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## Alternates sought

# GOATS opposes herbicide use

by Rob Mandell

Phenoxy herbicides, a subject of intense controversy on the Northcoast for more than two years now, continue to be a focal issue for a myriad of people and groups.

There is one local group which has put its gripes into actions, the effects of which are being felt statewide.

That group is GOATS—the Group for Organic Alternatives to Toxic Sprays—which has been busily clearing brush on replanted national forest land as an alternative to spraying herbicides 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T.

Last fall, GOATS successfully bid on a forest service contract to "release" young conifers being overgrown by brush and hardwoods. Release work has been done in the past by aerial application of 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T, which are selective against brush species.

Composed mainly of HSU students working on weekends, the GOATS crew is releasing some 40 acres of Douglas-fir in the Lower Trinity district of the Six Rivers National Forest, about 40 miles east of Arcata.

The project is really the first of its kind in Six Rivers and has caught the favorable attention of State Sen. Peter H. Behr (R-Tiburon), GOATS member Andy Colonna said recently.

Colonna was with Goats when the group first formed in February, 1977. He and other members launched a hit-and-miss campaign against the herbicides that ranged from "fact sheets" to a resolution before the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors.

### Proposal made

Then, last spring, GOATS approached the forest service with a proposal to

release by hand, and for free, an area destined to be sprayed to see if manual release could be cost effective.

The forest service had made consistent claims that manual release methods were too expensive, but agreed to the GOATS proposal anyway.

"I'm not sure exactly why they agreed that it was worthwhile for them to cooperate, but I can think of a number of reasons. It certainly didn't hurt to say they were cooperating with an environmental group, and I really think that it was good politics for all sides," Colonna said.

Using machetes, axes and a fearsome, wedge-shaped tool called a "brush-hook," GOATS successfully released some 10 acres of conifers for an estimated \$75 per acre (workers took home \$5 per hour).

### Sharp contrast

That figure contrasted sharply with forest service estimates for manual release which were quoted as high as \$500 per acre in forest service documents.

GOATS underbid the next lowest bidder for the present release project by nearly \$1,500. According to GOATS member Eric Shpilman, the group will lose money on this contract, with most of the money being put into food, tools and supplies.

Shpilman said the group was reluctant to take the contract at first because of the condition of the sites—one of them is steep enough to roll and rock down—and because of the impending rains.

"Colonna said it was a good opportunity and we had better go for it," Shpilman recalled. "But it was a rock deal from the beginning."

At a bid of \$1,550, GOATS took their first manual release project. unfortunate. (Continued on back page)

## Final decision on fee increase near

by Heidi Holmblad

The fate of the Instructionally Related Activities fee is now in the hands of five faculty and administration members and the board of finance.

This committee will decide how much of an IRA fee to charge students (\$1-\$10), and what campus groups will receive the money. The fee will be implemented next year as part of the registration fee.

The faculty and administration members of the IRA committee are Buzz Webb, dean of student services; Ronald Young, dean of creative arts and humanities; Larry Kerker, chairman of the division of health and physical education; Sherilyn Bennion, professor of journalism; and Lynn Warner, professor of physical education.

Members of the board of finance are: Associated Students President Gregg Cottrell, voting chairman of the IRA committee; AS Treasurer Kenn Sandell; and students Teresa Martinelli, Terry Birkholtz, and Tomas Olivares.

The board of finance is now determining the distribution of AS funds. Cottrell appointed the board to the IRA committee to synchronize the two funding committees.

"We'll try to do it as simultaneously as possible," Cottrell said at the Feb. 2 Student Legislative Council meeting.

Many organizations are eligible for funds from both sources. During a discussion after the SLC budget hearings last Sunday, Webb discussed the IRA with the board of finance. He and Cottrell agreed the IRA fee cannot be determined until all requests are considered.

Webb also suggested lowering the student services fee and charging the full \$10 IRA fee.

Sandell pointed out that this suggestion would give the administration more control over where the funds go, since the IRA committee is 50 percent faculty and administration.

## "Caffeinism Strikes"

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# Abortion rights causes controversy in Humboldt

by Jim Rochlin

Abortion is a moral issue that involves, among other things, an individual's political, economic and philosophical beliefs.

Currently, abortion appears to be a topic of controversy in Humboldt County.

The arguments of various Humboldt County citizens who recommend abortion should be made illegal will be examined in the first half of this article.

It will be followed by a presentation of the arguments of various Humboldt County citizens who assert that abortion should remain a legal choice for women and their doctors.

The immorality of abortion was the central topic at a symposium of human life and rights held Jan. 23 at College of the Redwoods (CR) in Eureka.

A key argument of the anti-abortionists is that human life begins at the moment of conception.

If one accepts this definition of human life, it follows that abortion involves the killing of human life.

### Conception is life

"I think the evidence we have from genetics substantiates that life is human at the time of conception," said Dr. Karl H. Johanssen, a Fortuna obstetrician-gynecologist.

Johanssen explained the relationship he sees between the "independent" fetus and the rights of the mother over her body.

"This new life form, the fetus, is fully independent, other than from nutrition from the mother's body.

"Women, by exercising their freedom to become pregnant, may have lost the right to control their bodies for a while," Johanssen said.

An unusual and perhaps unanswerable question was directed to the audience by Dr. Jack Mauer, Chief of Radiology at St. Joseph Hospital in Eureka.

"Every two or three generations we have a genius come along. Have we aborted our genius of our age?" Mauer

asked.

Mauer made an analogy between abortion and Nazi Germany's killing of more than six million Jews.

So did Eureka Attorney William G. Bertain.

"It was under Adolf Hitler that the Jewish nation was declared to be lacking in personal rights. As a result, over six million Jews were exterminated," Bertain said.

Because of abortion, he said, "the rights of life have been denied to a whole segment of our population."

### Laws and science

"Our laws have not kept up with science," Bertain said.

A Supreme Court ruling in 1973 requires states to leave the choice of abortion, during the first trimester of pregnancy, up to the judgment of a woman and her doctor.

The court ruled that, during the second trimester of pregnancy, states may regulate abortion procedures if there is reasonable concern for the health of the mother.

Since the fetus is potentially capable of life outside the womb during the third trimester, the court said, states may regulate or forbid abortion during this stage of pregnancy—~~and~~ during this considered necessary to preserve maternal health.

Eureka attorney John Davis, who is a member of the same law firm as Bertain, analyzed the 1973 Supreme Court ruling.

"After the Supreme Court decision, the mother now appears to have unqualified power over the life of the child," Davis said.

"The next most logical step, I think, is to give her that same type of power over her children outside the womb," Davis added.

### No-win issue

"From a political perspective" the abortion topic is a "no-win issue," said CR Director of Public Safety Donald

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## Right to life vs women's rights

# Abortion: Murder or birth control?

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Peterson, a former Humboldt County supervisor.

"Restrictions on abortions by the government would indeed restrict the freedom of choice of the mother, but it would be assuring many choices for the unborn child," Peterson said.

HSU philosophy instructor Susan Armstrong discussed what it means to be a "person."

"The generally agreed upon definition of 'person' includes rationality, self-awareness, the ability to make choices, and to relate in a meaningful way to other persons," Armstrong said.

But by those standards, the senile, retarded, insane, and unborn would not be regarded as persons, Armstrong said.

"We must apply the sympathetic imagination involved in the Golden Rule

to the senile, retarded, insane and unborn," she said.

Armstrong, who avoided discussing abortion in particular, stressed the rights of animals.

"Animals give abundant evidence of having feelings and desires, and I would argue that they likewise have a right to pursue their own interests," Armstrong said.

### Sex preference abortions

HSU Assoc. Prof. Kenneth C. Hallum, of the sociology department, made a prediction concerning the future relationship between abortion and amniocentesis.

Amniocentesis is a process which involves obtaining and testing amniotic fluid for sex determination or chromosomal abnormality.

"I would argue that before long this process will be used to make decisions about aborting the child, for example, on the basis of sex preference," Hallum said.

HSU Prof. Jacqueline Kasun, of the economics department, the final speaker of the symposium, emphasized that we do not have an overpopulation problem.

Kasun based her arguments mostly on data from technologically developed countries.

"The United States has one of the lowest population densities, and one of the lowest rates of population in the world," Kasun said.

"The problem is not overpopulation," she said, "The problem is a failure of economic planning."

The final aspect of the symposium to be considered here involves what may have been misleading advertising of the symposium.

The word 'abortion' was not mentioned on the flyers which announced the symposium, despite the fact that abortion was the central topic of discussion.

### Pro-abortionists

Abortion, it seems, is an issue of duality. Now that some anti-abortionist viewpoints have been presented, the coin will be flipped to examine some attitudes of the pro-choice group.

The pro-choice group includes persons who argue in favor of leaving the choice of abortion up to woman and her doctor.

"I feel abortion should be a back-up system for birth control," said Georgie Olsagar, a pregnancy counselor for the Humboldt County Planned Parenthood Association in Eureka.

Olsagar expressed her approval of government-funded abortions.

"I would rather see my tax dollars spent on abortion than having it spent on unwanted children," Olsagar said.

