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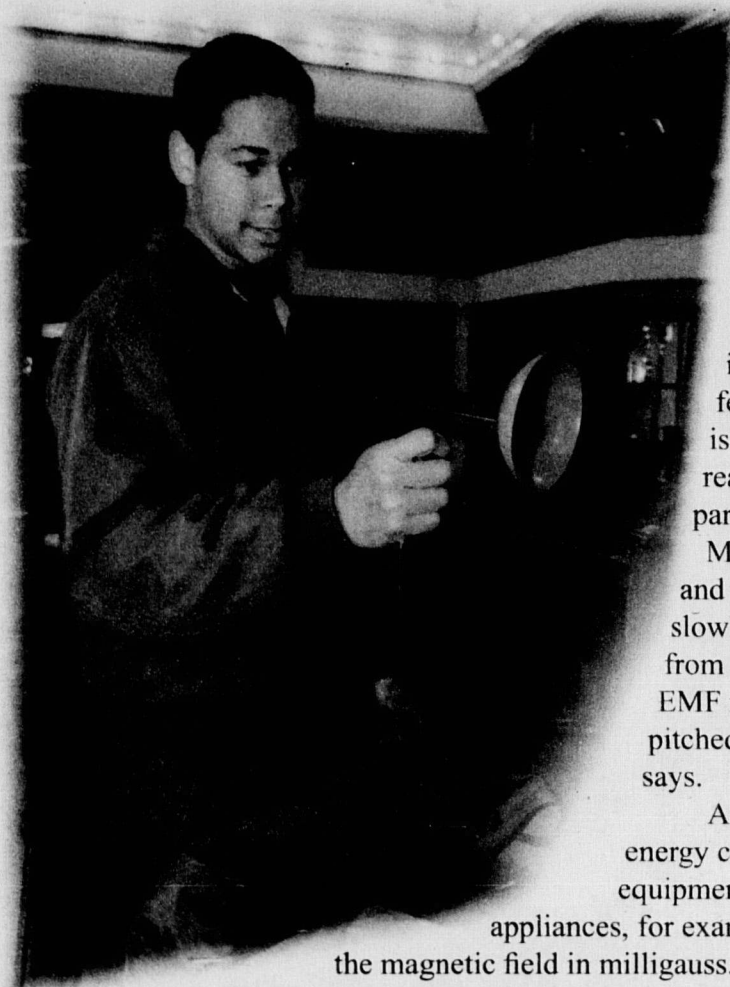
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Senior business major Johnathan Magliari exits the elevator to the first floor of the Jacoby Storehouse. He steps out onto the sunlit floor and scans the building. He starts by the elevator and moves toward the windows as he holds a device in his hand approximately three feet from the ground. The device is an electromagnetic field (EMF) reader and Magliari is conducting a paranormal investigation.

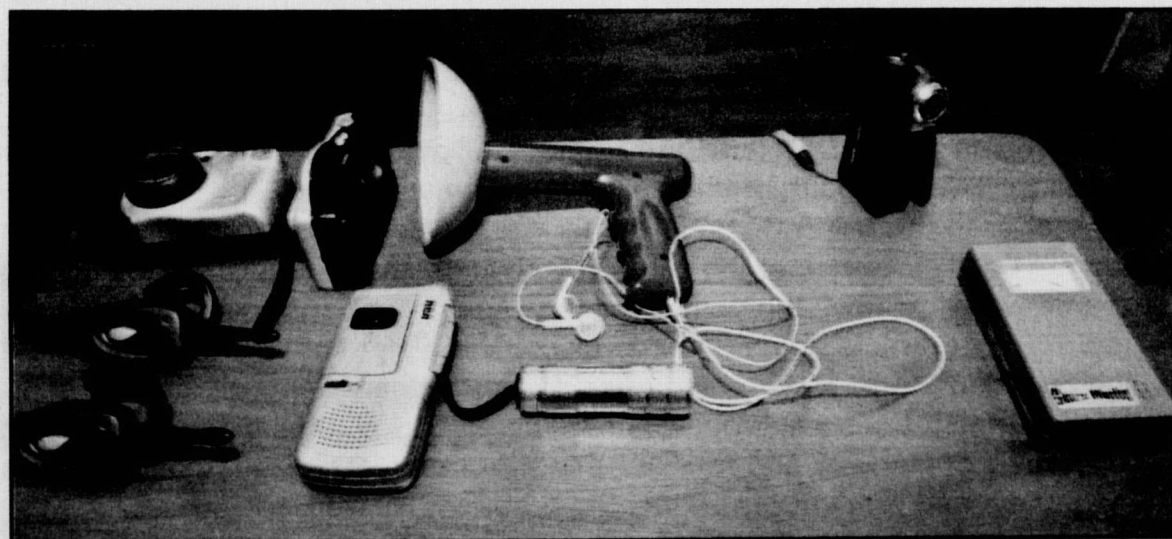
Magliari walks into a dark closet and flips the light on. He moves slowly as he uses the EMF reader, from right to left, up and down. The EMF reader spikes and makes a high-pitched screech. "That's the wiring," he says.

An EMF reader can detect the energy currents emitted by electrical equipment—(cell phones and kitchen appliances, for example. It measures the strength of the magnetic field in milligauss. When there is a high reading, anything above four on a scale from 1 to 10, the device starts to light up and screech. When on investigations such as this, Magliari and his team use the EMF reader to detect and graph the normal spikes in electromagnetic currents caused by outlets and various electronics.

After all environmental factors are ruled out, EMF readers are said to pick up on paranormal activity. Magliari says that 'spirits' or 'ghosts' fluctuate the electromagnetic fields and feed off of the energy. This is key to the team's research.

In the pre-investigation, the first of a two-part study, the team maps out the EMFs throughout the building so they aren't thrown off during the actual investigation. The team members will know where spikes are, and if those spikes are caused by wiring. "It is important to make a distinction so we know what to consider normal and abnormal," said Magliari. The process can take hours. It is the longest part of the investigation. "I've learned to be really patient," he said.

The team files a field report before each case. The report includes the location of the investigation, witnesses and a summary of activity. It also includes details about the



temperature, lighting, weather and a synopsis of the location.

Magliari carries a large blue gym bag. Inside is the rest of the team's equipment. He begins to pull out the tools one by one and explains what each is used for. (From left to right) The team uses two types of cameras, a film camera and a digital camera. Magliari explains that more abnormal images appear on film, but it gets expensive. Also, the two types of cameras record the spectrum of light differently. The hope is to increase the chances of capturing an image of an anomaly or phenomena. A phenomena is something that is questionable, and conventional science cannot readily explain.

He then places a pair of walkie-talkies on the table. "A change in tone of the constant white noise from the walkie-talkies is due to the presence of an EMF," he says.

Next, he grabs the audio recorder. He pulls out a flashlight, and a noise amplifier and sets them next to the other equipment. The amplifier makes it possible to hear from a distance, or through a door. It picks up very faint sounds. Lastly, he pulls out a flip video camera. Through science, technology and a belief in the paranormal, the team intends to

## Where Science and The Paranormal Converge

by Melissa Hutsell

research how ghosts interact with this world.

The group's goal is for Humboldt to become the research hub for other universities that study the paranormal nationwide. This means that HSU—through the Paranormal Investigation Team and the archives in the Humboldt Room of the library—would archive documents and cases and assist in research. The team say they also hope to publish some of their research published.

"It's a phenomenon that millions come across all the time—all the time," said Magliari.

Blake Hurd, senior kinesiology major and member since the team's introduction, says the group is different than the ghost hunter shows on TV. The team is not only out to find the paranormal, they want to find out what promotes and hinders their activity. "Whether it is paranormal or not is only the first step," he says. "We don't stop there. We want to know why and how it's happening."



Since the group's introduction on campus in Spring of 2010, Hurd, a founding member, joined the group on seven investigations.

The team is an active subgroup of the Religious Studies club. The club's advisor, Dr. Sarah Hart, says that the group is clearly a point of great interest. "Students are invigorated and excited," she says. "[They] struck a lot of people as fascinating." Hart loves to see the activities of the club because it promotes "educated, open-minded, active exploration."

Although she does not disclose her personal beliefs on the subject, Hart encourages the club to continue its experiments. She hopes to see more students take advantage of the dialogue and interests the team, and all clubs, promote.

The team investigated Founders Hall, the Eureka Inn and other places around the community including the historic Jacoby Storehouse. The Lumberjack was there to help investigate the storehouse on Friday April 22 and Wednesday April 27.

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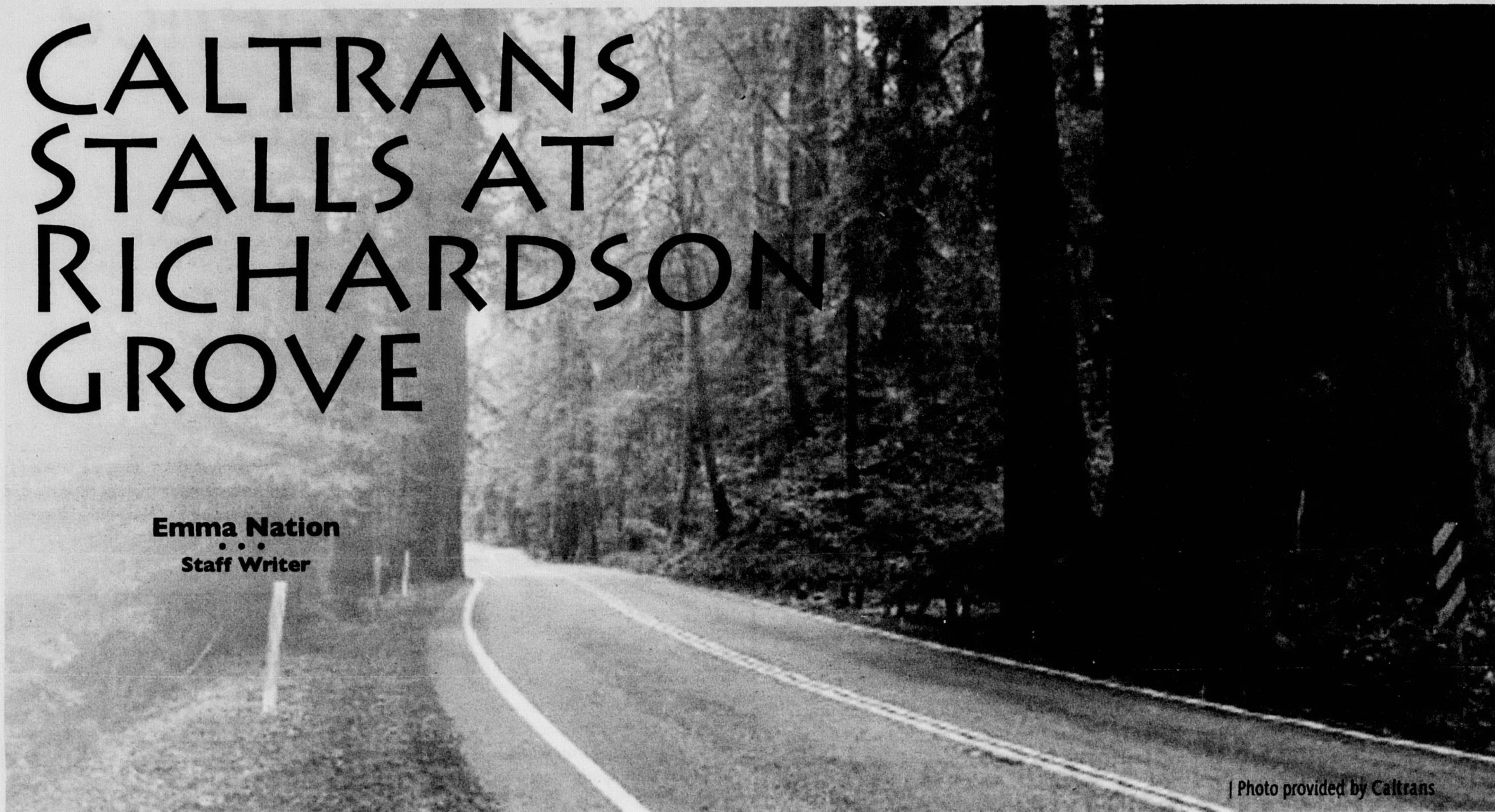
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**The Jacoby Storehouse is a California landmark (No.783). It was built in the 1850s and helped establish "Union Town," now Arcata. Residents kept mining goods in the storehouse before shipment. Women and children took shelter in the storehouse from 1958-1964 when tension between Whites and Native Americans spiked. In 1880, A. Bizzard, a mercantile businessman, bought the building. It has since been modernized through various developments which include the construction of the second and third floors.**



## CALTRANS STALLS AT RICHARDSON GROVE

Emma Nation  
Staff Writer



[ Photo provided by Caltrans ]

The Arcata-based Environmental Protection Information Center (EPIC) announced on April 20 that Caltrans agreed not to bid the Richardson Grove Improvement Project or otherwise move forward on Richardson Grove work before July 1.

"We are intent in seeing that the merits of our case are heard before Caltrans attempts to implement the project," said EPIC executive director Gary Graham Hughes. and "This development is an important step in achieving that objective." said EPIC executive director Gary Graham Hughes.

The proposed project would widen U.S. Highway 101 through Richardson Grove, just north of the Humboldt County border, to allow larger trucks to travel the road. The project was postponed so the court can evaluate the case that charges Caltrans with inadequate representation of the environmental impacts of the project.

Hughes stated (said) that Caltrans has "largely ignored" complaints about the project from citizens throughout the county and state. Hughes said, "It is the precise and correct facilitation of the environmental review process that guarantees democracy."

EPIC is also co-plaintiff in a lawsuit filed in federal court challenging Caltrans's environmental impact report on the basis of failure to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

According to Kneeland resident David Spreen, Caltrans awarded Humboldt County a \$98,000 grant in 2007 to do a study of goods movement alternatives into the county from the south. but However, Caltrans withdrew the grant and scrapped the study when findings from a computer program indicated they could improve the alignment in Richardson Grove to allow safe access for STAA trucks.

The Surface Transportation Assistance Act (STAA), passed by Congress in 1982 and implemented in California the following year, set the maximum limit for trucks on the national highway system. The largest rigs include sleeper cabs which, when coupled with the largest legal trailer, puts the overall length of the truck over the California legal limit going through Richardson Grove.

