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Learning to Make a Difference





Dear Alumni and Friends,

One of my greatest pleasures as university president is meeting alumni and learning of the many ways Humboldt State has touched their lives. It doesn't seem to matter if someone graduated 50 years ago, or five months ago; their fondness for Humboldt State is very apparent.

The theme for this edition of the *Humboldt Stater* is "Learning to Make a Difference." Many of the feature articles describe the important ways Humboldt State's faculty, students and alumni have been committed to giving back to our community, as well as the reciprocal role the community has played and continues to play in giving back to HSU. In addition, the article by Hank Sims titled "Chicken at Bim's, Pinochle

in the Coop, a New Radio Station: 50 Years Ago at Humboldt State" tells the story of Humboldt State College in 1954 and the many activities that defined our university culture at that time.

Interdisciplinary study and preservation of the environment and its precious resources are the ways we are learning to make a difference today. The world is our classroom. From West Africa to Humboldt Bay, our students are given abundant opportunities for both academic learning and relevant hands-on experience. Through learning by doing, Humboldt students also gain an advantage in today's fiercely competitive job market, as culinary alumni Eddie Scher and Carol Davis have proven in the article "Building Businesses with Taste" by Hank Sims.

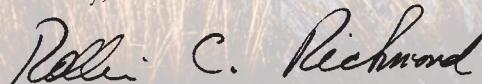
Action-minded, self-reliant, and adventuresome, our students volunteer literally thousands of hours of personal time to benefit university programs and a host of social needs. They work vigorously to contribute to solving social, economic and environmental challenges.

Many research universities are now encouraging faculty to do what HSU faculty have always done—provide generous mentoring by scholars who appreciate time spent in keen intellectual engagement with their students. Humboldt State is justly admired for this close collaboration and shared experience.

I assure you that Humboldt State University continues to carry on the groundbreaking work of its namesake, Alexander von Humboldt, the 18th-century explorer and naturalist whose very life embodied learning to make a difference. To this day, his name appears more frequently on maps of the planet than any other person—from the Humboldt mountain ranges in Antarctica to the dark side of the Moon (Humboldt Crater).

Thriving on his spirit and example, we keep faith with Humboldt State's venerable motto, *Phos Alethia—light and truth*. On behalf of Humboldt State University and the Alumni Association, thank you for your support and encouragement, and please stay in touch with us.

Sincerely,

The signature of Rollin C. Richmond, written in cursive ink. The signature reads "Rollin C. Richmond".

Rollin C. Richmond, President

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The managing editors would like to extend their sincere gratitude to HSU Physics Professor Dick Stepp for his generous donation, which made this year's Humboldt Stater magazine possible. Stepp is a major donor to the university in areas from athletics to alumni relations; his giving truly makes a difference.



A Message from your Alumni Association President



Welcome to another exciting edition of the Humboldt Stater. I hope you enjoy the magazine as I do, not only as an alumnus, but also as an avid supporter of the Jacks.

This was a productive year for HSU alumni relations. In addition to hosting and participating in 15 alumni events, the Alumni Association board of directors and alumni relations staff focused on improving planning and communication. During an all-

New Mission Statement: The purpose of the Humboldt State University Alumni Association is to advance the interests and success of the University and its alumni.

day board retreat in March, we updated our strategic plan, revised our mission statement and selected a new logo. We also explored ways to make our dreams of having an alumni center on campus a reality.

Electronic communication is the key to a successful alumni program. In an effort to better serve our alumni, the Association launched a

new on-line community in June. Visit the site today and register your alumni profile at www.humboldtalumni.onlinecommunity.com.

For this next year, we will continue to provide scholarships to sons and daughters of Alumni Association members, as well as fund small grants for various campus departments and programs.

We also look forward to sponsoring events that bring us all together, including Humboldt Bay Paddlefest (see article on

page 22). Last year, 800 people attended this two-day regional festival that highlighted Humboldt Bay and water sports activities. In Spring, we will host the Distinguished Alumni Awards, Golden Graduate Reunion for the class of 1954, and graduation activities.

The 20 members of the Association board will continue to focus on effective ways to serve its members and the University. You may be called upon to help recruit new students or become more involved in board activities.

Finally, thank you for participating in the Alumni Directory project. We received nearly 20,000 updates to help us keep in touch with you. The directory will be ready in early October 2004.

I look forward to the next two years as your President and hope to meet you in the future.

Pete Mathiesen ('58)
Alumni Association President



On-Line Community

The Alumni Association launched its new on-line community in June. Open to all alumni, this Web site features a searchable alumni directory, an alumni events calendar, an electronic version of the Humboldt Stater, campus Web links, an Alumni Association membership application with on-line payment feature, and campus, alumni, and alumni chapter news. We are also able to e-mail announcements to you through this on-line community. Visit the site today and register your alumni profile at www.humboldtalumni.onlinecommunity.com.



A Message from Director of University Advancement, Debbie Goodwin: Building Relationships to Support Humboldt State University

Charitable giving is markedly different from that of the past decades. Donors of the 21st century consider their contributions investments and do far more than write checks and attend ribbon-cutting ceremonies. Today's leading philanthropists are knowledgeable, ambitious, and actively involved in the causes that matter most to them.

In recognizing the nature of this new breed of philanthropist, Humboldt State University's Office of University Advancement, the central division for campus development, launched two fundraising programs to optimize relationships with university allies.

The Business Partners Steering Committee was convened by HSU President Rollin Richmond early in his administration to link the intellectual and creative capital of the university with the local business community to benefit regional economic development. Over the past two years, the group, many of whom are alumni, met regularly with President Richmond and campus representatives to exchange ideas and expertise. Engaged in vital policy discussions ranging from workforce health to regional transportation, they also provided oversight to University Advancement's Partnership campaign. The annual solicitation garnered a record \$117,985 from local businesses in the fiscal year ending June 2004 to benefit economic development initiatives, academic programs, and student scholarships.

Another historic occasion was held on June 25, 2004, with the formalization of the Humboldt State University Advancement Foundation. Organized as a 501(c)3 California nonprofit corporation and dedicated philanthropic auxiliary of The California State University, the Advancement Foundation replicates a nationally successful strategy and concentrates the university's fundraising activities to maximize resources that, over time, will allow Humboldt State University to achieve its greatest goals.

The Advancement Foundation Chair is distinguished alumnus Michael Fielding ('57), retired senior partner from PricewaterhouseCoopers. He and the other members of the Board of Directors are committed to working side by side with the President and campus community to increase private giving and effectively manage the university's endowment, currently valued at over \$12 million.

With Humboldt State University's renewed commitment to strengthening vital relationships with alumni and friends, the first of many rewards will be celebrated with the university's centennial in 2013.

For additional information about charitable giving, please contact the Office of University Advancement at 707.826.5101 or visit www.humboldt.edu/~advance



Pictured above: HSU Business Partners Steering Committee

Center: HSU Advancement Foundation Chair Michael Fielding ('57).

Bottom: Business Partners Chair Steve O'Meara ('71).

TWO MEN & HYDROGEN

How Louis Schatz and Peter Lehman Made Energy History

By Bill Kowinski

In October 2003, Humboldt State received a \$7.4 million bequest from the Schatz Trust — the largest single gift ever given to the university. It brings the total contributed by Louis W. Schatz and his estate to approximately \$15 million.

Schatz's philanthropy has set in motion some remarkable achievements by HSU faculty and students. And it all started with one serendipitous phone call.

Born in Pittsburgh, Penn., in 1912, Louis Schatz first studied forestry, and developed a selective logging technique during the Great Depression that piqued the interest of Franklin Roosevelt's Interior department. After studying chemical engineering, Schatz applied plastic techniques to develop coatings and preservatives for wood products, and founded the successful General Plastics Manufacturing Company in Tacoma, Wash.

In 1987, his first gift to HSU was land for the 385-acre Schatz Demonstration Tree Farm in Maple Creek, Calif. adjacent to the homestead of his son, Gordon. Part of the recent bequest will also be devoted to the tree farm, and to support the L.W. Schatz lecture series in forestry at HSU. But the bulk of the bequest will become an endowment for the Schatz Energy Research Center, which, with his support since 1989, produced the first street-ready car in the U.S. to run on hydrogen fuel cells.

Fuel cells divide hydrogen atoms into protons and electrons to drive electric motors, emitting no pollutants. They convert energy but don't generate it, so when fueled by a renewable energy power source, hydrogen fuel cells can make a major contribution to a sustainable energy future.

How this technology came to be pioneered at HSU can be seen as the story of two men — Louis Schatz and Dr. Peter Lehman, director of the Schatz Energy Research Center and HSU professor of



Peter Lehman

Louis Schatz



Environmental Resources Engineering. Together with co-director Dr. Charles Chamberlin, Dr. Lehman led the fuel cell team that proved the practicality of hydrogen energy.

Schatz and Lehman both had the same rare, revolutionary idea. One had the means but not the expertise; the other had the knowledge but not the resources. When they met, more than hydrogen got energized. One morning this summer, Lehman recalled how it all happened.

For Schatz, as Lehman later learned, it began with a science project he helped one of his sons perform, which involved producing hydrogen and oxygen from water: separating the H₂ from the O by means of an electrochemical cell. Years later,

Schatz tried it again, this time using a solar panel for power. He collected the hydrogen in a balloon, and lit a match under it. "When that balloon went BOOM," he told Lehman, "I knew I was on to something."

"He came up with the idea himself to utilize hydrogen as an energy storage medium, as a way to move us towards a clean energy society," Lehman said. "He went looking around the world for a research center that would promulgate his ideas, but he didn't find one." Because Schatz already had a relationship with HSU through the tree farm, he called up an HSU vice president, who called Lehman, because he was teaching energy engineering. "He asked me if we had a hydrogen energy program."

Even though HSU didn't, he'd asked the right person.

"I'd been telling my students that as we progress towards renewable energy, we'll need a storage medium, and I think it will be hydrogen," Lehman recalled. So he wrote Schatz a proposal to start a research program at HSU. "As soon as I sat down that night, I knew exactly what to write. I'd been thinking

about it so long, I had the whole thing worked out in six hours."

"Two days later, the phone rang — it was Mr. Schatz. He didn't say hello, how are you, he just started peppering me with questions about the proposal. I liked him right off the bat — he was straightforward, no-nonsense."

But that he seemed genuinely interested in funding such a high-risk project started to seem unreal. "So I said, 'I hope you don't mind me asking, but why are you doing this?' Mr. Schatz said, 'Well, I made some money in my life, my children are all taken care of, and I want to do some good in the world.'"

"That's a good answer," Lehman replied. "Can I revise my proposal?" Lehman sent his new proposal the next day, and a few days later a check for \$75,000 arrived in his mailbox. It was the beginning of the Schatz Solar Hydrogen Project.

