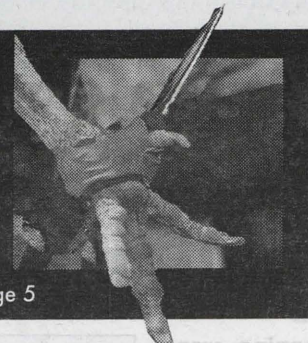


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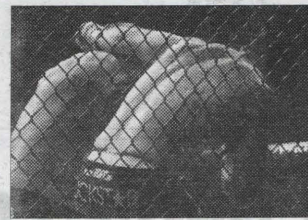
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Alternative eating habits may improve health and the environment

Not only eating habits, vegetarianism is about global understanding.

By Paige Jinbo
COPY EDITOR

The lifestyle of a vegetarian is not only beneficial to one's health but also the planet. Being a vegetarian is having the global awareness of what someone chooses to put into their body affects everyone, this according to Madana executive chef and owner of Creative Cuisine (a vegetarian catering service).

Vegetarians are categorized into three groups: lacto-ovo, lacto and vegan. In the broadest sense, vegetarians exclude meat, fish and fowl from their diet. Each group excludes meat, fish and fowl but also other items. Lacto vegetarians exclude dairy. Lacto-ovo vegetarians exclude dairy and

eggs. Vegans exclude all animal products. The strictest of vegans will also exclude honey.

According to Peatross, humans don't need animal protein in their diets.

"From what I understand, when the USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) originally created the food pyramid, they excluded meat; but cattle lobbyists marched on Washington, so they had to create a new one that included meat," Peatross said. "The idea of the four food groups wasn't really based on medical information as it was on advertisements."

Eating meat can also prove to be very unhealthy.

"When an animal is slaughtered, the animal is in fear and the adrenaline is excreted into the meat which is really unhealthy. All the adrenaline and hormones from that meat affects your cen-

tral nervous system. Also when an animal eats grass, whatever is in that grass is highly concentrated into the milk. There's a large percentage of DDT's and chemicals, if they're not put out to pasture in organic pastures."

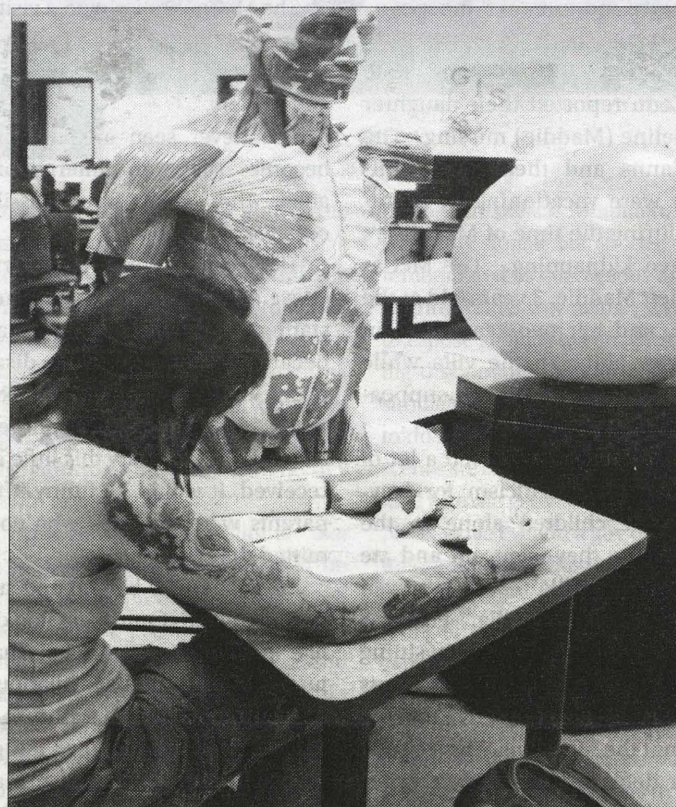
Dichloro-Diphenyl-Trichloroethane (DDT) is a pesticide.

According to Peatross, a lacto-ovo vegetarian, many doctors are advocating to eat less meat. Vegetarians have low incidences of heart disease and other diseases. They're also known to have less stress and anxiety. She believes that cultures that are known for their longevity are vegetarians.

"With salmonella, mad cow disease and the other diseases that come from meat maybe people will be forced to become vegetarians due to the contamination of the industry," Peatross said.

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STEM Center



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Carrie-Ann Miyamoto studies a model brain at the STEM center in Koki'o 202. To find out more about STEM contact Keolani Noa at keolani@hawaii.edu.

Presidential candidate attends forum at UH Manoa



KIMBERLY MOA/KAPIO

During forum Congressman Kucinich elaborated on his health care bill.

By Thomas Duarte
EDITOR

Congressman and Democratic Presidential Candidate Dennis Kucinich participated in a health care forum at the UH Manoa Architecture School on Saturday Sept. 15. Panelists for the forum included Kucinich as well as local advocate for health care reform Ah Quon McElrath, Fred Dodge a community doctor currently at the Wai-anae Coast Comprehensive Health Center and Rep. John Mizuno, Vice

Chair of the State House Health Committee. Mizuno has also co-authored HB56 a bill that would give residents in the state of Hawaii universal health care. Josh Frost of the Progressive Democrats of Hawaii organized the event dubbed, "Health care for Everyone."

"There are a lot of people in Hawaii who are very supportive of the congressman and his presidential race," Frost said. "Plus nationally he is at the front of the debate and if we are going to have a forum with regards to a single-payer health care system and we have him here, who better to speak on the subject at a national level than the guy who co-wrote the bill."

Kucinich has co-authored HR676 a bill that would create a single-

payer universal health care system in the nation and has also sponsored legislation to lower prescription drug costs.

During the forum Kucinich compared companies that make money for providing a service and said, "Health insurance companies make money not providing health care." According to Kucinich most businesses provide commodities or a service in exchange for money, while health insurance companies make money by not giving care and charging high premiums.

During the forum all panelists commented on the need for HR676. The panelists agreed that there is a need for a new health care system

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Breaking the law to obey it

Amber Renee Helton was arrested after driving a stolen 2001 Dodge Intrepid to a courthouse in order to pay for a parking ticket.

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The other Happy Meal

While standing in line at a McDonald's a Pittsburgh teen accidentally shot himself in the leg with an illegal .25-caliber pistol.

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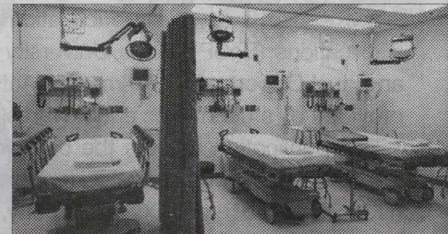


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From videos to lessons

A media studies professor in California is offering a credit class on how to learn from YouTube.

Full Story @ www.techcrunch.com



CNN.COM

A matter of baking security

A Canadian baker who appeared to have salmonella poisoning was fined \$970 when he refused to stay home and went to work.