If abortions were made illegal, she said, "you wouldn't have the medical safety standards you have now" when and if illegal abortions are performed.

If abortion became illegal "we'd be forcing women to back-alley butchers," said Michele McKeegan, executive director of Planned Parenthood in Eureka.

### Exorbitant cost

The Planned Parenthood Association in Eureka deals predominantly with teenage pregnancies.

"Given that contraceptives are imperfect, and teenagers are a spacey group of people anyway, I think it's barbaric to deny women the choice of abortion," McKeegan said.

McKeegan found fault with the abortion solution proposed by anti-abortionists.

The adoption solution suggests abortion be made illegal, and a woman should give birth to her child and give it up for adoption if she can not keep the child or does not want it.

"It is barbaric to force low-income women to have children so that middle class, infertile couples can adopt them. It's a kind of class bias," McKeegan said.

Compared to some other regions of California, the price for an abortion in Humboldt County is exorbitant.

"In Humboldt County, it now costs between \$1,000 and \$1,400 to have an abortion. That price includes expenses for out-patient service, the hospital, the doctor and the anesthesiologist," McKeegan said.

Pregnancy counselor Lois Lina, of the HSU Counseling Center, confirmed the \$1,000 to \$1,400 price for abortions performed in Humboldt County.

### Bay Area cheaper

"It costs more for an abortion than to have a baby in Humboldt County," said

Jan Mahoney, a human sexuality instructor at HSU.

"The average cost for an abortion is \$150 in the Bay Area, compared to \$1,350 in Humboldt County," Mahoney said.

Whereas relatively expensive abortions performed in Humboldt County require an overnight hospital visit, low-cost abortions are available in the Bay Area and other urban areas because the abortions are performed quickly in clinics with minimum anesthesia.

Mahoney expressed concern over the social impact the anti-abortionists seem to be having in Humboldt County.

"Anti-abortionists are having a powerful impact. The laws may be reversed if people who support legalized abortion aren't actively involved," Mahoney said.

Humboldt County Public Health Department staff member Patty Berg discussed the role of abortion as a means of birth control.

"Other than abstinence, abortion is the only other sure-fire method of birth control," Berg said.

### Women's right

"It should be the right of the woman to make the personal choice of abortion," she said.

Berg provided some potentially meaningful statistics.

"462 HSU students got pregnancy tests in 1977. Probably half were pregnant."

"Almost 80 percent of the abortions performed in Humboldt County last year (1977) were paid for by Medi-Cal," Berg said.

This would seem to imply that local doctors and hospitals are reaping profits from the expensive Humboldt County abortions at the taxpayers' expense.

"When doctors don't want to do something, they make prices higher," said Lan Sing Wu, M.D., of the HSU Student Health Center.

"I'm in favor of selective abortion. If it has to be done, we should have it available for women," Wu said.

"There are some ladies who have one abortion after another," Wu said. "Ideally, the best thing to do is not to get pregnant in the first place."

"God, yes. There's no question about it. Abortion needs to be legal," said Kate Jeffers, coordinator of the HSU Womens Center.

"If there's no legal choice, women will still get abortions," Jeffers said.

### Overpopulation problem?

The final aspect of abortion to be discussed here involves its relationship to overpopulation.

Theoretically, if a problem does not exist, there is no need for any solutions.

Similarly, if an overpopulation problem does not exist, there would be no need for any solutions, including abortion.

HSU Economics instructor Jacqueline Kasun, as was mentioned earlier in this article, used data mostly from technologically developed countries to argue that overpopulation is not a problem.

Instead, Kasun pointed to poor economic planning as the problem.

But there are those who seem to disagree with Kasun.

According to population biologist Paul R. Ehrlich in his book "The Population Bomb", overpopulation in the United States has triggered environmental deterioration and increased difficulty in obtaining necessary resources.

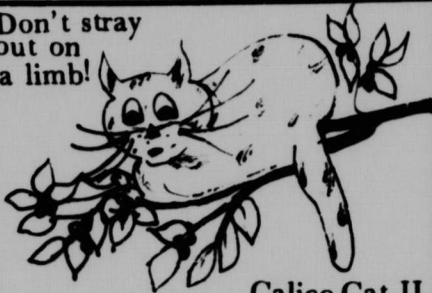
Economics professor Robert L. Heilbroner suggested in his book "The Human Prospect" that overpopulation exists primarily in underdeveloped nations of the world.

Heilbroner predicted that the technologically underdeveloped nations may have to support 40 billion people one century from now.

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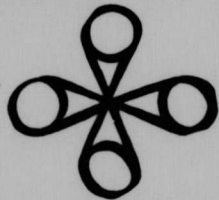
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# Time to wake up to the symptoms of 'caffeinism'

by Pat Poulin

The recent flu epidemic is not the only epidemic threatening students this quarter. Another one can be expected within the next few weeks as finals approach. It is called "caffeinism."

Caffeinism is defined by one medical encyclopedia as "a chronic coffee poisoning, characterized by palpitation (of the heart), dyspepsia (indigestion or upset stomach), irritability and insomnia." Other medical references add sudden flushing of the face, sweating, trembling, general depression, anxiety and nervousness.

Caffeine is listed under a drug grouping called "mind-altering drugs." As finals approach the late night study sessions (usually cram sessions) become later and later and the "mind-altering" properties of coffee are taken advantage of by many students.

One medical text states that as a result of the stimulation of the central nervous system by the caffeine in coffee "an individual is more alert, thinks faster, has a better memory, forms judgments more quickly, learns faster, and has a decreased reaction time." Other texts add that it leads to a "mild exhilaration" and an "increased sense of well being."

## Not addicting

Coffee might sound like the perfect beverage to consume while studying, however, more times than not one cup leads to another and caffeineism strikes.

There is no evidence that coffee is addicting. However, a psychological dependence or habituation can develop. Not having that cup of coffee the first thing in the morning can be devastating to some people.

A cup of coffee may contain between 100-250 mg. of caffeine. An excessive amount of coffee for one individual may not be excessive for another. It varies with each individual, and a tolerance to increasing doses may develop.

## University may help

# AS cannot insure sports

by Ziba Rashidian

Competitive athletic clubs may soon become university-recognized organizations as a result of an Associated Students insurance liability problem.

The AS insurance policy does not cover "any liability for bodily injury to any person while practicing for or participating in any contest or exhibition of an athletic or sports nature."

The affected clubs include archery, badminton, fencing, rowing, rugby, sailing, soccer and volleyball.

"The crew and sailing clubs were in the same boat," Ed Simmons, dean of student resources, said. They had an extra liability problem because they competed, participated in exhibitions and were on the water, he said.

These clubs were originally AS recognized student organizations. As clubs they could use university facilities, were covered by the student travel accident insurance, could raise money on campus and could compete in the name of the university and the AS.

## Interim solution

But because of the insurance liability problem they were requested to change their status to booster clubs as an interim solution. This meant clubs participating in competitions or exhibitions would not participate on behalf of HSU, but as individuals.

Most of the clubs did not do the required paper work to change their status, but did stop using the university

Tea, chocolate and cola drinks also contain caffeine. A cup of tea has almost as much caffeine as coffee. However, according to Dr. Norman Headley, director of the Health Center, a cup of tea will be more soothing to the stomach.

Coffee will have a more profound effect when used with cigarettes, according to Headley. And on an empty stomach it will even be worse, he added.

## Caffeine content

The method in which coffee is prepared also affects the caffeine content. According to one medical text, drip and vacuum coffee contain the least amount of caffeine, percolated slightly more than drip, and "boiled" coffee contains more than either drip or percolated. Also, instant coffee is generally high in caffeine content compared to regular coffee.

Caffeine has been accredited with stimulating gastric acid secretions. A study in "Nutrition Reviews" showed that coffee in both forms, regular and decaffeinated, contains stimuli of acid secretion other than caffeine. Decaffeinated coffee was found to be as potent as instant coffee in stimulating gastric acid secretions.

There is no doubt coffee is very popular. The food services on campus go through 4,800 pounds of coffee each year, according to Alice Hackett, manager of the service. At 72 cups per pound, it comes out to 345,600 cups of coffee served by the cafeterias and the Rathskellar.

These figures do not include the coffee sold in the vending machines, the baked goods tables, or secret pots of coffee brewing among the department offices. On a national basis, there was 9.4 pounds of coffee per capita imported in 1976, according to the 1978 Almanac. This was 96 million tons worth \$2,632 million.

Coffee is here to stay. However, as long as it is abused, caffeineism will also be around—especially during finals. The key is moderation. If the symptoms arrive the cure is simple—do not have another cup.

name when competing, AS General Manager Lunell Haught said.

On Feb. 9 the Student Legislative Council passed a resolution stating it would de-recognize competitive athletic clubs if the university would pick them up.

Simmons said the university takeover would probably occur in a couple of weeks.

"We certainly don't want to see these organizations go under," he said.

Only two of the 19 California State University and Colleges campuses are not going to university recognition of competitive athletic clubs, Simmons said.