"It was also the beginning of a relationship," Lehman pointed out, for Schatz remained involved in the ongoing work. At one point, Lehman was frustrated because there were few companies capable of making fuel cells, and the one working on his team's design kept making mistakes. "When they screwed up the plastic molding, that was it for Mr. Schatz. He knew plastics. 'Get rid of those guys!' he told me. 'Build your own!'"

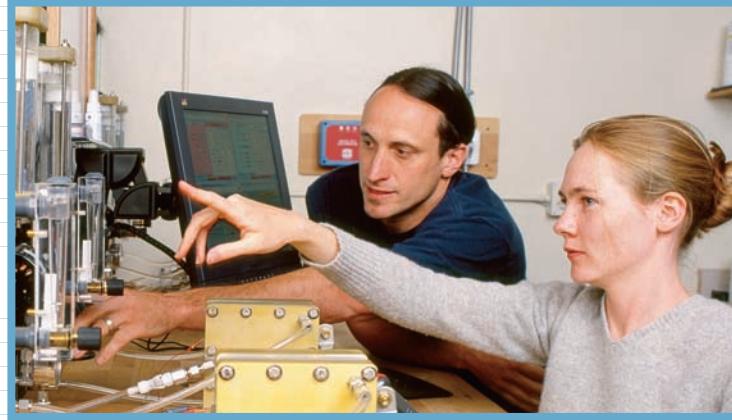
That led to another proposal, for a fuel cell lab. This time the check — for \$300,000 — came with a note: "Get to work." So in 1992, Lehman's team began refurbishing a sprawling, nearly derelict wooden building that had once been Trinity Hospital, and the Schatz Energy Research Center was born. Two years later, they had their first hydrogen fuel cell, which today sits on a corner of Lehman's desk.

"We had an interesting and fruitful relationship," Lehman said. "I communicated with him probably once a week, on the phone or by letter — I sent him 60 or 70 letters. I visited him." So naturally when the Center had its first public triumph — a fuel cell powered golf cart for the Palm Desert Parade in southern California — Louis Schatz got to drive.

Schatz also had the mayor of Palm Desert in the cart. A nervous team from the Center accompanied them on foot, in case anything went wrong. But the golf cart performed well. "When we got to the end of the parade at City Park, we were just overjoyed. Everybody was hugging one another and congratulating each other, and all of a sudden I looked around and I said, 'Where's the vehicle? Where's the cart?' Mr. Schatz had taken off in it, with the mayor. They'd become great friends during the parade. They were joy-riding in the park. Mr. Schatz was driving it as fast as it would go. When he finally came back he said, 'I wanted to see what she would do.'" (Top speed was about 18 mph.)

Their working relationship continued until Schatz's death in 2001. At the Schatz memorial service, Lehman said he had been like a second father to him. Lehman stays in touch with Schatz's sons, Henry, who runs the Schatz business in Tacoma, and Gordon, who manages the tree farm in Maple Creek.

As Lehman pondered the future, with hopes for a new building when the Center's current home is abandoned at the expiration of its current lease, he expressed the same idealism that motivated Schatz. "I'm proud to be here," he said, "to be part of an organization that cares about the world."



Renewing the Pledge

"I pledge to use my life to actively work towards a more socially and environmentally responsible world. I vow to help create a more equitable world, free of prejudice, discrimination and oppression. I also promise to take action to protect the environment and the earth's resources for future generations. I will continue to live by these words long after graduation and will also encourage others to embrace this way of life."

The Graduation Pledge committing students to social and environmental responsibility, a feature of HSU commencements for 17 years, took on a new look this spring. Not only was the green ribbon replaced by a professional-looking green and gold metal pin, but the pledge itself was different.

Among her efforts to revive interest in the pledge, Associated Students president Gretchen Kinney-Newsom responded to the concern that its wording seemed "narrowly focused on your career, rather than your life," as she put it. In conjunction with a class in "Education for Action" taught by Assistant Professor of Education Eric Rofes, the pledge was modified.

This year's coordinator, Harmony Groves, said that the change in wording was also in response to students who wanted to "infiltrate" companies with questionable social and environmental practices, to "help them change from within." "It allows you to work in any kind of company, as long as you promise to work for change," she said.

The pledge started at Humboldt State in 1987 and by 2003 had spread to some 135 schools, including Harvard, Stanford, Georgetown and the University of British Columbia. Will other institutions follow HSU's lead in changing the pledge? "They haven't so far, but we hope they will," Groves said, "because this pledge is more encompassing."

Besides the new pin, students receive a wallet-sized card containing the pledge and related information. "We get calls from alumni requesting another pledge card, when the one they had wears out," Kinney-Newsom said. "Even many years later, it means a lot to them."



CREATING A BETTER

All over campus, HSU students, faculty and donors have joined forces to make the promise of renewable energy and environmental responsibility a reality.

Since receiving the Schatz Trust gift last fall (see previous story), the Schatz Energy Research Center continues to make news:

- This spring, Dr. Peter Lehman received the 2004 Robert Zweig Public Education Award from the National Hydrogen Association. "I'm especially pleased to be recognized for my efforts to get students involved in the development of a hydrogen energy economy," Dr. Lehman said. "It's the creativity and enthusiasm of today's students that will launch us into a clean-energy future."
- Also this spring, an interdisciplinary team of today's HSU students designed a hydrogen fueling station that won third place honors in a national competition sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy, ChevronTexaco and the National Hydrogen Association.
- A new project supported by a major grant from the U.S. Department of Energy will involve the Schatz Energy Research Center and Lawrence Hall of Science at UC Berkeley in creating ways for high school science teachers to integrate information about hydrogen energy into their chemistry and science curricula.
- Though the Center is best known for its innovations and educational initiatives in hydrogen technologies, many of its efforts are intended to foster renewable energy and conservation, towards the broader goal of a sustainable energy society. For example, in its



BETTER FUTURE NOW

By Bill Kowinski

continuing relationship with the Yurok tribe, the Center this summer sent HSU students to mentor and work with high school students to install photovoltaic solar energy systems on the Yurok reservation.

The Grid Starts Here

In another precedent-setting effort, HSU students took the remarkable step this year of taxing themselves to make the campus “energy independent.”

In the April 2004 elections, students voted to contribute \$10 per student per semester for the Energy Independence Fund, whose goal is to have Humboldt State University completely powered by its own renewable energy sources. It is believed to be the first such initiative in the nation.

“Our rationale is that the U.S. and the campus are dangerously dependent on unstable and polluting energy sources. But the technology and expertise exist, and can be learned by HSU students, to move us towards a campus based on renewable sources of electricity,” said Michael Winkler, the HSU alumnus and Research Engineer at the Schatz Energy Research Center who developed the proposal. “There was a higher than usual turnout, and it won with about 85 percent of the vote.”

Winkler calculates that HSU can achieve total energy independence by 2043. “This is with existing technology. With new technological developments, we could probably do it faster.” The estimate also doesn’t assume any decrease in the price of existing renewable sources, though the cost of solar energy, for example, has steadily fallen.

The goals are to reduce campus power consumption by 10 percent through conservation, “and reduce it another 30 percent by more efficient equipment,” Winkler said. “Then produce the remaining 60 percent with generation, both on and off campus. All the proposals and designs will come from students, usually

generated as part of courses in engineering, environmental science, economics and natural resources, for example. Some of the likely technologies would be solar electric panels on campus buildings, off-campus wind turbines, and biogas generated from sewage and other sources.”

While other campuses have voted to take the “green option” offered by electricity suppliers who certify that some percentage of the energy flowing into campus will come from renewable sources, Winkler believes the HSU Energy Independence Fund is unprecedented because it is campus-centered and because students have such a “very active, responsible” role. “The major emphasis is student learning,” he added. “So this combination of student design, and doing it with equipment that we own — I just haven’t heard of any other campus doing this.”

Winkler first suggested such a program four years ago when he was still a student. He developed the current plan with help from past and current students, especially those involved in Campus Center for Appropriate Technology; HSU’s Director of Facilities Management, Bob Schultz, who encouraged him to include permanent, energy-efficient equipment; and an outside consultant checking his spreadsheets.

Now on the Schatz Energy Research Center staff, Winkler is designing software for a fuel cell testing station as part of a federally funded project secured by U.S. Rep. Mike Thompson. Winkler was a software engineer in Silicon Valley for 25 years before he came to HSU to complete his environmental engineering degree. He chose Humboldt because “HSU reflected my environmental values.”

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Though HSU is known for its outstanding commitment to teaching, Humboldt State students and professors are no strangers to research. In the past year, university studies have made a real-world impact on the local community.

From the Lab to Daily Life

Campus Research Impacts Regional Economy

by Hank Sims

Dr. Kristine Brenneman (Fisheries) and Dr. Carol Lasko (Chemistry) came up with an exciting project after a former student approached Brenneman to ask for her help in solving a daunting problem faced by a local business, City Garbage of Eureka.

Wastewater from City Garbage's operations was found to contain nearly three times the permitted levels of zinc. The metal, which is naturally found in water, can be harmful to humans and the environment when concentrated in industrial waste. Off-the-shelf mechanical filters were available to treat the problem, but City Garbage determined that they would be difficult to afford. Furthermore, the company knew that many other local businesses, such as automobile mechanics and car washes, were likely discharging too much zinc as well.

Noting that chitosan, a fibrous compound found naturally in crab shells, was known to suck up trace amounts of zinc, the two professors designed an experimental system that consisted of small amounts of the substance packed in nylon stockings.

A grant from the North Coast Small Business Development Center, secured by Margaret (Maggie) Gainer of HSU's year-old Office of Economic and Community Development, paid for the tests. Gainer serves as the university's liaison with local business leaders – working to find ways that HSU's brainpower can be put to the test in the real world, to the benefit of all.

In the experiments, wastewater from City Garbage's plant was passed through the

stockings, effectively removing the zinc from the ecosystem.

It was an inexpensive, easy solution to a thorny environmental problem – and it worked like a dream. Later tests found that the chitosan not only removed almost all the zinc from City Garbage's waste stream, but most of the lead as well.

"It was a neat opportunity to bring in some technology that we were unaware of, but that they had already been working on," said City Garbage General Manager Michael Leggins. "And it allowed them to take something they had been looking at and put it into practice."

Brenneman agreed. "The students learned so much from this," she said. "What's nice is that they actually get to see true results. It benefits everybody – the community, the students and HSU."

Crabs were also a major player in another recent study

The robust local crab industry harvests tons of the delectable crustaceans every year. Until recently, though, no one was sure that the industry hadn't become too robust. It had certainly expanded in the last few decades, but the last solid numbers on its growth were many years out of date. Could it be that local crab, like other fish stocks around the world, were over-fished?

Over the last three years, professors Dr. David Hankin (Fisheries) and Dr. Steve Hackett (Economics) decided to find

out. With funding from the California Sea Grant program, the two led a team of HSU researchers and students that conducted a comprehensive updated survey of the crab industry.

"Salmon is way down and ground fish are in terrible shape," Hackett said. "Albacore hasn't really developed. The big thing holding it all together is crab. If you want to sustain a fishing culture and a fishing community in this area, you really have to look at the economics and the biology of the Dungeness crab."

