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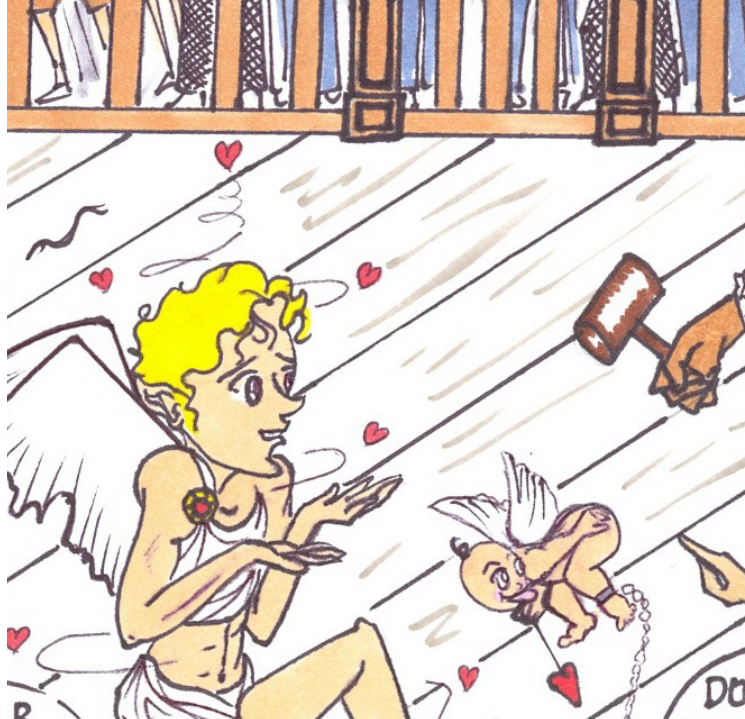
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STUDENT FEES

Proposal for increase in student fees

WRITTEN BY JESSICA GARDIEN

One of the biggest occurring conflicts at UHWO since last semester was the raising of student fees. Stacy Garcia, the current president of student government, who has been with the project from the start, kindly gave me the proposal that would be sent to the Board of Regents for approval soon. In a nutshell, the proposal states why the increase in fees is necessary, a comparison of student fees from other campuses, and the cost and use for each fee proposal.

In accordance to raising the student fees, student government intends to achieve four main goals. These goals are to increase the student life on campus, create funds for clubs along with co-curricular student life programs and services, and create more opportunities for participation in student government. Since 1987, students were only asked to pay five dollars per semester as their student fee. It wasn't until last semester that UHWO has had a home that can support a large student body and a plethora of student activities. However, in order for these activities to commence, money is always the foundation for these to take place.

The proposal also contains a section where Peer Comparison Groups for UHWO compare fee amounts from UHWO, UH Hilo, California State University Monterey Bay, University of Washington Bothell, and Evergreen State College in an August 2009 report. UHWO student fees were over a hundred dollars below as opposed to the other

schools that were compared. The proposal called them UHWO's "peer institutions," but it didn't explain what that meant or where information were taken out of. Upon doing further research I learned that many of the fees depend on how many credits a student is taking, such as the transit fee. Evergreen, according to their 2012 late night-2013 fees, charge \$1.10 per credit with a maximum of \$13.20 per quarter and \$9.00 a year for a late night transit. All together that equals out to \$61.80, which is the maximum amount for student transportation for an entire year. In the proposal the amount given is \$9.00 for the late night shuttle and \$40.00 for the transit pass. This is just one thing I was able to look into, and it does seem to be just a little thing.

There are seven fees that make up the new student fee total. The proposed transportation fee is \$26.00 per semester. The benefits include access to the bus to and from campus, bike racks, and lockers. Garcia added on that the fee also includes paying for shelter at the bus stop to protect students from the rainy weather. This is a terrific way to spend the money but it is not in the proposal. Therefore, how do we know how much money is necessary for each proposal? Believe me, I am all for increasing the student fees in order to make this campus a fun and better place for us to enjoy. On the other hand, we would like to know where the rest of that money will be going to.

