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Jill Stein returns to HSU

by Iridian Casarez and Andrew George Butler

Does it feel a little more green around campus today? Jill Stein, the Green Party 2016 presidential candidate, is set to speak in the Kate Buchanan room at 6 p.m., March 8. Stein, who has made several trips to HSU in the past, will speak on a variety of issues concerning the nation such as climate change, political reform, and grassroot movements.

Q: Why are you returning to speak at HSU?

A: This is where the change begins. Humboldt County as a whole is a very forward looking place. The Arcata City Council was the first in the nation to have a majority of Green Party members. Humboldt State has been ahead of the curve for a while now, and I think the curve is finally catching up to us.

Q: President Donald Trump and his administration don't believe in climate change or protecting the environment, what can we as students do to save our planet?

A: This is a critical situation. There are two things we can do. The first is to build a strong unified movement for social change; a movement for people, planet and peace over profit. The second step is to take power. It's very important that in addition to mobilizing in the street, we seek office and legislative change.

Q: Do you think it's possible for the Democratic or Republican party, with their ties to large corporations, to seek and achieve effective climate change reform?

A: History has been teaching us a lesson here. Under the Obama administration, even with two democratic houses of congress, our emissions and fossil fuel extraction increased. The track record is clear no matter which party is in power the motto remains "Drill Baby Drill." The Democrats are good at putting a friendly face on their policies of war, climate change, immigration and deportation.

Q: How urgent is the climate crisis?

A: It's as urgent as it gets. We need to realize as a nation that it is time to act. We are out of time. We need to save our skins, and no one in Washington is going to do it for us. There's an old saying: You can't teach a man something when his income depends on not knowing it, and that's the problem.

Q: Why do you think the platform of the Green Party regarding free higher education and climate change turns away a lot of older voters?

A: The issue is that young people are living it, and older people have a safer niche socially and economically. Their not gonna be around much longer, so they see the world with less longevity. There tends to be this generational divide between the younger and older generations. It's always the younger generations that create change. The younger generation is the cash cow in a predatory economy.

Q: Why do you think the U.S. government and its citizens respond to select natural disasters quickly but ignore larger issues such as global warming?

A: To my mind the biggest issue there is that the system change is not welcome by corporate media. They do not want to give voice to a real climate mobilization.

Q: Democratic and Republican parties get the most media attention while other political parties are left in the background with little to no media attention. What are some of the challenges that Green Party Candidates face when running for presidency? How fair do you think our election system is?

A: Our election system makes a mockery of democracy. It does that in a few ways through no debate time, through media that won't cover noncorporate candidates, the role of big money in politics, the role of fear, and through voter suppression. All of these things have to be fought and that's why you need a political party, because if we only fight one issue at a time we are divided and conquered.

Q: What made you want to be political?

A: I didn't get political until I was 50. It was 50 years of experience that taught me it is a losing proposition trying to make change outside of politics. As a doctor, mother, health advocate I was fighting to create cleaner jobs and clean up our coal plants. We wrote proposals to be able to do just that, but it still wouldn't pass because it's the campaign contributions and the lobbyists who decide how our elected officials vote. We created a referendum that cleaned up the money in politics, but the democratic party repealed it and that taught me that change wasn't going to come from the democratic party. I was then recruited by the Green party. They said "well why don't you keep fighting these social battles but call it a campaign governor and run against Mitt Romney in Massachusetts." I said to myself, well nothing else is working might as well try electoral politics.

Q: Will you be running for President in 2016?

A: I describe myself as a mother on fire. I will do whatever I can do to be most helpful. If there is a need for me to take that role, I could not say no in good conscience.

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Source: National Weather Service

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by Iridian Casarez

Local

-30th Annual Dog Expo

The Redwood Acres held the 30th Annual Dog Expo on Saturday, March 4. The expo included events that focused on how to to be a better dog owner, breed parades, scavenger hunts, and agility contest.

Source: Times Standard

-Icy roads wreak havoc

Icy weather conditions have caused a lot of accidents on the U.S. Highway 101 from Del Norte to McKinleyville. Arcata Fire District and Cal Fire have advised people to avoid the roads in these dangerous weather conditions.

Source: Lost Coast Outpost

U.S.

-Berkeley pro-Trump rally turns violent

A pro-Trump rally broke out into violence on Saturday, March 4. Anti-Trump and pro-Trump supporters collided at the pro-trump rally at the Martin Luther King Jr. Civic Center Park. There was at least 10 arrests.

Source: Washington Post

-New Obamacare

The House Republicans introduced a new replacement to the Affordable Care Act. The new bill is more conservative replacing federal insurance subsidies with a new form of individual tax credits and grants to help states shape their own policies.

Source: Washington Post

World

-Iran tests air defense

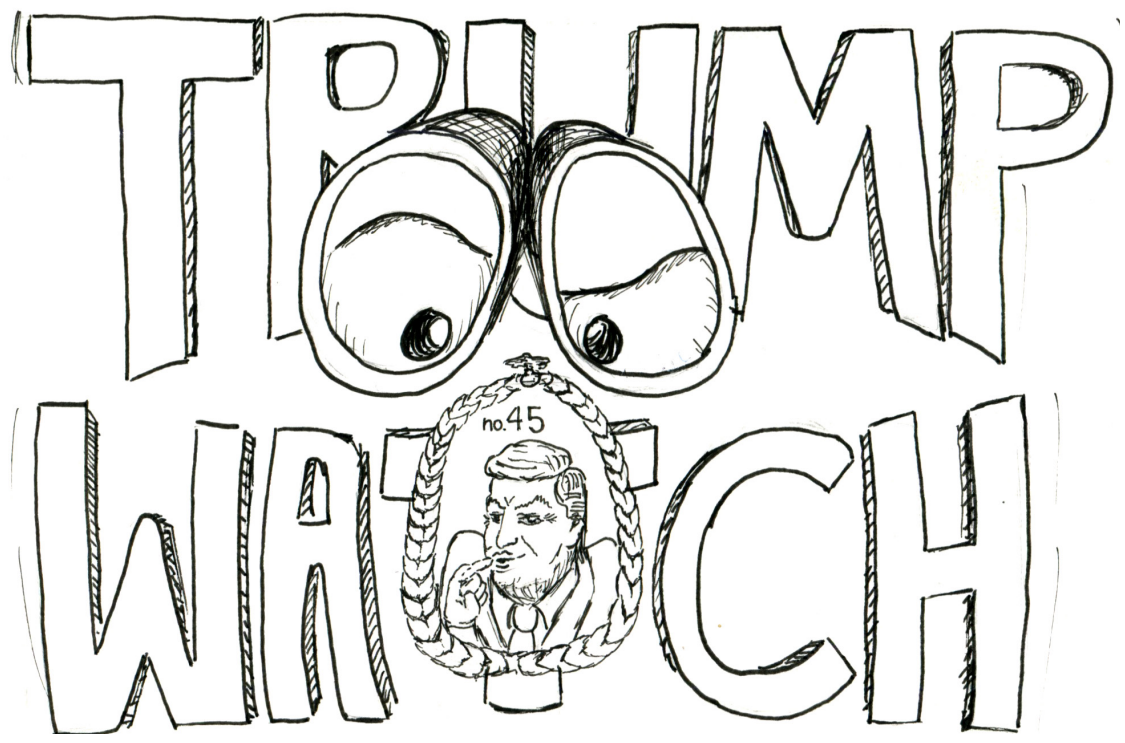
Iran tested their new air defense missiles earlier this weekend. The missiles came dangerously close to a U.S. navy surveillance ship in the Strait of Hormuz.

Source: Washington Post

-Zambia stampede

At least eight people were killed and 28 others injured in a stampede over food aid in Zambia's capital, Lusaka on March 6. Zambia is a country in southern Africa. Around 35,000 people were trying to enter a sports complex to claim food that was given by the Church of Christ.

Source: Reuters



President Trump addressed the Congress for the first time since his inauguration on Tuesday Feb. 28. Trump spoke about his policies on issues such as trade, defense, immigration and counterterrorism.

Source: CNN

President Trump tweeted Saturday night about allegations concerning former president Obama's administration wiretapping his phones before the election. Trump's spokesman said the administration was asking Congress to investigate the allegations

Source: New York Times

President Trump signed a new executive order on March 6. The executive order is a new revised version of Trump's initial travel ban. The new order bans immigration from six Muslim-majority countries and excluded Iraq from the list.

Source: CNN

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It started with an idea

by Charlotte Rutigliano

Eight teams built businesses from the ground up in one weekend during startup weekend at HSU.

"One moment we're facing huge obstacles, and the next we're dancing on tables," communications major Adam Hayes said.

The weekend started off at 6 p.m. on Friday night with a mixer, an introduction by the facilitator, a guest speaker and "pitchfire" where participants pitched any idea they might have in 60 seconds. The best ideas were chosen for teams to form businesses around the idea.

Saturday, the teams worked all day on their business ideas, with breaks to eat and listen to guest speakers. They are also able to get advice from experienced mentors.

Sunday, the teams wrap up their ideas and present their work in front of a panel of judges.

Hayes said they had a 20 minute dance party to Rick Astley's "Never Gonna Give You Up" which they repeated on Sunday to bring some energy back to the team after all the weekend's work.