Their results are just beginning to come out, and they are troubling. According to a paper the team published in the journal California Cooperative Oceanic Fisheries Investigations, there could be as many as six times the optimal number of commercial fish traps currently being used in Dungeness crab waters.

"No one really knew how many traps were being fished in Humboldt County waters," according to Hackett. "By updating that survey, we helped everyone understand that there was very probably an overcapitalization problem in this fishery."

The team's research points the way toward equitable solutions to the problem that would be acceptable to local fishermen, and could help sustain the crab population in the area for years to come. That's an outcome that would be applauded by members of the industry and environmentalists – to say nothing of epicureans – alike.

Hank Sims is a staff writer for the North Coast Journal.



Building Businesses with

Taste

By Hank Sims

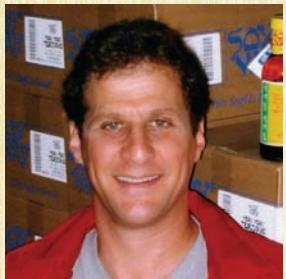


Eddie Scher ('81), president and co-founder of Soy Vay Enterprises, never imagined his company would become the culinary behemoth it is today. Alumni will remember Scher as a very active student and promoter. He served as Associated Students President during the 1978-1979 academic year and was very involved in bringing music to campus through his work with Center Arts.

In the company's first few years in the early '80s, Scher and his then business partner, Heidi Chien, sold their teriyaki sauce only in small batches at shops and fairs around Arcata.

Nowadays, though, Soy Vay products, such as "Veri Veri Teriyaki" and "Cha-Cha Chinese Chicken Salad Dressing," are sold in supermarkets all over the country, including Safeway, Ralph's and Vons. Management at the specialty store Trader Joe's reports Soy Vay to be a perpetual big seller.

"Suffice it to say – it's far, far beyond my wildest dreams in Arcata of what could happen," Scher said.



Eddie Scher ('81)

Scher and Chien subscribed to a philosophy that insisted on all natural ingredients for Soy Vay sauces and eschewing plastic bottles.

"We were way ahead of the curve, with natural products," he said. "A lot of people put junk in their products. We just refused to do that."

As Scher — who has since moved the company to the Santa Cruz area — and many others have shown, products like Soy Vay can be both good and good for you, as well as incredibly successful.

It reflects a philosophy common to many entrepreneurs coming from the HSU family. Take Carol Davis, for instance.

Davis ('68) and her daughter Catlin founded the Pacific Rim Noodle House in Arcata in 1994, serving hungry students and town-folk delicious, inexpensive Asian fusion meals at its secluded I Street location.

The two women wanted to provide a healthy alternative to burgers and fries. According to Davis, they jumped into the business with little more than their favorite recipes.

"We knew nothing about the restaurant business, but we were big cooks," Davis said.

The restaurant became an instant hit in Arcata, but more and more people across North America are now enjoying the flavor

of Pacific Rim's cuisine, thanks to Davis' indefatigable entrepreneurial energy. Two years after opening, the Davis women followed in the footsteps of Soy Vay founders Scher and Chien by bottling their trademark sauces and selling them to the public.

These days, Davis flies to industry trade shows in Chicago, New York or Los Angeles four or five times a year, introducing retailers to her unusual sauces — Creamy Wasabi, Black Bean, Tasty Thai Peanut and others. New customers keep coming. Pacific Rim sauces are now sold in upscale markets all over the West Coast and Canada.



Carol Davis ('68)

Davis said that one of Pacific Rim's core values is to manufacture a "clean" product, with no artificial additives or preservatives. Such ingredients could make for less expensive sauces, but Davis believes that their use would undercut the long-term health of the business.

"I personally feel that there's so much schlock out there," Davis said. "Given the choice, people will eventually choose what's good for them."

CHICKEN AT BIM'S PINOCHLE IN THE COOP A NEW RADIO STATION



50 YEARS

"Humboldt State students have traditionally maintained a hearty dislike of anything approaching formality or regimentation, an attitude which is, in many ways, commendable," read the editorial in the Sept 24, 1954 edition of the Lumberjack.

"But so many students, new and old alike, have been neglecting the registration schedule that steps may have to be taken to insure more rigid conformation to printed regulations."

A note of alarm may be detected in the editorial writer's tone, and it is there for good reason. Earlier in the week, Don L. Davis, a senior majoring in business education and a late registrar, became the 1,000th student at Humboldt State College (HSC) for the 1954-55 year. The university had grown by 25 percent since the previous year, and students were anxious about the changes that might bring.

It was a watershed moment in the life of the college, and helped confirm that the vision of the college's young president, Cornelius H. Siemens, was becoming reality. Siemens, a tireless lobbyist for HSC since taking the reins in 1950, was determined to transform the sleepy, close-knit college into a major university. He had plenty of raw material to work with — the Korean War had ended the year before, and young men armed with the G.I. Bill were flocking to public colleges throughout the state, ready to build a new life in peacetime.

If change was in the air, though, daily life went on much as it had before. Students attended the all-campus assemblies on Fridays, hearing updates on the college from its administration or delighting in the antics of the football team's skits. The "Coop" — the combination bookstore, coffee shop and meeting place down the hill from Founder's Hall — was always packed, with some becoming irritated that the campus' sizeable community of fanatical pinochle players was taking up all the tables.



AGO AT HUMBOLDT STATE

By Hank Sims

BUILDING A TEAM Murl Harpham Jr., today a captain of the Eureka Police Department, was a mainstay of then-coach Phil Sarboe's 1954 Lumberjacks football team. Sarboe had been recruited from Washington State College to turn around HSC's ailing football program a few years earlier, and he was devoted to carrying out that brief.

"Sarboe sent letters to his former students, who were now high school coaches [in Washington], and painted a rosy picture of what it was like here," Harpham said. Harpham was one of the many Washington high-school stars who responded to Sarboe's call for talent, and it didn't take long for the Washingtonians to make the coach's "rosy picture" a reality. By 1952, the Lumberjacks were champions of the Far West Conference.

In addition to his involvement on the football team, Harpham also worked as sports editor of the Lumberjack, where he met his fellow editor and future bride Blanche Evans ('55). They married in 1954.

But prior to wedded bliss, Harpham called the college's dorms his home. HSC was one of the few public colleges in California that had dormitories for students coming from out of the area — Redwood Hall, the men's dorm, and Nelson Hall, the women's. Harpham, who bivouacked with the rest of the team in Redwood Hall, remembers his home as a cavernous structure that housed its charges in rather primitive conditions.

"It was like a big army barracks," Harpham said.

Dorm residents who wanted a break from the food served in the dorms might go into town for an order of "Glori-fried" chicken at Bim's Drive-In, where, in deference to the prevailing moral standards of the community, waitresses were not allowed to wear roller skates.

MEDIA VENTURES Students did much of the work to create two enduring Humboldt State institutions that were founded in the 1954-55 school year. The Toyon literary magazine, a publication of the English department's student body, published its first issue with stories and essays by budding campus authors. Many, no doubt, were encouraged by the visit of the world-famous writer John Dos Passos to the campus that year.

"A person should write only if he has something he feels he must say — something he must get off his chest," Dos Passos told the HSC literati.

In March, work was complete on radio station KHSC, which would broadcast programs produced by students in the "radio workshop" class taught by Dr. William Ladd. KHSC began life as a "carrier current" system, which broadcast the station's programs over the campus' electrical wiring. (The station switched to FM broadcasting in 1960, becoming the first radio station run by a public university in the state, and later followed the college by changing its name to KHSU.)

Meanwhile, the campus was growing — two new buildings to house the wildlife department had broken ground — but President Siemens knew that the college needed more. In October, he announced an ambitious expansion plan that would include a new student union, a music and art building and a new physical education complex — including a \$1 million indoor "Field House" where sports could be played year-round, even in Humboldt County's notoriously bad weather.

It was clear that the college was on the cusp of changes that would impact campus life and ultimately provide students with the setting now recognized as Humboldt State University.

Near the end of the year, a Lumberjack article reported that college admissions officer Myrtle McKittrick had predicted that HSU enrollment would reach an "eye-popping" 1,500 in 1956. In fact, the college didn't actually attain that figure until 1957. But it did continue to grow, and quickly. There were more than 2,000 HSC students in 1960 and nearly 5,500 in 1970.

HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY TODAY

The last published statistics, from fall 2003, show HSU's student headcount at about 7,700, with just fewer than 7,100 of those enrolled full-time.

And the campus is currently developing a master plan to prepare for growth over the next 40 years. The plan is designed to accommodate 12,000 full-time-equivalent students. To view the master plan, visit www.humboldt.edu.

FIFTY YEARS OF FORESTRY The Humboldt State Forestry Department began in 1953 with one professor in an unheated metal hut.

Now, just after its 50th anniversary, emeritus Forestry professor Jerry Partain — who was hired by the department in its second year — has told its story in a book entitled *Forestry at Humboldt State: According to Partain*, published earlier this year by HSU's University Graphics Services.

Apart from its natural appeal to forestry students past and present, Forestry at Humboldt State is a valuable addition to the growing literature on the history of the university. Interested readers may place it alongside of last year's *Natural Resources at Humboldt State College: The First 30 Years*, by emeritus Fisheries professor Richard L. Ridienhour — also published by University Graphics — for two perspectives on Humboldt State's emergence as a leader in research and teaching of the natural sciences.



Learning to Make a Difference

an individual

by Emily Gurnon

Craig Benson joined the Peace Corps in 1991 because he wanted to share some of his skills in agro-forestry with another part of the world — he landed in Cameroon, West Africa. Seven years later, while pursuing a master's in natural resources at Humboldt State, he served as the Peace Corps recruiter here. It's unusual for a campus of Humboldt's size even to have a Peace Corps recruiter, a position paid for by the organization. But there's a reason for it: HSU has been one of the biggest contributors per capita to the Peace Corps.

"The number of volunteers coming out of Humboldt State warranted it," Benson, 44,

said. "Humboldt State and Arcata in general are really the kind of community that builds skill sets for Peace Corps service, both through the academic program and the mindset of the faculty. There's really a focus on service."

HSU students often find they get hooked on doing good, Benson said.



"Humboldt State is a small liberal arts school where, if you dream, it can happen. You can really create your own pursuit and be supported in that."

Nathaniel Kelso ('02)

"It's a small enough place that students actually have an impact on campus and feel empowered there. And it's very attractive — once you've had that experience, you want it again."

Today, Benson lives in San Jose, Calif. with his wife and children. He works as a key ecological consultant on restoration projects in the South Bay salt marshes, the Presidio of San Francisco and around Monterey Bay. And his tie to the Ngie people of Cameroon continues: The clan made him the de facto leader of the 150 Ngie tribal members who live in the United States. They refer to his home as "The Palace."

'A Wonderful Dream'

Whether it's doing scholarly research or putting one's skills to work outside the classroom, as Benson does, many Humboldt State faculty, students and alumni demonstrate every day what President Rollin Richmond calls "learning to make a difference."