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VALENTINE'S DAY DATES GONE BAD

Feature Story

WRITTEN BY ROSIE BARFIELD

Trying to find the perfect dress to wear to dinner, picking out that really special gift she's been dying to have, or just staying in and cuddling up with your stuffed bear. Love it or hate it, Valentine's Day is here to stay. Along with the late romantic nights are the early mornings where all the details of the night before come out. Here at our own West O`ahu campus I asked some of our students to anonymously share some of their worst Valentine's Day date experiences.

"So, this guy added me on Facebook, how original, because we had some mutual friends. We started talking and at first he seemed really sweet and charming. We had a lot of things in common too. Weirdly, we set up our first date on Valentine's Day to go to the movies. I remember going down the escalator at Pearlridge and saw him waiting. Once I saw his shoes I knew this was not going to turn out well. They were florescent orange and did not match his way too big shirt; it was a very loud yellow Hawaiian print. Anyways we get to the movie (which I paid for) and sat down. Right away he tried that really cheesy move of yawning and putting his arm around me, uh no thanks! Once the movie started he spent most of it talking to me about YouTube videos. By the end of the movie I just wanted out of there. To make things worse we had to share a bus stop, and to make it more awkward he bummed like five cigarettes off me. Luckily my bus came fast, and I did not look back."

"We met in the library where I work. He'd come in and checkout health books, but what I thought was strange is he would always put the plastic model body parts on hold. One day he asked me out to the movies, and I thought he was kind of cute so I said yes. I didn't even realize he planned it for Valentine's Day until right before. Anyways, we get into the theater (after he uses a coupon to pay) and I'm not kidding, he spent the entire movie talking about body parts. Not to mention he sang show tunes during the previews, which I thought was really bizarre. After the movie we went

out to eat, the original restaurant we had planned to go to was closed so we ended up going to IHOP, how romantic. To make my bad date worse he proceeded to tell me all about his exes and how they broke up with him. Needless to say the night ended really awkwardly. We just said bye and left."

"It was my girlfriend and I's first Valentine's Day together. We had only been going out a month but I wanted to do something extra special. So I decided I was going to cook her a really romantic dinner at my house. I set the table up real nice fancy silverware, cloth napkins, and the whole shebang. When she arrived she looked beautiful. I was a little nervous and hoped she liked what I cooked, which was some pasta, garlic bread, and salad. At first everything was going good. We were having fun and she liked the food. I had just served the pasta it was garlic alfredo sauce with chicken and pieces of almonds. As soon as she took a bite she started looking red and I asked her if everything was okay. She said she was fine but by a few more bites I noticed some red spots appearing on her neck and face. Soon she started getting really puffy and her tongue started to swell. She started to hyperventilate while trying to talk. She kept pointing to her throat and then the food. I freaked out and drove her to the hospital as fast as I could. We spent the rest of the night in the emergency room. Turns out she is deathly allergic to almonds. It was a very memorable Valentine's Day for sure. Luckily she forgave me and we're still together."

Along with sharing some of their funny and embarrassing date stories, we asked our students for some tips in how to survive a bad date. Here's what they came up with:

1. "Have your phone charged! Just in case you get stuck somewhere or get really bored."
2. "Make sure you tell someone about your date and set up a code for if it goes bad, that way they can call you with a fake emergency and you can get out of it."
3. "If things are really getting bad, or weird try being just as weird back. I usually start talking about marriage and that shuts them right up. It's pretty funny."
4. "I always try to talk about a bunch of different topics, like sports, or movies or a videogame there has to be something in common."
5. "I'd say make sure you know what someone is allergic to before you make them dinner."

SAINT VALENTINE'S DAY

History and statistics

WRITTEN BY CHRIS DAVIS

Valentine's Day: it tends to be one of those holidays that you either love or hate. Some adore the magic and happiness of the romantic day, while others criticize the commercialization and the hype over a day that was probably just made up by Hallmark to get you to buy cards. You may be surprised to know that the day originally known as Saint Valentine's Day actually has historical background and significance.