## Self-insured

The university does not have a similar liability problem because it is self-insured. This means that instead of having an insurance policy that would pay for suits against the university, the university finds it cheaper to pay for these suits out of their own funds, Haught said.

One of the stumbling blocks with university recognition of these clubs is that the role of the adviser will be different, Simmons said.

"The advisers will be legally and fiscally responsible for their clubs," he said.

Simmons is working with other administrators to set up a university policy for recognition of the clubs. A final decision will be reached within the next two weeks, Simmons said.



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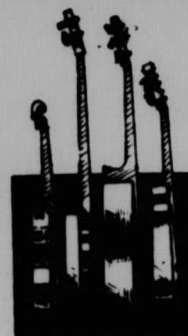
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## Editorial

### Is there really a Santa Claus?

Santa Claus is coming. Actually it is not Santa but it seems that way because of all the anticipated delight his presents will bring. Santa promises to materialize in the form of the long awaited Instructionally Related Activities fee.

There are two basic reasons for the fee, one being to counter inflation and the other being a change in social consciousness by student governments. Traditional campus activities, such as intercollegiate athletics, theater arts and student newspapers are not as popular as they once were and must now compete with newer, more societally relevant programs for Associated Student funds.

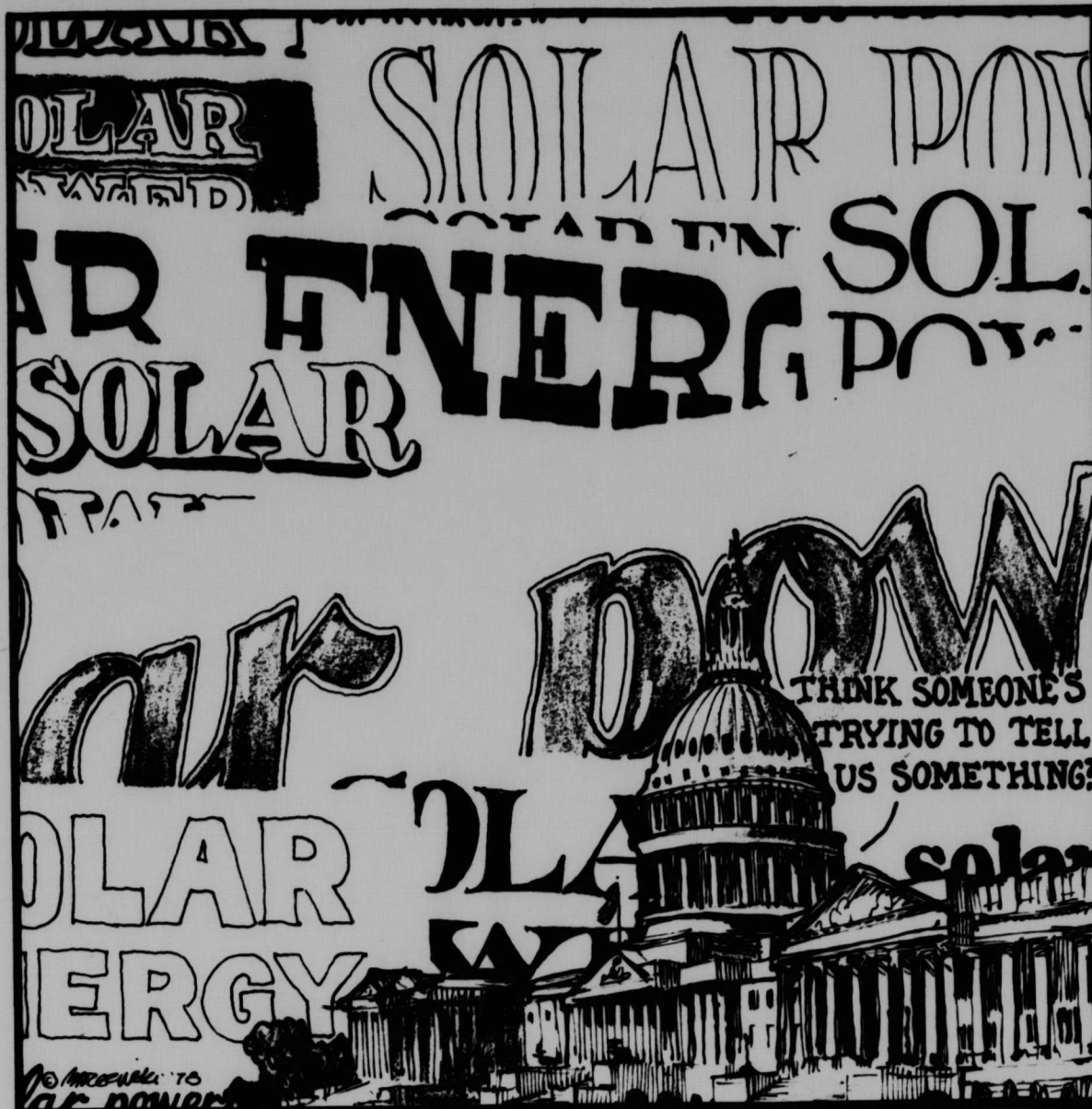
A panel is being set up on campus to handle funding requests once the OK is sent down from the Chancellor's office. The fee is scheduled to begin in the Fall and, if the full \$10 fee is implemented, a \$70,000 Christmas turkey could land at HSU.

The final composition of the panel will probably be as apolitical as possible, given the inherent political nature of IRA money. One of the tenets of IRA guidelines is to "ensure adequate and stable funding for Instructionally Related Activities." This sounds uncomfortably like a mandate from on high to perpetuate the past.

Fortunately, the potential for blowing all of the IRA money may be mitigated by not imposing the \$10 maximum fee. One suggestion that merits consideration is to begin with a \$5 fee and see how demand, inflation and resources fare.

The panel may find in one or two years the vocal vested interests who take the biggest piece of the first turkey are not the most deserving of continued financing. This has been the general feeling of student government toward certain funding areas and is why we have IRA looming on the horizon.

The first decisions will be precedents from which the future will be based. Even before it decides who will get funds the panel has to determine if it is serving the past or future.



## Letters to the editor

### CSUCSPA people Go blockers!

Editor:

Recently, the National Student Association and the National Student Lobby held one in a series of merger conferences on the San Diego State University campus. While attending that conference, I had the good fortune of meeting many of the people involved in the California State University and Colleges Student Presidents Association.

I was most impressed by the high levels of efficiency and effectiveness present in the organization. However, the most outstanding aspect of CSUCSPA is its people. The presidents and the staff are dedicated and concerned individuals who in my judgment, demonstrated high levels of competence above that normally expected of student leaders.

In short, the organization is professional, and the students of the Cal State system have an association that they can justifiably take pride in.

Mark Barnes

AS president, Arizona State University

Editor:

Within the last two weeks there have been two articles in The Lumberjack complaining about the "instruments of punk rock," more commonly known as the greer and gold blocks, at the HSU basketball games. I would like the readers to hear the other side of the story.

As John Cressy mentioned in his sports column a few weeks ago, it has been quite a while since Humboldt has had a basketball team do anywhere near as well as ours is doing this season. I, for one, am very proud of our team and I plan on letting them know it.

If John Cooper is such an avid fan of the Lumberjacks, I assume that he has gone to games when we have lost. The crowds at those losing games can hardly be called fans! If our team is losing, don't even look (or listen) for anything comparable to support because you just won't find it!

Finally, things are changing. The Lumberjacks are winning regularly and because of this are drawing capacity crowds. I want

to see those crowds and "avid game-goers" become true-to-life fans! Fans that will be what fans should be and support their team no matter what the score is and no matter which team is leading.

Those green and gold blocks do a lot for building the spirit of the Lumberjacks' fans. The team not only needs support, but needs to see it and hear it.

If there are going to be only a handful of fans who will really get up and root for their team, then the blocks make it that much better. Those "noisy" green and gold blocks get the crowd going and relieve some of their inhibitions about really getting excited and showing the team how they feel.

In answer to the question of whether the noise makes it hard for the team to concentrate, it may be a surprise to know that the team loves it. Many members of the team, including the coach, have asked us to clap those "noise makers" and keep clapping them. In fact, these blocks were given to us by a coach.

Until the team asks me to quit clapping those blocks, I'm going to continue. I am there to support the team, not the crowd. I know this is going to be a big disappointment to John Cressy and John Cooper, but those blocks and people using them will be out in full force for the Davis game!

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## Twist of fate

Editor:

By a strange twist of fate, last Thursday I was appointed to a committee I never knew existed. It is the SLC's University Affairs Committee. Including myself, there were five committee members present, most of whom seemed to know what they were doing; and the longer I sat there absorbing these incredible circumstances, the more I realized how ignorant I (and probably a majority of the student population at HSU) had been.

As outlined by the "Committee Structure Handbook" for 1977-78, the University Affairs Committee is "responsible for establishing and maintaining relations between the SLC and all AS programs and recognized organizations and the university administration." I admit I had to have this translated to me before I became fully aware of what it entails. To my understanding, the UAC is a communications network between clubs and organizations on campus not directly related to academic or community affairs (areas that have their own committees). While the UAC has no actual power, its job is to research problems; provide communication between students, SLC and the University; to do legwork and report back to the SLC that can be approved or thrown out.