Work that according to senior business management major Ana Ortiz, of team Seasoned Spirits, starts with defining the business idea and figuring out the logistics of it and ends with a presentation on how they established a supply chain, figured out the costs of the business and who the investors are.

First place winner, HumBots, were a team made up of predominately science majors like forestry major Tomas Jevons, who said the team operated where no one person was the boss.

"Everyone's input is equal here," Jevons said.

Jevons said the job roles that individuals shift into according to their skills, interests, and best suited abilities.

"A sort of symbiotic platform where individuals skills are matched with the needs of the company to optimize growth," Jevons said.

According to Jevons, their main challenge with this platform was finding consensus, in the end steadily working together as a team lead them to first place.

While they didn't get first place, the team with the plan of bringing Arcata it's first nightclub called The Drop was a crowd favorite. Team member Harley Hoyt, a junior communications major, said that when the idea was pitched Friday night, it had the most votes.

"I originally wasn't planning on pitching an idea," Hoyt said, "but personally I am unsatisfied with the nightlife in Arcata and think they could thrive off of one."

A compliation of photos from the final day of the competition.Eight different teams competed in the Humboldt State Startup weekend. | photos and design by Ali Osgood

After the teams had their presentations on Sunday night, there was a live vote in which the audience directed to Slido. A website and app that allowed audience members to access a voting page using a specific. Once they voted they could watch as other votes came in during a live tally. Where again The Drop was chosen as a crowd favorite only edging out HumBots by three percent.

While this was the first startup weekend hosted at Humboldt, entrepreneurs club adviser Nancy Vizenor said it will not be the last.

Though many ideas were pitched on Friday night, here is a full list of businesses the eight teams presented on Sunday night.

ReFuel: Offering convenient car service so customers never have to worry about maintaining their vehicles. Through the ReFuel app, customers can request gas delivery wherever they are. They can also track the maintenance of their vehicles and get updates whenever service is needed.

HumBots (1st Place): This robotic technology company provides reliable and accurate modeling and measuring of forest data with the use of drones. This can also be used by utility companies or in urban development or public land management.

The Drop (Crowd Favorite): Arcata's first ever nightclub. To enhance the nightlife for students and community members. This nightclub would provide a clean and safe environment for party goers to have fun with dance and great music.

Collective Change: A global collective of problem solvers focused on the world's largest and smallest solutions from issues like the environment to political issues. Locally they plan to focus on making the campus 100% renewable.

Who's Watching What (3rd Place): This website/app compiles streamed videos in a centralized location that are linked to social media accounts, so customers can see what's trending with their family and friends.

The Hearth: A place for scholars to come in and share ideas. This two story establishment will have a cafe on the first floor open to all, and a second floor for members only.

Tiny Home-boldt (2nd Place): This affordable and sustainable tiny home community will help with housing problem faced in Arcata. This community is directed towards people who want privacy and a minimalistic lifestyle but still want a sense of community.

Seasoned Spirits: This company will take excess produce from grocery stores that would otherwise go to waste, and create infused flavored vodkas.

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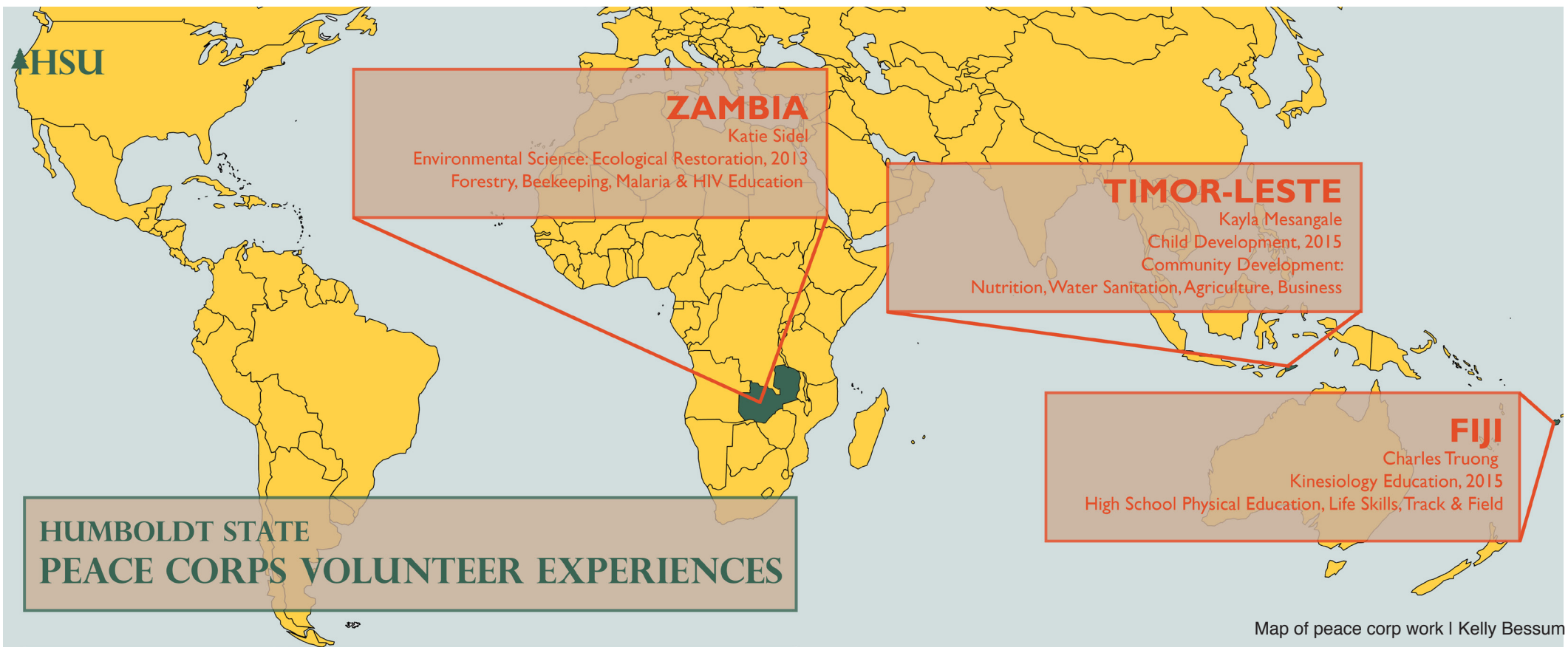

Map of peace corp work I Kelly Bessum

Lumberjacks continue to spread peace

by Geneva Peppars

Humboldt State made the Peace Corps list of Top Volunteer-Producing Colleges for the tenth year in a row. This year HSU ranked fifth on the list of medium size colleges for its current 33 alumnus volunteering around the world. Since 1961, 841 Lumberjacks have served as volunteers, according to Humboldt Now.

Kayla Mesangale, graduated from HSU May 2015, and is currently serving in Timor-Leste, a 15 year-old country in Southeast Asia. She is apart of the first group back in the country since the Peace Corps evacuation in 2006 due to civil unrest.

"Peace corps was in Timor from 2002 ,when they won their independence to 2006. I'm apart of the first group of volunteers since the evacuation in 2006. We arrived 2015."

She graduated from HSU with a degree in child development. Now she works as a community development volunteer in Timor Leste.

"Basically we are reestablishing the [Peace Corps] program and building relationships and trust with the locals," Mesangale said. "Our focus is nutrition, water sanitation, agriculture and business, but we all do a variety of different projects. Really whatever our communities need."

Charles Truong also graduated from Humboldt State in 2015 with a degree in kinesiology education and he is currently living in rural Fiji. Truong teaches physical education and life skills at a nearby high school. Truong participated in throwing events for the HSU track and field teams and now coaches track and field throwing events in Fiji.

Charles Truong said the ability to bring his students outside of their villages is a highlight for him.

"Seeing the impact it had on all of my students was a proud moment for myself because I know I had sparked something inside of them. Now, in the new school year, I see the students more open and willing to try new things. It makes me proud that I could just be part of their growth," Truong said.

Katie Sidel served in Zambia for after she graduated in 2013 with a degree in Environmental science ecological restoration before she returned in March of 2016.

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HSU student affected by Trump Ban

Mohammad Maleki was affected by Trump's ban when coming from Iran to HSU.

by Morgan Brizee

Mohammad Maleki spent all of his tuition money on multiple boarding passes and then had to catch up on a couple weeks worth of classwork because of Donald Trump's Muslim ban. The ban is an executive order President Donald Trump issued that prohibits people with passports from Iraq, Syria, Iran, Sudan, Libya, Somalia and Yemen from entering the United States.

Mohammad Maleki is a 23-year-old political science major from Iran who came to HSU as a freshman in fall 2015.

Maleki was coming back from visiting his family during winter break when he found himself unable to get back to the U.S. for the spring semester. Before he even got his boarding pass to the US, he had issues renewing his visa. There is no American consulate in Iran, so Maleki went to Dubai to renew his visa. He waited weeks in a hotel until he got approved from his background check by the United States.

"It was written that my application may take days to several weeks[to get approved]," Mohammad said. "They didn't give me any information."

After waiting three weeks, he received his visa and passport. Mohammad then bought his boarding pass in Dubai for a flight to the San Fransisco Airport. He wasn't alerted that anything was wrong until he went to the gate to board his flight. The security told him that he was not allowed to come to the U.S. because of his nationality.

"I was in transit in the airport and I didn't know what to do," Mohammad said.

