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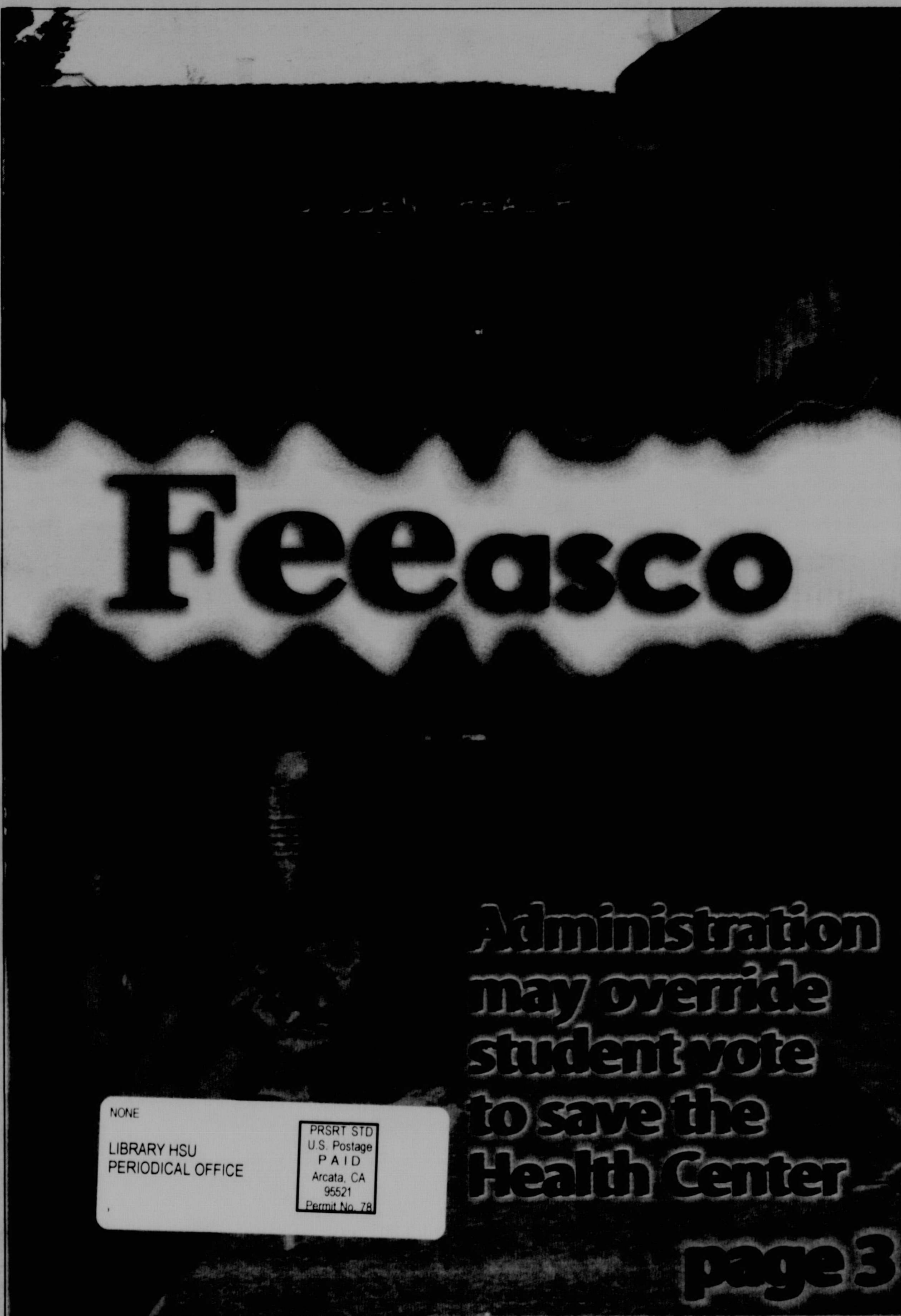
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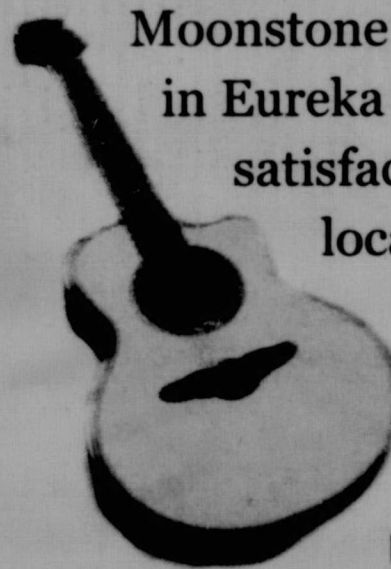
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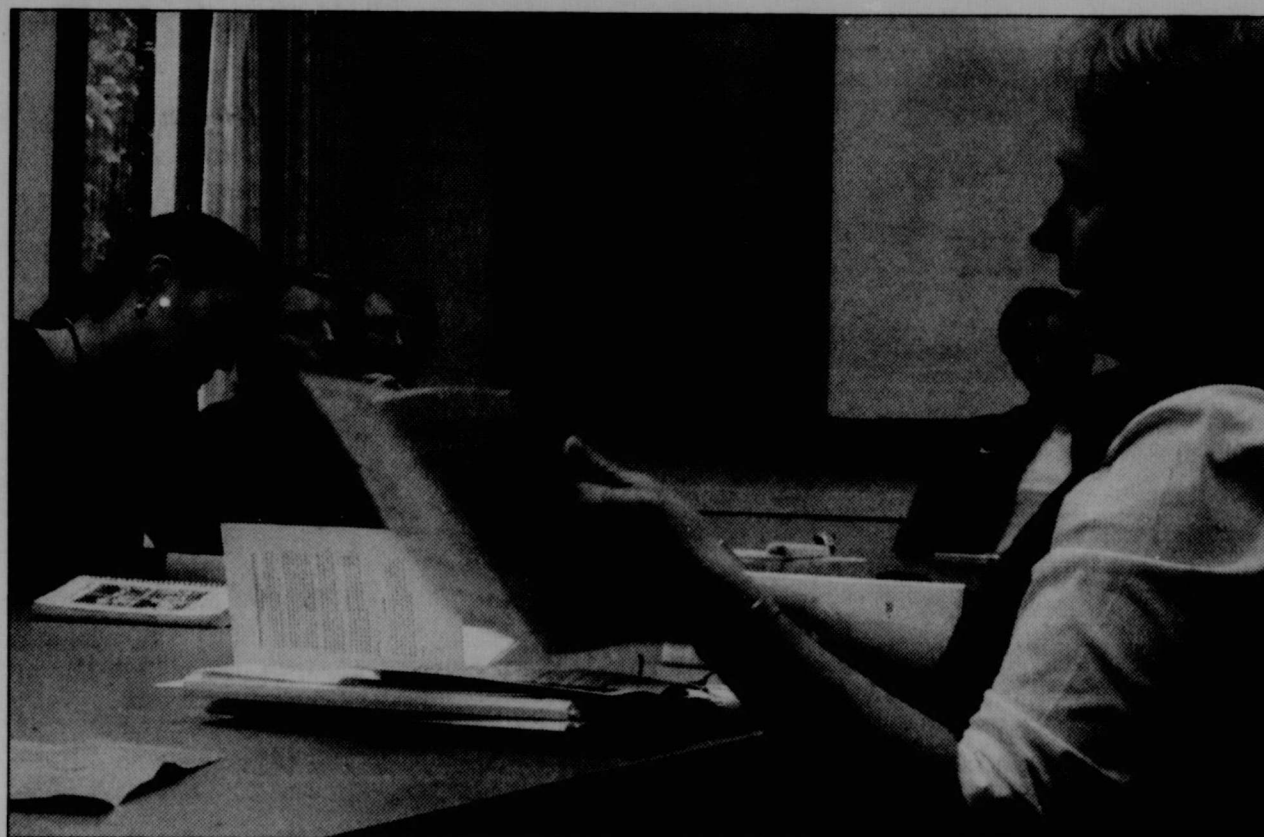
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Sayaka Rifu

Health Center Director Rebecca Stauffer (right) discusses the consequences of denying the student health fee at the Student Fee Advisory Committee meeting.

To fee or not to fee

Controversy looms over the advisory committee to disregard the student votes cast on fee raise

Kimberly Thorpe
Copy Chief

In a time of system wide budget crisis, an administration burdened with financial cutbacks may very well override the power of the student vote.

The student health fee referendum, which proposed raising the Health Center fee \$44 per semester, failed to pass in last month's student elections. Of the 788 students who voted, 361 students voted for the fee, and 427 or 54 percent, voted against it.

That may not be the end of the matter, however.

"I don't think this is a clear statement of who's in favor and who's not in favor," said Health Center Director Rebecca Stauffer. "Based on 66 individuals, we could lose a lot of services, not just next year, but for a very long time."

Unbeknownst to many students, their participation in the election served only as an advisory for HSU President Rollin Richmond, who faces the final decision of whether to maintain the Health Center or go against the student vote.

In a meeting last Wednesday, the Student Fee Advisory Committee voted to recommend to Richmond that the vote stand, despite strong opposition from the administration.

Steven Butler, vice president of Student Affairs, said failing to pass the fee — regardless of the student vote — would cause students to suffer both emotionally and physically as a result of depleted basic health services.

"We can talk about the democratic process and upholding the election, but it's not as simple as that," he said.

Without the fee increase, the Health Center will

have to cut back virtually every service it offers, from the pharmacy and psychiatric services to the immunizations for enrollment.

"Our students have the highest use [of the Health Center] of all the other (CSU) campuses," Butler said. "It would be a crime to have these services reduced."

Andrea Tyler, member of the Student Health Advisory Committee, argued that voter turnout didn't provide an accurate account of student opinion.

"I'm very disappointed with the results," she said. "The voter turnout was less than 850 students — I don't feel that it was representative of the students."

The voter turnout, although low, was typical for the university's student elections, which rarely exceeds 14 percent of the entire student population.

Others on the committee were torn between their concerns about Health Center reductions and the need to uphold the student vote.

"It would be detrimental to students for their representatives to say, 'We don't care what you think.

We're going to do it anyway because we know what's best for you,'" said AS President Samantha Williams-Gray. "Students get enough of that already."

In the end, students voted against the administration. AS President-elect Nicole Alvarado, Natural Resources Representative Noelle Melchizedek and Williams-Gray all voted in favor of upholding the vote. Butler, Fiscal Affairs Director Lori Rudebock and Jeff Haag, the university-appointed Fee Advisory Committee member, opposed the decision.

AS Legislative Vice President Kyle Zeck, who broke the tie, supported the fee increase personal-

Kyle Zeck
AS Legislative Vice President

"It's cheap to take a student vote, then say that we're going to 'take it into consideration.' That's like an exercise in electoral masturbation."

What's our problem?

Students, administrators disagree on why students of color don't stay

Adam Creighton
Campus Editor

HSU has a diversity problem.

In a budget crisis that drives up student fees, cuts classes and reduces the educational experience down to a skeleton, increasing student enrollment is the carrot dangled just out of HSU's reach. And the biggest obstacle to that is recruiting and retaining students of color.

However, many students of color, persuaded by promotional materials and tours to attend HSU are disillusioned as they realize the university is not as diverse as they thought.

Melanie Shaw, a social work junior, felt that way two years ago.

"When I first got here, it was a lot different than what I expected—the way they put this school out there, with brochures with diverse people," Shaw said. "When you get to campus, there's nothing but white students. The actual diverse campus is small and

minute."

Shaw said that people expect her to represent her race. "People [are] always asking you, 'why do you think that way?'" she said.

R.W. Hicks, director of Student Academic Services Outreach Program, said a major problem is that professors do not know how to approach diversity. "If education is directed at certain people, other people will have less interest," Hicks said. "We still focus on white students, caucasian students."

Maybe one reason HSU professors focus on white students is that the faculty is overwhelmingly white.

According to the Strategic Plan for HSU, which outlines actions to be taken by HSU between 2004 and 2009, "Faculty of color in all categories except Native American are present at HSU at only half of the levels found in the CSU system."

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Results are in: Survey shows what HSU students think

Kimberly Thorpe
Copy Chief

While HSU students favorably rate faculty expertise and campus safety, the university falls short when it comes to enrollment processes and general education, a new study shows.

Recent reports by university consulting firm Noel-Levitz reveal that HSU scores high in the areas of faculty participation and major requirements, but drops below par when it comes to academic advising and class availability.

The Colorado-based firm, hired by HSU to analyze student satisfaction and retention rates, surveyed 719 HSU students who rated everything from faculty involvement and interest to financial aid availability.

"Students expressed some dissatisfaction with registration, financial aid processes,

course selection and variety, and getting the run-around when seeking information on campus," said Ruth Sims, a Noel-Levitz employee. "In such situations, we generally recommend a review of the policies and procedures of all campus offices to provide a higher level of student satisfaction."

HSU hired the firm, which has consulted with more than 1,700 schools to improve enrollment and marketing success, to boost the university's stagnating student population. "We're guessing we'll be below the enrollment target (next year)," said Rick Vrem, vice president of Academic Affairs.

The school's target enrollment is 7,389 students for the 2005-2006 school year, which includes the summer, fall and spring semesters.

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The research also included three focus groups with students randomly selected by the university.

"The turnout was not as big as we had hoped," said Paul Mann, senior communication officer of Public Affairs at HSU.

Each group consisted of between seven and 11 students who ranked HSU's strengths and weaknesses regarding the university's reputation, location and affordability.

The transfer-student process received mixed reviews, with students noting inconsistency with transferable courses and the lack of a strong presence on community college campuses.

Students also indicated dissatisfaction with the academic advising process, which Noel-Levitz researchers said is not being administered consistently in the absence of a central process for training and delivering advising information.

Strengths included the school's location, word-of-mouth reputation, small size and affordability.

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Public Affairs

One of the largest problems Noel-Levitz found in its Student Satisfaction Inventory (SSI) survey involved student dissatisfaction with the effect of budget cuts on class availability.

The disparity between desired and actual course offerings also showed up in the student focus groups where, as one student put it, "In my department, the budget cuts mean classes are offered only every other year. I changed from music education to just music so I could graduate."

Overall, however, students expressed more satisfaction with their college experience than the national average, and indicated that, if given the opportunity to go back and choose a college again, most would still choose HSU.

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"Know-all-Levitz"

HSU hired market research company Noel-Levitz last year to help boost stagnant enrollment. N-L surveyed 719 HSU students, and their findings are posted on HSU's Web site under "Strategic Enrollment Effort." Among their discoveries:



Students found teaching effectiveness the most important quality of a university, and campus life the least important.



75.22 percent of students said HSU was their first university choice, 17.88% said it was their second, and 7% said it was their third or lower choice.



HSU students on average felt safer than students nationally, ranking satisfaction with campus safety 5.36 out of 7.



HSU ranked campus safety as the 9th most important attribute out of 11 items. Nationally, campus safety is ranked as the 3rd most important attribute behind academics and advising.



Students were more satisfied with HSU's "attractive" location on the Redwood Coast than any other campus attribute. They gave it a score of 6.44 out of 7.



Students were most unsatisfied with registering for classes and getting adequate financial aid (4.34 and 4.29 out of 7 respectively). Both were well below the national satisfaction averages.



The two most likely reasons students come to Humboldt: geographic setting and cost.



The two least likely reasons students come to HSU: opportunity to play sports and family/friend recommendation.

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(Above) Miles White lifts turkeys wrapped in lettuce and wire that had been smoking in a pit in the volley ball court. The turkeys were buried with a whole pig, which was removed next.


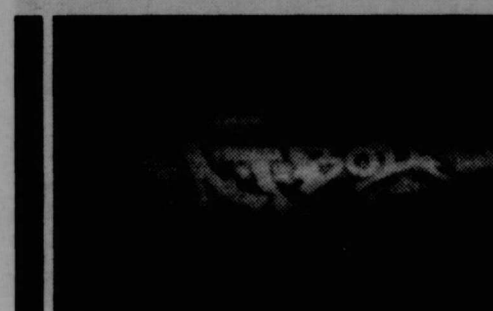
(Right) The meat of the pig falls right off the bones, literally. Shown here is the jaw.

(Below) Claren Cristobal starts to dig the sand off of the buried pig.

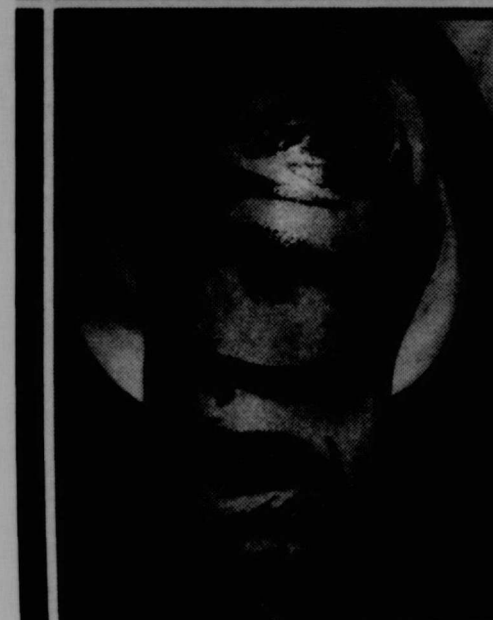


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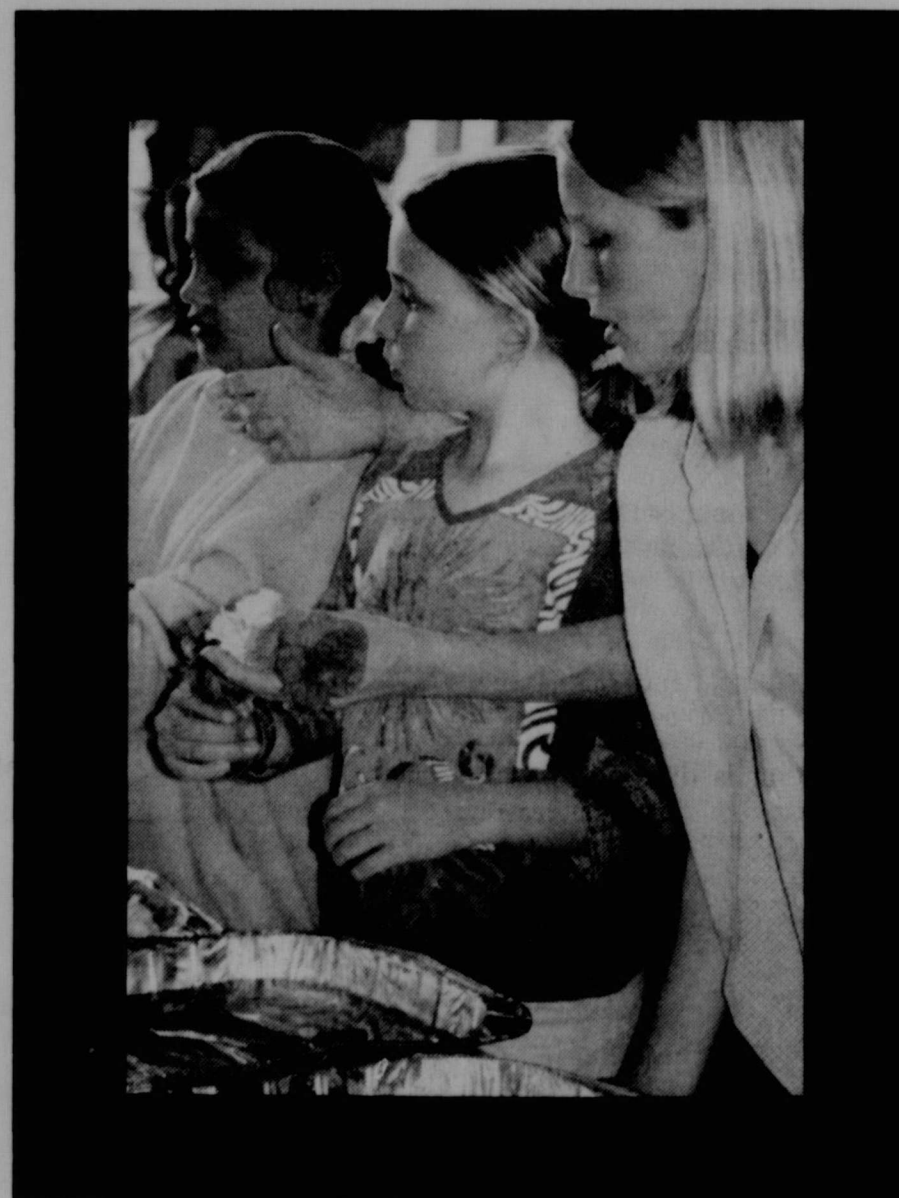
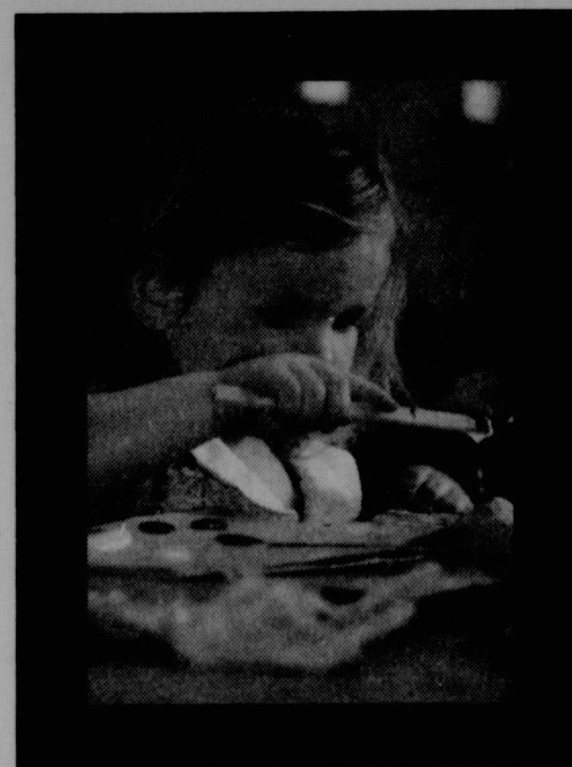
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(Top) Joselyn Bliven participates in painting at the Pacific Islander celebration.

