be alive if "what happened hadn't happened."

"She was a sweet, gentle creature and a dignified ambassador of her species," he writes. "No one who met Little Mama could ever possibly forget her."

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# Don't Drink the Water

Keep an eye on your dog when you're at the river this summer

Jessica Cajnar  
Science Editor

Bringing Fido to the river during the summer may be a bad idea. Waters contaminated with blue green algae could kill him in as few as 15 minutes.

Since 2001 blue green algae toxins have been attributed to the deaths of nine dogs in Mendocino and Humboldt Counties, said Harriet Hill, a registered environmental specialist with the Humboldt County Department of Environmental Health.

"Notices have been posted along the South Fork of the Eel River and at Big Lagoon," Hill said, "but algae can be present in any body of water."

Blue green algae are a 3.5 billion-year-old form of bacteria known as cyanobacteria, which is believed to be one of the first organisms able to carry out photosynthesis.

The two major toxins produced by the algae, said Asheesh Tiwary, a resident toxicologist with the California Department of Health and Animal Safety at U.C. Davis, are anatoxin A-S, which attacks the nervous system and can kill a dog in minutes, and microcystin, which attacks the liver and kills in a matter of hours.

In 2002 a confirmed case of blue green algae poisoning occurred along the South Fork of the Eel River when three dogs died of convulsions shortly after drinking the water.

"Dogs can also ingest even more algae by licking their fur," Hill said.

David Kopple, with the Mendocino County Department of Environmental Health, said the incident occurred near Standish-Hickey State Park and that the dogs died before they were able to reach a vet.

Both Kopple and Hill said the dogs at the Eel River died from neurological poisoning. The symptoms of neurotoxin poisoning are an elevated heart rate, foaming at the mouth, howling, tremors, loss of bowel control, eyes rolling back into the head and seizures.

"(The stomach samples) didn't find other toxins," Hill said. Other potential toxins could include metaldehyde, strychnine and zinc phosphide.

Another possible case of blue green algae poisoning in Humboldt County occurred in 2001 at Big Lagoon.

"Notices have been posted along the South Fork of the Eel River and at Big Lagoon, but blue green algae can be present in any body of water."

**Harriet Hill**

Registered Environmental Specialist

cattle as well as dogs.

The perfect conditions for algae to grow, Kopple said, are shallow bodies of water where the water is warm, between 60 to 80 degrees Fahrenheit.

Although blue green algae occurs naturally in fresh and salt water, Hill said high levels could be attributed to over-fertilization and septic tank leaks. High levels of any type of algae, not just the blue green variety, are also responsible for depleting the oxygen in the water, suffocating many kinds of fish.

Because the only way to reliably distinguish blue green algae from other forms is to conduct extensive tests using water samples and microscopes, both Mendocino and Humboldt County offices are telling people to be careful when they swim in any river, lake or stream. Kopple said people should look for deep cool running water with low algae mats on the surface.

"We are asking people to watch their kids and pets," Hill said. "And make sure they don't drink the water."

Hill said after swimming people should rinse themselves off from another water source.

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# Science Clips



### Cloned cats give birth

Two cloned African wild cats are the proud mothers of eight kittens, born in two litters, over the last month. Madge and Caty, and the kittens' father, Ditteaux, were successfully cloned in 2003 by the Audubon Center for Research of Endangered Species in New Orleans, LA.

Despite this milestone, other conservationists aren't enthusiastic. Some say cloning as a way of conservation can only work if the animal is successfully introduced into the wild.

### Possible hybrid stem cell created

The Harvard University stem cell research team created a special "hybrid" cell that may replace embryonic stem cells in disease research. The team fused an embryonic cell with an adult stem cell and reported that the hybrid "had the same appearance, growth rate and several key genetic characteristics of human embryonic cells." Other scientists say this cell may be useless because it has twice the number of chromosomes than a single stem cell.

### Mars rover update

Mars rover Spirit is nearing the summit of "Husband Hill" on the Red Planet. The 70-meter journey should be completed this week. Spirit is just six meters shy of the top of the larger of "Husband Hill's" two summits, towering 80 meters above the floor of the Gusev Crater. Spirit and its twin robot Opportunity have been on Mars since January 2004. Since its touchdown a year and a half ago, Spirit has traveled 3 miles (5,000 meters).

### Chimpanzee culture confirmed

According to primate experts, chimpanzees conform to society, just like humans do. The University of St. Andrews and the National Primate Research Center at Emory University trained captive chimps to use tools in different ways.

Two different groups of chimps were given problems relevant to those in the wild, to get food out of a blocked tube. One was taught to remove the food by using a stick and moving the blockage up, allowing the food to fall out. Another was taught to poke the blockage and push the food out of the opposite end of the tube. The two chimps were then reunited with their groups, who ended up copying their actions.

This experiment gives weight to what scientists have long believed, that chimpanzees have "rich cultural traditions unmatched in species other than our own."

### Eighty-year-old Einstein manuscript found

Rowdy Boeyink, a student at the University of Leiden in the Netherlands, came across an original manuscript created by none other than Albert Einstein. The manuscript was dated 1924, was 16 pages long and was entitled "Quantentheorie des einatomigen idealen Gases" (Quantum theory of the monatomic ideal gas). The paper examines how atoms of a gas behave at extremely low temperatures.

### China to launch moon probe

A lunar exploration center has been set up in Beijing, China, to help propel the launch of an unmanned probe to the moon. This is the latest bid in China's attempt to make them as a world space power. The Centre for Lunar Exploration Programme will design and carry out the mission to explore the lunar soil and space environment between Earth and the moon in the year 2007.

