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**Kelly Bohn, a Special Olympics winner.**  
See center spread for story and photos.

## HSU plans for '9' effects; budget cuts suggested

By STEVE HAMLIN  
staff writer

The scanning electron microscope, all-weather playing field and money for KHSU's power increase were funded by the Special Programs reserve fund this year. If Proposition 9 passes and the recommended university budgets are approved, this reserve will be cut by 50 percent.

HSU's plans for next year include recommendations for three budgets: a 5 percent-reduced budget, a 10 percent-reduced budget and a non-reduced budget.

The three recommendations were made in preparation for the possible passage of Prop. 9 and the fund cutbacks it could cause. If Prop. 9 does not pass, the university would operate on the non-reduced budget. If it does pass, the university would operate on one of the reduced budgets, depending on the severity of the cutbacks caused by the proposition.

Neither reduced budget would be achieved by an across-the-board cut. Budgets are recommended by the standing committee on budget.

To achieve an overall reduction of 5 or 10 percent, a return to spending levels of 1979-80 has been recommended by the committee. The committee has requested the deans of the schools to examine the effects of such a reduction.

Beyond this overall cut, further reductions were recommended for four areas: the university reserve, reserve for new programs, specialized training fund and special repairs fund.

The university reserve is an emergency fund allocated by HSU President Alistair McCrone. It is used for unexpected expenses.

This year the university reserve covered the cost of moving a grand piano from the San Francisco area. The piano was a gift to HSU, but moving costs were paid by the school, McCrone said. The funds were also used for literature to recruit new students.

The specialized training fund pays for staff and faculty to attend workshops and training seminars to improve their effectiveness and ability in their jobs. Edward Del Biaggio, chairman of the standing committee on budget, said. He said the training must have a broad impact on HSU to qualify.

The university reserve and specialized training funds face cuts of 40 and 45 percent, respectively, under the recommended budget. The special repairs fund is new, and will be reduced by 5 or 10 percent if Prop. 9 passes and the recommended budgets are approved.

"I believe that if Proposition 9 passes, you will have tuition next year," Bruce Haston, political science professor, said. "The question is how much."

Haston, who holds a doctorate in political science, has conducted an analysis of the proposition. He said there are two ways to make up the loss of revenue that could be caused by Proposition 9: substantially cut program funding or charge tuition.

Bob White, local president of United Professors of California, said it is difficult to make estimates on the amount of tuition. He said any tuition would affect the entire California State University and Colleges system.

Proposition 13 cut property tax, but Proposition 9 would cut state income tax. While the former resulted in an overall state budget tightening, it was not directed at the tax which supports the state general

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## Workshop explores draft alternatives

By DAVE FISHER  
staff writer

Registration of men born in 1960 and 1961 for the military draft took a step closer to reality last week as a bill to finance registration was approved by the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Senator Mark O. Hatfield, R-Ore., has vowed to stall approval of the bill on the Senate floor through a filibuster. However, it is only a matter of time before registration is instituted according to Charles Rohrbacher, spokesman for the Central Committee for Conscientious Objection.

"Registration is going through like a bulldozer," he said in a workshop for draft counselors held last Saturday at the Bayside Unitarian church.

Rohrbacher said registration of the four million 19- and 20-year-olds will probably begin sometime in July with 18-year-olds registering in December.

If the bill does pass, in 1981 men will be required to register on or near their 18th birthday.

According to a story in The Christian Science Monitor, sources in the Pentagon and the Selective Service System believe summer registration will reduce large anti-draft demonstrations on college campuses.

With the prospect of registration around the corner, Rohrbacher believes that resumption of the draft is imminent.

"Believing that there is going to be no draft after

registration is started is like believing in the tooth fairy," he said.

The draft counseling workshop, which was attended by about 30 persons, was for those interested in how to help someone faced with registration and the draft.

At HSU, draft counseling is available through the YES house.

Tom Deffenderfer, one of the draft counselors on campus, said that the counselors are trying to keep informed on recent developments.

"Anybody who wants information or has any, I encourage them to contact us through the YES house," he said. "What we're trying to show people is that there are alternatives."

Deffenderfer said counseling will be available through the summer. Draft counseling will also be available through other organizations, such as the Open Door Clinic in Arcata.

A large part of the discussion Saturday was devoted to resistance to registration. Failure to register will be a federal felony punishable by five years in prison or a \$10,000 fine or both.

"Non-registration has always been the hardest area to defend legally. If a person is going to resist, he is going to need a lawyer," Rohrbacher said.

He said there are two defenses for non-registration: intent and constructive registration.

Intent, according to Rohrbacher, is not knowing or forgetting about registration.

Constructive registration is done by the Selective Service, he said. If it has the information necessary to register a person, such as a return address on a letter, then it should be able to do it. If it doesn't register them, then it can be argued that the Selective Service has been remiss. However, Rohrbacher said this defense is pretty shaky.

"The draft presents 18, 19 and 20-year-olds with really lousy choices," he said.

According to Rohrbacher, a draft counselor using "non-directive counseling" can help a person faced with a draft problem decide what his situation is, what he can do about it, and finally, how he can do it.

The important thing, Rohrbacher and others at the workshop believe, is that young men know what their options are and the consequences involved.

The people participating in the workshop ranged from college students to parents to Vietnam veterans.

"The way in which resisters are going to be treated this time around is going to be much different, much harsher, than during Vietnam," Rohrbacher said.

Another subject discussed at the workshop was conscientious objection.

An amendment has been added to the registration bill which will require a line on the registration card where a person can designate that he is a conscientious objector.

Registration cards, however, have already been printed at a cost of \$230,000. If the amendment is (Continued on back page)



# Congressional challengers talk about issues

By STEVE HAMLIN  
staff writer

Three candidates for June's Congressional Democratic primary appeared together at HSU for the first time last week.

Norma Bork, Brian Kahn and Peter Windrem, vying to unseat Republican Don Clausen, discussed their views and backgrounds during the event sponsored by the Associated Students and the HSU Political Affairs Club.

The three candidates told of their per-

sonal backgrounds and political experience. They were, for the most part, in agreement concerning current issues.

Questions were answered after the speeches, including one dealing with military spending, specifically the MX missile system.

Bork said the military makes about 6,000 films a year, which she considers an example of wasteful spending. She said she does not support increases in military spending and does not favor the draft.

Kahn said he learned of highly

specialized and sophisticated, but often impractical, weapons systems while writing a book with his father.

He is concerned about Pentagon procurement policies and relationships between corporate entities and Pentagon officials. He said Pentagon workers might be deployed and rotated into a job for a weapons-producing industry.

Kahn said he opposes draft registration unless a real need for it arises, in which case he believes both sexes, and people up to his age, 33, should be called upon.

Windrem spoke more directly on the

question of military spending and the MX missile system. He said the MX system is strategically unsound and that although estimates for the system are about \$35 million, actual costs come closer to \$70 million.

Windrem said the need for capable response without nuclear force is high. He supports universal service, and said all people should serve the country but should have a choice of service. Choices he proposed included Peace Corps, VISTA, the military and entry into a draft lottery.

## Arcata to vote on parks, housing, herbicide

By TERRY SEEGER  
staff writer

On Tuesday, June 3, Arcatans will vote on 11 statewide and three local propositions.

The following is a brief description of each. More information can be found in sample ballots sent to registered voters.

Numbered propositions are statewide; those with letter names are local.

**Proposition 1:** Titled the "Parklands and Renewable Resources Investment Program," Proposition 1 would appropriate \$495 million in bonds for the acquisition, development and restoration of state and local parklands, coastal lands and historic places.

**Proposition 2:** Under the proposed "Veterans Bond Act of 1980," California would sell \$750 million in state bonds to the

Cal-Vet loan program for purchase of houses, farms and mobile homes for resale to California veterans at low interest rates.

**Proposition 3:** This "State Capitol Maintenance" proposition would limit any further alteration to the state capitol building unless funds are specifically authorized for such alterations.

**Proposition 4:** The "Low-Rent Housing" proposition would require that public notice by the government, rather than an election in the affected city or town as is now the law, be given before low-rent housing is built in the area. Proposition 4 has nothing to do with rent control.

**Proposition 5:** This "Freedom of Press" proposition is designed to maintain free press and free speech laws and establish a "shield law" to prohibit contempt-of-court citations for journalists who refuse to name their sources of information.

**Proposition 6:** The "Reapportionment" proposition would repeal some reapportionment rules declared invalid by the California Supreme Court. It would also provide new standards for the reapportionment of voting districts, using the 1980 census.

**Proposition 7:** Titled "Disaster Assistance," Proposition 7 proposes state aid to owners of private property who need it after a natural disaster or state of emergency declared by the president.

**Proposition 8:** The "Alternative Energy Sources Facilities Financing" proposition would authorize the state legislature to provide revenue bonds to persons,

associations or corporations for the rent or purchase of alternate energy supplies.

**Proposition 9:** The much debated "Taxation and Income Initiative" would cut income and business inventory taxes substantially, reducing state income and expenditures considerably.

**Proposition 10:** The "Rent Initiative" would require that rent controls be established through local elections. Proposition 10 prohibits any state-enacted rent control, and provides for annual rent increases.

**Proposition 11:** The "Surtax Initiative Statute" would tax energy companies on 10 percent of their California businesses. It would allow the companies a credit of 50 cents for every dollar invested in California crude oil or gas supplies. Approximately one-half of the revenue gained as a result of Proposition 11 would be distributed to local governments for use in public transportation.

**Proposition A** would prohibit any aerial application of phenoxy herbicides while studying the effects of the aerial application of these herbicides.

**Proposition B** would exempt County Service Area No. 3 from the provisions of the 1979 "Howell Initiative" as it affects sewer rates and assessments. The original ordinance, passed last November, rolled back county fees to 1975-76 levels.

**Proposition C** would limit the application of the Howell initiative to specific areas specified on the ballot. These include areas in the Public Works, Building, Planning and Health Departments.

## Education 'prime candidate' for fund cuts if Prop. 9 passes

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fund, Haston said. He said an income tax cut will result in a direct cut to the \$20.4 billion general fund.

Fifty-one percent of the general fund goes to education, Haston said. Other programs paid for by the general fund — health, welfare and social services — receive matching federal funds. Haston said these two factors make education "a prime candidate for the biggest cut."

White, associate professor of political science, said after Proposition 13 passed, jobs were lost at HSU.

John Woolley, president of the Redwood Community Council, was assistant director of the campus Center for Community Development when the proposition passed. He said all temporary workers had to submit a statement that was used to determine which campus employee groups would be exempt from a hiring freeze.

Woolley said he was asked to explain why leaving his position vacant would pose a threat to health, safety or welfare. He said he was asked to show how retaining his position would keep an essential service from being directly reduced. He also had to explain how a vacancy left by his position would cause critical productions to stop.

White said there are two ways to eliminate faculty positions: firing and attrition. Attrition is leaving a position empty which was made vacant by retirement or resignation.

"I'd like to do as much as possible to keep as many faculty positions on campus as I can," Del Biaggio said.

White said he has been contacted by several instructors concerned about their jobs. The "last hired, first fired" policy applies, he said. Even tenured professors are not necessarily safe.

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# Penalties sought for election code offenses

By MIKE RAVEN  
staff writer

"If a candidate violates the publicity code," Associated Students Vice President Susan Weyl said, "he can still be elected."

Although Weyl and AS Election Commissioner Paul Tiger both believe standard penalties are needed to "clean up" the campaigning, neither was willing to specify candidates who violated the code during this month's AS elections campaign. They said code enforcement should be made easier and less arbitrary.

Weyl stressed that campaigns are full of emotion because of total commitment on the part of each candidate.

"They are really putting themselves on the line," she said.

One area of violation this month was putting up posters and handbills in inappropriate places.

"There was a problem in the dorms," Tiger said. A similar problem existed in the PE locker rooms, he said.

Weyl and Tiger plan to meet with the Elections Commission to amend the existing code to include specific penalties for violations. Nothing definite will be decided for about a week, Weyl said. Penalties may range from small fines to disqualification from the election, pending Student Legislative Council approval.

The Elections Commission had too many functions to cope with, Weyl said. "We had to deal with the publicity, with policing and planning." Tiger also complained that the commission was shorthanded.

"Most of the bad feelings involve violations of the code," Weyl said. "People want to maximize their campaigns. It can put the commission in an awkward place. We have to make some kind of a ruling."

Weyl said under current circumstances, a candidate gains nothing by abiding by the code.

"There are more campaigners than commission members," she said, "so we have traditionally left it to them (to report violations and do some of their own

policing)." That approach did not work particularly well this year, and Weyl and Tiger see set penalties as at least a partial solution.