(Bottom) Sisters Zoë (center) and Romi (right) make leis as part of a workshop in the Karshner Lounge.

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DIVERSITY: Students of color

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Conversely, white faculty are over-represented compared to the CSU system.

By 2003 data, only 1.2 percent of HSU faculty were black, less than one-third of the 3.8 percent average throughout the CSU system. Latinos were 3.6 percent of the faculty at HSU, versus 7.4 percent statewide. Meanwhile, white faculty represented 86.1 percent of HSU faculty, 10.8 percent more than the rest of the state.

Helen Jones, director of Diversity and Compliance, said that recruiting diverse faculty for HSU is difficult for many reasons, the biggest is a supply-side problem.

"There is a shortage of women and people of color who are getting their Ph.D.s," Jones said.

Jones said there is heavy competition for qualified, diverse applicants, and that HSU is often outbid by universities that offer a more competitive salary, better facilities for research and a lower cost of living.

"It might be easy to say we need diverse faculty, then we have to go out and find it in the market," Jones said. "If you're a faculty of color with a Ph.D. are you going to a rural college? That's the reality we're working with."

It may not be because HSU lacks diverse faculty, or because education is directed at white students, but for some reason, black students are almost one third less likely to graduate from HSU than their white counterparts.

Shaw has seen friends get frustrated with HSU.

"They wanted to go home—pack their bags and leave," Shaw said. "I have felt like that so many times."

Keion Morgan, admissions counselor and author of the "campus climate" survey, used to be one of those frustrated students.

"It took some personal growth for me to stay," Morgan said. "I came [to the admissions office] to help with this process. We need to change."

"We just got ethnic studies as a major, what about Chicano

studies? What about Asian studies? When you come to a university, you come to explore, you want to learn different cultures as well as be taught by these different people," she said.

"We have everything you can want in an institution on paper," Morgan said. "Once you get here, what's keeping you here?"

Without giving specifics on any main reasons, Jones does not believe that dissatisfaction with the university is the main reason students of color leave.

"There's this vague notion that we aren't recruiting or retaining students of diversity," Jones said. "There's a lot

of reasons people don't stay in college that have nothing to do with the university."

But reasons that do have to do with the university are now part of an \$80,900 market research study by Noel-Levitz, an education-market consulting firm.

Recently, President Rollin Richmond contracted Noel-Levitz to tell HSU how to reach enrollment goals.

"They are nationally known on enrollment management issues—try to forgive the word-marketing universities," Richmond said,

explaining that HSU would lose out on large amounts of funding if "we [don't] get our student numbers to reasonable levels."

Noel-Levitz's no. 1 recommendation was: "Focus on diversity as a critical market segment: recruitment, retention, faculty/staff, programming."

To assist recruitment efforts, Richmond said Noel-Levitz is developing a Humboldt brand-identity that is most likely to attract future students.

But as for the problem of keeping students of color here, Richmond looks to the community.

"This community over a number of decades has made it uncomfortable for minorities to

be here," he said.

"We've treated indigenous people here badly, we literally picked up and moved the Chinese out of Eureka," Richmond said, referring to an incident last century when a lynch mob forced all Chinese citizens in Humboldt county onto a ship bound for San Francisco.

Richmond said that he received a complaint from one student of color that she was followed around by a local merchant when she entered his shop.

As a result of this, Richmond met with several local businesses to raise awareness of how HSU students of color feel the community perceives them.

Richmond further cited cultural differences and a lack of "access to consumer goods," specifically, via a mall, as additional reasons students of color pack their bags.

Richmond also said that HSU did not and will not cut funding for diversity programs and continues to fund the Campus Dialogue on Race and Diversity Conference.

According to the A.S. Budget, the Multi-Cultural Center stands to gain a \$10,000 increase in funding for the 2005-2006

year over last year's funding. Also, parts of the diversity plan have been incorporated into the Office of Enrollment Management's plan.

"Is it enough? No, but it is progress," Richmond said.

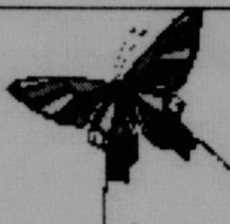
Stephanie Jones, marine biology, zoology and science education junior, said she hasn't seen any progress toward remedying diversity issues in her three years here.

"Every year, we get a bunch of people of color, they realize there's nothing to do up here, so they leave," she said. "The reason I stayed is because it's the cheapest school."

"In all honesty, I didn't want to be here—still don't," Jones said. "The only thing I've seen this school do right is admitting there's a wrong."

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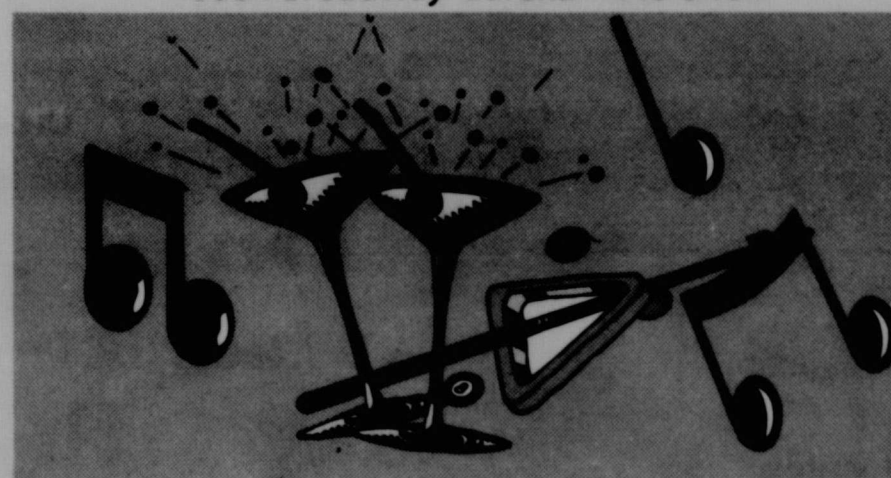
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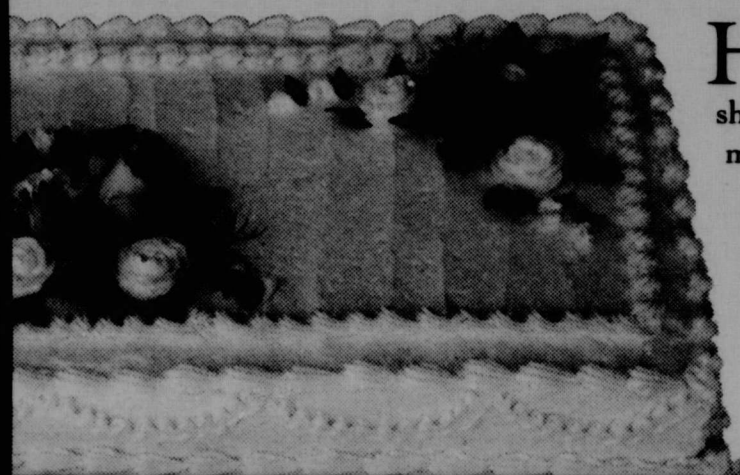
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was unable to locate the peti-
tioner.

11:30 a.m. The owner of a
barking dog tied to a handrail
at Nelson Hall West moved
his dog after an officer ad-
vised him of campus regula-
tions.

4:29 p.m. A vehicle parked in
the Gist Hall staff lot had an
open door, and nobody was
around the vehicle. The offi-
cer on duty was unable to lo-
cate the owners and secured
the door.

Thursday, April 28

8:21 a.m. Signs and cones
were stolen from the Library.

8:26 a.m. A truck rolled out
of its parking space in the 14th
and Union Street lot. An of-
ficer pushed the truck back
into its stall, and issued a ci-
tation.

11:26 a.m. Officers arrested
a petitioner for refusing to
leave campus.

2:22 p.m. Housing received a
copy of a suspicious e-mail a
resident sent to someone in

Reno.

Friday, April 29

3:00 a.m. An officer con-
fronted five people report-
edly drinking alcohol behind
Juniper Hall. The officer de-
termined the substance was
not alcohol. No charges were
filed.

11:11 a.m. An ambulance
transported a person involved
in a bicycle accident on Gran-
ite Avenue to Mad River Hos-
pital.

1:29 p.m. Officers could not
locate a transient who har-
assed a student in Forbes
Complex. Students last re-
ported the transient heading
towards Science B.

5:20 p.m. Officers confirmed
that a suspicious person
climbing through a car win-
dow into a vehicle was actu-
ally a friend of the vehicle's
owner.

9:36 p.m. UPD assisted
searching the Wildberries
Market area for a suspect pos-
sibly carrying a weapon.

10:44 p.m. An officer arrested
a person on Sunset Quad for
being Drunk in Public.

11:20 p.m. An extremely in-
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ly but chose not to go against the student majority.

"As a student representative, I wanted to send the message that AS works for the students and not the administration," Zeck said.

Another concern was that invalidating a student vote could undermine the entire electoral process, one that already suffers from voter apathy.

"We asked for an opinion here," said Alvarado, who chairs the committee. "We put it to a vote. It's not my responsibility to make decisions for [the students] when I ask their opinions."

The health fee referendum falls under Category I fees, which cover all charges that must be paid to apply to, enroll in, or attend the university. Under the policy established in 2000 by California State University Chancellor Charles Reed, changes in such fees are required to undergo a student referendum. However, the ultimate outcome falls under the authority of the university president.

Although Richmond has no official deadline for making the decision, the health referendum called for the fee raise to go into effect this fall. Butler said Richmond will probably decide before the end of the term.

"It's not my responsibility to make decisions for [the students] when I ask their opinions."

Nicole Alvarado
AS President-Elect

Besides consideration of the student vote, Richmond must also take into account the consequences of slicing between \$320,000 and \$380,000 from the Health Center budget.

"On one hand, it's very hard to go against the student vote, but on the other, [Richmond] is the university president and if he needs to fill a budget gap, that's his prerogative," Zeck said.

However, the fact that the student committee voted against raising the fee, coupled with the student vote against the referendum, may make the decision more difficult.

"It's cheap to take a student vote, then say that we're going to 'take it into consideration,'" Zeck said. "That's like an exercise in electoral masturbation."

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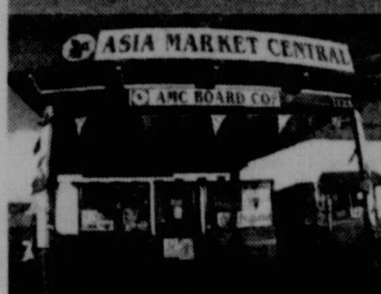
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Local printer closes after 20 years



Kira Rubenthaler

The Humboldt Printing Co., which was located in Fortuna, will close for business this summer.

Sayaka Rifu
Departing Managing Editor

After serving the community for 20 years, Humboldt Printing Co. will print its last newspaper on July 3. That leaves two printers in the area capable of printing newspapers.

The Eureka Times-Standard prints several news publications, including The Lumberjack. Managing Editor

Charles Winkler said the paper would be happy to talk to the publications interested in printing at its facility.

"What I understand is that we are always interested in new opportunities," Winkler said.

Press Room Director Brad Birdwell was unavailable to comment.

The Daily Triplicate's Production Manager Steve Chittock said if publishers decide to rush over to the

paper's printer after Humboldt Printing shuts down, it will do its best to serve as many new customers as possible.

Chittock said the Triplicate received several phone calls inquiring about the price. El Heraldo is one of the many publications that made the calls.

Editor Theresa Cruz said the Spanish-language newspaper eyes the Daily Triplicate as its prospective printer. The paper worked with the closing printer for four years.

Cruz said the Triplicate's price is comparable to what Humboldt Printing offered, and that the cost will remain about the same. The paper still remains uncertain about the distribution process, she said.

In order to switch to the Triplicate, El Heraldo will change its submission format to digital. Cruz said the publication used to submit paper copies of the pages to Humboldt Printing.

Cruz said she was sad to see the printer close, but has no problem changing the editing format.

"It'll be a smooth change," Cruz said.

Newspapers are not the only ones affected by the closure. HSU prints class-schedule booklets at Humboldt Printing.

Assistant Registrar Hillary Dashiell said the university will probably go to printers out of the area. HSU plans to make a decision by August, she said.

"[Humboldt Printing and HSU] had a long-standing relationship," she said. "We're sorry to see them close."

She said the business with other printers will not be the same as working with the local printer.

"It will not be as personal," she said.

Dashiell said the change of the company will not affect the design of the schedule.

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Crêpe truck ditching its wheels

After two years of searching, local business finally gets what it was looking for

Rose Mitchell
Staff writer

Renata's Crêperie located on the corner of 8th and G streets in Arcata will be moving to a new location, where Bohemian Books currently stands.

Renata Maculaus, owner and crêpe maker, said she's been looking for a sit-down place for the past two years. "Our location was in jeopardy and Bohemian Books [was available]," she said.

Her current location is perfect she said, but because the business does not have indoor seating it is seasonal. During the winter season the truck has to shut down, but with a sit down restaurant they will be able to be open year round and expand their menu. They will add soups and salads along with specialties already available such as their savory crêpe specials like a roasted yam crêpe with mashed yams and caramelized onions, jack cheese and crème fraiche. For that sweet tooth, a sweet-crêpe special such as a sweet sapha with strawberries, bananas, and crème fraiche topped with nutella and almonds might do the trick.

The new location will include seating and table service as well as a crêpe bar with new crêpe griddles which Maculaus picked up on her last trip to

France. They will be serving breakfast and lunch at least four to five days out of the week and are looking forward to expanding their service by serving dinners.

"We hope we'll be really complimentary towards the Arcata Theatre's plans," Maculaus said.

Maculaus opened Renata's Crêperie and espresso over five years ago after saving up the money to start her own business by working on fishing boats in Alaska and teaching in inner city Los Angeles before coming to Arcata.

Maculaus developed a love for food (especially crêpes) after working in the food industry as a waitress before coming up with the idea for a crêperie truck. She currently works with Danielle Stalder who she plans to add as a partner in the business. So far they are the only two who work the truck but it's a possibility that they will be hiring more people when the new location opens.

The artistic work that will go into the remodeling of their new location will be massive due to an "army of artists," Maculaus said. Being an artist she has envisioned an eclectic mix of antique furniture as well as incorporating part of the old bookstore.

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CRÊPES: moving to indoor location

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Tara Apperson

(Left) Danielle Stalder serves customers at the crêperie last Sunday. Stalder will soon be added as partner in the business. Currently the crêperie is getting ready to transition from a restaurant on wheels to a sit-down venue.

(Below) Renata Maculaus, owner and founder of Renata's Crêperie, is extremely excited about the upcoming move. Maculaus has been looking for an indoor restaurant for two years.

Quotes from the past owners may end up being shellacked into tables or the floor so that it will still carry on as a place to read.

"I want there to be continuum between businesses," Maculaus said.

She hopes that by the fall the restaurant will be rolling, however she is still unsure about where the crêperie truck will end up. "I don't want to retire the truck fully," she said.

Maculaus said the new location is "perfect in every way and people can look forward to a colorful, creative, yummy environment."

English sophomore Matt Clementz is excited to hear that Renata's Crêperie will be opening at a sit-down location. "The mango and strawberry crêpe smothered in Nutella and custard is an orgasm in my mouth," he said.

Arcata resident Ryan Reidy enjoys the crêpes thoroughly and can't wait to be able to try them when they are in their new location. "The crêpes are a fantabulous disco party in my mouth and they are so delicious I feel like I should be arrested after I eat one," he said.

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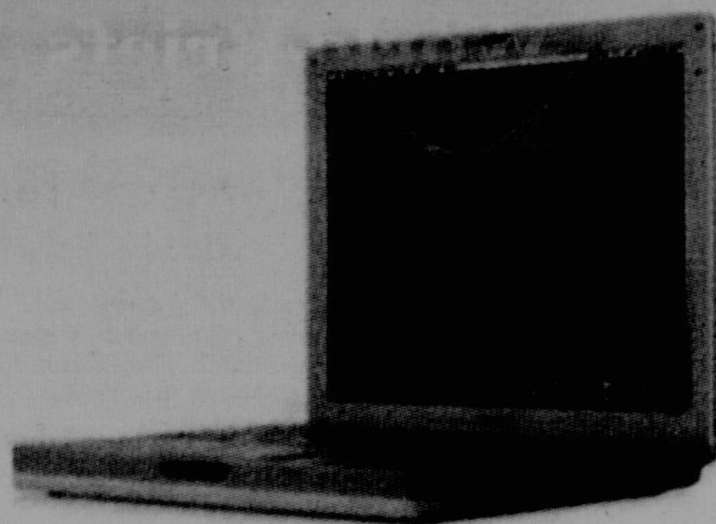
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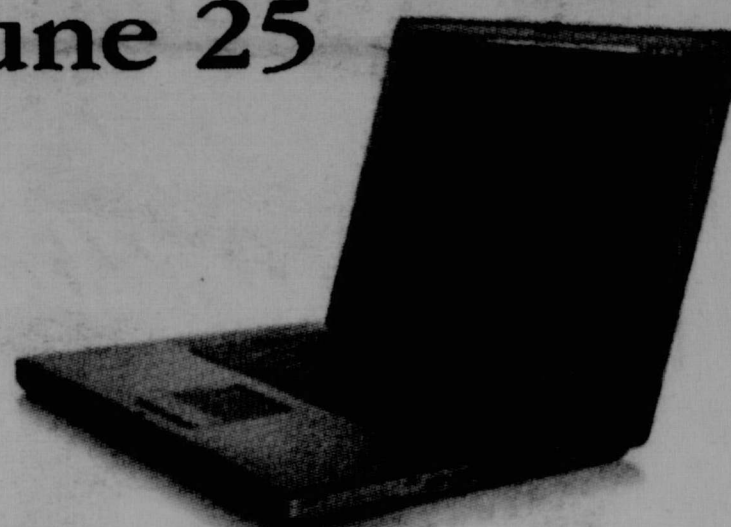
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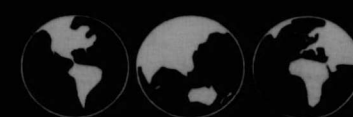
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Nuclear protests and conference

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Non nuclear states are frustrated by the Bush administration, which has rejected the nuclear test ban treaty and continued to develop new nuclear weapons.

The Nuclear Proliferation Treaty review, a conference that is held every five years, is currently being held in New York City. This is the seventh of its kind.

Many would like the conference to focus on North Korea and Iran, two suspected nuclear threats that have been difficult to negotiate with.

Soldier becomes one of eight on military death row: all are minori-

Hasan Akbar, an American Muslim, was sentenced to military death row for killing two fellow US soldiers and wounding 14 others while in Iraq. His father, John Akbar, said his son was subject to racial and religious taunts from other soldiers. His defense lawyers also argued that he was mentally ill, but he was still sentenced to death by lethal injection. Akbar may be the first prisoner on military death row to actually be put to death since 1961. There are currently seven other men on military death row; six are black and one is Asian.

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Graduation makes business boom

Hotels booked, restaurant reservations scarce

Shelby Lewis
Staff writer

If you are graduating this month, and your family doesn't have a hotel room booked for that weekend, start dialing now.

Those still looking for a warm bed have precious few options left as HSU's May 14th commencement ceremonies swiftly approach.

Not only were most hotels booked months ago, but they began taking reservations in September.

The standard reservation procedure for local hotels during the peak season is a two-night minimum stay, held with a credit card.

Loved ones coming to visit can expect to pay elevated rates to stay locally, because while May is not technically summer, many local hoteliers choose to overlook this slight glitch and switch from off-season to summer rates.

Front desk clerk Andy Ballot of the Best Western Bayshore Inn in Eureka said, "Graduation keys summer rates."

Ballot said last year was totally chaotic, with visitors to the North Coast being unaware that they were exploring the area during a high volume time of year.

Ballot recalled phoning hotels for travelers that had expected to have no trouble finding a room in the Eureka area. Every hotel Ballot phoned between Santa Rosa and Grant's Pass and over to Redding was full.

The unsuspecting travelers ended up sleeping on cots in the hotel's conference room, allowing them a slight reprieve before heading out to find that illusive place to rest their weary heads.

Carleigh Kume, a graduating political science senior, reserved a hotel room last February for her family to stay in during graduation weekend.

"It's really crazy around here at that time. There's lots of traffic and people don't know where they are going. It's chaotic," Kume said.

Kume also reserved another room that she didn't need just in case of an emergency. She ended up giving it to a friend who forgot to make reservations in time.

As of publication, all hotels located on Valley West in Arcata were booked full and had been for months.

North Coast Inn front desk clerk Bruce Span-

gler said he has to hold back laughter when people phone in early May looking for rooms for graduation weekend. He added that they began taking reservations in October and were completely booked by December. The hotel currently has a ten-customer waiting list for graduation weekend.

The following Eureka establishments had minimal availability as of publication; Super 8 at 443-3193 (\$117-165 per night), the Comfort Inn at 444-0401 (\$150 per night) or the Days Inn at 444-2019 (\$132-154 per night). All of these hotels require a two-night minimum stay. Fortuna still had various options. Try the Super 8 at 725-2888.

The Ramada Limited at 443-2206 in Eureka always holds back five rooms in case they've accidentally overbooked. They currently have 17 rooms available for graduation weekend ranging from \$135-145 dollars a night and require a two-night minimum stay. They also require cash or check; no credit cards are accepted for graduation weekend.

By the way, have you thought about dinner? You probably should if you don't want mom and dad to eat the macaroni and cheese you've been dining on throughout your college career. Again, your options are evaporating almost as you read this.

