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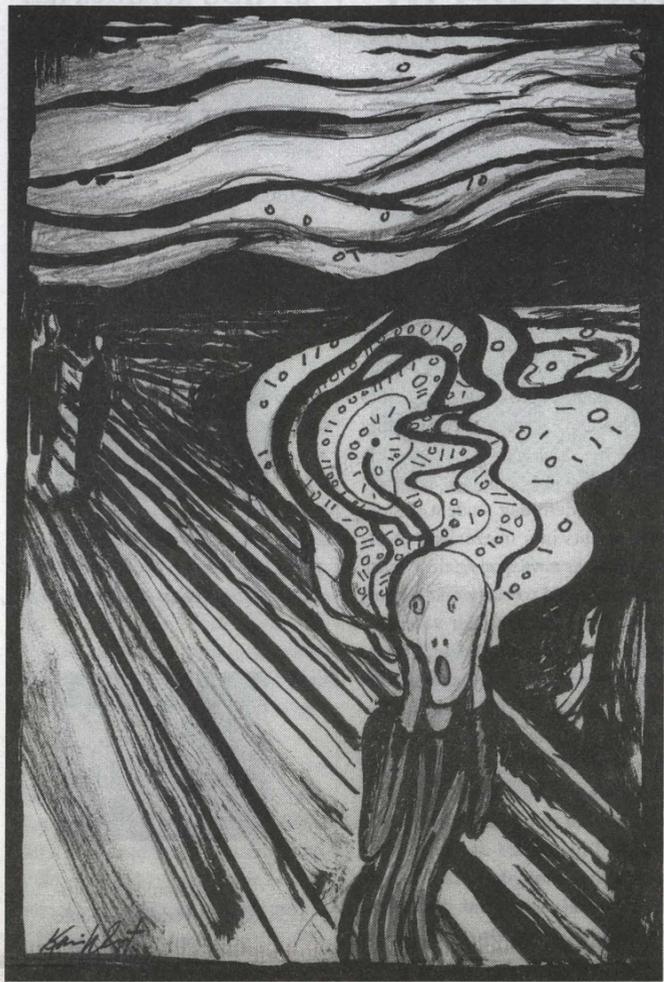


ILLUSTRATION KARI WRIGHT

CAMPUS WIRED

Part 3: Hypothetical case in the Wild Wireless

By Vuong Phung
LAYOUT EDITOR

Along with high-speed wireless Internet access in classroom buildings such as Kalia and Olona, it is possible to broadcast an entire lecture onto the Internet instantly. That is the good news. The bad part: with a tiny Web-cam the Webcast could be done without the knowledge of the professor or the participating students. The ugly part: the campus has no means of distinguishing such activities from normal activities like surfing the Web.

Two issues involved in this hypothetical case: the unapproved mass distribution of intellectual property created by professors and the privacy of individual students or faculty.

Should the campus catch the dis-

tributor, a complaint will be filed and sent to the office of Mona Lee, Dean of Students. She would then research to see whether the conduct violated any campus guidelines and take disciplinary action if necessary. Since the issue involved the use of technology, she might ask for an opinion from Mike Tagawa, Dean of Technology.

Tagawa said he would deal with this case like every other case, regardless of which method the culprit used.

"I see the issue of technology as a transparent matter," Tagawa said. "Misusage of intellectual property — be it by photocopy, pen-and-paper, voice recorder or videotaping — the intention is the same. If the

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Moving ForWard

Framing the debate between free speech and tax dollars

By Vuong Phung
LAYOUT EDITOR

With all of the threats on his life and tenure muddled in the background, Ward Churchill defended his essays by attacking the critics and made the case of why firing him would be a loss in academic integrity. He did this while accusing certain reporters of jumping on the media bandwagon instead of doing their own research, and labeled FOX News as "urinary sort of journalism."

The controversial professor from the University of Colorado drew a crowd of more than 700 attendants to his Tuesday, Feb. 23 presentation at the U.H. Art Auditorium (AA). But 15 minutes prior to the event, campus security said the AA could not accommodate any more than 300 people without violating the fire code. The announcement drew loud boos and hisses from the remaining 350 to 400 people, who were forced listen via audio feed.

THE CROWD

About 15 minutes into the speech, the outside group grew agitated and shouted demands to "move it onto the steps," an outside location that guaranteed more space.

The question of where the event should have been held became the topic of whispers among the crowd, as plans to host the event at Andrew's Amphitheater were also aborted. Student Media Adviser Jay Hartwell said he did not know why the event was not hosted in Student Center, which could easily hold up to 800 people. Several students said the AA was the smallest conference room on the campus.

A man in the crowd shouted in anger, "You would think that they would be prepared for this."

After another series of chanting, a spokesperson told the crowd of the situation.

"We're supposed to have another room (Kuykendall 101) with the live video feed, but apparently the feed had been cut. I don't want to start any rumors, it could be technical difficulty."

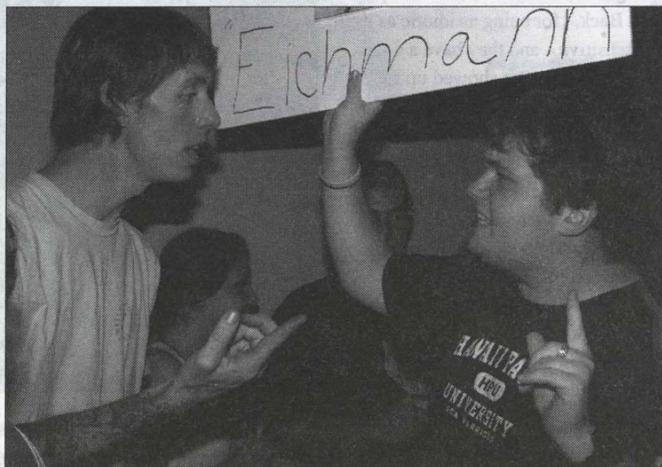


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Dan Hoedemaker (left) debated with HPU Freshman Mathew Talley (right).

About 7:30 p.m., a man with a speaker came out and for the remaining time the crowd listened to the live audio feed.

THE MESSAGE

Titled "Speaking Truth to Power: Academic Freedom in the Age of Terror," Churchill themed his speech around an academic institution's right to "stimulate critical engagement," although his opponents "wanted none of it."

"The right to speak is unconstrained — that is the right vested in every citizen in the United States," he said and pointed out that it is the job of those in the academic field to be critical, "to raise uncomfortable questions, to insult people if you will in order to force response and in that response form a dialogue that furthers the public understanding of the issue."

It is the "insult" part that drew opposition to Churchill's speech. Commenting on the events of 9/11, which he called "inevitable," he said that critics wrongly framed him as one who praised the attack.