Weyl said she hopes students will not focus on the worst part of the elections: the behavior of the candidates while campaigning. The AS Elections Commission, she said, would appreciate feedback on how students think the elections were run. The commission made efforts to encourage students to vote and to make voting easy.

It would like to hear reactions on its effectiveness, she said.

## Prop. 9's 'passage' draws mixed reactions

In Humboldt County, Proposition 9's potential passage brings warnings from some government officials, a detached attitude from fishing and timber interests and mixed reactions from private citizens.

Services provided by local government will suffer by some accounts, but at least one supporter of the bill forecasts economic benefits for the area.

"I think the important thing to remember is the money you'll save in taxes will be spent in the county (instead of by the state)," Eileen Cargill, Arcata realtor said.

County supervisors haven't taken an official position on the proposition, but individually they're opposed, according to Sara Parsons, 3rd District supervisor.

Parsons said after Proposition 13, the property tax-cutting initiative passed last June. "We've been so hit, this would be a blow to services we'd be able to provide — vital ones — police, road, school, sewers, health department, firemen."

None of the large timber and fishing interests contacted intend to take a stand on Proposition 9, nor have they attempted to measure the impact on business. Representatives from Simpson Timber

Co., Arcata Redwood Co. and Lazio's were contacted.

Bud Thomas, co-owner of Eureka Fisheries, said businesses don't vote, individuals do.

"I haven't made up my mind on some of the propositions and I personally pay a great deal of taxes. Sometimes people get carried away with these tax-cutting proposals," he added.

The proposition, which calls for sizeable cuts in personal income tax, would not directly affect businesses.

The state has already examined ways to slash welfare benefits if the proposition passes, according to Kathleen Pelley, Medi-Cal analyst at the Humboldt County Welfare Department.

In January, when polls indicated Proposition 9 might pass, the Department of Health asked local departments to seek methods of saving \$852 million a year, Pelley said.

"Later on, they told us the figure they gave us wasn't enough," she added.

Pelley said seven areas were suggested for cuts including aid to the partially blind, nursing home benefits and Medi-Cal. Students, among others, would find

qualifications for Medi-Cal eligibility harder to meet.

She stressed the proposed cuts were unofficial and by no means confirmed policy if Proposition 9 passes.

"One of the fallacies is people vote for these things to cut down welfare. But, we're mandated by the federal government to provide benefits. They can cut back on staff, but the quality of service goes down," Pelley said.

The uncertainty of what follows if Proposition 9 passes acts as a deterrent for some people.

"That's the problem. I don't know what the hell it will do. That's the only strong reason I can give for voting against it," Bill Briode, who is on the board of directors of Straight Arrow Coalition, said.

He described the organization as "redneck cowboys, politically" and said they've taken no stand on Proposition 9.

"I think cooler heads at higher levels will prevail — business, banking, finance — not so much what it stands for, but as for the uncertainty of what happens," he said.

Parsons said, "Regardless of what people sometimes think, the county government does do a lot for providing water, sewer and roads. If you don't have those services, people don't want to live here. I think business is finally waking up to what that means."

She added that since Proposition 13 passed the Board of Supervisors has extreme difficulty raising revenues, since approval of two-thirds of all registered county voters is needed to raise taxes.

The Eureka Chamber of Commerce took a stand against Proposition 9, after a committee studied its potential effects, according to Jack Owen, vice-president. Members of the committee were not available for comment.

"We took the stand mainly because the loss of revenue would affect some of the programs our citizens enjoy," Owen said. "We really haven't felt the full impact of Proposition 13 because of bail-out funds. Revenues for services might have to come from somewhere else if Proposition 9 passed."

If that did occur, Cargill expects the

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# Basement Views

## Gambling with education

Proposition 9 has brought complaint after complaint from students concerning two very real possibilities they may face after the June ballot: increased tuition and decreased faculty numbers. Sure, savings and class offerings may dwindle, but much more is at stake — the basic institution of higher education.

The value of an education isn't a new concept to Californians, just a recently-threatened one. This philosophy led to a vast, well-financed public school system. The University of California has developed into a nine-campus system with 127,881 students in 1978. At the State University and Colleges level, there is now a nineteen-campus system with 306,175 students.

Our public higher education represents a social and cultural achievement, but along with the size and influence comes close examination of benefits and costs. Unfortunately, it is the cost of the university and not its intrinsic worth that seems the basic issue of Jarvis II; we have overlooked the major, far-reaching benefits.

California's economy is more highly developed and technologically sophisticated than any other state's. The reason so many research and development centers are founded in California can be traced to the extensive system of public higher education and the human resources the system has helped create. Even the American dream of success so often has its roots in education!

Higher education contributes to the vitality of an open society and provides a safeguard for the democratic way of life. The financial problems caused for students by Proposition 9 may hurt, but the long-reaching effects could be devastating to society as a whole. —

Debra Cardoza



## Letters to the editor

### Get off my track

Editor:

I am writing this letter to express my concern over the reaction Paul Tiger, Susan Weyl and Barry Savage had toward the letter supposedly written by Mary Holt.

This apparently fictitious Mary asked several questions, then gave her opinion concerning Alison Anderson and Savage. The reaction to these questions was apparently an investigation by at least two members of the election commission, plus one conducted by Savage.

Is this part of the commission's job, to investigate disturbing letters? What if Paul and Susan had found this Mary? Were they going to pay her a visit? Barry, what were your reasons for tracking her down?

Do Barry, Paul and Susan have access to all the student records? I have no desire to have these people tracking me; am I safe? I believe Mary was very cautious in her actions. I commend her for the foresight that was displayed.

Obviously there is much more to the politics at this school than I thought there was. Is this type of behavior what we need in our political system?

No matter how hard a person or group works to achieve their goals, when they try to hunt down their critics it's time to take a serious look at the true motive behind these great goals.

I hope the political careers of Barry, Paul and Susan end here at Humboldt. Our political

system doesn't need more "big brother" advocates.

Eric Mitchell  
freshman, business  
administration

### Election 'garbage'

Editor:

We are very proud of the 19 percent voter turnout at last week's student body election. We are also pleased the election was not a one-sided contest; all candidates worked hard on presenting their ideas and goals for next year's student government. We feel, however, that an otherwise well-run election was tainted by the actions of a few people.

Some of the letters that have appeared in The Lumberjack in the past several issues have contributed nothing to student understanding of the issues. Instead, they questioned the "integrity" of a candidate, glorified the HSSA without supporting facts and put down the same party in ridiculous terms. We are talking about Mary Holt, among others. No good purpose is served by overt partisanship.

It is a shame our current president had to involve himself in the race in such a petty way. Several students witnessed our illustrious leader, Tom Bergman, tearing down campaign posters the evening before the election began. Was he perhaps trying to influence the outcome of the election?

This kind of "electioneering" garbage is an inseparable part of national politics, but need it exist

here at Humboldt?

We'd like to congratulate Alison, Barry and the rest of the elected officers in next year's government, but we would also remind every officer to keep student government on an honest level so the student body, and not personal interests, is served.

Chris Harrington  
senior, forestry

Bill Anderson  
senior, forestry

### Selective safety

Editor:

Recently foresters have received considerable amounts of criticism on logging practices, herbicides and the like from nearly everyone.

Since these men and women in forestry are obviously incapable of comprehending or appreciating the ecology of the forest, I propose that logging be outlawed. That's right, take away their chainsaws, tractors, hard hats and send them home. Good riddance!

But, wait just a minute. Where are we going to get wood for building construction, paper for newspapers and magazines, not to mention toilet tissue? Well, all right, somebody should be responsible for providing the public with those forest products it has become accustomed to, at the same time leave the logging site aesthetically pleasing in the public eye.

The solution to this dilemma,  
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# More letters . . .

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according to the author of last week's View From the Stump, "Speak up for Sensible Forestry," is the application of selection cutting, which will produce "true sustained yield forestry."

Selection cutting is a term which tends to be thrown about and mistaken by the general public as a panacea for all logging problems. The selection cutting method is designed to remove individual or groups of trees so that new trees can replace them. In order for this method to be successful in regenerating the species which is being managed for, physiological and economical considerations must be made.

First, the trees which are to be the "replacements" must be shade-tolerant in order to become established and survive under small openings in the forest canopy. Many trees cannot be successfully grown under these conditions because they require more sunlight than provided by the selection method.

Second, selective logging is a costly operation. It requires the logger to enter the forest frequently with heavy equipment (which causes considerable damage to both the area and those trees which are left behind) to remove those trees selected for harvest.

If those trees which are harvested can bring a high market value, like redwood, then the logging costs can be offset, and the logger makes a profit. But, if the trees to be harvested are of lower market value, like grand fir and Douglas fir, the harvesting costs may result in a loss for the logger.

The selection method is not suited for all places and for all species. In fact, if selection cutting was used exclusively, you

could bet your boots the timber yield from our forests would significantly decrease.

Selection cutting is not the ultimate in safe logging methods, but a method among many which should be used when appropriate, not in every case, to achieve management objectives.

Kent Jullin  
senior, forest resource  
management

## The incredible bulk

Editor:

Concerning Proposition A on the June ballot in Humboldt County, much political propaganda was sent out. Proposition A hopes to ban the use of phenoxy herbicides, counter to the 1979 California attorney generals ruling that county government cannot legally prohibit their aerial application.

The pamphlet put out by the Humboldt Resource Alliance in Eureka, says that "over 1.7 million acres of timber land will

the explanation of Proposition A and a big "A...NO. LET IT GROW!" What was written in the political propaganda could have been printed on paper one-third the size and one-third the thickness!

If the pamphlet was meant to catch one's eye it surely did, for upon seeing it I thought, "Great! Someone likes trees!" Any poster potential this pamphlet had was clearly ruined by the "A...NO. LET IT GROW!" on the one side covered with trees.

In the Humboldt State dorm mailroom where I work we received a rough estimate of 2,000 pamphlets. There are at this time only 1923 dorm residents. Most residents received two, three or four pamphlets. Some received five and some even six! I received two made out to my name at my one address. But in the boxes that received three, four, five or six pamphlets, one or two were for one resident and the rest were for that room's prior residents.

Being bulk rate, the law does not require mandatory forwarding unless specifically requested. If it is forwarded outside the city it was sent from, it goes "postage due." In theory then, roughly one-half of the pamphlets that were sent to the dorms never reached the ad-

unrecycled paper, 2. using too much paper, size and thickness, 3. irresponsible for the number of copies sent per person (of voting ability), and 4. excessive cost, whether we pay for it directly or not.

The many solutions seem obvious to me: 1. use less paper, 2. use recycled paper; these two alone would cut costs. A third solution is that these political organizations should keep better tabs of who lives where. If they see Tom, Dick and Harry or a Bob, Ted, Carol and Alice all at one address, especially in the dorms, they should know that one is the present resident and the others are prior residents. A fourth solution is that students at least 18-years-old should re-register every time they move to a new address. This would prevent that address getting everyone's bulk (JUNK) mail from the last few years! A fifth solution is that the political organizations do not send out a pamphlet to everyone but put up posters and have voluntary pickup pamphlets available. The majority of bulk-rate is briefly looked over for importance or identification and then thrown out by the addressee, or kept in ire by people like me who have to put them in their mail boxes, three, four, five or six each and have to deal with residents who don't enjoy getting a box full of mail not even for them.

Now that I know the Proposition A situation a little better, I have decided to vote YES on it!

Jeanne Gillespy  
junior, recreation administration

## No need for shame

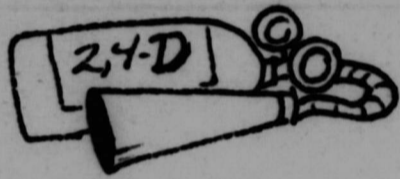
Editor:

I'd like all of us at HSU to read this poem written by Otto Rene Castillo for the intellectual elite of Guatemala. Although it is written for Guatemalans, I think it will reach deeply into all of our hearts.

dressees!

Calling the Humboldt Resource Alliance. I talked to Ms. Pat Robinson. She said that "at least 10,000" pamphlets were printed. When asked who the printer was, she said she'd need a couple days to find out, but that it was done by a union.

My point is this: It seems extremely ironic and hypocritical for this organization to say "LET IT GROW!" and then use the utmost of wastefulness in getting their point across to us! I.



sustain a 25 percent harvest reduction" if Proposition A passes. Also that costs in timber production will increase by 600 percent if hand clearing of brush and weeds is utilized.

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their tortillas and eggs,  
those who mended their clothes,  
those who drove their cars,  
who cared for their dogs and  
gardens  
and worked for them,  
and they'll ask:  
"What did you do when the poor  
suffered, when tenderness  
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burned out in them?"