Full Story @ www.reuters.com

KAPI'O PERSPECTIVE

Couple creates an intricate smoke screen



TIPPING
COWS

By Paige Jinbo

Of the 800,000 children that go missing each year it seems that only about a handful of them get play from the media. The missing children that do get highly publicized are the one's that turn out to be the most controversial cases.

On May 3, Gerry and Kate McCann reported their daughter Madeline (Maddie) missing. The McCanns and their three children were vacationing in Portugal during the time of Madeline's alleged kidnapping. The McCanns left Maddie, 3 years-old at the time, and her two-year-old twin siblings alone in the villa while they went out for dinner, supposedly just a few yards away.

The McCanns received a lot of well-deserved criticism for leaving their children alone in the villa while they went out and ate dinner. The villa that they stayed at was a five-star villa. Five-star villas have in-house babysitting services available. Usually parents snatch an opportunity like that up, but not the McCanns. However, in their defense, they said that they weren't gone for very long and that the kids were sleeping.

After her kidnapping went public, the McCanns traveled abroad to drum up support. Soccer star David Beckham, made a video pleading for the return of Maddie.

The reward for Madeline totaled to about \$5.1 million. A good chunk of that reward money came from donations from celebrities that include: J.K. Rowling, Simon Cowell and Sir Richard Branson.

The McCanns also paid a visit to Pope Benedict XVI. The Pope was said to have issued them blessings and prayers.

I've never seen a kidnapping become such an international affair. They used every possible outlet to get support.

However, on Sept. 7, the Portuguese police released a statement stating that the McCanns officially became suspects in the disappearance of their daughter. Now that's some good entertainment. After all the publicity this little girl received, it would be funny if the parents were the ones who committed the crime.

Everyone who helped and supported the McCanns are looking like fools right about now. That's just kick-me-in-the-face hilarious.

If the parents are found to be guilty of killing their own daughter, celebrities will never make donations for a missing child again. The Pope will have to use

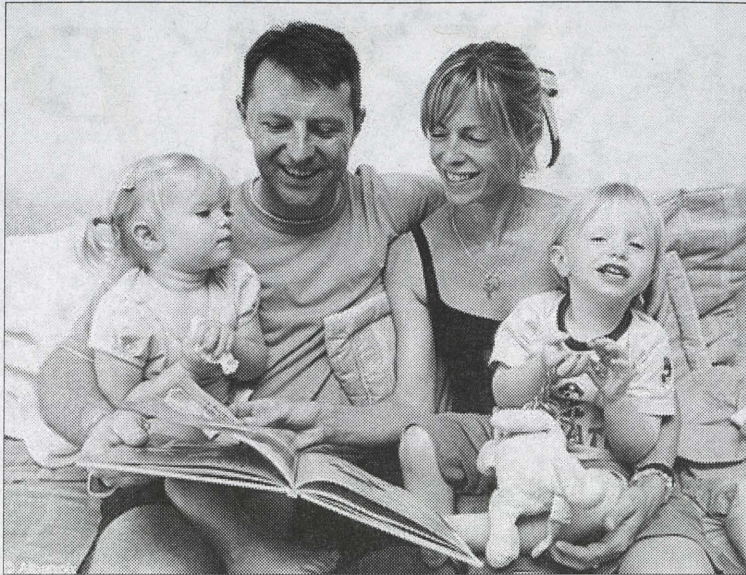


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Following the disappearance of Madeline the McCanns showed the media how they dealt with the tragedy of losing one of their children.

extra discretion when giving out blessings and prayers as well.

Why weren't the parents looked at as suspects from the beginning? Due to my religious watching of "Without A Trace," when a kidnapping occurs the first people the police or FBI look at as suspects, are the parents. The McCanns were never ruled out as suspects.

The Portuguese police have yet charged the McCanns with anything. Kate McCann is under heavy suspicion because it's been uncovered that after her and her husband realized Maddie was missing she wanted to delay

notifying the police. If that's not skeptical enough, 25 days after little Maddie went missing, the McCanns rented a car and police found blood, which matches Maddie, in the trunk of that car.

All fingers are pointing toward the McCanns. From now on, the public should be very wary of those who use the media to such an extreme.

The media seemed to have unknowingly played a big role in taking the attention off the people who quite possibly committed the crime. If the McCanns are charged, the cliché "hiding in plain view," is given a whole new meaning.

CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

In the Kapi'o for Sept. 11 the headline for the article about campus skateboarding stated; "Skateboarding a crime, at least on campus."

In the headline we referred to the offense as a crime. In doing so we implied that the campus skateboarding rule is a crime when it is a campus safety regulation and not a criminal offense.

The rule is designed to prevent accidents and to ensure the safety of the campus community. Offenders of the rule will not face any legal action from the college. The Kapi'o did not intend to imply that the rule was a law nor did we knowingly print it as such.

The Kapi'o apologizes to everyone affected by these mistakes. We also apologize to Auxiliary Services and campus security for this mistake.

We do strive for accuracy and will publish a correction or clarification whenever it is established that we have made an error or published misleading information.

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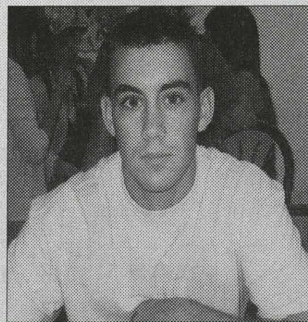
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SPEAKOUT BY ZHI SITU

Do you use Myspace? If not what else do you use?



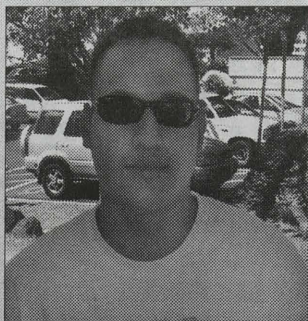
Joe Wilkinson: "I use Myspace to avoid school work and also to keep in touch with friends."



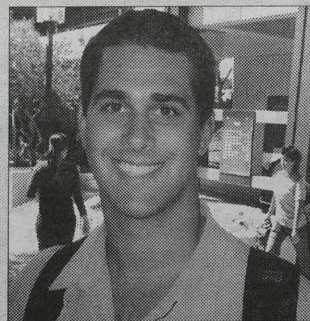
Maria Todo: "I don't use anything because it is too much trouble updating and maintaining."



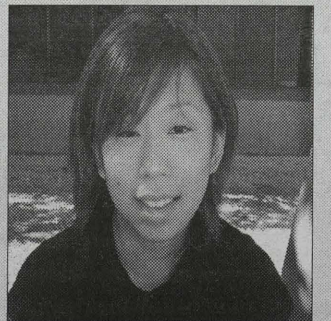
Jennifer Mauricio: "Myspace is a good way for me to keep in contact with friends and families in different countries."



David Carroll: "I use Myspace to express myself and keep in touch with my old friends."