He was told that because of Donald Trump's immigration ban he would not be able to board. He then had to get another flight but this time to Turkey to figure out what to do next.

"I couldn't go back to Dubai and I couldn't go back to my country," Mohammad said. "If I go back to my country I have to go to the military for two years."

Maleki was unsure of what was going to happen next. Turkey was the only place he could go without a visa. Then he learned about a judge in Boston suspending Trump's ban.

"I got a call from my father telling me to go to Boston," Mohammad said.

In order for him to go to Boston he had to go from Turkey to the Frankfurt airport in Germany because it was only a German airline that was allowing flights to the U.S. despite the ban.

"Again, from the Frankfurt they didn't let me get into board," Mohammad said. "They said again because of your nationality."

So again, he flew back to Turkey to figure out the next plan of action to try to get back. Another judge, this time a federal judge in Seattle, Judge James Robart could temporarily block Trump's ban.

"I asked Turkish airline if the news was true," Mohammad said. "But they didn't know what was going to happen in a couple hours or tomorrow."

So, he decided to take yet another chance and buy another ticket to the United States. This time it worked and he made it past the gate and into the plane on his way to the US. All while this was happening his younger brother Amir was in the United States waiting for his brother's arrival back.

"We had a consideration of me going back if my brother wouldn't be able to come back," Amir said.

If Mohammad couldn't come back both his brother and him would travel back to Iran and join the military. The current President of Iran, Hassan Rouhani, made an issue that students with temporary visas elsewhere were able to come back to Iran twice, each time for up to three months without having to join the military.

> **"I already used my two chances so I can't go back**
>
> — Mohammad Maleki
> HSU Student, Freshman

"I already used my two chances so I can't go back," Mohammad said. "If I go back I have to enlist."

Once Mohammad made it back into the United States he had another challenge. Mohammad had to get permission from all his teachers to allow him to join the class after school had already begun.

Jared Larson is lecturer for the department of politics. Larson is Mohammad's teacher for two of his political science classes. He still remembers getting the email from Mohammad that he was having issues getting back into the United States because of Trump's ban.

"I about jumped out of my own damn skin," Larson said. "I responded saying 'that I was embarrassed and ashamed that this is happening to you'."

Larson along with Mohammad's other teachers did not have to think much when accepting Mohammad into class late in the semester. They just knew that it was going to take a lot of work for him to catch up.

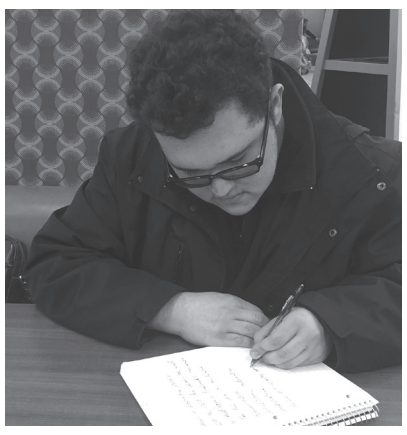
Amanda Admire, research associate and lecturer for department of geology, is another one of Mohammad's teachers that was able to help guide Mohammad in catching up with the class.

"Once I was contacted I didn't have an issue with helping him get back in the course and working with him to get him caught up on the material on everything," Admire said.

Mohammad took multiple quizzes and assignments all at once in order to get caught up on his schoolwork. But the teachers weren't the only ones on campus helping Mohammad feel comfortable again.

Megan Mefford, coordinator of international admission and immigration, was a big factor in helping Mohammad get back into the swing of things.

"Mohammad and I kept in close contact by email and phone," Mefford said. "I was the first one to know about Mohammad and yes, I was worried."



Mohammad has now caught up with his homework and tests and is able to focus on current work. However, his brother Amir was unable to get his teachers to let him join classes late at College of the Redwoods. Amir is now talking with a lawyer about getting his I-20 student visa reinstated since it was revoked after not being able to rejoin classes.

"The more the merrier, the more diversity of identity and of experience the better," Larson said. "We are a weaker group because of this policy choice."

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Rain, rain, go away. Or stay?

by Carlos Olloqui

Splash, drip, drop, woo, splash. Bring out the rain boots, rain jackets, and umbrellas, the rain is going crazy. Humboldt County has experienced very wet days these past couple of weeks.

David Herrera, an engineering major, feels this rain is something we really needed.

"I like the rain that has been occurring recently," Herrera said. "It's the most rain we've had in a while and California needs it."

Jalen Cobb, an economics major, agrees with Herrera.

"This rain makes me happy," Cobb said. "California needed it, and I get to wear this dope ass Stussy rain jacket I just bought."

Some enjoy the dumps of water that have been coming down on Humboldt, however, others are really starting to get quite fed up with it and it's effects.

Dance major, Alyssa Krueger, says that even though the rain is needed, she does not enjoy it.

"Gloomy weather puts you in a gloomy mood, and that can really affect someone's well-being," Krueger said. "We should provide some sort of rain support system or something to cheer up and brighten student's moods during rainy days."

For others, such as business management major Gloria Baker, the rain has got to go.

"This is probably the most I've seen it rain since I've been in Humboldt," Baker said. "At first I liked it because it gave me an excuse to just chill, but now it hinders my ability to do anything."

Some say yes rain, others say no more rain, and but with Humboldt's roller coaster type rain you just never know.

Graphic illustration by Joe DeVoogd

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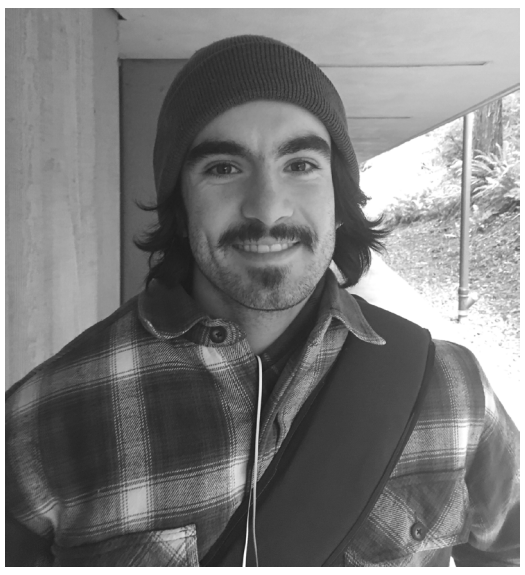
Word on the street: Spring Break

by Curran Daly

Humboldt State will be going on spring break next week. Spring break is an opportunity for students to travel, relax, and take a break from studies. We hit the streets to ask some fellow Lumberjacks what they are going to be up to next week.

Photos I Curran Daly



I'm heading to Red Rock Canyon right outside Las Vegas to go rock climbing. The rock climbing there is world class.

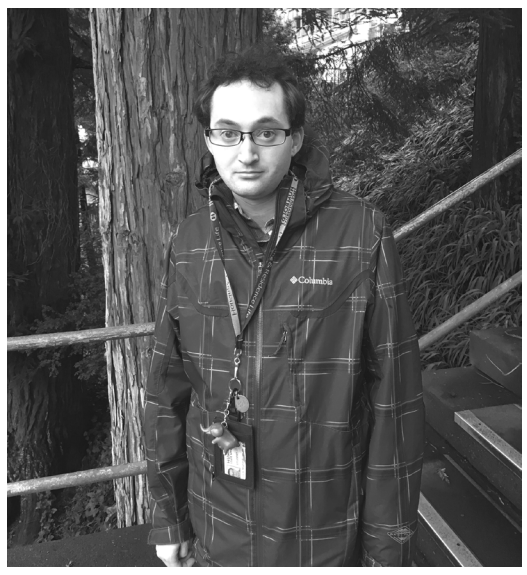
-Max Kittel
Senior
environmental management and protection major

I'm gonna travel down to Santa Barbara to visit a friend, then I'm going to visit my awesome roommate in Pasadena and visit Joshua Tree and then I'm going home to celebrate my mother's birthday.

-Melissa Lozano
Freshman
environmental science major

I'm doing absolutely nothing, I'll be staying in my dorm. My friend might be coming up from southern California so we might do some hiking.

-Kelsey Meusburger
Junior
psychology major



I am going to be staying on campus and researching for a class. I'm going to be researching Tibet and the Himalayas.

-Quint Migliardi
Junior
geography major

Going somewhere cool for Spring Break? Or just staying home? Take a selfie of yourself and tag #LJSpringBreak in the caption for a chance for it to be in the next issue of The Lumberjack.

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Tandoori Bites Indian cuisine

by Bryan Donoghue

Strong aromas mixing in with contemporary Indian music fill the dining area of Tandoori Bites Indian Cuisine with plenty of charm. Tandoori ovens are cylindrical clay or metal ovens that are used in many Asian cuisines, and they're used to create a variety of unique dishes. Typically, marinated meats are put into these ovens on skewers and cooked at high temperatures. It's an efficient way to cook the meat the thoroughly, from every angle. Indian cooking incorporates these ovens in many of their meals, and recently, I had the pleasure of eating my fill at Humboldt's own Tandoori Bites restaurant.