What kinds of things, you might well ask, do we get involved in? For one thing, the recent controversial Student Grand Jury is this committee's baby. In addition to studying the feasibility of the idea of a Student Grand Jury, our duty is to study the proposal itself, decide whether we think it should be left intact, changed, or thrown out entirely, and recommend our decision to the SLC to have it acted upon. We also look into the parking problem, subsidizing alternative transportation, etc.

So if there are any organizations, or just plain folks, who want to be heard, the University Affairs Committee meets on Thursdays at 11 a.m. in Nelson Hall East 119. As we are a

communications and research team organization, input is vital. We welcome anyone who has something to say, or just wants to sit in.

Paul Milne  
sophomore, wildlife

## Por spelin

Editor:

At dinner before a recent concert, I had wryly proposed to my wife that a prize be established for the first campus-originated poster without a single spelling error on it. The latest gem had been the announcement of a talk on "Posioness Plants."

Imagine our sense of irony to find at the concert that the featured quartet—one of the nation's best and famous—had its

name spelled "Julliard" on the tickets, "Juilliard" on the front of the program and "Juillard" on the back of the program.

No wonder one violinist cupped his ear and commented "is there anyone out there?" between the first and second parts when no one clapped and whereupon we all clapped obediently—and improperly—and never "forgot" to do so, again!

Spelling is considered a petty issue, grist for traditionalists only we suppose, but dictionaries still are sold, and we would think a sense of self-respect would incline poster and program makers to use one. If a Humboldt musical group traveled to a state university in the east, would they be much impressed by, for instance, "Hubmolt" on the tickets, "Humboldt" and "Humboldt" on the program? Or would it seem not only stupid, but insulting and unworthy of a university?

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## Tenant's Corner

Kevin Gladstone

Humboldt Housing Action Project Coordinator

The shortage of housing in Arcata creates many problems for local tenants. Rising rents are just one of the problems related to the shortage.

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In the mid-sixties HSU underwent a great deal of expansion. However, the lag in housing development created an immense shortage of housing. It can be concluded that University expansion was one of the main causes of the shortage.

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The major intent of the moratorium was to "encourage and facilitate the early development of off-campus housing by private enterprise".

It is unfortunate that the University has taken this position. The off-campus housing which has been developed by private enterprise is almost unaffordable. Also, in spite of the new housing which has been developed, the vacancy rate remains zero percent for much of the year. The needs of private enterprise seem to take precedent over student need.

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## View from the stump

### But where will they live?

Ron Glick

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Although growth in enrollment has been good for the university's financial situation, it has taken its toll on the community. A recent survey indicated there was essentially no vacant housing available in Arcata.

To deal with the housing shortage, the city has allowed construction of a large number of housing projects designed primarily for students. This student housing, which can be best seen in the area around Union Street and Samoa Boulevard, has been rapidly destroying Arcata's architectural environment.

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The university is trying to get a student enrollment of 8,000 by 1980. Enrollment is currently 7,700, a figure obviously above the limits of the local environment. Yet the admissions office is still accepting applications and maintains there is space available.

It is an unintentional side effect of the administration policy of trying to maintain quality programs by maximizing the number of full-time enrollment that is degrading the community environment. The university needs to look at living conditions of students and area residents more and the living conditions of the faculty less.

A lack of synchronized planning between the university and the community has long been a sore spot with many people. There is a portion of the community which has unsuccessfully tried to stop the university from growing. It seems somewhat ironic that the ultimate limiting factor to the size of the university might turn out to be the amount of feces the campus master plan has produced.





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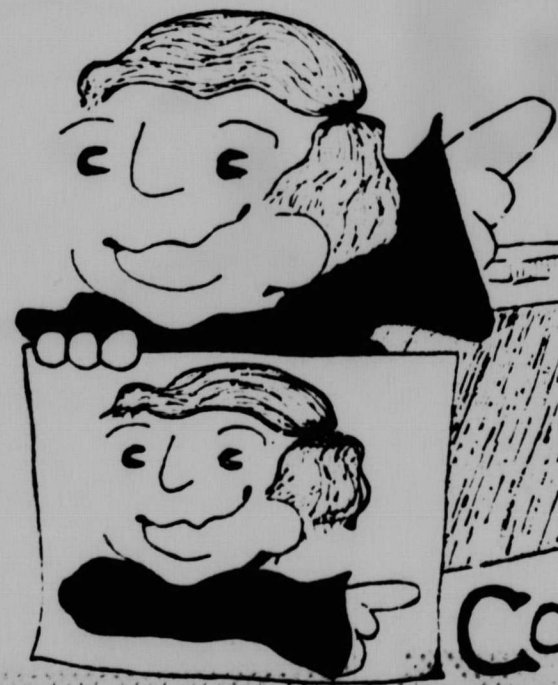
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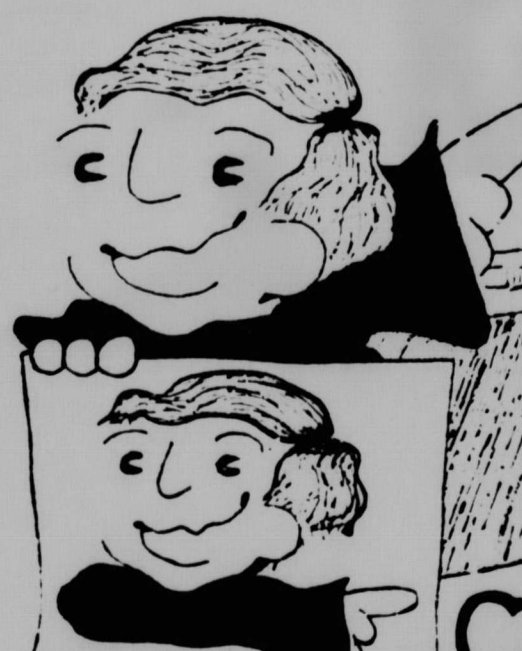
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"It is my firm belief that everything is going to run down within five years, and within 10 years, civilization as we know it will be finished," he said recently, relaxing in the living room of his modest Eureka home. "My basic program is to revive and distribute 19th century practical home knowledge so that people can set up kitchen chemistry, backyard mechanics and cottage industries."

In his monthly publication, "The Survivor," in books like "Old Time Home Food Processing for Fun and Profit," "Medicines Like Grandad Used to Make" and "Plan and Survive," Saxon has compiled information on everything from self-protection and survival fishing to construction of steam engines, sluices, arc welders, stills and reed furniture.

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"From the time I was a little kid I wanted to know things that other people didn't know. I found that so many people didn't care to learn anything. The kids I went to school with weren't interested in the things I was interested in. They wanted to play ball."

### Plans for Taos

Saxon did not attend high school, but after bumming around for a number of years someone convinced him to enroll at a junior college and take up journalism. He said he was amazed by the number of students who could not read or write.

He later worked as a reporter for a Taos, New Mexico newspaper.

In fact, Saxon spent much of his youth around Taos and plans to return to that area to take advantage of its tremendous survival potential. Located about 75 miles northeast of Santa Fe at an elevation of 7,000 feet, Taos is a small community that enjoys a pleasant climate, has no atomic installations nearby and is not a military target, he said. And, unlike Eureka, the town is removed from cities and major highways. This is crucial, Saxon explained, because refugees streaming out of the cities after the holocaust will plunder the most accessible areas in their desperate search for food, arms and medical supplies.

In part, the chaos that is pushing society towards destruction has come about because a large percentage of Americans suffer "minimal brain damage," Saxon said. These persons cannot be educated, are unemployable and depend upon welfare for support.

"Minimal brain damage has the effect of creating generation after generation of dependents. Fathers raise sons to be dependent on society and so it goes, on and on. It really has nothing to do with minority groups at all, though they happen to be the ones getting the shaft," he said.

## "I've never met a political science major who had any brains at all..."

Saxon believes there are no political solutions, that individuals must learn to rely on themselves. Politicians appeal to the "ignorant masses" to get elected to



Kurt Saxon

Andrew Alm

positions of power, he said, but never deliver on their campaign promises.

"I disregard politics completely . . . I've never met a political science major who had any brains at all. It's the nature of the beast.

"Adlai Stevenson didn't have a chance (to be elected) because he wouldn't appeal to the dummies, the rock-'n-roll, nothing-but-beer-and-partying-on-welfare type," Saxon said.

"Later came (George) McGovern . . . he appealed to every basket-case and actually alarmed people who did have some intelligence."

Jimmy Carter, Saxon maintains, was elected by voters who simply wanted things, but "had nothing to give to society in return."

One thing that encouraged Saxon to become apolitical was his association with such extremist organizations as the John Birch Society, a reactionary group which he discovered to be a "bunch of old ladies." He later joined the anti-communist Minutemen organization on the hunch that it would provide him with good story material. But, Saxon said, he

quickly realized these groups were not accomplishing anything or offering viable solutions to pressing social problems.