There are a number of legends that supposedly explain the original reason behind Saint Valentine's Day, and one of them tells of 3rd-century Rome, where Emperor Claudius II (often called "Claudius The Cruel") needed more men for his military leagues, so he resolved that single men with no wives or families made better soldiers, since they were less reluctant to going off to battle. After he outlawed marriage for young men, Saint Valentine, and his friend, Saint Marius, disagreed with this, and began to defy Claudius by secretly marrying people. He was eventually imprisoned, and during this time, when one of his loves visited him, he wrote her a letter, signed "From Your Valentine." Soon after, he suffered a gruesome death, however, many legends characterize him as a heroic, sympathetic, and romantic figure.

Another legend tells of a Pagan festival told to take place long ago in mid-February. The Christian church would attempt to "Christianize" the celebration of Lupercalia (a fertility festival dedicated to Faunus, a god of Roman agriculture, and Remus and Romulus, the founders of Rome) by gathering Luperci, a group of Roman priests, at a sacred cave. This cave was believed to be the location where Remus and Romulus were raised by a she-wolf. The priests would sacrifice a goat (representing fertility) and a dog (representing purification), strip the goat hide into strips, dip them in the sacrificial blood, then go back to town and slap the crop fields, as well as the town women, with the hide strips, which the women thought made them more fertile. Later that day, the town's young women would place their names in an urn, where local bachelors would draw names, and these relationships often ended in marriage. This practice was eventually outlawed.

Here are some fun facts and statistics about Valentine's Day:

- ♥ 180 MILLION Valentine's Day cards are exchanged every February
- ♥ 196 MILLION roses are produced every year for the holiday
- ♥ 73% of flowers bought on Valentine's Day are bought by men. 14% of women buy flowers to send to themselves.
- ♥ 220,000 marriage proposals occur on Valentine's Day every year (10% of annual total)
- ♥ 3 most common Valentine's Day gifts are candy, flowers, and cards
- ♥ 53% of women would end their relationship if they received nothing from their significant other on Valentine's Day
- ♥ \$116 is spent by an average consumer on Valentine's Day
- ♥ 11,000 children are conceived on Valentine's Day

Whatever your plans are, Happy Valentine's Day!

During the Middle Ages, it was believed in England and France that February 14 began the bird-mating season. Written Valentine's greetings were popularized after 1400; Charles, Duke of Orleans' first written Valentine can now be seen in London, England. In the 1600s, celebrations became popular; in the 1700s, people commonly began exchanging tokens of affection; and in 1840, Esther A. Howland (often referred to as "Mother of the Valentine"), began mass-printing more elaborate, artful Valentines. Cheaper post rates also contributed to the spread of these.

Today, Saint Valentine's Day is widely celebrated in the United States, the United Kingdom, Canada, Mexico, France, Denmark, Italy, Australia, and Japan.

CAMPUS VOICES *What are your*

To be with

my boyfriend.

**Yumiko
Maruyama**
JUNIOR



Working.

**Peter
Patten**
JUNIOR



HE SAYS, SHE SAYS

What is a good movie that couples can enjoy together on Valentine's Day?

JORDAN LUZ SAYS:

*"Someone you pass on the street may already be the love of your life". If you're looking for that one romantic comedy to watch with your significant other on Valentine's Day, **You've Got Mail** is definitely the movie for you! This film stars the dynamic duo of Tom Hanks (Joe Fox, NY152) and Meg Ryan (Kathleen Kelly, Shopgirl). With an introduction to the electronic age, this story transports romance and courtship via e-mail and chat rooms. Fox, who is the owner of the new big chain bookstore "Fox Books", is also trying to get rid of the "Shop around the Corner" which Kelly is the owner of. Both of them have no idea that she owns the shop that his company is trying to get rid of. However, they meet online and begin to constantly exchange e-mails and as a result, eventually start to develop feelings for one another. Consequently, Fox finds out that she is the owner of that bookstore and thus faces the conflict of confronting and confessing his feelings for her. The chemistry between Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan is electrifying. Not only is this film sincere, comical, and clever, it also brings up feelings of nostalgia with the use of "dial-up" internet and the iconic "**You've Got Mail**" tone. This will definitely be an enjoyable watch for couples of all ages on Valentine's Day despite the fact that it may be old.*