Churchill said he regretted having only 12 hours to develop the thesis, but since then had refined, explained further, and provided more than 170 footnotes.

He also addressed the misunderstanding of his calling of the 9/11 victims "Little Eichmans inhabiting the sterile sanctuary of the twin towers." This analogy referred to

Adolf Eichman, a Nazi officer who had indirectly killed Jews through ensuring functional logistics for the Holocaust.

He said the reference did not include janitors, food-service workers, children, and the random passerby, but rather it had been "narrowed down to people functioning the brokerage and trading capacity."

But if the policy makers in the Pentagon labeled woman and children as "collateral damage," and the American public agreed with that, Churchill said it would not be unexpected to hear that the terrorists viewed the 9/11 victims as fair game as well.

"I wanted Americans to think a different way," he said and implied the need to understand the causality of politics.

THE REACTION

Resident Lisa Padeken came with an open mind and wanted to hear what Churchill had to say. But like many others, she had no luck of getting in. She sat far away from the crowd, with the audio feed murmuring in the background, and said that she had "no problem" with the Colorado professor being "an instigator who used controversy as a tool to get the message across."

"It's a technique that people use, but ultimately we would be hurt

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They're not shooting at us

Canada has opted to drop out of the two-billion dollar U.S. missile defense program, which has now failed three trial efforts.

Full story @ www.ap.com



GOOGLE

Man bites dog.

A blind man in Scotland has been arrested for cruelty to animals, after witnesses saw him biting and kicking his seeing eye dog.

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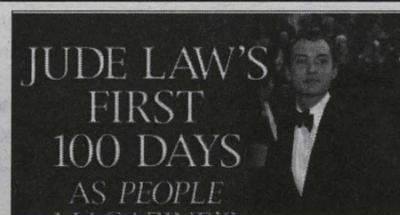


VOLKSTUDIOS

Ach du lieber!

A judge dealt a blow to Germany's 500 year old beer purity law by allowing beer sweetened with sugar to be marketed as beer.

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It's hard being pretty

Jude Law looks back on his first 100 days pursuing sexy agenda.

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EDITORIAL

Churchill exercises the First Amendment

Many have criticized University of Colorado Professor Ward Churchill's outrageous essay, "Some People Push Back," for being as idiotic as it is insensitive – and they have a good point. And when he showed up for a press conference and public lecture at U.H. Manoa, many wondered whether this contemptible character should even be allowed to spread his extremist viewpoints on campus grounds – and perhaps they too have a good point. But after spending some time contemplating the issue, it seems that U.H. officials did the right thing in allowing the now-infamous professor to exercise his First Amendment right – something that several other universities throughout the nation have failed to do.

Certainly, most who have heard the remarks made in this over three-year-old essay would agree that they are ridiculous, and that many of the examples used were far-fetched and disrespectful to say the very least. But this does not mean that he should have his opinion – and that's all it is, an opinion – repressed. Yes, his beliefs are unpopular and maybe they shouldn't be taken any more seriously than Jose Canseco's new book, but given the recent explosion of media attention that has gained it so much notoriety, isn't it better to allow students to confront this issue by meeting it head on, rather than censoring it because of a few offensive comments?

After all, this wasn't something that Churchill was necessarily teaching to his students, or even promoting as fact, it was merely an expression of his outlook on the situation. And while it is true that anyone can make offensive comments – such as comparing 9/11 victims to Nazi war criminals – and gain infamy through them, such remarks should not be allowed to impair our own beliefs – like that of free speech. Censorship by the university would be a far greater offense than the remarks made by one man, and it is commendable that U.H. did the right thing.

Of course, the university definitely should not have used its funds



PHOTO VUONG PHUNG

MAKING THEIR DISSENTS HEARD: even the protesters enjoyed free speech despite how distastful their signs were.

to bring Churchill to its campus, and it is to their credit that they didn't. Instead, donations and private funding paid the professor's way, giving both Churchill and the students an opportunity to confront and debate each other. And isn't this what college is all about? Being exposed to different points of views, and deciphering why you do or do not agree with them, thereby gaining further understanding of your own personal beliefs.

The university has been a great example not only for Hawaii, but for the nation as a whole, in their conduct of the situation. Unlike the 2001 ACLU Hawaii Board of Directors, who brought shame to our state by denying Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas an invitation to participate in a debate on the basis that he was a so-called "Uncle Tom" (though this was later repealed), or the numerous universities throughout the nation who have refused Churchill's the right to speak, U.H. has maintained its dignity and upheld the rights of all Americans. It is to this honorable action that we, as Americans, regardless of political beliefs, should tip our hats to the University of Hawaii for sticking to their convictions and doing such an admirable thing.

The Editorial is co-written by all editors of The Kapiō Newspress.

WE MADE MISTAKES

The article "Glitches still exist for campus recycling program and HI 5 bill" in the Feb. 23 issue of The Kapiō Newspress stated that political science professor Joshua Cooper petitioned the city for a campus recycling bin. It was actually the students in Cooper's class who petitioned the city for the recycling bin that is located in parking lot C.

Also in the Feb. 23 Issue, the editorial said, "No legal ramifications can affect bloggers, and they are not subject to liable laws." Liable should have been spelled libel, and the statement is incorrect. Bloggers are subject to legal ramifications, including libel. However, they are able to avoid many libel lawsuits by claiming their Weblogs to be entirely their opinion.

The Kapiō Newspress regrets the errors.

Nature's fast food not hard to come by

By Danielle Lemay
The California Aggie (U. California-Davis)

(U-WIRE) DAVIS, Calif. - Ever wonder what people did before McDonald's? I imagine our Paleolithic ancestors ate nuts year-round, squirreling them into pouches and carting them on hunting treks. No cooking or refrigeration necessary -- just crack and serve.

As a modern-day student, I store shelled nuts in a freezer bag in my backpack as a weapon against snack attacks. I used to carry energy bars like Clif or Balance, but within an hour or two of eating a bar, I transformed into a mad woman in search of a sugar fix -- with all of the disposition and verbal aptitude of The Incredible Hulk but without the bulging green muscles.

A handful of nuts does more than ward off the Hulk -- it provides me with enough long-term fuel to bike to a grocery store and then home to prepare dinner. Or if I'm simply eating out, the nut snack helps me choose a more rational meal. Suddenly, a farmer's green salad seems totally right.

Aside from their incredible convenience and satiating power, nuts are surprisingly healthy. They supply essential minerals that are usually low or vacant in Western diets such as magnesium, potassium, manganese, copper, and selenium. Nuts are also naturally high in dietary fiber, protein, and monounsaturated fats (the good kind).