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of my sweet country,  
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## Correction

The Lumberjack would like to  
apologize to the HSU track team  
for an error which appeared in  
last week's "Bench Warmer"  
column. It was misleadingly  
stated that Sam Lawry was the  
only member of the team to place  
in the West Coast Relays in  
Fresno, and that the team was  
outclassed. The fact was that he  
was the only member of the HSU  
team to attend. We apologize for  
any inconvenience or hard  
feelings this error may have  
caused.



# County program fights child sexual abuse

By MARY ELLEN BLOOMER  
staff writer

Of the 30,600 children in Humboldt County, 5,800 will be molested before reaching age 18. This is the prediction of Ron Kokish, program supervisor for Child Protective Services.

"Approximately two-thirds of these children are molested by someone they know, in the context of a relationship in which the child has learned to trust the adult," a report by the county's Child Protective Services stated.

The trusted adult in many cases is the father or father surrogate, Kokish said. Two-thirds of these incest victims are females.

Kokish said in the past, discovered incestuous relationships were usually treated in the wrong way. The usual course of action was to place the child in a foster home, while treating the molester as though he had a psychological problem.

Today, the Child Sexual Abuse Treatment Program, a branch of the Humboldt County Welfare Department, works with the family by surrounding them with care, Kokish said.

"We don't condemn anyone. The self-destructive behavior has been nearly eliminated," he said.

When a case is referred to the CSATP, the program's staff works with the victim, the offender and the rest of the family through counseling and legal information.

Groups such as Parents United and Sons and Daughters United serve as therapy groups for people involved in an incest incident.

Kokish said "to date, not a single man they have worked with has re-offended."

The divorce rate (15 percent) among couples the CSATP works with is relatively low, he said.

"To date, schools in Humboldt County have been reluctant to take initiative in educating children about the possibility of being sexually molested and how they can get help," Child Protective Services reported.

Kokish said schools are a big problem because they seem reluctant to take on this

educating task. He said few schools in the area have taken advantage of the films, videotapes and speakers available through Child Protective Services.

The CSATP is assisted by other community groups, including County Mental Health, the Probation Department, Childrens Home Society and graduate students from the HSU psychology department, Kokish said.

In addition, the police, district attorney, juvenile courts and welfare department work with the CSATP in an attempt to keep families together.

The CSATP was started in Humboldt County in March, 1978 and is similar to a child sexual abuse program in Santa Clara County.

## Jobless rate puts burden on aid program

By SANDI KAHKONEN  
staff writer

Aid for Families with Dependent Children, a county welfare program, may face an \$80,000-\$100,000 cost overrun in order to meet the demand of increasing applicants.

The amount of aid provided has steadily increased, and both AFDC and the Food

Stamps program are at an "all time high," according to county Eligibility Program coordinator Joe Ormond.

With two months left before the end of the fiscal year, AFDC has paid out 85 percent of its projected budget of \$9,392,000. Ormond said it should have spent only 83 percent, but it's still possible the program will not overrun its budget. This is the first year this has happened, he said.

Ormond also said aid payments normally slack off during the spring as seasonal employment in lumber and logging picks up. But with mills shutting

down, "lumber is the basic group that's being hit directly."

Additional causes of increased aid payments can be attributed to the "worsening economic conditions," he said.

Aid is given to parents who are unemployed, single or incapacitated. The largest caseload, however, comes from "family split-ups," largely related to economics, Ormond said.

More families split and "there are a lot more separations," he said. Humboldt County's divorce rate is "highly volatile as jobs come and go."

The number of applications for divorce in Humboldt County has risen from 784 in

1970 to 933 in 1979, according to the County Clerk's Office. In January through March of this year, 242 applications were filed, indicating a projected total of about 968 for the year if this trend continues.

Ormond said it will continue "at least until there's some change in the housing market ... it's a basic economic reality around here."

Jean Wessman, welfare assistant, said AFDC provides a maximum of \$331 a month to families with two children, \$410 for families with three children and \$487 for families with four children.

AFDC also provides an incentive program to encourage parents to return to work if possible. A family of four with an earned monthly income of \$600 or less could still receive \$387 a month from the program, she said.

An additional requirement to qualify for aid is a \$1,500 personal property limit, Ormond said. "People cannot receive aid and keep their assets," which is often "extremely difficult to deal with."

Most persons who receive AFDC aid qualify under federal standards, Ormond said. In those cases, the federal government pays approximately 97½ percent, and the county pays the remainder. "The state reimburses us for what we spend," Ormond said.

Next year's budget has been sent to the County Administrative Office, he said. "We asked for this year's costs, plus monies for a 5 percent increase in caseloads, and a 15 percent cost of living increase...which may be a little conservative."

The budget has not yet been presented to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors, Ormond said.

Deputy CAO Bruce Adams said the AFDC program most likely would not be cut if Proposition 9 passes, although "everything is speculative and anything could happen."

He said that "knowing Gov. Brown, the really needed services won't be attacked."



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### Census follows up on students

Students who live in Humboldt County for the greater part of the year, regardless of whether their parents claim them as dependents on their income tax, should be counted here in the 1980 Census.

During the initial phases of the census taking, many students insisted they had been counted at their parents' houses or at another home outside Humboldt County. The only instance where this holds true is when a student lives outside Humboldt County for more than six months of the year.

Students play an important part in the population make-up of Humboldt County in more than one way. For example, city services are planned around census figures; if students are not included in Arcata's population total, city services could be deficient in the future.

The housing shortage in Arcata, which has seldom been less than critical in the recent past, depends on an accurate count to supply the city's needs.

If political district boundaries are to be redrawn, it must be known how many eligible voters live in each district.

The Census Bureau is conducting a follow-up enumeration.

People who have not participated in the 1980 census can contact the Eureka Census Bureau Office at 443-8669 to be counted.

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# Police say Epicurean fire result of arson

By SANDI KAHKONEN  
staff writer

The fire which partially damaged the Epicurean Restaurant April 12 was definitely the result of arson, investigators said, but no significant leads or motive have been found.

Arcata Police Officer Ken Kimari, who witnessed the 1057 H St. fire, said he is "actively investigating" the case but the investigation is not complete.

He is interviewing employees and frequent customers of the restaurant but said, "So far, there is no new information."

Arcata Fire Chief Bill McKenzie said arson investigator Monty McGill's study of the case indicates the fire was started inside the back door using a

flammable liquid, but so far nothing has been confirmed.

McKenzie said McGill was called in because Arcata does not have trained arson investigators.

David Jones, Epicurean spokesman, said the fire has hurt business. The restaurant relocated at 1504 G St., the former location of the International Peasant restaurant.

"We probably lost a lot of people in the downtown area who used to come for lunch," and those who were "walkers," Jones said.

Now that the restaurant is closer to HSU, it attracts more students and people who drive, he said.

In addition to customers, the Epicurean lost refrigeration equipment, and has been open until 2 p.m. each day where it was previously open until 9 p.m. Jones said the restaurant will begin serving dinners

soon.

The fire-gutted building is being cleaned up, Jones said. He hopes to be able to move back within four to six months.

"The historic part of the building is still intact, and it is structurally OK," he said. The fire destroyed the kitchen and storeroom but spared the eating areas, McKenzie said.

"We were hoping to buy the building, so this is quite a setback," Jones said. The building is owned by the Canclinis, who also own the Plaza Shoe Store.

Jones said insurance should pay for repair of the structure, although he and his partners will be reimbursed only for their lost equipment's original cost.

"We'll probably end up getting 40 to 50 percent of the replacement value," Jones said. Right now, "we're trying to get word around that we've moved."

## Moonstone music made from burls



STEVE HELGESON

By MARY ELLEN BLOOMER  
staff writer

Steve Helgeson made his first guitar eight years ago. Today the self-taught guitar maker takes maple burls and shapes them into instruments worth thousands of dollars.

The 29-year-old owner of Moonstone Guitars in Arcata said most of the guitars he makes are sold to studio and professional musicians, but about 5 percent of his products remain in Humboldt County. Some have been distributed as far away as Germany and Japan.

"I custom build anything anyone wants," Helgeson said. "I allow them to choose their woods. I have a really good selection of rare woods, burls, curly figured woods, bird's eye maple, as well as exotic woods imported from Africa and South America.

"I use the best of everything," he said

about the materials that go into the making of his products. Many of his guitars are made of rare maple burls found only on the West Coast.

Helgeson has come a long way from his beginnings eight years ago in a broken-down shingle mill to a workshop in Moonstone Heights. He began experimenting, reading books and working with primitive tools until he developed a five-person operation working toward a production level of 20 instruments a month.

Helgeson is making a name for himself with one of his guitars, a bass that took four months to construct. He refers to it as the "double-neck eagle." The \$3,000 instrument belongs to Leland Sklar, a bass player in the backup groups of Jackson Browne and James Taylor.

The maple burl shaped into a bass guitar has hand-carved feathers at the bottom and two eagles' heads at the top. The eyes are red fire opals with light-emitting diodes behind them so they glow on stage.

Helgeson said that for the time he put into the construction of his "double-neck eagle," he should have received \$6,000. The bass has a mate, the "single-neck six-string eagle," which belongs to Billy Thorpe, a co-worker of Sklar's.

Helgeson has redesigned the "single-neck eagle" and is trying to interest Joe Walsh in a purchase. He said he designed the guitar with Walsh in mind, and the project took about 80 hours.

"The best endorsement you can get is to have them play it on stage," he said.

Helgeson's production line includes an electric mandolin, four versions of the bass guitar, three versions of the "Vulcan" model (top of the line electric), and one he refers to as the economy model, the "Eclipse." Another model is a hollow-body acoustic guitar called the "M-80," carved like a violin and designed for jazz and country musicians.

Helgeson's instruments retail for \$500 to \$1,700.

This summer Helgeson plans to go to the

East Coast to promote his newly-expanded line of instruments. He will attend the National Association of Music Merchants Convention in Chicago, where he hopes to introduce the area to his unique maple burl instruments.

Helgeson's workshop also serves as a place for restoration of vintage guitars, repairs and refinishing. He services instruments of many local musicians as well, he said.

Until recently, the shop produced about 12 instruments a month. Now that production of 20 instruments a month is within sight, the only thing Helgeson is worried about is an economic recession.

But, he said, "during the depression, one industry that survived was the music industry. People always have money to go out and entertain themselves."

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state to raise the sales tax. She said the state has been financially irresponsible and hasn't controlled its spending as compared to its productivity.

"I don't think the government will become accountable overnight. It'll take two legislative elections," she said.

One area she said will be affected is education. She said Proposition 9's passage, which may result in tuition at HSU, will bring additional money into the county.

She added that tuition will allow the university to flourish, since cost-efficient departments will be freed of carrying the burden of those less successful. A flourishing university will be a financial aid to Arcata, she said.

She added that tuition has worked that way in other states.

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# These trees no pigment of the imagination

By DEBRA CARDOZA  
staff writer

Why waste time tracking down Big Foot when there may be ghosts in the forests of Humboldt County — real ghosts in the form of albino redwoods?

The trees are a freak of nature since albino plants have no chlorophyll and therefore no way to produce food. HSU forestry professor William Bigg explained that such a tree can exist only because redwoods often share root systems; the albino lives off another tree to survive.

Bigg has never seen an albino redwood, but said it would be a "very aesthetic experience, besides being a very interesting thing to see." He has seen foliage from a Yosemite albino pine sent to him by a friend, but the leaves did contain some color, enough for it to survive.

Apart from its aesthetic value, an albino tree "would be an interesting study in genetics as well as photosynthesis," Bigg said, "if you could get enough of them together." But, the rarity of the trees makes such a study unlikely.

"It would be interesting in the field of genetics because redwoods are most often sprouted off other trees and are genetically the same," he said. It would

be interesting in photosynthesis studies "to see where the process is blocked and chlorophyll inhibited."

The slow rate of growth is a major drawback to the study of trees in general. Bigg, who specializes in tree nutrition, often has to wait five to six weeks before any observable change occurs in trees being studied.

Tom Berkemeyer, nursery superintendent at Simpson Timber Company's Korb plant, said, "We see about two true albino saplings out of the two million planted each year.

"They usually only live about a month or two," he said, "and only get to be about two inches tall. Since they can't produce their own food, they can't survive."

Berkemeyer said there have been no attempts to keep the saplings alive. He said Simpson would be willing to let HSU students give it a try. Growing a variegated or partially albino redwood or seeing one in the wild is more common than growing or seeing a completely albino tree.

"I've seen the partial albino trees in the forest but they tend to be much shorter than average," Berkemeyer said. "The seedlings pass through the nursery but they aren't really discernible until after a year's growth and by then they have left this stage of the operation."

Arcata Redwood loggers spotted an albino redwood years ago, according to Gene Hofsted, land and timber manager. The tree was discovered near May Creek which is now part of the National Park Reserve; it was left untouched.