ROSIE BARFIELD SAYS:

Hey everyone! Are you clueless about what movie to watch with your special someone this Valentine's Day? You're in luck! Based on this movie buff's opinion, stay **Clueless** (1995) and watch this awesomely funny movie starring Alicia Silverstone (Cher) and the late Brittany Murphy (Tai). This movie follows the life of rich girl Cher and her friends as they go to school, parties, and fall in love in Beverly Hills. Watch as they struggle through high school and make bad fashion choices, as if! Nuzzle up get ready to laugh and like, totally have fun. The 90's nostalgia of clothing trends, music and slang alone will leave you and your beau reminiscing the good old days. Not only is this movie ridiculously funny, I dare you to try and count the number of nose jobs. It also has some charming moments for those true romantics. (Who doesn't love a happy ending?) This Valentine's Day don't be bugg'n, but instead impress your date with this romantic comedy you'll both enjoy!

plans for Valentine's Day?

To go out with
my single friends.

**Jasmine
Kaohelauii**
JUNIOR



Ain't nobody
got time fo' dat!

**Romeo
Gorospe**
SENIOR



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

February is not just for Valentine's

WRITTEN BY KELSIE VALENTINE

February is here, and you know what that means: it's that time of the year to express your love for that special someone. This is the month favored most by the chocolate factories, card-makers, jewelers, and the rose-cutters since millions of dollars is being spent on those things. However, February is not only an important season for the Valentine's Day industries—it's also Black History Month, which is the annual commemoration of African-American achievements and their vital contributions to society. Although there is much emphasis on the past centuries of slavery, which is a grim and depressing area to study, people need to realize that we are continuing to make the worst mistake yet—we do not officially consider black history to be the true *American* history.

This one dedicated month is an important representation of the nation's somewhat honorable, but trivial, effort to "make up" for the disconcerting moments in our history. But these disturbing "moments" from our past are actually centuries long, and many people are still not completely recovered from it yet. Black History Month is not only an annual reminder of a time where people were faced with great adversity, but it can also be seen as a national obligation to uphold the idea of equality. There is much

debate about Black History Month in regards to the actual value and fairness of delegating one month to recognizing one race. However, a solution to this debate could be to simply recognize that African-American history *is* the history of America.

Black History Month, which was originally called Negro History Week back in 1926, was founded by the black historian Dr. Carter Godwin Woodson, who received his PhD. from Harvard. Dr. Woodson sought to gain the attention that Black Americans deserved for their roles in our overall American history. In 1915, Woodson had organized the Association for Study of Negro Life and History, which functioned as an active archive that carefully collected, documented, and preserved the achievements of African-Americans. Woodson believed that documenting black history and educating the masses was the key to the progression of the lives of Black Americans and race relations. The month of February was also designated to celebrate this event because Fredrick Douglass, who was an American writer and social reformer, and Abraham Lincoln were born on that month. Dr. Woodson left Black History Month as his legacy and, 40 years after his death, was inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame.



Jim Casey Youth Opportunities Initiative

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OR for the local chapter, visit epicohana.net/hyoi.aspx

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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Gernani Yutob, Jr.

WRITTEN BY CHRIS DAVIS

Children who enter into the foster care system often experience significant hardships in dealing with their circumstances, and these feelings are amplified in the teenage years where companionship and fitting in with one's peers are what they want the most. And once these teens reach the age of 18 years old, they are often burdened with the problems that accompany coming into legal adulthood. Delia Ulma of the Jim Casey Foundation says, "One in five foster children become homeless, many on their 18th birthday." Often, their foster parents make them start living on their own, and because of a lack of support at this transitional time, foster kids experience a lack of career success, and this is something that usually leads them down the wrong path.