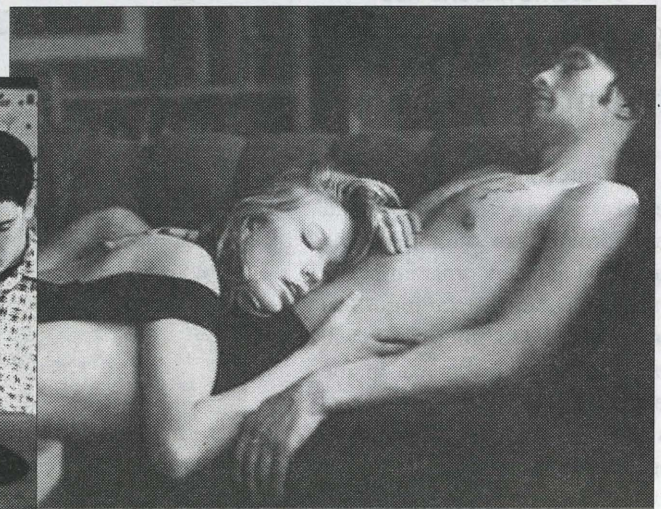
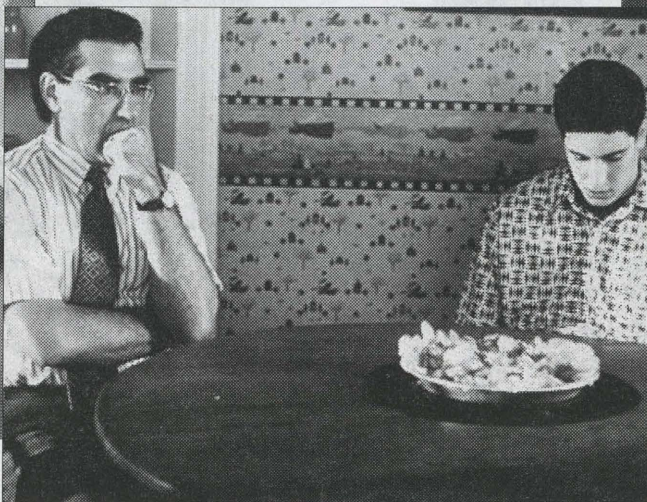
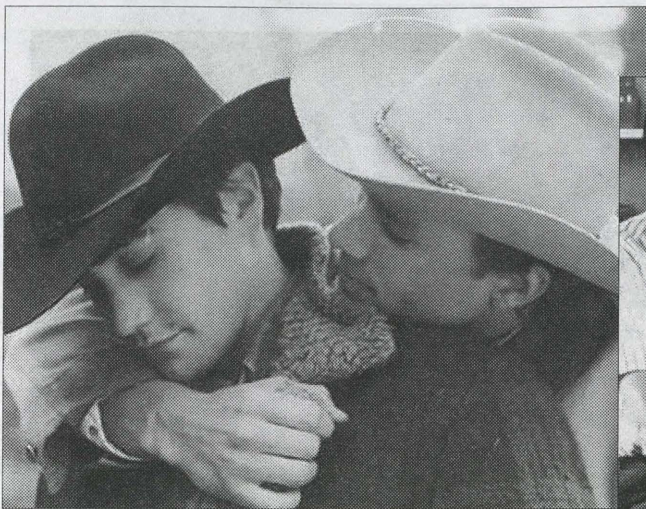


Mike Kratzke: "I don't use anything because I rather interact with real people than interact digitally."



Mako Mochizuki: "I use a Japanese Myspace called Mixi, it helps me to keep in touch with friends with Japan."

The world's oldest pastime: vagina vs. penis



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Here's the Deal

By Taressa Ishimi

Over the summer I had the pleasure of enjoying a few extra films and a few quality documentaries. During one of these documentaries the topic of penis versus vagina was raised and it got me thinking about how often in mainstream films a viewer can see breasts or vaginas versus the number of times one might come across a penis. I am leaving out male pectorals and men's and women's butts because

while the same arguments may apply I think breasts, vaginas, and penises drive the point home.

After putting some thought into the subject I felt pretty confident in stating that I have rarely seen a penis in a mainstream film, but I have seen, on a number of occasions, vaginas and breasts. And believe me I considered and even revisited some films where I thought there might be a strong possibility of male sex organs, including *American Pie*, *Unfaithful*, and *40 Days and 40 Nights*. Do you know what these films included? There was oral sex, masturbation, anal sex, vaginal sex, sex with baked goods, ejaculating washers, boobs galore and yet no penis.

This led me to the question why?

Being a woman and having seen the *Vagina Monologues* I am aware of how spectacular vaginas are. They give life, take in love, are a source of pride for women, as well as a source of debate for both genders and the world. Unlike the penis which has been primarily used as a source of jokes, name calling and sexual innuendos, "No in you're endo." So do we see more vaginas because it's easier to take them seriously? And if people take vaginas more seriously than why are women still working towards gender equality?

Clearly this is a discussion that could span hours, if not days or weeks. One could examine the pressures that the media puts on vagina virginity, or how condom

commercials comically glorify the fact that some guy is about to use a condom with an implied stranger. What about turning that story line to her side and examining the possibility that he is buying the condom, not to be responsible, but to ensure a lack of evidence when she stumbles into the emergency room crying rape?

Unfortunately the reality is that a product with a naked woman on the cover will probably sell faster and better than a product with a naked man on the cover. There is a reason people will remember *Unfaithful*'s Diane Lane and *Olivier Martinez*'s indiscretions in the hallway as sexy and risqué and why *Heath Ledger* and *Jake Gyllenhaal*'s cold night in a tent

during *Brokeback Mountain*, which was fairly similar but shorter, will be remembered as courageous and pioneering. Either way neither scene had to expose genitals to earn their differing descriptions, all four actors were simulating sex and all were paid well to do so. The difference is guy on girl scenes are as American as apple pie, as long as male genitals are kept in their place, while even in a guy on guy film there is barely a penis to be found.

I will leave you with this thought... With all of the vaginas and breasts exposed in television, film and the classic magazine are women more empowered by their sexualities or objectified? Are men less empowered because of the lack of penis in media or are they less objectified?



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OF EVENTS AROUND KCCDental Assisting
Information Session

Students considering a career in dental assisting are invited to attend an information session regarding the dental assisting program at UH on Thursday, Sept. 20 starting at 3:30 p.m. at Kauila 113. Information will be provided about careers in the field and educational requirements as well as academic information regarding the program.

Student Club Day

Many of KCC's registered student clubs will have tables in the Ohia cafeteria on Monday, Sept. 24 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Students interested in joining one of KCC's clubs are welcome to speak with club members during the fair.

Update on Honolulu
Mass Transit

There will be a follow-up seminar on the future of Honolulu's mass transit plan at the Ohia 118 auditorium on Wednesday, Sept. 26 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Three of the four members of the last mass transit seminar will be on hand to share their perspective on current and potential mass transit plans for Honolulu.

Animated short film
wins grand prize

Students of KCC's New Media Arts practicum class took home the grand prize along with \$5000 for an animated short film they put together. The class submitted "Toilet Story" in an online competition, where an online audience judged the contest. The short film originally entered the competition in 84th place.