"This is what I call 'gutter politics,' all these right and left-wing groups, because they're not accomplishing anything," he said. "Most of the members are neurotics and the ones who stay in are psychotics."

The government never addresses the problem of ignorance in this country, Saxon said, even though the statistics show approximately 55 percent of the populace is functionally illiterate.

## John Birch Society... "bunch of old ladies."

A lack of population control has aggravated the problem immeasurably, he feels. Nature always creates more of a species than necessary because it is assumed 95 percent of the offspring will not survive, but today's medical



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technology, he said, is saving persons who in previous decades would have died at an early age. In those days, a surplus population was unthinkable.

"Nature dictates that the weak shall die. Altruism dictates that the weak shall live," Saxon said.

His compromise solution is to allow weak persons to live, but prohibit them from reproducing. "Mental defectives" cannot take the responsibility of children seriously, he said, and frequently the children of defective parents are abused and have no legal rights.

"An unwanted child is a damaged child. The kid could be mentally and physically perfect, but the fact that it's unwanted means it is socially damaged for the rest of its life," Saxon said, adding, "The very person who would say I am a fiend for advocating the sterilization of people on welfare is going to be the person who is shooting these people down in the street, lest they take his property."

Expanded birth control measures and tax incentives are two additional, and certainly less extreme, proposals Saxon thinks could help curb population growth. Legal limitations on family size may also be necessary.

Saxon further described the downfall and the role he is likely to play.

## "Let the people kill themselves off."

"When this society collapses, all of the people who have been living on welfare are going to riot and raise hell. The cities will be a mass of murder — almost as bad as San Francisco today," he said with a grin. "After everybody realizes what's happened, and everyone has killed everybody they can before they get themselves killed, we'll have warlords all over the place. I'll probably be one of them. It's not something to look forward to, but you've got to get territory and hold it, cull out the people you want to keep, and start a new existence."

Those who are not self-motivated and self-disciplined will die, he added.

"It's best when the trouble really starts to get out of the way and let the people kill themselves off," he said.

What really bothers him are those arrogant Americans who believe this country is infallible, who cannot comprehend that civilizations have been rising and falling since long before written history.

He said most third-world nations will not feel the demise of western civilization

because they have been experiencing the effects of famine and overpopulation for generations.

### Greaterst folly

Perhaps America's greatest folly is her trust in business and science, according to Saxon. The oil and coal companies purposely discourage the development of new sources of energy because sun and wind, for example, cannot be sold for profit. When a firm sells a solar heater for \$20,000, he said, it is a bunch of "shuck and jive."

## "...we'll have warlords all over the place. I'll probably be one of them."

"It doesn't cost anything like that. The units are simple; you can make them yourself for pennies. But if you buy them, you're buying union labor. That's what causes the high price."

The trick is to use scrap material and do the work yourself, he said. This kind of self-reliance and ingenuity is the motivation behind his and other survivalist publications.

The information is available, Saxon said, but "the lower class person — the guy on welfare, the guy who belongs to a union, the guy who is a trucker — is so into the establishment that he's not going to use (other kinds of energy). He thinks he doesn't have to, that the union will take care of him, science will take care of him, Carter will take care of him."

### 'Poor man's James Bond'

Saxon lambasted the caretaker role of American society, relating it to the Watts riots in Los Angeles in 1965.

"They went on for four days," he said. "The riots stopped because the postmen refused to go through the battle lines to deliver welfare checks. That's the truth."

Over 50,000 copies of the Saxon publication, "The Poor Man's James Bond," have been sold in the U.S. and abroad. Should you ever have to make a wrist-watch bomb, zip guns, grenades or fireworks, consult the "Poor Man's James Bond." Saxon feels it is a necessary addition to the survivalist's kit.

"I put the 'Poor Man's James Bond' out for the purpose of individual

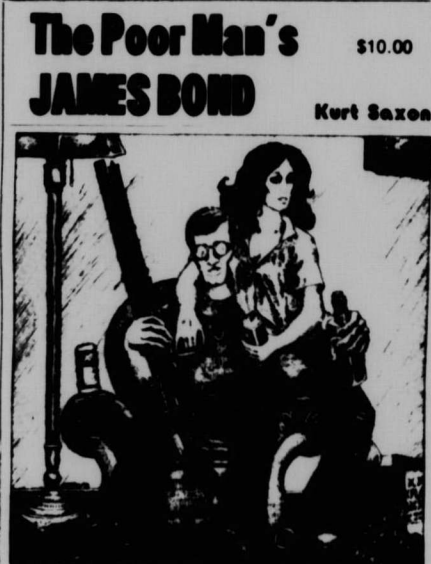
survival," he said. "If a nut gets it and does something bad, then that's society's fault, not mine, because the guy shouldn't have been running loose in the first place."

"When it really hits the fan, the people who have the 'Poor Man's James Bond' will be able to defend their own territory and their own preparations. Why set up a survival situation for yourself only to have someone take it away from you?"

Saxon said he testified before the U.S. Senate in 1972 that the book is not intended to incite persons to undermine the government or law enforcement agencies. On the contrary, he said predominantly establishment folks buy the "Poor Man's James Bond," that he personally is on excellent terms with the police and even lectures to rookie police academies occasionally on such topics as firearms and militants. Policemen will be "ahead of the game" when the collapse happens because of their self-protection training, he said.

Saxon detests the idea of gun control.

"I say the cream will rise to the top. I would arm everybody with automatic weapons and bombs, and let's have it on! Of course, I'd want a few hours advanced notice..."



"These days people are running around being slobs, they're obnoxious, doing nothing, they've got no reason for living. And if you shoot them, the judge gives you a hard time about it. I don't think that's fair. They should suspend all the laws against dueling."

How to protect yourself against crime on the streets these days is another

problem, Saxon said.

"When I was a kid, a guy would approach and stick a gun at you and say, 'Your money or your life.' You gave him your money and that was it. Today you give him your money and he'll still shoot you. It's insane now."

## "They should suspend all the laws against dueling."

Saxon admits he and his readers are possibly neurotic, but was quick to point out the value of the survival information itself. Even if by some stroke of luck doomsday is averted, he said, persons who have these materials will still learn how to save money, conserve energy and enhance their survival capacity. Politics, on the other hand, never gives the individual anything he can apply in a practical way.

With upcoming books like "Glass, Glazes and Enamels Like Grandad Used to Make," Saxon hopes to promote the founding of small businesses. Other future works will include "Soda Fountain Drinks Like Grandad Used to Make" and a book on witchcraft and demonology based on a manuscript printed in 1686. Saxon has been collecting survival books for the past 20 years.

He said he relies on the year-end, bound volumes of "The Survivor" to make money, because there are only 1,000 monthly subscribers. There is no advertising in "The Survivor," and Saxon compiles, writes and edits the copy himself.

"I just want enough subscribers to stimulate me so that I have good letters to print and discover new ideas," he said. "Part of the reason for having 'The Survivor' is that I've got a paper where I can say anything I damn please."

### Not anti-civilization

Saxon stressed he is not "anti-civilization" nor does he advocate running away from the impending collapse.

"Many of my readers and people I've talked with say they'll put on a pack and head for the hills. I'm against that. I'm not against civilization. In fact, I think everyone should have a color T.V., a microwave oven and a cat. But the reason I chose 19th century technology is that it's something the intelligent person can implement."

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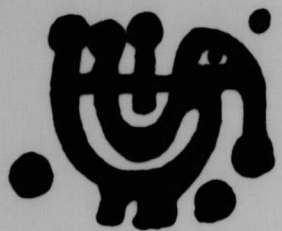
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## Disc Risks

by Karl Becker

Rod Stewart "Foot Loose and Fancy Free" (Warner Bros. Records)

Rod Stewart is back with his usual entourage of depressing material.

Stewart, lacking the raw power and excitement of yesteryear—partially due to the absence of Ron Wood—seems content to cry in his soup. Broken romantic dreams and nonsense dominate this album.

Stewart does have a few good things to offer though. "I Was Only Joking," a Stewart-Grainger effort, is in true Rod Stewart style. It's a slow song that offers a good insight into the youth of the seventies.

Stewart also does an admirable job of reworking two old compositions: "You Just Keep Me Hangin' On" and "If Loving You Is Wrong I Don't Want To Be

Right." This is one of Stewart's great attributes—his ability to do a good job recording songs previously released by other artists.

These two songs are smooth and strong in character. Unfortunately, the rest of the album doesn't deserve much credit. "Hot Legs" is a low-rent rock 'n' roll tune with a touch of disco. The guitar work is sloppy and often boring. Other work on the album is often disjointed, and loses meaning and direction.

Stewart has spread himself too thin. He tries to cover too many areas of music and, consequently, loses most of his identity.

Stewart needs to seriously reevaluate his position in the musical world.

## Bicycle road rules

Question: Are bicyclists subject to the same rules of the road as motorists?

Answer: Yes. For example, bicyclists must stop at all stop signs, ride on the right side of the street and observe all one-way traffic designations. And, just like a motorist, a rider can receive a citation for violation of traffic laws. Nearly all of the privileges and regulations of use of the streets that apply to motorists also apply to cyclists.