A student here at University of Hawai'i - West O'ahu who has been through problems like this is senior Gernani Yutob, Jr., 22 years old of Kalihi. Gernani is a former foster youth who aged out of the system on his 18th birthday. He said that when he was in high school (he attended Farrington High, Campbell High, and Leilehua High), he did not want to tell his friends about belonging to foster care. He says that it was a different experience than that of most of his classmates: although he was never homeless like many other foster kids, he was always moving from foster home to foster home, and he said that he would have little family support during the times that were most difficult. He tells me that he now lives with his former foster parents, and they have a good relationship together. Gernani

is now the President of the O'ahu HI H.O.P.E.S. (Hawaii Helping Our People Envision Success) Youth Leadership Board, which provides the "youth voice" for the local chapter of the Jim Casey Youth Opportunities Initiative. "Their mission," says Gernani, "is to improve outcomes for young people who transition from foster care into adulthood in the areas of employment, education, housing, health care, permanency (family connections), and social, capital, and financial capability." Because foster youth are placed at an economic disadvantage, it is a challenge for them to find a place to live, food to eat, and somewhere to get an education so that they can have a hope of improving their circumstances. Gernani felt inspired to begin working with HI H.O.P.E.S. to help "improve the lives of young people aging out of foster care, as well as advocate for changing the child welfare system and increasing the amount of available opportunities for young people transitioning...to adulthood..."

Some of the work that Gernani has done with HI H.O.P.E.S. includes "receiving national-level leadership training from the Jim Casey Initiative", presenting his testimony at various/numerous panels, workshops, funder's events, media interviews, conferences, and even legislative hearings! In addition to that, he also recently received a Certificate of Recognition from Family Court in appreciation of "tireless efforts, commitment, and dedication to them, and the community." Not only do these engagements provide inspiring examples for foster youth to listen to, but Gernani says that because of these opportunities, "I've been able to break out of my shell, since I'm normally a shy person."

"Aside from my leadership position," Gernani begins, "I work with teens at the Honolulu YMCA, serving as a role model and [organizing] activities dealing with healthy living, social responsibility, and youth development." He says that these teenagers often express their appreciation for his help.

Gernani says that he has learned to manage his time well, balancing monthly HI H.O.P.E.S. board meetings, occasional speaking engagements at various venues, his volunteer work, and being able to focus on his UHWO schoolwork on weekdays. In May 2013, he will be graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Public Administration (with concentration in Justice Administration and a Certificate in Disaster Preparedness & Emergency Management) with Academic Distinction. In addition to doing well with volunteer work, Gernani has also enjoyed academic success: "Earlier this year, I became a member of the Golden Key International Honor Society at West O`ahu, and was inducted to Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society of the Two-Year Colleges at Honolulu Community College." In Spring 2011, he graduated from Honolulu Community College with an Associate of Applied Science in Administration of Justice, also with Honors. Gernani's post-graduation goals include starting law school at University of California - Berkeley, and becoming a family court judge, helping foster youth find available resources to cope with their unique situations. We're sure that won't be too much of a problem!

Gernani says that the reason that he places such importance on his work with HI H.O.P.E.S. is so that he can "pass [his] blessings" to others in foster care so that they are also given the opportunity to experience the same successes that Gernani has. Most recently, on February 1, 2013, he provided his testimony to the local legislature at the State Capital about the benefits of Medicaid for foster children, proposing that the legislature extend the foster care system to the age of 21 years old, and increase Medicaid coverage for those same foster youth until the age of 26 years old, to avoid the common issues of being suddenly forced to fend for oneself. The action passed through the legislature with a unanimous vote!

From all of us here at the Hoot, we hope that Gernani enjoys the rest of his semester here at UHWO, and we wish him great success in the future! His willingness to help people despite his circumstances is very inspiring and admirable!