World's largest digital
camera created at
UH Manoa

A team in the UH Manoa's Institute for Astronomy has created the world's largest and most advanced digital camera. The camera was created to scan the skies for killer asteroids and to help create the most in-depth catalog of stars and galaxies. The digital camera has been installed into a telescope on Haleakala, Maui. According to John Tonry, an astronomer who helped the team develop the digital camera, the camera will help detect stars that are 10 million times fainter than what the human eye can see. The creation of this camera may revolutionize many areas of astronomy.

Spectrum journal release party



TARESSA ISHIMI / KAPO

The staff of Spectrum hosted a release party on Friday, Sept. 14 for "Voices and Visions 2007" in the Ohia Cafeteria. The party included the readings of student submissions, enlarged photos featured in the Spectrum, door prizes and food. Students who attended the party were also given copies of the Spectrum.

Ph.D student returns to U.S. after visa delays

By Richie Frohlichstein
UWIRE

What was supposed to be a simple 10-day trip to Bolivia to get a renewed visa turned out to be a two year fiasco. Georgetown University administrators and others from around the country fight for the return of a student to the U.S.

In May 2005, Georgetown Ph.D student Waskar Ari went home to Bolivia to get his visa renewed. He expected to return to the United States in the fall to take up a teaching position at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL).

Now, over two years later, Ari has just returned to America after the Department of Homeland Security delayed his work visa and revoked his student visa, prompting Georgetown administrators and others from around the country to fight on his behalf.

Kenneth Winkle, chair of the history department at UNL, said he applied for the work visa for Ari and that UNL paid \$1,000 for the visa to be expedited in the spring of 2005. Within days, the Department of State notified Winkle that Ari's application had been referred to the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS), a division of the Department of Homeland Security.

"We were puzzled because we were never provided with an explanation," Winkle said.

Ari had already leased a house in Lincoln and had moved his belongings to the house. His plan was to begin teaching at UNL in the fall of 2005. "The plan was to go back to Bolivia for 10 days to renew my visa, but I ended up having to stay there over two years," Ari said. "It turned my world upside down."

In July 2005, the U.S. Consulate in La Paz, Bolivia, invited Ari in for a meeting, to which he went expecting to receive his visa. Instead, the vice consulate informed Ari that the Department of State had cancelled all of his past student visas.

In a letter to General Secretary of the American Association of University Professors Roger Bowen, Dale Rumbarger, a representative of the State Department, said that Ari's student visa had been revoked "under the Immigration and Nationality Act" and that a "review of department records was unable to locate a recent or pending visa application for Dr. Ari."

Steve Royster, a State Department spokesperson, declined to comment on this specific case but said that every application is run through a database, and if something comes up, the department is required to do a security check.

Royster said that 97 percent of approved applicants are issued visas within two days. From October 2005 to September 2006, 74.6 percent of

applications from the Western Hemisphere were approved by the State Department.

After learning of the hold placed on his visa, Ari decided to cancel the lease on the house in Lincoln and donate all of his belongings to charity. To make money, he worked at a university in La Paz conducting research and teaching classes while performing other jobs on the side.

Over the past two years, Georgetown faculty members and University President John J. DeGoia wrote letters to Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and Secretary of Homeland Security Michael Chertoff asking them to grant Ari his visa. The American Historic Association and the American Civil Liberties Union also urged both departments to reconsider the hold. A Georgetown alumnus in Congress also joined in, asking for Ari's entry into the U.S.

"I learned I was a part of a larger family. Everyone was very supportive," Ari said.

Among those supporters was Wayne Davis, chair of the philosophy department at Georgetown and president of the Faculty Senate. He said that when he learned of Ari's case in 2005, he immediately began making phone calls and writing letters to various officials working on Ari's case asking them to grant his visa request or to explain why it was being held.

In March this year, UNL filed a writ of mandamus with a U.S. District Court, demanding the Department of Homeland Security to make a decision on Ari's visa.

"I'd never imagined there'd be a lawsuit where [UNL] would be telling the Department of Homeland security to do its job and make a decision," Davis said. "Why'd this man lose two years?"

The court responded this past spring by giving the Department of Homeland Security 60 days to make a decision. On the second-to-last day of this period, the Department of Homeland Security lifted the hold, and Ari received his visa within days.

"When he got in, I was delighted," said Jo Ann Moran Cruz, chair of Georgetown's history department. "The academic community as a whole really stepped up to help him out."

However, when Ari finally stepped on U.S. soil on Aug. 20, USCIS in Miami stopped him to make a second review of his visa.

"Even then I wondered, 'Will they let me in even though I had a visa?'" Ari said.

After several hours of waiting, he was allowed to continue on to Nebraska, where he said he had two boxes of letters from the past two years waiting for him.

He is currently living with a friend until he settles back in.

"It's like starting from zero," he said.

Thunderbirds are go



MATTHEW AKIYAMA / KAPO

Spectators gathered at Waikiki Beach to watch the air show by the Thunderbirds. This was the first performance over Waikiki Beach in ten years for the Thunderbirds.

Cockfighting a cultural tradition to some

By Sidney Lewin
STAFF WRITER

Michael Vick's alleged dog fighting operation has placed a microscope over the animal fighting communities across America. Animal rights agencies scramble to point the finger at animal fighting enthusiasts, while enthusiasts claim that animal fighting is a part of their culture.

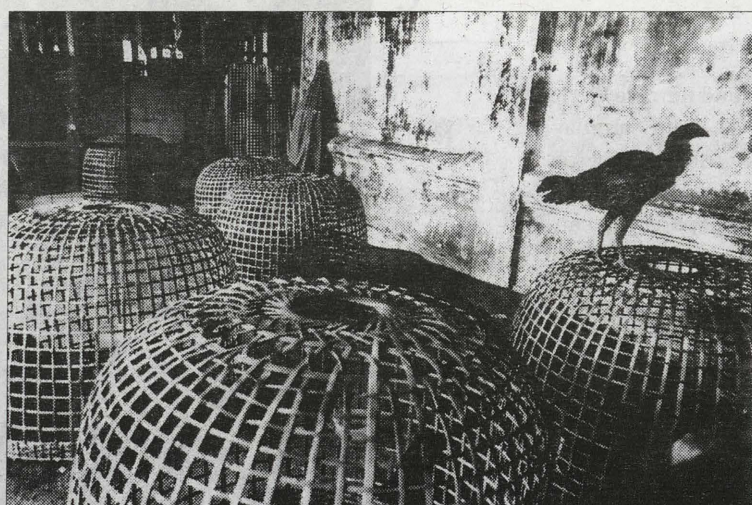
The culture of chicken fighting (cockfighting) exists in Hawaii and is considered by law, a second degree misdemeanor. Afraid of public ridicule, cockfighting supporters gather in internet chat rooms to discuss their common interests. Game Fowl Facts, a website devoted to game fowl (chicken), allow their members to speak publicly but enforce members to remain anonymous.

An egg is laid.

An anonymous member of the website discloses his relationship to the sport of cockfighting. His father, grandfather, uncles and cousins were all raised around the sport. He participated in cockfighting for quite some time, but does not anymore; instead he breeds chickens.

"I did not stop fighting my fowl due to any moral convictions, or dislike for the sport, but due to time," he said, "between raising a family, working full time and raising my fowl, there isn't much time left for the fighting aspect."