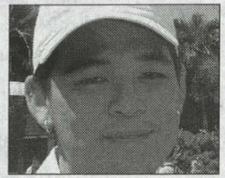
Recently, nut consumption has been linked to the prevention of heart disease. The FDA validated this health claim for the daily consumption of 1.5 ounces (a small handful) of almonds, hazelnuts, pecans, pistachios, walnuts or peanuts. In one study, people who ate nuts five or more times per week had a 50 percent reduction in their risk of heart disease compared with

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SPEAK OUT

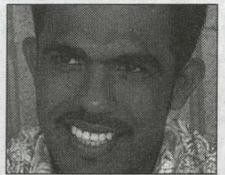
The mortality rate due to AIDS in Africa has doubled during the past five years, what's your solution?

Questions and Photos by:
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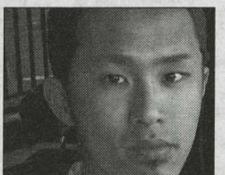
Provide better sex education.

—Travis Yokoyama



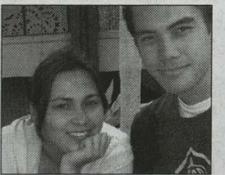
There should be a program to educate people about how they're getting the disease and how they can protect themselves from getting it.

—Indrajit Gunasekara



African people need to know how to protect themselves. I think maybe they don't know how to protect themselves, because of the lack of sexual education.

—Hisashi Sekiguchi



People should be more educated about the disease and be provided resources to get protection. There should be different forms of education: from plays to comics for kids. More visual aids will help adults understand more about the disease, since there is a lack of education in Africa.

—Latisha Kacka (left) and

Dominic Kick (right)

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Step-by-step recipe from a fella who dresses like a gent

POLITICALLY CHALLENGED

by Paul Kolbe



At some point in the last five years the term metrosexual entered the vernacular of the common American, and with really no positive impact whatsoever.

It used to be that to be manly required a tailored suit and a hat to match — think Frank Sinatra. Now the fear of being perhaps put in the category of metrosexual has inspired the young American male to swear off any basic knowledge of dressing beyond the cargo-pants, vintage tee, and trucker hat outfit. Not that there is a problem with the Abercrombie&Fitch ensemble, I enjoy aspects of it myself, except for the trucker hat that is. But there comes a time in every man's life, and we're all men, at least when it's time to break the handcuffs out (yes, that has a double meaning), when it is perhaps time to trade in Ashton Kutcher for a good, and better dressed, actor.

So, since fashion is in the air, here are some basic tips for the average guy.

Shaving, a pet peeve of most men. Wash your face with hot water, it will soften the beard and open the pores. Avoid using a facial scrub; it will rub off all the natural oils. Next, try using pre-shave oil, then placing shaving gel or shave soap on top. Avoid brands with menthol in it. Use a sharp razor, Mach 3 is hard to beat, and shave with the grain first. Rinse intermittently with water as hot as you can stand. For a closer shave you can shave again against the grain, but not before reapplying more lubricant. Afterwards, use an aftershave containing little, or better yet, no alcohol — it will dry your skin. And unless your 83 years old, avoid any brands with the words, old, velvet, or musk in the name. If you wear cologne, a dab below the neck, and another on the wrists is sufficient, and don't forget the deodorant.

Now that you're spick and span,

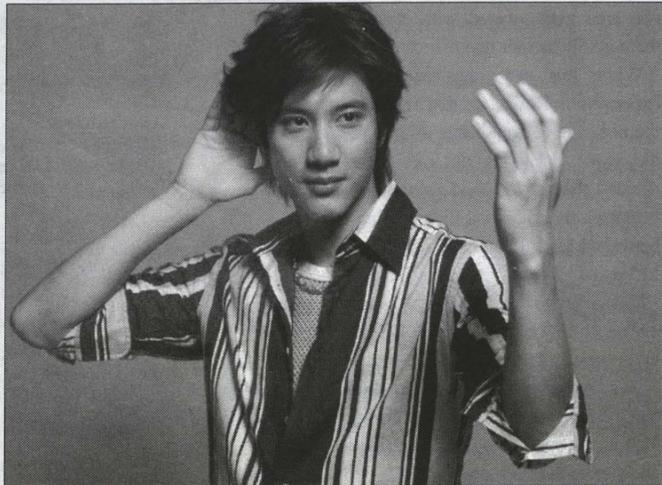


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it is time to get dressed. But what to wear? If you're like most college students, money is an issue, so here are the basic necessities, for most occasions.

Black and brown dress shoes: Which are to be worn with corresponding colored belts. There is absolutely, positively no exception to the black shoe = black belt, and brown shoe = brown belt, rule. None! The brown should also be similar tones.

Socks: Socks should match the pants is the general rule. Black socks with brown shoes are unacceptable, same for brown socks with black shoes. White socks are completely unacceptable for both. Yes, this includes sneaker shoes!

Jeans: Not distressed or super flared, but pretty basic blue jeans, which can go with either pair of shoes.

Khaki or similar type pants: Ones that can be worn for informal and semi-formal occasions are best. Avoid pleats, and cuffs. In fact never buy a pair of pants with either again.

Polo shirt: Not necessarily of the Ralph Lauren status, goes with anything, including surf shorts.

Crisp white button down long sleeved shirt: Preferably with no pocket, and those stupid tie buttons. Looks good at the club, and at dinner. Every man should have and wear one.

A tie: We all hate them, but just

Metrosexual (met.roh.SEK.shoo.ul)

n. An urban male with a strong aesthetic sense who spends a great deal of time and money on his appearance and lifestyle.

get one for those rare occasions. Make it medium width, because that never goes out of style. And unless you are recruiting for God or selling cars, never wear a tie without a jacket (unless it is draped over a chair nearby, or you will look like, well, like you're recruiting for God or selling cars. Oh, and three quarters down the belt buckle is the ideal length to wear it.

Navy blue blazer: Goes with jeans, goes with khakis, goes with black and brown shoes (brown is better), and even goes well with those vintage tees underneath.

It is good to have black slacks and a black blazer as well, but not an absolute necessity.

All these items are great to cover those nicer occasions, dates, funerals and fancy clubs, but even better to mix with everything else in your wardrobe. Have fun with it, and remember, fashion is not the profession of the metrosexual, or gay man, it is the profession of men.

nut eaters had a slight trend toward weight loss.

You are probably thinking that this is all fine and dandy, but nuts are about as affordable as textbooks. Yeah, the Planter's variety is a little pricey. Here's a little secret: Trader Joe's in Sacramento sells nuts in sealed bags for way cheaper than energy bars. You can get a whole pound of peanuts for \$1.79, a pound of almonds for \$3.69 or a pound of walnuts for \$3.79. To put this in perspective, an ounce of peanuts at this price costs roughly 12 cents while the equivalent calories in an energy bar would cost a dollar or more. At least once per quarter, I squirrel away a TJ's nut stash.