Most local restaurants on the Plaza can no longer accommodate large groups, but smaller parties can still slide in if they are flexible about their reservation time.

The hotel and restaurant situation is mimicked at the Arcata airport. Those wishing to fly in can still do so, but flights are hard to come by - requiring about a week's stay due to availability - and can cost roughly double the regular fare, Michael Hellmair, a travel agent at House of Travel in Fortuna said.

Of the eight flights servicing Arcata daily from San Francisco, there are only seats available on May 10th and no return seats available until May 17th. Hellmair said the increase in price was due to the two-week advance purchase required to get a reasonable deal on the same route.

Juniors take heed, have your family book everything - flight, hotel and dinner reservations - early for your graduation to avoid disappointment and possibly being disowned.

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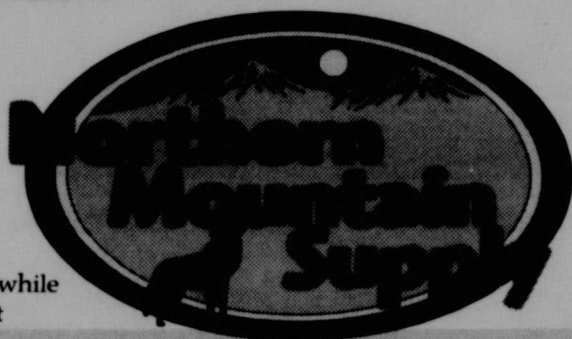
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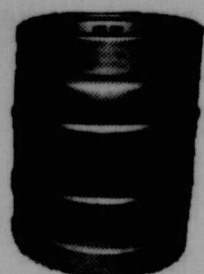
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Caesar Salad Romaine, Tomatoes, Carrots, Onions & Croutons Tossed in House Egg-Less Mango Caesar Dressing	\$6.50
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Soup Du Jour	See server for details \$4.95	

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Pizza Steak Marinara, Onions, Mozzarella, Provolone & Parmesan	\$7.50	\$14.50
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Vegetarian Specialties Sandwiches

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Herb Tofu Sandwich Tofu, Lettuce, Tomato, Avocado, Onion, our New Vegan Garlic Spread & Served on Whole Wheat	\$7.25
Tofu Submarine Brio French Roll Filled with Tofu, Avocado, Lettuce, Onions, Sprouts, Tomato, Garlic Spread & Choice of Cheese	\$7.75
Veggie Sandwich Your Choice of Bread & Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Cucumbers, Carrots, Mayo & Sprouts	\$6.25

Hot

Adams Tofu Herb Tofu, Feta, Grilled Tomato, Basil, Spinach & Served on Grilled Sourdough	\$6.50
Tofu Reuben Herb Tofu, Kraut, Swiss Cheese Between 2 Pieces of Grilled Rye & Served with a Side of 1000 island	\$7.25
Grilled Cheese And Tomato Choice of 2 Cheeses, Warm Tomato Slices Grilled on Sourdough with Lettuce, Sprouts & Onions	\$4.95
Soy Steak Marinated Soy Chunks, Onions, Swiss & Provolone	6" \$6.50 12" \$12.50

Cold Sandwiches

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Sweepin' the series

Women annihilate Central Washington winning all six games

Ray Aspuria
Sports/Online Editor

It was similar to watching a bully pick on a scrawny kid. It was just another weekend for the HSU women's softball team, looking unstoppable once again.

With six games against Central Washington in three days, the team made the most of it, sweeping the series.

The 'Jacks beat the Wildcats 3-2 in the first game Friday and 3-0 in the second. Saturday provided the same result as the 'Jacks beat the Wildcats 7-1 in the first game and 4-2 in the second.

The annihilation of Central Washington did not stop Sunday, as the women de-

stroyed the team 10-2 in the first game and 7-2 in the second.

Sophomore left fielder Meagan Sutherland gave insight into why the team fared so well against Central Washington.

"They suck," Sutherland said. "The pitcher we just faced is so slow and their defense sucks."

She did give credit to the team's offense though.

"They can actually hit the ball, but their defense is just crappy," Sutherland said.

Even though the games against Central Washington were non-league play, it was an opportunity for the team to keep up its cohesiveness.

"The season has been amazing," said senior pitcher Kara Roberts. "I've been here four years and the girls have gelled well."

Roberts said the difference in this year's team compared to the teams she's played for in the past is unity.

"The girls have all come together," Roberts said. "The hitting lineup is amazing. We're a team, there are no individuals."

Sutherland reiterated the comments.

"The season is going

good," she said. "We've been hitting the ball and the pitching is good."

Head Coach Frank Cheek said the team's pitching staff has been great all year.

"The pitching has been outstanding," Cheek said. "We have three good pitchers."

Those three pitchers are sophomore Tracy Motzny, freshman Lizzy Prescott and Roberts. Motzny sports a 0.86 ERA while Prescott has a 1.12 ERA and Roberts has a 1.36 ERA. Between the three of them, they have struck out a total of 378 batters.

The 'Jacks are still currently the No. 1 ranked team in the West Region of NCAA Division II Softball Regional Rankings.

"Out of the 275 Division II teams in the nation, we are No. 1 in the country," Cheek said. "We're hitting in the .315-.320 range, which means we get three hits for every ten at bats."

Junior third baseman Brandi Harrison leads the team with a batting average of .389 and eight homeruns and is second on the team with 48 RBIs.

Sophomore right fielder Nancy Harberson is second on the team with a batting average of .363. She has hit 4 homeruns and 34 RBIs.

Junior catcher Jessica

Padilla leads the team with 54 RBIs with a batting average of .331 and 4 homeruns.

Sutherland rounds out the team, batting .296 and coming in second with 7 homeruns. She also has 45 RBIs.

The combination of great pitching and an equally great hitting crew has also attributed to the team's 59-3 record.

"With pitching, we have an ERA of one," Cheek said. "We also have girls who can put the ball outta here."

While Cheek has put the losses behind him, he explained that the team had chances to win them.

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The Wildcats' catcher can only watch as Michelle Block (12) crosses the plate during Saturday's game.



Despite the slide, a Central Washington player is thrown out at second.



Andrew Chong, right, jumps over a barrier during the teams practice Monday at the Redwood Bowl.

Ray Aspuria

Quantam leap

Team makes strides this year, heads to championship

Ray Aspuria
Sports/Online Editor

Judging by the carefree and joking manner members of the HSU track and field team had at practice recently, you'd never know that the conference championship meet is just over the horizon.

Despite the laughing and smiling throughout practice, the team's determination to win was visible in each individual's eyes.

This weekend, the team is scheduled to travel to Ellensburg, Wash., for Saturday's Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC) Championships hosted by Central Washington University.

"We may have six girls going and 12 men going," said Head Coach Sandy Moran.

Moran was unsure of who would be competing since the

qualifying runners have yet to be published by the GNAC.

"Everyone (participating) is going to run all in one day," Moran said. "Most meets are two-day meets. We're going to go from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m."

Moran expects to the team to fare much better than last year's team performance at the GNAC Championship.

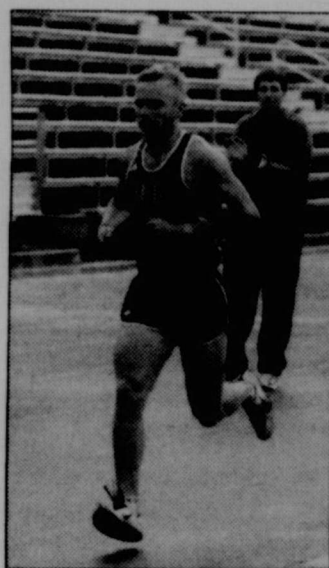
"Last year the girls were last and the men were near the bottom," Moran said. "We're definitely going to improve that."

Nicole Campbell, an environmental resource engineering senior, said she is scheduled to run in the 3,000- and 1,500-meter sprints at the championship.

"I'm focusing on the 3,000 meter for a qualifying time for a national race," Campbell said.

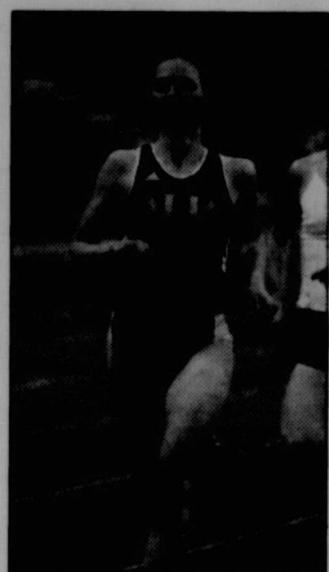
She ran in a 5,000-meter race

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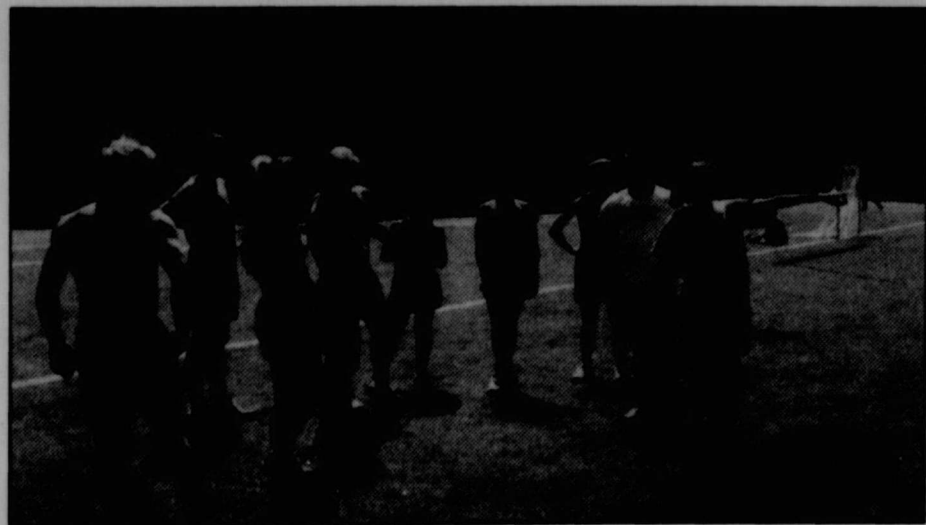
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Head Coach Sandy Moran, right, pointing out practice drills to track and field athletes during practice at the Redwood Bowl.

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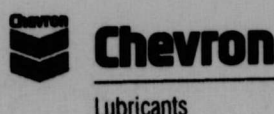
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The HSU men's rugby team has been tenacious all year, much like the photo above of an player running with the ball during a matchup against the University of Montana. The team carried that tenacity into the NCAA Division II Championship but fell to Northern Colorado University despite overcoming a 21-point deficit.

Knocked out

Despite fiery comeback, HSU falls short

Katie Deno
departing Sports Editor

Although the men's rugby team fell 24-22 in Saturday's national championship game against the University of Northern Colorado, don't think the team is dissatisfied with the way its season has gone. In fact, they're quite happy.

"It's very disappointing not to have won, but we can't be too sad," player Pierre DuVair said. "We're second in the nation."

That standing, for a Division II school that demolished many respected Division I teams on its way to a 15-4 season record, came at the hands of many hours of hard work and determination for the club team, which showed in its painful loss to UNC in Palo Alto.

HSU won the Elite Eight three weeks ago to secure a spot in the championships when it took down Florida State 35-7 and Michigan State 27-17.

"(UNC) was a hard game," Nate Miller said. "We played hard in the first half and didn't score. We came out in the second half and played hard again, and we finally scored."

"They scored 12 points off of penalties. That killed it for us."

Trailing at the half, HSU fell behind by 21 points just 10 minutes into the second half.

The game would not stay this way for long, however, as HSU began to break down the Bears' defense and produce critically-needed points.

"I was a little worried, we had never been down before and we had to make a comeback," DuVair said. "We got a lot of momentum and scored 22 unanswered points."

The 14-minute run gave the 'Jacks a 1-point lead, but the lead wouldn't be enough, as a UNC penalty kick with four minutes left in the game solidified a Bears' victory and national championship title.

"They scored 12 points off of penalties," Miller said. "That killed it for us."

The loss is not only HSU's first against Division II competition, and

is likely its last Division II competition for the near future. The team looks to move up to Divi-

sion I standing in the fall, DuVair said, and will open up next season with a game against Cal, a team that just clinched its 21st National Collegiate Championship title last weekend.

UNC finished its club season with a record of 9-2. The Bears defeated Georgetown University three

weeks ago 23-10 to advance to the national championships.

"(UNC) is a hard team, too," Miller said. "We saw them in Santa Cruz and they were a lot different there than in the actual (championship) game. They're a very good team."

Fans and supporters of Humboldt rugby hit the road with the team as well, including HSU's Marching Lumberjacks.

"There were a lot of fans up there this weekend," Miller said. "Most of them were alumni, we had more fans for us than some of the other bigger schools. It was really a fun season."

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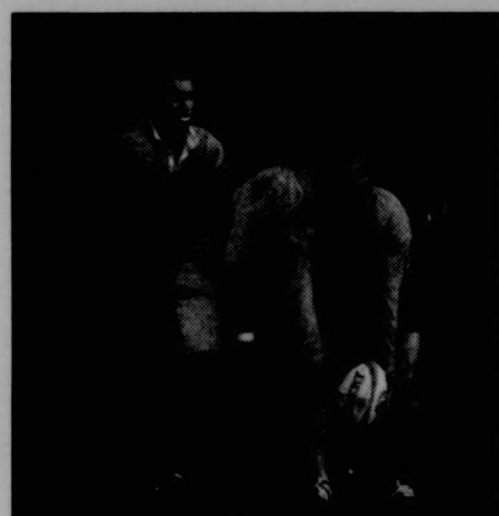
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RUGBY: Despite loss team ends ranked No. 2

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Top: The 'Jacks face off against the University of Montana rugby team April 2.

Left: A trio of 'Jacks during the teams practice in February.



Right: An HSU player attempts to evade University of Montana defenders April 2.

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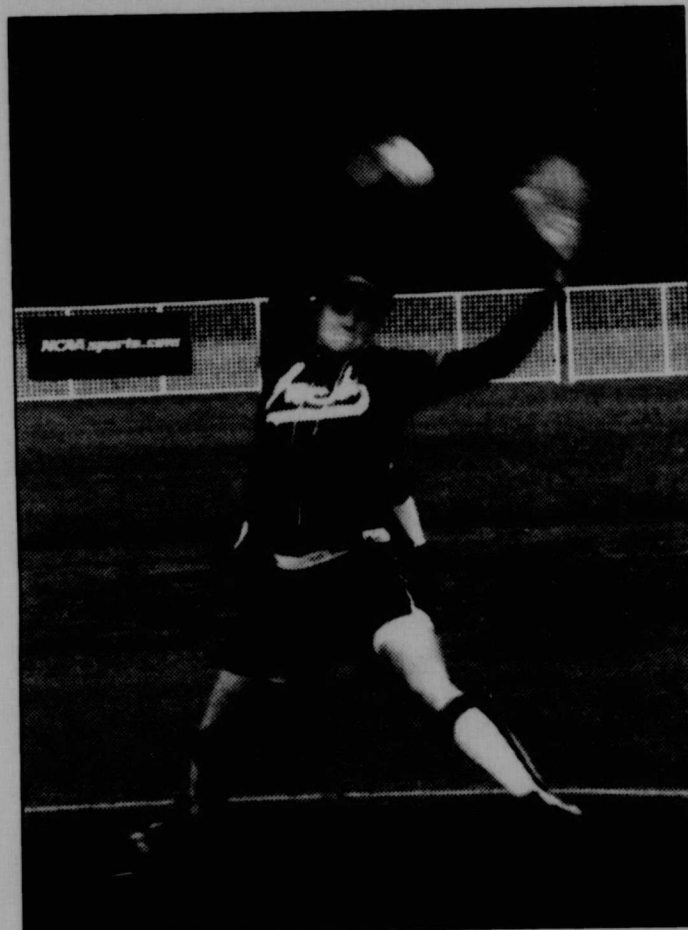
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Michelle Block unleashes a swing during Friday's matchup against Central Washington.



Tracy Motzny winds up to dish out some heat Friday. She struck out four batters while allowing only two runs.

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"We've lost three games," Cheek said. "Two of the losses we could have won, but one we just plain lost."

The women are currently riding an 11-game win streak, and are only one win shy of tying the school record of 60 wins in a season.

The 'Jacks are set to close out their regular season at home next week with a four-game series against Western Washington.

Cheek has one thing on his mind.

"We're going to win this league," Cheeks said, "our goal is to win the national tournament."

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The 'Jacks, along with Head Coach Frank Cheek, warm up by taking some practice swings Friday.

TRACK: Athletes enjoy closeness of team

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last Friday at a meet at the University of San Francisco Invitational.

"I feel a little tired running the 5,000 meter, it's longer than I usually run," Campbell said. "My body is recovering but I'll be ready Saturday."

Campbell added she'll be mentally ready for the meet as well.

Biology sophomore Jeff Spivey, a relative newcomer to the team, said his high school track experience is completely different from his experiences at HSU.

"Just the level of competition in college compared to high school (it's different)," Spivey said. "In college it's a lot more demanding and a lot more fun."

Spivey, who specializes in throws at track meets, said he enjoys the camaraderie that the track team has.

"Everyone is closer in college than in high school," Spivey said.

Brian Kostock, a kinesiology senior, has been on the team for four years. Kostock runs the long-distance races and enjoys being on the team.

"(I like the) team aspect, going around traveling to run races, and seeing other people on the team doing well," Kostock said.

An hour and a half before he hits the track and races, Kostock performs a pre-race ritual.

"Before I race, I try to find or make a smoothie," Kostock said. "I also listen to heavy metal music and that usually pumps me up."

Competing in the Mt. SAC relay was one of the most exciting things that Kostock has been able to do on the track and field team.

"I got a national provisional qualifier there," Kostock said. "It was a fun race and I had a good time."

The team's mindset is what makes this year's team stand out from previous teams.

"The attitudes are a lot different and we have new people on the team," Kostock said.

He hasn't changed his training regiment since joining the team four years ago.

"It's pretty much the same, just a little more mileage," Kostock said. "During the summer I was doing marathon racing."

Kostock specializes in long-distance races but during his younger years he ran sprints.

"I ran in seventh grade and did more sprints," Kostock said. "I progressively had gone up from the 1,500 up to marathon racing."

While Kostock doesn't consider himself the fastest in terms of sprints on

the team, there is no doubt in his mind he's the fastest in long-distance races.

"Jamal White, Andrew Wright

and Chris Binschus, those three are probably the fastest in terms of sprints," Kostock said. "But in

5,000 meters and up, I'm the fastest runner on the team."

Results

Last Friday, Nicole Campbell finished fourth among

a field of 19 runners in the 5,000-meter race, but missed an NCAA qualifying mark at the University of San Francisco Invitational.

Campbell had a time of 17 minutes, 51.85 seconds, missing the provisional qualifying standard of 17:50.00.

However, Campbell has already achieved a provisional qualifier in the 3,000 meters for the May 26-28 championships, placing her on the waiting list for NCAA Division II nationals.

John Daubenspeck also competed, finishing first in the 400-meter run. Daubenspeck came in with a time of 51.75 as fellow teammate Seth Astle came in second with a time of 52.08.

Chris Binschus and Kostock raced in the Cardinal Invitational at Stanford University last Sunday.

Binschus raced his third-fastest career 800 meters, timing 1:53.95.

Kostock ran in the 5,000-meter race and finished with a time of 15:11.00.