Kawehi Yim, the Community



KIMBERLY MOA / KAPO

Advocacy Liaison of the Hawaiian Humane Society (HSS), are opposed to any animal contest that causes suffering or the exploitation of an animal when the welfare of the animal is not a priority.

"Cockfighting is an activity that has been practiced for centuries in various countries, including the United States; old does not necessarily mean good or that it should be accepted today," Yim said.

The anonymous member acknowledges that there are many cockfighters out there that fit the negative stereotypes: gambling, drugs, the thrill of seeing chickens die.

"Just about every stereotype that you can name, I have seen," he said, "these people are by far the minority of our fraternity."

Jason Leong-Yep, 19, a freshman at KCC went to Thailand and has seen chicken fighting first hand in

Above: Cockfighting chickens in Thailand are housed in cages. Right: Sharp knives are attached to cockfighting chickens.



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the middle of the streets. He feels that animal fighting is cruel to a point, but is also a part of culture.

"Denying culture is denying someone's right, especially in America, it is very hypocritical," Leong-Yep said.

Mike Christman, 18, a freshman at KCC said that animals have been fighting since the beginning of time, but feels they do not do it out of blood lust. However, he also feels that humans should not do it for their own personal pleasures.

"I believe that cruelty to animals is not needed," Christman said, "we

got to respect everything."

The chick is hatched.

The majority of chickens in the United States are born to either become poultry in the frozen food aisle, or live life behind cramped cages, forced to lay eggs.

"We feed them the best quality ingredients we can find," the anonymous member said, "they are (allowed) far more ground to live on than other fowl are given, and most are allowed access to a mate."

A rooster is born.

"To profit from an activity that pits animal against animal is inhumane," Lim said.

Yet twenty three million chickens a day are killed in the United States for food according to Viva! USA. Caging and slaughtering of millions of chickens is legal but, fighting two chickens for entertainment is punishable by law. Fowl were domesticated for religious rituals and fighting long before they were domesticated for poultry and eggs.

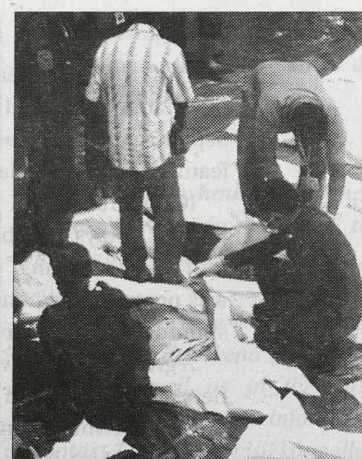
"Why so many people can condone football, boxing, ultimate fighting, kickboxing etc. and chastise cockfighting is beyond me," the anonymous member said.

However, the chickens may suffer in the ring. Before the fight, trainers sharpen knives to edges similar to a razor and to a point equivalent to a needle and tie them to the legs of their chickens. Fights range in time, but most end within five minutes.

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RECENT SNAPSHOTS

of national and world events



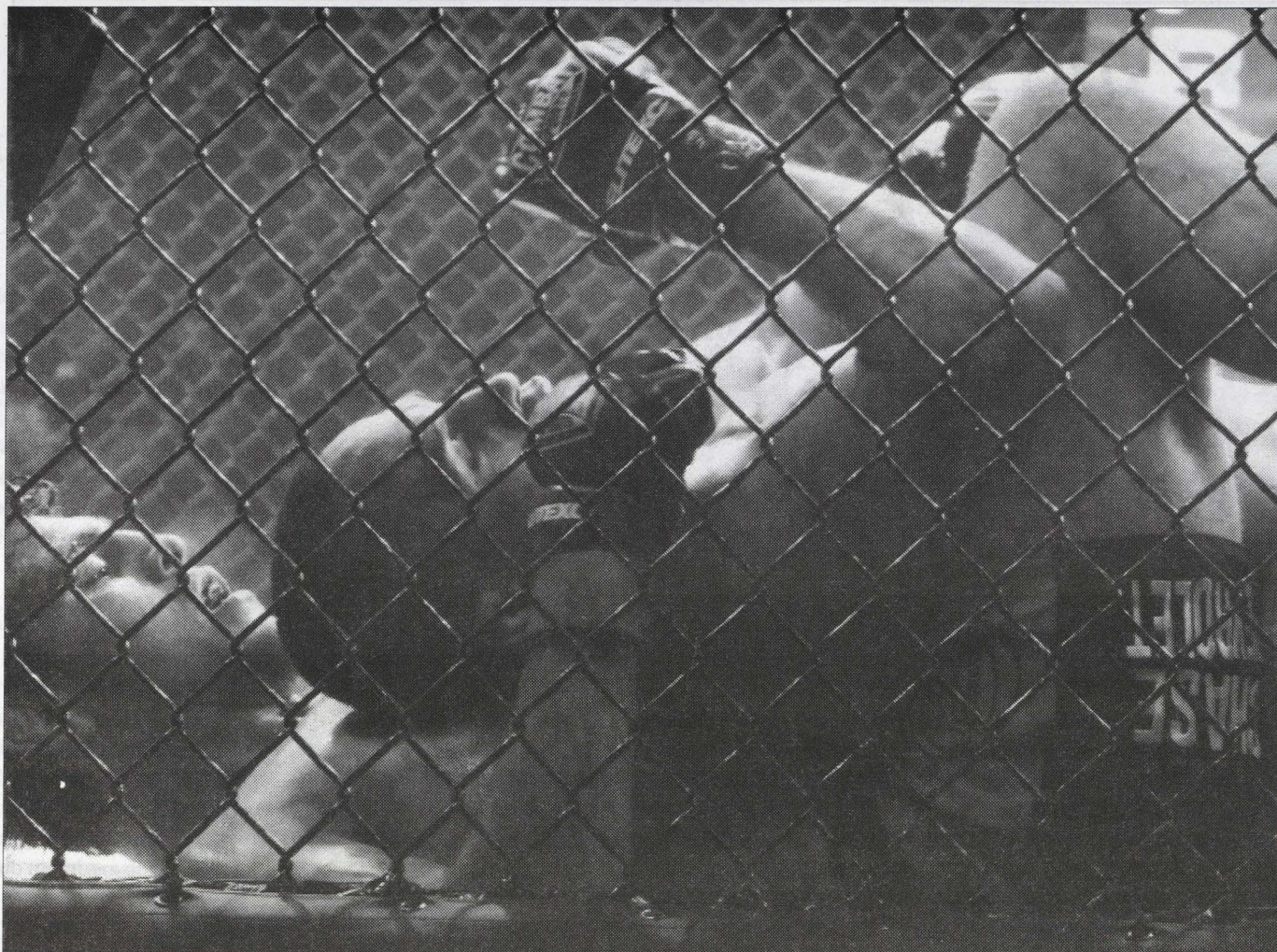
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Plane crashes in Phuket Thailand

A One-Two-Go Airlines plane crashed in Thailand on Sunday Sept. 16. The plane carrying 123 passengers along with seven crew members apparently skidded off the runway while landing in heavy wind and rain then caught fire. The fire engulfed some passengers while others kicked out windows to escape. Approximately 90 people died in the crash 54 of whom were tourists.