Nut procurement within Davis is a bit more wallet-bending. Also, nuts sold in typical grocery store

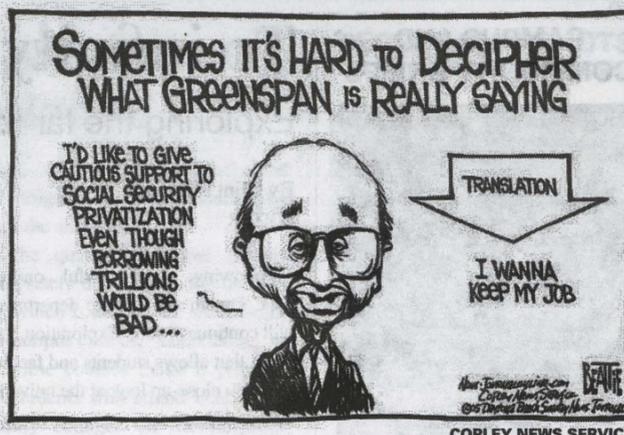
bulk bins tend to be rancid because they have been exposed to air and light for too long and their fats have oxidized. In short, they taste stale. Keep your nuts fresh by purchasing them in sealed bags and storing them sealed in a dark, cool place. If plain raw nuts are unappealing, try some that have been adorned with sugar, honey, salt or spices. But be careful not to get something too yummy or you'll be trolling for them when you're not hungry. For a healthier alternative, nuts can be paired with dried fruit like raisins, apricots, bananas and berries. My favorite combination is walnuts and dried cranberries (\$1.79 for a half pound at TJ's). For so little money, I get my daily dose of minerals, stay slim, and squash that inner Hulk.

Food:

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people who consumed nuts less than once per week. If there were a pill that could do all of these things, the lucky drug company would run TV commercials non-stop, without using mandatory airtime warnings for possible nausea, constipation and impotence.

Nuts are high in calories, so they are not yet generally promoted by nutritionists. Given the amount of non-muscular American bulging going on, this caution is understandable. But studies of people who are placed on nut diets without any other dietary constraints report that nut consumption does not lead to weight gain. Instead,



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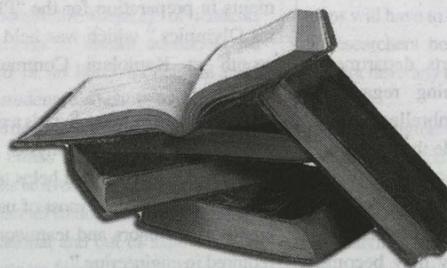
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**CAMPUS AND
COMMUNITY BRIEFS**

Kapiolani Community College's 17th Annual International Festival titled "Humanity" will take place on March 14, 15, 16, and 17 from 10 a.m. — 4 p.m. The festival will showcase the cultures of the world, and illustrate international education efforts on campus through lectures, panel discussions, exhibits, films, performances, and literary readings.

Dr. Steven Heine will present "Ghosts and Spirits in Japanese Zen Buddhism" at KCC on March 3, in Ohia 118, from 3:15- 4:30 p.m. Heine carries a long list of expert credentials, including being a professor in religious studies and history, and being Director of the Institute for Asian studies and the Institute for Judaic and Near Eastern Studies.

Four U.H. Manoa scientists have been invited to present their research at the American Association for the Advancement of Science annual meeting on Feb. 17-21, in Washington, D.C. The meeting is the world's premier interdisciplinary science forum, and will draw an estimated 6,000 scientists from around the world.

The four U.H. scientists to attend are, oceanographers David Karl and Craig Smith, astronomer Toby Owen, and Alan Tacon of the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources.

KCC's culinary arts department has issued a warning regarding the misuse of the umbrellas placed over the tables outside the cafeteria. According to the warning, students should refrain from tilting, or raising or lowering the umbrellas, due to concerns that they may become damaged or even dangerous if they catch the full force of the wind. An umbrella has already been permanently damaged because it was left tilted. Due to this, the other umbrellas have been removed until a solution is found to disable the tilt mechanism.

The culinary arts department's Junior ACF culinary team took second place in the Regional competition. According to reports, the team missed a trip to the National competition by "a slim margin." The members of the team are Lance Nitahara, Hai Van Chung, Robin Abad, Chris Dorsaneo, Robin Lee, and Regis Wong.

**To infinity and beyond:
Exploring the far reaches of our universe**

By Clint Kaneoka
EDITOR

Following a successful outing, KCC's math and science department will continue "Moon Exploration," an event that allows students and faculty to take a close-up look at the universe using telescopes.

The most recent outing, which was on Feb. 24, attracted about 40 people who were given the opportunity to observe a full moon and other distant sights.

"The reason we chose tonight was because of the full moon, and we had a really good turnout because of it," said Carlos Reyes, a student helper for the math and science department in charge of helping put the event together. "We looked at Saturn first, then the moon, then star clusters, and constellations. We also got to look at the rings on one of Saturn's moons. It was pretty cool."

The event is meant to enhance the astronomy program for students currently enrolled, and create awareness about the classes offered by the department. Therefore, nothing is charged to participate in the event, and no accessories need to be brought by viewers. Four telescopes were available at the last "Moon Exploration," and Reyes said that there were no problems in the viewings.

"We usually have the telescopes pointed at different locations in the sky," said Reyes. "This is just in case

one area gets covered with clouds; there is still another one to look at."

While this event has surpassed expectations, Reyes said that he hopes the next one is even better. Although the exact date has not yet been decided, the next "Moon Exploration" is tentatively scheduled for sometime between March 12 and 14, from noon to 3 p.m. in front of the cafeteria.

"We plan to hold the next event during the day," said Reyes. "This is the best time to look at the moon — it's brighter so you can see the craters more clearly. We are also going to look at sun spots using a special filter attached to the telescope."

Although the previous event was only the second of the semester, Reyes said that they plan to hold a similar one about every three weeks. However, since weather patterns are a major factor when exploring the sky, the event cannot be scheduled too far in advance, leaving announcements about it to be spread mostly through word of mouth.

"We really have to plan for weather," said Reyes. "When we are about 80-90 percent sure that the weather conditions will be good, we will get the word out. Last time, I asked teachers to announce the event to their students, passed out flyers, and put up my telescope during the day so that people could use it and I could spread the word about the event. I'll probably advertise the upcoming event in the same way."

Around the world in Photos

Provided by The New York Times



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A seawall on Okushiri, which was devastated by a tsunami in 1993. Some residents, and experts elsewhere, question the effort to control nature.