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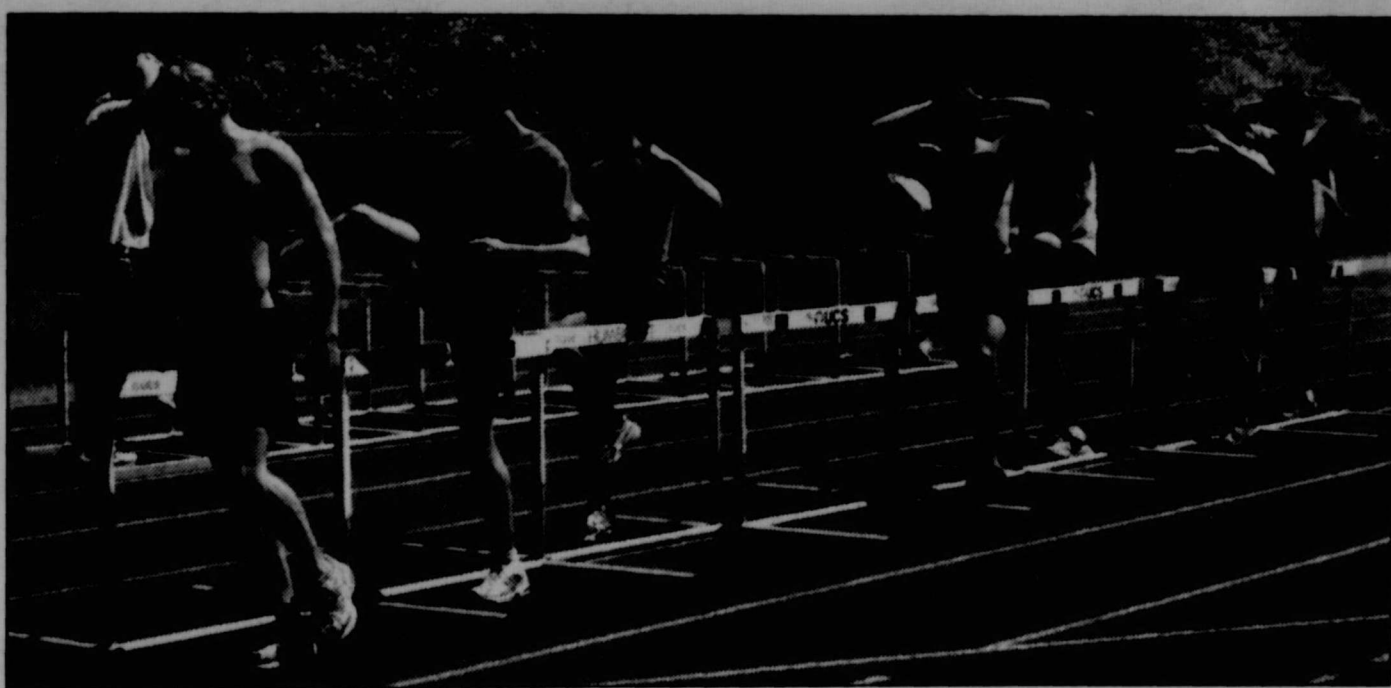
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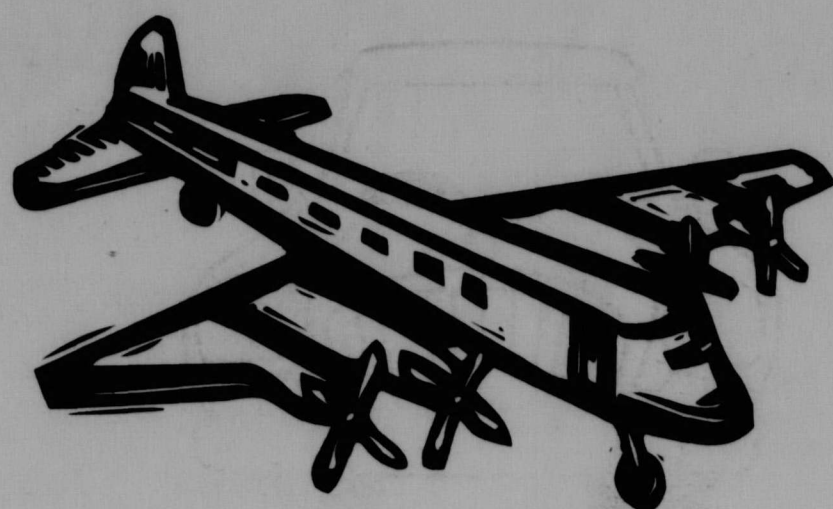
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Getting out of Arcata is usually difficult and expensive, especially if you have waited to buy tickets. Fran Tanner, a travel agent at University Travel on 11th Street in Arcata said, "Discount seats go very early. Flights are booked so heavily right now because of graduation."

If you were planning to book one of the discount flights to Los Angeles, but haven't yet, you may want to start looking for alternative travel options. "Those flights are full through May," Tanner said. The discount price is \$69, a mere penny compared to what it costs to fly from here to San Francisco. A search of online flights showed that a round trip ticket from the beginning of the summer to the end of the summer would cost around \$350 at the least. Suggestion: Use sites that give the option of searching for flexible travel dates. Traveling a few days before or after what you had in mind could be significantly cheaper. And remember, the earlier you start looking, the better chance you have of getting a good price. If you see one that looks good, scoop it up!

Out of the Bay Area:

Getting to the Bay can be tricky. If you have a car you need to figure out where to park it. Airport parking can cost upwards of \$10 per day. **Skypark.com** has a special right now for \$160 for up to 30 days. If you are going on a short trip, around a week or so, there is a "park and sleep" combination at many hotels. It costs about \$100 for one night in a hotel and parking in the hotel lot for the duration of your stay, plus shuttle transportation to and from the airport.

If you don't have a ride planned you will either have to take a bus or find a ride. Read on.

Quick Tips for Flying:

- A Check as many Web sites as possible to compare prices. Try at least five.
- A Remember only two pieces of checked luggage are allowed. A bag over 50 lbs. means a fee. Some airlines allow a surfboard as a check on piece, but you should call to find the airlines policy. Only one carry-on and one personal item (a purse or briefcase) are allowed on the plane.
- A Arrive with plenty of time to get through security. You never know when it's going to take forever, and don't lock your suitcase.

BY BUS:

Greyhound: Get your tickets ahead of time. If you wait too long, you might miss your chance. You can purchase Greyhound tickets online, but you have to get them at least two weeks ahead of time. They cost around \$70 round trip. If you are flying out of the Bay Area, you can take the bus to San Francisco or Oakland and then you have to take BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit) to the airport. It is best to take the bus to San Francisco because it is much easier and safer to get to the nearest BART station.

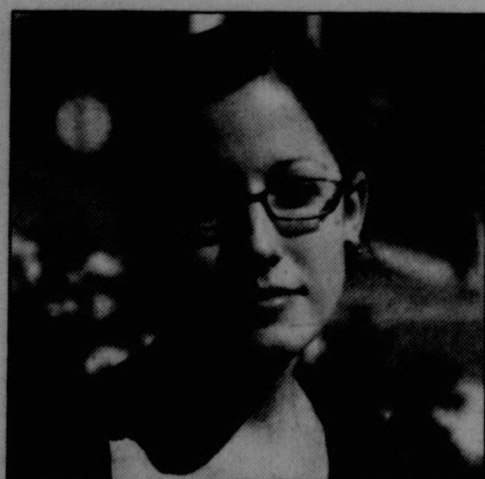
It's a tricky process if you haven't done it before, especially if you have luggage to drag around. Bring maps. Seriously. You don't want to take the bus to Oakland if you are flying out of Oakland because the bus station is in a shady area, and it is easier to get to a BART station in the city. BART goes right to the San Francisco airport. It goes to the Oakland airport too, but you have to transfer to a bus. It's easier than it sounds. The biggest challenge is getting from the Greyhound station to the nearest BART station.

You can get directions from www.bart.gov from the Greyhound station at 425 Mission, to the nearest BART station. The Greyhound station is also the transit center for city buses.

The best thing to do is plan ahead. Print out directions.

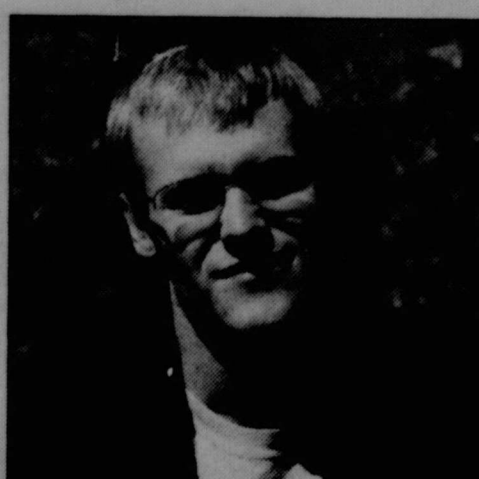
Amtrak: Though the Amtrak train doesn't come through the train station. It's a little more expensive, and a little more time on the route it can be faster.

What do you wish someone had told you before you started traveling by yourself?



Name: Kristin Snelling
Year: junior
Major: Art history

"Being a female, I wish I had known more of the way the men were in the region I went to (south France)."



Name: Chad Lanting
Year: senior
Major: English education

"General advice would be to plan well for the area you're going to go, but be open to changing your plans."



Name: Chiemi Sugiyama
Year: senior
Major: Environmental science

"Find a place to stay. Knowing something about the language."



Name: Colin McAndrew
Year: senior
Major: Industrial technology

"(To get between Eureka and Arcata) use alternative transportation. More people car pooling and not."

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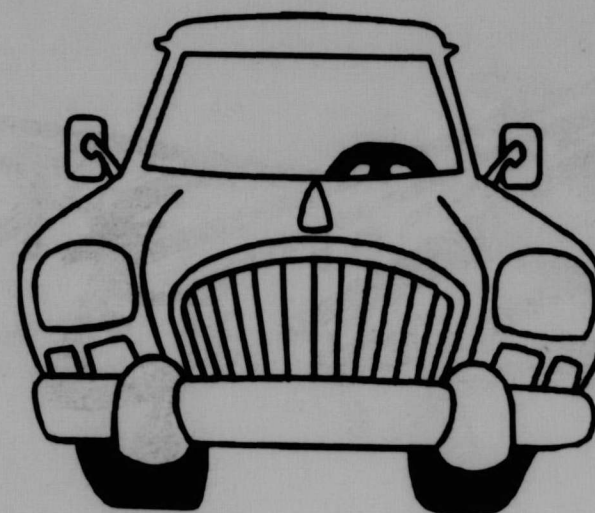
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Directions from the SF Greyhound (A) to the nearest BART station (B).

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BY CAR:

If you don't have your own car, carpooling is an option. If you do have a car and you don't want to drive alone or need help with gas, carpooling can be an option for you too.

You can check out the ride board at the Co-op in Arcata. The kiosk with listed rides is located at the back of the parking lot. But beware, getting in a car with an unknown person is a risk. It is best to meet the person before you spend a day or two in a car with him or her.

Discuss ahead of time how you are going to split the gas. Get that persons' contact information and leave it with someone who knows your travel plans. If you don't show up, at least there will be someone to worry about you. Make sure you have a lot of communication with the driver or rider about the exact drop off and pick up points.

Rental cars are also an option. If you are just driving to the airport it can be very economical. You usually have to be 25 to rent a car though. If you aren't 25 call the rental place and see if you can have someone co-sign for you. Some places only require that you be 21 to rent a car.

You can pick up a rental at the Arcata Airport, or in Eureka, and drop it off at whichever airport you are flying out of. Rentals cost only around \$40. It's a little more than a one way ticket on the bus, but it saves you time and you have a lot more control over your trip. If you are driving with someone else it makes this option even more economical.

Moving?

If you don't have a reservation for a moving truck, make one soon. If you live in the dorms and aren't enrolled in summer school you have to move by the weekend after finals. There is storage space in Arcata too if you are planning to go away for the summer and need a place to store your stuff.



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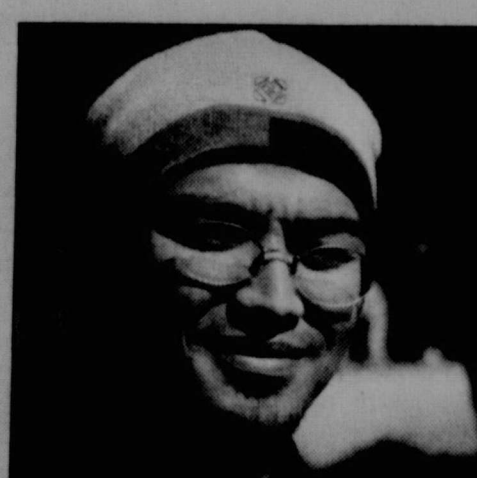
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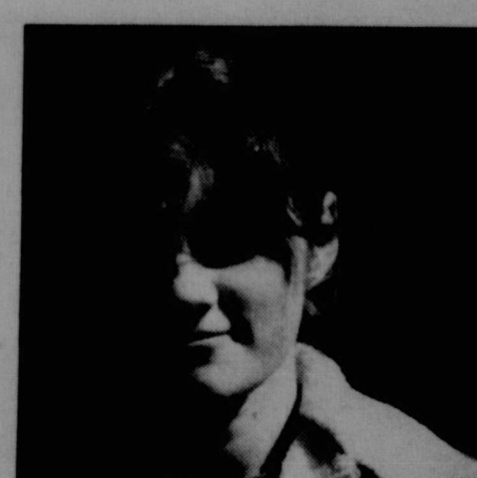
Name: Dawn Albrecht
Year: senior
Major: Social studies and geography

"If I want to see my sister in Canada, I have to have my passport (now). Little secrets such as discounts and where you can stay with your dog."



Name: Netra Khatri
Year: graduate student
Major: Engineering

"About the country where I'm going. About the people, their language, their religion."



Name: Emily Burns
Year: sophomore
Major: Undeclared

"You should probably bring food with you as opposed to relying on buying food when you get there."

Lumberjack Editorial

Vote on fee increase was anything but decisive

In a democratic society like the one we live in, a vote is considered a final decision. There isn't usually any turning back after the results. Apparently HSU doesn't feel the need to be part of the normal democratic process. Not only did less than 10 percent of the student population vote, a mere 850 students, but now the administration might override the student vote which shot down a proposed \$44 fee increase per semester.

It's a complicated issue. If the administration doesn't step in and raise the fee regardless of the student vote, the Health Center will fall apart. Currently, 70 percent of HSU's students use the Health Center. Those students may no longer have access to immunizations. This could prevent students from coming to HSU in the first place because many incoming students rely on the campus Health Center for the immunizations they need to start school. The costs of other services will go up too, and students who can't afford them will have nowhere to go, because other local clinics, like Open Door, would not be able to handle the influx. If the Health Center were to close, it would be chaos.

On the other hand, if the administration does step in, it completely devalues the voting process. If 90 percent of students here didn't vote before all this, it could get even worse in future elections. Students will lose faith in the idea that their vote and their voices count. It's a double-edged sword. Administrative interference equals fewer voters in future elections, but few voters in the first place mean results that may not reflect the true student vote.

So, where the hell were you? Maybe you didn't know about the vote on the health fee referendum because you didn't see any information. The voter guide, provided by AS, was awful and the opposite of informative. There were campaign advertisements, you probably see Nichole Alvarado's "we can do it" poster in your dreams, but information on the Health Center fee was difficult to come by. You actually had to do research on your own, and who would do that? It's ironic because people in this town try so hard to give the image of a concerned and politically aware community, but hardly anyone on this campus cares about our Health Center, which most of us use.

Since we can't change what's already happened, we'll have to move forward and deal with the consequences. Next time around we will hopefully go back to paper ballots. Apparently people are way too lazy to log onto Web Registration. We can also put it to a vote in the fall, but make the Health Center fee around \$20 per semester. Also, a suggestion to the administration: send out a mass e-mail to students. Even though half of us don't read them, maybe a few more voters can be found. At least that way you won't have to turn around and step on our toes by telling us that because we didn't vote the way you wanted you're going to pretend it never happened. Maybe next time the student vote should just be called a

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

STAR test if only for the school's sake

Dear Editor,

The annual STAR test is approaching and I just spoke with my son's language arts teacher. I had stopped in to see how he was doing. Upon seeing me, she asked if I was there to exempt my son from the STAR test. It is often the parents of high-achieving students who choose to pull their kids, I was told. Many parents, appalled by the state's focus on performance testing, choose to protest by excluding their own children. Well parents, your protest won't change the system.

Instead it will punish the school in one of two ways: pulling high performing students from the test lowers the school's overall performance, and subjects the school to various penalties should they fail to meet their assigned performance targets. Or, pulling enough students so that the school has less than a 95 percent participation in the STAR test automatically penalizes the school.

As you may have guessed, penalties mean even less funding than usual. Personally, I oppose standardized testing in general and the STAR test in

particular; however, instead of pulling my children from the test and punishing the school, I am writing letters and punishing the legislators. Those of you who have already pulled your child or children from the test, please reconsider. If you are intelligent enough to have a problem with the STAR test, you are intelligent enough to research the effects of your actions; both the intended and unintended consequences.

I am in the phone book should you wish to discuss this issue further, and give me an opportunity to convince you to allow your child to take the test. Please consider the effects of your personal action on the community as a whole. With virtually every school suffering from reduced enrollment, affecting the outcome of the STAR test is counterproductive if your objective is to secure a quality education for your son or daughter.

Matt Levesque
Concerned parent
Arcata

Population growth is entirely manageable

Dear Editor,

I know I am preaching to the choir in writing this letter, but this choir is disjointed and in need of collaboration. The Humboldt area, with its staunchly liberal slant, should understand better than any area that the world human population, currently edging toward 6.5 billion, is gargantuan. In speaking with people around town, and bouncing ideas off CCAT visitors and workers, as well as certain Schatz folk, I have developed a well-considered plan to reduce the population—and Humboldt is as good a place as any to start.

We need to eliminate a good 4 billion people, and though Mother Nature is helping (e.g., avian influenza) humans must take this matter into their own hands. Therefore, I propose we start a massive, indiscriminate, population reduction/sustainable food-supply, human-farm program. That is to say, we kill a lot of people and eat them.

This will work, slowly at first, if we pick out people to be killed through a lottery system. Some will be eaten immediately; others will be farmed for future food. Initially, we will not need to breed humans for food, but eventually this will be a neces-

sity.

A few considerations need to be taken into account.

We must understand that eating humans will probably not taste good. But we can work with that, and over time we can find a perfect balance of spices and sauces to go along with human meat.

Also, Americans are very fat and would need to be worked to make them leaner.

Another concern, in the distant future, is that if we reduce the human population by 4 billion, the remaining 2 billion—which was previously highly reliant on others for survival—will suffer. Survival is a social structure, and without that structure, I suspect many more will die off. But organisms have a tendency to fight for survival. The cause might be a reduction of another billion—give or take—but that wouldn't be too horrible.

Please, let us meet and discuss these issues further, maybe at an Arcata Council meeting.

Cevallos Lopez
Student
Arcata

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• Letters to the editor should be no more than 350 words and guest columns no more than 750 words.

• Letters and guest columns will be edited for grammar and spelling.

• Letters and guest columns must be received by 5 p.m. Friday for next issue consideration.

• Letters from the same author will only be published every 30 days.

• Letters and guest columns must include the writer's name, city of residence and phone number. Also include major and year in school if a student.

• Letters can be e-mailed (preferred), faxed, snail-mailed or directly brought in to The Lumberjack.

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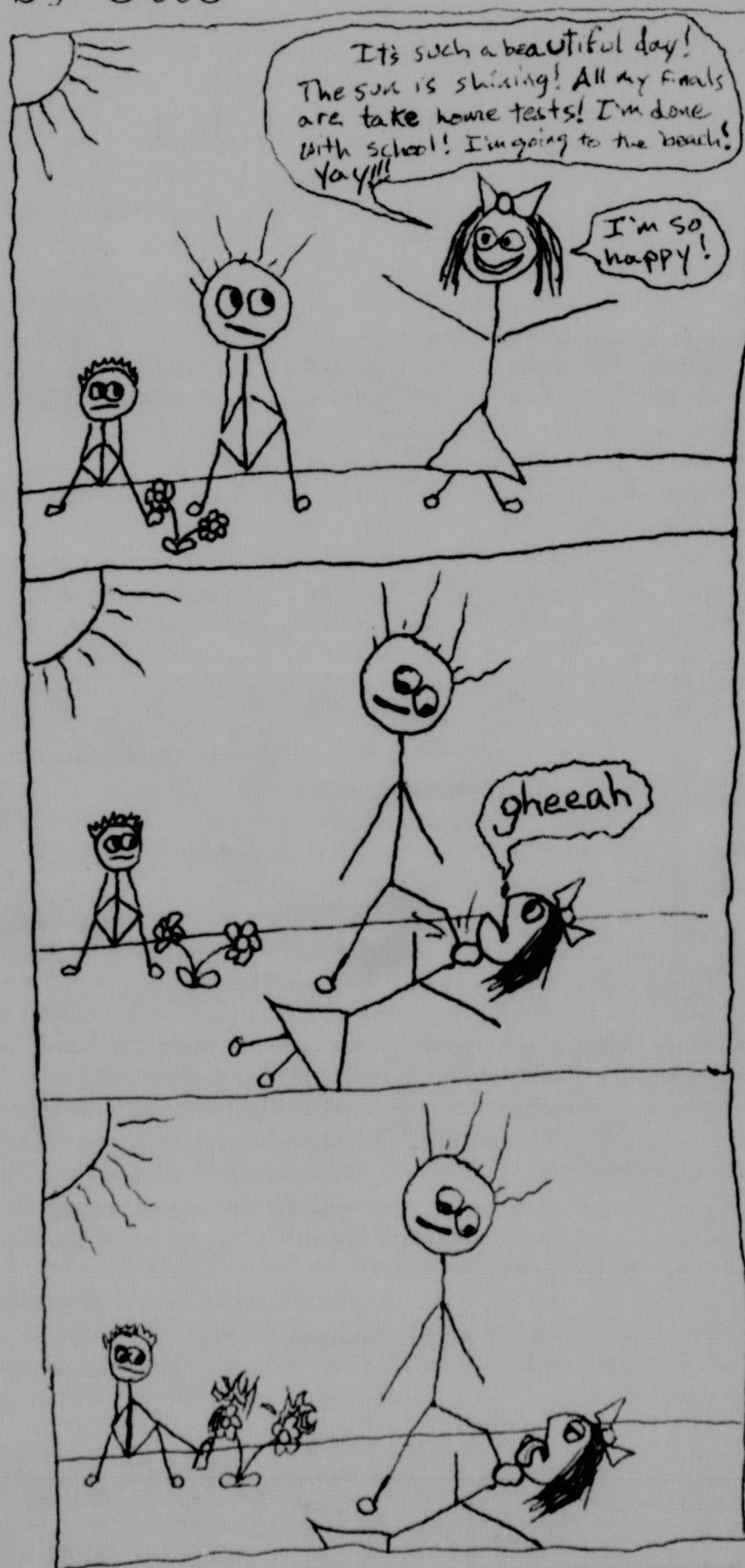
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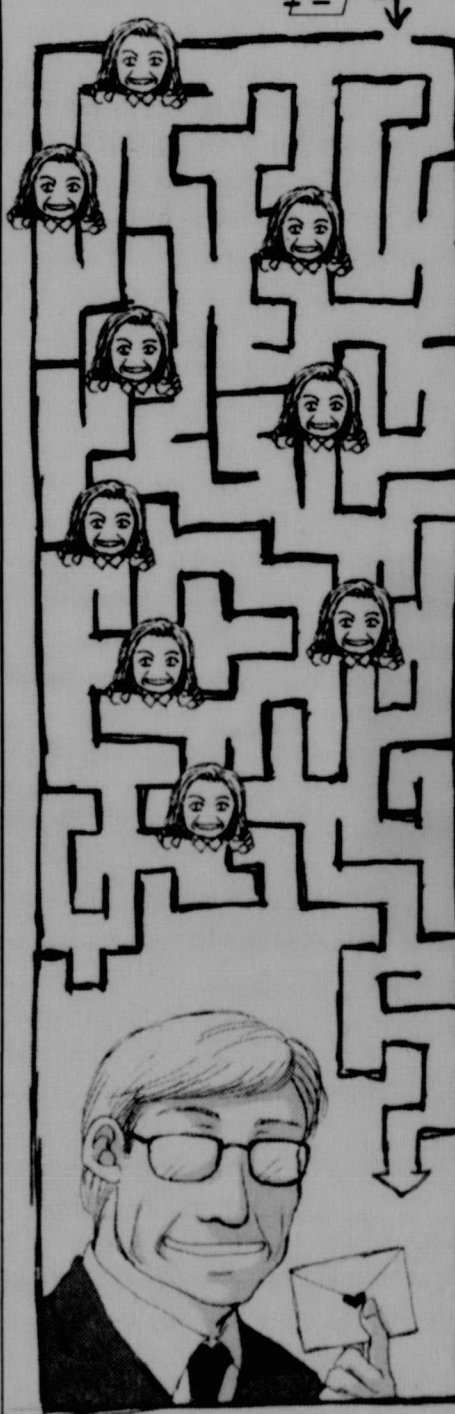


Mean Little Bastard by Otto



Adventures in Public Relations

Get your message
through to President
Richmond without it
being intercepted by the
PR Lady



by BitterNinja

Whaa
Whaaaaaaat?!