"Learning in its own right — scholarship or research — can make a big difference," Richmond said. And, in addition, "Humboldt State University has a long reputation of attracting students and faculty who are very interested in their life and work contributing to the improvement of our society."

Nathaniel Vaughn Kelso ('02) likes the idea that his work helps millions of people learn a little more about the world. Kelso, a Humboldt State graduate in geography, landed a staff cartographer position at National Geographic magazine in Washington, D.C., last year, shortly after doing a three-month internship there for which one of his HSU professors suggested he apply.

Kelso recently described his new job to a group of seventh- and eighth-grade students in Eureka, Calif. — who wondered if he had mapped Disneyland.

life can have a much broader impact



Nathaniel Kelso ('02)

Richmond believes that universities not only *can* encourage their students to make the world a better place, but that they should. "This is a wonderful dream," Richmond continued. "It is what every university should be doing for every college student in this country. What we're saying here is that an individual life can have a much broader impact. It doesn't need to result in your just having a big salary or a big house."

Though the amusement park was not on his list of projects, he did help design an elaborate map of world bird migration. And when HSU caught up with him this summer, he was beginning work on a map of the Civil War. Kelso likes the idea of designing something that others can learn from. "We try to distill down an idea or concept into something that's digestible by kids or adults alike, but still gives you enough authoritative



Dennis Thoney ('79) ('84)

information to get to the meat of the issue," he said. "It's about the diffusion of geographic knowledge and giving people a way to get excited about that."

Kelso credits his success, in part, to his experience at HSU. "Humboldt State is a small liberal arts school where, if you dream, it can happen. You can really create your own pursuit and be supported in that."

Training the Sea-Watchers

Dennis Thoney ('79) ('84) has witnessed the many ripple effects HSU students have made on the world's oceans. Thoney's time at Humboldt State began with his undergraduate studies in zoology, with an emphasis in fisheries, and continued — two decades later — with his position as director of the Fred Telonicher Marine Lab in Trinidad, which has been owned and operated by HSU since 1965.

During his two-and-a-half years at Telonicher, Thoney secured grants to renovate the lab and classrooms, to buy new research microscope equipment, and to purchase a new 26-foot pontoon boat for oceanography and fisheries students to use for their research in the shallow waters of Humboldt Bay. He also developed a

program in aquarium sciences within the fisheries department, so that students could be better prepared for jobs at places like the Monterey Bay Aquarium. And he got the university involved in the Integrated Ocean Observing System, a program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration that will monitor changes in the ocean, such as global warming and fish populations.

"Seventy-eight percent of the world is oceans, and this is broad coastline," said Thoney, 50, who earned his Ph.D. at the Virginia Institute of Marine Science at the College of William and Mary. "There are no other universities from Coos Bay (Ore.) to Bodega Bay — there's nothing in between. The marine habitat is very extensive here, and we know hardly anything about it. So Humboldt is placed in a prime position. They're the only game in town doing this stuff."

What students learn from the program benefits not only them but society as a whole, Thoney said.

"Many students have come out of that program, many working in government agencies now, both state and federal," said Thoney, who recently took a job as associate

director of the Bodega Marine Laboratory, UC Davis, in Bodega Bay. "The knowledge they have gained from their professors at HSU is being used in many different fields throughout the U.S."

Teaching for Justice

Linda Christensen ('73), a former English major who got her teaching credential at Humboldt State, has spent much of her career helping to "make a difference" in the lives of low-income students.

Christensen, the language arts coordinator for the Portland Public Schools in Oregon, remembers how one of her former HSU English professors, Giles Sinclair, would take his students to the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland and on camping trips to locales like Calaveras County, where Mark Twain's famous story about the "celebrated jumping frog" is set.

"We went to the places where the literature happened, so that was a real grounding for what I later did as far as taking students out of the classroom," said Christensen, who worked as a teacher in an inner-city Portland school for 23 years before moving on to her current job.



"We are building on a strength that I think exists in young people who want their lives to mean something."

- HSU President Rollin Richmond

"It was taking me out of the university and into the world, and seeing that all learning didn't just happen on campus," she said.

As language arts coordinator, Christensen now works with teachers on developing curriculum for reading and writing. She said it's crucial that teachers use materials that reflect all the students, their races, their cultures.

"Students are more likely to learn if they feel that who they are has been taken into account," she said. "We are really trying to get teachers to be aware of honoring where students come from."



Linda Christensen ('73)

The author of *Reading, Writing, and Rising Up: Teaching About Social Justice and the Power of the Written Word*, Christensen said she believes politics play an undeniable role in education.

"Literacy is one of the ways that people have traditionally been held down," she said, citing the fact that slaves and American women were denied access to an education because knowledge was considered a threat to the ruling class. Part of her job, she said, is to change that.

"You use literacy to teach your students to read the world critically, so that we begin asking questions about why some people have more and some people have less, why some jobs are leaving the United States and going to other countries, why we are in the war in Iraq."

In turn, her Portland students, most of whom came from working class African American families, have taught her a thing or two, Christensen said. "My students really taught me about justice and injustice. They taught me about that because they wrote about things that happened in their lives," such as being followed by store security officers because they are black.

But every teacher knows this: the path of learning — whether inside the classroom or out of it — is never a one-way street.

Indeed, the concept of "learning to make difference" came as much from Humboldt State students as their professors, President Richmond said.

"This is an example of students providing the leadership," he said. "We are building on a strength that I think exists in young people who want their lives to mean something. They want to be able to look back and say, 'I made a difference in my community.'"

Emily Gurnon is editor of the North Coast Journal in Arcata, a correspondent for the Los Angeles Times, and a former staff writer for the San Francisco Examiner.

the year in sports

sizzling season for HSU athletics

By Hank Sims

Nothing captured more attention and praise than HSU's men's basketball squad, headed by longtime Coach Tom Wood.

The team started off strong — it was ranked first in the NCAA Division II for much of the year — and followed through with a record-setting post-season.

"I think everyone can be really proud of this team," said Wood. "They were the consummate student-athletes, and they represented the university well."



First, to no one's surprise,

the 'Jacks captured their third straight Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC) title. Then, in March, they upset the Alaska-Fairbanks Nanooks 64-60 in the finals of the NCAA Division II West Region championships. The game was a nail-biter, with the 'Jacks barely holding on to a one-point lead during the last minutes of the second half.

From there, the team traveled to the big show — the NCAA Division II championship Elite Eight tournament in Bakersfield, Calif. Things were tense in the first round, with the 'Jacks pitted against the UMass-Lowell River Hawks — the Hawks had jumped out to a 16-point lead in the first half. But the HSU netters showed their heart in the second half, shooting 77.3 percent from the field to win the game, 89-82.

The outcome of the 'Jacks Final Four match against the Kennesaw State Owls was less happy. Despite trailing by only four points at the end of the first half, Humboldt State couldn't keep pace with the Owls' offense, and ended the game with 67 points to the Owls' 81.

The team's story won't end with the Final Four, though. At least one player — graduating senior Austin Nichols, (pictured left) the team's standout guard/forward — promises to delight fans for many years to come.

First, the GNAC chose Nichols as the conference's Male Athlete of the Year. Then, as the annual NBA draft approached, Nichols was jetting up and down the West Coast, reportedly performing extremely well in tryouts with the Portland Trailblazers, the Sacramento Kings and the Los Angeles Lakers.

Nichols wasn't among the 59 rookies chosen in the draft, due at least in part to the high number of teenagers and foreign players who threw their names into the hat this year. Don't count Nichols out, though: "I think this will be a blessing in disguise, because as a free agent he'll be able to find a team that will be looking for his specific skills," said Wood.

women winners

Like the basketball team, the women's softball team has become known for its winning ways, and this season didn't disappoint. The team also brought home a GNAC title for the third year running and — being the top seed in the western region — brought the campus the honor of hosting the regional championships.

Humboldt players had something of a sweep when it came time for the GNAC



to honor individual players: All-American Andrea Williams was named the conference's Player of the Year, freshman Tracy Motzny its Pitcher of the Year and freshman Sarah Scott its Freshman/Newcomer of the Year.

"We were a very young team — we started six freshmen," said Coach Frank Cheek, who chalked up his 1,000th career win as an HSU softball and wrestling coach during the season. With such young talent coming back for years to come, and with a brand new softball field unveiled in spring 2004, HSU softball promises to remain a force to reckon with over the foreseeable future.

making tracks

In track and field, marathon runner Peter "Crazy Pete" Clusener took the HSU banner to a national stage. Clusener's performance in the Chicago Marathon last October earned him \$3,500, a tryout for the U.S. Olympics Marathon team and profiles in USA Today and Runner's World magazine, where he sang the praises of Humboldt County's weather — a "paradise" for runners, he said.

Two weeks later, Clusener's fellow long-distance man Doug Hamilton captured a win in the 8,000-meter race at the GNAC championships. Hamilton finished the race with a time of 24:59, which was good enough to send him to nationals — he was the only male runner from a GNAC school who qualified.

In the shorter distances, Sherman Clayton finished second in the 400-meter race at the GNAC championships with a speed of 48.3



seconds, giving him a fifth place in HSU's record books. Nicole Campbell ran an outstanding 3,000 meters in 10:11, the 10th-fastest time ever recorded by an HSU female runner.

making history

In club sports, the men's rugby team made history this year, claiming their first-ever Pacific Coast Championship in Salt Lake City, Utah, in early April 2004. From there, they went to the NCAA Division II-Elite Eight in Nashville, Tenn., and put up a tough fight before falling to the Coast Guard Academy, 31-22.



The women's rowing squad, meanwhile, made a second consecutive trip this year to the NCAA national championships in Rancho Cordova, Calif., winning an impressive first place finish in the Four and a second place finish in the Eight in May 2004.

And HSU athletics received an overwhelming vote of support from the larger community in May 2004, when the 19th annual Celebrity Dinner and Sports Auction netted a record \$195,000 for student-athlete scholarships. Three hundred people attended the event.

"I think the message was very clear," HSU Associate Athletic Director Tom Trepak told the Eureka Times-Standard. "Humboldt County business leaders want intercollegiate athletics to be a part of this community, and they are willing to back that up with financial support."

The 2003 auction netted \$155,000.

looking ahead

With continuing big wins in key sports, there seems to be new attitude on campus, and many have every hope of HSU sports continuing to grow.

"I think our whole entire athletic program is really on the right track now," Coach Wood said. "The administration is out there in the field, selling our story. I've been here 23 years, and I'm really pleased at the direction we're taking."



Students participate in Day of Caring



Rendering of future Behavioral and Social Sciences Building



HSU Men's Track and Field

Members of the Humboldt State community helped re-paint Eureka's Boys and Girls Club one day last year. They weeded and mowed the lawn at Humboldt County's women's shelter. They cleaned and reorganized the Ferndale Repertory Theatre's costume shop, and they washed the county's Mobile Medical Unit.