FACULTY OF THE MONTH:

DR. LINDA FURUTO



"People don't care how much you know, until they know how much you care."

WRITTEN BY MARISSA CHOY

The quote above is a reflection of Dr. Furuto's view on teaching students. She believes that professors have to learn from the students just as much as they have to learn from the professors. Prior to teaching at UH West O`ahu, Dr. Furuto has been an instructor at the University of Tokyo, Harvard University, and UCLA. Dr. Furuto has been teaching at UH West O`ahu for almost 6 years now and she has had a big impact on the students as well as the university during her time here. Dr. Furuto decided to become a teacher, "Because of the words said by Isaac Newton 'I stand upon the shoulders of giants.' We all stand upon the shoulders of parents, teachers, coaches and our communities. Through teaching we can reach the hearts and minds of the next generation." Dr. Furuto values each and every one of her students as she told me, "My students are absolutely my greatest treasures!"

Furuto is also contributing to the ongoing development of the Ethno-mathematics curriculum here at West O`ahu. Some events include paddling canoes to Mokauea Island Fishing Village, studying bioacoustics at the Hawai'i Institute of Marine Biology, building a Star Compass with the Polynesian Voyaging Society (in Nainoa Thompson's backyard) and hiking down to Kalaupapa National Historical Park on Molokai, where students will be learning about real world applications of mathematics to our Hawaiian Islands. Furuto will continue to support math related degrees and programs at UHWO such as Science, Technology, Engineering, etc. One student states that "I love Dr. Furuto's class! She is always easy to talk to and makes sure you understand what to do before continuing the lectures." UH West O`ahu is very lucky to have such great professors such as Dr. Furuto, and everyone will look forward to seeing her change the students' lives, year after year.



CLUB RUSH

WRITTEN BY JESSICA GARDIEN

As many of you probably saw during January 22, 23, and 24, UHWO held its annual club rush, which gave students the opportunity to see and join clubs that the university has to offer. Clubs such as Glee, QSA, Investment, Anthropology, Marketing, and of course the Hoot, were stationed around campus eagerly waiting for students to ask questions and sign up. I hope all clubs were successful in getting new members, and that students found all the clubs they wanted to join. Clubs are a great way to meet and interact with other students, get involved in school activities, and they also look extremely well on a resume. If you are not in a club yet I highly encourage you to join one. You won't be sorry.

Nevertheless, it was three days full of excitement, an opportunity to meet new students, and don't forget the free food. The Entertainment club was there to show the crowd a few moves and the Glee club began advertising their song grams for their Valentine's Day fundraiser. Investment club was also doing their own little fundraiser to help start off the semester by selling popcorn. If you dropped by the Hoot table we were giving away chips and cracker jacks if you completed a small survey. With all these clubs that UH West O'ahu has to offer, students will most definitely have their hands full. However, please don't neglect your studies or homework!

TEEN HEALTH CAMP

WRITTEN BY MELLISSA LOCHMAN

On February 2nd 2013, UH West O'ahu was populated with 80 hopeful intermediate and high school students and 40 healthcare mentors gearing up to begin "Teen Health Camp Hawai'i," a one-day event giving students the chance to experience a range of health care professions. This event was hosted by Na Pua No'eau and the Health Careers Opportunity Program (HCOP), both programs of the UH Manoa Office of Student Equity, Excellence and Diversity (SEED), with additional support from the UH Hilo College of Pharmacy, UH West O'ahu, Ke Ola Mamo and the Wai'anae Coast Comprehensive Healthcare Center, Area Health Education Center (AHEC), UH School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene.

High School and Intermediate students had the rare opportunity to work with healthcare mentors doing various activities, free of charge. Some of the camps activities included: learning how to suture abrasions on a simulated arm, applying a cast using real casting materials, learning the importance of a healthy and balanced diet, advice on strategic planning and future success, learning about rewarding healthcare careers and the healing traditions of Native Hawaiians. The main goal of the Teen Health Camp is to introduce Native Hawaiians and economically disadvantaged students to a variety of healthcare professions in hopes that they will pursue work in a healthcare field.