### Blue whales make splash off the coast of Long Beach

On their yearly migration to their feeding grounds further up the coast, blue whales usually bypass Southern California waters, but not this year. This is the second year in a row that a pod of blue whales has showed up off the coast of Long Beach and many are hopeful that they will continue to come back. Blue whales grow to be 70 to 80 feet long and can weigh over 100 tons. They can filter over 17,000 gallons of water through their baleen, taking in 4 to 8 tons of krill a day. Before 1900 there were about 350,000 blue whales in existence. Now there are only 12,000.



# Slug Fest

## Slug Facts:

- Banana slugs can grow to about 10 inches and are the largest slugs in North America
- They live 3 years in a lab, but their lifespan in the wild is unknown
- They can be yellow, spotted, and brown
- They all have the capability to lay eggs because they all have both male and female reproductive organs, though they will not fertilize themselves
- They excrete a numbing poison, kind of like novocaine, so if you got it on a part of your body like your lips, they would go numb
- The Banana slug is California's official state mollusk
- Banana slugs have two sets of antennae. The longest set is for seeing and the shorter is for smell
- Banana slugs were a source of food for the Yurok Indians



Tara Apperson

Five-year-old Claire Payne poses for a picture with special guest Smokey-the-Bear (above).



Tara Apperson

Geneva Levy is a fourth-generation slug fest attendee (left).

- Slug slime can take the sting out of nettles
- When mating, banana slugs may eat each other's slime
- Banana slug colors may range from dusky white to a brownish color
- Banana slugs poo out of the side of their head
- The banana slug is the proud mascot of UC Santa Cruz
- Slugs speed along at .006 miles per hour
- Banana slugs mate for two hours straight and each slug will use both its male and female genitalia at the same time
- A slug's mouth bears 27,000 razor sharp backward facing teeth that allows it to scrape off lichen and other plant material

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Let's face it. Money talks. Yet, for millions of third-world farmers, it stays eerily silent. The very people who produce some of our favorite things live in abject poverty. How can we expect them to think of things like "the environment" when they are starving? Obviously, *something* has to change.

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## Lumberjack Editorial

### The crunch continues...

Using this editorial space to welcome you all back seems pointless, now that we HSU students have a nice giant entrance structure to welcome us a million times over.

The gateway, which was built over the summer with determination to be finished by day one of the fall semester, is not only a tangible stucco and bronze edifice, it is also symbolic. It is a new gateway representative of a whole new HSU mentality.

If you are returning to campus, you may have noticed a different feeling on campus altogether. HSU's desperation to become an up-and-coming, prestigious, money making school can be felt in the air.

Though enrollment is down (with about 50 fewer full time students than last year), new freshman recruitment efforts from Southern California must have been somewhat successful. The campus seems to be crawling with newbies who by appearance alone do not seem like typical Arcatians (i.e., high heels, cell phones, designer sunglasses, fake vintage graphic tees, diesel jeans, etc).

It's not necessarily a bad thing. Maybe Arcata could use a little change, both in the sense of transformation and those shiny little things we like to call coins.

Which brings the topic back to money. So HSU is spending hundreds of thousands of dollars on this new sign on LK Wood. This is the first in a series of similar (but smaller) signs. It is also the beginning of HSU's master plan coming into effect.

A new parking structure will be built where the campus apartments are, parking on campus will be phased out and all of the houses will be torn down. And that's not all. New dorms will be built to house approximately 960 more beds, and 460,000 square feet of new academic space will be erected.

Needless to say, a lot of money is going into the infrastructure of the campus, but if you asked students what would make them want to come and stay here, or what would better their education, it isn't likely that they will say a new entrance sign, and a new parking structure may be on the list, but it probably isn't at the top.

What students probably want are more open classes, desks to sit at and library books. Though the university has hired more faculty, class availability is still a problem.

The budget problems have been felt everywhere. As a campus publication, even The Lumberjack has felt the budget ripple effect. We have had to cut positions and take on more work in order to stay afloat.

It's a catch-22 for the administration. They need to keep students here, and get new ones. In order to get more government funding they have to increase enrollment. In order to increase enrollment they have to spend money that they don't really have on a facelift for HSU. They have to spend money to get money, but if we don't get the money, we're all just screwed. At least we have a nice big sign to remember the good days.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Oh, what a world; what a world!

Dear Editor

What is it with Kansas? Ever since Dorothy left, Bible-thumping anti-abortionists and preachers of hate have been carrying on a crusade. Religious extremists, using their favorite modus operandi, have infiltrated the Kansas state school board and are trying to force creationism and intelligent design on all the young minds of Kansas. Do they want every-

one to be dumb as a stump? Evolution critics must be traveling to and from the Topeka, Kan., hearings by horse and buggy, as evolution and modern transportation are far-fetched dreams to these Stone Age minds. Ignorance still resides in Kansas, Toto.

Ron Lowe  
Nevada City, CA

### So long and thanks for all the fish

Ok, so that is not an original phrase, but hey what utterances haven't been made before? After 25 years as the Diving Safety Officer at HSU I am leaving for the mountains of Oregon to dry out. Here are a few of my accumulated observations and a couple of recommendations.

The HSU Dive Program and the diving minor is perhaps the strongest university or private diving program in the country. Our divers are recognized by research organizations, graduate programs and employers as extremely competent, knowledgeable and "bullet proof" in the water. Diving skills are achieved at HSU by requiring that each member of a dive team assumes personal responsibility and accountability for their performance. Humboldt divers have earned their outstanding reputation. Diver certification is only given to those who clearly demonstrate competency and good judgment even under the most stressful situations. Certification is never gifted to a student for merely "showing up," you must prove yourself. As another cliché states: "If there is any doubt, there isn't any doubt." The university community can be damn proud of our divers.