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Youths protesting last month in Baghdad blamed the government and the U.S. for gas and power shortages.

Students and faculty praise efforts of 'Physics Olympics'

By Diane S.W. Lee
STAFF WRITER

Physics students spent their Fridays, gathered around on the Great Lawn, testing out several experiments in preparation for the "Physics Olympics," which was held last month at Kapiolani Community College.

"It's time consuming, but it's a good experience," said KCC physics student, Janel Haberman. "It helps teach us teamwork, because most of us are engineering majors and teamwork is required in engineering."

Sponsored by American Association of Physics Teachers-Hawaii Section, the 16th Annual Physics Competition & Regional Bridge Building Contest was hosted this semester by KCC. Both KCC physics faculty, Associate Professor of Physics Maria Bautista and Associate Professor of Physics and Engineering John Rand supervised the event. The competition is held every spring semester near the end of February and early March. KCC has hosted the event several times in the past, as well as U.H. Manoa.

"It's a good way for our students to interact with other students from different universities and it teaches my students how to work together," said

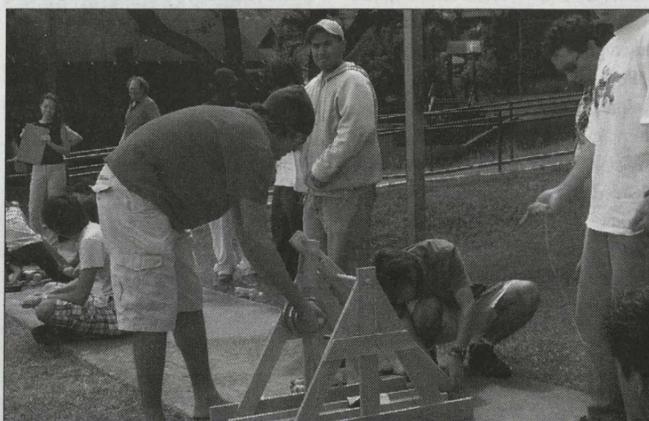


PHOTO DIANE S.W. LEE

Students experiment with the trebuchet the day before the tournament.

Bautista. "Our students have enjoyed it, because they are mentors. The high school students learn from them and they have fun with the events."

Public and private high school students competed in the tournament held on Saturday, Feb. 26. There were at least 30 different teams of high school students who participated in the events based on the application of physics principles. The events were announced on the day of the competition, so the high school students had no idea what they were about to compete in. However, in order to become successful in the events, students had to be aware of the basics of science and engineering.

The five events were created and designed by the students of physics classes from four different colleges. Among them were KCC, Brigham Young University, and Hawaii Pacific University, all of which held one event each, while University of Hawaii at Manoa held two different events. The five different events and the Bridge Building Contest were separate events on their own. The events were held all around campus in science lab classes and the Great Lawn, while the Bridge Building competition and another event were both held in the cafeteria.

"We make events that require the students to make calculations and in some cases, they sometimes need

luck," said Rand. "It's a good opportunity for high school students to learn about physics. It gives the students the opportunity to come together and have fun with science, rather than other types of events like sports. This allows them to learn and it's good for our students because they can design events for other students. They have to think about how much physics is involved and what the physics principles or topics are to allow you to become successful in the events."

Originally, the plan for KCC's General Physics 272 classes were to use the helium balloon as an event, but due to the cost they decided to use the trebuchet instead. The trebuchet, which was built out of wood, somewhat resembled a catapult. As an experiment, students tested out the trebuchet on the Great Lawn before the competition.

"I think it's fun for the high school kids, because they learn about physics," said KCC physics student, Justin Coelo. "We learn about Medieval siege weaponry. It's really what it is, a small catapult."

Some changes were made from previous years, instead of overall awards, the winners received awards for first, second and third places in each event. While the winner of the Bridge Building Contest went on to compete in Nationals.

U.H. journalism school seeks more faculty

By Andrew Affleck
KALEO O HAWAII (U. HAWAII)

(U-WIRE) HONOLULU — The former owner of KGMB-TV has urged the University of Hawai'i at Manoa to improve its broadcast journalism program by creating a student-run television station to keep up with industry demands.

Cec Hefel, a former U.S. congressman who is now a member of the state's Board of Education, told U.H. journalism students last week that U.H.'s broadcast curriculum might not meet the standards of broadcast journalism taught at comparable mainland universities.

"For a state this size, it is sad there is no program tailored for students who want to work with electronics and who can work with the equipment hands-on in addition to the actual journalism course," Hefel said. "If you've decided to come to U.H. to become a television participant, anything from sales to news to production to community programming, we have nothing here, literally, for the students who come here."

During discussion, journalism majors complained about the lack of a full-time broadcast instructor and insufficient equipment for in-depth instruction.

"I'm really depressed because I hate coming to class because I'm not being educated in my field," said Toya Webb, who wants to work in broadcast journalism. "I know that I probably won't get hired in broadcast journalism because I just don't have the skills."

Richard Dubanoski, dean of the social sciences department overseeing journalism, acknowledged problems with funding.

"Not a lot of people know about the shortages we have in arts and sciences, specifically in journalism," he said. "I'm trying to rectify that within the means that I have, but we're about 20 positions down in the college."

U.H. journalism professor Beverly Keverer said faculty has been downsized in recent years from eight full-time journalism faculty members to three. She said that even though U.H. has links to professional newspapers, television stations and public relations

firms in Honolulu, Hawai'i's students being educated out of state often get picked for internships instead of U.H. students.

"It tells you that we are not competitive," Keverer said.

U.H. Manoa Chancellor Peter Englert said the journalism department isn't the only department on campus requesting more instructors.

Englert said he cannot allocate the money for new positions until faculty present a solid plan that justifies their needs and assures him that the move is a good investment. So far, he said he has demonstrated interest on a plan to launch a student-run television station at U.H. but he needs to hear more about it.

Hefel said the station could operate either on campus or in conjunction with the local affiliate of the Public Broadcasting System. He added that a good journalism program at U.H. would benefit the entire state.

"In an isolated state, we have a huge need for an expansive faculty to bring our students into the fold in all forms of written expression," Hefel said. "Who is better able to write or talk about our state than those educated here ... you won't get that writer from the mainland because they first have to learn about us."

Hefel said the core of democratic society rests with a well-informed public that depends on quality news that increasingly comes from television. The coming digitalization of television in the near future will result in far more channels and increased demand for content, he added.

"Right now, U.H. is not providing students with a relevant education," Hefel said. "I am hopeful that in time, you will see a real school of journalism where the students can go out and compete for jobs with students from anywhere. That should be the objective."

Webb said she has talked to Dubanoski and she hopes the program will change soon.