What is required in the way of bicycle equipment will be addressed in a later safety tip.

## Short film contest

The Humboldt Super-8 Film Showing is scheduled for early next quarter, and films from the campus and community are now being accepted for the selection process.

Any super-8mm film not exceeding 30 minutes can be entered along with a \$2 per film entry fee. The films and entry fees should be turned into the HSU Theater Arts Office, LA 20, or contact Dave McMoyler at 822-8376. The deadline for submissions of films is Friday, March 3.

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## Too high water tips 2 canoes into Mad River

by Paula Audick

A few weeks ago five HSU students saw more of Mad River than they intended to. The students were canoeing on Mad River when their two canoes capsized in the high water.

The students, who reside at Humboldt Village, were three miles down from Butler Valley when the first canoe tipped over and emptied Dave Anderson, Andy Borovik and Bill LeMenager into the river. When Dave Crabtree and Rob Griffith tried to overtake the tipped canoe to help, their canoe was swamped.

Three of the students reached the side of the river, but Griffith was carried through one set of rapids and Crabtree went through three sets of rapids. No one was hurt because they were all wearing life jackets, Crabtree said.

Both canoes, rented from Arcata Transit Authority, were lost.

"One canoe was sunk by the shore. The other one was plastered on the rocks downstream," Crabtree said.

"Beyond repair"

Crabtree said the canoe on the rocks was beyond repair.

"When we went back a week later to

get the one that sank, it had disappeared," Crabtree said.

The day had been rainy. Crabtree said there was too much water in the river for safe canoeing.

"It was foolish to go down with water so high," he said. "Everything happened too fast."

The students had planned to carry the boats around the rapids.

All safe

The accident happened around 10 a.m. Everyone was discovered safe at 11 a.m.

"We made it out about dark. It took six hours to get back to where we started, because the area is all wild woods," Crabtree said.

The students talked to Arcata Transit Authority about the lost canoes. The company rents the canoes from another company, Trailridge.

"We'll replace the canoes through the guy who we rented them from," Crabtree said.

Crabtree said they would go canoeing again but not for a while.

"I doubt Arcata Transit will rent to us again," Crabtree said.

## New course to offer credit for life's travels

by Paula Audick

There is more to learning than reading books and attending lectures. Many people acquire learning experience doing volunteer work, from their jobs and from traveling.

A course now available at HSU called Assessment to Prior Learning teaches how to relate individual experiences with classroom subjects.

"People have learned a lot. They know specific things, but they can not generalize them," said Simon Green, assistant professor of history at HSU and director of the program.

The program is offered by the School of Behavioral and Social Sciences. It is in two sections, BSS 50 and 51. Outside experience is applied in the fields of behavioral and social sciences. If the program continues to attract people, it may expand into other areas, Green said.

Building a portfolio

BSS 50, a two unit class, emphasizes techniques on building a portfolio. The student discovers what kinds of documents he needs and the qualifications necessary to back them.

BSS 51 ranges from one to ten units of

credit. Under individual supervision, the student makes his portfolio. This includes an autobiography of what he has done and qualifications to support these documents, Green said. The portfolios are assessed by faculty members who determine the number of units a student should receive.

Green said there is a problem with transcription. It is hard to determine the number of credits the student will have until his portfolio is done.

He added that the credits the committee allowed would be used for general education.

Back to school

Ten people are in the class this quarter. The majority of the students are older people from the community who are coming back to school. BSS 50 helps to ease them into the university environment, Green said.

All but one of the students in BSS 50 this quarter are planning to enroll in BSS 51 to make a portfolio.

If the Chancellor's Office decides to fund the program next year, it will be continued, Green said.

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Applications are also available for the Rotary Club Scholarship for graduate students. Applications are available

in the graduate office and are due March 31.

### Interview

"Interview," a one act play by Jean Claude Van Itallie, will be presented in the Studio Theatre, Language Arts 115. Friday and Saturday nights. There will be two shows nightly with the first show starting at 8:30 and the second at 9:30. Tickets are available at the Box Office for 50 cents.

### Chorale Concert

The HSU Chorale and Madrigal Singers will perform "Two Saints of Celia" and several Renaissance selections tonight at 8:15 in the HSU Recital Hall. Free.

### Readers Theatre

The Readers Theatre Workshop will present a program based on the works of Ray Bradbury Friday and Saturday nights. Admission is free. For location and other information call 826-3559.

### Timber Supplies

Humboldt Tomorrow will present a panel discussion by the California Department of Forestry and Captains of the Industry, on the "adequacy of reforestation policies and practices." The discussion will be held today from 12 to 2 in the Multipurpose Room.

### Gallery Exhibit

A sculpture exhibit by David Anderson and a graphics exhibit by M. Itanie are now on view in the Reese Bullen Gallery. The exhibit started yesterday and will continue through March 3.

### HSU Poll

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## Untapped talent jams on KHSU 'Homegrown'

Every other Wednesday night, KHSU radio presents a live musical broadcast featuring local musicians. Producers of the show, called "Homegrown," have discovered there is a vast source of untapped talent in Humboldt County, and plans are underway to expand Homegrown to a weekly presentation.

The show features all types of music. In its last broadcast, for example, Homegrown presented a group called "Rhythm on the Range," folk guitarist Cliff Smith, and Marc Hanchett, who played an instrument he invented called a "whale harp."

### This area

"The purpose of the show is to present the musical talent that is from this area," said the program's creator, Bob Cheney. "Many students are unaware of the growing music scene in Humboldt County. If you're 18 or don't drink, you can't hear a lot of the bands that play in this area, or if you're a performer and don't play the clubs, no one gets to hear you."

"There is a hell of a lot of musical talent in this area," said Homegrown's host, Mary Aceves, "and the problem with being a talented musician is not being heard. Homegrown lets these performers get on the radio and be heard by a great number of persons."

### Problems

According to Cheney, producing a quality-sounding, live show can present problems.

"Our equipment is quite bad," he said. "But thanks to the enthusiasm of the musicians and engineers, the show sounds clear and crisp. It's not muddy at all."

"People are really working on it and that's what makes the energy. The musicians are really trying to crank out and the technicians are trying to make it sound as good as possible with the limited equipment we have," he said.

Homegrown began last quarter and has been a tremendous success for the tiny, 10-watt campus radio station. During the program's first broadcast, the station received over 30 supportive phone calls from listeners, which station personnel say is unheard of for KHSU.

Due to this success, the station plans to expand the show to three hours weekly. More local musicians will be needed to fill this extra time, so all whale harpists, punk rock-'n-roll artists, classical musicians and persons with other musical talents are invited to contact KHSU for more information.

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# Cressy Calls It

by John Cressy

After hearing Randy Newman's song "Short People" on KFMI for the umpteenth time in the last couple of days, I have decided the time is right to salute HSU's "Short People" in sports. Those who are short in stature, but not in talent. They're the Davids among the Goliaths, the Mutts among the Jeffs.

With bushy blond hair, Steve Alexander looks like an oversized Dennis the Menace. But at 5 feet 9 inches he is an undersized basketball player. That does not stop him from being a menace to opposing teams though, as he is the 'Jacks' leading scorer and ball handler and is a good bet to repeat as All-FWC.

At 118 pounds, half-liter-sized, George White looks like he should be mounted on a thoroughbred at Santa Anita. But he has a nasty habit of mounting himself on opposing wrestlers and has a 30-4 record after winning the FWC Finals last weekend.

Greg Sarvinski is shaped like the Pillsbury Doughboy, but at 5 feet 8 inches and 210 pounds, he is harder than an overbaked biscuit. As a starting defensive tackle on the HSU football team, he muscled against offensive linemen weighing up to 50 pounds more than him. Greg was also a Little Junior College All-American when he was at College of the Redwoods.

At 5 feet 2 inches Donna Renaud is not going to jump up to the over seven-foot high volleyball net and spike it down anyone's throat. But she knew her job. She set up her friends and left the slamming to them.

At 5 feet 10 inches, Chuck Huntington is not short for a soccer player, but with his frail-looking physique, he seems to have no business being out there with the huskier sorts. And add to that an angelic face which makes Donnie Osmond look middle-aged. But Chuck has the quickest feet this side of Whiskeytown and was a four-time All-FWC pick.

There are others, but the statute of limitations for this column says no more. But ask any coach. I will bet they would all like to see more short people like these 'round here.

## Leftovers

Here is your ancient history tidbit for the day. Fourth District supervisorial candidate DANNY WALSH was a halfback on the 1968 Humboldt State football team which won the FWC and went on to beat Fresno State in the Camelia Bowl . . . Anyone who says there is no such thing as a home court advantage in basketball does not know what he or she is talking about. Do not just look at the Portland Trailblazers, look at our own 'Jacks. They had won all 11 games this year in the cozy East Gym before Stanislaus State rudely snapped the string last week . . . After watching the HSU women cagers burn the nets last weekend, I will never say "He shoots like a girl" again - I promise . . . While I am on the subject, it has been suggested, in the name of Billie Jean King, to "demasculinize" some sports terms. I have changed with the times and use such words as salesperson and councilperson, but person-to-person defense? Never.