The Dive Program at HSU does much more than train divers, it develops strength of character. It has been my great pleasure to have watched our students time and again shake off the all too prev-

alent "just get by" attitude as they discover that if they don't get it done underwater nobody will do it for them. The ocean only respects competency and not good intentions. Those divers in our program that attain certification understand that their safety, and ultimately their survival, depends solely on their performance.

My recommendations? First don't dilute education to meet the lowest common denominators; demand excellence as your only standard. Anything less by an educator or administrator is a disservice to our students and lacks integrity. Lastly, you should never, never settle for "good enough." If you can't give 100 percent, stay home. Oh, did I mention no whining?

So goodbye, to those that have discovered that topside time is just the interval between dives, and to the dedicated leadership and instructional staff of the HSU Dive Program. You folks are the best! You know that diving is magic and that we divers are privileged.

It has been my honor to have been on your dive team.

Phillip Buttolph  
Diving Safety Officer  
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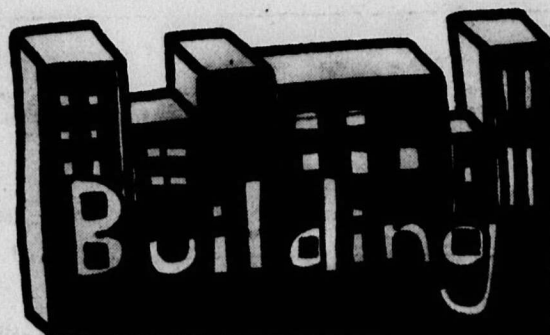
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Francis '05

I just moved back to Arcata.

I'm not exactly sure why I did.

One of my best friends had a daughter a few months ago. I hadn't spoken with him in a long time. Around the time I figured his wife was due... (I counted the months off in my head) I sent them a package of baby clothes. His wife sent me a card in return with a photo of their newborn daughter. Up until that point I wasn't sure if it had been a boy or a girl.

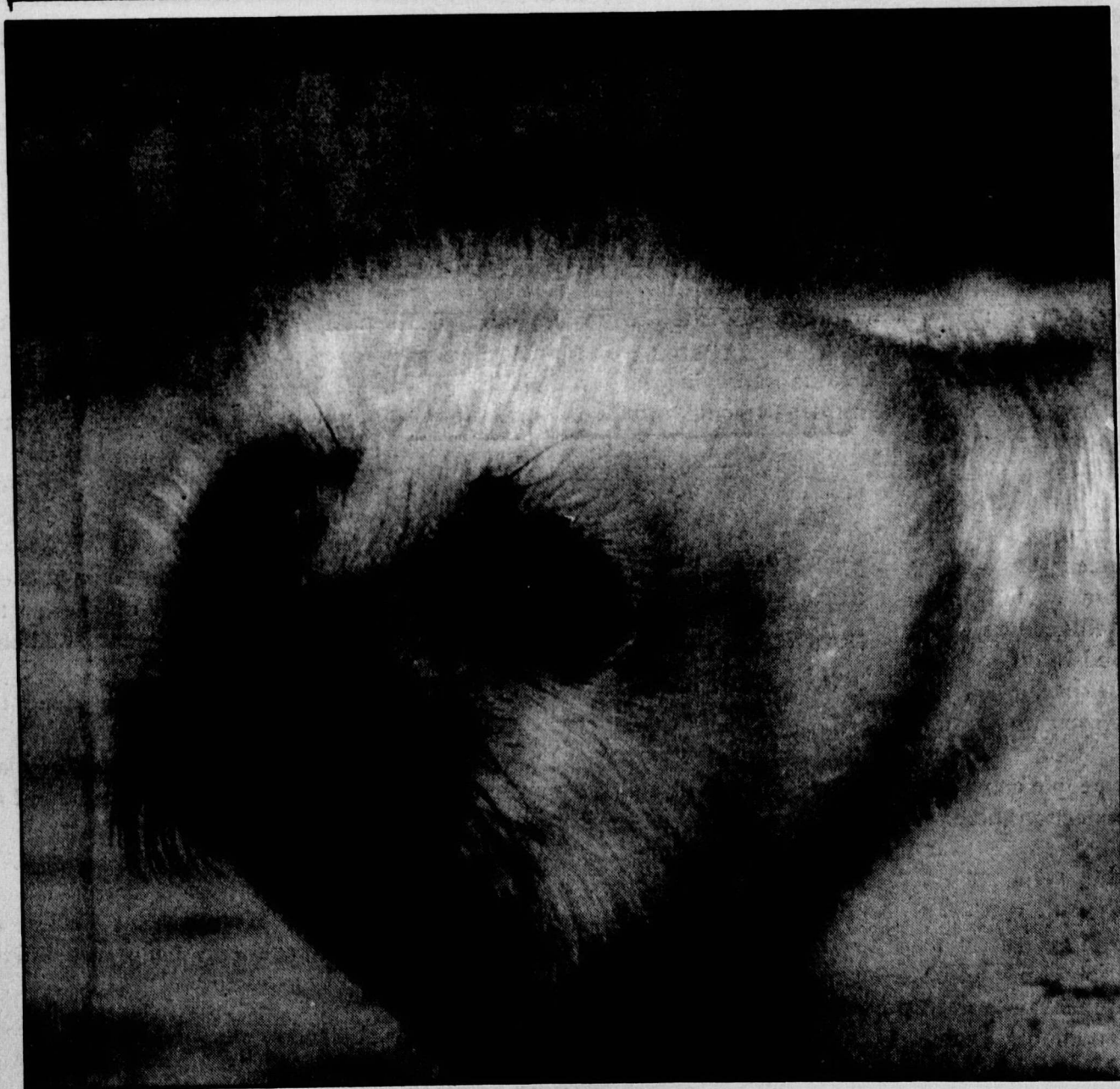
One of the first people I saw when I got into town was his wife. I decided I was going to write about our encounter and illustrate it by drawing a picture of their daughter, but have since misplaced the photo.