Stuff heard
out of context
on campus
and around town

The Double- Wide Edition

"I'm good when I
play with myself and
no one is talking."

Man overheard in The J.

"I've got 20 sodas in
my pants. I'm a mas-
termind."

Man walking funny on Highway
101 overpass

"Did I fall asleep
while we were doing
it last night?"

Woman to man on the lawn in
front of the Engineering and Bio-
logical Sciences Building

"Have you ever
thought maybe our
whole universe is just
one small particle of
some other huge uni-
verse that we don't
know about?"

"No."

Overheard in the hallway of the
Engineering and Biological Sciences
Building

"Did you know that
the Hibachi was
named after a pi-
rate?"

"Huh? Did he just re-
ally like to barbeque
while squatting?"

Man to man in the hallway of the
Engineering and Biological Sciences
Building

"Will the final be
comprehensive?"

"No, but it will in-
clude all the infor-
mation from the
first half of the se-
mester."

Student to professor in the hallway of
the Engineering and Biological Sciences
Building

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

Woman walking into The Depot



Heard something humorous, shocking or
just plain weird? Send it, along with the cir-
cumstances under which you heard it, to
loc1@humboldt.edu.

Help The Lumberjack spread the funny.
p.s. Just because it's summer doesn't mean we
don't wanna hear weird shit. Keep 'em coming!

A veritable deluge of wisdom ... and grapes



James Egan
Production Manager

I'm a lazy guy. I've struggled with sloth my whole life, and it's been an uphill battle all along. It's affected me in such a profound way that in my entire two years here at The Lumberjack, out of hundreds of ideas for opinion columns, I've only had the energy to put a small handful into print.

It might seem easy to write a column, but it actually takes quite a bit of effort. If you vent your frustrations without backup you come off as a whiny hack, and end up sounding no better than Andy Rooney. To make yourself seem right, you have to do research; sometimes you even have to talk to people. But there's no time for this now and I have a few things I'd regret not getting out there before I retire to the advertising side of the paper next semester.

So in the spirit of my retiring news mentor Luis Molina, here's a rapid-fire list of unrelated ideas.

- The statue of McKinley on the Plaza doesn't belong there. Having a likeness of the republican conqueror of Hawaii gracing the town center is the symbolic equivalent of slapping a "God Bless Bush" bumper sticker on an old hippie VW bug. We should wait until McKinleyville splurges and becomes incorporated (legally recognized as a real city) then give them the statue as a gift. Maybe a redwood could take its place—that would be more fitting.

- We need new automatic doors on campus. I'm not sure what the problem is with the doors now, but they work like they're powered by an extremely lethargic chimpanzee who watches the doors via surveillance camera. Apparently the chimp thinks only a good amount of awkward shuffling on the mat merits entrance or exit, and he really has it out for

Lumberjack copy editor Joe Freeman, who he has successfully managed to get smashed between the sliding doors.

- Arcata needs a hostel ... badly. Anyone who's lived here for over a year knows that the homeless situation is terrible. It's hard to generalize the homeless here; some are great people, some are terrible jerks, some are downright violent. A hostel would at least get them out of the rain. Sure it's the ultimate Band-Aid approach, but it would directly improve a dangerous environment.

- Don't call people hippies. The hippie movement is over, there is no such thing as a hippie. The "hippie culture" so often referred to is nothing more than fashion. You can't turn yourself into a hippie just by dressing up as one any more than you can turn yourself into a pirate by putting on a costume.

- Please stop using the word "Orwellian." This applies to students and professors. It was clever the first few times I heard it, but sometime over the next 500 mentions, it became a bit trite. Now every time I hear it, a little part of me goes republican.

- The Health Center should stop treating all women like dime-store floozies. From what I've heard a woman can go to get treatment for something as non-sexual as a toothache and she'll inevitably get the high-school-flashback-inducing spiel about babies and STDs etc. College students aren't children and certainly don't need to be treated like them. Just give them the codeine and leave it at that.

- Take down your Kerry-Edwards Stickers. Face it: there won't be a recount. Even if there were, they wouldn't be counting bumper stickers.

- Don't move the Telonicher Lab to Eureka. I admit, I only know the basic facts about the situation, but when a marine lab is moved from the pristine shores of Trinidad to the dioxin-infused ecological wasteland of Humboldt Bay, something's wrong. Richmond admits that the aim is to inspire growth in Eureka's economy, but how would a wealthier Eureka help students learn about nudibranchs?

- The Lumberjack needs help with covering race issues. Believe it or not, reporting about race issues on campus has been a growing priority for Lumberjack editors over the last few semesters. The problem is that we don't think the easy stuff, like covering cultural dinners or letting administrators ramble on about diversity in the campus pag-

es, really does the topic justice. When it comes down to it, as a mostly white editorial board, there's a lot we miss. This is why it's extremely important to help us find real topics to cover. Please, call 826-3271, write to thejack@humboldt.edu with ideas that need to be printed, or drop by the office in Nelson Hall East, right next to the big "COMMUNICATION" mural. Better yet, talk to Tara Apperson, the new editor in chief, if you run into her. This is what she looks like.



Strike up a conversation with her sometime.

- Leash your dogs around roads. Sure, they're amazingly brilliant animals, but for some reason they have a tough time mastering the concept of the crosswalk. It's cool to let them run around in the forest or on the beach, but if you really want Spot to be around for a while, keep him out of the roads. The fact that I'd be willing to sound like a public service announcement for a few sentences is testament to how strongly I feel about this.

- To the parents who took their toddler to the midnight showing of "Sin City" in April: You know who you are. Unless that was actually a dwarf who prefers to be pushed around in a stroller, you two should take a good hard look at your capacity to raise a kid.

- Grapes are OK with me. There's absolutely nothing wrong with grapes.

So there you go, the skeletons of the columns I never got around to writing. Write me at the address below if you feel I got anything wrong, or anything especially right.

James Egan is, in fact, a lazy guy. But how else would he have all the time to come up with these great ideas and answer all the mail he's sure to receive at jte2@humboldt.edu

Tipsy taxi idea moves to the next step

Emily Carpenter
Guest columnist

This is in response to an article published in The Lumberjack two weeks ago entitled, "Tipsy Taxi: works for UC Davis, why not HSU?" by guest columnist Erin Tracy. After reading her article, I was affirmed of my belief in HSU's hands-off attitude toward helping to curb the amount of students who continue to drive drunk in and around our campus and community.

While I realize that the weekly arrests for driving under the influence generate revenue for the county, a new system, similar to the one at UC Davis, must be established here in Arcata. To quote Ms. Tracy, "... how can the university even consider doing cost-benefit analysis on student's lives?" The issue is bigger than cost. There are people's lives and futures at stake.

Yes, I realize the program will cost some money to start, and possibly some to carry on, but as more students are saved from death or police records, it will become more successful and self-sustaining. UC Davis asks a \$1 donation for their service; why not ask \$2 here if our funding

isn't as large? The donation is still reasonable, but not excessive.

If gas prices are a consideration, make it a drop-off service only or charge more for going to and from parties/bars. These are just two examples of how we can take the program and amend it to fit our needs. There are countless others to be considered. I am now part of a group of students taking part in a political action project to propose

I write this, not only as a concerned student and citizen, but as someone who knows from experience how life changing and dangerous it is to be a driver under the influence.

our own taxi service to the AS government here on campus and the Arcata City Council.

At the time of writing this, we had contacted Paul Pitino, Transportation and Safety Committee member,

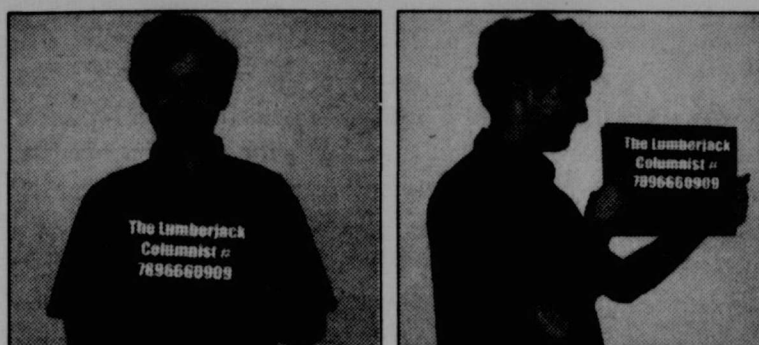
Vice Mayor Dave Meserve, and City Councilmember Harmony Groves, as well as HSU's newly elected AS president. We are also surveying the plaza businesses that would be affected by fewer cars being left overnight in front of their businesses, taking up the spots of potential customers the next morning, if a plan like ours were to be implemented in Arcata. So far we have received an overall positive response from those contacted.

I write this, not only as a concerned student and citizen, but as someone who knows from experience how life changing and dangerous it is to be a driver under the influence. When my unfortunate incident occurred in 2003, it was a reality check. Fortunately, nothing was damaged, except my pride, and thankfully nobody got hurt, but it spawned my idea two years ago for a community service/debt pay-off system where DUI recipients had to work for a shuttle service to prevent the same thing from happening to others.

Whether it is office work, making reservations, phone calls, etc. it would be a way to contribute and pay off the tremendous amount of debt incurred. My idea for this type of a program had fallen by the wayside until reading about the success of UC Davis' taxi service. Tipsy Taxi is having its 20th anniversary this year, and it couldn't be more successful. If a greater number of concerned citizens get together to lobby the governments of HSU and/or City Hall, I truly believe that a service such as this could sustain itself in our little community.

Emily Carpenter was obviously moved by the tipsy taxi idea and if you would like more info e-mail thejack@humboldt.edu

Consulting firm won't consult away problems



Adam Creighton
Campus Editor

R.W. Hicks told me, "Privilege might be a learning disability." Over the last two weeks, I have tried first, to understand, and second, to write about diversity, but coming from white, middle-class, heterosexual, non-disabled, Christian privilege means I'm fighting a pretty significant disability.

After I got the idea to write the story, from a conversation in the foyer of Founders Hall, I ran down those steps at the top of the university with a mission: I was going to tell the story of racial diversity at HSU. I didn't know what that story was but I knew someone did.

At the Black Student Union, I was fortunate enough to find an encouraging and strong voice in Mel Shaw, who knew from experience, what it meant to be on the defined end of the diversity debate.

The people doing the defining had some interesting insights. Hicks, at the top floor of SBS (if you ever have an hour to kill, you should meet this man), is a former HSU student, and a black man. He gave me a lyrical perspective on HSU's problem: paralysis by analysis.

From Manuel Callahan in the World Language and Culture Department, I learned what kind of a framework to look at the problem with, and though he refused to be quoted, I can at least thank him by name.

Keion Morgan, also a black man and former student, asked me as many questions as I asked him.

Helen Jones, the first person in the HSU administration to whom I spoke, and also, the first non-minority (unless

white woman is a minority) told me HSU was working to improve the situation, to increase HSU's recruitment and retention of students of color, but asserted that instituting change is like "swimming through honey." That phrase must be important to understanding diversity since it is the only thing she repeated during the interview that I didn't ask her to repeat.

And Rollin Richmond, president, head of the administrative body, seems to have a caring head on his shoulders. Diane Campos helped me get an interview with him, and he read off an itemized list of things that HSU has done to follow through with the diversity section of the campus strategic plan. When I asked him what the problem with diversity was, he said simply, "There's not enough of it."

But my question is this: why hire Noel-Levitz to tell us what our problem is, when there are students and faculty who do it for free? Does it take a research firm to tell us that it is hard to schedule classes, that Humboldt's natural beauty is one of our strengths, or that we need work harder to recruit and retain students from the "diversity market segment"?

Our retention of students of color has improved since 1995 when it was only 65 percent, last year, it was 74 percent. But those quantitative numbers give no reasons why people stay, or why they leave. Is a 9 percent improvement even significant? I'll have to ask my girlfriend, she's in a social research methods class and she knows how to tell significance mathematically.

All researchers can do is ask questions. Why aren't we asking the questions ourselves?

Or as Mel Shaw said, "Those people pouring their hearts out on the Quad every week are giving you the tools you need to make your school more diverse ... [Richmond] could have saved \$80,000, we're fighting for this every day for free."

And The Lumberjack is not exempt. From one issue to the next, The Lumberjack publishes stories that only oc-

asionally touch on diversity issues. For diversity training, the staff was only given one 50-minute workshop where we were chastised for our coverage of a fight between HSU students and a police officer last year. We should have reported it without framing it as a racial issue, as our headlines and photos made it appear.

In the past The Lumberjack has underreported events, and missed covering them entirely. There's hardly ever a story about Black Student Union, Mecha or Residents of Color Council, but zombies get 400 words in the features section. (November 10, 2004)

By the school's definition of diversity, The Lumberjack has 5 staffers who are diverse on a staff of 25. We don't represent the population of the people of California, 67 percent of which is non-white. When you put us in a lineup, we're pretty white (and some of us aren't too pretty ... it's what too many deadlines in Nelson Hall basement

strung out on coffee, will do).

If you have a complaint about the way The Lumberjack handles diversity, please, tell us.

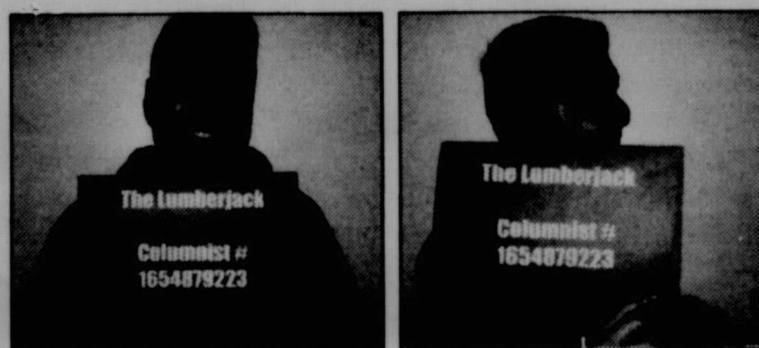
Helen Jones told me, "I think talking is action," and to an extent, it is. We need to discuss our problems, honestly, and in public forum, so that all people involved have a chance to have their concerns addressed, or else it may lead to a group of unaffected people making decisions for the ones that are. We need talking, but ultimately, we need action.

I hope the Council on Diversity HSU is forming for the next semester will be a source of action.

The value of diversity is not measured in dollars, it is measured in having a more complete perspective. Education is enriched by diversity, and in a school famous for open-mindedness, I'm surprised that our diversity policies are receiving failing marks.

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Trying to park on this campus sucks supreme



Ray Aspuria
Sports Editor

After being at HSU for nearly nine months, there is one particular problem on campus that has persisted. Parking.

Take a look around. Almost every parking lot on campus is full. Especially during the hours when classes are in session.

Those hours are from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

During those times it is nearly impossible to find a parking spot on or near campus.

As anyone who lives in the Creekview dorms can tell you, trying to park your vehicle up there can be like trying to win the lottery.

Each time you leave in your vehicle it's a gamble. You're betting on whether or not you will be able to find another parking spot up there. And when you do, you're surrounded by elated joy. When you don't, you have to find another spot somewhere else on campus and make that damned

trek up the hill.

It's no different anywhere else.

During peak hours, you can see people zooming and speeding in various parking lots on campus attempting to find an empty spot or someone leaving.

How many times have you been cut off trying to get into a parking spot?

Face it; parking, like gasoline, is at a premium up here.

What makes matters worse more often than not is the parking lots and spaces are filled with cars that don't even have parking permits. Walk around the parking lots when you're near and take

a look if the cars have parking stickers on their bumper. You'll see a lot of them without a permit.

Many students didn't pay the \$60 parking permit fee to find vehicles parked in permit required lots without a sticker.

It's a sight to see however, especially with the high gas prices in the county.

Many students come from southern California and they have no choice but to bring their vehicles for the move up here. I had to do that. But how many students regret bringing their cars up here now?

On top of finding the spots and gas prices, have you

ever looked around and noticed that everything is almost within walking-distance?

It took me nearly nine months to realize that the usage of my car has dropped significantly after the first week it was up here.

Before I ever step foot on campus, I attended an HSU function in L.A. There parents and students were told by university representatives including President Rollin Richmond, trying to park your vehicle on campus is ill-advised and students are better suited walking, biking or using the public transportation, i.e. buses. They basically told everyone who was there not to bring their vehicles.

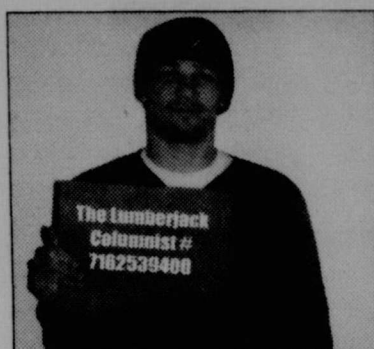
A number of students did not heed the warning. Now we are all suffering.

Everyone has their own reasons for bringing their vehicle up here and I don't want to argue those points.

But with ever increasing-gas prices and the closeness of several destinations that can be reached by foot or bike, take all that into consideration future and returning students—leave your cars at home.

Ray Aspuria has undoubtedly accrued a large amount of debt in the form of parking tickets and if you can't find him parked in a loading-zone, he can be reached at jackasspuria@gmail.com

Curbing football budget will add to HSU's woes



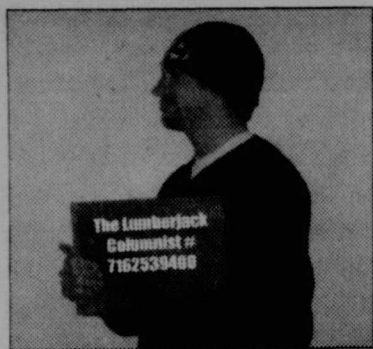
Sean Quincey
Staff writer

"Bring diversity to Humboldt. At the same time, cut financial corners wherever possible because the State put your budget in the corners it needs to cut." That's what a lot of people seem to be saying these days.

Sure, satisfying these requirements is a tougher task than getting Mark McGwire to admit to using steroids, and HSU administrators must do it every year it seems, but cutting our football program is not the answer. For the same reason Big Mac didn't tell the world he took the juice, cutting football at HSU would only cause more problems and wouldn't really solve anything.

My apologies for mentioning a 'roider, sorry, accused 'roider in the same breath as the university but the same logic applies in this case.

Covering the budget cuts over the last couple of years, in particular what the athletic department did as a result of the cuts, I've heard ideas from the most, should I say, non-athletically inclined people on what the department should do to cope with the more than \$500,000 that was diverted from its budget over the last two years. People have suggested that football should only use one coach and have volunteers for the other seven positions. Right now there



are four paid football coaching positions within the department. One time even, someone looked me dead in the eye and said that *all* sports here should drive themselves to away games and shack up with members of the other team the night before a game to save on traveling expenses. Who are we—ultimate Frisbee?

Now, you don't have to be a muscle-bound middle line-backer to have insight on where money is needed, hardly, but give some of these ideas a thought before blurting them out.

Think about the diversity football provides HSU. Every year between 85 and 100 guys are on the team and each year more than 50 percent of them are minorities. What other program can say that? Take away football and you take away a big reason why many minorities choose HSU.

Every year between 85 and 100 guys are on the team and each year more than 50 percent of them are minorities. What other program can say that? Take away football and you take away a big reason why many minorities choose HSU. And sure, football is a male-exclusive sport, but it brings women to Humboldt, too. No, not ones who come to watch the games, ones who have programs created at HSU because football exists.

Many proponents of the extermination of football also think women's sports are often overlooked or under-funded by the athletics department.

HSU is one of the few CSUs around that is Title IX compliant. Title IX says the number of women and men participating in athletics at a school needs to be within five percent of those same enrollment numbers. If football was cut, that's about 90 men subtracted from athletics. To remain compliant with Title IX, at least one women's sport

with significant numbers would have to be dropped from the program.

Then what happens when we get out of this budget crisis we are in now? It would be a costly operation to get these programs up and running again.

Think about Chico State's situation. Chico dropped their football program years ago and fundraisers within that university saw alumni stop or significantly reduce their amount of support they supplied the school. The constant gripe was, "Why should I support the university or athletics program when the sport I loved most is gone now?"

And alumni aren't the only ones the university would have trouble trying to get financial support from if the sport were cut. Many local sponsors are proud of the fact they support the only Division II football program in California. Do you

think those dollars would still come to the school or athletic program minus football? Thousands of fans would keep their five or ten dollars in their pockets on Fall Saturdays instead of supporting the school by paying admission and buying snacks.