KIMO KNOWS

CHINESE

WRITTEN BY KIMO YAMAGUCHI

Kung Hee Fat Choy! It is the Year of the Snake! This is one of my favorite times of the year because I get to order Chinese food and my wife can't complain. Recently I visited Kapolei Chinese Restaurant and ordered Kung Pao Chicken (\$8.95). Like Hamburger Steak, this is one of the dishes I order to determine a restaurant's worthiness. They didn't disappoint. The dish contained chicken thigh meat (I don't like it when they use chicken breast even though that would be healthier), peanuts, carrots, celery, bamboo shoots, button mushroom, green bellpepper and yellow onion. I liked the vegetables because they were cut into 1/2" dices. Some places leave the onions and bellpeppers in large chunks and what happens is that they are barely cooked when the dish is served. The sauce was slightly spicy, not overpowering so that you could enjoy the flavor of the ingredients and had a hint of sweetness. Kapolei Chinese Restaurant reminds me of some of the old restaurants that I used to go to as a kid (McCully Chop Suey, Golden Duck), good food at a good price. I would definitely go again.

Kapolei Chinese Restaurant

*Makai side of Farrington Highway near Jack In The Box.
Open Daily: 10 am-9 pm*

Master Stir Fry Recipe

This is one of the first recipes that I learned. Very simple and tasty. As I started to cook more, I changed the ingredients to give me more options. I started to use chicken broth instead of water. I added some ginger and garlic. If I was in the mood, I would add a little chili paste. What I love the most about cooking is being creative and making a dish my own. Happy Cooking!

Ingredients

- 2 Tablespoons Oyster Sauce
- 1/2 Cup Water
- 1 Tablespoon Cornstarch

Directions

Combine the ingredients in a jar or covered container and shake to mix. Stir fry 1 lb of vegetables (onion, celery, carrot, mushrooms, broccoli, won bok, etc.). Remove from the pan. Stir fry 1/2 lb. of meat (chicken, beef, pork). Once meat is almost cooked, add the vegetables and then the sauce. Heat through.



Congratulations to our very own Hoot Business Manager **Carly Young** on winning the *Miss Diamond Head 2013* contest. Carly will go on to compete in the Miss Hawaii Pageant later this year.