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I ate my main course, the seekh kabab. True to their name, Tandoori Bites cooks many of their menu items in a tandoori oven, and the seekh kabab is one option known for being prepared in such an oven. The kebab consists of minced lamb, onions, and bell peppers that are seasoned with various herbs and spices. It's served in a similar style to Mexican fajitas, on a piping hot platter, so it's meant to be eaten immediately. The lamb is set with the perfect balance of spices like coriander and garam masala to even out out the dish, making it intriguing with at every bite. The seekh kabab is $14.

Not stemming far from tradition, Tandoori Bites improves upon classic Indian recipes and makes them their own. Lunch buffet is 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. while dinner is from 5 to 9:30 p.m.. You can find Tandoori Bites in Eureka at 1735 Fourth St. If you're interested in deep, complex flavors, along with a contrast of subtly sublime flavors, Tandoori Bites is a restaurant where you can reach that equilibrium.

Seekh Kabab served on a hot plate. I Bryan Donoghue

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Don’t trip, just hit the road

How to navigate a budget Oregon road trip

by Kelly Bessem

“On a roadtrip? Things rarely go as planned, but that’s part of the adventure,” said Sean Sesanto, a senior Humboldt State University student from Santa Cruz, California.

Stormy roads carved into snow 12 feet tall, trespassed tent sites, and driving directions gone adrift. These unanticipated parts of my recent Oregon road trip made for moments of wariness but enlivened the memories. The key to appreciating bumps in the road is expecting the unexpected.

“My only road trip preventions = time & money,” said Jenna Kelmser. Kelmser is an environmental science major at Humboldt State. The response reverberates the words of many students and potential roadtrippers.

Planning a road trip to Oregon may sound difficult with time and money constraints. Once these are bypassed, obstacles such as car trouble or being generally unprepared may also present themselves.

I’d never ventured Oregon before my Feb. 2017 trip. I let the aforementioned roadblocks prevent me from setting out despite being just south of Oregon’s border. I’d heard about Oregon’s natural wonders, culinary experiences, and breweries from friends and websites. It took me two years. My suggestion? Don’t wait to go. Oregon’s whimsical wanderings- hot springs, waterfalls, quirky cities- will not disappoint.

Oregon is a welcoming expanse, with speed your only real limit. Use this Oregon road trip guide to prepare for the road and get out there right now.

Llambs ear plants flock the Valley of the Rogue SP campground. | Scott McCrary

Money

Total cost of my quintessential Oregon road trip? $280. My strategies:

-Camp when not in a big city. State parks and national recreation areas are cheap options ($10-20). There’s plenty of free dispersed camping as well. CampgroundsOregon.com maps all of these and has helpful search filters. Just make sure to check the box “redo search when map is moved.”

-Travel with others and divide the costs

-Keep eating out and making food at a 50:50 split

-Have drinks before going to the bars

-Focus on free recreation possibilities

-Find free or cheap firewood within your community

Use a budget calculator to estimate your trip costs. Once you know your total, you can reign in regular spending. Destination photos are great motivators for sticking to this. OutdoorBlueprint.com breaks down road trip planning in a way that people of experience levels can appreciate. Access its budget planner from the “Read” section of the home page.

Time

The week before the road trip, make a list of imminent tasks. Then match those tasks with a tentative completion day. It doesn’t have to be exact, but gives the brain a good idea of how to manage within the available time.

Use TravelOregon.com to estimate travel and activity times. It has excellent graphics and trip ideas. Anything you find on Travel Oregon can be added to a Roadtrippers website account by clicking “add to my Oregon road trip”. Roadtrippers has a page for each thing added with locations, hours, and detailed reviews.

Weather

Travel Oregon made an Oregon Weather Compass (OregonWeatherCompass.com) that shows you where you can find sun, snow or rain anywhere in the state. The Oregon Department of Transportation (tripcheck.com) shows all road restrictions, closures, and weather hazards.

Snowshoeing the Raven Ski Trail at Crater Lake NP. | Scott McCrary

Car

-Carpool with others to avoid fatigue. Whether or not you can drive, you can help keep drivers awake.

-Inspect your vehicle or get it inspected before taking off. This is always less costly and time consuming. Proper tire pressure and fluid levels are included in any car manual. Some auto shops offer a free check with simple servicing, such as an oil change. Others offers inspections for around $20. American Automobile Association (AAA) members get free inspections.

-Know how to change a tire, jump a car battery, and put on snow chains. In Oregon there can be snow just over 1,000 feet elevation. Instructions are easy to find on Youtube.

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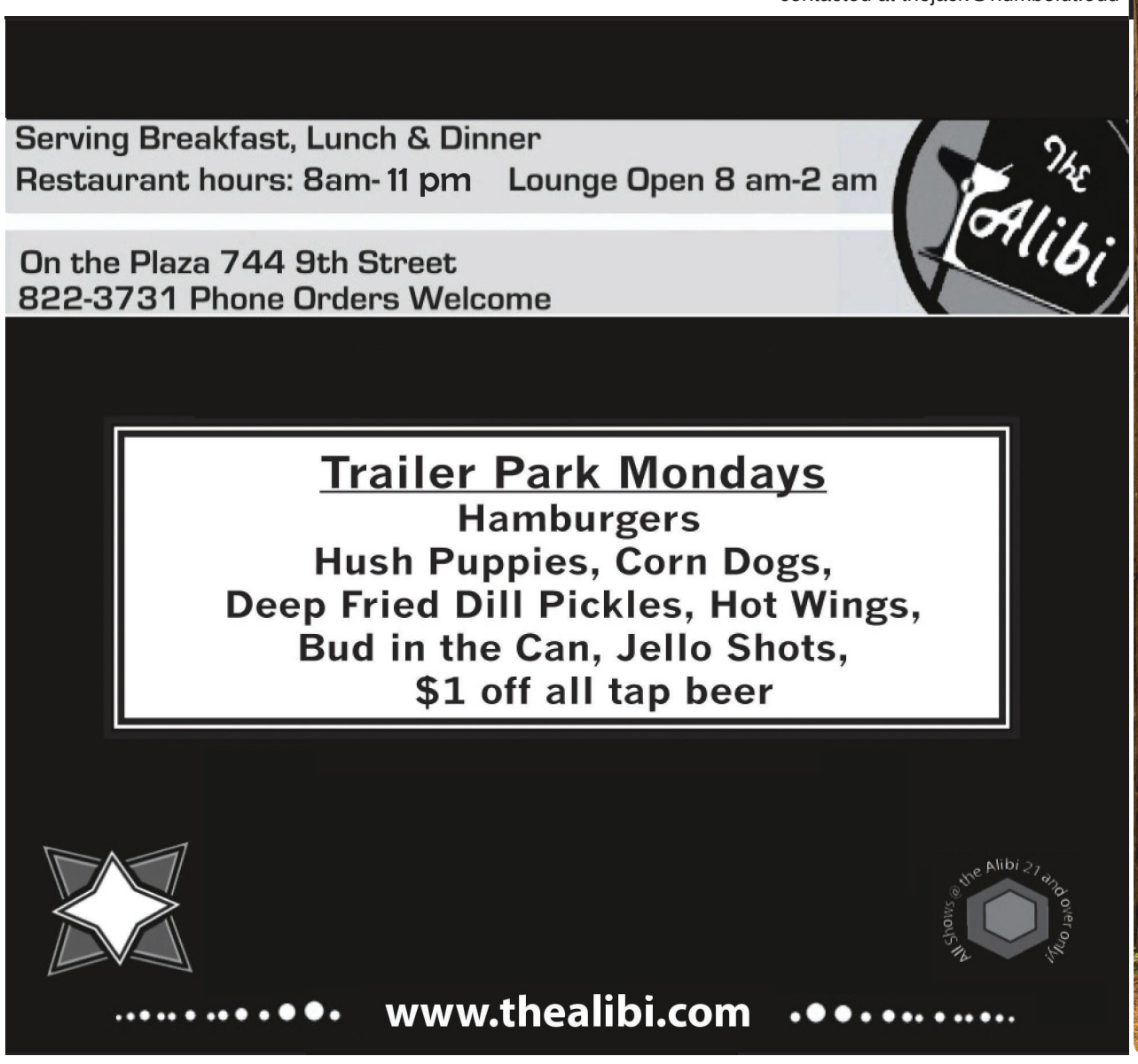
Toketee Falls is a short hike with tall cascades. | Scott McCrary



Skis get degrees

It's been a record high year for rain and snow according to N.O.A.A., so to escape the wet coast students head to the mountains to get their adrenaline fix. by Ali Osgood

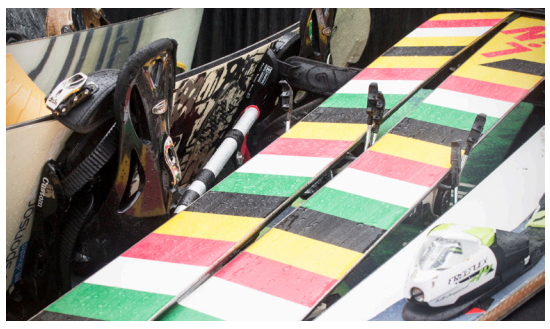
Clayton Kelley, a recreation administration senior, hikes up a cliff on Titlow Hill in the Horse Mountain Botanical Area. "Being able to see the ocean and ski is pretty incredible," Kelley said. I Ryan Wiegman

A group of Humboldt State students load up their cars with warm clothes, snowboards, skis and sleds as they head 40 minutes out of Arcata to hit the fresh snow. I Ryan Wiegman