It's not surprising to see the opinion people in Humboldt County have about football given the liberal nature of folks here. "It's a barbaric, chauvinistic sport," some say. Football has a tremendously positive influence on the university and students who attend HSU.

Before you discount football because of its high traveling costs or stereotyped perception, consider the steps backward we as a university would take if it were stolen

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The night can't be taken back without proper support from the community and HSU

Mark Bauermeister
Guest writer

April 15 marked the day of outcry among the largest oppressed group in our society, women. Their cries for justice, social awareness and change encompassed Arcata, turning heads of pedestrians and motorists alike, probably wondering to themselves what the fuss was about as the chanting marchers pushed forward.

Due to a lack of support, misconceptions regarding the event and a limited budget for advertising, only a sparse crowd of supporters witnessed the honesty and compassion seeping from the pores, mouths and hearts of those exposing their deepest fears. Take Back the Night was the theme on Friday the 15th, and for at least one night they did exactly that.

Both men and women gathered to listen and discuss their concerns over the issues of oppression that encompass the lives of women.

Take Back the Night is and has been an ongoing annual gathering of all those opposed to violence and social injustice aimed at women. If you aren't familiar with Take Back the Night, don't feel like you've been out of the loop. Many of us from the conscious feminist to the everyday perpetrator of violence against women do not know about this

event.

Much like the voices for justice going unheard for women, so to is the awareness of the daily struggle they endure to just be human. This lack of knowledge, awareness, and participation surrounding this event underscores the oppressed state and status of women in our country.

Energies were high, but the lack of interest was noticeable as male and female students trickled in and out of the HSU Quad, expressing little empathy for the cause.

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However, a group of male participants met while the women participants marched throughout the community. The motive of the men's group was to develop ideas regarding how local efforts among the male population could help improve the sense of apathy toward women's issues.

It also focused on taking responsibility as men in this society to see to it that positive change can happen. Unfortunately, only 20 of the more than 4,000 men who are members of HSU faculty, staff and student population were present for the men's group.

The points discussed during the men's group focused on campus security, increased funding for sexual assault

programming, training and advertising aimed specifically at men and curriculum reform. In particular, the issue of furthering progress on the construction of blue-light emergency towers was discussed.

The groups' conversations also centered on academic requirements, asking the question, "Why is it not required for HSU students to take a Women's Studies course in general education?" There's a Diversity and Common Ground requirement, why not a women's studies requirement?

Another important issue discussed was the lack of funding for awareness of women's rights and social issues, especially efforts aimed toward men who make up the majority of those who perpetrate violence against women.

The men's group attributed much of the lack of funding and support for women on this campus, including the academic fields, to the fact that a prevailing male dominated system of governance controls this institution, as well as much of the country.

As this year's event of Take Back the Night has come and passed without much interest to our community and university populations, it will hopefully become an issue of greater importance in years to come.

We can all take measures to ensure the promotion of a safer, more tolerant and progressive campus here at HSU and beyond.

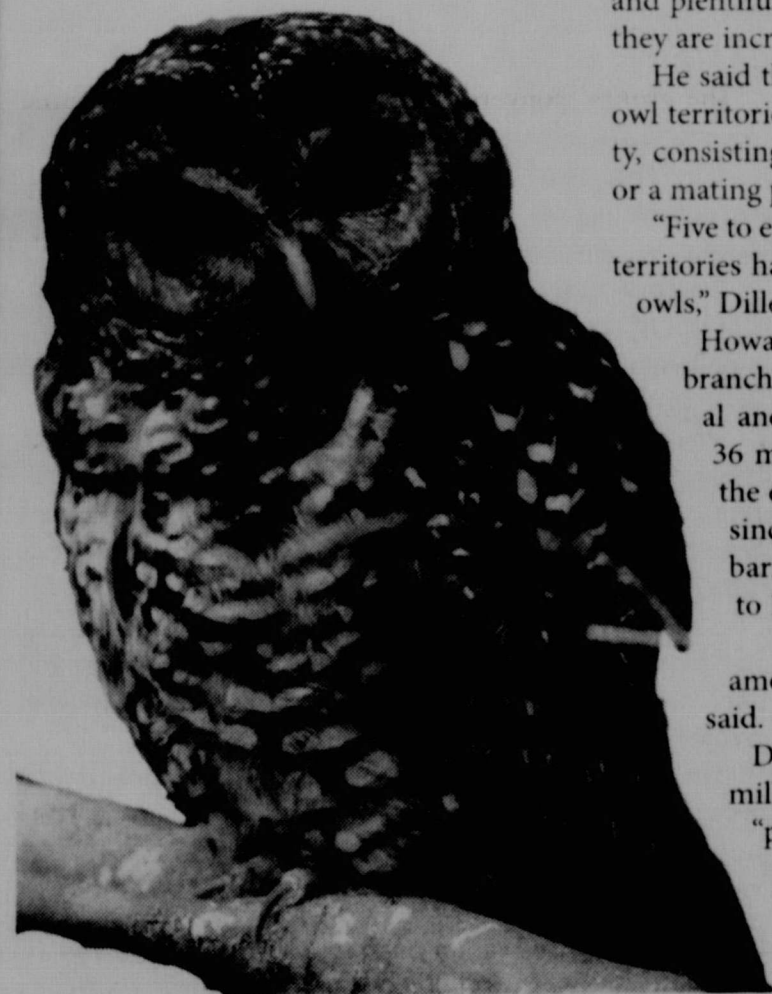
Mark Bauermeister was a participant in Take Back the Night and is confident that it could improve with more support

Evicted owls

Northern California spotted owls face displacement as barred owls move into their territory

Jessica Cejnar
Science Editor

Once the victim of habitat loss due to logging, spotted owls are facing a new threat. Barred owls, their larger more aggressive cousin, are making their way south from Canada, evicting spotted owls from their territory as they go.



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Spotted owls hoot to establish territory.

Lowell Diller, senior biologist for Green Diamond Timber Company, said when he started working for the company in 1990 — Simpson Timber Company back then — there was one barred owl on their property just east of Blue Lake.

"They were abundant in Washington and plentiful in Oregon," he said. "(Now) they are increasing here."

He said there are currently 160 spotted owl territories on Green Diamond property, consisting of at least one resident bird, or a mating pair.

"Five to eight percent of our spotted owl territories have been taken over by barred owls," Diller said.

Howard Sakai, fish and wildlife branch chief for Redwood National and State Parks, said there were 36 monitored spotted owl pairs in the early 90s. Their numbers have since dwindled to 17 pairs, while barred owl pairs have increased to 19.

"We have lost a substantial amount (of spotted owls)," he said.

During the Pleistocene era 1.8 million to 10,000 years ago, the "parent species" of spotted owls and barred owls took refuge in the coniferous forests of Baja Calif., Mexico and Florida, Diller said. After the Pleistocene the species had split into the present-day owls

and began to move northward. Spotted owls moved along the West Coast to British Columbia and barred owls became common along the East Coast.

"(Barred owls) began to move across the northern portion of North America and down the West Coast," Diller said.

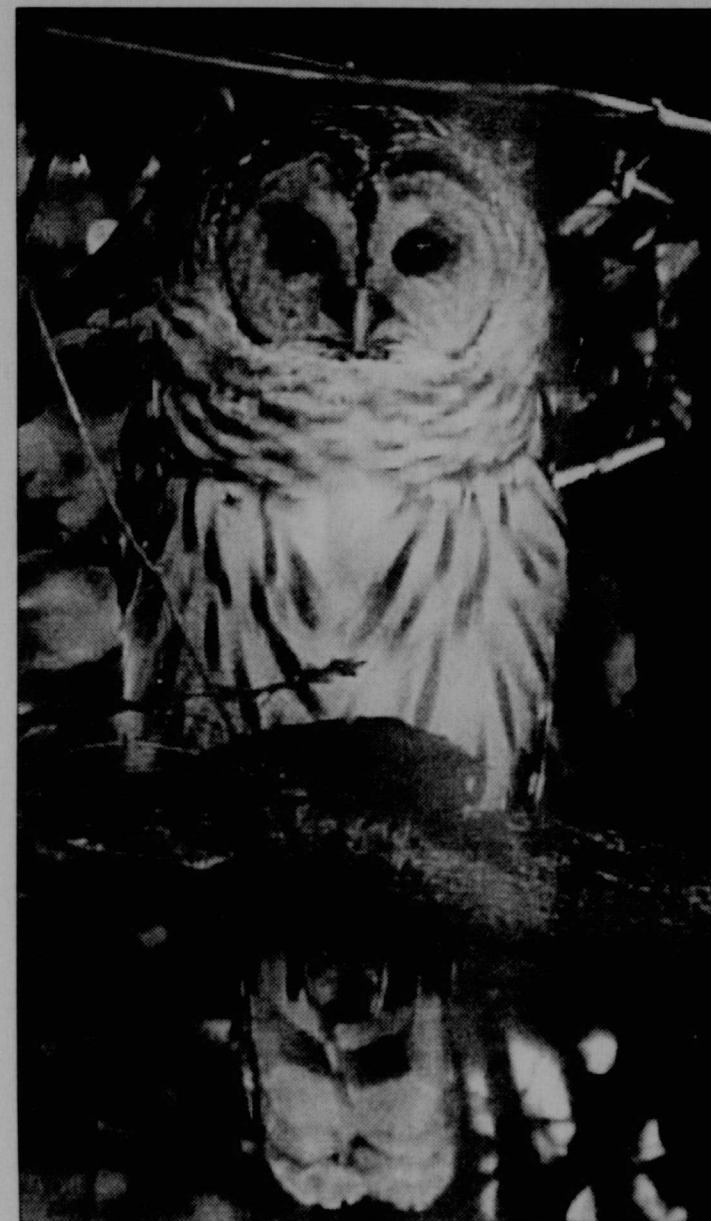
Sakai said barred owls in the parks started first at Jedediah Smith State Park, with sightings at Redwood Creek. He isn't surprised that Green Diamond has been seeing some.

According to "The Sibley Guide to Birds," barred owls are only three-and-a-half inches larger than spotted owls, which are 17.5 inches in length. Spotted owls weigh 1.3 pounds, while barred owls weigh 1.6 pounds.

Another difference between the owls other than the slight variation in size and weight is their diet. Diller said barred owls eat a variety of animals including amphibians and reptiles, while spotted owls are more specialized. Spotted owls in Canada, Washington and Northern Oregon feed primarily on flying squirrels, while in Southern Oregon and Northern California they feed on the dusky-footed wood rat.

"If the owls weren't largely territorial, they could coexist," Diller said.

Both spotted owls and barred owls establish territories by hooting. Diller said



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Barred owls have made their way from the East Coast westward across Canada to the Pacific Northwest.

usually a barred owl will come into an established spotted owl territory and a conflict will ensue with the intruder ending up the victor.

Sometimes spotted owls will continue to live in a territory that has been taken over by a barred owl but won't hoot anymore.

"Their whole social system is disrupted if the owl can't hoot," Diller said.

Usually if a pair is nesting when a barred owl shows up, they finish nesting and leave. Diller said there has only been one documented case of a spotted owl being killed in a barred owl struggle.

Tom Leskiw, a hydrological biological assistant for Six Rivers

National Forest and a contributor to the "Humboldt County Breeding Bird Atlas," which made its debut at this year's Godwit Days festival, witnessed the only documented case of a spotted owl being killed by a barred owl.

In a written account of what happened, Leskiw stated that he had been out on the Skunk Cabbage trail in Redwood National Park with other birders working in support of the bird atlas, when they came upon a fresh spotted owl carcass.

"We encountered the carcass at 2 p.m."

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Lowell Diller
Green Diamond senior biologist

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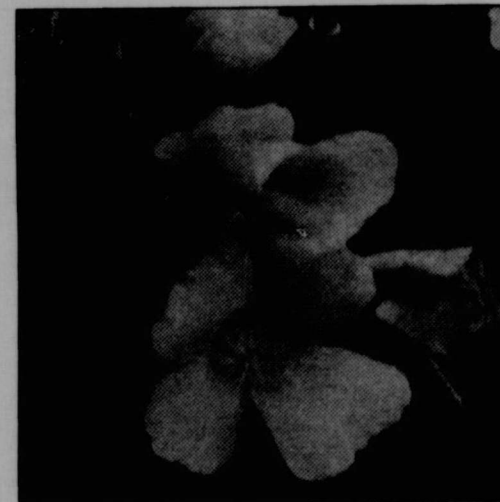
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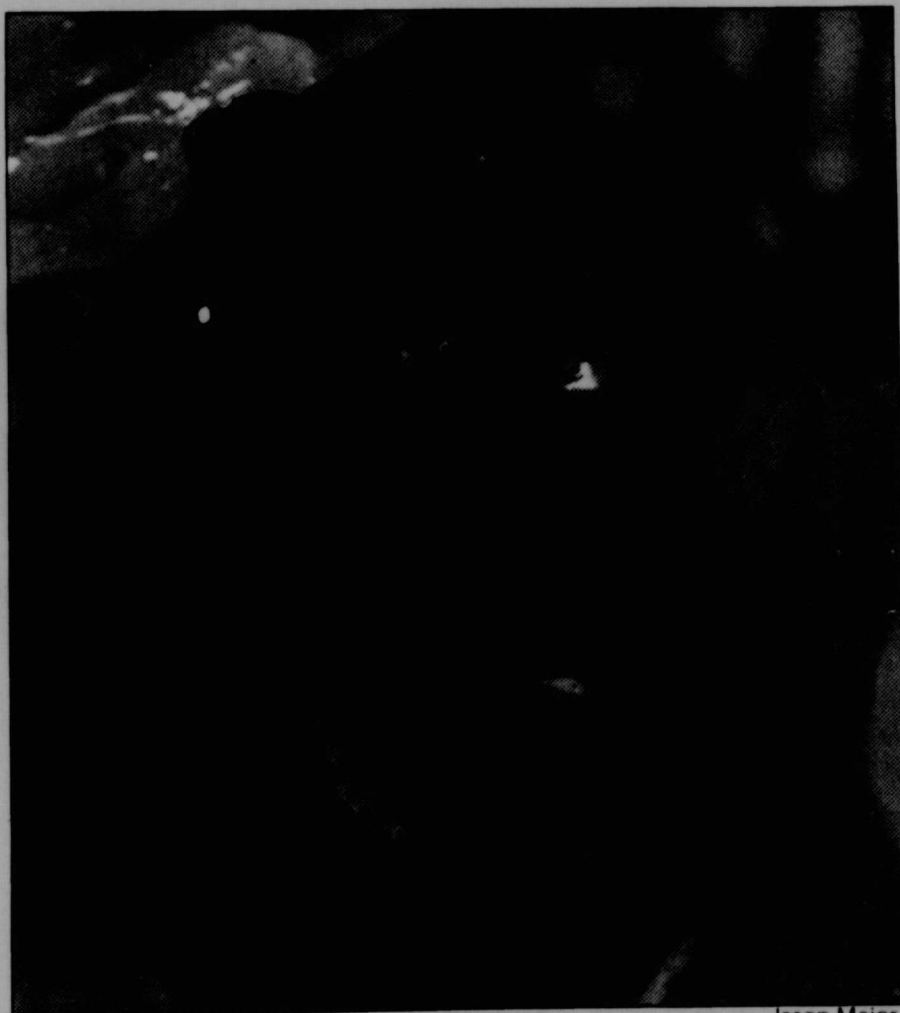
Jason Major

Left: Rough-skinned newts (*Taricha granulosa*), are the most aquatic of the Pacific salamanders. This one was found on the Skunk Cabbage Trail in Redwood National Park.

Below: California poppies (*Eschscholtzia californica*) is recognizable by its finely divided bluish-green leaves and orange yellow flowers. Because it is our state flower, it is legally protected, so don't pick it



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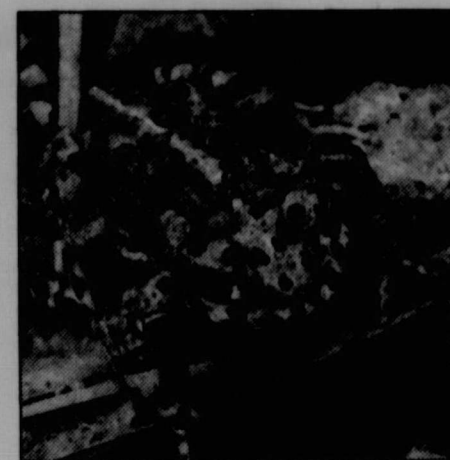
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Painted ensatina salamanders (*Ensatina eschscholtzii picta*) love cool humid habitats such as the redwood, oak and cedar regions along the coast. This one was found in Redwood National Park.



D. A. Venton

Left: The rose-covered trellis in the garden behind the Bret Harte House offers students a shady refuge away from the hustle and bustle of classes.



Jason Major

Above: Boreal toads (*Bufo boreas*) spend the winter in squirrel burrows. This one was found in the mountains east of Horse Mountain.

Celebrated reducers

Robert Deane
Staff writer

Eureka's Vector Rehabilitation Center won the award for Best Business Waste Prevention Effort in this year's annual Humboldt County Waste Awareness Week.

"We recycle our shredded paper and cut our scrap paper into scratch pads," said Patrick Brown, a staff member at the rehabilitation center. "We also take our shredded paper and our food by-products to the worm bed one of our employees has in the back."

The event is in its 13th year and took place from April 19 to the 24. The awards were handed out at the end of the week.

"Waste awareness week is something we do to make people aware of the waste we produce and how to reduce it," said Humboldt County Division of Environmental Health and Waste Reduction Coordinator, Louise Jeffrey.

The reward for winning a waste awareness prize was a lamp made out of recycled materials and a certificate.

Individuals or businesses seeking to compete for these awards had to go through an application process.

"(The application process is) given to the applicants for 2004 whose winners are awarded in the spring of 2005," Jeffrey said. "They have to do a summary of what they did and how it worked out and the overall results of their waste reduction plan."

With 30 applicants, there have been more this year, than in the past 13 years of the event Jeffrey said.

"We had 20 applicants last year and were trying not to discourage people but its tough picking out the best of the best with how it is growing every year," Jeffrey said.

One of those applicants the Rio Dell Post Office led by Post Master Debra Lake, who was out of town at the time of this story, has been running a waste recycling for many years, Jeffrey said.

This year the post office won the award for the Best Government Agency Waste Reduction effort.

According to Acting Post Master
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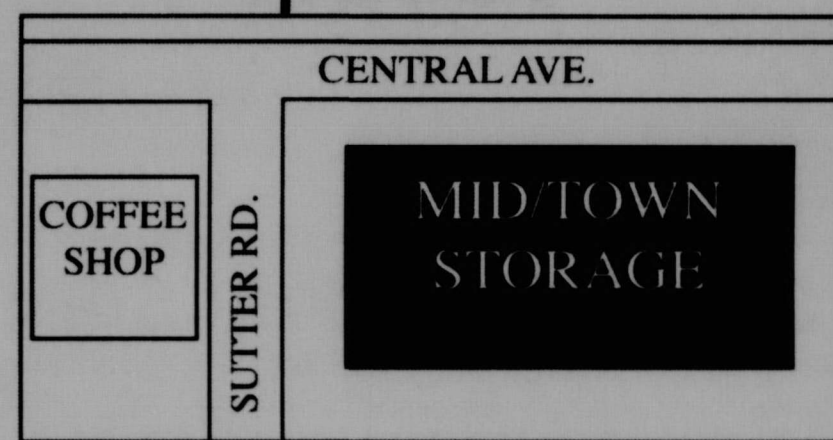
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ter Marilyn Stone the post office recycles about 100 lbs of undeliverable mail merchandise such as soap and tooth brushes per week.

The program was made for undeliverable standard mail, Stone said.

"We put them in a tub and donate it to a local organization like a church here (in Rio Dell)," she said

Other notable organizations to win an award were the Re-usable Office Supply Exchange (R.O.S.E.), of HSU which won the Most Effective Re-use Program and the Karuk Tribe, in Orleans won for the Most Effective Recycling Program. Both organizations were unavailable for comment at this time.

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Question: "Why Should I believe in God?"

Answer (Part Two): Recently I was talking to a student about the existence of God. He made it clear that even if he knew beyond any doubt that God exists, he would choose **NOT** to believe in Him, because, as he said, "I want to live my own life." He even went so far as to say that, even if such rejection of God resulted in an eternal state of despair and anguish, he would still choose to reject God, because, again, "I want to live my own life." The irony of this young man's position makes me very sad. He is honest enough to tell the truth that he would be willing to reject truth in order to live his own life, to in effect be his own god.

There are no doubt multitudes of people who aren't as honest as this student, but who are motivated similarly - they want to be their own gods and live by their own "truths" and moral values. And they don't want to believe in God, because the implications of His existence would dethrone them from their perches of divinity. By choosing a godless life, they relegate themselves to a life devoid of Truth, of meaning, of any basis for knowing the difference between right and wrong. Rick Warren writes, "It is only in God that we discover our origin, our identity, our meaning, our purpose, our significance and our destiny. Every other path leads to a dead end." (Purpose Driven Life, p. 18). Dr. Hobart Mowrer, one time president of the American Psychological Association, also former professor at both Harvard and Yale said:

"For several decades we psychologists looked upon the whole matter of sin and moral accountability as a great incubus and acclaimed our liberation from it as epoch making. But at length we have discovered that to be free in this sense, that is, to have the excuse of being sick rather than sinful, is to court the disaster of being lost... In becoming amoral, ethically neutral and free, we have cut the very roots of our being, lost our deepest sense of selfhood and identity, and... we find ourselves asking, 'Who am I, what is my identity, what does living mean?'" (Sadly, Mowrer ended his own life.)