According to an Associated Press article many budget airlines use older planes that have been leased or purchased after years of use by other airlines. The article also said that Thai and U.S. aviation registration data showed that the that crashed plane was manufactured and put into use in 1983, and began flying in Thailand in March this year.

KAP'Ō FEATURE



"UPRISING" RESULTS

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Kala Kolohe Hose def. Jeff "Pee Wee" Cox
Mark Kurano def. Jose "Bomber" Diaz
Mark Oshiro def. Nui Wheeler
Brandon Wolff def. Chad Klingensmith
Justin Buchholz def. Ikaika Choy Foo
Elias Delosrueyes def. Chico Cantiberos
Gina Carano def. Tonya Evinger
Jake Shields def. Charuto
"Smokin" Joey Villaseñor def. Riki Fukuda
Nick Diaz def. "Iron" Mike Aina
"Ruthless" Robbie Lawler def. Murilo "Ninja" Rua

TARESSA ISHIMI / KAP'Ō

"Uprising" marked the beginning of a change for MMA in Hawaii. Rumble World Entertainment President and CEO Jay Dee Penn said during a press conference, "I see EliteXC doing very big event per year in Hawaii and ICON and Rumble World Entertainment doing eight events per year."

Blaisdell Arena endures an "Uprising"

By Taressa Ishimi
LAYOUT EDITOR

Two rival Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) companies, ICON Sport and Rumble World Entertainment sealed their union with EliteXC by putting on an event Saturday, Sept. 15 at the Neil Blaisdell Arena. Entitled "Uprising" the majority of this event was featured later in the day on the cable TV station Showtime.

ICON President T. Jay Thompson announced to fans, "... ICON Sports will continue as always, only better. Our talent pool just developed much more talent."

This event which was originally scheduled as an ICON Sports event in June was postponed when main event fighter "Ruthless" Robbie Lawler separated his shoulder during training.

A grudge fight between Tyson Nam of ICON Sports and Albert "Always Bad" Manners of Rumble World Entertainment. The fight which ended after three three-minute rounds when Nam defeated Manners by a unanimous decision from the judges.

EliteXC Live Events President Gary Shaw surprised two local fighters following their fight. Shaw told Justin Buchholz and Ikaika Choy Foo they would be featured in another EliteXC Showtime event in October.

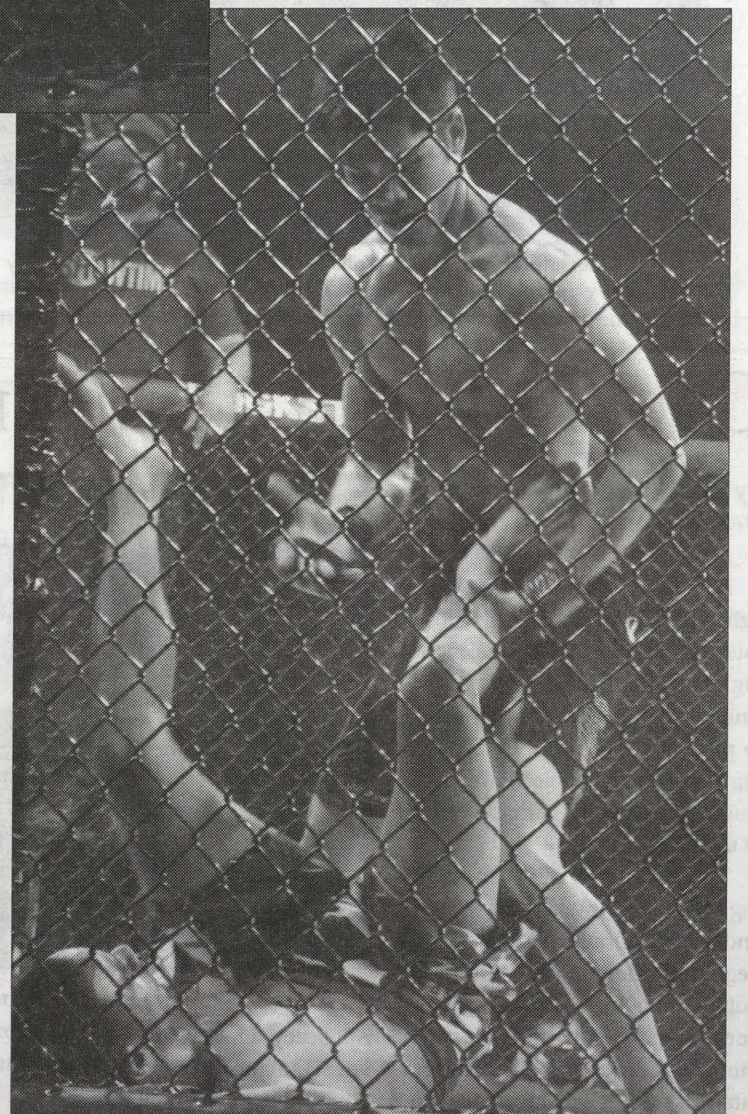
"Uprising" also included a women's fight between Tonya Evinger and Gina Carano. Carano, was undefeated coming into night with a record of 4-0. Two minutes and 53 seconds into the first round Carano successfully defended her undefeated run by forcing Evinger to submit to a rear naked choke hold.

One of the fights shown on Showtime was Nick Diaz's fight against local fighter Mike Aina. It was Diaz's first fight following a six month suspension after testing positive for marijuana. The fight went the full three five-minute rounds and was decided on a split decision from the judges, resulting in a win for Diaz.

The main event of the night saw Brazilian Murilo "Ninja" Rua defend his EliteXC Middleweight belt against Iowa native Lawler. Although the match was scheduled to last for five five-minute rounds it ended in the third round when Lawler knocked out Rua. Resulting in a title belt win by Technical Knock Out, TKO, for Lawler.

"His punches weren't really getting in, I was catching them. I was just worried about taking too much damage from his kicks," said Lawler to EliteXC.com, "I just knew that one of the two, three, four, five, six punches was gonna land and it wasn't gonna be good for him."

For more information, please visit <http://www.mmahawaii.com> or <http://www.proelite.com>.



"Best Little Whorehouse" opens doors

Season kicks off with a classic story about a little southern brothel.

By Karen Malone
STAFF WRITER

The Diamond Head Theatre (DHT) will open the 2007-2008 season with the musical "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas."

The show features Anita Hall as Miss Mona and Charles Degala as Sheriff Ed Earl Dodd. During the show's opening week, the performances are scheduled from Friday, Sept. 21 through Sunday, Sept. 23. Subsequent performances are scheduled from Thursdays through Sundays, Sept. 27-Oct. 7.

Through song and dance, "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas" chronicles the struggles of a brothel proprietor and her girls. "The show is character driven," John Rampage, DHT artistic director, said. "It's about the people—not the business."

In the musical, these women live in harmony with the other folks in the community. However, as the story unfolds, unwanted media exposure intertwined with politics later forces them to shut down the Texas brothel.