For the last 11 years, Carolynn Walden, outgoing executive director of the United Way of Humboldt County, has been one of the leaders of the annual Day of Caring — a massive mobilization of volunteers

students is a mainstay of the local economy. Any change in university policy has an effect on the community exponentially greater than a similar action by a university in a large city would be.

As Walden said, community outreach efforts like the Day of Caring make a big difference to a myriad of worthy causes that would otherwise be ignored. And the goodwill that HSU builds in the larger community is returned by many groups and individuals who give back to the university.

One great example is the donation by the amateur Astronomers of Humboldt of its observatory on Fickle Hill. HSU astronomy classes would not be what they are today without the structure, which was donated to the University in 1970, and is currently valued at about \$100,000.

Good *neighbors*

Dissolving "Town and Gown" Barriers

By Hank Sims

that descends on the county one day each year. Every year, she said, Humboldt State contributes the bulk of the volunteers — about 300 staff, students and faculty.

Walden said that she goes up to Humboldt State early on the day of the event each year to meet and thank the volunteers. "The energy is eclectic and beautiful," she said. "It's so fun to be on campus in the morning to watch it all start."

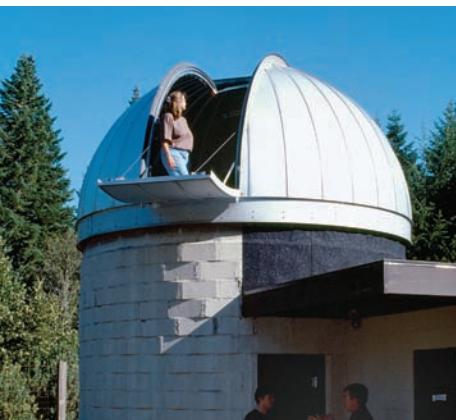
Humboldt State is unique among California's public institutions of higher learning in that it is located in such a small community. The university is the largest employer in Humboldt County, providing jobs for 3,000 local residents. Spending by

The site, which sits at an elevation of approximately 2,000 feet, is as close to perfect as is possible in Humboldt County. Physics professor Leung Chinn said that before the Astronomers of Humboldt donated the observatory, HSU astronomy students were forced to do their celestial investigations through the Arcata fog — with predictably poor results.

"Before we got the observatory, the lab sessions were held on the rooftop of the science building," he said. "What you could do with that was limited."

Another example of a university-community partnership involves HSU's storied track and field team and the Six Rivers Running Club, a local running group.

"I think it's the model," said Physics Department Chair Dick Stepp, a longtime supporter of the team. "There's probably not another thing that's been done here that's been a more beautiful example of cooperation with the community."



Humboldt State University Observatory

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The organizations are symbiotic, Stepp said. HSU runners who stay in the area after graduation form the backbone of the club's new membership. And club members are always available to officiate at HSU track and field home meets. Plus, when times are tough for the team, club members always manage to dig into their pockets to provide some financial support.

"A lot of this is the reason why distance runners want to come to the university — there's a whole community of activity going on here," he said.

Indeed, the importance of a community partnership is recognized at the top levels of the university.

President Rollin Richmond has stated that one of his priorities is to make HSU a nationwide model for university-community relations. To that end, Richmond has opened his office to local political leaders, offering them greater partnership with the university.

"I don't think there's anyone he hasn't met with," said Humboldt County Supervisor and alumnus John Woolley, who represents the Arcata area on the county Board of Supervisors.

One good example of the relationship bearing fruit came last year, when Richmond released redesigned plans for a new campus building that will someday house behavioral and social science departments. For years, neighbors of the proposed facility had

charged that the building would attract too much traffic to their street and clutter the Arcata skyline. The Arcata City Council had indicated its strong disapproval of the project.

Richmond sent the building's design team back to the drawing board, hiring new architects in the process. They reworked the building from the ground up, decreasing its size and incorporating many "green" energy-saving features that will save the university an estimated \$200,000 a year.

The new design was a hit.

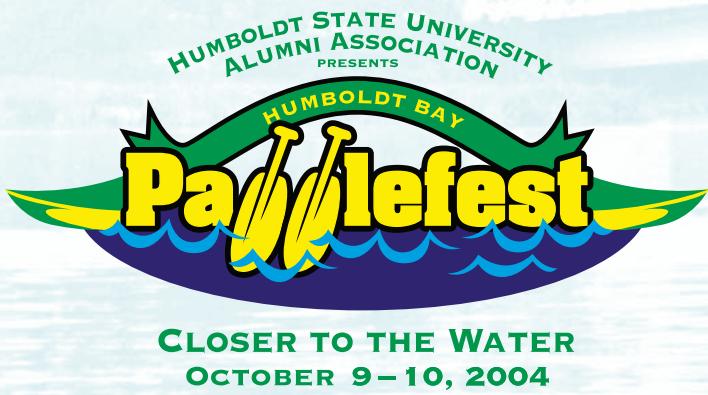
"This is exactly the type of response to community concerns that I was seeking when I fought funding for the building in the state budget process," State Senator and alumnus Wesley Chesbro told the Arcata Eye. "I was trying to pressure the university to make these kinds of changes."

The university, with the participation of California Boating and Waterways, a state agency, is currently doing similar outreach to the city of Eureka, where it is planning to build its new Boating Safety Instruction Center on the shores of Humboldt Bay. The city, in turn, recently donated a prime piece of real estate to the university, with the hope that the facility will be a welcome addition to its ongoing efforts to revitalize the city's waterfront.



taking you closer to the water

By Becky Mosgofian



Be a part of the best new adventure on Humboldt Bay! Presented by the Humboldt State University Alumni Association, the 2nd annual Humboldt Bay Paddlefest takes place October 9-10, 2004 on the beautiful waterfront in Eureka, Calif.

Humboldt Bay Paddlefest welcomes HSU alumni, students, water sports enthusiasts, novices and spectators alike. The festival features two days filled with activities centered on and around Humboldt Bay. Saturday will play host to a variety of clinics and classes, a canoe and kayak fun race, a water parade, a wacky cardboard race, children's activities, live music, and delicious food and beverages. Sunday, the outdoor event continues with the addition of sprint races and an obstacle course. Awards will be presented to race and contest participants both days.

Admission is FREE. Humboldt Bay Paddlefest will take place at Halverson Park, near the Adorni Center. If you are planning on traveling from out of the area take time to visit campus and explore some of the North Coast's famous restaurants and landmarks. Visit the Humboldt Convention and Visitor's Bureau's Web site at: www.redwoodvisitor.org for great ideas.



Humboldt Bay Paddlefest offers something for everyone. Additional activities include water-sport industry vendor booths, opportunities to check out product demos and educational workshops to learn more about our bay as a diverse ecosystem.

Race details and registration forms, along with a list of clinics and classes offered, are available at the event Web site www.humboldtbaypaddlefest.com.

Kayaks and canoes will be available for rent on a first-come, first-served basis. For event details call the Alumni Association at 707-826-3132 or visit the event Web site.

Becky Mosgofian is the Director of Alumni Relations and a journalism alumna from the class of 1996.



Humboldt State University Alumni Association Presents

Humboldt Bay Paddlefest

Saturday, October 9

9 am – 4 pm	Classes and Clinics, Demos and Children's Activities
11 am – 12:30 pm	Kokatat 5 Mile Challenge 2.5 Mile Fun Race
1 – 2:30 pm	Wacky Cardboard Cup
2:30 – 3:30 pm	Water Parade (Open to all kinds of water vessels with music by the HSU Marching Lumberjacks).
3:30 – 6:30 pm	Live Music and Awards Ceremony

Sunday, October 10

9 am – 2 pm	Classes and Clinics
11:30 am – 1 pm	Sprint Races
2 – 3 pm	Obstacle Course
3 – 4 pm	Awards Ceremony

Event schedule subject to change

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DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI WHO ARE

Making a Difference

By Becky Mosgofian

The Humboldt State University Alumni Association celebrated the 2003-04 Distinguished Alumni at its annual awards ceremony April 3, 2004. John Zelezny, Dr. Rollin Sparrowe, and John Woolley were selected to receive this year's honors. The three were recognized for their leadership roles, national stature and outstanding contributions to their communities.

John Zelezny, class of 1978 and a journalism major, was chosen to represent the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences. Zelezny is the Senior Vice President for Corporate Communications at Community Medical Centers in Fresno, Calif. Prior to that post, Zelezny worked for the California State University Fresno, where he helped launch the \$100 million private fund drive to build an on-campus events arena, the largest privately funded project in CSU history. His daughter, Serena, graduated from HSU with a journalism degree in May 2004.



"MR. BOMMELYN IS AN EXEMPLARY EXAMPLE OF THE POWER OF THE CSU TO EDUCATE AND EMPOWER INDIGENOUS PEOPLE OF THE STATE"

—CSU CHANCELLOR CHARLES REED

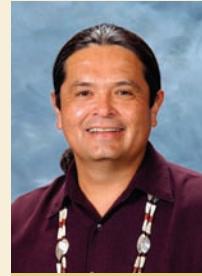
The College of Natural Resources and Sciences distinguished alumnus was wildlife management major Dr. Rollin Sparrowe, class of 1964. He is president of the Wildlife Management Institute in Washington, D.C. In 2002, Sparrowe received the Aldo Leopold Memorial Award from the Wildlife Society, the most prestigious award in the profession acknowledging his leadership in the translation of science into wildlife management policy.

Honoree John Woolley, class of 1967 and 1968, was chosen to represent the College of Professional Studies. Woolley was a political science major and also received his teaching credential while attending HSU. He now serves as Humboldt County Supervisor, representing the third district. He is a member of many local boards ranging from health issues to transportation, and a California Coastal Commissioner. Woolley is the co-founder of HSU's Youth Educational Services. He was previously recognized as the 2002 Humboldt County Democrat of the Year.

The Humboldt State University Alumni Association has been recognizing alumni achievements since 1960. To obtain a nomination form for the 2004-2005 Distinguished Alumni Awards, please contact the Alumni Association at alumni@humboldt.edu or 707-826-3132 by December 1, 2004.



Tolowa Leader Selected as 2004 CSU Legislative Day Keynote Speaker



Loren Bommelyn, Humboldt State Distinguished Alumnus and Del Norte County school teacher, was named keynote speaker by the Chancellor's Office of California State University for the CSU's Legislative Day in Sacramento on March 22, 2004.

It was the first time a Humboldt State alumnus was selected to represent all alumni of the CSU at this distinguished event.

A specialist in Tolowa language, cultures and traditions, Bommelyn told state lawmakers and CSU alumni and campus leaders what his education meant to him, his family and his community.

A 1980 HSU art graduate with a bilingual and bicultural teaching credential through the university's Indian Teacher and Education Personnel Program (ITEPP), Bommelyn has earned both local and national recognition. In 2002, President George W. Bush honored him with the National Tradition Bearer Award, one of the highest honors of the National Endowment for the Arts. Bommelyn also received the 2003 Distinguished Educator of the Year Award

at the 26th Annual Conference on American Indian Education.