Receiving that picture was like a weight lifted from my shoulders. It made me want to live life. My life.



As I was talking to her she described her husband's tattoos and drawing as perfect in the face of having to deal with people so closely. I'd never heard someone be described as perfect. Hearing that somehow made life easier.

All I want is to be perfect from now on.



Whaaa  
Whaaaaaaat?!

## The Double-Wide Edition

"It was the most depressing thing I've ever seen! Why would I want to see penguins schlepping 70 miles back and forth in a blizzard?"

"Sorry guy, I don't believe in stuff."

"I don't care what you did to your wrist. You can take off your own damn cup."

"Fucking Germans."

"You know what they need to invent? Cake flavored pie."

"If you were a retard, would you rather be the one with a perma grin or the one with a perma scowl?"

"I don't know what you're talking about. I'm not a retard. I'm just a little bit of a retard."

"How do we know that we see what's not there?"

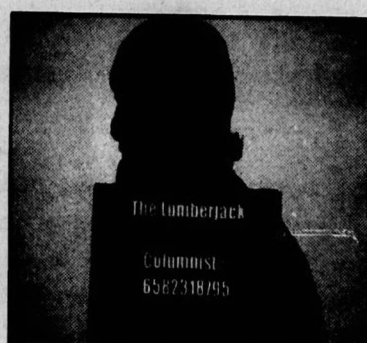
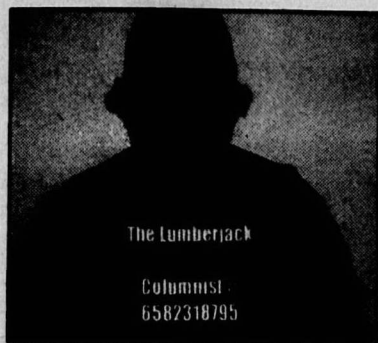
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# Stuff every HSU newcomer should know



**Luc Cebulski**  
Forum Editor

Lesbians are inherently poor spellers. Can't spell to save their lives. If Ellen Degeneres was up at a podium and all she had to do was spell "Whitehouse" to magically replace President George W. Bush with President Rosie O'Donnell, she couldn't do it.

Also, did you know that dwarves, despite their stature, are amazing pole-vaulters? Yup, every last one of them. They have to be in order to avoid predators.

Want to know the funniest part of it all? People are going to write angry letters because I told you that stuff. It doesn't matter that it's all ridiculous and obviously a joke. Folks around here are just really sensitive.

The weirdest part is that most of the letters won't even be from lesbians or dwarves. They'll be from a bunch of tall, straight people who have formed the "Alliance for the Ethical Treatment of Lesbians and Dwarves" or some such group.

The point being that a lot of folks around here are wound tighter than a \$2 watch. That's just a little heads up for all you freshmen and transfer students who are new to Arcata. It's easy to fall into the wrong crowd.

We all know how difficult it can be when you're in a brand new place. You're all alone, some of you for the first time, and you're desperately seeking acceptance and friendship. We understand. But just because some chick with dreds smiles at you and tosses you a Frisbee doesn't mean you have to join her group to fight the oppression

of the didgeridoo. Try to be more selective whilst making friends.

Oh, and if you're not a practicing Rastafarian, dreadlocks are just dirty hair. So don't grow them.

Now that we've got that all out of the way, here are a few more tips.

Don't wear your pajamas to class. It's embarrassing for everyone. Especially if you're a dude and your wiener keeps peeking out.

Besides, the weather might not be too bad right now but in about a month those Sponge Bob jammies aren't going to protect your special parts from the driving wind and rain.

Keep in mind that you are meeting people at HSU from all over California, all over the country, all over the world for that matter and they are all bringing new and exotic STDs that you haven't worked up an immunity to.

And stop smiling and waving to everyone you pass on campus. They don't know you. That's not to say some of them wouldn't like to get to know you. It's just that when 25 grinning strangers force eye contact inside of a two-block walk it gets unnerving. Like Children of the Corn n' shit.

Pay attention cause this one's important. No matter how hard up you get, no matter how badly you're jonesing, do not, I repeat do not go to the Plaza to buy pot. More often than not, you'll end up in a van with a dog and five shady guys from Vermont heading for Clam Beach to meet a connection. Trust me. It's not a good scene.

Stick to what you know. If there isn't an entrepreneurial business major in your dorm with a reliable hook-up, you're not looking hard enough.

Which leads me to the topic of drugs, booze and sex. Partying in general. They are important aspects of college life. Do them.

Have fun but keep in mind that your parents have this wacky notion that students are still supposed to be able to graduate in four years. If you're not close to graduating at the end of four years the parents are likely to stop forking out the loot. As a sixth year senior, I'm here to tell you it's damn near impossible to do it sober, let alone smashed off your nut for the first two years.

I hate to say it but moderation is the key. Don't start drinking until your homework is done. Guilt free drinking is the only way to go and don't drink so much you can't make it to class.

Smoke but don't get perma-stoned. Nobody likes talking to someone who slow-laughs after every sentence, especially professors. You'll fail that mandatory Communication 100 class for doing that "Uhhh...heh heh...so like...ummm" stuff during a presentation.

As far as sex is concerned, have as much of it as you want but stop before someone has a baby and be very careful of diseases. It's the same advice you've heard in all your high school health classes. But keep in mind that you are meeting people at HSU from all over California, all over the country, all over the world for that matter and they are all bringing new and exotic STDs that you haven't worked up an immunity to. The late stages of Nebraskan syphilis is no condition to be graduating in.