The best known albino redwood is located near the main trail at Muir Woods National Monument. It is one of several studied and photographed by Douglas Davis and forester Dale Holderman of Santa Cruz. The two men spent days in the forest from Big Sur to Sonoma County trying to locate and record as many albino redwoods as possible.

The "redwood belt" extends from southern Monterey County into Oregon, is 450 miles long and is from 5 to 35 miles wide. After three years of gathering information the men put together a book, "The White Redwoods: Ghosts of the Forest."

The book has been used as evidence to prove that the ghosts are there, somewhere, in the forests of California, but as Davis said in the book, it was often no more than a "wild goose chase" when it came to tracking down the unusual trees.

But what ghost was ever easy to find?

# All-weather field will drain rainy day blues

By BETSY CARRILLO  
staff writer

Wet, soggy, useless playing fields will no longer be a problem for HSU athletes with the construction of an all-weather playing field.

The field, under construction on the former site of the Humboldt Village trailer dorms behind the Power and Transportation Building, will be a standard soccer-sized field.

Because the area is limited in space, this is the only standard-sized field that would fit, Donald F. Lawson, director of Campus Projects and Research, said.

Many of the campus' playing surfaces are not always usable due to the rainy climate.

According to Lawson, at one time the only option available to alleviate the problem was using indoor facilities such as the Field House, or using artificial playing surfaces such as AstroTurf.

These options, however, were too expensive to consider, Lawson said.

Last spring, Bob Kelly, HSU soccer coach, told Lawson of an all-weather, self-draining field that made play possible in wet weather.

The fields had been successful in Eureka, Fortuna and cities in Oregon.

The all-weather field has a drainage system and allows play within half an hour after a heavy rain, George Preston, director of Plant Operations, said.

The first step in construction of the field is the digging of a pool-like hole with

trenches for pipes. Rock is filled in, followed by sterile sand and, finally, grass is planted.

When water gets on the surface, it seeps into the grass and sand, which acts as a filter. The water is pumped out through the pipes, Preston said.

The field will cost more in maintenance than HSU's present fields because it must be kept free of grass clippings or other materials that could clog the system, Lawson said, but it will be a year-round playing surface.

The project, which was allotted \$50,000 from university president Alistair McCrone's New Funds for Special Programs and Projects, is a joint effort of

the university, the City of Arcata and the National Guard in Eureka.

The university is responsible for the primary excavation and will also supply materials such as, sand, rock and a sprinkler system. In addition, fuel costs of the National Guard will be reimbursed by the university, Lawson said.

Lawson added that the main costs are roughly those for site preparation, which involves re-routing four different drainage systems and removing Pacific Gas and Electric poles.

The City of Arcata will complete the major excavation and operation by putting in the rock and sand, Preston said.

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# Fast pace makes doctor's job worthwhile

By DAVE FISHER  
staff writer

The pace is fast and the hours are long, but the satisfaction of being an emergency room doctor is well worth it, according to Ernie Meloche.

Meloche is an emergency room doctor at St. Joseph Hospital in Eureka and Mad River Community Hospital in Arcata. He also works in the HSU Student Health Center.

"I like the pace," he said in a recent interview at the health center. "I see acute illnesses and in a general practice, a lot of times you don't see that; it's filtered out for you by the emergency room."

"Somebody gets shot, your daughter has a seizure, your son breaks a leg — whatever it is. Whammo! Something is acutely wrong with them, and you take them to the emergency room."

It is this excitement, along with a few other reasons, that drew Meloche, a member of the American College of Emergency Physicians, into this line of medicine.

"I also really enjoy working with a high-quality team," he said. "The people who work there really

enjoy it, otherwise they wouldn't be there. You work as a team, approach problems as a team.

"Lots of things are happening at once. All of them are significant." Meloche is a 1976 graduate of the University of Southern California Medical School.

He came to the Humboldt area last summer after working two years at the Pineridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota. He began work at St. Joseph in August, at the health center last fall and at Mad River in February.

Meloche said he decided to work in Humboldt County after driving down the coast last summer, checking the medical facilities as he went. He was initially impressed with the quality of medical help available. But other factors also influenced his decision.

"It's an incredibly beautiful area," he said. "It also happens to have this incredible university here. After spending two years on an Indian reservation where you had to go 60 miles to the nearest library, it's just delightful."

Meloche considers the Student Health Center, where he works one day a week, an excellent clinic. He enjoys working there because he gets a different medical

perspective because of the type of patients.

"You see a lot more ongoing problems than in the emergency room," he said. "It's more of an historical approach. You get asymptomatic patients and have to work from there, making sure that the proper followup gets done. It's a good walk-in clinic."

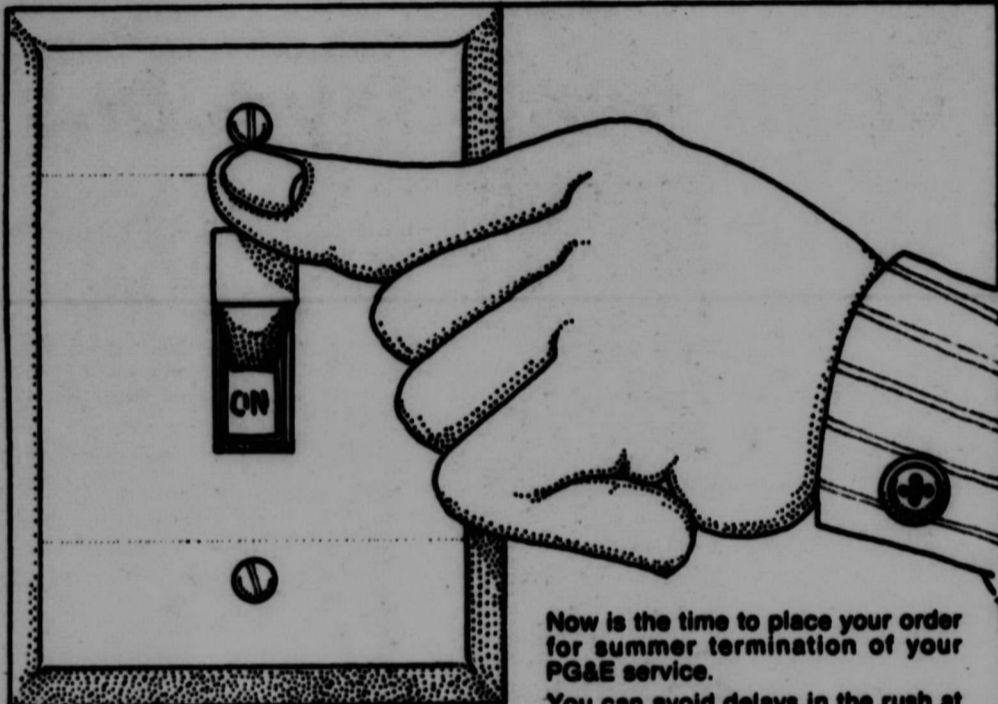
A student who uses the clinic and buys the insurance policy offered through HSU would be well prepared for any medical needs, Meloche said.

"I've referred people from here (to specialists) for relatively expensive things," he said. "The insurance policy offered through the school is so cheap, and yet it offers so much. Nobody can afford to get sick these days. It's important that people buy health insurance."

Meloche said he likes to feel free when he is not working.

"General practitioners have to always worry about their patients," he said. Meloche works 12 and 24 hour shifts three to five days a week.

"Part of my job is hooking up the patient with a doctor who will follow him up," he said. "When I'm done with a patient, he has a complete package."



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# HSU arbiter plays middleman in disputes

By RICK SANDOVAL  
staff writer

Mention the word, "ombudsman," and most people might think you're talking about an expensive German beer. It's not one of the more common, everyday nouns; even Webster left it out of his unabridged dictionary.

Ombudsman is a Swedish word used to describe someone who investigates complaints and mediates disputes among individuals.

Claude "Duke" Albright, Humboldt State history professor, fits the above

description in his part-time duty as campus ombudsman.

"Sometimes a person can get lost in the red tape and needs someone to turn to," Albright said. "What it amounts to is that I serve as a third party that anybody can come to."

Despite his availability to anyone in the community when disputes involving the university arise, Albright said users of the ombudsman's service are primarily students. The types of complaints, however, are not limited to those concerning student problems.

In his year and a half as ombudsman,

the 15-year HSU veteran has seen conflicts ranging from disagreement over grades to "very serious" personnel problems involving the school and employees.

"Communication seems to be the biggest problem," Albright said. "In most of the cases, I can get in touch with both parties involved, and that alone will cool off the situation."

Albright is one reason for the success of HSU's ombudsman's office and the reduction in formal grievances to only one or two per year. He studied theology and served as chaplain at Colorado University.

Albright "has tremendous flexibility and

can deal with problems with sensitivity and dispatch," HSU President Alistair McCrone said, and added that Albright's personal characteristics and considerable knowledge of the campus contribute to the office's effectiveness.

Another reason for the office's success is its low-keyed and confidential approach, guaranteed by the official guidelines of the office and the locked cabinet which holds a case-by-case history of the eight-year-old service.

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Michele Nighthower



SHERRI ANTONSEN (left) and Wendy Pruitt await the swim competition.

Marianne Mastrecco



Michele Nighthower

ABOVE: CATHY COUSINO DIGS into her participant's lunch, provided for all the athletes. LEFT: ATHLETES WEREN'T THE ONLY ONES at the eighth annual North Coast Special Olympics to receive recognition. This participant rewards a volunteer with a hug of appreciation.



# Special Olympians carry the flame

HAEL ROSS  
writer

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The Humboldt County Association for the Retarded offers swimming and bowling programs, and the Glenn Paul school has basketball and daily athletic programs.

"I think that training is one of the areas where we need the most improvement," Witty said. "We need to get the handicapped to get their bodies fit and prepared for competition."

Saturday's games are only a part of a national event that will be held in June at the University of California in Los Angeles.

"This year we are taking 25 participants to the Los Angeles games," Witty said.

Witty said International Special Olympic Games, involving 37 countries, is held every four years.

"Handicapped persons from the North Coast were fortunate enough to go to the International Olympic Games that were held in New York last year," Witty said. "The five-day event was really a fantastic experience for them."

Over 300,000 volunteers and 815,000 handicapped individuals participate in Special Olympic Games throughout the world, according to Witty.

"Locally, the Olympics have been very successful," she said. "The community has been very supportive."

According to Keele, financing the annual games has been a community effort.

"Many service groups and a number of fund-raising events, like skate parties and concerts, have supported the Special Olympics," Keele said.

Witty said the Special Olympics benefit the handicapped in a number of ways.

"After the games, many of the handicapped come home wearing shiny medals around their necks and big smiles on their faces," she said. "Competing in the Special Olympics helps them to feel good about themselves. It also helps them to realize that people care about them and that they can compete successfully."



Marianne Mastracco

**VOLUNTEER CAL KENNEY** gives Olympian Luke Claybourne moral support as he swims the 25 yard back stroke. Claybourne was the winner of the special award in swimming.



Michèle Hightower

**OLYMPIAN ROBERT CROSSWHITE** gives best in the 50 meter wheelchair race. Crosswhite tied for third place in the event.



Michèle Hightower

**BOB FINN JUMPED** to capture first place in the standing long jump.



# HSU students once took days off to work

By **STEPHEN LONDON**  
staff writer

Students throughout history in this and many other countries have been a source of cheap and convenient labor at harvest time.

Humboldt had its own tradition of shutting school for the day and organizing the student body into labor brigades, beginning with the first Work Day in April, 1937.

Instead of toiling in the fields, students performed such services as painting and repairing buildings, washing windows, planting trees and weeding. They also built roads and the track at Redwood Bowl.

The most ambitious Work Day project was construction of the bleachers and the laying of the turf in Redwood Bowl in 1946. The student government wanted the project completed before football season, but the treasury was bare. Local lumber companies donated materials and labor union members gave the school enough aid to complete the bleachers and the press box in two days.

The best work squads were awarded cakes and pies during a luncheon in the Founders Hall courtyard. Despite the prizes, art professor Tom Knight remembers Work Day as more of a holiday from classes.

"Nobody worked very hard," he said. "It was a combination beer bust-picnic."

Virginia Rumble, secretary to HSU President Alistair McCrone, recalled the work element clearly.

"It was a thing we enjoyed doing," she said. "No one felt put upon; we just did it. Everybody knew everybody and the faculty worked alongside us."

"One of the things we did was build the original steps on Frontage Road. We just did like a big spring cleaning. We had a picnic lunch and the whole student body fit in the Founders Hall courtyard."



A FACULTY SHOW ca. 1950, as portrayed in an edition of the *Simper Virens* yearbook, satirized professors' mannerisms.