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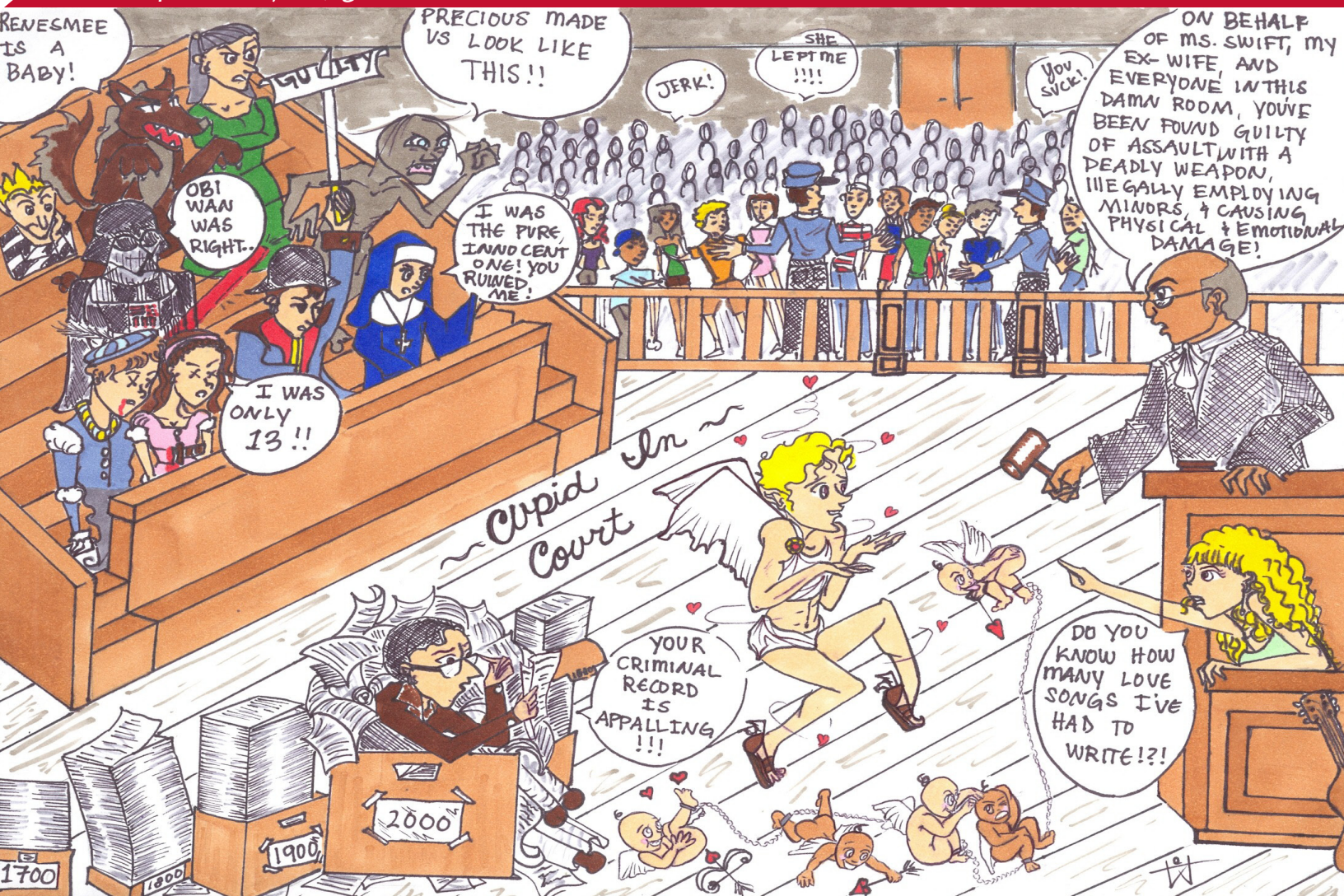


Congratulations to **Dr. David Pai**, UHWO CENT professor, who's also the *head coach of the 2012 - 2013 Mid-Pacific Girls Varsity Soccer team*. They captured their 3rd straight HHSAA Division II State Championship.

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**Wanna know how to make money on Valentine's Day?
Sue Cupid. But first, get in line.**

ARTWORK BY TITAINA WILLIS



LIBRARY NEWS

NEWS FROM THE UHWO LIBRARY

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Access library subject guides 24/7 at <http://guides.westohu.hawaii.edu/>. Subjects include English, History, Business Administration, Political Science, Hawai'i Pacific Studies, Applied Science, and many more. UHWO Librarians have even created guides for specific courses offered.

These guides include links to relevant research databases containing scholarly journals and ebooks; tips on how to efficiently search for books online, and how to access library services such as intrasystem loan and chat reference.

CASUAL READING COLLECTION

Be sure to check out our Casual Reading Collection in the first floor information commons area – new titles should be arriving soon, and this is a great place to pick up some fun reading for Spring Break!

"TOTO, I'VE A FEELING WE'RE NOT IN KANSAS ANYMORE!"

The UHWO Library will be hosting two all-clubs events:

- Wednesday, February 27 at 4 pm - Discussion of the Oz series by Frank L. Baum
- Wednesday, March 6 at 4 pm - Discussion of Gregory Maguire's Wicked and its musical adaptations, with special musical guests.

BOOK DRIVE: February 25th – March 8th

We are also excited to be hosting a book drive, Monday, February 25th through Friday, March 8th. This book drive is the senior project of a Kapolei High School student who plans to donate the books to local schools and charities. New and gently-used books are welcomed and can be dropped off in the marked box that will be placed in the library entrance foyer.