I think that about covers it. Take all this wisdom to heart and you ought to get through at least your first semester without too many snags. Stick with it...you'll do fine.

Oh, before I forget, with the exception of business owners, everyone in this town hates your parents. For the entire last week of summer they reserve every table in every restaurant in town and drive like jackasses getting there. That's not really a tip or anything. I just thought you should know.

*Luc Cebulski can be a total jerk sometimes. He can be reached at [locebulski@hotmail.com](mailto:locebulski@hotmail.com)*

## Da na na na na na na na, should I stay or should I go, Da na na na na na na na



**Cerena Johnson**  
Managing Editor

Lately I have been debating whether or not I wish to move away from Humboldt County. I have lived here for the entire twenty-one years of my life, and have recently come to the conclusion that other opportunities reside outside of Humboldt.

Face it; Humboldt County has its problems. One of the hugest problems is with its educational system. HSU is the main source of economic revenue for Arcata, also contributing to the prosperity of the surrounding communities. If HSU is not doing well, its students are lacking the necessary resources which enable them to later transfer on to decent graduate schools or at least obtain the skills necessary to find a job.

This in turn creates an environment where people will

either be unemployed upon graduation, or will need to leave the area in pursuit of employment.

While money continues to be spent on improving the image of the school, different academic departments within the school are suffering. Many students have the same small handful of professors every semester, with textbooks that range from five to fifteen years old. A variety of programs of study are not offered here, while they continue to be offered in other schools throughout the state.

The area is limited in its appeal to outsiders looking to enroll in school. Many people come here to escape city life, or already have connections here which are tying them down.

Humboldt often projects an image of being politically and culturally one-sided. This can create a misconception that all people residing in Humboldt are like-minded. To a certain extent, this is true.

Others do not wish to come here because the possibility of entertainment on a weekend which doesn't involve illegal activity is almost nonexistent. And Arcata only has three twenty-four hour businesses, excluding gas stations.

On the other hand, Humboldt has a uniqueness which

is unparalleled. The natural surroundings remain relatively untouched; driving for an hour in any direction will bring you directly into nature. It is guaranteed that five hundred other people won't be competing for parking once you get to the beach. Overall, small town life has a friendlier and less rushed sense to it than that of a city. Chances are everyone knows everyone else.

Also living in Humboldt is generally cheaper than living in other parts of California, which is definitely a benefit for students.

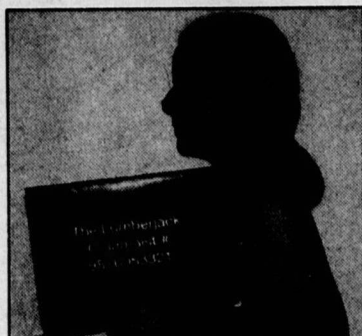
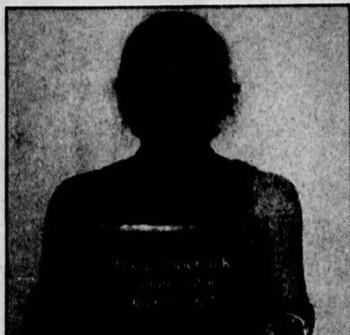
But obtaining a more open perspective may require experiencing life outside of Humboldt. Being in a larger metropolitan area allows one to become immersed in a more diverse cultural and political exchange.

The educational opportunities made possible by living within a larger population are one of the incentives which can make residing in a city more appealing. College is a wonderful opportunity to experience living in a different area before deciding where to go next.

*Cerena Johnson, in addition to pondering what lies beyond the Redwood Curtain, really digs The Clash. She can be reached at [cmj14@humboldt.edu](mailto:cmj14@humboldt.edu)*



# Welcome back...but only from the 14th St. exit



**Kira Rubenthaler**  
Photo Editor

Imagine you're a prospective HSU student, driving up to Arcata to look at the campus for the first time.

You exit Highway 101 at 14<sup>th</sup> Street and come to the stop sign. Across the street is the spanking new "entrance way" to HSU.

You decide you are definitely applying to this school because any university boasting a gateway with 30-foot-tall stucco towers has got to be totally awesome!

If this scenario sounds a little out there, that's because it is. But that's what HSU officials seem to have been thinking when they initiated the project to redesign the campus entrance way.

Last semester the university hired the education consultant company Noel-Levitz to determine possible ways to boost HSUs sinking enrollment and retention rates.

One of the company's recommendations was to "improve the physical campus wherever possible."

And voila, over the course of the summer students ended up with a campus gateway that looks like Founders Hall had a lovechild with a lighthouse.

Yes, the new entranceway will certainly help people locate the campus—it's now impossible to miss if you're coming from the south.

However, the north entrance off of the Sunset Avenue exit is still nondescript. Is HSU specifically targeting students from down south or is another construction project

looming in the future?

Ironically, even with the "entrance way", someone could exit Highway 101 at 14<sup>th</sup> Street, "enter" campus and keep driving up LK Wood past Library Circle and past Granite Avenue and leave campus without ever actually entering it.

So who will this new entranceway benefit?

It didn't enhance the campus aesthetically.

LK Wood used to be one of the prettiest streets in Arcata. Flowering trees and plants lined the median and in late spring the street displayed a gorgeous array of green, pink, red and yellow, making you almost proud to be an HSU student.

But at a school that portrays itself as environmentally friendly, they yanked up the plants and cut down the trees.

Now standard turf grass and dirt cover the median and the street looks like one you might see in Southern California.

It's not hideous, but it's pathetic compared to what LK Wood used to look like.

The towers, however, are even worse.

They catch your attention in a bad way, not like "Wow, what's this," but closer to, "What the hell are those things and what are they doing in Arcata?"