Spreen points out that the largest STAA rigs are not the industry standard, but simply the largest truck allowed on the national highway system, usually used for transnational goods movement.

"If we're going to become a de facto part of the national highway system, what are the overall implications of that for the county? They'll put a lot of wear and tear on the county roads once they're off the highway," he said.

Spreen and other environmentalists also voice concern that the combined STAA

roadwork in Trinity, Del Norte and Humboldt County constitute a much larger threat to the overall health of the state's northern waterways.

In a letter to the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, Spreen asked the board to consider the cumulative watershed impacts of road building the same way it reviews the cumulative impacts of timber harvesting. He cites a Nov. 17, 2010 article in the San Francisco Chronicle that lists EPA document which revealed storm water discharges of metals, sediment, oil, grease, pesticides and trash from numerous Caltrans construction sites along California's 50,000 miles of highway and freeway. The EPA ordered Caltrans to improve its management and procedures and fix the problems by Dec. 31, 2011.

Spreen urged the board members to deny Caltrans a permit and send the matter back in order to conduct a cumulative impact analysis to be completed by the same date and after Caltrans releases its upgraded storm water management plan.

Luis Rivera, executive at the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, said Caltrans's 401 permit for the Richardson Grove project has been approved and sent to Sacramento for attorney review before it will be signed.

Although the board is suing Caltrans for numerous 401 permit violations during the Confusion Hill Bypass Project (completed several years ago a few miles south of the Humboldt/Mendocino border), Rivera says the agency cannot deny a permit application based on Caltrans's past work performance because the water board has no power to effect reprisals. That matter would be up to the California Legislature.

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# CULTURAL REVOLUTION ROLE-PLAY

**Kaci Poor**  
Staff Writer

"Long live Chairman Mao!" the students scream. The members of the Red Guard come into view, marching down the stairs of Founders Hall in a tight knot. In the middle of the group, hands bound, is a professor. On his head is a white dunce cap. A paper toilet seat protector is wrapped around his neck. He holds a bright red sign emblazoned with a hammer and sickle.

The professor tries to join in the chanting, but the students silence him. "You are not one of the people," they tell him. Hands reach out and push him forward. He stumbles. He looks like he may fall.

The professor's tormentors break character, rushing forward to help him. Someone in the crowd gasps. This isn't real.

It's April 28, 2011. Not 1966. China's Cultural Revolution is in the past. So what are these students and that professor doing?

Robert Cliver is in his fifth year as a lecturer at Humboldt State University. This is his third time teaching History 108, East Asian Civilization since 1644. Cliver says the role-playing never gets old.

Role-playing, like the reenactment described, is one of several ways Cliver tries to engage his students. "I find that one of the most effective ways to teach my students that people in the past didn't share the morals we consider natural today is by getting them into that person's shoes," Cliver says.

In this case, the students are reenacting the Cultural Revolution. Cliver says understanding the complexity behind the Cultural Revolution can be difficult because until recently there hasn't been access to its history. "The PRC [People's Republic of China] has only recently become a viable form of history," he says.

Even though Cliver knows the students are only acting out parts, he says it can be "terrifying." "The students actively take control and abuse me," Cliver says. "Perhaps it is an even better lesson for me than for them."

Through role-playing, Cliver and his students experience firsthand how quickly mob mentality can take over a group. Mob action was a key component of the Cultural Revolution. Those who were not believed to be loyal to Mao would be publicly disgraced by members of the Red Guard. During the Cultural Revolution, students were active participants in the Red Guard. Cliver, as an intellectual, was the obvious choice to be publicly humiliated during the reenactment. "They almost got violent," says Cliver of his students.

Elements of this can be seen in the later part of the reenactment.

The Red Guard members stop at the bottom of the stairs. They form a loose circle around Cliver. "Get on your knees, you bourgeoisie intellectual!" shouts one student. The other students join in. Cliver complies, bending stiffly. He is ordered to read from a small red book. The student's yells muffle his fluent Chinese. A student steps forward and forces a wooden rod between his arms, pinning them behind him. One of his knees is bad. The student pushes too hard and he falls forward, catching himself just before his face hits the ground.

"It was kind of excruciating," says Cliver of the experience. Cliver adds that the student with the wooden rod came up and apologized to him afterwards.

Cliver recognizes that role-playing isn't for everyone. "Not everyone has to participate," he says.

Susan Lin is one of the students who did participate in Thursday's reenactment. Lin has a personal connection to the Cultural Revolution. Lin's family is from China. "My uncle remembers eating plants during the Great Leap Forward," she says. Lin explains the Great Leap Forward was the time period leading up to the Cultural Revolution. It was a time marked by famine and poverty, she explains. Though Lin's family lived in the countryside, away from the epicenter of the revolution in the larger cities, they were affected. "My grandpa wasn't active in the revolution," says Lin. "But his house in the village was ransacked."

"Primary and secondary sources, like diaries and scholarly texts are important," Lin says. "But you can only read so many of them. Reenacting an event—stepping into another person's shoes—that is what helps us remember."

**Chinese Proletariat Cultural Revolution:** A mass movement in People's Republic of China initiated by Chairman Mao Zedong from 1966-1967. It resulted in tens of millions of deaths.

**Chairman Mao:** The leader of China's Communist party until his death in 1976.

**Red Guard:** Students and youth organizations who carried out the Cultural Revolution creating chaos and violence. They targeted those they identified as acting bourgeois or outside of the ideas of the Cultural Revolution like intellectuals and political figures.

**Little Red Book:** A collection of quotations from Chairman Mao's writings.

**Great Leap Forward:** A program for rapid industrialization and agricultural collectivization through political mass mobilization from 1958-1961. It resulted in one of the worst famines in human history.

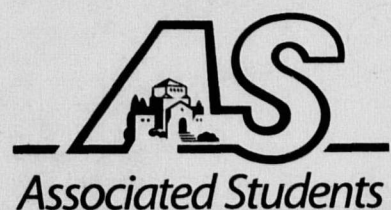


Students of Robert Cliver's History 108 class reenact the Cultural Revolution | Photo provided by Kaci Poor





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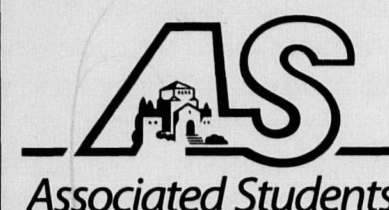
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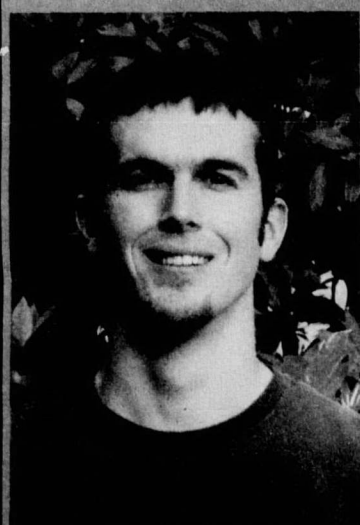
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# WHO'S GOT THE POWER?

**Melissa Coleman**  
News Editor

After a year in the making, Humboldt State faculty now must decide whether or not to give more deciding power to the administration and staff. If the faculty votes "yes," the HSU Academic Senate will dissolve and become the University Senate.

The new University Senate would give administration and staff more representation than they have on the current Academic Senate. Student representation would remain the same.

Academic Senate Chair and communication professor Jay VerLinden said, "[It's to] get more people who are involved in policy decisions on campus to be involved from the very beginning so we're working together more and not as an institution."

Faculty, staff and students currently make up the Academic Senate is currently made up of faculty, staff and students. They vote to recommend policy to HSU President Rollin Richmond. For example, last year they voted to recommend the discontinuation of the nursing program. Five administrators sit on the Senate but are not unable to vote.

The idea for the University Senate came from the Cabinet for Institutional Change, which is a group of 13 faculty, and staff members, students and administrators who look at ways to reform aspects of HSU governance. It recommended last year to create the new University Senate, which VerLinden said will be smaller overall than the current Academic Senate.

In its recommendation, the Cabinet said, "We believe the best way to encourage a new cooperative institutional culture is to create a university senate that bring students, faculty, staff and administrators together to develop and recommend all major policy to the President."

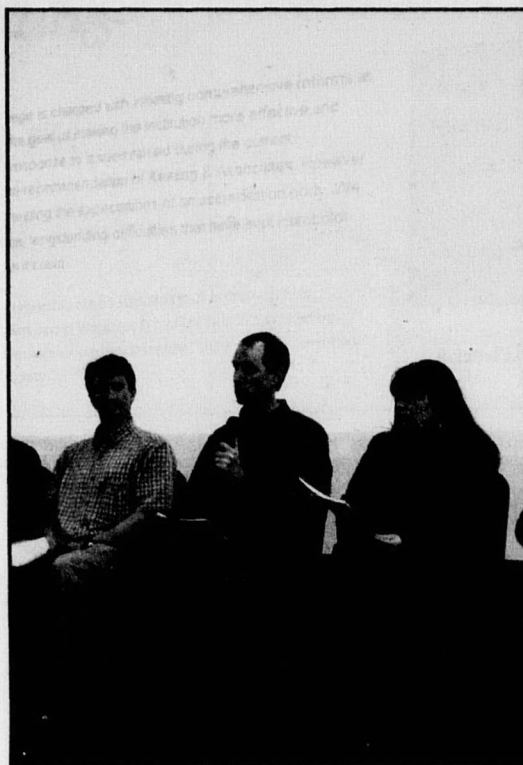
Academic Senate	University Senate
41 total members, nine non-voting	30 total members, three non-voting
Administration gets zero votes	Administration gets three votes
Staff gets one vote	Staff gets four votes
Students get three votes	Students get three votes
General Faculty President and Senate Chair are separate	The two positions are combined

## SIERRA LEONE'S REFUGEE ALL STARS DOCUMENTARY SCREENING AND Q&A WITH BAND

**Ilan Navah**  
Press Release

Sierra Leone's Refugee All Stars are a band of six Sierra Leonean musicians who have been living in refugee camps in Guinea. Many of their family and friends were murdered in the violence, leaving them with physical and emotional scars that may never heal. Despite the unimaginable horrors of civil war, they were saved through their music. The documentary chronicles the band

over three years, from Guinean refugee camps back to war-ravaged Sierra Leone, where they realize the dream of recording their first studio album. And so begins a musical phenomenon that is making the world hear the voices of West Africa's refugees while drawing the accolades of musical superstars Keith Richards, Paul McCartney, Ice Cube (one of the executive producers of the film), and Joe Perry.



Cabinet for Institutional Change | File Photo Elizabeth Sorrell

Incoming Associated Students President Bryan Kelly, who is also on the Academic Senate, said the new Senate would be beneficial to students.

"The goal is to have a more equal distribution of say across campus," Kelly said.

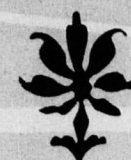
General Faculty President and HSU philosophy professor John Powell opposes the University Senate. He made a statement citing that the new Senate would take power away from faculty and give too much power to the administration, which would go from zero to three eligible votes.

"Putting administrators on the Senate as voting members may cede power to the administration, who at this institution already have most of the power," Powell wrote.

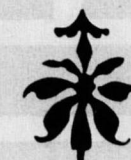
The University Senate would also combine the roles of general faculty president and Academic Senate chair. "It would reduce the strength of the voice of the faculty," Powell said. "I think it would be a mistake."

Faculty members will vote on the future of the University Senate this week. Polls close Friday night.

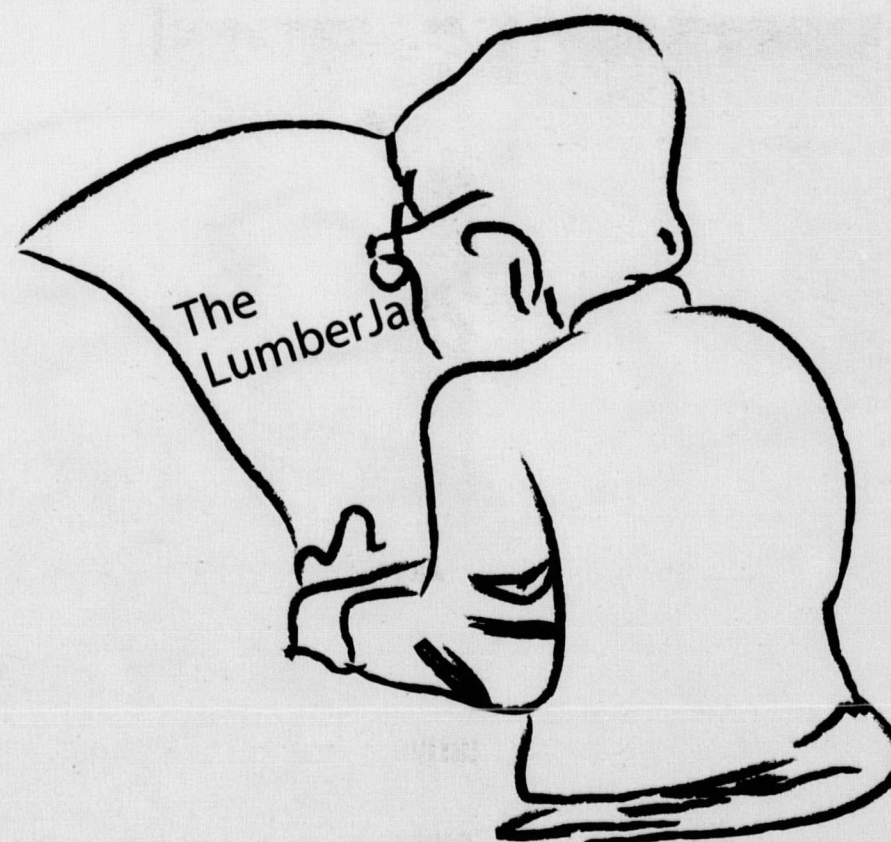
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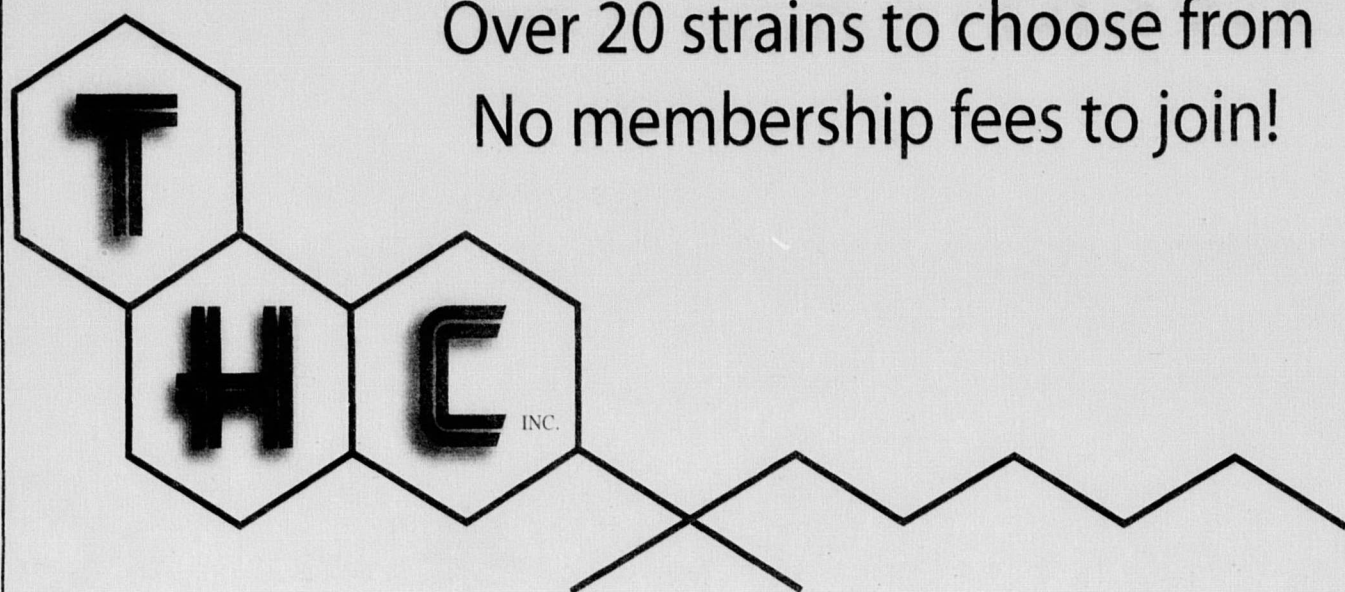