Dylan Fluet attempts to 'Mary Poppins' his way off the cliff. "It didn't work," Fluet said. I Ryan Wiegman

Environmental engineering senior, Derek Roelle, has visited the mountain multiple times this winter. I Ryan Wiegman

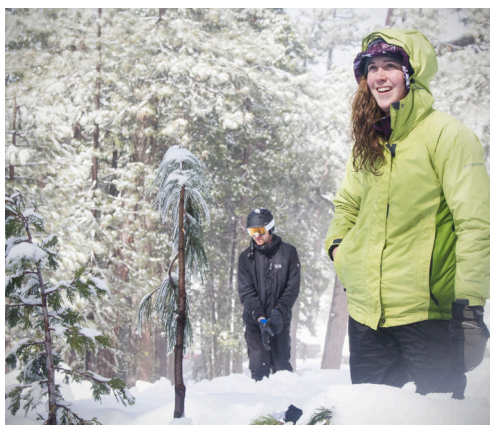
HSU alumnus Harry Ward (above) drove up from Lake Tahoe and was surprised by the quality of snow in Humboldt County. "I thought it was gonna be way worse," Ward said. I Ryan Wiegman



Skis and snowboards loaded in the bed of a pickup truck early Saturday morning. Horse Mountain, according to Six Rivers National Forest, hasn't had a significant amount of snow in a several years, but this year there is about three feet of snow. That's enough to cover rocks and small trees, and allow Humboldt residents to safely play in the snow. I Ali Osgood

Kelley sends a frontflip off a jump he built earlier that week. He's been skiing since he was five and is always looking to push his limits. I Ryan Wiegman

Clayton Kelley tries out a new line. He has been skiing since he was five and visits Horse Mountain a few times a month in the winter. I Ryan Wiegman



Marina Marcroft and Jake Campbell watch as Roelle and Fluet try sledding over a drop off into a small creek. I Ali Osgood

After sledding out of control into the freezing creek, Fluet poses for a Snapchat. "If you didn't get a picture, it didn't happen," Fluet said. I Ali Osgood

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Mac-n-cheese grilled cheese

by Curran Daly

Photo I Curran Daly

Recipe Ingredients
1 - box Kraft Mac n Cheese
6 - slices of bacon
1 - loaf of bread
8 - slices of cheese
¼ cup - milk
1 - stick of butter

Mac-n-Cheese grilled cheese **Directions:**

1. Start with the Mac-n-cheese. Bring 4 cups of water to a boil in a medium sauce pan. Once at a rolling boil pour in the pasta and let cook stirring occasionally for seven minutes. Once done drain the pasta and return to pot. Then add and mix ¼ cup milk, 4 tablespoons of butter, and cheese powder mix. Stir and set aside.

2.Cook the bacon. Open package and cook to desired doneness in a large skillet. Once done put on plate with paper towels to drain fat. Once dry crumble bacon into small pieces.

3. Assemble and cook sandwiches. Put a skillet on low heat and melt 1 pad of butter. Toast one side of two pieces of bread. Begin assembly by putting toasted side of one piece of bread on pan. Then put two pieces of cheese on the bottom, followed by mac-n-cheese, bacon, two more slices of cheese, and the other piece of bread. Flip when bottom piece of bread is golden brown. Remove from heat when cheese is melted and bread is golden brown.

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Screen Your Weed- The Importance of Keeping Clean Marijuana

by Bryan Donoghue

Cannabis quality is taken seriously by both consumers and producers alike in Humboldt County. In today's cannabis market, people expect to buy weed that meets a certain standard. Nallely Orozco, a 20-year-old zoology major at Humboldt State University, is from Los Angeles County and finds the marijuana to be of a higher standard in Northern California.

"It's way better quality up here," Orozco said. "It's fresher, it smells better, and it gets you way higher."

However, the quality of marijuana in Northern California is currently being questioned. An article written by UC Davis microbiologist GR Thompson III published earlier this month in Clinical Microbiology and Infection shows the quality of medical marijuana is now raising questions of safety. In Northern California, researchers tested marijuana from various dispensaries and found multiple bacterial and fungal pathogens that could possibly lead to lethal infections. This is especially true for immunocompromised patients, or patients with a higher risk of getting sick.

"Medical marijuana obtained from dispensaries does not differ in form from recreational marijuana and consists of dried material from the cannabis plant purchased in a variety of preparations," Thompson said in his report. "Legalization has impacted the public's perception of safety, and inferences on safety are implied by the ability of physicians to write prescriptions for medical marijuana."

The bacteria and fungi on weed has a limited ability to cause someone severe illness, but it still poses an issue with general safety. Dr. Mark S. Wilson, a professor of microbiology at Humboldt State University, commented on a group of organisms known as ESKAPE.

"It's an acronym based on the first letter of the genus of the six most common human infections," Wilson said. "These six bacteria are getting more and more of a big deal because they've evolved resistance to many antibiotics, so it's difficult to treat infections."

According to Thompson's article, all the tested cannabis had two-thirds of the bacteria known to the ESKAPE acronym, including bacteria like E. Coli or salmonella. The fungi cryptococcus, mucor and aspergillus are also present in the sample. These pathogens are most likely a problem for a person who is immunocompromised or sick.

Wilson said that bacteria and fungal cells are everywhere, and their numbers are incredibly high.

"In something like a stream of water that looks perfectly clear to you, there can still be a million cells in one gram of that water," Wilson said.

Existing on our skin, food and inside our body, bacteria isn't always an unhealthy thing to have. "It's really difficult to extrapolate from the presence of that organism to the danger of that organism," Wilson said. "Organisms can be there, but not be causing any problems whatsoever."

"This was, I guess, part of the idea too is for medical marijuana, many of people who are smoking it have seriously weakened immune systems," Wilson said, "So that is the population that should be more concerned about smoking."

Thompson's study is still troubling to people who see a risk in the presence of pathogens. "It's never something that's caught my attention before," Orozco said, "But it's something that could be going on, and something that could be an issue. But I've never personally had an issue with it."

Humboldt is known for its high quality cannabis and dispensaries in the area. Collectives and dispensaries are aware of the recent study and seek to uphold the quality of their products. Robert Gale, the CEO of Kind Solutions, a medical marijuana delivery service, works to provide a quality service that the members of his business will appreciate.

"As a medical collective, people are turning to cannabis to alleviate and treat symptoms, therefore we don't want to exacerbate their problems by providing meds that aren't clean to the standards provided," Gale said.

The process to ensure the quality of cannabis takes time, but running it through a laboratory gives the results guaranteeing a safe and standard quality.

"First we establish relationships with cultivators through an interview process, asking them about their methods for cultivating as well as asking about their methods and techniques for pest prevention," Gale said. "With new farmers, we work with CW Analytical Laboratory and we have the flowers tested for pesticides, bacterias, molds, certain types of residual fertilizers; all that can be tested for."

According to Wilson, marijuana is tested in a lab and DNA is extracted from it. After extracting the DNA, scientists put it through a high-sequencer and get back millions of sequence reads. They are then able to compare those readings to a database to see where the sequences came from.

Once the cannabis reaches the hands of the consumer, however, there's an entirely separate issue.

"You can get the cleanest cannabis in the world, then you go home and you go to the bathroom. You don't wash your hands thoroughly, and then you pick your nose, then you roll a joint. You're smoking bacteria that was never on the flowers," Gale said. "Part of it is, if you're immunocompromised, treat your medicine like you treat your food. You have to wash your hands really thoroughly."

Cannabis is also a perishable agricultural commodity. "Just like you can have a tomato that goes bad, just as you can have apples that bruise and turn brown, cannabis goes through the same kind of degradation," Gale said.

Gale encourages his patients to ask questions and continue to educate themselves. "We just have to be wary of sensationalistic headlines. We have to continue to educate patients," Gale said. "Make people not afraid to ask questions."

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This Week In Science

by Claire Roth

Geography - The Old Zealand

Though there is no consensus on how many islands our planet has, scientists recently found that there may be one less major island than originally thought.New Zealand is a country that is home to about 4.47 million people and has been defined throughout geological history as an island nation. That definition has gone without challenge until now. A research group in New Zealand known as GNS Science discovered that the landmass that makes up the island of New Zealand is actually part of a much larger, sunken landmass. If still above water, Zealandia, as researchers are calling it, would have met all of the criteria of being called a continent. Some of these criterion include the thickness of the crust of Zealandia in relation to the thinner crust of the surrounding ocean floor and also more elevated (yet still sunken) areas in relation to the surrounding oceanscape.The discovery of Zealandia as meeting the requirements for being a continent, though under water, could better help geologists understand the history of our planet's plate tectonics.

Sources: Phys.org, The Washington Post

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Astronomy - Deep space beats

Today's music seems to be getting more and more space-age, but scientists recently came across the cause of a sound that really is out of this world.Around 10 years ago, astronomers detected strange sounds from within the far-reaches of space. It was not until recently that scientists at Cornell University discovered that the sounds, known as fast radio bursts, had come from 3 billion light-years away.Fast radio bursts, much like their name suggests, happen so quickly that they are oftentimes missed. They only last for several milliseconds and because of this only 18 have ever been documented. The way the recent fast radio bursts were detected is that the bursts repeated and allowed astronomers to get a more accurate reading of where they came from. The origin of the waves is thought to have come from a dwarf galaxy outside of our own and astronomers hope to use the new data to study how radio waves move through different gases and conditions in space.