Work Day died out in the '50s when the school began its period of rapid growth. Retired dean and economics professor Homer Balabanis said "you can let 300 or 400 students loose on the campus. You can't let thousands loose."

Work Day always began with a faculty show at 8 a.m. in the Founders Hall auditorium.

"Almost all of the faculty participated," Balabanis said. "It was a sort of variety show with some outlandish costumes. We tried to make the students laugh. This was the one occasion when the students laughed at us, not us at the students."

Admission to the faculty shows was usually a dime, and the money went into an emergency fund for students who were sick, had to go home or needed help. This was the prototype of HSU's short term loans.

The faculty shows satirized the quirks and man-

nerisms of the professors through songs and skits, Rumble said, and called them "gentle, lighthearted spoofs on everybody."

Other campus projects to improve the school grounds included student shows. In 1924, the Civic Club produced "The Golden Jinx" to raise money for two lamps in front of Founders Hall. Other performances followed through the years. In 1926, the student body voted to have a drama group tour the North Coast performing "The Arrival of Kitty" to advertise the school's summer program.

The faculty also participated in these shows. To raise money in the '40s, some of the faculty challenged a student team to play basketball.

"It was a very silly game," Knight recalled. "They used stilts and dressed very funny. The money was used for student scholarships. Many student loan programs began out of these activities back then."

## Summer programs offer students choice

By **APRIL GREEN**  
staff writer

Students planning to attend classes this summer at HSU will have a choice between two programs: summer session and summer extension, according to Barbara Yanosko, extension coordinator for Continuing Education.

Summer session courses are considered resident credit courses and are the same types offered in the HSU catalog during the rest of the year. Units earned go toward graduation credit.

Summer extension courses are non-resident credit courses, with workshops,

resident programs and special classes usually offered only in the summer and not listed in the catalog. Because of regulations pertaining to counting units toward graduation, Yanosko suggested that students should talk to a counselor before enrolling in extension courses.

The cost of attending summer classes was recently increased due to a wage hike for professors. Costs for extension courses range from \$28 per lecture unit, \$35 per activity unit (physical education courses) and \$53 per lab unit.

Costs for summer session courses range from \$29 per lecture unit, \$27 per activity unit and \$55 per lab unit.

A \$6 student activities fee, which provides access to university recreational facilities, is also charged.

Classes run primarily between June 23 and August 15, some starting earlier and some going later depending upon the instructor.

"There are a lot of cancellations of summer courses due to lack of enrollment," Yanosko said in a recent interview. "Somewhere between four and 500 students attend classes in the summer, which isn't a lot."

Many students are not on campus during the summer months, but the dormitories

are open for those who do need housing, as is the Jolly Giant Commons cafeteria and the Sweet Shoppe.

Bulletins listing the classes offered and further information on enrollment for summer school are available at the information desk in Siemens Hall, at the Academic Information and Referral Center, at the Admissions and Records Office and through Continuing Education, House 58.

Continuing Education is planning to move to another location by summer. The new site will be announced in the Campus Crier about May 26, according to Yanosko.

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# Grievances nipped in bud

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the ombudsman when an official complaint is filed.

McCrone and Albright agreed that by doing this, the school can, in a majority of cases, avoid the hassle of continuing a grievance. They said the ombudsman can usually resolve the complaint in its initial stage.

One HSU student, who wished to remain anonymous, said he was recently in a situation in which he felt he "had to die to drop a class" after the add-drop deadlines had passed.

He said he used the ombudsman's service, and though he did not like having to go through someone else, was very pleased with the results.

"As soon as I talked to him (Albright), I had no problems at all," the student said, adding that he never had to meet with the

other individual in the dispute or Albright himself. The matter was resolved with a phone call.

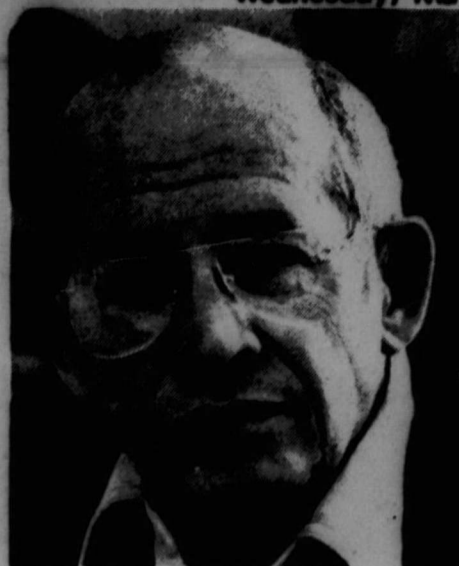
Some cases, however, are much more difficult than add-drop disputes.

In these instances, Albright said his diplomacy is taxed because he must be a friend to the parties involved, yet remain an unbiased arbitrator.

Since he has been here building friendships and associations for 15 years, he removes himself from situations involving personal friends by inviting a fourth party to mediate the dispute.

Other universities, such as San Francisco State, use the HSU ombudsman as a model for their ombudsman services.

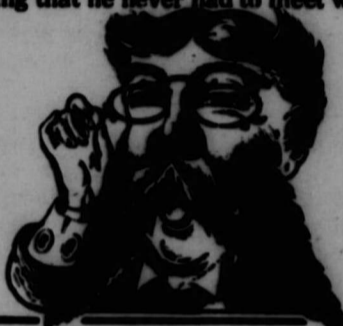
As for the position, Albright said his real love is teaching, something which he would like to return to on a full-time basis.



Jim Warner

"I will recommend, however, that the next ombudsman be hired on a full-time basis," he said, explaining that the increasing caseload requires more and more time from the ombudsman.

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# Jazz Fusion's coming through the wall

By MICHAEL MAY  
staff writer

The HSU Fusion Band practices a couple times a week in the music department. The band has been known to "pull out all the stops and get wild" while earning the two units of combo credit offered by the jazz program in the music department.

In fact, Val Phillips, the band's adviser, interrupted the band's jamming one day and said, "the music is coming through the walls." The untitled jam became an HSU Fusion Band original, "Coming Through The Walls."

Despite some of the "noise" they have made in the classical-oriented music department, the HSU Fusion Band was chosen to represent Humboldt at the Berkeley Jazz Festival two weeks ago. Although the judges' critiques of the band's performance have not been mailed, guitarist Larry Weber thought the band played well.

So what is the HSU Fusion Band? It is guitar, saxophone, clarinet, bass, electric violin and drums played by five musicians who blend the elements of jazz, rock, funk, blues and African and Latin rhythms into a sound called "fusion" music.

The "old man" of the group is 29-year-old drummer Dee Lehman. In an interview, the political science major admitted that Cubby, the Mouseketeer drummer, sold Lehman on playing the drums.

However, for Lehman, Cubby was a short-lived influence who fell in the wake of Gene Kruppa, soul and rock-n-roll. Lehman, who plays in four other bands, said the "monster" talent of the HSU Fusion Band is responsible for the band's mushrooming popularity this "side of the redwood curtain."

Helping Lehman drive the rhythms is 19-year-old "whiz kid" Van Spragins. The native North Carolinian said bassist Stanley Clarke helped change his heavy-

metal influence to "music that technically amazed" him. Spragins said he hopes the band stays together.

Guitarist Weber, saxophonist Tom Lawson and electric violinist Jim Hurley make up the band's wizardry on solos. Their musical interplay is improvisation and each musician seems to know the other's characteristic territory.

Playing since he was six, Weber's flashy left hand can slide into the blues, skip into rock and scale up and down the fretboard of his Gibson playing John MacLaughlin chops. Like the rest of the band, Weber appreciates the "community's response" to the band but he is uncertain about the HSU Fusion Band's future.

On stage Lawson is the meditative jazzman. Though he admitted in an interview that he's a long way from his bebopping dream, his saxophone and clarinet playing are rich, sweet and

emotionally striking.

Hurley plays the mad gypsy riffs on his violin. For the past three years, Hurley has been playing jazz intensely. During his "recreational playing" years, Hurley played classical violin on "Tuesday and Thursday" and later moved into rock'n'roll. The problems of amplifying an acoustic violin — loss of the wooden quality and feedback — still bother Hurley today.

The members of the HSU Fusion Band credit the director of the jazz program, Ken Brungess, and their adviser, Phillips, with getting the jazz program off the ground.

The musicians admit that better equipment, a vocalist and a keyboardist, are needed before the band can seriously make its fusion sound profitable.

The HSU Fusion Band will be playing at the Jazz Concert in the Van Duzer Theatre on Tuesday, May 27.

## Muse-ments

By ROY KAMMERER  
staff writer

"I've never seen a play I didn't like," Richard Nixon said in the New York Times, Dec. 29, 1963.

That endorsement may not persuade anyone to rush for the box office, but more provocative reasons exist for attending theater in Humboldt County. One is the Pacific Art Center, whose activities swirl around a troupe with a growing reputation for mounting stellar productions.

### Review

Their plays run the gamut from

classical to contemporary, from Chekhov to an original adaption of Dracula, but always seek to entertain, bewitch and pluck the heartstrings of human experience. And, at \$3 a ticket even students can pay the pipers.

The center was founded by Gordon Townsend in 1977 with the aid of a California Arts Council grant. He said when it first moved into its Arcata home, a Zen Buddhist monk ran the weathered warehouse as part Zen retreat, part cheap housing for students. For the first months the center survived by collecting rent.

"Originally we intended just to do rehearsals. Presumably we'd perform in bars and such," Townsend said.

The realities of paying rent soon made ongoing productions imperative, according to Townsend. Nowadays, the center pays the lion's share of operating costs from box office receipts, but still is helped by grants.

Open casting is still held for plays, but the focus is on weaving a tight-knit troupe to maintain high standards, Townsend said.

Experience ranges from rookies to seasoned pros with greasepaint for blood.

Townsend said people who have a taste for dabbling in all theater aspects are usually the ones who stick with the Pacific Art Center.

"It seems people who stay have broader interests. If you're in Ashland, you're an actor and that's it," he said.

David Anderson, who does everything from compose the center's newsletter to sweep floors, put it another way.

"We all share the dirty work to some degree, and also the fun," Anderson said.

William Shakespeare said the theater's job is to hold a mirror up to nature, but that doesn't explain the fascination the pursuit has for some people.

"It's a very electric art form. You're making a painting on stage with the lights. The script is writing. It's a form of sculpture building the sets. There's the sound and music," Anderson said.

For Townsend, the attraction is, in part, the variety of worlds the theater touches on.

"You're doing the Chekhov play and you're learning about 19th century

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Pacific Arts —  
'Stellar'  
productions



SEAN KENYON grays his hair for his part in "The Playboy of the Western World," which is playing May 23, 24 and 30, 31 and June 6, 7 at the Pacific Art Center in Arcata.

Anne K. Palmer



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## Pacific Art Center cont'd.

Russia, then four weeks later you're learning about Scandinavian life with Ibsen," he said.

As the Pacific Art Center's artistic director, one of Townsend's jobs is poring over plays and separating chaff from grain. First he asks if the center is capable of staging the play, then applies other criteria.

"If it's a good play, profound, interesting, then I ask if it's relevant to general human experience," Townsend said.

"The Playboy of the Western World," written by J.M. Synge, was chosen by Townsend for what he calls its brilliant, but simple premise. Directed by Jeff Peacock, it runs Fridays and Saturdays, May 23, 24, and 30, 31 and June 6, 7.

At the first dress rehearsal a sparse audience waited for the set, an impeccably-created 1900s Irish pub, to stir with life.

The lights dimmed and the story unfolded of a sweet-faced lad who comes to an isolated village after believing he's killed his tyrant father. The stranger soon discovers his crime makes him irresistibly glamorous to the villagers, particularly the eligible women.

As one girl woefully remarks, hardly enough opportunity to sin exists in their drab lives to make attending confession worthwhile. The stranger, who'd been a laughingstock in his own parish for cowardice and timidity, chortles over his good fortune. He wonders why he'd been so dumb not to kill his father earlier.

Then his father comes back to torment him...

Townsend said of the play, "Their awe of him allows him to take on heroic characteristics. It satirizes the absurd hero worship of anyone out of the ordinary."

Townsend is a former HSU theater arts instructor who quit in 1974.

"During that time talk always existed of starting a local theater group," he said.

He went to work at the Ashland Shakespearean Festival in Oregon, where he realized a theater "boom" was happening in this country. In such a supportive climate he believed a small theater group could be successful, so he

# Feminist fires up her audience

LAURA FENNELLY  
staff writer

## Review

I stood on the runway and saw Robin Tyler emerge from the Westair seven-seater. The feminist comedienne said she had never been to Humboldt County and commented on the beautiful evening.

One of the organizers of Thursday night's performance asked if she didn't remember her show at College of the Redwoods five years ago. Laughing, Tyler recalled the performance at CR and told us how she had shocked Humboldt County residents with her outrageous and controversial humor.