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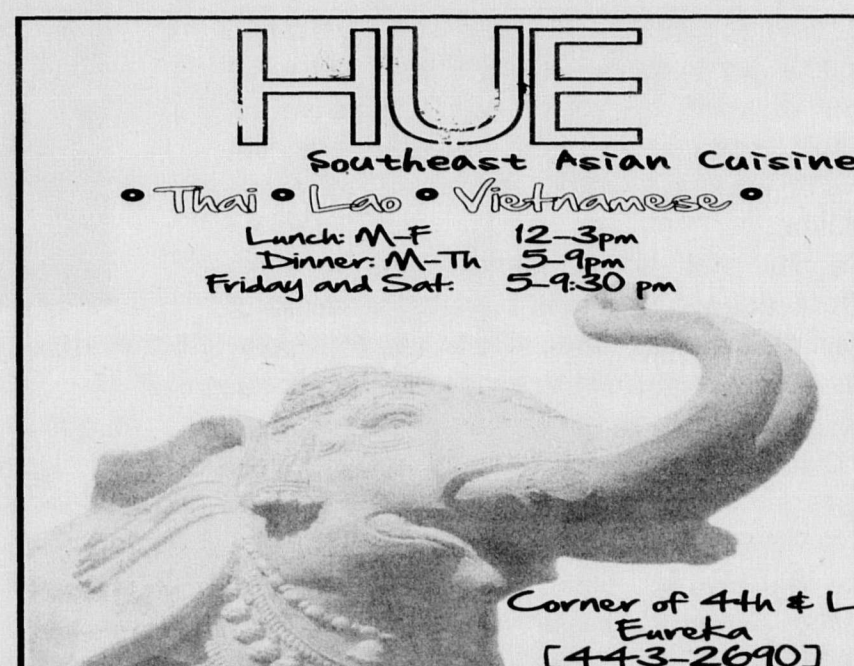
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# MATH PROFESSOR CALLS ELECTION COMMITTEE ACTIONS 'UNCONSTITUTIONAL'

**Catherine Wong**  
Editor in Chief

Martin Flashman, an HSU math professor, is accusing the Election Committee of ignoring the eligibility requirements written in the General Faculty constitution during the election for statewide representation. "There seems to be this inner circle that runs everything, like a club," said Flashman. "Things are not being done properly. Things are happening not according to the rules."

The rules that Flashman refers to have to do with term limitations. As written in the General Faculty constitution, "No elected officer or representative of the General Faculty shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive full terms in the same position."

Terms on the Academic Senate last for three years.

Marshelle Thobaben, assistant director of the Nursing Department, currently serves as statewide senator that represents Humboldt State University within the CSU system. Senators bring the concerns of HSU to the statewide meetings. As far back as Flashman could find, Thobaben has served in that position since 1995. She also won the most recent election for statewide representation.

"It was only last Wednesday that it clicked in my mind," Flashman said on Monday morning in his office.

"I did run for the statewide senate and I was defeated," said Flashman. "She did get the majority of the votes and otherwise the election was fair. What isn't right is that she was ineligible. It doesn't make a difference if she got more votes."

Determining whether a candidate is eligible to run is up to the Election Committee.

"I think someone is consciously ignoring our constitution."

According to John Powell, HSU philosophy professor and president of the Election Committee and General Faculty, the committee was not aware that Thobaben's eligibility was being questioned but, he did receive an e-mail from Flashman "weeks ago" asking about term limits. "He did raise the question early enough," said Powell. Powell admits that the Election Committee could have looked into it.

On Wed., April 27, Flashman sent an e-mail to the committee that stated that he was made aware of the term limits of the constitution. "I am asking the elections committee to rule that Marshelle Thobaben is not eligible to serve another term as CSUAS senator because of her prior service," it read.

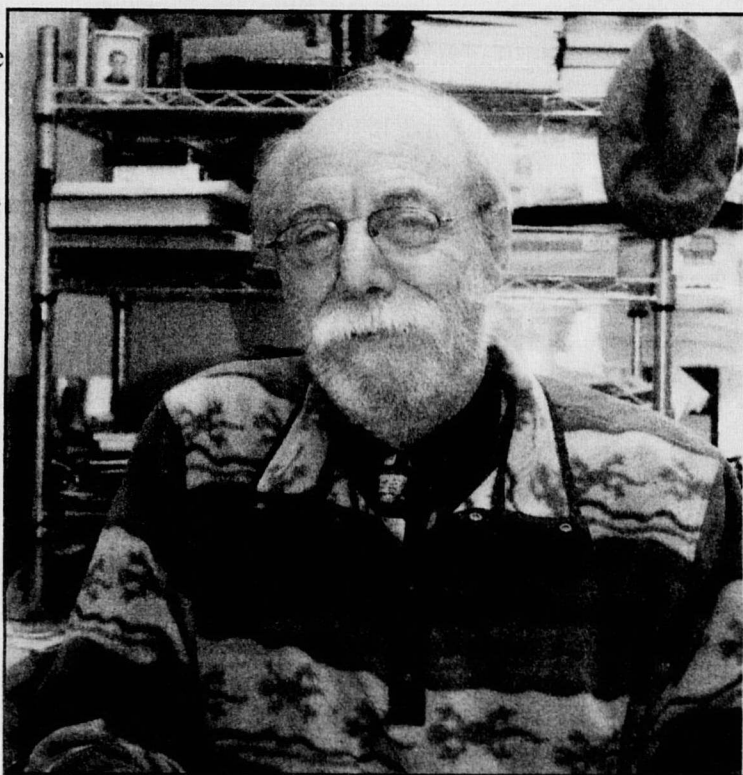
The next day, Flashman sent an e-mail to Powell that stated, "After reconsideration of the facts and the GF constitution I request the Election Committee declare that I won the election to represent the HSU general faculty in the academic senate of the CSU."

On the same day, HSU Theatre, Film and Dance professor Bernadette Cheyne the other state senator, came to the defense of Thobaben's election. "I received an e-mail from Marshelle and that is where I got a copy of Marty's e-mail because I was not a part of the initial list," said Cheyne

on Saturday afternoon. "It was at that point that I sent my response."

Cheyne wrote back to Flashman as well as the entire committee. She pointed out that term limits have never applied to positions outside the General Faculty officers. "This past practice goes back decades and has never, until now, been questioned," wrote Cheyne. "However, now that it has been, I believe it appropriate to clarify the matter, but I do not believe it appropriate for you and the Election Committee to make the determination."

She then refers to the section of the constitution that



Math professor Martin Flashman accuses the Academic Senate of misuse of power | Photo provided by Catherine Wong

states that interpretation of the constitution is the job of the entire Academic Senate. According to Cheyne, statewide representatives do not fall under the term limitations outlined in the constitution. She points out that descriptions of the statewide positions are not listed under "General Faculty" where the term limits are listed.

"It's a very personal and professional assault on her in my opinion," said Cheyne.

Despite losing the election, Flashman denies that this is a personal attack. "All I'm saying is what's going on is not constitutional," said Flashman. "I'm not against Marshelle Thobaben. I don't think she's done anything particularly wrong or shameful or anything like that. All I'm saying is that she's

ineligible. Anything that was done wrong is not necessarily her fault."

Later on the same day, Powell responded. "It seems to me that the appropriate time for contesting the eligibility for someone to run for a major office like this is during running, not afterward," Powell wrote. "If we decide that Marshelle was ineligible, then it seems to me we need to run the election over, with a chance for other candidates to declare. I am not inclined to find that Senator Flashman has won."

The next morning, Flashman responded. He wrote that he would accept the following three things as a resolution: 1) The committee must make a public announcement of its errors in certifying ineligible candidates. 2) The positions in question will be considered vacant and procedures for filling vacancies should take over. 3) The election of Thobaben will be considered invalid and a re-election occurs as soon as possible.

Flashman has not yet decided whether he would run or not if there is a re-election.

Because the General Faculty constitution must be interpreted by the Academic Senate, the Election Committee proposed the topic be discussed during a senate meeting.

Jay VerLinden, the Chair of the Senate, added the eligibility question to the agenda Tuesday afternoon. "Well the issue is that one party believes that the Constitution prohibits a person serving in that position more than twice in a row," said VerLinden. "The other position is it has not been like that in the past. Several times in the past people have served more two terms in a row. And so the interpretation has already been made that it does not apply to the CSU statewide senate."

VerLinden has been a part of the senate for several years and is serving his first year as Chair. In his experience, the interpretation of term limits has never been questioned. "Past practice has allowed state senators to serve several terms in a row," said VerLinden. "Some people argue that that is an advantage because a person cannot move into a position of power or authority in the statewide senate until they've served more than two terms."

Cheyne agrees with this sentiment. She feels that senators need to serve more than just two terms in order to gain the respect to serve elected position on a statewide level. In her seventh year, Cheyne has been nominated for California State Trustee.

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After a 13-4 vote, the senate decided to hear the cases from both sides and then continue discussion next week. VerLinden believes that the Constitution prohibits a person serving in that position more than twice in a row," said VerLinden. "The other position is it has not been like that in the past. Several times in the past people have served more two terms in a row. And so the interpretation has already been made that it does not apply to the CSU statewide senate."

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Bernadette Cheyne disagrees with Flashman. She believes the Academic Senate is just fine | Photo provided by Catherine Wong



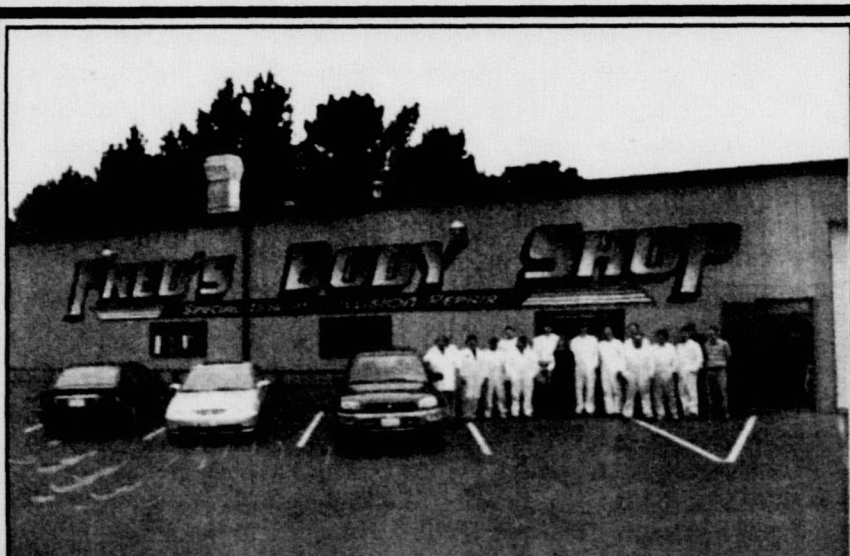
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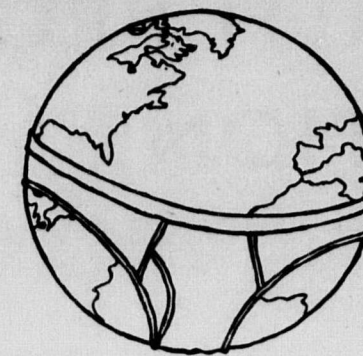
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U.S. Navy SEALs shot and killed Osama bin Laden Sunday after helicopters dropped them into a compound in Abbottabad, Pakistan where the terrorist leader was in hiding. Others were killed in the raid but no Americans were hurt. The U.S. government said bin Laden was buried at sea in accordance with Muslim customs. U.S. officials say DNA samples were taken to confirm the man killed to be bin Laden. Pakistani officials condemned the raid as violating their sovereignty. The U.S. counter-terror agencies are on high alert against reprisal terror attacks.