"Mr. Bommelyn is an exemplary example of the power of the CSU to educate and empower indigenous people of the state," the Chancellor's Office declared in naming him keynote speaker.

In nominating Bommelyn to address state legislators, Becky Mosgofian, director of alumni relations, said, "He is articulate, professional, passionate, and powerful. The Smithsonian consulted with him on the design of the new National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C., which displays a large Tolowa collection. Recently, Bommelyn was chosen to sit on a nine-member, statewide panel to design California's new Indian Cultural Center and Museum."

Bommelyn and his family live in Crescent City, Calif. Two of his children, Pyuwa and Tayshu, are recent graduates of HSU's ITEPP program.

Class Notes

1950's

Charlotte (Marks)

Cranmer '51, a social science graduate, lives in Lafayette, CA with her husband **Thurston**

Womack '46. Charlotte enjoys traveling, hiking, gardening, grand-parenting, reading and volunteering.

Robert Bentz '54, an education graduate, is a retired teacher, counselor and administrator. Robert enjoys hunting, fishing, gardening and cars. He and his wife reside in Ventura, CA.

Norman Eaton '58, an industrial technology graduate, works as a Plant Manager for Steelcase Inc. He and his wife live in Hendersonville, NC.

Robert Archibald '59, a forest management graduate, is retired and residing in Glendale, AZ with his wife. His affiliations include the Naval Reserve Association, Reserve Officer Association and the Military Officer Association of America. Robert volunteers for the Junior Golf Association of Arizona.

1960's

Michael Minor '64, a physics graduate, works as a Physicist for Los Alamos National Lab. Michael's hobbies include home improvement, woodworking, nuclear physics,

gardening, travel and grand-parenting.

Carl S. Chavez '66, retired in 1998 as Northern Division Chief for the California Department of Parks & Recreation after a 33-year career. Carl lives in Graegle, CA and just published a book *A Pathway Through Parks*. For book info visit: www.trafford.com

Siddiq Steven

Kilkenny '69, business administration graduate, works as the Director of Northcoast Children's Services. His hobbies include community activism, education, gardening, natural history, birding, politics, hiking, mysticism and music.

1970's

John Schureman '70

is a fisheries biology graduate who works in Sales Engineering for Bodycote Thermal Processing in Westminster, CA.

Lola (Cook) Cathey '71

a psychology graduate, works as the Associate Director at the Diane Cathey Center. Lola works and resides in Fortuna, CA.

Tom Hinz '71, an art graduate, is the Co-owner of Wallace & Hinz Custom Bars in Arcata, CA. Tom writes: "I enjoy organic gardening, growing vegetables and fruits. Outdoor activities that I participate in are hiking, backpacking, mountain biking, skiing, snowboarding and travel. I was a member of the local school board for 17 years. My wife,

Kathy, has her own business; she is a Juice Plus distributor. My youngest son, Aaron, is going to school at UCSC, my next, Keenan, just graduated from HSU and my oldest, Nicholas, is studying for his master's degree at UNR."

Pamela Lyall '73, a philosophy graduate, works at the Humboldt State University Library in Arcata, CA and enjoys gardening and theatre. **Shelly Mitchell '73 and '99**, a speech and hearing graduate with a master's degree in English, is living in Arcata, CA and is self-employed as a Nonprofit Consultant.

Chris Ungar '73, a sociology graduate, is living in Encinitas, CA with his wife **Elyse '76**. His hobbies include backpacking, fitness, current events, education and reading.

Sylvia Salsbery '74, a home economics graduate, works as the Head Clerk at Safeway in Fortuna, CA.

John Martyny '74, a wildlife management graduate, is currently an Associate Professor at the National Jewish Medical and Research Center. He is an industrial hygienist and studies exposures that cause pulmonary disease. He conducts research on beryllium, respirable aerosols, bioaerosols, and is currently conducting research on exposures to law enforcement personnel entering methamphetamine labs. John lives in Boulder, CO.

Jen Shoffner '74

a health, physical education and recreation graduate, works in Guest and Business Relations at the Trinidad Rancheria. Jen has been a long-time public servant in Humboldt County. Some of her affiliations include: the Humboldt County Juvenile Just/Delinquency Prevention Committee, Human Rights Commission, Eureka City Planning Commission, Hate Crimes Information Network, Peacemaker Prize Committee, Eureka Republican Women, HSU Sports Auction, Redwood Region Logging Conference, American Heart Association, United Way of Humboldt, Easter Seals Telethon Committee, KEET-TV volunteer and the League of Women Voters.

Gifford Beaton '76, a geography graduate, is a Partner of Wheeler & Beaton, a Professional

Law Corporation in San Luis Obispo, CA. He obtained his law degree at University of the Pacific's McGeorge School of Law. Gifford has been a certified specialist in Workers' Compensation law by the State Bar of California for approximately 17 years. He has appeared before State and Federal Courts of appeal on numerous cases involving published opinions. He and his family enjoy basketball, hiking, camping, boating and water skiing.

Rodney Merrill '76, a sociology graduate, works as the Owner of Elite Word & Image in Astoria, OR. Rodney's hobbies include reading, writing, cruising the Internet, watching art films, and "building my own computers regardless of whether I need one more! Helping friends and family figure out computer malfunctions

and conundrums. Yes, I am a 50+ geek-nerd."

Craig Kent-Basham '77, a psychology graduate, works as the Senior Software Engineer for MMI Genomics, Inc. in Davis, CA. Craig is a Boy Scout Leader and enjoys building models and photography.

William Dougan '78, a forestry/resource management graduate, works for the U.S. Forest Service at Tongass National Forest. He and his wife reside in Sitka, AL. William is affiliated with the Society of American Foresters - Sitka Chapter National Federation of Federal Employees and enjoys fishing and hiking in his spare time.

Mary Hansell '79, a nursing graduate, works as the Deputy Director of Public Health for the County of San Mateo, CA. She obtained her Ph.D from the

Methodology »

We collected the following listings from alumni who visited our on-line community at:

www.humboldtalumni.onlinecommunity.com.

The following alumni indicated that we could share their information. We encourage you to visit the on-line community where you can register your alumni profile, look for former classmates, view campus news, the alumni event calendar and magazine on-line. When compiling the information we list the spouse's name if they are also an alumnus/a and the type of master's degree obtained, if obtained at Humboldt State University. If a specialized degree was obtained elsewhere we may include that as well.

-Becky Mosgofian
Director of Alumni Relations

University of California Los Angeles.

Mary Cavanagh-Lickhalter '79, a forestry graduate, works as an Attorney at the Mary Cavanagh, Attorney at Law firm. Mary resides in Carlsbad, CA.

1980's

Brian Akre '80, a journalism graduate, works as the Director of Executive Communications & Corporate News Relations for General Motors Corporation in Detroit, MI. His affiliations include: Public Relations Society of America and the Automotive Press Association. He and his wife reside in Ann Arbor, MI.

Cara Barnes '80 and '85, an English graduate, enjoys skiing and hiking. She also volunteers with a national nonprofit that helps teach blind and visually impaired adults to cross-country ski called Ski for Light. Cara resides in Eureka, CA.

Bonnie Rolandelli '80, a geology graduate, works as an Engineering Geologist for the California Regional Water Quality Control Board in Santa Rosa, CA.

Lindsay O'Barr '82, an industrial arts graduate, works as a Senior Systems Engineer for Lockheed Martin in San Jose, CA.

Janet Clarke '82, a wildlife management graduate, works as a Senior Scientist for SAIC (Science Applications International Corporation). She and

her husband reside in Buckley, WA. Her hobbies include dogs, llamas, hiking and gardening.

Tom Cantarine '82, a business administration graduate, works as Senior Programmer Analyst for Health Net. He and his wife reside in Chatsworth, CA. His hobbies include scouting, camping, hiking, biking, swimming, skiing and music.

Michael Sagehorn '83, a political science graduate, works as a Social Studies Teacher in Antioch, CA. Michael coaches youth rugby and serves a Boy Scouts of America Scoutmaster.

Kent Cooper '84, a business administration/computer information systems graduate, works as a Systems Analyst for Lockheed Martin in the Bay Area.

Robb Fishman '85, a geology and geography graduate, works as an Environmental Services Group Manager for Michael Baker Jr., Inc. in Houston, TX.

Andrew Tubbs '85, a business administration graduate, works in the information systems industry as the Founder/Owner/Consultant for Thought Streams, Inc. in Acworth, GA. Andrew's hobbies include softball, golf, hiking, fishing and boating.

Joe Vitti '85, a business administration graduate, works as the Owner of JV Construction Company in Van Nuys, CA. Joe enjoys spending time in nature, especially with

birds and rivers.

Steven Clark '85, a geology graduate, works as a Senior Hydrogeologist for RRM, Inc. He and his wife reside in Santa Cruz, CA. His hobbies include

disc golf, bicycling, hiking and camping. His affiliations include:

Association of Ground Water Scientists and Engineers (branch of the National Ground Water Association) and member (amateur) of the Professional Disc Golf Association.

Carl Carranza '85, a marine biology and zoology graduate, works as the Lead Outreach Instructor for the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County. He and his wife reside in Huntington Beach, CA.

Gregory Arnold '86, a geology graduate, is the Owner of Forkland Springs Farm, LLC. Gregory's hobbies include flying, sailing, fishing, working on the farm and raising his kids.

Peggy Hosler '87, a social work graduate, works as a Returns Cashier at Home Depot in Kalispell, MT. She writes: "Hello to all from beautiful northwest Montana!"

Chris Rombach '88, a biology graduate, is working in the marketing field as the President of Stedim Inc. Chris and his wife live in Benicia, CA. His hobbies include SCUBA diving, paintball, waterskiing and travel.

Kathy Christie '88, a computer information systems graduate, works

as an Integrated Project Manager for Boeing Information Technology. She resides in Renton, WA.

Rebecca Beal '88, an art history graduate, works as Adjunct

Faculty within the California Community College System. She lives in Richmond, CA.

Chris Taylor '89, a business administration graduate, works as a Sales Manager for Lithia

Automotive in Spokane, WA. Chris's hobbies include fishing, hunting, reading and hockey.

Daren Cooper '89, an English graduate, works as the Senior Technology Manager

Up Close »

I still remember the Navy recruiter who came to HSC, where I was the only salmon majoring in Fisheries. After testing in Eureka I started the process of getting into Naval Aviation. It was the Navy that made teaching affordable for me. I am now retired from both the Navy and teaching. ● As things turned out, I never practiced in the Fisheries area although I used my science background in teaching Biology. My Navy duty in Hawaii let me meet my wife of 41 years on the officers



beach at Fort deRussy while I was on active duty there. ● I have two kids. Kathy is a speech & language pathologist here in the Midwest and Jeff is a patent lawyer in Chicago. The Navy used to pay me disgusting sums of money while in the Naval

Air Reserve to fly to and over the ocean, but those days are gone now. Indianapolis has been a great place to raise a family, but I really miss the trees, mountains, and the ocean.