Surrounded by the small-town architecture of Arcata, the towers look like a giant stucco fortress, not a welcoming symbol of HSU.

Even if you like the look, the exorbitant price tag makes the project overkill.

The Campus Wayfinding and Signage program included installation of the gateway, upgrades of the lighting along LK Wood and a revamp of the street's landscaping.

Estimated cost: \$350,000.

For a university that is struggling to keep its head above water in a flood of budget cuts and declining enrollment,

\$350,000 is a lot of money.

Of that chunk, \$200,000 is slated to come from Special Repair Funds, used for maintenance, repairs and upgrades to the facilities. The other \$150,000 is coming from state general obligation bonds, which are supposed to be used for improvements to new and renovated facilities.

Due to this, the money couldn't have gone to hire a couple more lecturers, but aren't there areas on campus that could have used maintenance, repairs or upgrades more than the southwest corner?

Sure, increased lighting on LK Wood could be beneficial. According to the university police, the lack of trees along the median will improve traffic visibility and safety along the street.

But, in a time when budget cuts are strangling programs across the campus, HSU could have sacrificed the stucco structure.

Perhaps the most vexing part of the project is its timing. Conveniently, the construction took place over the summer after most students had left town, so few knew about the change to their campus until they returned to start the fall semester.

It's a sure bet that at least a handful of students would have been standing on the corner with signs when chainsaws started eating through the tree trunks on LK Wood.

But the students were gone.

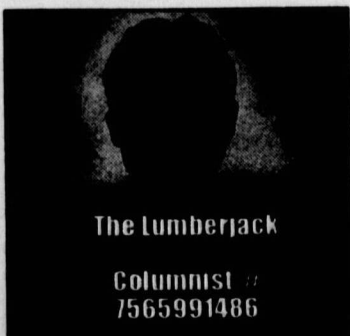
And now the trees and the plants that made LK Wood beautiful are gone.

And gone is the quaint wooden sign that used to mark the corner of campus.

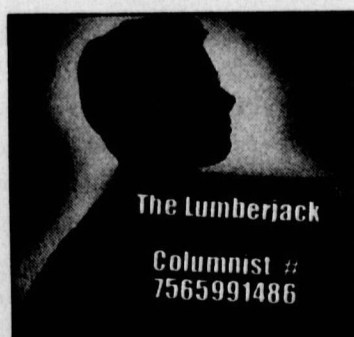
All that's left are the rigid towers HSU erected this summer.

*Kira Rubenthaler, when not gazing adoringly at the new 14th St. entranceway, can be reached at krr11@humboldt.edu*

## Target: it's not French but people think they're cool when they say it that way



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**Jason Major**  
Guest columnist

As a breed, bull terriers first made their debut in 1835. They are a group bred for sport and admired for their strength, courage and since 1860, their all-white coats. Often misunderstood, the bull terrier is usually very friendly but isn't afraid of a fight either.

But this column is not about the noble breed of gladiator dogs. It's about a company that has elevated the bull terrier to pop star status after someone thought it would be cute to paint a red bull's-eye on his unsuspecting, and no doubt resistant, pet.

Target has fast become the trendy department store of the '00s. As a corporation it barely touches the behemoth Wal-Mart. Yet last year the Target Corporation topped \$48 billion in revenue and placed 23rd on Fortune's top 500

companies, a substantial gain from its 2001 place at No. 34 with \$39.9 billion in revenue.

This year will be even bigger. Nearly 150 new stores have opened in the last 24 months, opening up new markets for Target.

One such store is our very own 131,000 square foot incomer to northern Eureka, which began business in October and replaced the Montgomery Ward store there. With its pristine parking lot, stone façade and ultramodern interior, one can't help but feel more comfortable shopping at Target than, say, its former style competitor Kmart.

But how has Target become such a trendy shopping center? Part of the answer lies in a massive ad campaign that portrays Target as a savvily chic place to talk on your cell phone while perusing the latest middle America fashions.

Until a few years ago Target's marketed consumer group was the soccer mom type—perhaps thrifty spenders, but ladies with a sense of style. Now the company appeals to her kids too, those teenyboppers in desperate need of pop guidance. The store caters to the older generations, and men, as well by offering more brands.

Carrying more and classier brands has elevated Target's status away from Wal-Mart and Kmart to the level of Old Navy, Gap and Banana Republic.

When a friend and I visited Target recently I did find

comfort in its graceful clutches, but it was a coziness a brainwashed victim feels—more fearful acceptance than willful reception. Herded through the front doors like affluent cattle, we "guests" were greeted by an armed "asset protector."

Wall-to-wall merchandise dazzled in aquamarines, soft bubblegum pinks and [insert pastel color here]. Polished metal knickknacks seemed to call from the shelves for a home in \$300,000 houses with smart lighting. Plastic Barbie Doll children's shoes screamed at us as we passed footwear. By the time we reached school supplies I nearly emptied the contents of my stomach onto a cheap metal address book clumsily stamped in the shape of a telephone (one of those ancient ones with a corded receiver and rotary dial).

Finally, upon exiting this dimension of trendy consumerism, we headed to the car and a return to humble Arcata. We spied a lady stuffing a black pleather beanbag into the trunk of her car. I pitied this woman. If only she had an SUV, she wouldn't be threatened with the possibility of ripping her new throw furniture.

*Jason Major doesn't really work here anymore. But that didn't stop him from doing The Lumberjack a solid. When he's not laughing at the people in department store parking lots he can be reached at jsm41@humboldt.edu*



# No child left behind leaves a lot to be desired

**Larry Hourany**  
Guest columnist

What do you have a right to expect from the educational system? What was the recent demonstration at City Hall all about? Why are so many against the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) program?