### Palestine

Israel is withholding about \$100 million in Palestinian funds in response to agreements signed between Fatah, who rules the West bank, and Hamas who control Gaza. Smaller Palestinian factions were included in the agreement which aims to hold unified elections in about a year. Palestinian leaders have called on Israel to release the funds, which were collected from Palestinians and were meant to go to the Palestinian Authority.

### Libya

Muammar Gaddafi's son, Saif al-Arab, was buried Monday. He was killed in a NATO air strike on Gaddafi's compound. Gaddafi escaped the attack unharmed and has vowed to continue his fight for control of Libya. The strike has drawn international criticism for what has been called targeted attacks aimed at assassinating a foreign leader.

### Syria

Syrian forces have arrested more than 7,000 people over the past week as protests sweep across the country. Protesters hope to topple Bashar al-Assad, who has ruled the country since 2000. Many prominent intellectuals and activists have gone into hiding to avoid arrest.

### Argentina

Angry commuters burned trains in three stations around Buenos Aires. They were responding to train delays because of a derailment. Ticket booths and vending machines were also vandalized. Firefighters reported stones were thrown at them as they tried to put out the fires.

### Canada

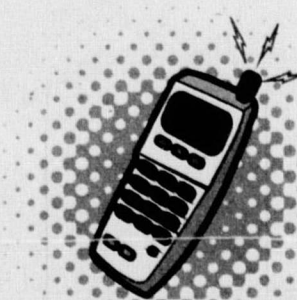
The Canadian federal election was held on Monday. The Conservative Party gained the absolute majority. However, the New Democratic Party won 102 seats, the highest in its history. Elizabeth May won a seat, making her the first Green Party candidate to ever be elected in Canada.

*Compiled by Josh Aden and Melissa Coleman*

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# WE HAVE A WINNER

## KELLY WINS AS PRESIDENTIAL RUNOFF ELECTION

**Melissa Coleman**  
News Editor

*Flea markets, a community garden and profit may be in Humboldt State's future with Bryan Kelly in charge.*

After a runoff election last week, Kelly, a political science junior, won the Associated Students presidency. He defeated Aaron Wilyer in a vote of 327 to 228. About 7.5 percent of the student body voted. In the initial election, he got 47 percent of the vote. A majority of more than 50 percent is needed to win.

Kelly's platform focused on the establishment of a student trust fund to bring in revenue. "We're trying to establish a more self-sustaining student body," Kelly said. "I'm putting together a team to work with the administration and the business department." He says he hopes the fund and other business ventures will reduce student fees and give students more incentive to pay attention to A.S.

Where would money for the trust fund come from? Kelly wants a percentage of the student IRA fee to go toward an initial investment that would be maintained over time.

"We're looking at possible investors in the local community," Kelly said. He also plans to start a community garden, possibly at the field next to the Natural Resources building. "We'd lease plots of the field. Farmers could sell [their products] at a campus flea market and students could learn how to farm."

AS Legislative Vice President Aaron Wilyer who ran against Kelly said that the student trust fund is a good idea. "But it's going to take more than a year," he said.

Looking back at this past year, current College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences representative Amber Okeh said that AS' biggest accomplishments

were the IRA fee referendum, letters to legislators and last semester's voter registration drive. Next year however, she would like to see more student and community participation.

"We got the word out to more students this year, but we still only got 10 percent of them," she said in reference to the voter registration drive.

Wilyer echoed those sentiments and said there was a lack of student participation. "AS is only as capable as the students allow us to be," he said. "Without representation, we have no power."

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# A.S. TO UNDERGO RESTRUCTURING

Nathan Post

Head Copy Editor

HSU's Associated Students will see a bit of a shakeup in the coming weeks thanks to a state bill that went into effect early last year. The legislation, AB 1233, revises laws pertaining to nonprofit organizations like our student government.

"This bill is huge," said AS President Stephanie Partlow. "Many parts of our bylaws will be affected." Bylaws are essentially the internal rules of AS. Partlow said she expects the changes to shift the association toward a more corporate structure and increase the accountability of its members.

The new law states that all members of a non-profit board of directors must have voting rights. According to Legislative Vice President of AS Aaron Wilyer, this has some big implications for the association. For one, the president, who formerly acted as a non-voting member, will now have the power to vote. AS vice presidents will also now be able to vote. Wilyer said this will bump the number of voting members up from 13 to 17. As a result, passing an item will require more people and more votes.

This law also removes the AS president's power to veto. This means the student president will not be

able to single-handedly reject items that have already passed with a majority vote. Wilyer said removing the president's veto authority and giving the president and vice presidents voting authority will act as a balance of power. "The president will actually lose some power ... and the vice presidents will gain power," he said.

Despite the clamor surrounding the bill, Partlow said it is still too early to be sure what all the effects of the restructuring will be. "Not a whole lot has been done as of yet," she said. She said members of AS have been focusing on the big changes in order to get an idea of how the little ones will break down.

Student Affairs Vice President Kristy Eden reiterates the idea of uncertainty surrounding the bill. "A lot depends on what council decides to do about restructuring," she said. "We won't know that decision until this Friday at the earliest."

The association will convene for its final meeting of the semester on Friday at 9 a.m. in the UC South Lounge, where it will discuss how these changes will affect the future of AS.

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Last Friday, HSU Associated Students announced the results of last week's runoff election and named Ivan Rodriguez as AS President and Kristy Eden as Student Affairs Vice President. AS held runoff elections because neither of the candidates received a majority in the initial election two weeks ago.

Women's Crew Heads to Philadelphia No word on whether greenman show up

The HSU women's crew team will travel east to Philadelphia to compete in the 105th Dad Vail Regatta after doing well at the Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association (WIRA) Championship at Lake Natoma over the weekend. The performance of her players blew away Head Coach Robin Meigs.

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☐ I haven't thought that far ahead.



## Walk the Talk: Humboldt's Graduation Pledge

By: Kristan Korn

Every one of us, no matter who or where we are, has always had the power to change the world around us for the better. It was the desire to remind students of that simple yet powerful truth, that led Humboldt State University students to create the graduation pledge in 1987.

That pledge, which has since spread to over 100 universities worldwide, is simple: "I pledge to explore and take into account the social and environmental consequences of any job I consider and will try to improve these aspects of any organizations for which I work."

Andréa Tyler worked for Associated Students as the graduation

Humboldt's unique culture," Tyler said. "It's a great testament to the kind of environment we have...to spawn or cultivate these really great ideas that have ripple effects."<sup>1</sup>

The graduation pledge has been adopted as an optional part of graduation ceremonies by more than 100 universities around the world, from Harvard and Cornell in the United States, to the University of British Columbia in Canada and the Chinese Cultural University in Taiwan.

It hasn't just been students who've been inspired to take the pledge. Faculty and staff members have also been encouraged to take part during graduation ceremonies.

*"It's a part of our school ethos, and represents the type of people that flock to and are cultivated by Humboldt's unique culture."*

*-- Andréa Tyler, HSU Alumna*

pledge coordinator before her own graduation in 2005. She keeps the card in her wallet as a constant reminder of the 'Humboldt spirit'.

"It's a part of our school ethos, and represents the type of people that flock to, and are cultivated by,

Chris DeHardt, who works as an advisor on campus, said that he took the pledge soon after coming to Humboldt.

"It really is a lot about what we do in our professional lives differently, or consciously," DeHardt said, "and I think that's the real trademark of the pledge."



Those taking the pledge wear a green ribbon on their graduation robes, and keep a wallet-sized card with the pledge on the back. | Kristan Korn

Keyan Auer, an HSU senior majoring in Environmental Science, and the current graduation pledge coordinator here at Humboldt, agrees.

"It's very symbolic," Auer said. "There's no obligation to an organization. It's a personal pledge."

Tyler, who since graduation has worked with a non-profit public transportation advocacy group, said that the pledge is about recognizing your own power to make a difference.

"Some of the environments I go into are much more right-leaning conservative, and others are left-leaning and liberal, but I think that something like the pledge spans that gap," Tyler said. "It doesn't require a super liberal environment for it to work in, because it's about doing what you can within the environment that you're in."

For those who are interested in either taking the pledge or finding out more, the Graduate Pledge Alliance will

have tables set up within the field house before the commencement ceremonies. Graduates are advised to arrive a little early.

"It gets to be kind of a chaotic event when everybody is lined up," Auer said, "but the process with us is really about two minutes; just grab a card, sign it and keep it, and wear the ribbon in solidarity."

While the process may only last a few minutes, the impact of the pledge on those who take it, and on the communities around them, is designed to last a lifetime.

DeHardt feels that ideas like the graduation pledge will spread. "Humboldt is an indicator community of where everyone else could be in 20 or 25 years in terms of social entrepreneurship and social change."

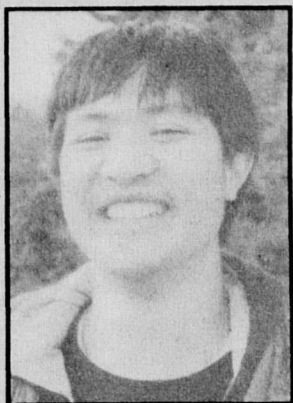
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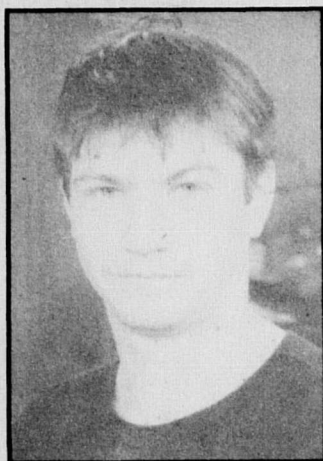
## with Kristan Korns

How do you feel about the graduation pledge?



**David Pham, journalism, senior:**

I plan on taking the graduation pledge. Ever since I moved here from San Jose, my whole perspective of the world has changed due to the fact that Humboldt State has a very environmentally friendly community.



**Robert Elliott, philosophy, senior:**

We're supposedly the school that started the nationwide pledge system of being environmentally conscious for all of our graduates, and thus we wear a green ribbon on

our graduation robes — but in reality, we're not a very environmentally conscious campus. We built that new tire-turf field down by the College Creek. They demolished a beautiful creek to fill it with chewed-up tires which just runs off into the watershed of the creek they destroyed.



**Clyde Mailes, journalism, senior:**

I plan on taking the pledge. I had heard about it for the first time last year when I went to my friend's graduation... and I think I already kind of live that way.

**Jessica Charles, theatre production, grad student:**

I'm from Berkeley, and when I graduated from Berkeley, there was a similar sort of group pledge where we're going to... not work in order to help people who are benefiting off of our land instead of from our land. So I want to continue doing that in my life, and continue defending our world because I love it.



**Sarah McKinney, theatre production, grad student:**

Yes, I will take the graduation pledge. I graduated from my undergrad years ago — about 12 years ago actually — so I kind of feel like I took it then.

**Kimberly Hodges, media studies, junior:**



The pledge about being more environmentally friendly and continuing that was what actually drew me to the school, because that was their pledge for just being a student in general. We are in a really beautiful place here and it needs to be respected. So, that was kind of a draw when I came here as a student. I really like that. I was like, 'When I move here I'm gonna recycle, I'm gonna go on nature walks, and I'm just gonna be really nice to everyone I meet.'



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# BioTalk Breakdown A Fresh Look at Introduced Species

By: Rob Knott - Science Writer

The introduction of a non-native species into a population may not be as harmful as we make it out to be. According to Deborah Shafer of the University of Maryland, who spoke to HSU science students on Friday, "Established exotics may not necessarily be detrimental to native organisms." Shafer also works for the US Army Corps of Engineers. As a government scientist, she stressed that the views expressed in her presentation are not intended to reflect the official policy of her agency.

Shafer discussed the science of a non-native seagrass in the Pacific Northwest with the students in Founders Hall for the last of a series of seminars, called BioTalks, hosted by the Biology Graduate Students Association and the Department of Biological Sciences. She focused on *Zostera japonica*, a species of seagrass not native to the Pacific Northwest that was introduced from Japan in packing material from the oyster aquaculture industry. "The combined populations of *Zostera japonica* here on the west coast may be larger than the populations remaining in its native habitat in Southeast Asia," said Shafer. "The sheer size and extent of the established beds in many areas makes control impractical, at best."

This requires new

scrutiny of the impacts introduced, non-native species have in native ranges. "Not all introduced species are invasive," said Shafer. Although the Japanese seagrass has invaded many portions of the west coast intertidal zone, it doesn't seem to be negatively impacting its surrounding ecological communities.

Erin Haugen, a senior studying biology, attended the semester's final BioTalk. "Dr. Shafer touched on how sometimes there can be different niches for different types of plants. [*Zostera japonica*] doesn't necessarily decrease the habitat for native species around here. It is even preferred by some birds over the native species of seagrass."

Studies have also shown that this non-native species has had no negative impacts on intertidal invertebrate populations, raising the question: are all introduced species bad? Shafer maintains that students should ask those very questions, while separating science from the stigma attached with "introduced species".

Haugen has been attending BioTalks since her first semester at HSU. "They offer a lot of applied professional background to things we're studying generally. People should take advantage of all the different resources that the campus has to offer," she said.

Helen Kurkjian is a graduate student studying the population composition of a rare plant only found in Humboldt and Trinity counties. "Being able to give talks is a really important part of being a research scientist," she said. "I think a lot of grad students and undergrads are inexperienced in that sort of thing. It's important to be able to hear a lot of different styles and figure out what works for you and what doesn't." The weekly seminar series, which starts back up next semester, offers students a look at what scientists do.

The Biology Graduate Students Association, which Kurkjian is treasurer of, runs the coffee table located in the lobby of Science B. "The coffee table raises money for the seminar series, which is where we invite a professor or some other professional from another institution to speak" she said. The profits from all those bagels, bananas, and cups of coffee go directly into buying plane tickets and hotel rooms for guest speakers, like Shafer.

When asked what separates the biology coffee table apart from the other departments, Kurkjian said, "Why would you have bagels with no toaster?" Without the coffee table, and hard work from graduate students like Kurkjian, we would have BioTalks with no speaker.

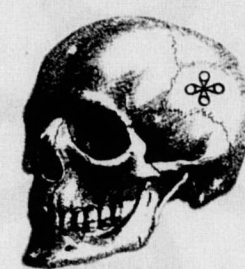
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# The Iron Maidens of Metal

By: Stephanie Giles

The Iron Maidens: Arcata Theater Lounge, Friday May 6th

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Eddie runs on stage, dancing and flailing his rotting arms around. Satan enters on stage to an eruption of cheers from the crowd as the band performs "The Number of the Beast." This is a familiar scene for any metal head, but there is a twist; the females are rockin' the stage.