● Just a short note about Humboldt and the Navy. When I registered for the first time in the library, Dr. Salo almost fell off of his chair laughing about a Salmon who wanted to major in Fisheries. While in Naval flight training at Pensacola I was tagged with the name 'Fish.' That name stuck, and I'm known as 'Fish' Salmon. ● If any of my old Fisheries or Wildlife buddies read this, contact me at CaptSalmon@aol.com

-Captain Wayne "Fish" Salmon
Humboldt State College, Class of 1958

at Sovereign Bank in Wyoming, PA.

Kay DeHorney '89, a sociology graduate, works as a Social Case Worker in the Compton Unified School District in Compton, CA. She writes: "I like to spend time with my child. In my spare time I do crafting. I'm very involved in my school community in making social change take place."

1990's

Chris Hopkins '90, a history graduate, is the Director of Patient Financial Services with St. James Healthcare in Butte, MT. He obtained his MBA from University of Utah.

Allison Castner '90, a theater arts graduate, works as the Theatre Arts Program Director for Faith Baptist Schools in Canoga Park, CA.

Ken Houldsworth '90, a masters of business administration graduate, works as Branch Manager for LPL Financial Services in Arcata, CA.

Chris Rollins '91, a business administration graduate, works as a Broker for Massone Realty in Las Vegas, NV.

Krista Bradley '91, an Art/Teacher Preparation graduate, works as an Art Teacher in the Kent School District in Kent, WA. Krista's hobbies include dragon boating, hiking, biking and windsurfing. Krista is a foster parent.

Nicole Sheets '92, a business administration graduate, is working as an Internal Audit

Manager for First American Title Insurance Company in San Jose, CA.

Ken Farnsworth III '92, a geography graduate with a master's degree in social science, works as Manager of Sun God Farms in Willits, CA.

Elisa (Cobin) Coburn '92, a child development graduate, works as the Director of the Culver City Unified School District's Office of Child Development. Her affiliations include the National Association for the Education of Young Children and the California Child Development Administrators Association. Elisa and her husband reside in Encino, CA.

Scott Kennedy '92, a marine fisheries graduate, works in the pharmaceutical industry as a Research Associate at BD Biosciences in San Diego, CA.

Markus Willoughby '92, a philosophy graduate, works as an Attorney in the Bay Area. Markus's hobbies include: footbag, biking, weightlifting, cooking, reading, camping, wine and medicine.

Markus and his family live in Oakland, CA. He writes: "Let me say hello to a friend who I have lost touch with along the way. He's one of the best friends a guy could have, John Mesquida (I may have the spelling wrong on the last name). If you ever read this, I'd love to hear from you. Peace everyone."

Kristin Klamm-Doneen '92, a philosophy graduate, works as a Philosophy Instructor for Central Washington University and Yakima Valley Community College. Kristin resides in Yakima, WA.

Mike Bildeau '92, an environmental science graduate, works as an Environmental Project Manager for the Department of Navy in San Diego, CA.

Steve Mollin '92, a computer information systems graduate, works in the engineering/research industry as a Development Manager for ISM in Burlingame, CA.

Ty (Timothy) Lain '92 works as an English as a Second Language Teacher for his own business, N.Y.

English. Ty lives in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and writes: "I'd love to hear from some of the ol' classmates from

Interpersonal Communications with Dr. Yingling or Acting with Marilyn Bennett or Forests and Culture with Bill Devall."

David Parrott Jr. '90 and '93, a botany graduate with a master's degree in biology, works as a Postdoctoral Research

Associate at Montana State University-Bozeman. He obtained his Ph.D in plant molecular biology from Utah State University. David is affiliated with the American Society of Plant Biologists. He writes: "I am working on nitrogen remobilization in barley to reduce

the need for additional fertilizer application. I'm also snowboarding and mountain biking a lot!"

Brett Newland '93, an English graduate, is a Business Analyst for Nestle USA in Glendale, CA.

Corey Cleland '93, a business administration graduate, works in the construction industry as a Project Manager for Cary & Associates Builders, Inc. in Sebastopol, CA. Corey enjoys hunting, fishing, camping, four-wheeling, skiing and "anything with my kids."

Mark Marks '93, a wildlife/fisheries graduate, works as a Research Biologist for a Shark Research Center and South African Museum. Mark resides in Oakland Park, FL.

Mark Velez '94, a history graduate, works as an Automotive Technician and resides in Seattle, WA.

Melissa Kirk '94, an English graduate, works in the printing/publishing industry as an Acquisitions Editor for New Harbinger Publications in Oakland, CA. She is also editorial manager for Superstition Street Press.

Alicia (Salas) Tuso '94, a social work graduate, works as a Social Worker for Family Youth and Children Services (child protective services) in Santa Rosa, CA.

James Goran '94, a mathematics graduate, is a Teacher in the Anaheim Union High School District. James

and his wife **Brenda '94** live in Placentia, CA.

Jonathan Oleyar '94, a wildlife/environmental ethics graduate, works as a Marine Fisheries Biologist for the Suquamish Indian Tribe in Suquamish, WA. Jonathan enjoys fishing, mountain biking, mountain climbing, backpacking, writing, photography, gardening, soccer, softball and birding.

Eli Hallak '94, a physical education graduate, works as the Head Certified Athletic Trainer at St. Francis High School in La Canada, CA.

Art Fernandez '95, a political sciences graduate, is a Global User Experience Manager for Robert Half International in Pleasanton, CA. He is married and enjoys tennis, photography, camping and hiking.

David Justice '95, an industrial technology graduate, works for Sawyer Cook Insurance. He and his wife reside in San Bernardino, CA.

Hannah Ford '95, a social science graduate, works as a Singer/Songwriter for Hannah Ford Music. She writes: "I love kids and was an elementary school teacher for seven years. Currently I'm a full-time music artist and travel and play around the country. I lead worship at my church when I can, too. I love traveling in other countries, photography, painting, hiking, and trying out new ethnic foods. I love Jesus and I love being

able to share His love with others."

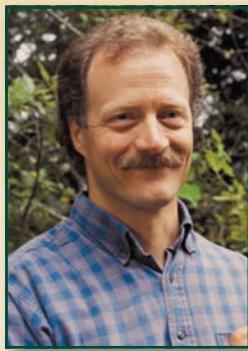
Christy Gurley '95, a biological sciences and international communications graduate, works as the Owner of Starshine Designs. She writes: "After HSU I lived in Switzerland and Germany. Then I came back and worked as a web page designer. I enjoy creating abstract art, travel photography, greeting cards and jewelry. I still miss beautiful Humboldt County! I moved briefly to Northern California and am now living in Denver, Colorado."

Kelly (Cook) Cavin '96, a journalism graduate, works as the Director of Marketing for Financial Research Associates, LLC. She and her husband live in Aptos, CA. They just had their first child, a baby girl, in July.

Mike Comalli '96, a business administration graduate, is a Project Scheduler for the San Diego County Water Authority in San Diego, CA.

Daniel Wells '96, a recreation administration graduate, is living in Costa Rica working on starting a movie theater and working as a Surf Instructor and Dive master. He tells us the great thing is, not only is the lifestyle a little slower and easy going, one gets to practice their Spanish also.

Paul Boehne '96, a graduate of the natural resources/fisheries master's degree program, works as a Forest



Dr. T. Luke George *Professor of Wildlife* 2003-2004 Scholar of the Year

Dr. George, chairman of the Wildlife Department, was recognized for the research he and his students have conducted on the effects of forest management on bird and mammal populations, and the ecological interactions among wildlife and their environment. All of his former graduate students are either working in natural resource management positions, or are in Ph.D. programs.

A member of HSU's faculty since 1991, Dr. George has taught ornithology, conservation biology, and wildlife conservation and administration. He earned his Ph.D. in biology in 1987 from the University of New Mexico.

The Scholar of the Year Award recognizes current Humboldt State faculty whose research and creative projects have made substantial contributions to their fields, locally, nationally, and internationally. The Scholar of the Year Award was first awarded to Ken Aalto, Professor of Geology, in 1987.



Dr. Susan Armstrong *Professor of Philosophy* 2003-2004 Scholar of the Year

Dr. Armstrong was selected for this award because of her demonstrated record of superlative teaching. Armstrong, a philosophy professor who also teaches for the women's studies department, came to HSU in 1972.

"I love ideas in general, and love to share them with students. Having students share my excitement concerning issues and also being challenged by student perceptions is the best kind of life I can imagine! It is a very nourishing endeavor. In addition, I believe that encouraging the critical thinking of students is the best way to contribute to our society. Philosophy develops critical thinking because it is the most profound discipline. It goes the deepest in its analysis and extends the farthest in its synthesis. It takes nothing for granted," Armstrong said.

Armstrong earned her Ph.D. in Philosophy from Bryn Mawr College in 1976.

The Outstanding Professor of the Year Award is awarded for superlative teaching. The Outstanding Professor of the Year Award was first awarded to Harry Griffith, Professor of Education and Fred Telonicher, Professor of Zoology, in 1964.

In Memoriam 2003-2004

Reese Bullen	Emeritus Professor, Art	1946-1976**
Max W. Butler	Emeritus Professor, Art	1957-1982
John W. DeWitt	Emeritus Professor, Fisheries	1949-1978**
Isabel Gaasch	Lecturer, Speech & Hearing, Education	1977-1995
Monica W. Hadley	Dean of Women, Physical Education	1938-1945**
John C. Hennessy	Emeritus Professor, History, Administrator	1965-1991**
Bob R. Kittleson	Emeritus Professor, Economics	1958-1983**
Edwin W. Pierson	Emeritus Professor, Forestry	1953-1979**
William J. Sullivan	Emeritus Professor, Forestry	1974-1996**
James D. Turner	Emeritus Professor, Sociology	1966-1980

Memorial contributions are welcome. Contact Mary Wells in University Advancement, (707) 826-5135 or wells@humboldt.edu for more information.
Humboldt State University, 1 Harpst Street, Arcata, CA 95521

** Designated memorial funds have been established.

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Fish Biologist for the Wallowa Whitman National Forest in Baker City, OR. He and his wife reside in Cove, OR. **Ben Hung '96**, an environmental resources engineering graduate, works as a Water Resources Engineer for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. Ben resides in Madison, WI.

Jon Berg '97, an environmental planning graduate, is working as a Planning Manager for Dudek & Associates in Palm Desert, CA.

Zoe Strauss '97, a child development

graduate, works in the new technology industry as a Regulatory Affairs Specialist for Skeletal Kinetics in the Bay Area.

Keith Sheffield '97, a journalism graduate, works as the Managing Editor for Tahoe World. His hobbies include cycling, photography and road tripping. He's involved with the local Boys & Girls Club, and recently joined the board of directors of the local women's services agency that works

to prevent domestic violence and sexual assault.