"If you're going to offer broadcast journalism, you need the faculty and equipment so we can be ready and equipped, but we're not. I wake up and think maybe I should change my major but this is what I want to do," Webb said.

Online courses provide time and convenience

By Thomas Duarte
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Online learning has become a popular alternative to taking a traditional on-campus course for many community college students. Online courses are just one of the many distance education alternatives offered. The courses can be accessed from any computer with an Internet connection. Most classes are taught through WebCT, which is a program for instructors to manage their courses and where students can participate in discussion boards, use calendar components and take tests and quizzes among other options.

"I really enjoy WebCT," said Rachel Martin. "The layout is easy and different things on it make the class a bit easier, like discussions and postings. That way the entire class can talk about the subjects in the class."

Instructors of online courses can either use their personal hawaii.edu homepage or the WebCT to conduct their classes.

"The Information Technology Services at U.H. offers a specific training course for teaching classes via WebCT...and it's a good course," said Dave Chong online instructor of Zoology and ESS courses. Though the instructors never get to meet any of the students from their classes in person, they do get the opportunity to teach students from the neighbor islands. Students of online classes depend on their instructors the same way students who attend traditional on campus classes do. They need good communication with their

instructors and the instructors must be diligent when communicating with the students.

"The quality of online classes completely depends on the instructor, which is exactly the same as for on-campus classes," said Chong.

Online courses make it possible for students who attend U.H. community colleges on the neighbor islands to take courses not offered at their campus. Also, students who live on Oahu can take classes at U.H. or any of the community colleges.

"I live far from campus, so I'd rather not drive," said Kyle Foyle, a community college student.

Students who work full-time can benefit from online courses, which give them the flexibility to work and still be a student. Also, many parents take online courses because it gives them the opportunity to be a parent and a student. Online courses allow students to do their work at night and on the weekends outside of normal class operation hours. Not having to attend a class at a campus gives these students the opportunity to take college courses that otherwise would not have been possible.

"I would never have gone back to college if it wasn't for distance education classes," said Joni Masaki, a parent and community college student. "This way, I hope to eventually get a degree and give back to the community by helping kids with ADD (like my son). I hope the instructors who teach online classes realize how grateful many of the students are for this opportunity."

Community college students still face housing challenges

By Kari Wright
GRAPHICS EDITOR

Students enrolled in community colleges face challenges finding affordable housing. Because most community colleges do not have dormitories, students are forced to be resourceful and innovative in finding a home.

Freshman Matt Rapoza, relaxing happily at the shady patio outside the on-campus Subway with friends, described his circumstances: "I live

at home still, and I'm going to stay as long as they will let me. I don't have to pay for anything."

Although the majority of students asked gave a similar scenario, and seemed in no hurry to flee the nest, some students also chose to room with close friends. Wahiawa native Ediza Ugale bunks up with four other KCC students to avoid the long drive.

Yet not all students are that fortunate. International and out of state students that have no family or close friends on Oahu must find apartments, hotels or shared housing.

"A realtor was recommended to me by a friend and they found me a studio apartment. I am very happy to be living here," said international student Ayumi Kato who recently moved here from Japan.

Others live in hotel rooms with other out of state or international students until they can find housing for themselves. Yet even the lack of provided housing does not seem to alter students' choice in applying to KCC.

Second year student Shannon Phinex said, "I'm from Arizona but I got lucky, my grandparents have a condo here, but I would have moved out here anyways."

RECENT SNAPSHOTS OF EVENTS AROUND THE GLOBE



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Juba, a southern town in Sudan has been hit by exploding shells that came from an ammunition depot. Residential areas were affected by the shelling that lasted for about an hour. Because surrounding areas were sealed off by the military, the actual number of casualties could not be accounted for. It is estimated that the explosions have killed at least 13 people and have injured many others. Wounded victims have received help from the Red Cross.

Three British soldiers from the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers were found guilty of abusing Iraqi prisoners in Camp Bread Basket, Basra, nearly three years ago. Daniel Kenyon, Mark Cooley, and Darren Larkin were sentenced at a court hearing in Osnabrueck, Germany. The three soldiers were exposed after another soldier took photographs of the abuse. In defense, the three soldiers claimed they were told "that the looters should be 'worked hard'" by their commanding officer. Such orders and actions are declared to be a breach of the Geneva Convention.

In Thailand, researchers from Chulalongkorn University have confirmed that Bangkok, the capital of Thailand, has shifted 3.5 inches southwest as a result of the devastating tsunami that took place last December. Such shifts are not out of the norm, especially after such strong quakes. The resort island of Phuket has also moved about 12.6 inches since the quake. Though new maps will have to be redrawn, the team of researchers believes that the shift will not have any effect on local life.

A twin-engine aircraft operated by Indonesian police crashed off the coast of Indonesia after missing 500 meters of the runway, killing fifteen people and leaving three seriously injured. Four of the victims were Indonesian police officers; the others were local officials and civilians. Though the crash is believed to have been caused by an engine failure, a team has already been sent to carry out further investigations.

Harsh winter conditions in South Asia have caused at least 230 deaths and left hundreds missing. The surrounding regions of Kashmir, Pakistan, and Afghanistan were hit with heavy rains and snow, leaving countless travelers stranded between the borders. Villages in affected areas have been "devastated," and rescue workers continue to find bodies buried under the snow. The death toll may increase if weather conditions do not improve.



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Bloggers' roles continue to evolve

Weblogs, or online journals, continue to grow in popularity in the United States and abroad. Many industries, including journalism are starting to feel the strong influence of bloggers.

By Paul Kolbe
NEWS EDITOR

2004 almost became the year of the blog, only to be edged out by the most contentious presidential election in recent memory. But a blog, once considered an online journal to publish thoughts which others could comment on, has recently been used as an alternative form of media, giving users, or bloggers as they are known, the ability to reach large masses in short periods of time.

When CNN Head News Executive, Eason Jordan, allegedly made comments regarding the killing of journalists in Iraq by U.S. forces, a blogger was the first to break the story. Rony Abovitz, posted the story on a blog, with the headline "Do U.S. troops target journalists in Iraq?" There was an immediate onslaught from online users seeking the resignation of Jordan, and within two weeks, Jordan resigned.

Jordan has maintained his comments were misconstrued, and maintains he only meant to imply journalists were targeted because of mistaken identity, not because U.S. troops were hunting them.

In September, bloggers also exposed flaws in Dan Rather's story on National Guard papers pertaining to President Bush's military service. Rather's source was later revealed to have falsified the papers and lied to Rather. Rather has also decided to step down as Head Anchor of the CBS Evening News.