AUDITIONS

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Leeward Community College

"The Odyssey"

Sept. 21, at 7 p.m.

Sept. 22, at 2 p.m.

Diamond Head Theatre

"Meet me in St. Louis"

Oct. 12, at 7 p.m.

Oct. 13-14, at 2 p.m.

"The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas," which is based on a true story, first appeared on Broadway in 1978. Later, the musical was turned into a successful movie, starring Dolly Parton and Burt Reynolds.

The stage version and movie version have similar qualities. They both reveal the same basic plot and they're both "slightly naughty, but not offensive," Rampage said. One difference is that the characters are not necessarily as glamorous as they were portrayed in the Hollywood version, he added. "They are more down home."

The DHT staff schedules a free post-show discussion the second



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Cast gets down and dirty for upcoming performances of the classic Broadway musical based on a true story. "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas," opens at the Diamond Head Theatre on Friday followed by a post-show discussion.

Sunday of every production. Theatre lovers will have the opportunity to chat with the cast, crew and production team. According to Rampage, it is not necessary to attend the performance to participate in

the discussion. The next post-show discussion is scheduled for Sept. 30, following the 4 p.m. performance.

Tickets for the 2007-2008 season are on sale now and range from \$12-42. Full-time college

students receive a \$5 discount on select seats.

For more information, call 733-0274 or visit www.diamond-headtheatre.com

Preview of Koa Gallery's fall arts schedule at KCC

Check out this seasons upcoming art exhibitions on campus.

By Kimberly Moa
ASST. PHOTO EDITOR

Who needs the First Friday mob, when we've got the art right here? This season's upcoming exhibitions at KCC's Koa Gallery not only reflect the current art scene in Hawai'i, but also give students the opportunity to see the work of talented local artists without having to leave campus.

Sept. 1 - Oct. 15

On view at the Ka 'Ikena Fine Dining Room in Ohelo, are paintings and prints by local artist and retired art teacher Pat Ekstrand.

Inspired by family photos, tropical landscapes and scenes from old Hawai'i, Ekstrand's exhibition of watercolors and lithographs takes a look at iconic images of Hawai'i and her people.

A longtime supporter of the Koa Gallery, Ekstrand has won numerous awards for her watercolors and lithographs.

Family and friends gathered for the opening reception held on Sunday, Sept. 16.

Closing, Thursday, Sept. 20.

This week is also the last chance to catch the Faculty Biennial Art Exhibition at the Koa Gallery.

This exhibition showcases the

work of 22 faculty artists working in a variety of media, from surrealist painting and casted metal to refrigerator magnets.

Sept. 26 - Oct. 19

Opening next week at the Koa Gallery is the first solo show of new work by local printmaker Cora Yee.

Renowned for her silkscreen, Yee has been exhibited in Europe, Japan and throughout the U.S. including the state of Hawai'i.

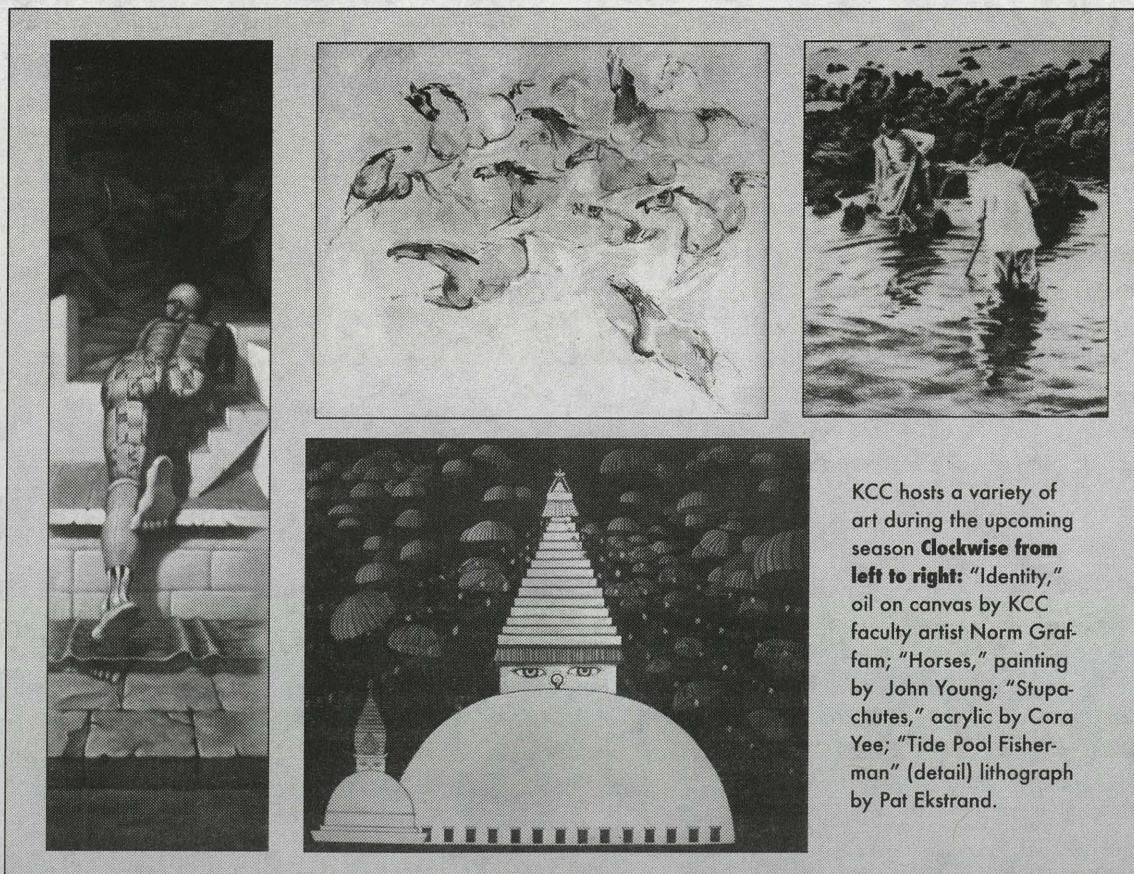
Featured in her latest exhibition, "The True Enlightenment of White Walls," Yee employs a variety of techniques: acrylic paintings on canvas, encaustic, mixed-media and drawing.

According to Koa gallery director David Belhke, "This latest series reflects (Yee's) innermost beliefs and continues her exploration of Nepalese and Tibetan themes."

The opening reception is on Thursday, Sept. 27 from 5 - 7 p.m.

Oct. 26 - Nov. 16

The Koa Gallery will feature the works of local painter John Young. Since Young's death, 10 years ago, his work has been featured in collections across the state and internationally. In honor of his legacy, the John Young Foundation has generously supported arts at KCC for years. The Young foundation annually awards two aspiring KCC art students with tuition scholarships for \$2000.



KCC hosts a variety of art during the upcoming season **Clockwise from left to right:** "Identity," oil on canvas by KCC faculty artist Norm Graf-fam; "Horses," painting by John Young; "Stupa-chutes," acrylic by Cora Yee; "Tide Pool Fisherman" (detail) lithograph by Pat Ekstrand.