Gregory Elvine-Kreis

'97, a social science graduate, works as an Attorney for the Law Offices of Mark A. Berg. Gregory received his law degree from University of San Diego School of Law. Gregory and his wife **Brenda '93** reside in Sacramento, CA.

Derek Person '97, a business administration graduate, works in finance for the Oakland Raiders, in Oakland, CA.

Katie (Komaroff)

Cary '97, a biology graduate, works in the pharmaceutical industry as an Operations Manager for Medarex.

...and Personal » In 1970, Jim Noel ('72) and Kathryn Cadwalader ('72) met in Dr. Recuerda's Spanish Literature class and became good friends and study partners. After graduating, they lost touch. In

2001, with the help of the Alumni directory and the Internet, Jim tracked Kay down. They renewed their friendship and in November 2003 they married. In June 2004, Jim and Kay made a special trip



to HSU to revisit Founders Hall, the Arcata plaza and other old haunts.

If you found love at Humboldt State University we want to hear from YOU! We are working on a special article for the next Humboldt Stater.

Send your story to:

HSU Alumni Association, Attn: Humboldt Stater,

1 Harpst Street, Arcata, CA 95521

or email your story to: alumni@humboldt.edu

Reunion Update!

Athletes who attended Humboldt State from 1955-1963 are invited to a Homecoming Weekend Reunion on Friday, September 24th from 3 to 7 pm at the North Coast Inn in Arcata. Contact Warren Baker at 760-949-3078 for details.

2000's

Lori Fenstermacher

'00, an oceanography graduate with GIS & Remote Sensing Certification, works as an Oceanographer for National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration in Silver Spring, MD. Lori's hobbies include environmental education and physical oceanography.

Manja Argue '00, an Interdisciplinary, Philosophy, English, Journalism graduate, Manja lives in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico. Manja is retired and spends time writing poetry and short stories. She also holds writing workshops for other amateur writers. She writes: "I am retired and attended HSU on the over 60's program. My life has been enriched as a result."

Brandi (Muller)

Buckman '00, a business administration graduate, works in the public relations field as an Account Executive for Waggener Edstrom. Brandi and her husband reside in Tigard, OR.

She and her husband reside in Gilroy, CA. twice. His hobbies include black-and-white photography.

Ulrich Nobis '98, graduated with a master's degree in business administration. Ulrich is working in the field of Project Management/Consulting in Cologne, Germany.

Cecilia Rahner '98 and '03, a Spanish graduate with an learning handicapped credential, works as a Special Day Class Teacher for the Humboldt County Office of Education. Cecilia resides in Arcata, CA.

Jenny Turner '98, an elementary education graduate, was recently chosen as the Pioneer Elementary School Teacher of the Year in the Escondido Union School District.

Dan Jackson '99, an English graduate, is working as the News Editor for The Daily World in Hoquiam, WA.

He and his wife have two children, ages 6 and 4. Dan won the Society of Professional Journalists' Western Washington Chapter awards

Michael Hewson '00, a fine art graduate, works as the Owner of www.mhewson.com, a fine art and web design business. Michael resides in Port Hadlock, WA. He writes: "I am currently working with the Silkroad Foundation out of Stanford University as the web lead on a new site design. Also, I am working with the Association for the Protection of Afghan Archaeology, Inc. at apaa.info to create a web presence for the recovery of the reclining Buddha at Bamiyan."

Ardella Koester '01, a mathematics graduate, is a High School Teacher in the Washington Unified School District in Antelope, CA.

Kristina Beauregard '01, an elementary education graduate, works as a Teacher for Hamilton Elementary School in Rosamond, CA.

Mary Bartholomew '01, a biology graduate, works as an Environmental Scientist for the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control

Board. Mary resides in Riverside, CA.

Robert Casey '01, an environmental sciences graduate, works as a Scientist for EA Engineering, Science & Technology in East Syracuse, NY.

Carolyn (Reid) Ferrero '01, a liberal studies elementary education graduate, works as an English Language Arts Teacher and Junior Varsity Basketball Coach in the Bonita

Unified School District. Her affiliations include the Covina Community Concert Band and Red Dragon Karate. She and her husband reside in Azusa, CA.

David Grant '01, a fisheries graduate, works as a Biological Science Technician for the US Bureau of Reclamation in Red

Bluff, CA.

Lorain Renner-

Wauters '01, a social work graduate, works as ASW Trainee for the Bereavement Project at Hospice of Humboldt and the Humboldt

in the areas of research & technologies and educational curriculums & media assistance to promote new/revised ideas about environmental sustainability. I'm simultaneously obtaining an MA

Brian Zelenke '02, an oceanography graduate, works as a Graduate Research Assistant for Oregon State University's College of Oceanic and Atmospheric Sciences (COAS).

His hobbies include physical oceanography, SCUBA diving, and going to the beach with his wife and son. He is affiliated with the American Geophysical Union (AGU). Brian and his family reside in Corvallis, OR.

Jessica (Agnew) Tolman '02,

a speech communication graduate, works as a Marketing/Development Assistant for the Maui Academy of Performing Arts. Jessica and her family reside in Wailuku, HI.

Susie Johnson '02, a forestry graduate, is working to becoming a law enforcement officer at a local community college. She works for the United States Postal Service. Susie resides in Duluth, MN.

Jenny Kranz Allen '02, graduated with

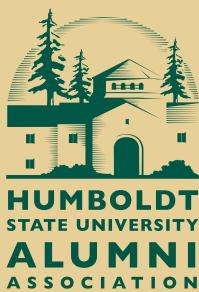
a masters degree in wildlife management. She is a housewife and lives in Cape May Court House, NJ.

Paul Rogers '00 and '03, an speech communicaton graduate with a masters degree in English, works as a Research Assistant for University of California Santa Barbara. His professional affiliations include: the Association of Business Communication, National Council of Teachers of English, California

Association of Teachers of English, Curriculum Study Commission, Conference on College Composition and Communication and the University of California, Santa Barbara Writing Program.

Gina Giacone '03, an environmental resources engineering graduate, works as a Staff Engineer for Summit Engineering, Inc. Gina works and resides in Santa Rosa, CA.

Save the Date!
The Department of Wildlife, along with Members of the Conservation Unlimited Alumni Association, are having a reunion August 12-14, 2005 in Arcata. Please contact Lisa Ollivier by e-mail at lollivier@fs.fed.us or call 707-444-3550. Event Web page: www.humboldt1.com/~lbjent



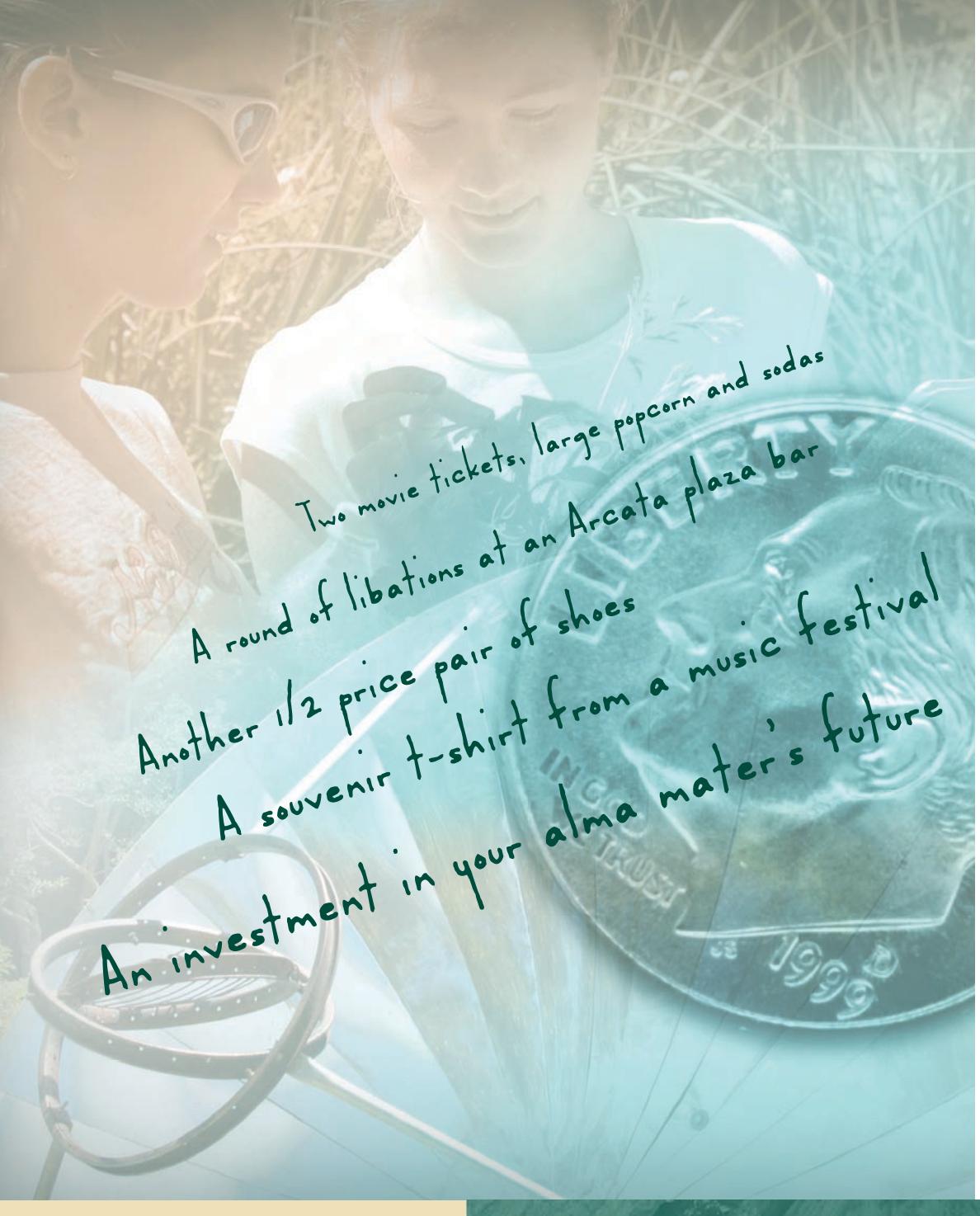
Humboldt Alumni Volunteer Network

Come share your positive HSU experience with those who want to attend **Humboldt** in the future! The Office of Admissions is starting a **volunteer** Ambassador Alumni Program to begin Fall 2004. If you are interested in assisting with recruitment efforts, please contact: **Rhonda Geldin, Admissions Counselor and Program Coordinator**, at: geldin@humboldt.edu

Share your Success! The Office of Admissions is interested in collecting **business cards** from alumni. They are creating a Web page that lists the cards so prospective students can

see where graduates get jobs. If you do not mind a **prospective student** seeing your card and e-mailing you to inquire about your **HSU experience** (assuming your e-mail address is on the card), please send it to:

Scott Hagg, Director of Admissions, Humboldt State University, 1 Harpst Street, Arcata, CA 95521



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