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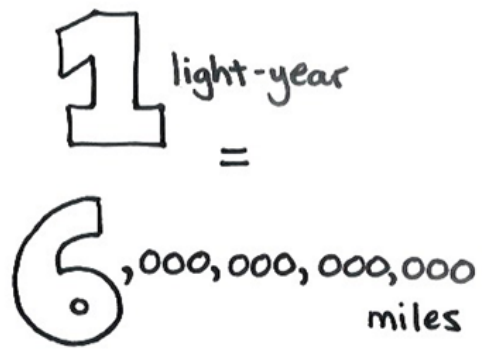
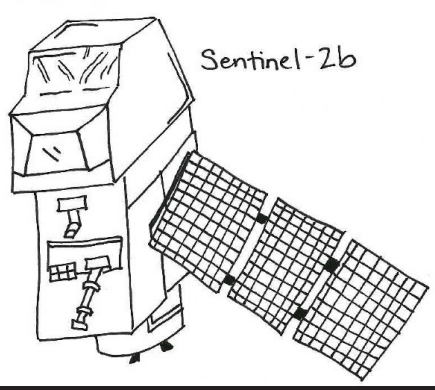


Astronomy - Satellite launched

A satellite called Sentinel-2B was sent into orbit around the earth to join its sister satellite, Sentinel-2A, in a mission to photograph all of Earth's land and waters. This event is part of the European Union's Copernicus environmental monitoring program. The program aims to create an all-inclusive, continuous observation of planet Earth in order to keep in-depth tabs on the environment, effects of climate change, planetary security and more. The Sentinels have ultra-sensitive cameras that allow them to register details on Earth that measure as small as 10 meters across. This will be utilized by the European Union in a variety of ways, from city planning to measuring the wellbeing of crops to monitoring deforestation. In the future, the project hopes to launch more satellites with capabilities such as monitoring carbon dioxide and measuring the status of the planet's ice caps.



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Humboldt State Men's Rugby beats Sonoma State on Freshman's first try.

Humboldt State Men's Rugby in a scrum versus Sonoma State | Curran Daly

by Curran Daly

On a wet and windy March 4, the Humboldt State Men's Rugby team defeated Sonoma State 24-17.

From the beginning of the game, Humboldt State was pressing Sonoma. For much of the first half it looked like the Lumberjacks would score the first points of the game. However, a number of defensive stands by Sonoma at their own try zone, rugby's end zone, kept the game deadlocked at zeros.

Sonoma's biggest stand came with seven minutes left in the first half. Soon after, Sonoma was able to break through the Lumberjack line to score the opening try. After a successful conversion Sonoma led 7-0. Justin Herrera, a senior in the lock position, admitted that getting scored on was a bit of a shock to the Lumberjacks.

"We were kinda a little bit lost at first, we got scored on, then we focused up and got it together," Herrera said.

Humboldt came right back and was pushing deep into Sonoma's end, but were unable to score. The half ended with Sonoma leading 7-0.

As halftime the weather began to turn. What had been a drizzle in the first half, turned into a full on onslaught of rain. According to Ricky Gomero, a junior scrum half, the shift in the weather caused the Lumberjacks to shift their approach to the game.

"It started to rain, we know our game has to be a lot different," Gomero said. "After the first half, we started seeing our guys focusing down, nailing it, and running like good rugby players."

The Lumberjacks came out fast in the second half scoring a try after only three minutes of play. A missed conversion left Sonoma in the lead 7-5.

The game was back and forth, until Humboldt scored again 10 minutes later to take a 10-7 lead. Then, Sonoma scored and missed the conversion to lead 12-10 with 20 minutes remaining.

The Lumberjacks kept pushing, but could not find a way to put points on the board. At one point the Jacks celebrated a try only to have it called off by the ref. With five and a half minutes remaining the Lumberjacks would not be denied anymore. Freshman winger Cameron Arnold, picked up the ball off of a Sonoma kick and ran through the line to give the Jacks a 15-12 lead. After a successful conversion the Jacks lead 17-12.

"The turning point of the game was when Cameron scored a try, because that just really put us over," Herrera said. "He ran it all the way back from the 22, that was the uplifting point, we were like ya we can do this and we had it on lock down."

Arnold's go ahead try was his first try for the rugby team.

"It was a great feeling, scoring my first try for the team," Arnold said. "It got the team pumped up."

Humboldt went on to score another try pushing the score to 24-12. Sonoma scored on what was the last play of the game and the game finished 24-17.

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Humboldt State Softball Pitcher throws no-hitter against Cal State East Bay.

by Curran Daly

Maddison WIlliams threw a no hitter in a 6-1 win over Cal State East Bay on Monday.

Cal State East Bay first batter reached second base on a Lumberjack error, which doesn't count as a hit. The baserunner then made their way to third after a ground out. Finally they came home on a wild pitch. That sequence left the Lumberjacks trailing 1-0 but meant that Williams hadn't let up a hit.

After the sequence Head Coach Shelli Sarchett saw Williams go to work to keep Humboldt in the game.

"Maddy was just really being her typical maddy. East Bay, looking on paper, they have a really good hitting team." Coach Sarchett said, "She continued to keep them off balance with her off speed and down pitches."

Williams went on to strikeout seven East Bay hitters throughout the game. Keeping Humboldt in the game until a third inning run could tie the game. The game stayed tied until the seventh inning when Humboldt scored five runs to win the game 6-1.

Williams realized how well she was pitching in the third inning and knew what she had to do to keep her team in the game.

"I was thinking to myself, I'm not gonna let them score again, if they get on base," Williams said, "I'm not gonna let them get a hit off of me, I'm not gonna let them beat me on my best pitch."

The no-hitter came after Williams and Humboldt first loss of the season to Stanislaus State on March 4.

"After coming off a loss, her first loss of the season, she really buckled down," Coach Sarchett said, "she came back and threw the game that we know that Maddy is capable of."

This was Williams second no-hitter of her career at Humboldt State. Hard-work throughout her four years have prepared her according to her pitching coach, Hannah Jones.

"Her hard work, determination, and focus sets her apart from the competition," Jones said, "and it has been a joy to witness her growth over the years."

Hard work pays off and Williams recognizes that time spent during practice and in the offseason helped her grow into the pitcher she is this season for the Lumberjacks.

"It's really cool, like having all my hard work pay off," Williams said, "what you do in practice really does make a difference in the game and it just feels really good that i can help my team out."

In typical softball and baseball fashion no one mentioned the potential no-hitter to Williams during the game. Coach Sarchett was surprised to see after the game that Williams had pitched a no-hitter.

"Maddy comes up to me after the game and said 'Did i throw a no hitter?'" after looking down at her clipboard Coach Sarchett said, "yup, you did."

The Lumberjacks hope to host Cal State Dominguez hills this weekend it what would be their first home game. Due to wet conditions and their normal field being unplayable, the games may be held at Mckinleyville High School. As of right now the games are scheduled for noon and 2 p.m. friday and 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. saturday.

(Left)HSU Pitcher Madison Williams | HSU Lumberjacks

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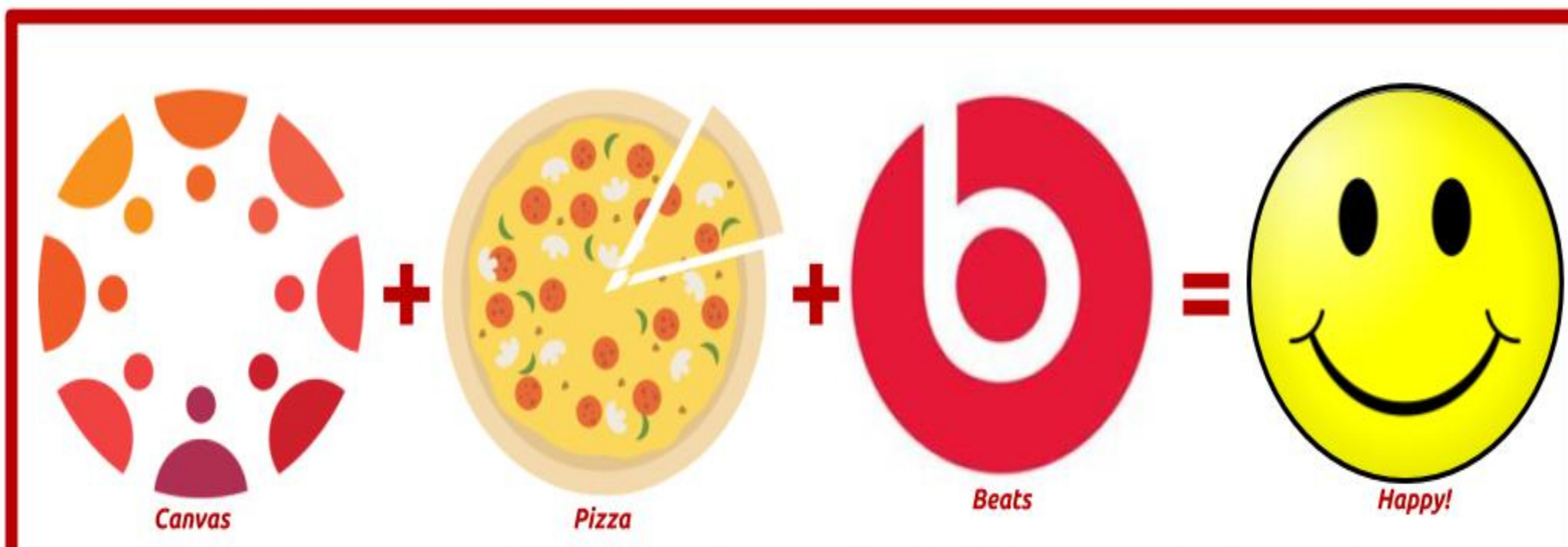

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Editorial

Rolling back Obamacare

GOP presents the American Health Care Act

If you are worried about obtaining health care insurance, well... you should be. After House Republicans faced a firestorm of criticisms for hiding away on the Hill to hash out their healthcare reform policies, Republicans finally introduced their version of health care reform last Monday, March 5.