I know why I'm against it. First, because I've learned to be suspicious of anything put forward by the heartless, anti-citizen cabal in Washington. Just as with so much of the political activity in this nation, I've been reduced to value-laden automaticity.

Even well thought-out programs cannot succeed if they are under-funded as this cynical administration has done with NCLB. The Bushites' blatant attempts to undermine the teachers' unions is evidenced in their efforts to produce conditions where none will succeed, not the teachers, not the students and, inevitably, not the nation.

But as a psychometrician it is my responsibility to examine the validity of this program. The first consideration, and there is nothing that transcends it, is what kinds of citizens are we hoping to graduate from our schools?

Obviously, no thoughtful person would wish for rigid automatons capable only of "readin', writin', and 'rithmetic." But that is the common result of such an intensely test-based curriculum. In other words, if you spend the vast majority of time teaching for specific tests, you get students who will do well on these tests. That is not the equivalent of being "educated." Nor does it foster a broad preparation for life.

To get some understanding of what an education can do, we can look at programs that produce high-achieving students without teaching to the tests. These programs emphasize features not evident in NCLB. You get students who express greater satisfaction with their efforts, and who exhibit greater flexibility in the programs they can handle in college. This is coupled with generally acknowledged greater creativity in their approaches to academic

work. This is not exclusive to non-NCLB programs, but its greater frequency in these programs means we need to examine the reasons for this success and we need to look at ways to integrate the best features of all programs.

In rural Maine there is a program that takes an exceptional math teacher and links him to students up to 75 miles away via live-time video hookups. The Gates Foundation is funding efforts at several locations which emphasize learning outside the classroom.

In a program in Rochester, N.Y., free tuition to the University of Rochester is offered to students who

succeed in the diploma program. This links their efforts directly to future benefits. In Houston, the high school program builds directly on the middle school program, thus producing consistency.

This is no different from the goal of all education except that this program is expanded in time (eight hours a day), emphasizes discipline, and focuses on fun and team spirit. And perhaps most importantly, it is conducted with low-income students, clearly underscoring the values of affirmative action.

The alternatives to NCLB highlight another problem that is often overlooked: dropout rates. Almost uniformly, alternatives to the test-based limits of NCLB produce superior attendance rates. Where conventional schools show dropout rates of up to 50 percent, most of the alternative programs show dropout rates as low as 5 percent. Even business people can appreciate the return on the dollar of such programs.

Is there a formula for improving education? Not really. However, one thing is certain: the NCLB program

is a farce. Not only because it reduces education to a programmatic ritual leaving little room for anything but well-trained automatons, but because as part of their cynical efforts to undermine teachers unions, this government, including our syncophant governor, has underfunded the programs, thereby increasing the likelihood of failure.

But even if we accept the value of a NCLB approach to education, is it the only, or even a better alternative? There are several ways to look at this question. Most importantly, we must ask ourselves if the results of this approach will produce happy, effective citizens, or just well-trained ones.

Am I suggesting a soft-headed, feel-good evasion of educational responsibilities? Not at all. Hundreds of studies have shown that other approaches yield high-achieving students whose accomplishments do honor to the students, to the teachers who invest so much into their efforts, and especially to the parents who participate in their children's education.

In the anti-science climate of the Bush regime, citing scientific studies may be counterproductive. But when the best minds of our time consistently suggest a variety of approaches, successfully producing a variety of students well-equipped to deal with a variety of future scenarios, it behooves all of us to keep an open mind. Not just parents, but all adults who care for more than just themselves, would do well to read the Sept. 23, 2004 issue of the North Coast Journal, the February 2005 issue of Discover, and the May 16, 2005 issue of Newsweek.

*Larry Hourany is a McKinleyville resident.*

## The Plaza going to H-E-double hockey sticks in a handbasket

**Jo Ann Hunt**  
Guest columnist

The only word I can use to describe what I have seen while here in Arcata is "appalled."

My husband and I lived here for 22 years in the '70s and '80s and were employed at the University. Our children were born and raised here. We lived here during the "Hippy" era and we thought it was bad for the community. That cannot hold a candle to what is happening on the Plaza today. We stayed at the Hotel Arcata for three nights and our room overlooked the Plaza.

It sickens me to see so many young people wasting their lives on booze, crack, pot, and God only knows what else. My two granddaughters witnessed vomit-

ing on the beautiful flowers, young men rummaging through garbage cans, smoking old cigarette butts, and people talking to the sky, the moon, the trees, etc. They witnessed the soup lines in the Plaza, the panhandling on the street corner. I guess the saddest thing to see was the parents of this group with their little children in the soup lines with them.

**How can HSU hope to recruit any of these young people to its athletic or academic programs when they have to live in a community that allows these things to happen?**

Jim and I had 118 young people from all over California and even one from Oregon attending our running camp at HSU over the summer. We have held this camp at the Jolly Giant for the last four years and I have never seen the Plaza so bad. How can HSU hope to recruit any of these young people to its athletic or academic programs when they have to live in a

community that allows these things to happen? The Plaza has lovely stores but who wants to shop there? It saddens me that the people who own these shops and who are contributing to the community have to be affected

by the situation. The Hotel Arcata is a lovely place to stay but when you walk out the door there is vomit on the street and cigarette butts in the sidewalk near the bars. The lady at the Hotel Arcata had to go out and clean off the butts and puke. That should not be her job.

What are the city council and Police doing about this, turning their heads? One person asked me what I was doing walking my dogs (who were staying at the hotel with me) in the Plaza when it says "No Dogs." That same sign says, "No drinking, no smoking, no loitering, no overnight camping." My dogs were cleaner than anything else I saw roaming the Plaza. At least I picked up their poop.

Please, people of Arcata, start screaming and yelling that you want your lovely community back and send these people that have invaded you back to where they came from or it is going to become worse.