## Mens basketball

Two heart-breaking losses over the weekend shattered the men's basketball team's dreams of a FWC championship, but the 'Jacks are still hopeful of a Div. III playoff berth.

Coach Jim Cosentino's cagers, 5-5 in the FWC and 16-8 overall, lost to Hayward State 83-79 in double overtime and San Francisco State 46-45 as Jeff Sutton's last second shot rolled out.

The team can also be the spoiler for UC Davis' shot at the conference championship Saturday when it plays the Aggies at 8 p.m. in the East Gym.

The HSU basketball team today has been invited to participate in the NCAA III Playoffs. Also, HSU has been chosen as the site of the Division III Western Regionals scheduled for March 3-4. The other participating teams had not been announced at press time.

## Women's basketball

The women's basketball team also tumbled twice, losing to San Francisco State 78-56 Friday before being edged by Sacramento State 73-71 Saturday.

Suzanne Washington scored 17 points, while J.J. Suttie and Sue Teasley each added 16 to lead the 'Jacks against Sacramento. Coach Diann Laing's team, 4-6 in the GSC, returns to the East Gym to play Chico State at 4 p.m. on Saturday and Stanislaus State at 6 p.m. on Tuesday.

## Spring's here

Well, spring is upon us as both the men's track and baseball teams begin their seasons this weekend. Coach Jim Hunt's thinclads open against FWC-rival UC Davis Saturday at 11 a.m. at the College of the Redwoods. The chewed up HSU track has to be dry before its new all-weather covering can be put on.

Coach Hal Myers' baseball team opens with the weekend FWC Tournament in Turlock. Watch for previews on both teams in upcoming Lumberjacks.

# Lumberjack Sports

## HSU wrestlers overcome adversity, Chico for title

Overcoming adversity, the HSU wrestling team proved to Chico State and everyone else that it was the best by winning Saturday's FWC Finals in Davis.

"You're only as good as your horses," Coach Frank Cheek said. "It was a team effort all the way."

And Cheek's horses pulled through, winning five individual championships to overcome Chico, the conference winner, by a 80-76 3/4 score.

George White (118), Jim Luster (142), Tom Pender (167), Wayne Nickerson (177) and Eric Woolsey (190) were the winners. White's, Luster's and Pender's

victories came over Wildcat opponents.

The 'Jacks' chances looked bleak when Rich Hubble (134), defending champion, was disqualified for scaling in overweight and when a neck injury forced Chris Platis (158) out of the competition.

Platis was replaced by freshman Dave Wilhite, who, according to Cheek, "ran all night" to shed 17 pounds and compete in the 158-lb class. Wilhite's third place finish was a key to the team's win.

Eight 'Jack wrestlers qualified for the Div. III Championships in Wheaton, Ill.

Cheek was voted the FWC "Coach of the Year" for the second year in a row.

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# HSU cliché: Dynamic Duo shoot up a storm

by Ray Richmond

This may come as a shock to you. If you scare easily, don't read on.

OK, you asked for it . . . now get this: Humboldt State has two living, breathing clichés walking around loose on campus and playing for the men's basketball team.



Harris Fogel

Steve Alexander

That's right! Even as we speak they lurk amid our cozy dispositions.

The clichés are named Steve Alexander and Travis Bailey, and their relationship to one another brings to mind the worn out phrases "opposites attract" and "the team that plays together, stays together."

While their last names start with A and B, their differences go from A to Z.

Alexander is white, Bailey black. Alexander is outspoken and outgoing, while Bailey is soft-spoken and introverted. Alexander was born and raised out west (Portland), and Bailey was brought up in the midwest (Milwaukee).

## Almost inseparable

Bailey is a hustling, rebounding forward, while Alexander plays a loose, free-spirited and high scoring game from his guard position. Yet they found each other in 1974 at Spokane Community College in Washington and have been almost inseparable ever since.

And one place the two aren't opposite is when they're working together on the court for the Lumberjacks. Alexander is averaging 16 points a game and Bailey 10 while hauling in the rebounds.

The pair has been as responsible as anyone for HSU's best cage season in more than two decades. With a 16-8 overall record and a 5-5 Far Western Conference mark, the 'Jacks are in position for a possible NCAA playoff berth.

"Our goal since the beginning is to go 16-10 and get a shot at going to the NCAA Division III playoffs," Alexander said. "That shouldn't be too tough now. I just hope our record will be good enough."

Bailey, a 6'3", 192 pound junior, and Alexander, a 5'9", 145 pound senior used different routes before ending up at Humboldt, but both agree it's been the right decision."



Harris Fogel

Travis Bailey

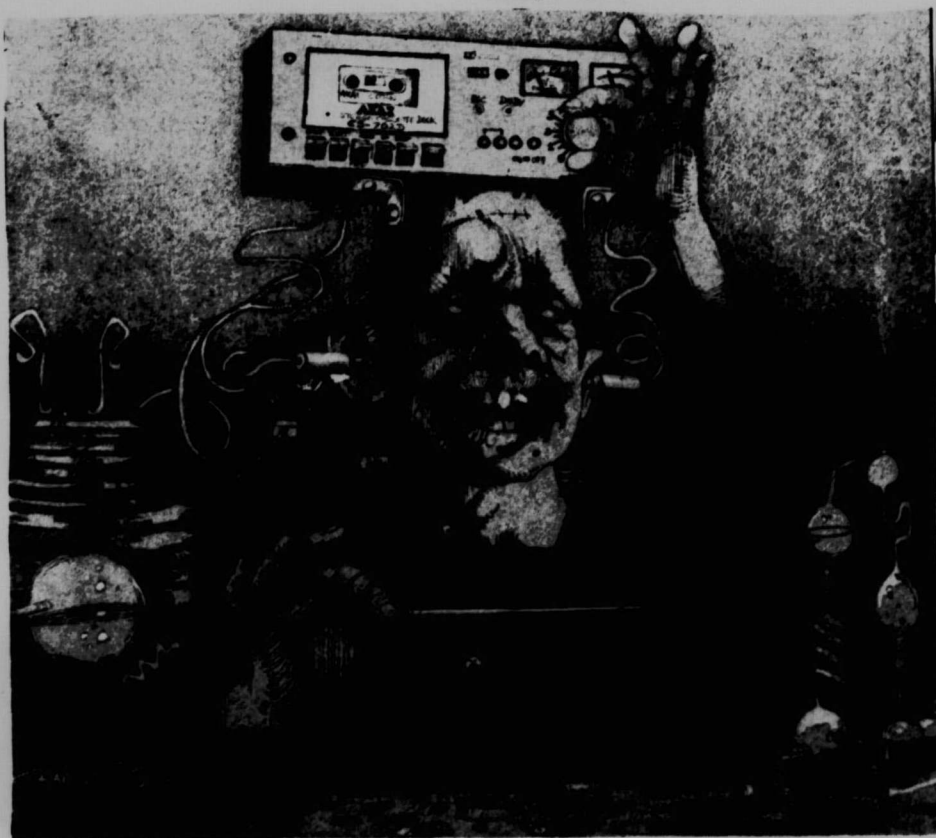
"I had my doubts before coming down to HSU," Bailey said. "It seemed real small and I just didn't know, but Steve was here and (coach Jim) Cosentino recruited me. That made me feel at home."

Bailey attended North Division High in Milwaukee, playing varsity basketball as a junior and senior. He was graduated in 1974 and moved over to Spokane, where the coach had tutored his uncle some years before.

As a freshman at Spokane, Bailey started the season's last five games before tearing up his knee during the off-season. He was forced to redshirt a year and upon returning from the layoff he sparked the school by averaging 18 points, 10.4 rebounds, and was voted the team MVP as a sophomore.

Alexander played three seasons of

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varsity ball at Portland's Grant High. After seeing limited action as a sophomore he stepped in to average 16 points a game as a junior and 18 as a senior.

#### All-City

"I was voted to the All-City team as a senior and also made the All-State second team in Oregon," Alexander said. "We played for the city title in 1972 also and lost by only two points."

Cosentino recruited Alexander to go to Gonzaga University when the HSU coach was an assistant there, but instead the sharpshooting guard opted for Spokane.

Teaming with Bailey in 1974, Alexander averaged 16 points and earned All-League honors as a freshman on Spokane's team that went 22-7 and took second in Washington among junior colleges.

"Me and Steve didn't get close until we were both sophomores," Bailey said. "We went over to each other's houses and went places together. That was when I had to sit the year out with the injury."

It was more of the same for Alexander in 1975 as he was again an All-League team member while averaging 18.5 points and the school was again second in the state.

Alexander decided on HSU after Cosentino came here in 1976. Last year Cosentino turned around a Humboldt basketball program that resembled an elementary school's into a 11-15 squad. That was more wins than the 'Jacks had been able to muster in the previous three years combined.

"Steve is probably the most exciting player ever at Humboldt," Cosentino said. "It's been a real pleasure to have him here with me. And Travis has made great strides in his basketball game in the last two months. He's started our last six games and has been a major factor in our wins during that stretch."