Well, that was five years ago, and I wasn't particularly shocked at Tyler's audacious comedic presentation Thursday.

Tyler's approach of using feminism and her lesbianism as tools in "making women the subject and not the object of jokes" was refreshing. Other material in her repertoire, an attempt at political profundity, I found trite.

On the other hand, I spent the last five years in Berkeley and grew weary of political rhetoric. After the many Fonda, Hayden, Ellsberg and Brown speeches

returned to Humboldt County to start one.

In theater, however, success is a relative word.

"It means being able to exist," Townsend said.

Nowadays, the Pacific Art Center has grander designs than simply existing. They are waiting on a \$1.2 million grant from the state to turn two barns on Union Street in Arcata into a workshop and theater seating 350 persons. Townsend said this is part of the strategy to attract tourists to Humboldt County.

"It's reasonably likely this (grant) will happen. I think it's a question of time," Townsend said.

If the grant does come through, the Pacific Art Center plans to start teaching classes and supporting a small company of resident artists.

Harlots, beggars, lovers, drunkards and heroes bare their stories on stage, revealing how extraordinary the human condition can be. So, come.

that I've sat through, I think I've become intolerant of words like "perpetuate," "corporate power," the infamous "they," "reactionary," and "the system."

Tyler's show began with her life history, the pain and hardships she's experienced with "coming out." She said this material warms up the audience and they may be less threatened by her later emphasis on lesbian issues.

The predominantly female audience gave approving hoots to Tyler's humorous anecdotes and poignant satire on sexism in the media, her gay experiences and American politics.

A spoof I particularly enjoyed was on the sexist "Fly Me" airline commercial. Tyler imitated a pilot saying, "My name's Joe, and at National Airlines we really get it up for you."

The Canadian-born Tyler included in her act a delightful re-enactment of her first experience at 18 in a gay bar. She was approached by a "butch" who asked her whether she was a "fem" or a "butch." When she questioned what the difference was, the woman explained that the "fem" stays home, does dishes and housework and the "butch" makes the decisions. She boisterously exclaimed, "Of course I'm a butch if that's the choice."

At a more serious moment in the show, Tyler said that she is glad that lesbianism has gotten away from confining roles, but praised older gay women for their original courage to choose their lifestyle.

Tyler, a graduate of Canada's Manitoba Theater Center and Banff School of Fine Arts, was a playwright and director before she was 18 years old.

She worked with ex-model Patti

Harrison for 11 years and made several pilots for ABC-TV. She was disappointed with her television experience, objecting to the network's attempt to make the feminist team into what she called "a cute, cooled-out, all-female version of Donny and Marie." She said, "I don't want to go on TV if I have to water down my material."

Tyler, who lives in Hollywood and has performed with other comedians such as Richard Pryor, has been compared by many critics to the late monologist Lenny Bruce. She said, "I consider it a compliment. He was shocking for his time. Lenny believed that the system would vindicate him. Coming out is the most courageous thing I can do."

Tyler said she is happy with her writing, directing and performing. She is currently directing a movie for TV and has an album out, "Always a Bridesmaid, Never a Groom."

Tyler wrapped up her performance with a serious, 15-minute discussion of people's powerlessness at the hands of big oil companies and the government. She urged men and women, straight and gay, to fight together and regain some of the power that has been taken from them.

"I don't believe in the system. Big business runs the country and the only politics to have are anti-corporate," she said.

According to a press release, the feminist comedienne sees the '80s as a time when people will once again be in the streets demonstrating in a way similar to the way they did in the '60s. Although I thoroughly enjoyed Tyler's bawdy humor, her political oratory, reminiscent of the '60s, rang empty.

## Theater through silence

The Theater of Silence will present mime, dance and literature through sign language and the spoken word in a free performance this Sunday at 8 p.m. in Van Duzer Theater.

The touring company, which is sponsored by the Montana State University Speech Communication Department, will perform selections of Broadway musicals, poetry and comedy routines. The program is sponsored by Center Arts and HSU's Speech Communication Department.



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## Hubbard hits HSU

By ALICE BENNETT  
staff writer

Humboldt State will be presenting renowned trumpeter and winner of the Playboy Jazz and Pop Musician's poll, Freddie Hubbard, in the Van Duzer Theatre Friday, May 23 at 8 p.m.

"He is the best trumpet player in the world as far as I'm concerned," said Ken Brungess of the HSU music department.

Hubbard has had a formidable background, playing jazz with greats like Miles Davis, who helped launch his career, Sonny Rollins, J.J. Johnson, John Coltrane and the Montgomery brothers (Wes, Buddy and Monk). He toured Europe with Quincy Jones.

His jazz was known as "hard bop," but his contribution to the controversial avant-garde albums of the '60s, "Free Jazz" in 1961 and "Ascension" in 1965, was an indication of his versatility.

In the '70s Hubbard experimented with elements of rock, R & B and electronics. In 1972 he won a Grammy for "First Light" and in 1973-74 he placed in the Downbeat Readers poll.

Although he is predominantly known as a trumpeter, Hubbard also plays French horn, tuba, trombone, E-flat horn and the instrument he started on, a plastic seven-note instrument, the tonette.

## the new wave length gene case

The Mad River Rose looked more like a Colorado Rockies' bar than any southside Chicago blues club I'd been in. The burgundy stage back-drop hung images of dance girls and shots of whiskey in my mind. A moose head loomed over the cowboy shirts and boots on the dance floor.

There were no berets; no older black men shuffling by the stage, beating their approval or nodding negatively to the new night's jazz; no eager, young, chalk-faced men in suits hanging at the shoulders and drooping at the knees, itching to get on stage.

When I first got to Mad River Rose last night it sounded like Arcata's bars with distinct strains of the band Caledonia. But, the night slipped off the Rockies and out of Humboldt County and headed south to New Orleans and deep down into Latin America.

The fourth Blue Monday Party, inspired by the Monday night blues jazz sessions in Chicago, featured San Francisco's North Beach resident Dr. Henry Duncan on harmonica and vocals, and Humboldt County's Street Rhythm Band.

The Street Rhythm Band is made up of musicians from the bands Caledonia, Airhead and the now defunct Rockhouse. Last night Chuck Garrett and Leonard Crawford played bass, Dan Vineyard played guitar, Don Hunter sang and swaggered on the harmonica, Chazz Horn wailed on saxophone while Paul De Mark pounded percussions.

Monday night's focal point was the blues, but the music was flavorful and varied as Louisiana gumbo. The stage was a fast-moving, rhythmic river with musicians pouring music in and out, changing the course of the night from blues to jazz, soul, swing, reggae and festive Latin rhythms.

Yeah, it was festive. "New-wave music has arrived in Blue Lake, let's put it to rest," hollered Don Hunter whom Duncan called a "mutant, one of the best natural resources" of Humboldt County. No new-wave droning or moaning, there were seven guys celebrating the blues.

Duncan and De Mark took part in a couple of Blue Mondays in Chicago, and wanted to bring its spirit to the people in Humboldt County where there's "not a whole lot of innovative music going on up here."

Duncan told me yesterday afternoon in an interview.

The purpose of Blue Lake's Blue Mondays, "the whole spiritual thrust, is two-fold," Duncan said. "First and foremost is to have fun and secondly it's a real deliberate and conscious effort to raise the consciousness of the audience," to introduce them to the blues.

De Mark and Duncan owe their beginnings to 73-year-old bluesman Sunnyland Slim. He's been "a strong, lasting, enduring spirit," Duncan said. "Paul and I owe virtually everything to him."

White King D Hunter's movements are "stolen from Junior Wells" who's got "the entire band on the end of his finger," King D told me Monday night in the Mad River Rose kitchen. The name White King D is stolen from the detergent box.

"There's whole lots of times I wish I weren't white because white people go to church and fold their hands and leave them in their lap.

"If I want an excuse to go on feeling," White King D said he listens to Otis Redding and Aretha Franklin "to stir me emotionally. It helps to have someone else emoting strongly."

Monday night there was definitely a lot of emoting. The band was high-spirited and tight and even played well with the audience musicians who jammed with them during the last set.

The open-jam is modeled after the Chicago sessions "where everybody gets up and plays regardless of sexual, pharmaceutical and vocational persuasion as long as you can hold your own," Duncan said.

The Street Rhythm Band definitely held its own Monday night without the need to satisfy any 1980's new-wave hunger, despite the presence of several white shirts and skinny black ties.

Vineyard and White King D himself wore white shirts, but King D disassociated himself from new-wave garb. "The Mad River Rose could use a suit every once in awhile. But, I don't go for the look of bobby-pin through the nipple chained to the ear. Why look like a toilet bowl?"

More Blue Mondays are in the planning stages. There should be another one in July hosting one or two more San Francisco blues artists.

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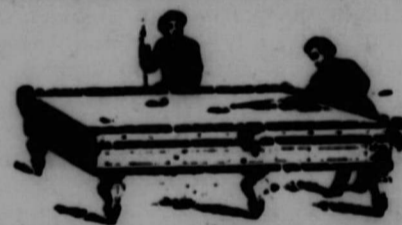
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## Wed. May 21

Lecture "Biomass - Viable Energy Source or Chemical Feedstock?" Professor Clyde E. Davis, free, 7:30 p.m. Science 133.  
 Dakota Sid, \$2, 9 p.m. at The Jambalaya.  
 Coffeehouse Concert, Peter Layton, free, 8 p.m. at the UC Rathskeller.  
 Flying Fingers Sign Language Club, 4 p.m., NHE 119.

## Thurs. May 22

Agent Orange workshop with video tape, discussion and speakers on the subject of the herbicide's use in Vietnam and local forests; 9:30 a.m., Gist Hall 225.  
 North County Folk Ensemble, \$2.50, 8 p.m., 6th & I St., Eureka.  
 Sandwich Symphony, classical music with Diane Dobos-Bubno, 11:20 p.m., KHSU.  
 Pete Rei, dinner music, 6 p.m. at The Blue Moon.  
 Lecture, "Diet & Exercise," 12 p.m., NHE, 118.  
 Lecture, "Basics Of Health From Good Foods," 3 p.m., NHE 118.  
 Lecture, "Contemporary Art," Michael Auping, curator, University Art Museum, free, Art Bldg. Room 102, 3:30 p.m.  
 Weight Watcher's Meeting, Weigh-in 5 p.m., Class 5:30, Goodwin Forum, Nelson Hall East.  
 Movie, "I Love You Rosa," 7:30 p.m., Kate Buchanan Room.

## Fri. May 23

Freddie Hubbard, jazz, \$4, 8 p.m., HSU Van Duzer Theater.  
 Dairy Rock, Biff Jerky's Country Music Show, 11 a.m., KHSU.

Caledonia, dance music, \$2, Mad River Rose, Blue Lake.  
 The Rage, dance music, \$2, Wall's Friendly Tavern, Blue Lake.  
 Stray Llama, dance music, 9 p.m. at The Blue Moon.  
 "The Drones" & "American Reggae," benefit dance for HSU Draft Counseling Serv.co, \$1.50, 8 p.m. at the UC Rathskeller.  
 Movie, "African Queen," \$1.50, 7:30 p.m., Founders Hall Auditorium.

## Sat. May 24

Caledonia, dance music, \$2, Mad River Rose, Blue Lake.  
 Bleu Max, dance music, \$2, Wall's Friendly Tavern, Blue Lake.  
 North County Folk Ensemble, \$2.50, 8 p.m., HSU Van Duzer Theater.  
 Jazz Kaleidoscope, Ken Brunges looks at American Jazz, 6:15 p.m., KHSU.  
 Movie, "All Screwed Up," \$1.50, 7:30 p.m., Founders Hall Auditorium.

## Sun. May 25

The Simon and Bard Quartet, jazz musicians, \$3, 8 p.m. at The Jambalaya.  
 The Inquiring Mind, interviews with guests on subjects of current academic research, 1 p.m., KHSU.  
 Movie, "The Black Stallion," \$3, 7 & 9:25 p.m., State Theater, Indianola Rd.  
 Cartoon Festival, \$1.50, 7:30 p.m., Founders Hall Auditorium.



## Mon. May 26

The Women's Show, music and current affairs, 7 p.m., KHSU.  
 Movie, "The Black Stallion," \$3, 7 & 9:25 p.m., State Theater, Indianola Rd.

## Tues. May 27

Rosalie Serrois & Tom Mitchell, \$4, 9 p.m. at The Jambalaya.  
 Coffeehouse Concert, A'Propos, country rock, free, 8 p.m., UC Rathskeller.  
 The Story of Star Wars, Sci-Fi Soap Opera, 1 p.m., KHSU.