The Iron Maidens is an all female tribute band of legendary metal band Iron Maiden. The Iron Maidens started in 2001 and include Kirsten "Bruce Chickinson" Rosenberg on vocals, Linda "Nikkie McBURRain" McDonald on drums, Courtney "Adriana Smith" Cox and Heather "Dee Murray" Baker on guitar and Wanda "Steph Harris" Ortiz on bass.

This is the only female tribute band to Iron Maiden. "There were already several all-girl tribute bands around but none of them were doing anything as complex or challenging as Maiden," Ortiz said.

Their mutual love for Maiden was a big part of starting the tribute. "The dead music scene and a hunger for real entertainment and great live music was inspiration enough," McDonald said. "To give people a show and amazing music they were already familiar with, but with a feminine twist!"

The Iron Maidens is the first all-female tribute band to perform in Venezuela at the Gillman Festival. "Ticket sales for the event set a new record," Rosenberg said. "Selling faster than the previous record-holder, Metallica."

Each member has won a "best in category" award at the LA Music Awards and the Rock City News Awards. "I think the greatest moment of recognition was the thumbs up from Steve Harris himself," McDonald said. Steve Harris is the bassist of Iron Maiden.

"I love listening to this music, so performing it is a sheer blast," Rosenberg said. The Iron Maidens travel all over the world, sharing their love of metal music and Maiden. McDonald said Maiden is the main reason she started playing the drums. "It's so humbling to know there is so much support out there for a project like this to stay alive and active for as long as it has been," she said.

Steve Harris and Bruce Dickinson saw The Iron Maidens perform in Mexico. "At the time it was happening I think everyone in the band was a little nervous, but we pulled it off," Ortiz said. "Steve Harris came by and told us he liked our show after the set."

The band tours all over the United States, as well as all

over the world: Guam, Japan, Peru, Turkey, Greece—they even performed for U.S. troops in Iraq. "They would have never allowed a woman's rock band to perform there," Rosenberg said. "It was one of the most rewarding gigs we have ever done." This will be the second time The Iron Maidens performs in Arcata.

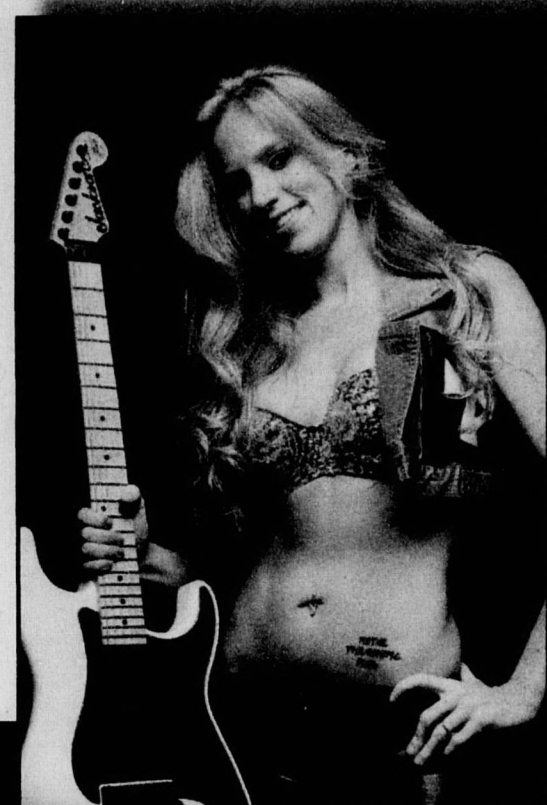
The Iron Maidens travel and perform as much as they can. When they are not performing together or as freelance musicians with other bands, each member works second jobs. McDonald owns her own pet care business, "Dogs and drums are the biggest passions in my life," she said. Ortiz has a second career in technology, Cox is a Barista at a coffee shop in Moorpark and Rosenberg works as an administrative assistant and bookkeeper.

Mark Dawson has been managing The Iron Maidens for 10 years. "They give it 1,000 and 10 percent each and every show regardless if they are playing for several hundred or several thousand," he said. "They go the extra mile when others don't."

Dawson is excited about The Iron Maidens' new multimedia aspect to their theatrics on stage. "It is clear that they have a true love and passion for what they do and that comes through and resonates on stage between them and overflows out into the audience," Dawson said.

The Iron Maidens claimed their place in the world of metal music. "I feel very alive when I am playing in front of an audience, getting into that zone and connecting with members of the audience who are feeling it too," McDonald said. "There is nothing else on earth like it."

Courtney  
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Cox, Guitarist  
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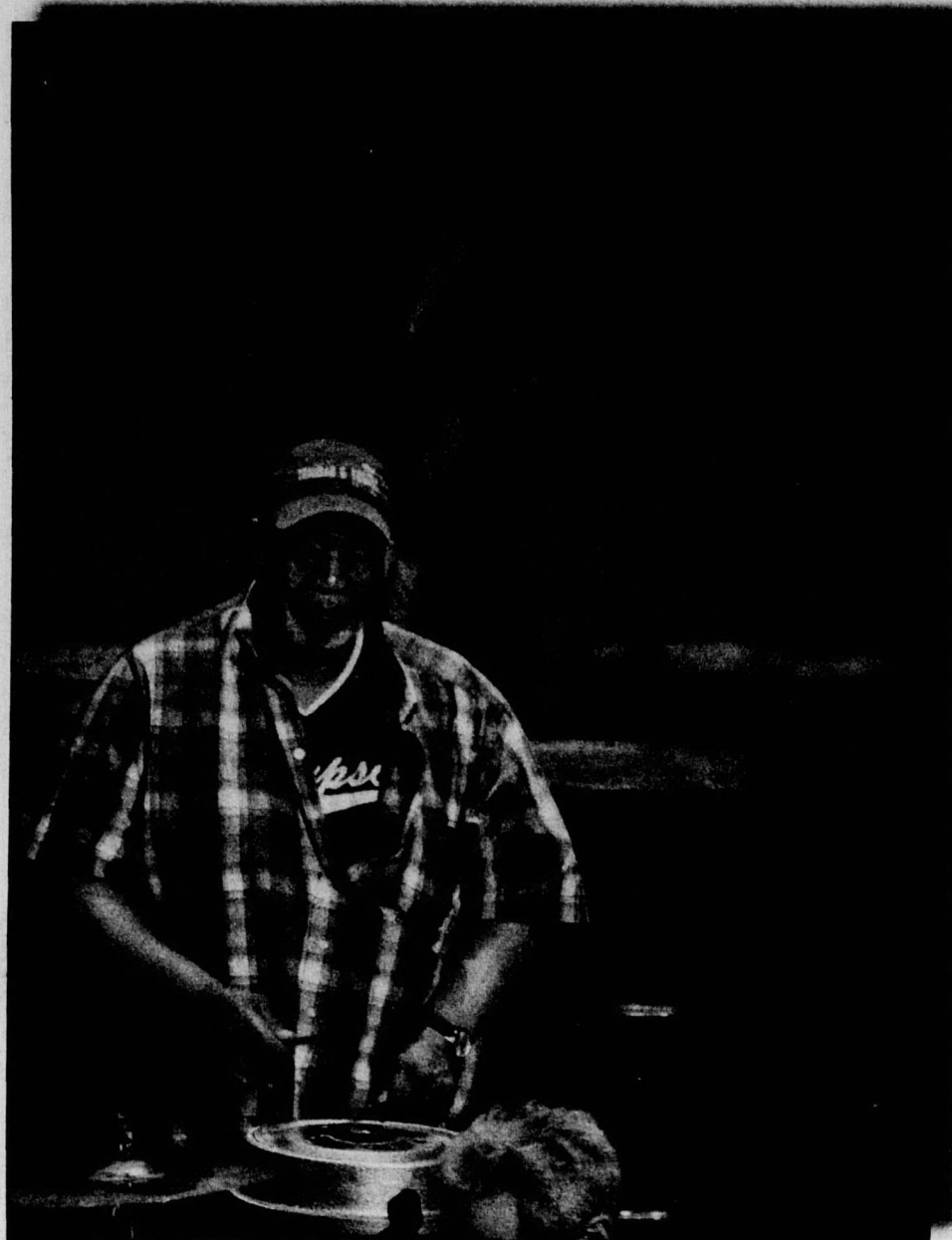
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## Calypso Celebrates 25th

A lone drummer hits a steel drum on stage. The notes are bright and clear. Seconds later 40 other drummers join in.  
| Catherine Wong

Last Saturday, the Humboldt Calypso Band played its 25th anniversary show, led by music professor Eugene Novotney. Calypso traces back to African, indigenous Caribbean, Spanish, French, and British cultures. The sound can be traced back to the emancipation of Caribbean slaves and their struggle to integrate into a white society. Calypso has risen to become the national symbol of the Trinidadian and Tobagonian people. | Catherine Wong



## Femme Fatale meets Rock n Roll

Zepparella Rocks Arcata Photos by Catherine Wong



Gretchen Menn stares out into the crowd as she strikes a chord on her guitar.

Miaya Shambry, the new vocalist Zepparella, brings a soulful edge to classic Led Zeppelin songs.



Zepparella rocks the Arcata Theatre Lounge stage last Saturday night.



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Four nights following the pre-investigation, Magliari and Hurd returned. The two planned to set traps in the stairwells of the third and fourth floor after the businesses closed at 11:30 p.m.

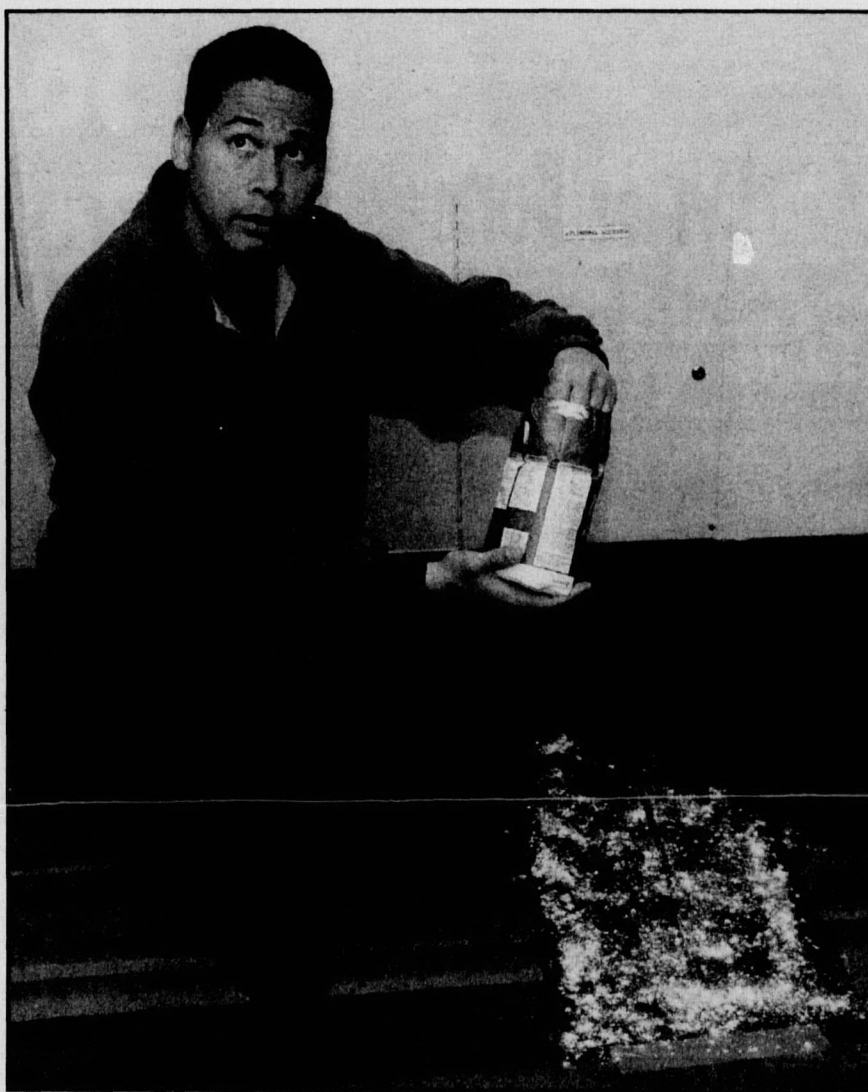


Magliari spreads white flour along pieces of black garbage bags. These bags are cut into fourths. The squares are taped to the foot of the stairs and the entrance of the door.

The team intends to catch anything, or anybody, that walks down the stairs while the building was closed with the trap. The most common paranormal report from storehouse employees involves hearing footsteps in the staircase. The team say they hope to catch footprints in the flour. In the case of the Carnegie Building in Eureka, a ghost named Ralph drew his name in chalk and paint on the floor (see "A Ghost named Ralph," North Coast Journal, Oct. 24, 2002).

They move to the basement and set up a recorder in a dark corner near the entrance of Abruzzi's. They left the traps overnight until 6 a.m.

The team didn't find anything significant at this particular investigation, but they remain encouraged. The group scheduled another investigation in a different location at the end of May. If you know of a place that is haunted, or are just interested in the topic, contact HSU's Paranormal Investigative Group.



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# WIDE RECEIVER CHASES THE DREAM

Kaci Poor  
Managing Editor

It is a cool, 54-degree Saturday evening as the Humboldt State football team kicks off its Homecoming game against Azusa Pacific. The date is October 13, 2007. Just over 4,000 fans cheer from the stands, enjoying a rare cloud-free evening in Humboldt County.

This is Edwin Henry's twelfth and last game of the 2007 season. It is this game that turns Henry from a football player into a fashion entrepreneur.

By the third quarter, Humboldt State is down 20-9. The ball is handed off to Henry, a wide receiver, on the 35-yard line. Henry rushes past the players. The crowd roars. He comes around the corner of the field trying to make it to the sidelines, planting his left foot to turn. That's when Henry hears his knee pop.

"People said they could hear me screaming in the stands," said Henry as he remembers the game from four years ago. "I just wanted to start crying.