Last season, Alexander averaged 19 points and was voted to the All-Far Western Conference squad. But this year has been more enjoyable for him, he admits.

"It's good to be back together with Travis," Alexander said. "We do a lot of stuff together . . . bowl, throw parties, hold barbecues, fish, play golf, play tennis, gamble . . ."

"Yeah, we go to Reno quite a bit," Bailey said. "It's a lot of fun and it helps to get away once in a while."

Alexander may have to make his Reno



John Cressy

**GOINGS ON IN THE RAFTERS?**—No, all six starters for the HSU volleyball club turn their heads for a referee's ruling during Saturday night's loss to Chico State 17-15, 11-15, 16-14, 15-5. Members are from left: Bill Christiansen, Scott Tolz-

mann, Carl Bruce, Danny Collen, Barr Smith and Kevin Bergquist. The club, 2-1 in the NCVBL, plays UC Berkeley Saturday night at 8 in the West Gym.

trips a little less frequent in the future, however. He's getting married Sept. 9 to Chris Loft, his old girlfriend in Spokane.

"Hey, that phone bill gets pretty high," Alexander said. "But it helps to talk to her. I just don't want her to think I'm picking up on the women. That's Travis' game."

"That's right," Bailey said. "I'm a willing, eligible bachelor. My address is . . ."

"I'd like to get into some social work with kids," Bailey said. "Right now, just being around the whole team and being a Christian athlete are really exciting for me."

"My ultimate ambition is in teaching and coaching basketball, but what I'd really enjoy is to go on and play pro ball," Alexander said.

"My chances are pretty slim, though, I'll admit."

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**"Perseverance" their key**

# GOATS' cause finds support

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tely, the group will not come out of this project smelling like a rose, but more like gasoline—chain saw gasoline to be exact.

Failure to meet the deadline would have constituted a breach of contract, which meant GOATS would have been required to make up the difference of the next lowest bid. Since the Northcoast Environmental Center co-signed the contract, the NEC would have been responsible for paying the \$1,500 to the forest service.

Because of the heavy rains and because forest service personnel unintentionally had the GOATS crew doing twice the necessary work, the crew lost more than a month into the contract, which had an original deadline of Jan. 12, Shpilman said.

## Chainsaws needed

To avoid breaching the contract, GOATS decided to go chain saw. Although granted an extension until March 1, GOATS will still need the chain saws to complete the project.

"We had to do it, there was no other way," said member Jim Adams. "None of us wanted to use chain saws."

The chain saw issue split GOATS right down the middle, leaving two members—Shpilman and Dave James, most dissatisfied with the situation.

Shpilman and James say they refuse to work at the project while chain saws are buzzing. To them, chain saws represent a "loss of touch and consciousness" in one's relationship with nature.

## Anti-saw commitment

"I made a commitment to myself to never touch a chain saw," Shpilman said. "And also we had made a commitment when we started this damn contract that we weren't going to use saws."

"If when we started the contract, we hadn't waited three weeks before we got out there and started working, if we'd had a little extra input from the guys that were in the group, if we hadn't gotten fucked up by the forest service and specs, we wouldn't have had to have that chain saw," he said.

James said chain saws are in conflict with the alternative work ethic the group was trying to develop. With chain saws, close cooperation and interpersonal communication are lost to the noisy, speed-oriented machines.

## Back to old standards

"The group had to resort to the old standard working force, where you have a deadline and the whole bullshit. We were trying to turn all of that around because none of us believe in that system," James said.

Other GOATS members do not feel as strongly as Shpilman and James. Although chain saws are looked down upon, they are accepted as a necessity.

"There was some bad feeling there," Adams said, "but if we just used brush-hooks the way we were going we'd clear four acres in two-and-a-half months."

For the future, chain saws are still on the group's agenda, although GOATS hopes to integrate hand tools more on future projects, or use chain saws only on the toughest sites, Adams said.

Shpilman has organized a "brush-hook only" crew to work at one site in the project. He and James both agreed that chain saws were better than herbicides and it is important the project be completed.

So now the GOATS crew is organized into a chain saw crew, which clears the main brush, and a "swamper" crew with hand tools to finish up, Adams said.



Eric Shpilman sharpening a brush-hook at the project site.

Rob Mandell

# GOATS is active in political arena

by Rob Mandell

It was the classic progression: A step-by-step recipe for citizen action.

Andy Colonna of the Group for Organic Alternatives to Toxic Sprays (GOATS) was not surprised when State Sen. Peter H. Behr invited him to Sacramento to give a slide show about that group.

"We made the charts because we've done our homework and we've been working our butts off to develop some alternatives," he said recently.

Last December, Colonna was invited several times by state officials to show a slide show on GOATS's manual release project, an alternative to spraying phenoxy herbicides 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T for brush clearing purposes.

GOATS has been campaigning against the use of the herbicides in the national forest since February, 1977. Starting from scratch, the group is now gaining statewide recognition and is, along with other groups, helping to put the herbicide controversy on the nation's agenda.

## Effects not clear

GOATS opposes the use of the herbicides because the effects on the environment and human health are not clear. Some scientists say the herbicides have potential effects to those of DDT, while others say the effects are minimal.

In any case, GOATS does not like the idea of the national forests being a testing ground for the chemicals, Colonna said. He said the potential for "drift" to non-target areas is great and there are other, less "energy-intensive" ways of clearing brush.

Colonna has personal reasons for opposing the herbicides.

"I moved to California from Manhattan and a lot of other gas chambers on the east coast," he said. "I came here and I

realized the forest service was creating for me a rural gas chamber."

So Colonna joined GOATS to try to make some change, though none of the members really knew where to begin.

"We decided that the best course of action would be to apply what we learned in high school civics and introduce a resolution to a city council calling for a moratorium on spraying," he said.

The Arca'ta City Council adopted the GOATS resolutions last April. Immediately afterwards, GOATS took the same resolution to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors, which took no action, Colonna said.

The board's reaction to the resolution did not discourage GOATS members, but gave them "a sense of their ability to organize," Colonna said.

GOATS' next step was a call to the Northcoast Regional Water Quality Control Board which informed the group they were not alone in opposing herbicides.

The WQCB told the group they were receiving complaints and calls from people all over Northern California, Colonna recalled. The WQCB decided to hold public hearings on the herbicides last June as a result of the public concern.

"That brought out of the woodwork people from different county food and agriculture departments, forest service and BLM (Bureau of Land Management) people, spray contractors, big farmers and timber owners."

That hearing spurred the formation of a phenoxy herbicide investigation team within the State Department of Food and Agriculture, Colonna said.

Things really began to move for GOATS when, in cooperation with the

# Room swaying on a tightrope

by Ziba Rashidian

The Green and Gold Room has been conditionally retained as a 24-hour student study area by the University Resources, Planning and Budget Committee.

The room was being considered for a minor capital outlay project to convert it to an instructional space. A large block of space like the Green and Gold room has been requested by the Art Department for a painting and drawing lab, by Industrial Arts for a plastics lab and was being considered as a possible site for the weaving class.

The URPB decision followed an Academic Resources Allocation Committee recommended allocation of \$15,000 to the Standing Committee on Space for a minor capital outlay project to convert the Green and Gold Room for Art.

The Space Committee decided against the conversion of the Green and Gold Room and recommended to URPB that "the Green and Gold Room be designated as a student study area."

URPB, acting on this recommendation, resolved that the Green and Gold Room remain a study area until July 1, 1979, unless there were "some compelling need by some discipline," said Ron Young, dean of Creative Arts and Humanities.

The committee tabled a motion to designate the Green and Gold Room as a study area. Young made the motion to table and said the designation of the room as a study area should be considered by the committee "at the meeting closest to April 15." He said by this date the committee would be well into minor capital outlay for 1978-79.

The motion to table was passed with student representatives Pam Kambur and Kenn Sandell and Edward Webb, dean of student services, dissenting.

forest service, they hand cleared brush around 10 acres of young conifers to see if manual release could be a viable alternative to herbicides.

## Manual confrontation

"We decided it was not sufficient to the task of stopping phenoxy herbicides if we weren't willing to confront the problem in the field and discover a way to replace that spraying technique with a manual technique."

The pilot project showed that manual release was reasonably viable. So last fall the forest service opened for bids a real release project. GOATS took it.

The GOATS project caught the attention of the phenoxy herbicide investigation team and one member invited Colonna to show the slide show of the project in Sacramento last December.

After that, Colonna showed the slide show to the State Resources Agency.

"They were enthusiastic enough to invite me back for the integrated pest management conference being sponsored by the state," Colonna said.

Colonna was soon contacted by the offices of Assemblyman Barry Keene and State Sen. Behr, who were both seeking information on alternatives to phenoxy herbicides.

## Legislation introduced

Behr recently introduced legislation to ban aerial application of phenoxy herbicides in the state.

Colonna feels the success of the GOATS campaign to date was not the work of miracles but of perseverance. Describing California as "wired to itself," he said this state seems more conducive and ready to change than any other place where he has lived.