*Jo Ann Hunt is currently a resident of Sparks, Nv. who is not a fan of transients in her old hometown Plaza.*



# CALENDAR

## Wednesday 24

**Jazz returns to Muddy Waters**  
Wednesdays at 9 p.m.

**Amateur Radio Club**  
Nelson Hall East, Room 113  
2 p.m. Contact Shawn at  
fsb4@humboldt.edu

**Storytelling:**  
6:30 p.m.  
Humboldt County Library hosts a  
free family storytelling event with  
Tom McCormack.

**Improvisational Jazz:**  
Center Arts presents Medeski,  
Martin, and Wood at 8 p.m. in the  
Van Duzer Theatre. Tickets are  
\$30 general/\$20 HSU students.

**Humboldt Symphony**  
Rehearsals:  
Wednesdays from 7:30-9:30 p.m.,  
Fulkerson Hall.

**John Montgomery:**  
Solo acoustic artist performs at  
Humboldt Brews. This is a free  
show.

**"Kindergarten, Here I Come"**  
Humboldt County Library,  
KEET TV, and First 5 Humboldt  
present local author Natasha  
Wing, stories, videos, songs,  
crafts, and activities to prepare  
Kindergarten children for their  
first day of school. This free  
event will be held at 6:30 p.m. in  
the Fortuna Library.

## Thursday 25

**Hip-Hop**  
Every Thursday from 10 p.m.-1  
a.m. \$1 cover, 21+  
Sidelines hosts the DJ Dub  
Cowboy hip-hop danchall show.

**Deep Groove Society:**  
House DJs at Muddy Waters 8:30  
p.m.

**Hip-hop and Break-dancing:**  
Humboldt Brews, \$2.

**Seussical the Musical:**  
Ferndale Reperatory Theatre  
presents a contemporary  
musical featuring Dr. Seuss  
characters. Thursday tickets are  
two for the price of one (\$15).  
Call 786-5483 for reservations.

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first day of school. This free  
event will be held at 6:30 p.m. in  
the Arcata Library.

## Friday 26

**International Folk Dance:**  
The Last-Minute Men play at Cafe  
Mokka. 8:30 p.m., no cover.

**Sherri Youngward:**  
Free concert with Bay area  
singer-songwriter. Calvary  
Chapel of Arcata, 7 p.m.

**The Bump Foundation:**  
Old school funk at Muddy  
Waters, 9 p.m.

**DJ Itchie Fingaz:**  
Free hip-hop/funk/soul show at  
the Metro. 7-9 p.m.

**Logan Five jams at Humboldt**  
Brews. \$3.

**Seussical the Musical**  
continues at Ferndale Reperatory  
Theatre. The show is at 8 p.m.  
Tickets are \$15.

**"Liberty For All Ball"**  
Earth Rhythms performance  
company presents readings of  
women's suffrage activists, food,  
and live music. Come in costume  
of favorite suffragette. \$5-\$25  
sliding scale. The event benefits  
Humboldt Domestic Violence  
services and Earth Rhythms.  
6-10 p.m. in HSU's Goodwin  
Forum.

## Saturday 27

**Ron the Chron Mustache**  
Party: Muddy Waters, 9  
p.m. Free with a mustache,  
\$4 without. A sharple will be  
provided at the door.

**"Tails from Blue Ox"**  
Blue Ox Millworks founder  
Eric Hollenback speaks at the  
Redwood Empire Mensa no-host  
speaker's lunch.

**"High IQ Society"**  
Monthly meeting held at the  
Samoa Cookhouse.

**Friends of the Dunes:**  
Docent Laura Julian leads a  
walk through the dunes from the  
Manila Community Center at 10  
a.m.

**Hip-Hop:**  
Mike Diggs plays at Humboldt  
Brews. \$2.

**Ferndale Reperatory Theatre**  
continues Suessical the Musical.  
8p.m., \$15.

**"Kindergarten, Here I Come"**  
The Kidergarten preparation  
program continues at 2 p.m. at  
the Humboldt County Library in  
Eureka.

## Sunday 28

**Northcoast Redwood**  
Interpretive Association:  
CR environmental professor Bob  
Mize leads a walk through the Earl  
Wildlife Area at the Tolowa Dunes  
State Park and Lake. 1 p.m. at the  
Visitor Center, Old Mill Rd., north  
of Cresnet City. Bring water and  
walking shoes. Call 465-6191 or  
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## Monday 29

**Head for the Hills Bluegrass**  
Band: Muddy Waters, 9p.m.

**Beginning Arabic I:**  
Classes start through HSU  
extended education, running  
through October 10. For  
information or to register, call  
826-3731.

**Open Mic:**  
Humboldt Brews, 21+

**Suessical the Musical:**  
Matinee showing at the Ferndale  
Reperatory Theatre. 2 p.m., \$15.

## Tuesday 30

**Jazz Trio:**  
Center Arts presents world-  
renowned musicians Stanley  
Clark, Bela Fleck, and Jean-Luc  
Ponty.

**Beginning Arabic III:**  
Classes start through HSU  
extended education, running  
through October 6. For  
information or to register, call  
826-3731.

**\$2 Tuesday**  
Hip Hop with DJ Hal at  
Humboldt Brews.



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Medeski, Martin, and Wood will perform in the Van Duzer Theatre Wednesday  
night at 8 p.m.



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**HSU STUDENTS ARE INVITED** to join Solid Rock Aug. 27 for a faith-based outdoor adventure. The all-day challenge ropes course will provide trust, team-building, and communication opportunities. Contact Tom at trt2@humboldt.edu to sign up and to receive additional info. Solid Rock meets weekly on Thursdays at 7 p.m. at Arcata First Baptist Church.

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