Being so competitive I did not want to get off the field."

Henry did leave the field, though. He was taken into the locker room where a doctor informed him that his ACL was likely torn.

"It felt like my heart sank in," said Henry who now sits in the sun staring out at Redwood Bowl. "I felt like someone stabbed me in the heart."

But Henry believes his injury was meant to be. "If that wouldn't have happened, I wouldn't be so far along the road with this clothing thing." Henry refers to his up-and-coming clothing brand, Kultured Kid, which has been worn by artists like rapper Wiz Khalifa and athletes like Stephen Curry and Reggie Williams of the Warriors.

When Henry tore his ACL in 2007, he decided to take his passion for clothing design seriously. "I've always loved sneakers—loved clothes—I just hated buying clothes," said Henry. Though Henry returned to football, finishing

up his remaining four years of eligibility, he never stopped pursuing Kultured Kid. "Football can just be taken away from me at any moment," Henry said. "That's when I started pursuing clothes, getting creative."

Using Adobe Photoshop and InDesign, Henry designed his own logo. He had a few samples printed up. He ran out of those and printed up a few more. Since then he hasn't looked back.

The 24-year old, who graduated with a degree in Business Administration last semester, plans to get an online store up and running over the summer. Right now he has a few items on consignment at AMP Skateshop. But mainly he sells to friends and acquaintances through Facebook and word of mouth.

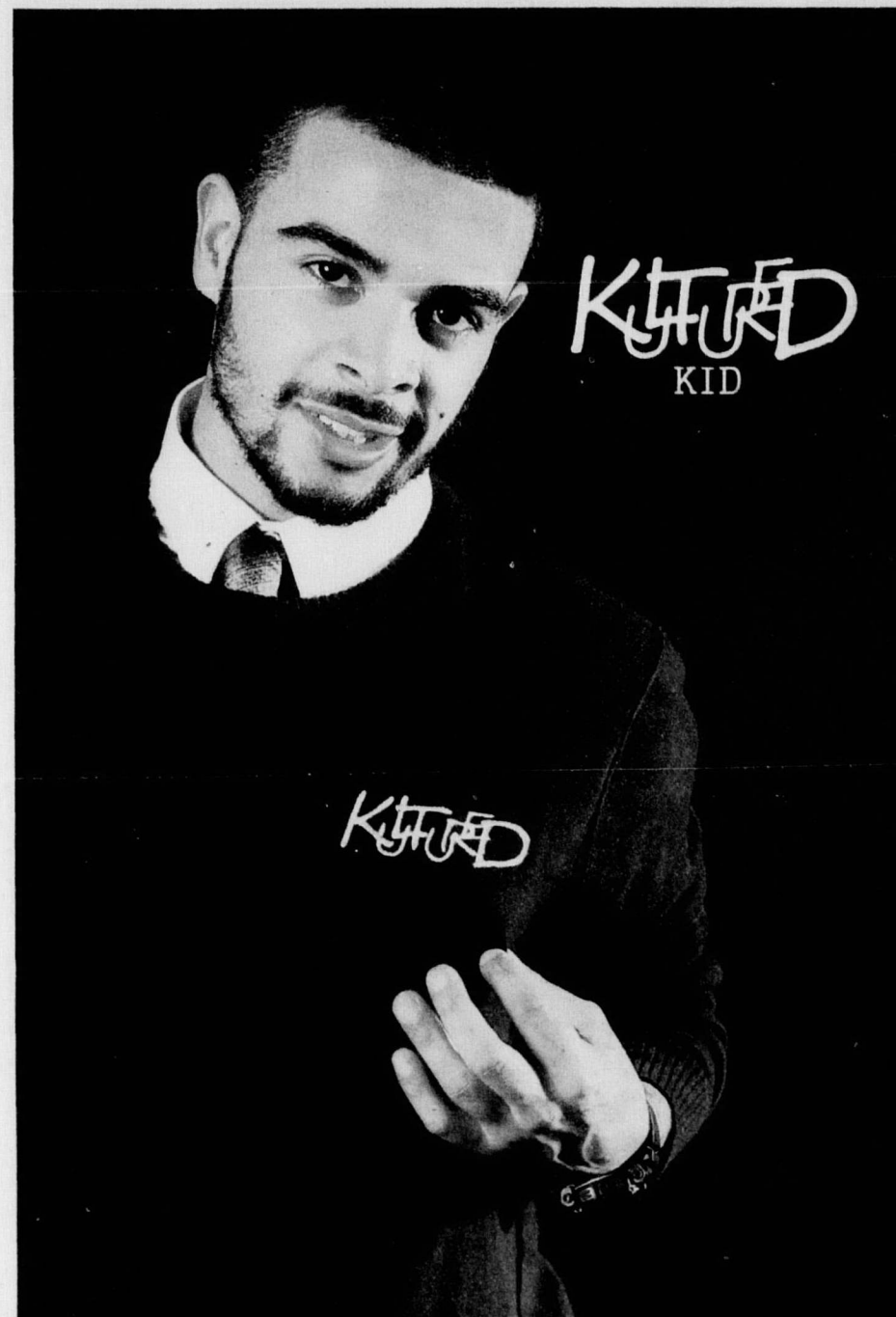
Kultured Kid's notoriety is spreading.

Every now and then Henry posts photos on his website, [www.kulturedkid.com](http://www.kulturedkid.com), of celebrities wearing his clothes. Henry's Facebook page skyrocketed after Wiz Khalifa wore a black Kultured Kid crew sweater in concert. "Traffic to the site must have shot up like 200 percent after that," said Henry.

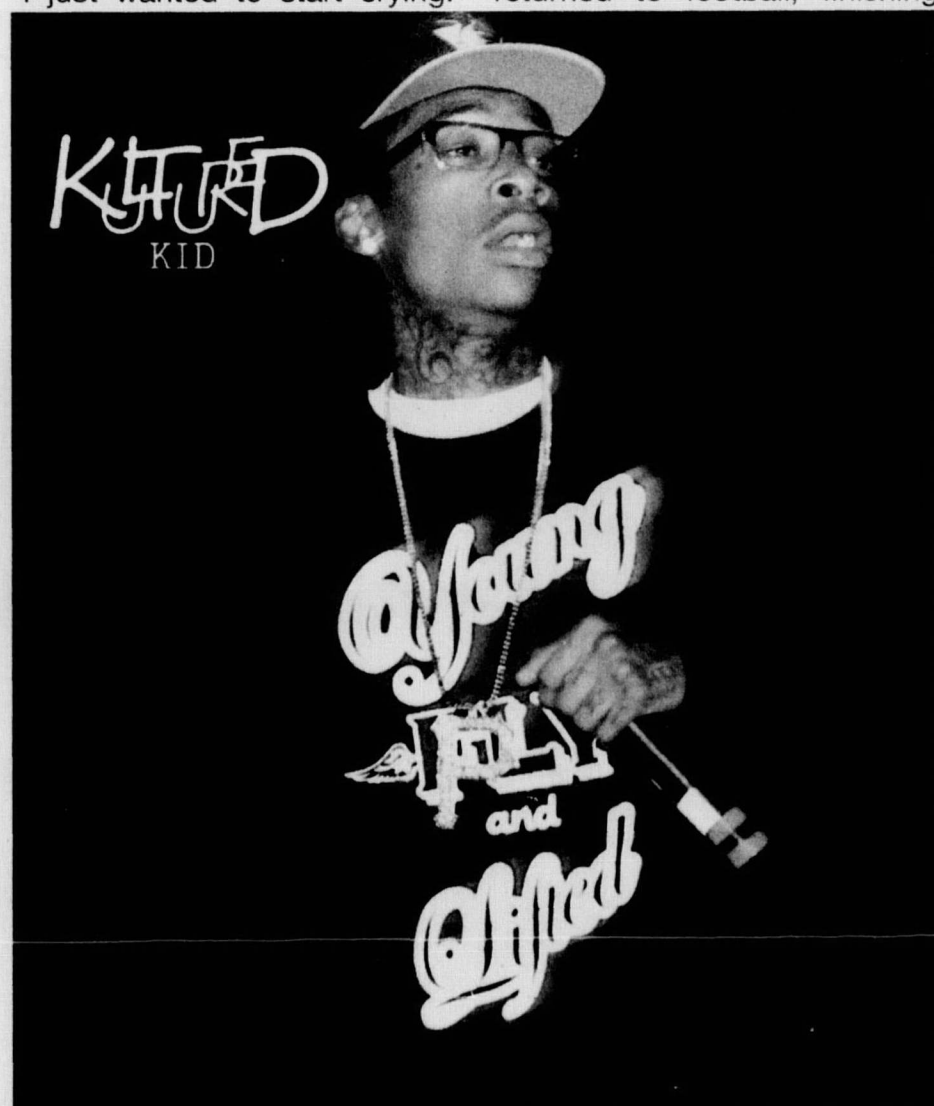
Henry admits that sometimes marketing his brand takes precedence over his school work. Recently, Henry opted to attend a Warriors game instead of writing a paper on marketing for his small business management class. At the game, Henry gave his clothing to several of the Warrior players, including the coach. When he got back to Humboldt he used his experience to finish up his paper, turning it in late.

Professor Nancy Vizenor, who teaches Henry's small business class, empathized with Henry's decision to put Kultured Kid first. Vizenor says Henry is a perfect example of a student working toward a goal.

"Yes, that impacted when his paper was due. But you know, he made the choice that



Former Humboldt State wide receiver Edwin Henry dressed in one of his own Kultured Kid sweaters. | Garens Lloyd and Edwin Henry



Rapper Wiz Khalifa wears a "Young Fly and Lifted" Kultured Kid crew sweater by Edwin Henry. | Garens Lloyd and Edwin Henry

was going to benefit him the most," Vizenor says. "That's how it goes sometimes and I completely understand that." Vizenor adds however that her understanding didn't stop her from marking Henry off for turning the paper in late.

Academics aside, Henry takes every opportunity to put his clothing into the hands of celebrities. "When you can get it in their hands, you gotta take advantage of every opportunity."

Henry still does a double-take when he sees people he has never met wearing his clothes, though. "I never saw myself as a fashion guru," he said.

Henry's main goal when designing his clothing is creating something people can

relate to. Henry sees culture "as education, open-mindedness and diversity". "You're learning something about everything," he said.

The brand's logo is "what's different is what those are afraid of". "The logo is very general," said Henry. "I want people to step outside of their box—their comfort zone. It's something everyone can relate to."





# MEN'S RUGBY TEAM SUSPENDED

Marisa Penkauskas

Staff Writer

Colin Bourgeois left the party on March 26 alone wearing a rugby sweatshirt to guard against the cool night air. The 22-year-old student turned and yelled, "Why the fuck are there so many cops?!" as police cars pulled up at the party on LK Wood Boulevard. He heard fast-moving footsteps behind him and felt hands clamp tight, cold metal bands around his wrists.

Police arrested Bourgeois, a recreation administration junior and the men's rugby team captain, for being drunk in public on March 26. Bourgeois was not charged but his arrest violated the probation administered by Recreation Administration to the rugby team for a party held by the team back in December. The violation suspends the team until next spring which prevented it from finishing its competitive season.

Greg Simmons, chair of the Kinesiology & Recreation Department made the final decision to suspend the team. "Jan Henry and Justus Ortega came to me in concurrence with what should happen," he said.

Each December, the men's and women's rugby clubs host a winter formal social gathering at its main house off of California Street, called the California House, to celebrate the start of the season. Clad in semi-formal attire, the teams share food and drinks while they talk about the upcoming season. During this celebration, alumni rugby players return and lightly-associated club members show up freely.

A member of the women's team hosted this year's party. After most of the people left, the newcomers started to wrestle and the alumni pushed through the scuffle to break it up.

"The ones who were already out of control, decided that it was going to be more belligerent than it already was," first-year men's rugby coach Jerry Soho said. "Several people ended up getting arrested." The students arrested were drinking underage.

An upset party-goer sent an anonymous letter to the HSU administration while Arcata Police Department sent a re-

port. It was at that point that Recreation Administration put the team on notice. "We were put on probation for a year, which means don't get in trouble and don't make noise," Bourgeois explained.

The Recreation Administration of HSU decided on a probation using rules from the Humboldt State

he left a small gathering at the California House on March 26 with a few rugby players from both teams before dark. He headed to a party a few streets down where he had a few drinks. After a few hours, he decided to walk home.

According to Bourgeois, he caught the officers' attention when he yelled and an of-

Recreational Sports, explained that the drunk in public arrest prompted an investigation. "They did in fact have an after team party on March 26, which was a direct violation of their probation," she said. "And they never did make amends to the women's team."

The team has played at Humboldt State since 1973 and made it to the national championship six times. They last took their wins to nationals in 2008. After the winter formal event, many players dropped the club. "We lost a lot of our old players. A lot of them were first- and second-year players," Soho said. "And I came in as a first-year coach which piled on top of all the newness."

Joseph "Bubba" Reynolds, kinesiology senior, missed his last game at HSU before graduation because of the suspension. "It's something that our team could have and should have avoided," he said. "But if it takes me missing my last game for my team to realize that actions of a few can effect many then that's a sacrifice that needed to be made."

Bourgeois accepts responsibility for his actions and wishes they didn't reflect on the whole team. "My leadership didn't carry over from the field," he said. "The team wasn't get-

ting me drunk. I walked out of the party alone - not with teammates."

"I apologize for my actions to my teammates, coaches, the rugby community and those in the University who have had to deal with the men's rugby team's delinquency this year."

Soho agreed with the school's push for consequences but not in its entirety. "It'd be like if a few people in a military unit decided to go rogue. Do you punish the whole unit? Then the morale of the whole unit is destroyed," he said. "You could definitely see the morale of the team plummet."

Henry has hope for the new leaders of the rugby club. "They're trying to turn their club around and do things for the community and not be known as a drinking club," she said. "They've got some good leadership now that they're hoping to really turn it around and be competitive again."

Humboldt men's rugby cannot travel or practice under the HSU name, but will return to the competitive season next spring. Prospective players who wish to practice in the fall can join the HULKS, a local team not affiliated with Humboldt State.