Here are some compelling reasons why YOU should believe in God:

1. Because God created you to enjoy a love relationship with Himself. He loves you, but you cannot personally experience His love unless you open your life to Him
2. Because He has designed you with a particular purpose and calling in mind. Most of us want our lives to count, we want to make a difference in this world. Certainly you can make a contribution without God, but you could accomplish so much more if you opened your life to God and allowed Him to empower and equip you for His service.
3. Because life apart from God doesn't make sense and has no ultimate meaning. Atheist Bertrand Russell said, "Unless you assume a God, the question of life's purpose is meaningless." Knowing God satisfies in the deepest sense our need to understand life, ourselves, our origin, our purpose, and our destiny.
4. Because you have spiritual needs that only God can meet - forgiveness of sins and failures, restoration of your soul, power from beyond yourself to cope with life's problems, your need to be loved unconditionally and to know that your life really does matter.

Perhaps there are some of you who are reading this article right now who feel something of a vacuum in your hearts, a wistfulness - "If only this were true." Well, you will never know if it's true if you aren't willing to find out. Jesus said, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God"; and, "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled" (Matthew 5:8,6). Are you hungry to know God? Hungry enough to find out for yourself whether or not God is real? He loves you, even longs for you, and He is waiting for you to open the door, to seek Him out. He has made the first move: "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16 NIV). The ball is in your court. Give us a call.

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For men, however, this is a time of testing and trouble as they seek to understand and cope with the effects of their actions. The logic of happenings escapes them and makes them doubt the divinity in which they place their trust. Thus, for men, has it always been, as they struggle blindly to enforce their will or to escape the consequence of their endeavors.

As we move from age to age, such periods of tension and indecision are repeated again and again. Each new age brings into the world new and unfamiliar forces which gradually impose themselves on men and

invoke response. Thus it is today, as men search dimly for the new direction which the new age energies demand of them. Some there are who sense the way and seek to educate their brothers in the required action. Many, though, are afraid of change and see only an impending chaos and breakdown if the radicals have their way.



"... the momentum of change is growing steadily throughout the world."

Into this divided world has come the Christ. His is the task to reconcile these disparate groups and to bring order out of the present confusion and tumult. That His is not an easy task should be apparent to all. That the gulf

between the groups is vast and entrenched is equally clear. How, then, must He work to bridge the chasm between the old and fearful and the burgeoning new? How, too, can He counter the deep materialism which is the hallmark of the present time? How deal with the intolerance of the religious groups and help them to experience unity?

Presenting Himself as a man among men, Maitreya will make no claims, demand no allegiance. Simple and direct will be His approach, moderate and calm His manner. His clarity of mind will arrest attention. His wisdom will overcome men's fears. His sincerity of utterance will melt men's hearts and remove the burden of hate and greed. Thus will men experience a new appearance of divinity, one which includes them in its manifestation, and sees no distance or separation.

As the Embodiment and Agent of cosmic power and love, Maitreya will open the hearts of all who can respond, and, turning men from the fear and division of the past, ready them for the glory of the future.

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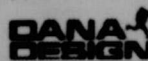
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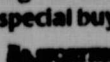
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paring for the worst.

Extinct bird found

Last Thursday scientists announced the first confirmed sighting of an ivory-billed woodpecker in 60 years. The ivory bill once flourished in southern swamps, and old forests. It needed dead trees for nesting and feeding on grubs. Because of logging the bird disappeared, until now. Only one bird has been sighted, and it is not clear if there are any more.

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he said in a phone interview. "The only (spotted owl) predators active (at that time) were goshawks, but the habitat was not suitable (for them)."

Leskiw wrote that the forest floor where the owl had been found was disturbed, indicating a struggle had taken place. The birders decided to bury the carcass so it would remain safe from scavengers and retrieve it later for further examination. When they returned to the kill site, the birders discovered a barred owl hooting about 500 feet behind them.

"I imitated a spotted owl contact call and a barred owl promptly flew in landing in a tree 15 feet away," Leskiw wrote. "Several mottled brown feathers - looking suspiciously like they belonged to a spotted owl - clung to its left talon."

A later autopsy proved to be consistent with Leskiw's observations. There were no broken bones, which would indicate that a mammal had killed the owl. Also, no feathers were plucked which is what would have happened had a Cooper's hawk or a goshawk killed it.

"The diameter of the puncture wounds ruled out teeth and was the same diameter as the talons of a spotted or barred owl," Leskiw wrote.

To further address this issue, there will be a barred owl workshop in connection with a meeting of the Cooper Ornithological Society this summer at Humboldt State. George said the workshop will be June 14 and 15 and will only be open to ornithologists.

Until then, scientists are left scratching their heads at what Leskiw calls "this 'Cain and Able-esque' insight into the world of sibling species."

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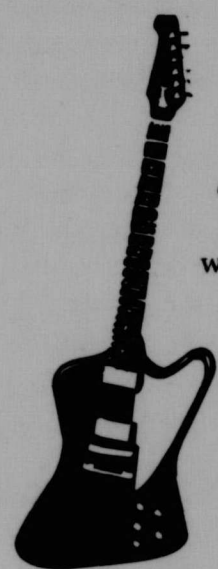
Guitars galore!

Local guitar maker designs instruments that delight musicians

James Egan
Production Manager

Tucked away from the world behind a patch of redwoods, the Helgeson residence in Eureka is nothing special from the outside. Besides a painted sign reading "Moonstone Guitars," there's no evidence that the house is the source of some of the most treasured custom guitars in the country.

Steve Helgeson, founder of Moonstone Guitars, has been taking custom orders for handmade personalized acoustic and electric



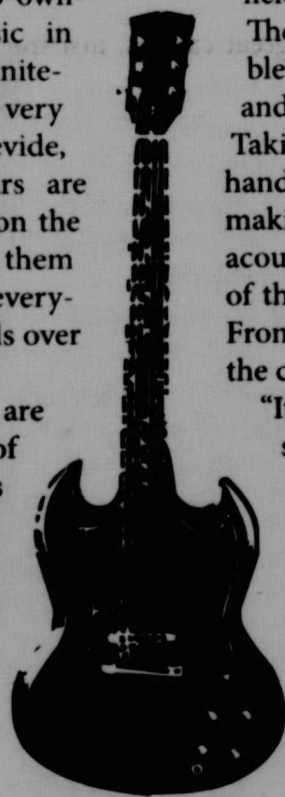
guitars and basses, for years. He also makes repairs that local music shops can't handle.

Helgeson's work isn't cheap. Labor is \$60 an hour and the least expensive guitar on the Moonstone price list is \$3,000. Still, Moonstone has gathered a devoted following composed of artists like Prince, Greg Allman and Dick Dale, and publications like Rolling Stone and Vintage Guitar have recognized his work.

"I think they're world-class," said Errol Previde, co-owner of Wildwood Music in Arcata. "They're definitely high quality—very, very high end," said Previde, who thinks the guitars are too valuable to be left on the sales floor. "We keep them behind the counter...everyone comes in and drools over them," he said.

"You kind of have to have a connection," Helgeson said.

It takes Helgeson anywhere between 70 and 150 hours to build a single guitar, and he identifies acoustic guitars as the most difficult and rewarding type



to make.

Helgeson's beginnings as a guitar maker, or luthier, arose from a dilemma 35 years ago: he needed a bass that he could play out in the fields of Yosemite to get girls.

The problem was that portable acoustic basses were few and far between back then. Taking matters into his own hands, he found a book on making guitars and crafted an acoustic bass in the College of the Redwoods wood shop. From there he taught himself the craft.

"It was tough at first," he said. But Helgeson stuck with it, making and selling guitars as he relocated to Moonstone Heights from Ferndale, where he moved into a trailer and stayed put for a while, perfecting his craft.

In 1975 he moved to Arcata where he did repairs at Arcata Music, a now-defunct music store that operated out of the Jacoby Creek Storehouse, not to be con-

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Kira Rubenthaler

J.J. Cale sent his Blue Danelectro guitar to Moonstone Guitars so Steve Helgeson could reproduce the instrument in a different wood. Seen above, the guitar features a piece of masking tape with Cale's set list written on it.



Kira Rubenthaler

Steve Helgeson plays one of his guitars from his personal collection.

The pursuit of perfect canoes

Local company mixes traditional woodwork with practicality

Thadeus Greenson
Staff Writer

At the bottom of South G Street, past the Arcata marsh and the salvage yard, four people in a brown-mustard colored building work long hours in the constant pursuit of perfection.

The Navarro Canoe Company in Arcata makes handcrafted canoes that combine the beauty of traditional woodwork with the durability of fiberglass and Kevlar hulls to make an aesthetically striking, yet very practical product.

"A lot of people like the appeal of the wood and the tradition that goes along with it," said Owner John Wiesendanger. "We give them that along with an advanced composite hull."

Building the canoes is an extensive process, consuming about 22 hours of labor over five days per canoe. First, the fiberglass and Kevlar hulls are hand-laid utilizing intricate process that produces a strong, lightweight hull.

Hand-carved wood ribs are then inlaid into the belly of the canoes, adding strength and a striking vintage look. A wide variety of grains are carefully selected for the wood ribs to ensure that every canoe is unique.

The canoes are then accessorized with wood trim, seats and bows, all of which are arduously made by hand. It is this kind of woodwork which has made Navarro canoes famous. "They really have that warm cottage feel," Wiesendanger said.

All of this attention to detail is not lost on Nick Gravem, owner of Down Works, a backpacking supply store in Santa Cruz. Down Works has been selling Na-

varro canoes for well over ten years.

"There's just no other canoe that has such an attractive look," Gravem said. "We like them because they combine old time looks with up-to-date materials"

Wiesendanger also appreciated these traits as a customer of the Navarro Canoe Company, long before he became its owner. In 1995 he purchased a Navarro canoe from an REI store. After using the canoe extensively on rivers and lakes in the Pacific Northwest Wiesendanger noticed that it was in need of some repairs.

Fearing that nobody else could do the repairs properly, Wiesendanger made the trip from his home in Arcata to the Navarro Canoe Company, which was then located in Talent, Ore. Wiesendanger met Vernon Pew the company's owner and the grandson of the company's founder.

When Pew mentioned that he was considering retirement, Wiesendanger conveyed his interest in buying the company.

"Looking at the company from a buyer's perspective, I knew there were people like me who were interested in this type of product," Wiesendanger said.

Pew spent several years mulling over the decision before he agreed to

sell the company to Wiesendanger in November 2004.

Wiesendanger is determined to make sure that the change in ownership at Navarro Canoe Company does not affect its quality. After purchasing the company Wiesendanger and his assistant, Ryan Allard of McKinleyville, went through a training program to ensure that they would continue the standard which Pew set forth.

Allard enjoys working at Navarro Canoe Company because of this standard and the quality of the product which they create.

"They're great canoes, just the best I've ever seen," he said.

Morgan Corviday of Arcata, takes a similar pride in building Navarro canoes. "It's personally satisfying to build things this beautiful, functional, and fun," Corviday said.

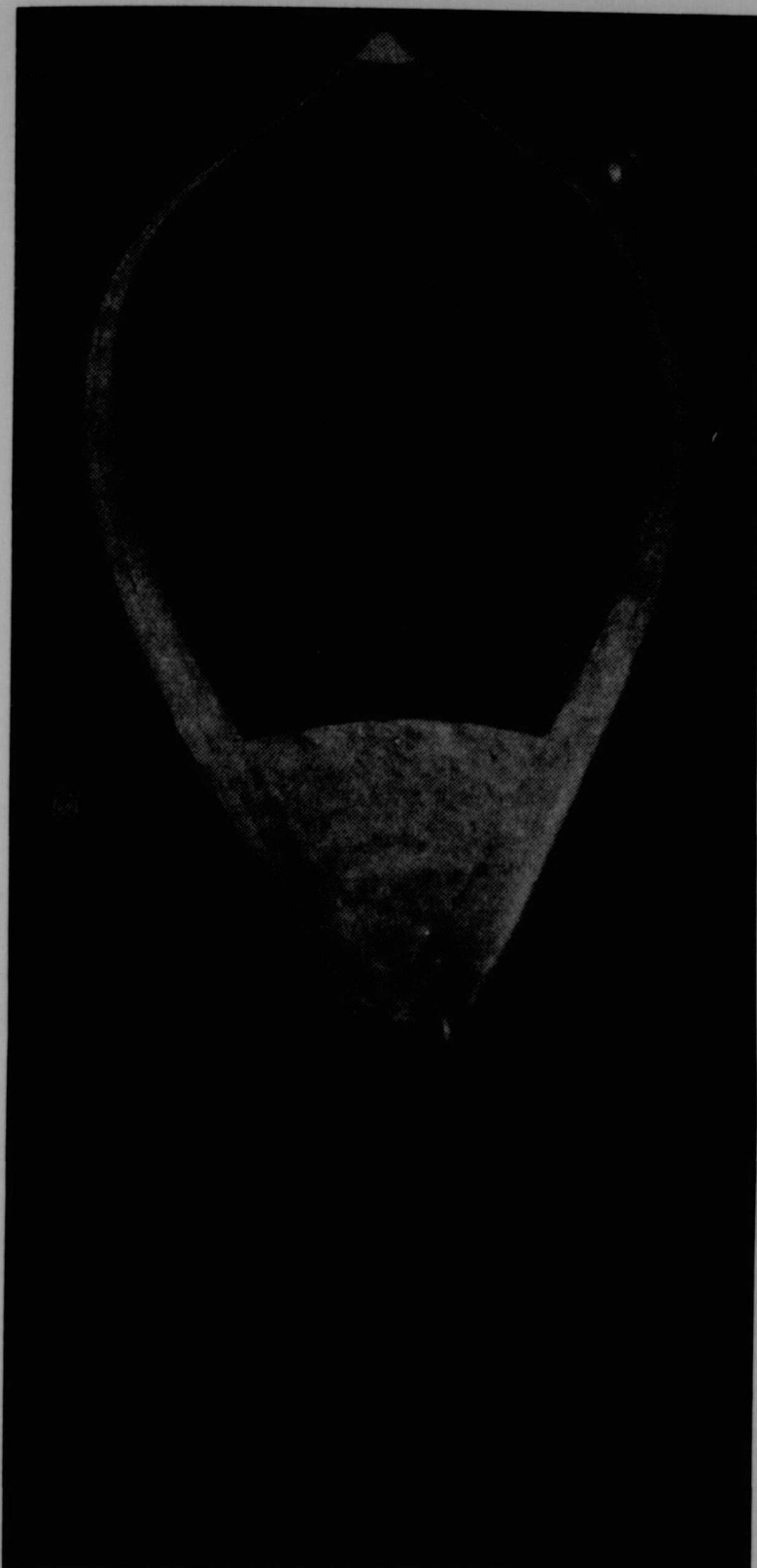
The newest employee at Navarro is Jen Metcalfe, a McKinleyville resident. Metcalfe has a rich history in woodworking.

"I built wood instruments for a long time," she said. "I don't play anything, so I really wanted to build something I could use. It's really satisfying, making something of this quality."

While everyone at Navarro Canoe Company agrees that making canoes is no easy job, that does not stop them from the pursuit of perfection.

"It's just great work," Allard said. "It's self-fulfilling, making something like this. It's a great job, one of the best I've ever had."

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Nicola Hunt



Nicola Hunt

(top) A Handcrafted Navarro canoe that takes about 22 hours of labor to build.

(left) Canoe makers, (left to right) Morgan Corviday, Ryan Allard and Jen Metcalfe install handwoven seats which, "not too many people do anymore," says owner Jon Wiesendanger.

War hits home

HSU student wants his brother to come back from the battlefield

Shawn Tulecke-Paulson
Staff writer

When a bomb exploded killing 18 U.S. soldiers near Baghdad on April 14, U.S. soldier John Backman, brother to HSU physics major Rob Backman, felt a shock wave move through his body.

"Yo, this shit just happened in front of me, I actually saw and felt the blast, that's one hell of a wake up call. I couldn't explain it in words if I tried," John Backman wrote in e-mail to his brother.

Rob Backman lives in Arcata with former U.S. soldier in Iraq Ben Tschudy.

About a year ago Tschudy and John Backman planned to join the military with a group of high school friends. The war in Afghanistan was cooling off and they intended to show their patriotism.

Except, most of them changed their minds.

"It was a kind of patriotic thing, but everybody else chick-

ened out," Rob said.

Tschudy kept his word because his parents could not pay for his college education. He served in Iraq for five months until he got a hernia and received a medical discharge with full benefits. Tschudy moved in with Rob because he didn't have very much money and Rob offered him a room. Now Tschudy is unemployed.

John Backman and Tschudy were going to be stationed together but the Army separated them.

"I don't know how it happened, they just lied to us," Tschudy said. "It's not, like, an uncommon thing. I guess they can just say whatever they want and do whatever they want."

Tschudy was assigned to drive around a First Sergeant to scope out areas before missions, and to set up military communications technology.

"There's not a front line over there," Tschudy said. "There are guys disguised as trash, and in

potholes, spraying [bullets] at you from behind corners. So by the time you notice them they're running away."

Tschudy remembered the extreme poverty he saw.

"Wood out there is like gold. I don't know the prices, but you see people living in clay huts along a river and you don't see anything green," he said. "It would make me wonder what they eat."

Tschudy also spent a lot of time on the military base.

"There would be mortars that would come in and hit the motor homes we were living in," Tschudy said. "Mortar attacks are a common thing, and you're always hearing [rocket-propelled grenades] going off. But you can't really tell where their coming from."

Tschudy said before going to Iraq he believed that the war was for oil.

"It just kind of backed it up when we would be sitting there



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Gen. Erik Shinseki (left) and Lt. Gen. David McKiernan walk on a flight line after landing at Baghdad International Airport.

guarding an oil convoy," he said. "There would be a hummer in front, and then 10 tankers of oil, and then another hummer, and then another 10 tankers of oil—on and on like that."

As finals approach Rob is concerned about his brother's safety.

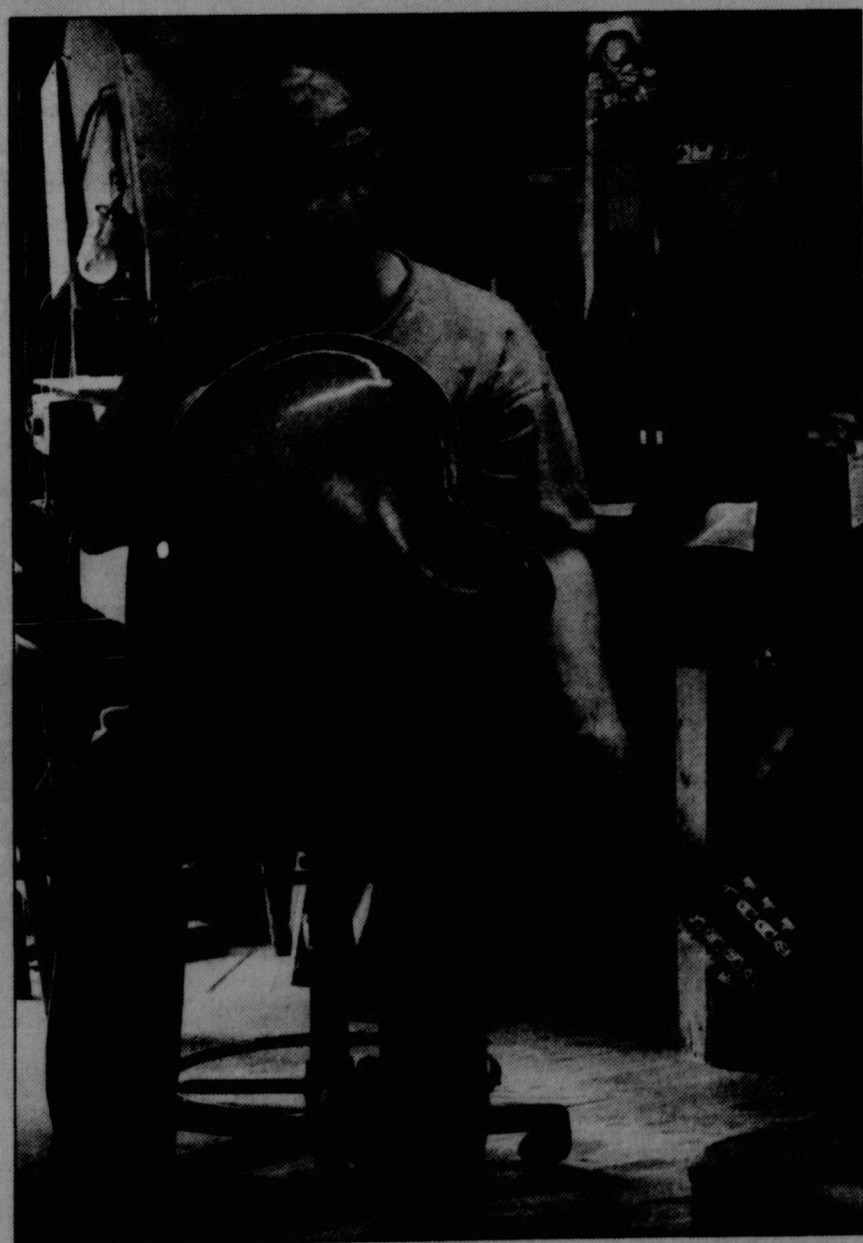
"Any time, like when you're driving down the road, you're thinking, he could be getting

blown up," Rob said.

The Backmans' father and sister served in the military but had never seen combat.

Now, John thinks he is in deeper than his family members were, and is "pretty bummed out," Rob said.

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Kira Rubenthaler

Steve Helgeson examines a guitar for a client. As well as manufacturing instruments, Moonstone Guitars takes in repairs.

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fused with the new Sunny Brae store of the same name.

Soon, he set up shop in an abandoned church on 7th and G streets and continued to build acoustic and electric guitars.

For a while he sold his work out of his trunk, driving from music store to music store up and down the coast.

He came into contact with Leland Sklar, the bassist for James Taylor and Jackson Brown, who admired his work and gave him his first commissioned order.