The cases have thrown to the forefront, a debate on whether bloggers are now serving as media watchdogs, or as self-avowed truth seekers, and whether they have the ethical or legal rights to do so.

Currently bloggers follow no official code of ethics, although some

do so voluntarily. Bloggers are subject to libel laws, but can easily thwart prosecution by claiming the writings in a blog are pure opinion, and not to be held as fact. Bloggers have mixed feelings toward the idea of professional responsibility in their writings.

One Hawaii blogger, who goes by the username franksabunch, was located by random on the popular blog site "xanga," writes that his blog is just for fun.

"My main goal is to make you chuckle," he said, adding that when it comes to political or heated issues, he writes in to a newspaper as a letter to the editor.

When asked whether he felt bloggers should be held responsible for false or unsubstantiated information, franksabunch replied that anyone posting anything for public view, should be held responsible, "...to a certain extent." He also questioned whether posting false information on a blog, was any different from passing out flyers on the street.

Davin Kubota, who teaches English 100 at KCC, runs three different blogs, and has similar thoughts.

"I don't believe in censorship, but you should have clear sense of what's incendiary," said Kubota. Kubota also offered that a blogger might feel no need to fact check information posted on a personal site, because unlike a journalist, a blogger does not get paid, and does not have to answer to sponsorship.

Most blog sites currently offer free membership, with an account being set up in as little as three steps.

However, Kubota says, "Many bloggers are concerned with readership," referring to the amount of hits a site receives. "It's funny, when they're writing, they want to be taken seriously, but when asked to take responsibility, they say it's not to be taken serious. That's ironic."

A positive debt-to-income ratio is the first step to becoming wealthy

By Ruby Johnson
STAFF WRITER

Having assets can be good or bad. It depends on what you do with them. I'm not talking about positive experiences and qualities that reflect on the positive internal growth and development of young people, though those are good too. What I mean is the stuff you buy that often ends up at the back of the closet, and sometimes having to spend hundreds, if not thousands of dollars for a cubicle in a storage facility.

The amount of income spent covering your bills can be calculated with a debt-to-income ratio (DTI). It shows your true financial picture. This can help college students who are often targets of credit card companies. Understanding how to manage a budget and how interest rates work can help prevent them from falling deep into debt, especially with the attractive offers from credit card companies.

Figure out your monthly debt obligations excluding mortgage or rent payments. Things to include are student loans, installment loans on appliances or furniture, car or motorcycle payments, bank and credit union loans and credit card balances. Calculate the total amount of your monthly minimum payments.

Next, figure out your gross

monthly income including tips, child support, alimony, commissions, dividends, interest earnings and government benefits. Use this amount to divide your monthly minimum payments.

According to the Consumer Debt Counseling Web site, if your ratio is:

- Fifteen percent or less you can relax. Continue your debt payments and recalculate your DTI ratio periodically.

- Fifteen to twenty percent — caution. The site suggests contacting credit counselors before debt becomes a problem so they can help with long-term solutions to budgeting and managing your finances.

- Over twenty percent is dangerous. Contact credit counselors immediately to have them help you with a repayment plan which can save you hundreds of dollars every month and offer you peace of mind.

If your DTI ratio is low, you're financially better off which can help you in getting a mortgage when it's time to buy your home. Mortgage lenders view the DTI to determine if you are able to handle a home loan.

"Generally we like to see 33 percent to 50 percent. Nowadays it's more like 45 percent," said Derek Cheng, Senior Loan Officer at American Savings Mortgage.

The U.S. Census Bureau shows

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- Personal Property includes your clothing, electronics, furniture, vehicles, etc. These tend to be poor assets since they depreciate quickly.

the median household income was \$46,839.

According to the bureau, "In 2003, 13 percent of people were in poverty. Eighteen percent of related children under 18 were below the poverty level, compared with 9 percent of people 65 years old and over. Eight percent of all families and 19 percent of families with a female householder and no husband present had incomes below the poverty level."

What do you do with all the stuff sitting and accumulating? Me, I like to donate it and get the tax break or sell it to recoup some cash.

Camping: Vacationing on a student's budget

By Desiree Johnston
STAFF WRITER

Living on an island offers limited road trip opportunities, and for a student, a weekend get-away to the mainland is rarely an option. With inter-island flights being almost as expensive as national flights, those looking to get away from the city, or a busy class schedule, may find that pitching a tent is the best, most inexpensive way to go.

While camping over the long weekend, I returned from a day trip to

Haleiwa to find new neighbors building a fire next to our site. My friends and I introduced ourselves and found out that the guys were locals who live in Honolulu. As I looked through the darkness at their site I noticed something a bit strange.

"Where's your tent?" I asked.

"We don't have one," they replied.

"We kind of came up here as a spur of the moment kind of thing. We have blankets though. We'll get a tent in the morning."

He then paused for a moment and said, "I hope it doesn't rain."

Camping is an excellent way to enjoy the outdoors on a student's budget. There are a variety of campsites on all sides of Oahu, ranging from state parks to private parks with cabins and warm showers. A permit is required for all camping on the islands, and going without one can leave you with a \$150 fine. Depending on the campsite, permits can range from free to \$5 per person per night and can be acquired at the State Parks Office or at the campground.

When choosing a park it's important to look for something safe, especially if you're planning on leaving the site to visit nearby towns.

"North Shore is the best," said Latisha Kaeka, student at KCC. "I

love the beach, it's so clean and the weather is always nice."

Private sites, such as Friends of Malekehana, offer 24-hour security in a secluded area that is usually very quiet during the winter months. Activities at the parks can range from surfing, swimming or fishing.

"I went to Bellows," said Travis Yokoyama also a student at KCC. "We drank and had a barbecue. It was fun to socialize and get to know my friends better."

When camping in the winter months, it's important to remember that it does rain a lot. Temperatures dip during the evening and combined with a lot of wind it can make for a very unpleasant experience if you go unprepared.

"Bring a lot of clothes," said Kenta Kamoshida student at KCC, "It gets cold on the North Shore."

When planning a camping trip on a long weekend or holiday such as Spring Break, camp sites fill up quickly and choices may be limited if you wait too long. Permits are available on the first working day two weeks in advance.

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'Yogis of Tibet' reveals holy secrets

By Julia Wieting
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(U-WIRE) HONOLULU - The latest installment of the University of Hawaii/Bank of Hawaii Cinema series, "Yogis of Tibet" is a documentary that is both informative and entertaining.

A yogi, according to this film, is "an individual who has spent years in isolated retreat practicing 'secret,' self-transforming physical and mental exercises. And through these techniques [they] have developed extraordinary control over both mind and body."

The yogis are Tibet's most revered holy men and women, who have developed very specific methods of meditation as a means to enlightenment, yet they are finding themselves pushed into the public sphere in an unprecedented manner.