## Wed. May 28

Coffeehouse Concert, Howard Nave, free, 8 p.m., UC Rathskeller.  
 Flying Fingers Sign Language Club, 4 p.m. NHE 119.

## Galleries

"Salt," Mill Photographs by Roger Woods, HSU Nelson Hall Gallery through May 23.  
 Clay Works, Northcoast Gallery through May 30.  
 Paintings, by Brian Kovac, HSU Foyer Gallery through May 23.  
 Humboldt County Schools Art Exhibit, Photography, Calligraphy, Jewelry by local elementary & junior high schools. Humboldt Cultural Center through May 31.  
 Ethiopian Art Objects, HSU Library through May 26.  
 Textile Exhibit, HSU Gist Hall 102, May 21-23.

## Macchu Picchu performs with Folk Ensemble

The North County Folk Ensemble is presenting its annual spring concert this Thursday at the Olive Branch on 6th and I Streets in Eureka, and Saturday in Van Duzer Theater. Both shows are at 8 p.m.

This year's concerts of live music, song and dance of Europe and the Americas will feature authentic native costumes, Apalachian clogging, Polish dances and the band Macchu Picchu, who plays highland music from Bolivia, Peru and Ecuador.

Tickets, available at the door, are \$2.50 for adults and \$1 for children and seniors over 60.

Macchu Picchu will also be performing Friday night at 8:15 in the Humboldt Cultural Center for a Proposition A Benefit which calls for the banning of herbicides.

Along with Macchu Picchu's Southern highland music will be folk songs from England, Scotland, Ireland and the United States performed by Steve Berman.

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# Sports



A COMPETITOR IS HEADED for the drink after losing his balance while birling. John Fredricks and Kathleen Hayes were individual winners.

Mary Abbott

## 'Jacks show off logging skills

The 21st battle for the title of bull and belle of the woods was waged last weekend at the Lumberjack Days logging competition. When the dust cleared, the sawdust settled and the sweat dried, two bulls and a belle were crowned.

HSU forestry majors Don Davis and John Frederick tied for Bull-of-the-Woods honors, while Kathleen Hayes coasted home with the Belle-of-the-Woods title.

In the 'Jack and Jill competition, the team of Doug Young and Hayes emerged victorious in the overall competition.

The ax-throw was won by marksman Rob Shammon, while Hayes won the women's version. In choker setting, where the idea is to drag a cable (choker) up a hill and hook it around a log (set it), Rob Shammon turned in a winning time of 35 seconds, while Titia Tanaka was the women's winner in 46 seconds.

Brian West heaved the calper 26' 6" to capture the event. The pulp toss for women was won by the team of Lori Bose and Vickie Amato.

The bucking (cross-cut sawing) contest was won by Jim Kayser in 76 seconds, while Frank Roth and Ted Rommely were the top doubles team. In the women's competition Hayes won both events with partner Cindy Smith teaming with her in the doubles event.

Fredrick and Hayes each won their divisions in the birling and boom run competitions.

Birling is log rolling on water, while the object in the boom run is to run over a string of logs without falling in the lake. Fredrick was the only competitor to negotiate all 14 logs.



BITING HER LIP, Lori Bose flexes her muscles in the pulp toss.

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DON ABLES PREPARES to take another chunk of wood out in the speed chop competition.

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BILL SPAETH AND KAREN MURPHY break through with a final pull in the Jack and Jill bucking competition. Oiler, Rob Sundstrum, looks on.

Mary Abbott



**Century ride**

# Lost Coast challenges cyclers

By **ROGER WEIGEL**  
guest writer

Recently, it seems like running events and runners have been grabbing all the headlines.

The North Coast has The Avenue of the Giants Marathon — both spring and fall versions — and, of course, the Clam Beach Run. And ever since this year's Boston Marathon, the big question is: did she (Rosie Ruiz) or didn't she?

The North Coast also has a bicycle tour — race, to some people — which was held last Sunday. This "century ride" (100-miler) is called The Tour of the Unknown Coast.

The Tour of the Unknown Coast starts and finishes in Rio Dell, which is a small lumber mill town about 30 miles south of Arcata on Highway 101.

The route winds down the Avenue of the Giants, then turns onto the road to Honeydew and Petrolia and eventually reaches the ocean. Then it climbs through Capetown, and finally winds down into Ferndale. From Ferndale it runs along Blue Slide Road back to Rio Dell. Some have claimed that this century is the toughest in California, and some go further and say it's the toughest in the world. The former I'll agree with, but the latter is a little — but just a little — suspect.

Back in late January, my housemate (Dal Lemmon) and I were checking out the Henderson Center bicycle shop since we were in the midst of planning a cross country bike tour this summer. While in the store, I noticed this spiff-looking leaflet about The Tour of the Unknown Coast. But to me, it was only a spiff-looking leaflet and I payed it no heed. So, I bought my waterbottle and cage and left the store, but dummy me forgot my merchandise. So, I went back in picked up my bag and, for some dumb reason, grabbed one of those spiff-looking leaflets.

Over the course of the next few weeks, I talked myself and Dal into entering the event. But, what to do after that?

I knew I had to train, but I had no idea how to do it. So, I started wading through back issues of Bicycling magazine in the HSU library, and finally started to get a general — very general — idea on how to ride a bike properly and train for a century.

I started chugging around on my 80-ton Raleigh Record (actually about 35 pounds) in the early mor-

nings, but my laziness took over and I switched to the early evenings, when I went at all.

The fact that my bike seemed to weigh as much as I did didn't bother me too much since I used to win at Frisbee golf with a taped-up Frisbee and at regular golf with a set of clubs from five different sets.

"Heck Rog," I would constantly say to myself, "you always do all right with crappy equipment; an 80-ton bike shouldn't make too much of a difference. After all, you still wear a St. Christopher medal and he's been de-sainted."

The length and difficulty of my training rides gradually increased. I was riding Fickle Hill, Maple Creek and went to Willow Creek once. I was slowly getting in shape and gaining confidence with every turn of the crank.

The first time I rode Fickle Hill I was laboring along at what I thought was a good pace. Then I looked behind me just in time to see this other biker, who didn't even look like he was sweating, whiz by me as if I was going the other way. "Holy shit," I whispered as I lowered my head so I wouldn't have to look at the guy.

Then a week before the race some good luck came my way. Bob Howard, who is HSU's intramural director, offered to let me ride his bike; the difference in weight being about 79 tons, 1,985 pounds (his bike weighs about 24 pounds).

The big problem was getting used to the thing, but a day before the race I thought I had overcome that problem.

Last Friday, two days before the race, I noticed something which I hadn't felt since my high school basketball game days: nervousness. I couldn't sleep too well, and now and then it felt like Monarch butterflies were having dogfights in my tummy.

Check-in time started at 6 a.m. Sunday, and Dal and I planned on getting there a little after six.

The ride to Rio Dell seemed to last for hours. I thought a little music would help, so I turned on the car radio.

Have you ever attempted to listen to the radio at 5:30 on Sunday morning? All that's on is that religious music. I would've even settled for disco.

Dal and I clocked in at 7 a.m. and were on our way. Since the entrants could start any time between 7 and 10, we were among the first ones out.




Photo courtesy Rob Klingner

**WEARY BUT UNDAUNTED**, former sports editor for The Lumberjack, Roger Weigel, struggles uphill during the Tour of the Unknown Coast bicycle race last Saturday.

For the first mile or so we kept joking that we were in first and second place, but it didn't last for long.

The first big climb is at the 26-mile mark. It's a 6.8-mile ascent called Panther Gap, which rises to 2,500 feet. Since my skinny body is an advantage in hill

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# bench warmer

By Dennis Weber  
Sports editor

It is nice to know that despite all the political hassles over the Olympic Games, their spirit was still alive at the Special Olympics hosted last Saturday by HSU in the Redwood Bowl.

The event is well chronicled in this edition of The Lumberjack. No matter what happens in Moscow, the spirit of competition and comradeship born in ancient Greece will be carried on by the Special Olympics competitors. These special people can feel it in their hearts, and we can see it in their smiles. They are all victors.

## men's track and field

Humboldt State made an impressive showing at the Far West Conference track championships in Sacramento last weekend. The 'Jacks finished a surprising third, only two points behind Stanislaus State.

"It was a very pleasant surprise," Coach Jim Hunt said. "We surpassed any hopes I had."

Distance runner Dan Grimes won both the 10,000 and 5,000 meter races in 29:53.2 and 14:44.1, respectively. Teammate Mark Conover was runnerup to Grimes in both races.

Favorite Hayward State won the meet with 186 points, followed by Stanislaus with 118, Humboldt with 116, UC Davis with 82, Sacramento State with 68, Chico State with 56 and San Francisco State with 25.

Roger Innes led a Lumberjack sweep in the 3,000 meter steeplechase. Innes won with a time of 9:13.8, and was followed by Steve McMahon and Scott Gills.

Sam Lawry continued his winning ways with a victory in the javelin competition. A toss of 62.8 meters gave Lawry the win.

Sprinter Garrett Moore settled for second in the 200 meter sprint as he was nipped at the tape. Meanwhile, Tim Connolly took second in the 800 meters with a time of 1:54.8, while Greg Balbierz was runnerup in the 1,500 meters at 3:52.5

Both HSU relay teams broke school records, but the times were good enough for fourth place only. The 400-meter team of Moore, Ron Hurst, Dan King and John Gill was clocked at 42 "flat," while the 1,600 meter team of King, Gill, Connolly and Gus Arroyo was timed at 3:16.2.

Coach Jim Hunt was awarded coach-of-the-year honors for the third time. Humboldt has now qualified 16 tracksters for next weekend's NCAA Division 3 track championships.

"We've been saying all year that we had a shot at the top three," Hunt said about the team's chances. "We have an honest chance with as many people as we have going."

## crew

The crew team had a weekend off. The women's boats will be traveling to Lake Merritt this weekend to compete in the Southwestern Pacific women's championship.

Coach Jack Donaldson predicts that the women will do well and tabs the women's four boat as a favorite.

## Tournaments

Humboldt plays host to several sporting tournaments this weekend. Here is a quick run down.

Friday the fifth annual Diamond Dogs Post Lumberjack Tournament gets under way on the HSU baseball field.

The tournament features the seven best open league intramural teams at Humboldt plus an alumni team. The action starts at 4 p.m. and continues at 9 a.m. Saturday on the upper field.

Saturday and Sunday, the Humboldt Buds ultimate Frisbee team hosts the North Coast Invitational ultimate Frisbee tournament.

Games start at 9 a.m. both days and will be played on the upper field and in Redwood Bowl. The Berkeley Flying Circus, current California State champions, and the Eugene Dark Star, champions of the Pacific Northwest, will be among the seven teams competing.

# Hills and spills

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climbing, this was the last time I'd see Dal until the finish.

I was grateful for the many rides up Fickle Hill as I passed four or five other riders.

From the summit, the course is pretty easy until reaching the "Unknown Coast," which wasn't a pleasure to get to know.

I felt real strong until I reached the coastline some 57 miles from the start. Then the 20-25 mph winds, with gusts hitting near 35 mph, took their toll. They seemed to sap me mentally as well as physically. I was actually looking forward to the dreaded "Wall."

"The Wall" is hard to describe. I've read three descriptions and all were different. Two articles said it is two miles long, with one saying it is a 25 percent grade and the other 29 percent. The official program says its one-mile and a 22 percent grade. I'll just call it "The Wall."

To make matters worse, there's no rest after "The Wall." Thus begins the last big hill of the course; 3.3 miles up the Wildcat Mountains.

After reaching the 2,000-foot summit, I thought the rest would be no problem. Within a half a mile, I was sprawling in some loose gravel on the side of the road with Bob Howard's bike on top of me. I remembered Bob's words from the night before.

"If you take a spill, you better hope you die then." (He was joking of course ... I hope.)

His bike was all right as was I, except for a few scratches on both.

A strange thing happened. I jumped back on with some new-found energy and thought the rest of the way to Rio Dell was easy.

My time: seven hours and 40 minutes. Dal arrived 47 minutes later in 8:27 with a bloody leg and wounded bike from a couple of nasty falls.

It didn't seem to matter that the fastest time was 5:30 by Phil Hornig of Arcata, because Dal and I had finished.

When I finished Dave Parker from Life Cycle, who was a great help all day long, said, "We were kinda worried cause you looked rather fatigued around Capetown" (28 miles from the finish).

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## Misc.

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**FILBERT** Pecans are red, Lupens are blue; You're probably bright pink. But I'm nuts about you! D.

**KRYPTON** doesn't weaken me, and white sugar is resistable — but honey, you're something no superhero could do without! Love you, Captain Arcata.