Sklar wanted something eye catching, and that's exactly what he got. Helgeson made him a one-of-a-kind double-neck electric eagle bass.

The instrument was a gargantuan wooden creation with a body bedecked in carved feathers. It had both a standard and a miniature piccolo neck, each capped with hoagie-sized eagle heads complete with orange-lit eyes.

Months later, the guitar popped up during a performance on Saturday Night Live.

After the show, Helgeson gradually gathered more famous clients. One of his most loyal high-profile customers has been famed singer/songwriter J.J. Cale.

Cale sent one of his electric guitars to Helge-

son so that he could have it reproduced in a different wood. While Helgeson gave the interview for this story, Cale's Blue Danelectro rested on the floor.

A piece of masking tape with Cale's set list written on it, including "Cocaine" and "After Midnight", clung to the hip of the guitar, just a few inches from a special bevel that Helgeson made custom for Cale a few years ago.

Between a throng of dedicated high-profile customers and the amount of guitar owners that are referred for repairs from local music shops, Moonstone doesn't need to advertise.

"I try to keep it low key," said Helgeson, who only stocks his guitars in a few select stores.

Courtney Jaxon, lead singer and guitarist for local punk group Monster Women, bought a cheap guitar for \$60 from a guy she saw sitting on his porch and brought it to Moonstone for repairs. After spending \$100 on a labor for installing a new bridge, pickup and other parts, she had an instrument that was performance ready.

"They're just excellent craftsmen and genius repair people," Jaxon said. "They're so nice, too."

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Courtney Jaxon
lead singer and guitarist of
Monster Women

"[People at Moonstone Guitars are] just excellent craftsmen and genius repair people. They're so nice, too."

Here's a slew of other festivals around the state



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Easy listening in Van Duzer Theatre

Hawaiian slack guitarist joins Native American flutist

Bryan Radzin
Staff writer

Premiere Native American flutist R. Carlos Nakai and Hawaiian slack key guitarist Keola Beamer will be appearing May 11 at 8 p.m. in the Van Duzer Theatre.

Since the artists come from totally different backgrounds this show should be one to remember. Nakai has played the flute since 1972. He started designing his own flutes and found that cedar wood makes the right sound.

Sandra Factor, a resident of Trinidad, said, "I have listened

to Carlos Nakai for 10 years, and he brings my heart and soul into an altered state. His sweet notes bring peace of mind to the core of my being."

Nakai has released several albums including Earth Spirit, Emergence and Canyon Trilogy, and also was nominated for a Grammy for best traditional folk album entitled Ancestral Voices.

He has released 27 albums, and has sold 2 million records worldwide. Nakai's music is like the earth taking a big sigh of relief. Nakai's songs are music to listen to when you want to soothe your soul, something that will touch you differently every time.

Keola Beamer, a child of the rock 'n' roll era, is a great accompaniment to Nakai. Beamer released his solo landmark album in 1972 called Hawaiian Slack Key Guitar in the Real Old Style, which to this day has influenced many guitarists. The soft and sweet sounds of the Hawaiian tradition permeate through Keola's music.

"In my family, music was taken seriously," Beamer said. "It was an integral part of our lives, almost like a religion. But Hawaiians are up against a shallow stereotype, often demeaning to the native culture. That hurts."

Beamer comes from a long line of musicians, and is said to be a pioneer of the contemporary Hawaiian sound. The

smooth easy-to-listen-to rhythms while coupled with the great flute of Nakai, should make for one of

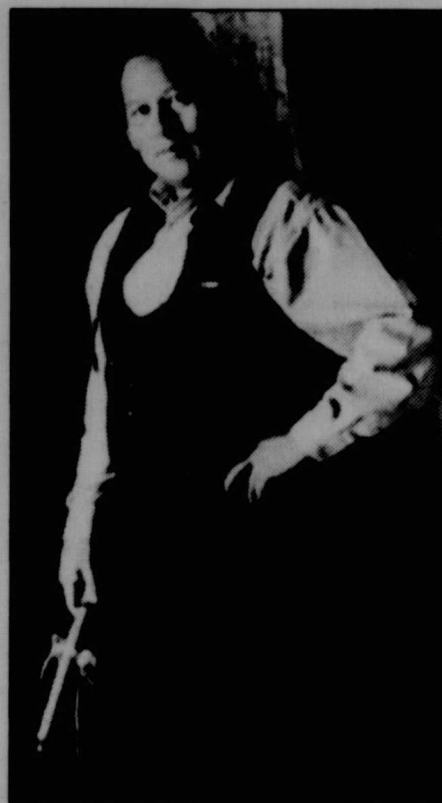
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Both musicians are spokesmen for their cultures, which bleed through in their music. They will be promoting their first collaborative record released on Canyon Records called Native Voices.

These two great performers are both part of America's indigenous peoples, and should shed some light and dispel stereotypes that have plagued them all their lives. Through their music, they will show what the true voice of America sounds like.

Tickets for this memorable show will be \$30 for adults, \$25 for seniors and children, and \$15 for HSU students. Tickets are available at the HSU university ticket office, The Works in Arcata and Eureka, and at The Metro.

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What are you doing this summer?



Steve Dytewski

Senior
Music

"I'm going to Cleveland for a family reunion."



Rachael Hernandez

Senior
LSEE

"I am going to be getting ready to go into the credential program with a lot of summer reading. And working."



Nadia El-Tawansy

Senior
International studies and
French

"I'm just going home to LA. Stay with my family and work (probably for a prop and set master for Hollywood)."



Kyle Kaufman

Freshman
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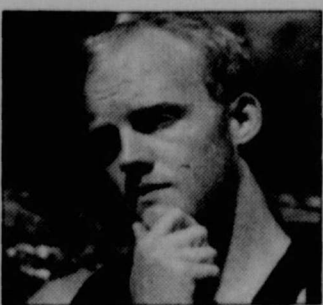
"I'm going back home (Fresno). Try to get a job. (Either teaching trumpet lessons, delivering pizzas or working at Weinerschnitzel.) Just hang out."



Jermaine Brandon

Sophomore
Business
Administration

"I am going to stay up here, find a job, find an apartment, and work on getting my business off the ground (J & J Connections, clothing retail company)."



Ben Hart

Sophomore
Botany

"I'm either working at a YMCA camp or working for...other people."

Monosyllabic 002

Local record company releases second compilation

Kira Rubenthaler

Photo Editor

Monosyllabic Records of Arcata just released its second compilation album, and with it comes Owner Matt Kennedy's chance for success.

"With this release it's going to be a make-or-break situation," Kennedy said. "I'm just going to give it a run for the money—literally—and see what happens."

The compilation, Monosyllabic 002, comes on the heels of Monosyllabic 001 and is the record company's first release to be manufactured entirely out-of-house and come retail ready.

When Kennedy started the company two and a half years ago to produce some of the music he and his friends were playing, he burned the CDs on his computer and generated the packaging himself.

Slowly Kennedy moved up to having the CDs pressed by a production company while still creating the packaging, and for this release he put all his money into having the CD professionally packaged.

Kennedy said sales of the last compilation have been regular and he's sold all but about 50 of the original 1,000 CDs.

The CDs are sold through an online distributor, cdbaby.com, and can also be accessed through the company's Web site, monosyllabicrecords.com.

Kennedy sells the CDs for \$5 to \$10, depending on the cost of production.

"I keep it really cheap because I really don't think CDs should be that expensive," Kennedy said.

The nation-wide promotion for the new release is almost complete, according to Kennedy.

He's trying to get setup with a distributor in Japan and said he should hear any day if that deal will go through.

Kennedy's background with music started when he was 17 and worked in a family-owned record store in the Sacramento area for two and a half years. He said he held a variety of positions at the store—including talking with label representatives and being in charge of the CD section—which gave him the confidence to start Monosyllabic Records in Arcata.

Kennedy came to Humboldt County on vacation and liked the area, so he stuck around to pursue music.

"Between Portland and San Francisco, there's really nowhere (for bands) to play," Kennedy said. "Arcata has a lot of potential."

Kennedy said he likes promoting the local music scene and helping artists get off their feet.

Monosyllabic 002, his most recent venture, features 22 tracks of electronic rock from local artists, musicians from across the country, and even Robokoneko from Australia.

The music is supernatural, sonic and sometimes just weird.

"I really like the whimsical, mystical side of electronic music," Kennedy said. "The idea is to really make music that you'd like to listen to."

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Virgin Island reggae group heads to Mazzotti's

Oliver Symonds
 Scene Editor

If you missed them last year at Reggae on the River, you won't want to miss them at Mazzotti's this Saturday.

Midnite, one of reggae's better underground groups, has been breaking through to mainstream reggae, emerging as a luminary.

Since their beginning in 1989, brothers Vaughn (lead vocals) and Ron (keyboards) Benjamin, have brought reggae music back to its roots, combining old-school sounds with powerful lyrics.

Behind the deep bass and the tightly accentuated off-beats,

Vaughn's vocals are spirited, passionate and chanting.

Midnite met one of their managers-to-be, Kufunya, while performing in New York City. At the time Kufunya was the Reggae Music Director at Sounds of Brazil and went on to be-

come manager of Midnite with Preston Powell in 2000.

"What attracted me [to Midnite] was the realness and the rawness of their music," Kufunya said.

The music, which gives word

to issues such as racial oppression, social history and Rastafarian teachings, would lead you to believe the band, like most other reggae bands, originated from Jamaica.

This wasn't the case, however. As residents of the U.S. Virgin Islands, Midnite proved that all it took to succeed was a little bit of reflection on their past.

"I think every person comes with talents and gifts from the Creator," Kufunya said. "Mid-

nite is sincere in their music and have no gimmicks. Their music is roots and culture coming from their hearts."

Classic sounding pieces like "Hieroglyphics" link modern day graffiti to the ancient Egyptian markings.

While remaining in-tune with their roots, Midnite's sound is continuously evolving within each album.

Having originally developed their sound from the nation's capital, the band played small venues and was able to develop and record their first two full-length albums, Unpolished and Ras Mek Peace.

Later, the band returned to their residence in St. Croix, Virgin Islands, to produce their third album before commencing their first-ever U.S. tour in 2001.

Since then, the band has done multiple tours, including four stops in Humboldt County.

Midnite will be joined by DJ Swami I of Green-Up Sound System Saturday.

Doors will open at 9 p.m. and tickets will go on sale for \$25 at the door, \$23 if purchased in advance. Tickets are available at The Metro, The Works, Wildhouse Records or online at www.ticketswest.com. The show is for ages 21 and over only.

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courtesy of reggaeontheriver.com

movie reviews



courtesy of allposters.com

Tara Apperson
Editor in Chief

The new comic-book-comes-to-life genre of film has stepped up to a different level.

Expectations may be high due to a fantastic cast including Bruce Willis, Benicio Del Toro, Mickey Rourke, Jessica Alba, Elijah Wood, Rosario Dawson, Brittany Murphy and more, but get ready to be let down; unless of course you enjoy characters who eat women and display their heads on plaques like

Sin City:

High expectations yield intriguing cinematography and little more

hunting trophies.

Or you might like this film if you are a person who takes pleasure in watching a man tell a woman he doesn't hit girls, and then slap her across the face. That even happened more than once.

You might even like the theme of men who rape little girls, and men who idolize girls as a daughter they never had, and then make out with them. The best part is when dudes get their penises shot off, or even ripped off in one case. It's graphic.

Besides all the gendered violence, the plot wasn't even that good. It jumped around from subplot to subplot, but then the subplots never really came together.

It was just a bunch of little movies within a movie, and the sole intention was to get as many

famous actors in one movie as possible. But just because everyone and their dog are in a movie shouldn't mean it's any good.

It was almost all in black and white, a trendy and interesting technique. A select few images saturated in bright colors: beautiful eyes, red lips, spattering blood, and some freaky-looking yellow guy. The choice of color-use made this film even more intense and violent.

If anything the black and white and selective coloring is interesting and eye catching. It is actually worth seeing though, just to realize what everyone else is watching, and no one else is seeing.

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The Amityville Horror:

Kira Rubenthaler
Photo Editor

The movie has it all—a big spooky house, a dysfunctional family and a grisly backstory. But "The Amityville Horror" falls horribly short of what you might expect.

The movie's only redeeming quality is that it's loosely based on a true story, but that's thrown away with an overdose of Hollywood. The flashy effects and effort to show as many ghosts as possible bury any sense of believability the story has.

The movie opens with Ronnie DeFoe gunning down his family while they're sound asleep, and the screen quickly jumps to a year later when newlyweds Kathy (Melissa George) and George (Ryan Reynolds) are searching for a dream home they can afford.

The gigantic but cheap Dutch

Colonial on the waterfront in a Long Island town seems too good to be true, and it is. But even after the real estate agent fesses up to the bloody story of the DeFoe family, George and Kathy naively buy the house.

They don't even tell Kathy's three kids from a previous marriage about the home's history.

Of course weird things start happening when the family moves in—ghosts, kids walking on the roof and George's sudden obsession with chopping wood.

The daughter has an imaginary friend who gives the promiscuous baby-sitter a freaky encounter with the otherworld in the closet.

George gets crazier and crazier, and has a gory run-in with the family dog.

Meanwhile Kathy smiles and hopes everything works out, blind to the fact that her husband is psychotic and her daughter's best



courtesy of rottentomatoes.com

friend is a ghost.

The movie is pretty predictable, even if you haven't seen the original 1979 take (I haven't).

Some scenes might make you jump simply because of the startle factor, but the ghosts are too run-of-the-mill to be scary.

There's not an original spook in the movie.

Even if you're a diehard horror fan, wait for the DVD. It's definitely not worth the extra bucks you'll shell out to see this one on the big screen.

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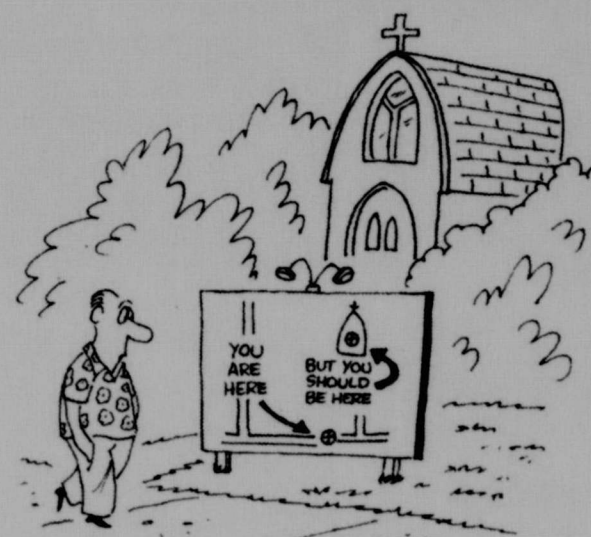
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Wednesday 04

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Join the multifaceted contingent of language technicians every Wednesday.

Circus Club
Gist Hall, Room 102
On the HSU campus
5 p.m., free
Meet up every week to practice your skills and hang out with fellow circus lovers.

Qi-Gong & Self-Healing
TranquillTea
1540 G St., Arcata
6:15 p.m., \$3-5
Join instructor John Yamas for a session of self-attention to get you through the week.

Nac One
Humboldt Brews
856 10th St., Arcata
10 p.m., \$5 men, \$2 women
San Francisco hip-hop legends make their way to the Brews for a once in a lifetime performance.

Thursday 05

Going Away Celebration
Kate Buchanan Room
On the HSU campus
3 p.m., free
Join others in a going away celebration for Lyn Risling and Shauna McCovey. Enjoy good food and have fun wishing them well on their journeys.

QSU Meeting
House 55
On the HSU campus
7 p.m., free
Meet every Thursday at the Multicultural Center to discuss current issues and activities.

Ten Minute Play Festival
Gist Hall Theatre, HSU campus
8 p.m., free, limited seating
The department of theater, film and dance presents an assortment of eight short plays that will bring you to tears and/or laughter.



courtesy of J. Chase

Back for their annual return, The John Grisman Quintet will bring down the Van Duzer Theatre with its elegant sounds. For tickets/ info call 826-3928 or stop in at the Bookstore.

HSU Jazz Combo
Fulkerson Recital Hall
On the HSU campus
8 p.m., \$6 general, \$2 seniors, free for HSU students
Come out and enjoy this small group jazz featuring both original tunes and jazz standards by Charles Mingus, Wayne Shorter, Thelonious Monk and more.

The SBE
The 535 Club
535 5th St., Eureka
9 p.m., \$5 under 21, \$2 21+
Arrive early to ensure entrance at this one and only performance or forever live with the regret of missing them.

Karaoke
Humboldt Brews
856 10th St., Arcata
10 p.m., free
Oh yeah. It's that time of the week again. You know the routine so have fun and don't worry about looking like a drunken fool.

Friday 06

West African Drum Class
TranquillTea
1540 G St., Arcata
6:00 p.m., \$8-15
All skill levels are welcome for this weekly drum class that will help you get in touch with your rhythmic side.

Rock Out With Your Pants On
The Placebo
1611 Peninsula Dr., Manila
7 p.m., \$2 members, \$4 non-members
Enjoy this night of music, dance, teen theater and sex education. Spare Change will perform as well as local bands The Dean and Vidagua. Humboldt Rockers will breakdance at this all-ages event meant to inspire dialogue on teen sexuality and pregnancy.

Humboldt Folkdancers
Presbyterian Church
11th & G St., Arcata
7:30 p.m., \$33
Humboldt Folkdancers present this First Friday Party with a dessert potluck and live music from Club Band, Musaica and Chubritza.

The David Grisman Quintet
Van Duzer Theatre
On the HSU campus
8 p.m., \$35 general, \$30 seniors, \$25 HSU students
CenterArts presents the annual return of this ensemble featuring Enrique Coria, Joe Craven, Jim Kerwin and Matt Eakle in this warm and delightful performance.

The Guilty Pleasures
Six Rivers Brewery
1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville
9 p.m., \$12
Sasquatch presents Barry Sless from the David Nelson Band, Rob Barraco from Grateful Dead, Klyph Black from Zen Trickers with David Gans and Adam Perry from The Dead Radio Show.

\$\$Bling\$\$ Hip-Hop Night
The 535 Club
535 5th St., Eureka
9 p.m., free before midnight
Join host DJ Dub Cowboy for his weekly show that blends hip-hop and cross-cultured unity with a whole lot of bling.

'80s & Ladies Night
Rumours
415 5th St., Eureka
9 p.m., free
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Saturday 07

May Day Faire
Blue Ox Millworks
1st & X St., Eureka
10 a.m., \$6 adults, free with canned donation
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New-England Contra Dance
Arcata Veterans Hall
16th & J St., Arcata
8 p.m., \$6-7
Enjoy this dancing event with guests Greg McKenzie and The Last Minute Men. No need to bring a partner or special attire.

To see your event listed in this calendar, e-mail the date, time, price, location and a short description of the event to The Lumberjack. Publication is not guaranteed.

Note: This is the last issue of the semester. The next issue will be published Aug. 24.

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Calypso Ensemble
Van Duzer Theatre
On the HSU campus
8 p.m., \$6 general, \$2 seniors, free for HSU students
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The '80s Show
The 535 Club
535 5th St., Eureka
9 p.m., \$5 adults 18-20, \$8 21+
No, it's not a time warp. It's The '80s Man and he is presenting you with all of the best '80s music all night long.

Sunday 08

Humboldt Bay Brass Band
Fulkerson Recital Hall
On the HSU campus
8 p.m., \$2 general, free for mothers & HSU students
Gilbert Cline and band members will perform a very special CD Celebration/ Mother's Day Concert. The band will perform selected works from their upcoming CD "Pageantry of Brass."

Garrick Ohlsson
Van Duzer Theatre
On the HSU campus
8 p.m., \$30 general, \$25 senior, \$15 HSU students
Enjoy an evening with this pianist who has mastered the works of Mozart, Beethoven and Schubert with his commanding versatility.

Club Triangle
The 535 Club
535 5th St., Eureka
9 p.m., free
For alternative lifestyles, 18 and older are welcome.

Monday 09

Karaoke
Humboldt Brews
856 10th St., Arcata
8:30 p.m., \$3
Grab that mic and pick a song for a night of fun-filled sing-along.

Tuesday 10

\$2 Tuesday
Rumours
415 5th St., Eureka
9 p.m., \$2
With a great cover and \$2 drink specials, you just have to get out there and take advantage of it.

Kundalini Yoga
TranquillTea
1540 G St., Arcata
7:30 a.m., \$8
Join instructor Tim Campbell for an hour-long session to help you wrap up your week.

Humboldt Hip-Hop Community
Humboldt Brews
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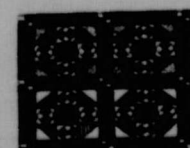
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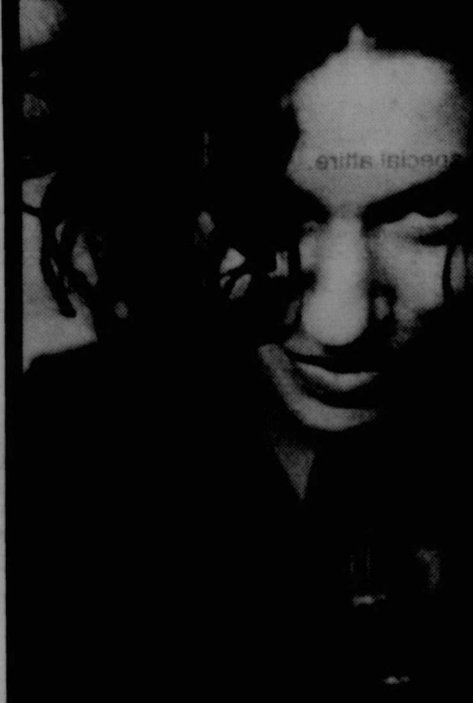
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