Yogis are a product of Tibet's unique history. The film does a good job of presenting Tibet's history over the last two millennia very succinctly, and yet with a level of great detail. Its interesting to both those who do and those who do not know about Buddhism.

While Tibet was a "mysterious figment in the Western imagination," it developed a distinct form of Buddhism that emphasized compassion and embraced learning in science and the arts. It also produced the tradition of the yogis, who sought to experience enlightenment and show that the suffering of this world could be escaped.

China's invasion of Tibet in 1959, in order to "liberate Tibet-

ans from an archaic way of life," in the words of Mao Tse-tung, killed at least 20 percent of Tibetans and forced many others into exile. Through interviews with survivors of the initial invasion, archived film footage, and an interview with the Dalai Lama himself, who escaped assassination, the film provides a clear picture of what the people of Tibet had to endure. In doing so, it can rationally address the ways in which the Dalai Lama and the Tibetan diaspora have found themselves on a world stage that is a new but necessary experience for them in their quest to regain their homeland.

The yogis' role in all this is to help Tibetans re-create their distinct way of life by setting up monasteries and schools, and teaching compassion. But their tradition is eroding in the face of modernity. Time for meditation is decreasing, society is placing less value on them, and as older yogis die there are fewer teachers to train disciples. Through all this, the yogis persevere.

The film's most interesting segments are the interviews with the yogis themselves, who illustrate their world-view with eloquent serenity. They emphasize the mind's control over the body. In one fascinating clip, a younger yogi demonstrates important yoga positions that you will not find in your average health center yoga class.

Revealing Yogi secrets was once seen as a violation of yogi teaching and some yogis refused to answer questions posed to them by

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Students get a sneak peek into the magazine industry

By Anavic Marlene Ibanez
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Ning Chao, Associate Beauty and Fitness Editor of Elle Magazine, was a guest speaker for the Journalism 150 class on Feb. 23. This was quite a treat for journalism students because she gave them an insider's perspective on the competitive magazine market.

With about five years of working experience for three of the biggest names in the fashion magazine industry (Glamour, Vogue, and Elle), Chao talked about her exciting and fast-paced life, from interviewing celebrities and models to attending promotional events for make-up and perfumes.

Professional and down-to-earth, she gave helpful advice on how to get oneself started during and right out of college. She stressed the importance of work experience through lots of internships. To have a related bachelor's or master's degree is a nice extra but not necessarily important, she herself having a degree in French literature and economics.

What is important though is the ability to tackle each day with an open mind and quick creative thinking. A good knowledge of pop culture is a very beneficial plus.

Chao also corrected the misconceptions some of the students initially had.

"I thought that working in a magazine company would have fewer hours and be more flex-



PHOTO VUONG PHUNG

Associate Beauty and Fitness Editor of Elle Magazine, Ning Chao addresses the students in Journalism 150 last Wednesday.

ible. You would be able to work at home," said Josh Benton, 19. But that it was actually the opposite, as Chao talked about traveling to places and writing time-consuming articles.

"She gave ways to get into the business. She was somebody who actually went through what she did and she was able to share that with us," said Abby Palicte, 20.

Chao opened the minds and eyes

of the students to the harsh reality of working in such a cutthroat industry. But with that, she was also able to intrigue and motivate the same students to perhaps pursue a career in fashion magazine writing with all its thrilling and glamorous extras.

Final advice from Chao for those interested in this career, "have a good attitude, and be willing to try anything."

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the filmmakers. Showing this proves that the filmmakers are dedicated to avoiding the misrepresentation of their subjects, one of the most common faults of documentary filmmaking. In doing so, they reveal the differences in opinion between the younger and the older generations of yogis regarding their responsibility to teach.

While both generations agree that compassion for one's enemies is crucial, after 50 years of persecution, the younger yogis have a harder time forgiving. As the yogis and their ideas confront change, they exemplify the continuity of life, which is always adapting.

Tibet's struggle to throw off China's rule over the last half-century has inspired support across the globe from the "Free Tibet" campaign on college campuses to the promises of world leaders for money and support. Yet, for all its success, two inescapable facts remain: China has not left and the fabled isolation of Tibet and her people is coming slowly to an end.

Had Tibetans not been forced into exile, the story of the yogis might never have come to light. The yogis' increasing publicity has been integral to the hope and determination of the Tibetan people.

This film not only presents a coherent description of the yogis throughout history, it also shows how they are as relevant as ever.

The film runs in conjunction with "Satya: A Prayer for the Enemy," Thursday, Feb. 17, at 7 p.m. in the Architecture Auditorium. Admission is \$5, \$3 for students.

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student did it as an honest mistake, I would talk to him without taking any action. If the act is malicious, believe me, I will slam the guy with everything in the book."

Then, what's left to do is develop a means to catch the culprit before the lecture makes it onto the Internet. A possible solution deployed by many large corporations has to do with the ability to monitor each user's activities, according to Computer World magazine.

"We don't have a specific tool to monitor user activity because that would be like Big Brother," said Information Technology Specialist Jesse Andow.

Such broadcasting activity is difficult to flag because it does not take up a lot of the network's traffic, he said.

"We could only be reactive to this situation," he said. "Hopefully those professors will read this and be aware of the possibilities."

Churchill:*Continued from page 1*

more if we don't have the right to say it," she said.

But this was more than just free speech, according to the anti-Churchill group. For more than two hours, Hawaii Pacific University freshman Mathew Talley stood among the crowd of hundreds with his anti-Churchill sign waving above his head. At the banner's center was a squared photo of a smiling woman and a baby, presumably the victims of 9/11, followed in large text that read, "Are They Little Eichmans?"

"(Churchill's conference) should not be subsidized by tax dollars," Talley said.

It was unclear whether Talley's comments were directed at U.H., who actually used no taxpayer money to bring Churchill to its grounds, or the University of Colorado, who may be paying him with such funds to con-

duct these conferences.

Regardless, the message on Talley's sign seemed tame when compared to others such as, "Hey Stupid! Do you know what a NAZI is?!" or the more intelligent one that asked, "Churchill, who's your daddy?"

Within minutes of his announcement in the full auditorium, Talley went over to Dan Hoedemaker and locked in a 10-minute debate. Hoedemaker, who supported Churchill, later said he disagreed with Talley's "tax-dollar" argument.

"Churchill is an accomplished scholar," he said.

For those who paid close attention to Churchill or have read his previous publications, the event presented nothing new, said Chaminade History Professor Pierre Asselin.

"Had there been no controversy, not even a fifth of these people would shown up," he said.

Padeken agreed, "The notoriety he earned in the past month brought more people here than he might have otherwise."

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