The potential repeal of the Affordable Care Act, more popularly known as Obamacare, would leave college students at a disadvantage. We are still allowed to piggyback off of our parent's insurance (if they have it) until we are 26 years old. However, for those who can't, this measure creates additional expenses for college students.

As college students working in Humboldt County earning a minimum wage of $10.50 per hour, the possibility of affording health care coverage under the GOP's American Health Care Act is unlikely. Obamacare tried to secure affordable healthcare for all and is by no means perfect, but instead of taking the time to fix the deficiencies, Republican's "Obama-lite" healthcare system is wasting time and money.

While we are waiting for the new administration to learn the ins and outs of health care law, millions of people are at a standstill wondering how they are going to get and stay covered.

The bill wasn't released with an analysis from the Congressional Budget office, and even conservative republicans are worried about the negative impact the measure could cause on the economy. The bill notes four key changes that shifts the fiscal burden from the government back to the people: Refundable tax credits, health saving accounts, block grants, and high-risk pools. These fiscal policies might sound like a dream solution -- to those who can afford it.

Refundable tax credits is money the government is willing to give back to you. The problem with these credits is that they are based on age unlike Obamacare's income-based regulation. Age does not dictate the severity of medical care cost. A refundable tax credit is insufficient cushion for the unexpected cost. Under this new bill, young adults are considered the less in need. The bill states just $2,000 are credited to individuals under 30 years of age.

The new bill risks denying millions in coverage with its proposed block grants that would provide a fixed amount of money to states for their Medicaid programs. A fixed block of money that doesn't rise with inflation, meaning that states might not be able supply coverage at the amount they have in the past.

The GOP also sliped in a provision that would defund Planned Parenthood [PPFA]. At least 60 percent of Planned Parenthood patients use Medicaid or some other type of government based insurance according to PPFA. This means that if the program is defunded, all of these women would lose access to affordable health care.

Although people with pre-existing conditions will still be protected under the new bill, they will potentially have to pay more if they want to be insured. Insurance agencies will be allowed to increase the premium of those with pre-existing conditions while everyone else's insurance rates are reduced.

On top of all these new policies that would drain young adults pockets, the new bill includes a penalty for people who let their insurance lapse. The bill allows insurance agencies to raise their premiums 30 percent. This makes it hard for people to even try to regain coverage after losing it. All of these methods have been tested, tried, and found to be lacking in effectiveness. Obamacare was enacted in the first place as a solution to these problems.

While Obama care extended coverage to over 20 million people, the GOP's health care plan seems to be ripping coverage out of the average American's hands. The new healthcare reform bill may as well read: The poor, low-income, and persons with pre-existing conditions need not apply.

Attempts at a 'Fake' out

The new administration feuds with the media

by Domanique Crawford

You know Larry, right?

Larry is the man you decide to take a chance on even though his past is sketchy. Larry says he respects woman but cheats on every woman he's had a relationship with. Larry says he's not racist but all immigrants are criminals here to steal jobs from hard-working Americans. Larry professes to be one of those hardworking Americans, and yet he's never worked a hard day in his life. You don't believe Larry but he sings his own praises with such frequency that you compare his actions to his words and find him lacking. You begin to question Larry. So Larry decides to break it off and tell everyone that you are just a crazy ex-girlfriend.

President Donald J. Trump is the news media's Larry except, this Larry is the Head of State, chief executive, and the legislative leader.

Every president's approach in how they try to handle the media is unique. However, there has never been such a determined effort from the white house to discredit news organizations.

Delegitimizing the media doesn't stop the watchers from watching. It just makes us more suspicious. The media is considered the watchdog of the government and a tool to keep the public informed. The new administration's consistent and unwarranted assaults on the media just make journalist more motivated to fact check every accusation they make and encourages the people to be more vigilant in watching both the press and the white house alike.

The new administration's ploy is to make the media outlets that don't favor them just another crazy ex- girlfriend, to discredit them in having some kind of crazy conspiracy to sabotage the president.

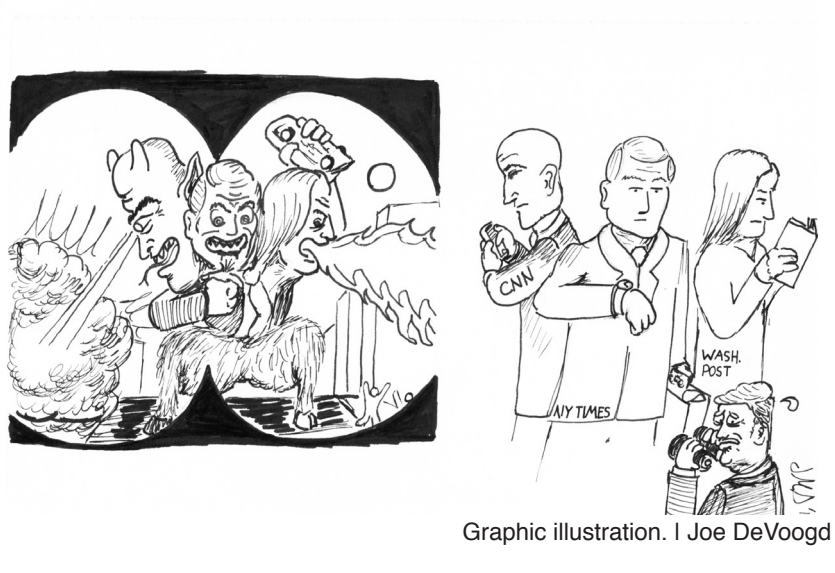
The media outlets that don't fall in line with promoting the new administration's agenda is classified as fake. The Media's job is to report fairly and accurately on the facts.

Fake news used to be defined as purposely distributing knowingly false information. However, with every appearance of the Trump administration the term "fake news" is any negative news coverage on the presidency and the new administration.

The term is thrown around casually in a deliberate attempt to confuse the public. However, it is not the word of the media that has to be constantly checked for propagating false information.

From day one with his proclamations of the biggest inauguration crowds ever, to Kellyanne Conway's criticisms of poor reporting on the non-existent Bowling Green Massacre, Trump and his administration contradict themselves on a regular basis.

Larry may be able to confuse his short circle of friends that is dazzled by his performance but he is not able to hide the facts- alternative or otherwise.



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Prison Privatization

by Tania Mejia

In August of 2016, the Department of Justice [DOJ] made an announcement claiming it would begin phasing out the use of private prisons. I clearly remember coming back to school and a number of people sharing their excitement and asking my personal thoughts on it.

I would start off by saying yeah it was a great thing, but our number of private prisons was miniscule to the total amount of state and federal prisons in our nation. So while it seemed like a great accomplishment, federal private prisons only made up about 8% of our incarcerated population and in the end of December 2015 only housed 22,660 inmates according to an inspector general report. Also, this did not include state private prisons, which similar to our federal government are in the low percentages. I personally thought it would be a greater accomplishment had it been in regards to immigration detention centers, considering about two-thirds of them are privately owned. This is where it is worth mentioning, simply because it is called "detention center" does not mean it is not a prison.

Following the DOJ statement, stocks for private corporations such as Corrections Corporation of America, now Core Civic, and GEO Group, formerly Wackenhut, plummeted. It seemed those who prioritize profits over people were concerned about the future of their investment. But this was not a clear win, and with such companies donating to Trump's campaign it was expected that the fight was not over. Most recently, the Trump administration announced it will not uphold former Former Deputy Attorney General Sally Q. Yates' memo and that we will continue and increase our use of private prisons.

The reason this is so concerning starts with looking at the models in which companies as CCA and GEO operate in. To ensure maximum capacity and profits, contracts are introduced where states are required to keep a certain percentage of beds full.

What are the problems with private prisons? Culture of violence, poor unsanitary conditions, health care, food, operational conditions, sexual abuse,

If crime rates have been down in the past decade, how do we account for such usage of these facilities?

Some contracts require 90 to 100% occupancy, which means if states don't provide those numbers, they have to pay these companies for the unused beds. If not, increase the criminalization of everyday life.

Private prisons did not exist before the early 1980s when U.S. states and the federal government needed a solution to overcrowding in public prisons. But between 1990-2009 the number of people in private prisons increased by a massive 1600 percent. The business model of these companies essentially depends on locking up more and more people up.

In its 2010 annual report to shareholders, CCA stated, "The demand of our facilities and services could be adversely affected by the relaxation of law enforcement efforts, leniency in conviction or parole standards and sentencing practices or through the decriminalization of certain activities that are currently proscribed by our criminal laws."