**JR Daddy's** got a scratchy face, but you can pat my bunny anytime.

**LOLO** Jiggers, I'm ready for a retreat down to the beach. Maybe we can steal away in an old green Corvair and catch the grunyon when they're running. How's the cat's meow? Don't forget to brush your panty hose. MEME

**BUSHWHACKERS,** Get your whackers up and start hitting the bush! Good luck in the tourney — Good shot!

**SHHHHHHHH** — It's not that I don't have a profound respect, almost a reverence, if you will (and even if you won't) for poetry, it's just that I can't stomach religion.mmmmmmmmm. mmmm

**BEAN** Just a quick note to tell you I think you're doing one hell of a job. You're not a soft touch, but you do have one hell of a heart, and why should you try to do anything about that? MELO

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY, PARTNER**

**TO THE ONE-EYED BASTARD** What's it gonna be— me or Mozambique? Any way, I love you. Your L.L.B.S.

**COSMIC COWBOY:** Hope you enjoyed yourself as much as I did last Wednesday night. The past 7 months have been fantastic! Thank you. Love you always—your fish-squeezer.

**HEY LAURIE RAY ANDERSON** Physical abuse to girls in your hall is uncool keep your hands on the guys signed bruised and battered broad.

**HERBIE** keep strokin' cuz we know your cox-thRobin' and ya need to cum outa your shell. Respectfully your wet leather dotard lothario, MONA.

**THE NEW PRESIDENT OF VICE,** B.S. (no pun intended) — Congratulations on your election! — Your Ex Opponent (E.A.Q.) P.S. I owe you one at Y.B.'s.

**TO PETE THE PILOT** I see you and before I can take flight my heart soars. Wistfully wondering when the next take off will be. KnK.

**KLES** What's a mother to do? You try to teach them to tell the truth and all they do is lie, lie, lie and then lie some more.ME

**Jaunita** Que hora es sex? Jamaica, you say? A game of jalalal, a jigger of giz whiz jazz on the stereo I'll even wear my Jesuit robes—OK? jetstream jericho.

**DUGGER** Hope you survive this next ordeal or you will suffer the wrath of a 1000 ticklers.

**AMAZING AND UNREAL!** You are really neat. (See also excellent in any handy Thesaurus).

**LJ's** Never thought I'd get this far. Glad there's only 2 left. It's been real! Let's live up the rest of 'em. Love—boss ed.

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# County coroner counts days to retirement

By DANIEL STETSON  
staff writer

Ed Nielson was a little bit late. I was supposed to meet him at his office at 9 a.m. The secretary assured me Nielson would return soon, and would I like a cup of coffee while I wait? I gratefully accepted the offer, my first cup of the morning, and sat down to double check my equipment.

The Humboldt County coroner's office is located in the old General Hospital building in Eureka. The offices — maybe because they are new facilities, or maybe even because it is a "coroner's office" — have a feeling of cold austerity about them. Most of the walls are bare and white.

About the time I reached the bottom of my cup I heard her say, "Oh, this looks like him here now."

A big man came through the door, tall, well over 6 feet, with square, broad shoulders filling out a sedate, brown suit. He wore his salt-and-pepper hair in a close-cropped crew cut. The county coroner extended a big right hand; it was warm, dry and strong.

Edward L. Nielson doesn't look like a man who will be 64 in a month and ready to retire in 10 days. But he is both.

"C'mon," he said, "I'll take you on a little tour of the shop."

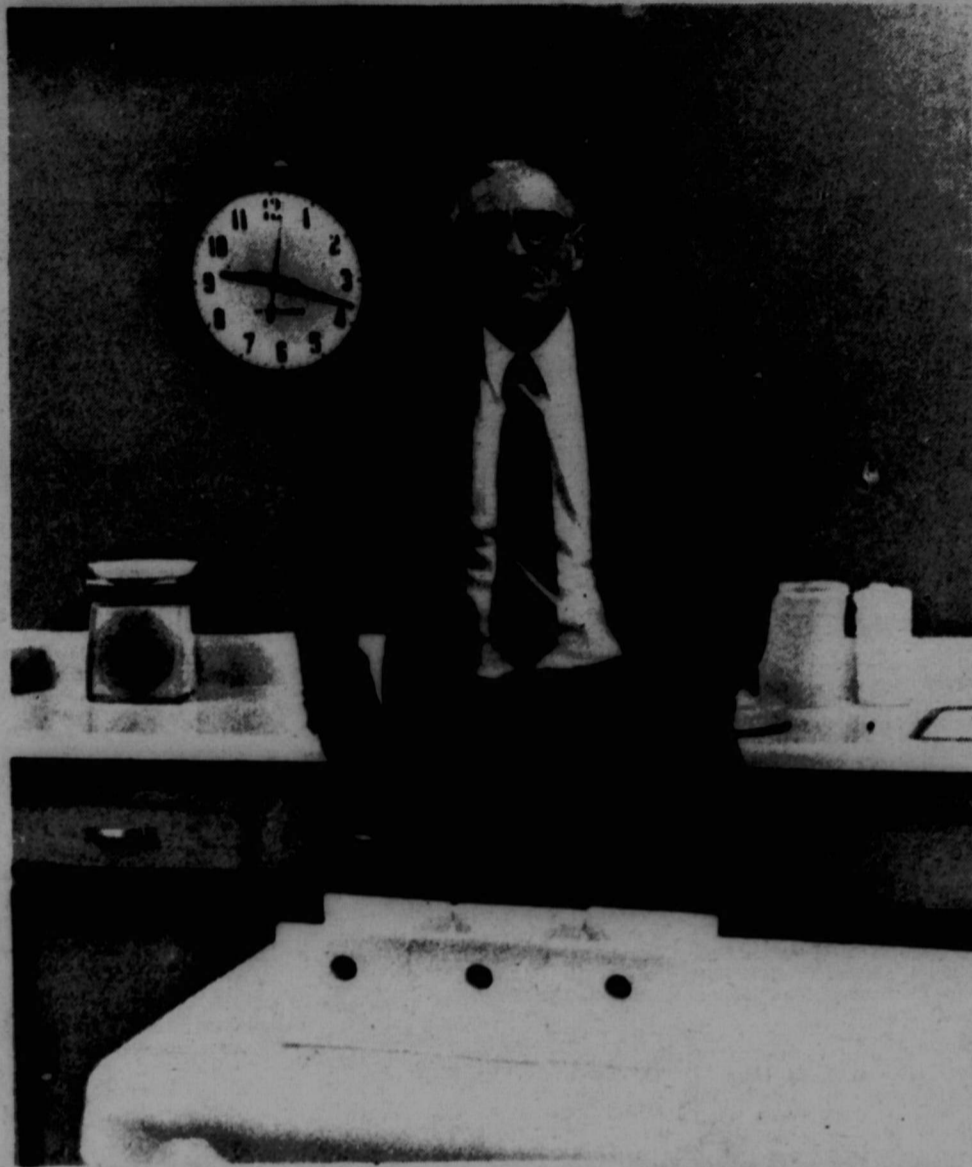
He led me down a dark hallway. "This used to be the surgery area of the hospital," he said as we came to the end of the hall. It was dark there too.

"We've only been here since the first of April," Nielson said, "but we've already done 18 autopsies here. Prior to this, all autopsies were done in the local mortuaries."

Nielson led me to a room off to the left. There was no light when he opened the door, and immediately I was struck by a wave of cold air. Nielson switched on the light. Half the room was taken up by a silver box built into the corner, not unlike some I've seen used in small grocery stores, back by the meat department.

"This is our cool-box," he said as he opened the door, chilling the room further. "We keep it at 34 degrees. We can keep bodies for quite some time if we have to." His voice echoed above the whir of the refrigerator's fan.

Next he led me past the row of sinks into a spacious, sterile looking room. "This is our autopsy room," Nielson told me. Just to the right of the door toward the center of the room was a long, white table with four



EDWARD L. NIELSON, who is retiring after 12 years as Humboldt County's coroner, is also a licensed funeral director and embalmer.

or five blocks on it, the kind used to support human appendages. He must have noticed me staring at it because he diverted my attention to three tall surgical lights in the corner.

"See those lights over there," he said. "I scrounged those from a M.A.S.H. hospital that was being disbanded." But having let me in on the secret, he was not inclined to tell any more.

Ed Nielson sat back in his chair and lit a cigarette. "I'm a Ferndaler," he said. "My roots there go way, way back. My grandparents on my mother's side came to Ferndale in 1858. My father, who was born in Denmark, came to Ferndale in 1872. . . I'm almost a native."

When he puts in his last day of work for the county on May 31, Nielson will have served as coroner for over 12 years.

Nielson, a licensed funeral director and embalmer, graduated from the San Francisco College of Mortuary Science in 1935. Under his predecessor, all funeral directors were employed as deputy coroners and Nielson served for 25 years in that position.

Nielson spoke of some of his past experiences, not callously, but with a candor that comes with having to deal with the grim side of life. One of his most unforgettable cases involved a demolitions expert.

"This man had been working up in the Klamath Falls-Tule Lake area and had made himself quite a little stake. He got down here in Eureka and got messing around down on Second Street — wine, women, song and gambling — and lost every dime.

"Well, he had a quantity of dynamite and caps and went out into a vacant lot opposite the rescue mission. We estimated that he tied five sticks of dynamite around his midsection and smoked pretty near a pack of cigarettes. He finally worked up nerve enough to apply a cigarette to a fuse."

My knowledge of what coroners do being restricted to what I've seen on "Quincy," I couldn't resist the temptation to ask if things like those portayed on the show really happened. Nielson brightened up.

"Once, many years ago, I was contacted by the old Trinity Hospital in Arcata. They had the body of a 15-16-day-old infant that had been brought to the hospital and had died just seconds later. The doctor had no idea what was wrong with the baby, so naturally I had to perform an autopsy.

"I'll never forget it. This little tot had been judo-chopped and it had completely shattered the liver. The minute I saw that I contacted the Sheriff's Department. They got right on it and of course the guy, (the father) was nailed.

"I got to checking his background further and found that he was an ex-Marine and had been stationed in San Diego. I had heard that another child had died there so I contacted the coroner there. He was quite sure that the father had killed the baby, but he couldn't prove it. At least I could. I got a lot of satisfaction from that."

Nielson's three daughters are grown, but one lives with him and his wife with her two children. He beams when he talks about them.

"Well," he said, "I shouldn't call them children. They're not exactly little guys. One is 19. He is 6-foot-4, 190 pounds. The little guy, he's 17 and 6-foot-5 at about 210."

Nielson isn't worried about finding something to do with his time when he retires. The Nielsons own ranch property in the Ferndale area which he says will take up a lot of his time.

Plus, he says, "My wife and I are travel trailer nuts." They have owned a trailer for 12 years and, anticipating retirement, recently bought a new 1-ton pick-up to tow their new trailer.

"Come the first of June we're heading for Trinity Lake," he said.

Some people, when they face retirement, seem to worry that the job won't make it without them — or that they can't make it without the job. Not Ed Nielson.

"I'm not one bit apprehensive," he said with just a hint of glee. "I'm looking forward to it. I'm counting the days. And it won't be long I'll be counting the hours."

## Workshop treats conscientious objection

(Continued from front page)

retained through the Senate, the cards will have to be reprinted.

According to Rohrbacher, the Selective Service requires three things for a person to be a conscientious objector. First, he must be opposed to participation in all war; second, these beliefs must be based on moral, religious or ethical reasons; and third, the beliefs must be sincerely held.

Bob Ziemer, a member of the Humboldt Quakers, said, "We've been encouraging people to at least document somewhere that they've been giving thought to these things."

Rohrbacher said a person doesn't have to be a Quaker or a pacifist to get conscientious objector status, but that documentation is important.

According to Rohrbacher, the process that would

take place if the president called for a mobilization of our armed forces would be fast, with men in basic-training centers within 30 days.

First, the president would declare a state of national emergency and ask Congress for induction authority.

A lottery would then be held with each day of the year assigned a number. He said 20-year-olds would go through the lottery first.

The Selective Service would assign a cut-off number with every 20-year-old with birthdays below the cut-off receiving induction orders within two days after mobilization.

One to three days after receiving their orders, Rohrbacher said young men would have to report to induction stations where approximately 50 percent would pass their physical.

Those passing would then have 15 days to make

claims for exemptions or deferments.

As it stands now, Rohrbacher said, "Really, once you've passed your 21st birthday, you're out of the system." He said this could change, though, if the Selective Service decided that more men were needed.

He said the consequences for resisting induction are the same as for resisting registration.

"The draft is a real foreign institution," he said. "It's been bitterly opposed whenever it's been introduced."

Defenderfer encouraged those who will be away this summer and who have questions about registration to contact him at the YES house.

The draft counseling center will be having a benefit, with refreshments and music, this Friday at 8 p.m. in the Rathskeller.