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Jerry Soho  
Head Coach, Men's Rugby

Sport Club Handbook codes of conduct. There are nine conditions were used by Recreation Administration in the handbook, including prohibiting socials. Additionally the administration required the men's team to make amends with the women's team and participate in an alcohol education class on campus. The rest of the season passed and the rugby team kept under the radar.

Bourgeois disclosed that

ficer ran up to arrest him. He said that the officer pulled out his HSU Student ID card from his wallet. He believes that the police noticed the rugby sweatshirt he had put on prior to leaving the party. The police mailed a report to the HSU Department of Kinesiology & Recreation, which ended the rugby season for the men's team the weekend before their final game of the season.

Jan Henry, Director of

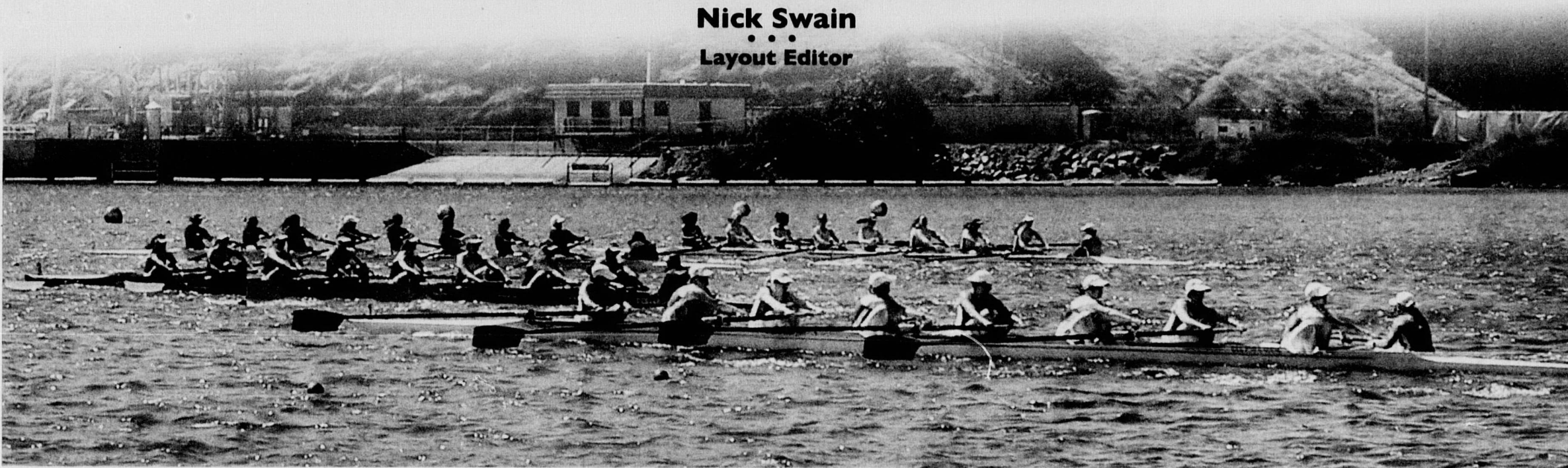


After violating the terms of the team's probation, the Humboldt State men's rugby team will be suspended from fall 2011 practice.  
| Elizabeth Sorrell



# ROWING TEAM HOLDS BREATH FOR NATIONALS BID

Nick Swain  
Layout Editor



The third boat from the front, the HSU Novice 8 boat, takes first in the petite finals at the Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championship Regatta. Allison Schroeder sits in bow, Naomi Schulze in two seat, Katherine Witt in three, Kate Dedrick in four, Tamra Aslan in five, Tori Asato in six, Amanda Duffin in seven, Annie Gibson strokes in eight seat, and Sara Sin Johnson in stern as the coxswain. | Photo provided by Kate Dedrick

Ranked No. 3 in the Western Region, the Humboldt State rowing team must cheer on rival team Seattle Pacific University if it hopes to earn a wild card position in the national rowing competition.

Seattle Pacific is ranked No. 2 in the Western Region. The top two teams of each National Collegiate Athletics Association region earn a place to compete at the national competition. Despite being ranked No. 3, HSU's rowing team still has a chance to compete in nationals.

If Seattle performs well in

upcoming East Coast competitions, then the Western Region will have the fastest times among the NCAA regions. The region with the fastest overall times gets a wild card selection where the team ranked No. 3 in that region gets to compete in nationals. "We're all really gunning for nationals and we still have that chance," said Katie Lepley, co-captain of the HSU varsity team.

The HSU rowing team brought home two silver medals and two bronze medals in the Western Intercollegiate Rowing

Association Championship Regatta. The Lumberjacks rowing team came in third overall. The first varsity eight team's 6:46.4 race time was one second behind the time Seattle Pacific put up to earn second place during the finals. Western Washington University's time 6:36.5 in the last event gave WWU their fourth gold of the competition.

The Jacks placed second in the novice four and varsity four competitions, placing respective times of 7:54.6 and 8:15.3. Western Washington got gold

medals in the novice four and varsity four competitions with times 8:08.4 and 7:46.0, respectively.

The HSU second varsity eight team got a bronze medal as well with a time of 7:17.5, 10 seconds behind the 7:07.2 set by Western Washington that got WWU the gold for 2V8 competition.

Lepley says this year's team performance is the best that it has been in years. Head coach Robin Meiggs commends the team for its performance this season. "There weren't many

regattas we went to where we didn't place in the top positions," said Meiggs, "In the grand scale of things, I think we've had an exceptionally competitive season."

Now the HSU rowing team plays the waiting game to see if Seattle Pacific will place high enough marks on the East Coast to elevate the Western Region above other Division II regions.






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The Humboldt State women's rowing team poses for a team photo after winning third place overall at the Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championship Regatta | Photo provided by Kate Dedrick



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# WARRIORS OF WEIGHTLIFTING

**Kristan Korn**  
Online Editor

There were no grunts of pain echoing through the air, no sprays of sweat and no sounds of weights slamming to the floor. The weightlifters who gathered on Monday afternoon in the Student Recreation Center were there to compete, not put on a show.

Tysen Prowell, a senior majoring in Recreation Administration who organized the bench press contest, was as low-key about the event as the other competitors.

"I've always been really active my whole life and into fitness," Prowell said. He explained that the contest was a project for his last Recreation Administration class before graduating.

"I've been in here a lot," Prowell said, "and I know a lot of guys who work out."

People gathered around the bench press area as the contest began.

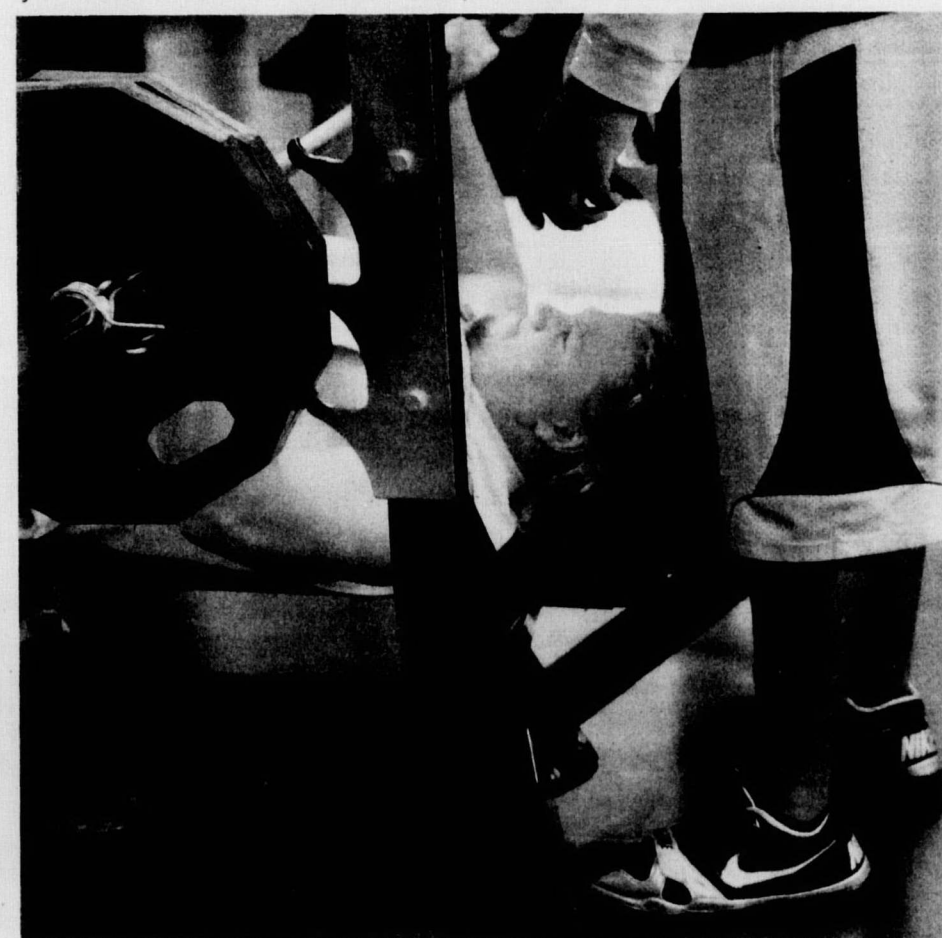
Brendan Faubion, a Humboldt State football player, said, "My personal record is 21 reps, and hopefully I'll break it."

Jacob Taylor, with a personal best of 23 reps, pointed out the crowd's clear favorite and said, "I just want to not embarrass myself. Brian Wilson is my guess for the winner."

Wilson just shrugged and said, "We'll see how I do today."

Another one of the competitors was University Police Officer Chance Carpenter, who lifts competitively and says he hopes to find sponsors for his entry in the World Games in New York City in August and September.

Fellow Officer Chris Mechals, who held Carpenter's utility belt and weapon while he stripped down to his undershirt, said, "Have you seen him lift? He lifted 468 pounds last week!"



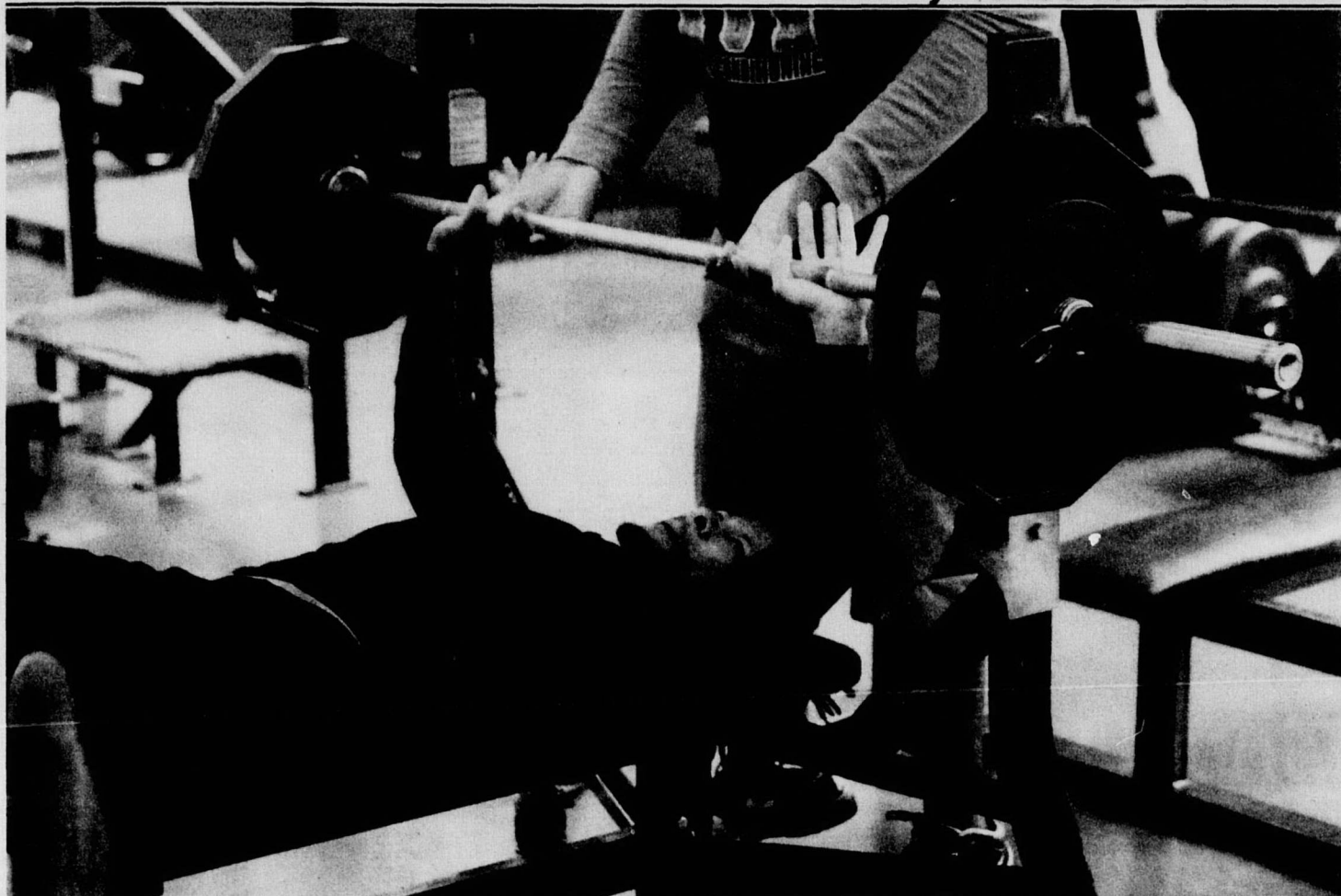
Football Player Brendan Faubion struggles to break his personal record on the bench press. | Kristan Korn

For Monday's contest, the goal was to bench press either 185 pounds or 225 pounds as many times as possible, depending on the lifter's weight class.

The contest winner, as several of the day's competitors predicted, was Brian Wilson, who completed 32 reps with the 225-pound weights.

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Above: Charles Owens, a Humboldt State business major, pumps out 27 reps of 185 pounds. At Right: Jacob Taylor lifts weights at the Student Recreation Center at least five days a week. | Kristan Korn



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## THIRD ANNUAL BIG FOOT RACE

Melissa Coleman  
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Runners sprint past at the start of the third annual Big Foot Race put on by Humboldt State's Kinesiology club. | Photo provided by Yoon G. Kim

Runners young and old participated in the third annual Big Foot Race last Saturday. Twenty-five percent of the proceeds from the 5km run went to non-profit organization Youth Ability, which helps youth in foster homes.