Decriminalization of drug use, immigration laws,

Because of these concerns, private companies spend a lot of money lobbying for policies which will benefit their pockets.

How can we stop the use of private prisons? Unfortunately, we now have a president who is going to make any effort nearly impossible. But we know private prisons spend a lot of money on lobbying politicians there is hope. They all support governors, state legislators, and judges, which we all have a say in. This requires digging into local and state politics.

I would encourage everybody to read "My Four Months as a Private Prison Guard" by Shane Bauer for Mother Jones.

We have vulnerable populations in these facilities including juvenile, immigrant detainees,

The problem spreads beyond America into countries like Africa, Australia, and more.

Our nation's prison system is a failure on its own. Prioritizing profits over people does not serve community, families, and society, but only those who are invested

Any Orange is the New Black fans will be somewhat familiar with the problems that follow when public institutions turn to for profit companies. Fun fact, Management Correction Corporation (MCC) piggybacks off the real private prison company Management Training Corporation (MTC).

Benefits? Cost saving, efficiency

What makes it cost saving?

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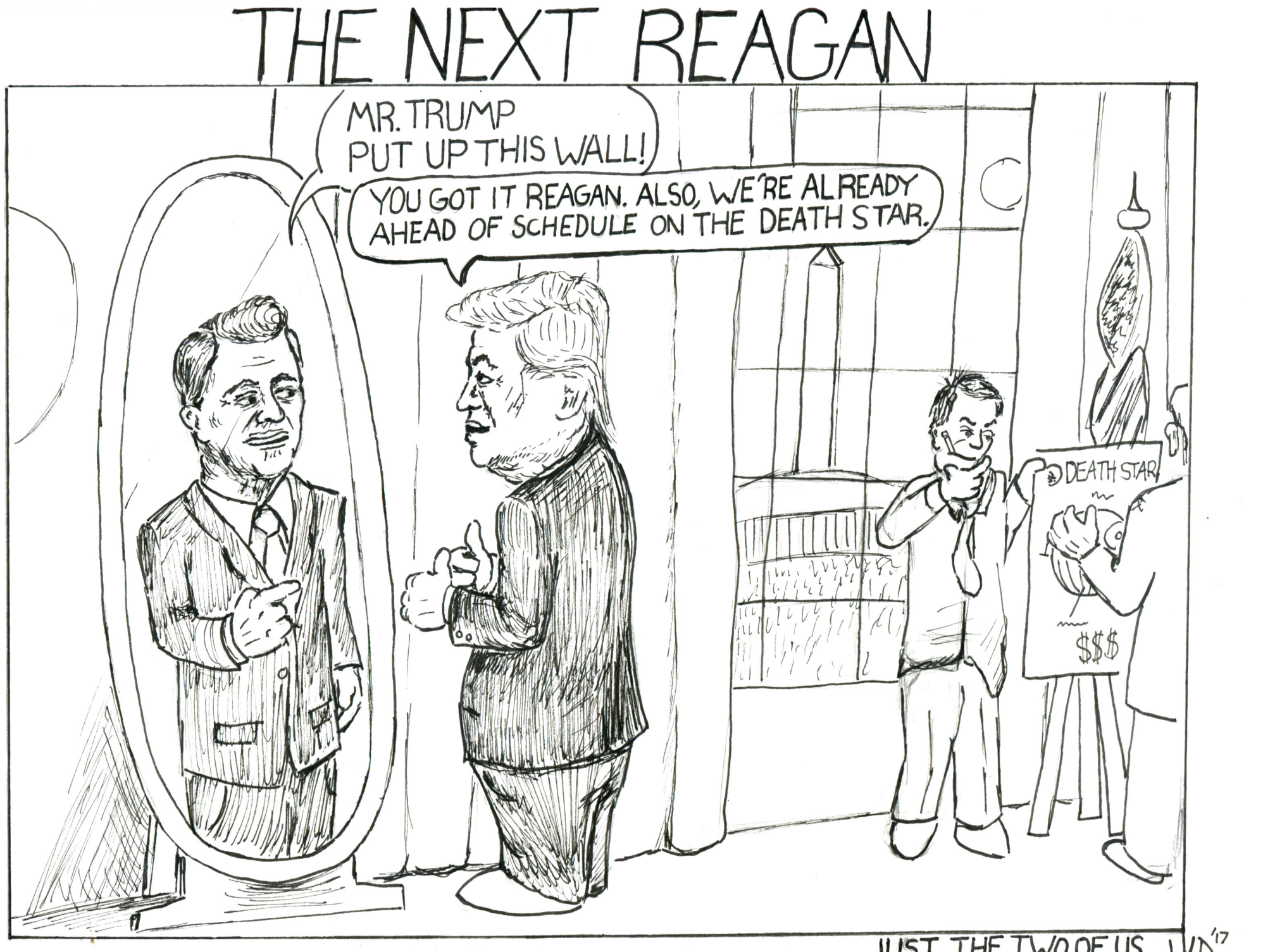
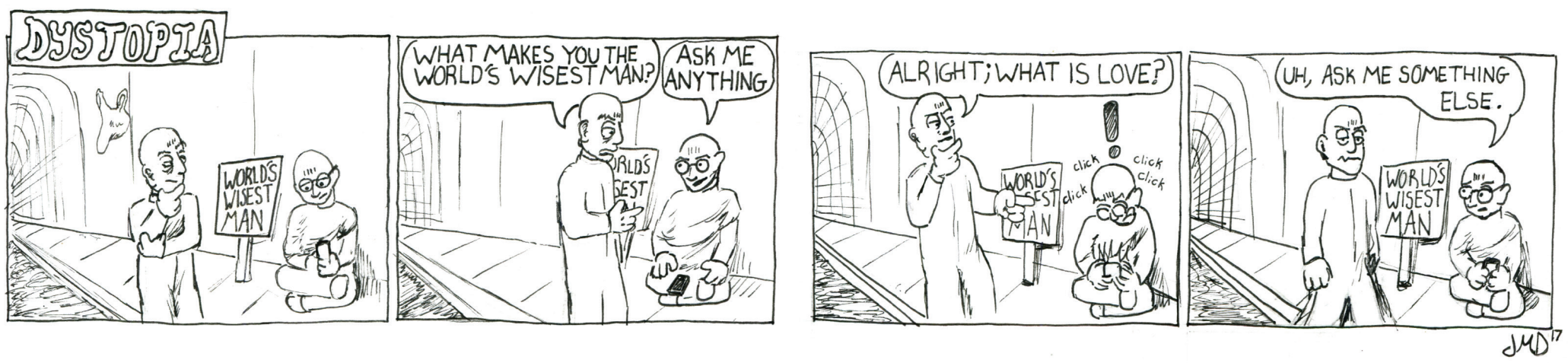
Cartoon





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puzzles page

Weekly Sudoku

Difficulty: extreme

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3				4	6			
4		6			1			
	3						9	
			8			5		1
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		3		9		2		
8	7							9

RIDDLE

You can see me in water, but I never get wet.

What am I?

HUMBOLDT JUMBOLDT

by Melissa Coleman

Rearrange the letters to form a word. Set aside the double underlined letters on the line below. Rearrange those letters when all words are solved to find this week's answer! Plurals allowed, no proper nouns though final answer may be a proper noun. *Answers in the next issue.*

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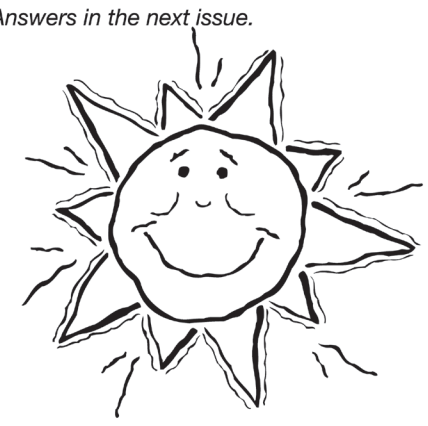

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The 2017 Convivial Symposium: In the Style of Plato @ Arcata Playhouse
6-10 p.m. / $10 / $20 sliding scale

Julius Caesar @
Van Duzer Theater
7:30 p.m. / $10 / $8 students, seniors

Cascade Crescendo, Thursday Night Bluegrass @ Six Rivers Brewery
9 p.m. / Free / 21+

MARCH 10

Arts!Arcata @
Arcata / 6-9 p.m.

One-Minute Dances @
Redwood Raks World Dance Studio
8-9 p.m. / $5

Rhiannon @
Arcata Playhouse
8-9 p.m. / $15 / $12 adv.

Mateel Comedy Cabaret @
Mateel Community Center
8-11 p.m. / $10

The California Honeydrops @
Humboldt Brews
9:30-11:30 p.m. / 21+

No Good Redwood Ramblers @
The Logger Bar / 10 p.m.-2 a.m. / Free / 21+

MARCH 11

02F World Cafe and Market @
Arcata Playhouse
1 p.m.-4 a.m.

Annika Bäckström @
Fortuna Monday Club
7:30 p.m. / $10 / $8 students/seniors

2017 Animal Party feat. Sir Mix-a-lot @
Portuguese Hall
8 p.m.-4 a.m. / $30 / $27 students

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Ferndale Repertory Theatre
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