Following Young's exhibit is a mixed-media miniature show that has yet to be scheduled.

Koa Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Koa Gallery also exhibits work in the Ka 'Ikena Fine Dining Room as well as in the Lama library. For more information contact 734-9374 or visit koagallery.kcc.hawaii.edu.

Achievement Grants

Up to \$600 for tuition from Student Services

Requirements:

- Student at KCC
- Enrolled in at least 6 credits
- 2.5 Cumulative GPA
- No prior degrees
- If you are already receiving a grant or scholarship that covers tuition, you are not eligible for this grant.

For more info or an application, contact Dustin McDunn via e-mail, mcdunn@hawaii.edu

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When meat appears to be a reddish-pink color in the grocery stores it's due to the fact that there's a lot of chemicals in the meat not because it's just been freshly killed. When an animal is killed, rigor mortis sets in and the meat begins to get hard and turn gray. Dyes, chemicals and softeners are processed into the meat to make it look that red-pinkish color and soft to the touch.

"I'm a carnivore eater. I can't see myself not eating meat. I can see where they're coming from but it's almost like a liberal and conservative argument," David Bergeron, liberal arts major, said. "I guess you could say the vegetarians tend to be the liberal side and then the cattle ranches as the conservative side. They tend to almost take it to an extreme to the point where it's almost political."

Many vegetarians believe that if the rest of society were vegetarian world hunger would not exist.

"Water and land are used in such a high percentage to raise one pound of animal. The same land use could grow a larger percentage of vegetables and beans that could feed the planet. There

would be enough to go around because of the percentage of land and resources that it takes for one pound of beef will exponentially outweigh the amount of land and resources used for the same amount of vegetables and beans," Peatross said.

According to John Robbins' "The Food Revolution," nearly 40 percent of the world's grains are fed to livestock. The more grains that are fed to the livestock the less there is to feed the people.

"I don't think this is true. Us eating meat doesn't create world hunger. People who eat meat have decreased, but there still is world hunger," Helder Da Costa, liberal arts major, said. Da Costa believes that people still ate meat during a time when world hunger did not exist.

Peatross believes that people don't understand the impact of being a meat-eater. A big part of the deforestation of the rainforest is due to cattle raising, Peatross added.

"I think that people should certainly investigate and understand; I don't think you can just become a vegetarian because it's a fad, it won't last," she said. "You need to really do the research, understand what the benefits are for yourself and the planet."

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Will the rooster crow.

"Practices such as cockfighting and dog-fighting cause acute suffering and physical harm to animals and desensitizes both

children and adults to the value of life and should be eliminated," Yim said.

The anonymous member feels the majority of citizens do not have access to the full truth.

"While our sport is not barbaric, as many people believe, it

is also not a cause that the general public is going to donate to, even if they did know the full truth. As a result, we do not have the financial means to spread our truth to the magnitude that our enemies are able to spread their lies."

Kucinich:

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and reduced prescription drug costs.

According to Kucinich there are 47 million people in the U.S. uninsured and about 50 million people under-insured. He feels that health insurance is the number one domestic issue facing the nation and one that affects all citizens.

Renee Ing of Employees Today TV passed out flyers discussing universal health care and the cost of the current health care system compared to the Canadian system. During the forum Ing said that HR676 is the only way to save health care for the country. In the flyer, Ing touches on the reasons for increased cost to U.S. citizens under the current system such as CEO compensation, untreated illnesses escalating to serious illnesses, and marketing.

Kucinich along with his wife Elizabeth campaigned in Hawaii starting on Sept. 13 on the Big Island then Sept. 14 on Maui and finally Oahu on Saturday Sept. 15. During the visit Mrs. Kucinich held a "Talk story" event on Kauai at the Blossoming Lotus restaurant on Sept. 13. On the final leg of his visit, Kucinich had three events on Oahu. The first was the aforementioned forum on health



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Dennis Kucinich spoke during a fundraiser at the Hawaiian Hut.

care at the Architecture Building at UH Manoa, the second a "Strength through peace" rally with Kucinich and his wife at Kaimuki High School and the third a fund-raising event at the Hawaiian Hut.

Kucinich is the first of all presidential hopefuls to visit the state. He last visited the state during his campaign in 2004.

"I love Hawaii, and I'm looking forward to presenting my platform to the citizens of a state that other candidates are ignoring," said Kucinich in a press release prior to his visit. "The issues

of peace and war and environmental protection and health care touch every citizen of the United States, not just those on the mainland."

Kucinich, in his sixth term as an Ohio Congressman, ran for the Democratic Presidential nomination in 2004, and came in second in the Hawaii caucus voting with more than 31 percent of the popular vote. Sen. John Kerry, the eventual Democratic nominee, won with about 47 percent.

To follow bill HB56 visit the Progressive Democrats of Hawaii Web site at pd-hawaii.com.

SOS Workshops Fall 2007

Textbook Reading Strategies: Lama 116 (Library)

Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2007 12:15 – 1:15 p.m.

Dianne Ida reveals ways to read your textbooks more efficiently and effectively.

Career Kokua/Holland Inventory: Ilima 104 (Maida Kamber Center)

Thursday, Sept. 20, 2007 10:45 – 11:45 a.m.

Gemma Williams shares ways to chart your career pathways

A Visual Approach to Basic Math: Lama 116 (Library)

Monday, Sept. 24, 2007 1:45 – 2:45 p.m.

Elizabeth Nakoa presents visual exercises on working with measurements and fractions.

Better Spelling: Lama 116 (Library)

Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2007 12:15 – 1:15 p.m.

Krista Hiser offers you a few helpful ways to improve your spelling. She is a "Spelling Evangelist"

Focus II: Ilima 104 (Maida Kamber Center)

Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2007 12:15 – 1:30 p.m.

You need to complete the first 3 sections of the Focus II online survey. Please go to Ilima 104 to register and get your password. Focus II is a computerized Career and Educational Planning system that allows individuals to analyze their career planning needs, assess their interests, skills, and values, search for and analyze occupations based on work values, educational level, and their personality.

Learning Styles: Lama 116 (Library)

Monday, Oct. 1, 2007 12:15 – 1:15 p.m.

Colette Higgins shows how knowing your learning style can help you maximize your academic success. Are you a morning or evening person?

Improve Your Vocabulary: Lama 116 (Library)

Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2007 12:15 – 1:15 p.m.

Mavis Hara shows you how to develop your vocabulary. Did you know if you read 15 minutes a day, you will read over one (1) million words per year.

UHM/ KCC Intramural Sports

If you are interested in competing against other students, playing sports, and having fun then head down to 'Ohia 101 during the following dates to sign up:

Free Throw Contest Sept 17-27

3-Point Shoot Out Sept 17-27

Volleyball League (Men, Women, Coed) Oct 2-11

Table Tennis (Singles, Doubles) Oct 9-18

KCC is the only community college that has been permitted to participate in this program, so take advantage of this unique chance to compete against your fellow UH students. Students must be in good standing and registered for a minimum of six credits. Call Paul Chur at 734-9577 or email pelur@hawaii.edu for further details.