The race, directed by the HSU Kinesiology Club, took

participants through the HSU campus and community forest and ended in the Redwood Bowl.

HSU kinesiology professor Justus Ortega placed first out of 87 with a time of 19:33, nearly two minutes faster than the competition.

Two nine-year-olds placed

in the top 30, ahead of various HSU athletes. Dave Koesterer finished the race in 24:32 and placed 13th, while Lily Richard placed 25th, finishing in 28:10.

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Above: Debbie Stamper placed 28 at the Bigfoot Race with a time of 28:26. Below: Nine-year-old Dave Koesterer placed 13 with a time of 24:32 | Photos provided by Yoon G. Kim



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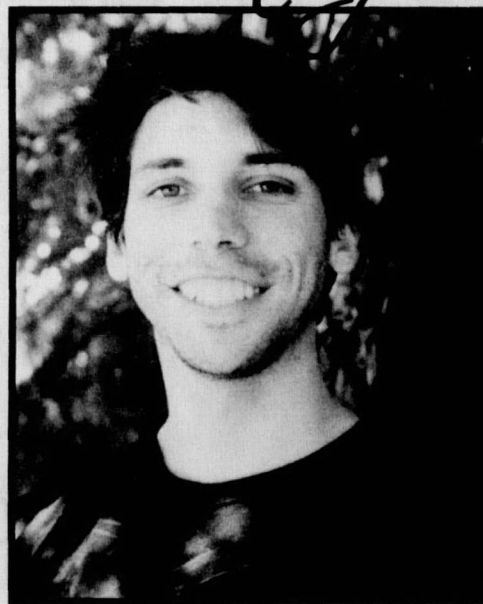
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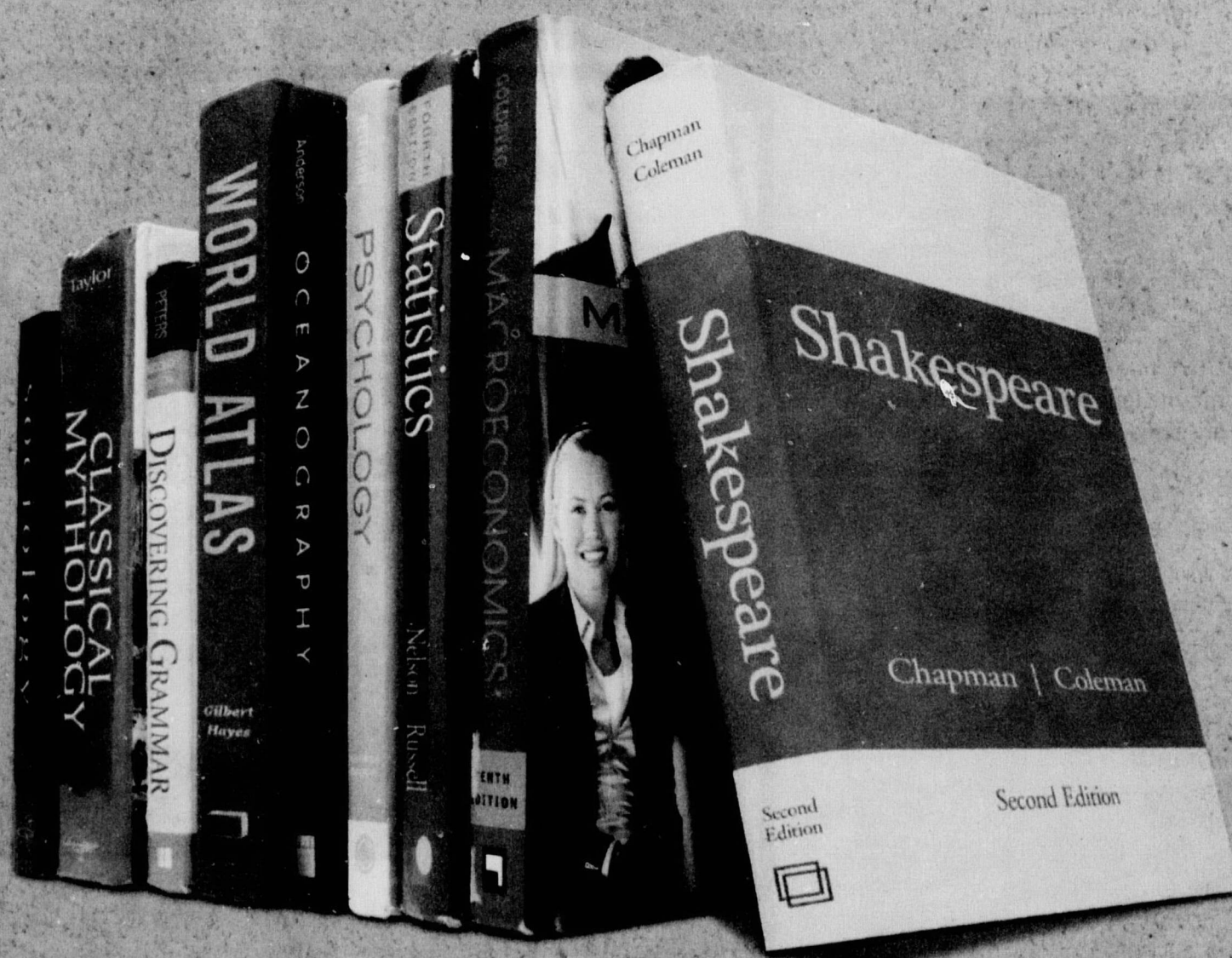
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## SEX COLUMN

### Dirty Little Secrets

"This one time, at band camp..." Michelle Flaherty, American Pie

by Catherine Wong

As the semester ends, the time for secrets is over. And while I've spent the past few months telling all of you how to enjoy the more offbeat ways of getting it on. I feel it is time to address the basic DONTs when it comes to common sense and sex.

DON'T try anything that is physically discomforting. Statistically speaking, the bed is the most dangerous piece of furniture in your dorm/apartment/house. That's because most accidents happen on or near a bed.

DON'T ever be afraid to seek medical help for any sexual problem. Something stuck and won't come off/out? I guarantee that every person at the hospital has one of "those" stories.

DON'T be afraid to get condoms. Really? You're embarrassed? Just look at it this way, you're getting laid. Possibly soon. The store clerk is standing at a cash register and not. Think that condoms don't "feel" right? If it feels too tight, it probably is. Try something larger. You might be someone who honestly needs it.

DON'T try to use condoms that are too large for you. They will slip off inside whatever orifice you are using. Not sexy.

DON'T wallet condoms. The constant sitting and opening slowly wears at its material. Here you are feeling all suave for having one on you and it bursts. Still feeling it?

DON'T trust the pullout method. Sometimes sperm gets stored in other places than testicles. Penises can release this sperm prior to orgasm and ejaculation. Any of these ONE sperm is half a baby. Think about it.

DON'T double-up on condoms. It doesn't add an extra layer of protection. It makes it more likely to fall off. See above for slipping.

DON'T wait on the morning after pill. In reality, it should really be the "just after" pill. The longer you wait, the longer it will take for the hormones to take hold. Meanwhile that sperm is on a warpath. See above for sperm.

Many of you may have known most of this before. Well done. And with that have a safe and sexy summer.

### Cheers and Jeers



Jeers to the Lumberjack for putting another nail in the coffin of investigative journalism- this newspaper functions as a lapdog rather than a campus politics watchdog!



Jeers to the skank that nearly hit me with her van outside Sci-D on Friday. When you see someone crossing the street, you SLOW DOWN, not keep your SAME SPEED! You were going kind of fast through school too and there is a speed limit. Wake up! Pay attention!! And for the love of GOD, keep your foot off of the accelerator!



Cheers for summer vacation after a long, grueling semester!

### Let the Sunlight Through

As my hangover from the weekend of celebration subsides and the sunlight shines through my window on this beautiful May morning, I have time to reflect on the events that have occurred over the last month of elections and campaigning. Appropriately, playing on my computer speakers is Weezer's "Say It Ain't So", and the first thing that comes to mind is the realization that elections are over.

Over the course of this last month of elections, I had the opportunity to meet with many of you, my fellow students. The conversations I encountered really surprised me. Our student body has such broad range of perspectives to contribute.

A lot of students' interest during the campaign surrounded the resignation of this year's Associated Student President, Iban Rodriguez. Many students asked why I thought he resigned. In addition, I was asked if I felt I could do a better job.

My response to the first of these two questions was simple. The job of A.S. president is difficult. The ability to perform well is contingent on your ability to communicate and work well with the

team around you. Considering that, I said I will promise to do a better job of both. Not just with my team on the A.S. council, but with all the programs, organizations, and clubs sponsored by A.S. to make your college experiences the best they can possibly be.

My campaign was titled "The Synchronicity of Choices" after I decided that we (the students) needed more choices, and more importantly, the ability to make our own choices.

Next year, I want to hear from all of you what choices you are looking for. We pay the University to work for us not the other way around.

I want to thank all of you who came out to vote in the elections. I look forward to working with all of you next year to hold up my end of the bargain. I promise to work hard over the summer and all of next year to bring HSU's true potential to light. As finals week approaches, let us all work hard and finish out this year strong.

My hope is that you have a great summer, and simply enjoy being young and alive!

-Bryan Kelly, A.S. President Elect

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HSU students should provide their major and class standing.

We also Welcome cartoons, spoof article, and other items.



## EDITORIAL

# Defending Our Players

We don't get it. The Rugby team was on probation, sure. But since when does one individual represent an entire team? Yes, Colin was the team captain. But he was just one very drunk guy who was arrested. The police didn't even charge him. A few rugby players gathered one night in March to go to a party. Later in the evening they separated and left Colin alone when he was arrested. So why suspend the entire team? It doesn't make sense.

According to the sport club handbook, "If you are representing the university in competition or practice and fail to represent the university in a positive manner, and/or at any time drugs or alcohol are involved, an automatic suspension will occur." Colin's arrest took place outside school property on his own time.

The sports club handbook also states that the individual will be cited or suspended if caught acting inappropriately, not the entire team. So why did they feel it was necessary for the entire team to be reprimanded? Yes, they were on probation for previously having a party off campus where underage drinking took place

and there was an anonymous letter was sent complaining about them. This concerned the entire team, unlike recently where it was just one member.

You really have to wonder how often this happens among other clubs. Take the Marching Lumberjacks for example. The members drink during intermission of their Spring Concert in front of their audience and some cannot even finish the show.

Another conflict of the suspension is that Colin said the gathering in March was on a minuscule scale and ended before dark. The administration suspended the club based on this party. How many people need to be at a party from the club to violate their probation?

So what happens now? Is this going to be a new policy on campus? If the team is on probation, can one member risk the entire club? The coach should have the responsibility of punishing the team before it gets taken ahold of by the club sports and kinesiology administration. They are the people in charge.

## Not So Fast America

by Josh Aden

Well, we got him people. A decade after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, Osama bin Laden has finally been taken out of the game.

Much of the country erupted into joyous chants of "USA! USA!" Throngs of people waved the stars and stripes at Ground Zero and in front of the White House. And why shouldn't people be happy? After all, America's number one enemy is dead—we won, right?

Wrong.

Let's not kid ourselves here. It took the biggest, baddest military and intelligence structure in the world a decade to find the man. In that time, the United States spent \$1.2 trillion fighting wars in Afghanistan and Iraq according to the National Priorities Project. By their estimates, California has spent more than \$150 billion on foreign wars. Taxes collected in Arcata alone paid for nearly \$35 million of the wars. Those figures don't even factor in the CIA's yearly blank (and secret) check or our shadow wars in Pakistan or Yemen.

The U.S. military uses roughly 160 million barrels of oil per year, which in 2006 dollars equals about \$10 billion. A tiny fraction of that could save entire programs at Humboldt State. Forget saving programs; UC Merced cost the state half-a-billion dollars. We could build 20 new state-of-the-art research universities for that price tag.

The entire country is deeper in debt. Health care and education are suffering major budget cuts at the state and national levels. Public radio and Planned Parenthood funding is on the chopping block while Congress slashes Pell Grants for students. The working poor of the country are gasping for any crumb of the ever-dwindling public assistance pie. That's a steep cost for getting revenge.

We have to recognize the killing of Osama bin Laden as just that: revenge. The line we're being fed is that justice was served when the SEAL teams dropped out of the sky like some scene out of Call of Duty. This wasn't justice; this was an extra-judicial execution. If justice were truly served, bin Laden would have been captured and taken in front of the International Criminal Court.

Did Osama bin Laden deserve to die? In my opinion, absolutely. His many crimes were heinous and he deserved the death penalty—after a fair trial. The supposed difference between the United States and terrorists is that we are a people of laws. Why should any other country or organization be subject to our criticism if we ignore international laws and assassinate people at will? As rising powers like China, Turkey and Brazil come to prominence, the world has less need to appease our policy demands.

Osama hurt us, and more than just on that tragic day in 2001. He hurt by doing his research on guerrilla warfare. The Viet Cong and Irish Republican Army and the Mujaheddin all succeeded in beating much larger opponents over long drawn-out wars. An invading force can never win the hearts and minds of a people when they're fighting the people themselves.

History shows the powerful country always responded with an overuse of force and over-engaged. Years of military campaigns inevitably drain the vaults. As conditions at home deteriorate, the citizenry demands an end to the war. In fact, the U.S. won its independence when English subjects became enraged over the expense and higher taxes to fight the war against the colonies.

Terrorism isn't over. Al-Qaeda still exists and we're still shelling out millions by the day to fight them. Americans and Afghans are still dying every day on a battlefield most in the U.S. can't find on a map. We've lost much of our national wealth and our standing in the world along with it.

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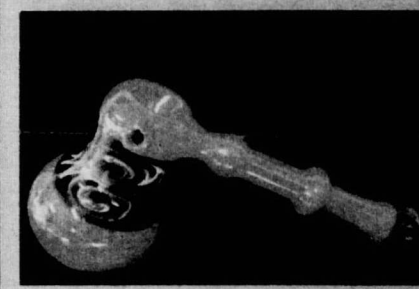
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