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UH tuition increases fall below national rates

By Aslinda Ali

Ka Leo Staff Writer

With the shadow of a debt-ridden future looming on the mind of every student who has taken out loans to finance his or her college education, the prospect of an increase in tuition fees at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa deepens this anxiety.

There have been talks and preliminary discussions within administrative meetings about the plausibility and the possibility of a tuition fee increase in the fall 2006.

The Honolulu Star-Bulletin reported last month that Dennis Jones, a university finance national expert, told UH administrators, lawmakers, regents and members of the governor's staff that UHM had the "greatest opportunity to raise tuition."

The UH administration is looking into an increase in tuition for the fall 2006 semester although UH President David McClain highlighted that no concrete decisions have been made.

Nonetheless, the Honolulu Advertiser reported in July that a phased-in tuition increase at a rate of 3 percent per annum over 5 years has been approved.

Yet, in a study released by The College Board on Oct. 19, UH's rate of fee increments fall behind the national average of tuition increases among 4-year public institutions between the years 2003-2004 to 2004-2005. The national average stands at 10.5 percent.

"One of the reasons I came to UH-Manoa was because it is cheap relative to universities on the mainland, especially the private ones," said Zachary Smith, a freshman

math major.

Some university officials believe low tuition was one of the major factors contributing to the record enrollment in fall 2004, thus putting pressure on the university's already-limited resources.

Other opinions on the impending tuition increases are wide-ranging and divided, with some students against and others for it, while others remain nonchalant. This appears to depend on the students' backgrounds and their education in finance.

"It gets me frustrated. What are they raising fees for? Just so they can pay the president more? I don't see the benefits accruing to us students," said Morgan Zedalis, an anthropology major.

"When I came here in fall 2001, it was one thousand something but since I've been here, they might have raised it once or twice," said Jamie-Leigh Arakaki, a UH senior majoring in speech.

"It's fine if they raise it, they have to do it eventually. I'm here on a partial scholarship from my dad's workplace and the rest (is) being paid by my parents," said Smith.

Tuition raises are considerably more critical for those who are not on scholarship or are not eligible for financial aid. These include international students who might be on F-1 or J-1 Visa status, thereby limiting the type of paid work available to them.

"They should not do that (increase tuition). We students do not have that much money. If they increase the tuition fees, some of us would have to look for part-time jobs and our grades might suffer," said Angus Lam, a freshman trans-

fer student from Hong Kong.

The College Board study found that despite small nationwide tuition fees, this year's tuition increases were parallel to previous years. The percentage remained one of the highest in the history of university and college price rises.

Tuition is not the only significant issue. Jones, who is president of the National Center for Higher Education Management Systems, emphasized financial aid, affordability, agreement on state funding and what the public expects from the university as equally important constituents of the public policy process.

The university is asking Gov. Linda Lingle and the Legislature for \$715.1 million for the two-year budget covering 2006 and 2007.

McClain, while expressing agreement with Jones' analysis, suggested that UH is looking at how much money will be available through fundraising, auxiliary services and research grants before deciding how much to raise student fees and tuition.

Money coming in to the UH Foundation is expected to ease the university's financial strife. The foundation is focused on raising and distributing funds to UH programs and managing endowments. Exceeding the fund-raising target of \$10 million within the first quarter of the 2005 fiscal year, the foundation bodes potential waning effects on the imminent price hike. The tuition increase is expected to be presented to the Board of Regents in November and decisions expected by next spring.



Jimmy Hill, of Atlanta, Ga., stationed in Hawai'i as part of the 3rd Battalion 3rd Marines, shops at Sunglass King for a cheap set of sunglasses in Ala Moana Mall.

The University of Hawaii is doing a study to help vendors attract more tourists to their stores.

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Ka Leo O Hawai'i

Study tracks tourists' shopping tendencies

By Sandra Nyross

Ka Leo Contributing Writer

The University of Hawai'i has recently started a new cross-cultural study in an attempt to help retailers and local stores attract more tourists.

"You can shop in Hong Kong and Las Vegas; what we need to know is what's distinctive about shopping in Hawai'i," said Frank Haas, a marketing director for the Hawai'i Tourism Authority.

Dan Spears, a UH travel industry management professor, and Mark Rosenbaum, a UH marketing professor, have teamed up to participate in the study. They are surveying tourists in Waikiki to find out about their shopping expectations of Hawai'i.

"Your target market should greatly impact how you merchan-

dise and what products you stock," Rosenbaum said.

When people from the mainland visit Hawai'i, they are more likely to spend their time sunbathing or having a nice evening at a cultural event than do Japanese travelers, who tend to celebrate weddings or honeymoons, often spending the least amount of time in Hawai'i.

Jeffrey Hall, senior director of research at CB Richard Ellis, agrees changes are needed in Waikiki to meet the demand of Hawai'i's tourists.

"The Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center is rapidly changing," he said. "The Beach Walk and the International Market Place projects are just getting under way."

CampusBeat

Pornography goes public at Noelani

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*These reports are from a campus security log book.

Thursday, Oct. 21

1:41 a.m. — A group of students were running back and forth with a shopping cart on Dole Street in front of Gateway. Three men and a woman were talking loudly and asked to leave the area by Campus Security and complied.

1:42 a.m. — A group of men were yelling profane words while lighting firecrackers on Dole Street and East West Road. They were asked to leave and complied.

Friday, Oct. 22

3:18 a.m. — Four men were reported fighting in the parking structure, old structure's first floor, Section N,

near the elevators. Campus Security responded and the men left in two vehicles.

Saturday, Oct. 23

1:46 a.m. — A group of students were drinking in the Post parking lot. They were asked to leave by Campus Security and complied.

9:41 a.m. — A break-in at the HIG building, Room 135, took place and a report was filed. The superintendent was notified and a carpenter secured the window.

10:47 p.m. — Campus Security helped a Wainani Staff member confiscate a keg from a dorm courtyard.

11:37 p.m. — A Noelani room displayed pornography on their television set and faced it towards the courtyard area where people watched from outside. Campus Security reported the event to a staff member

and the television was turned off.

Sunday, Oct. 24

12:21 a.m. — A group of people were drinking at the Mauka end of the Noelani parking lot. They were asked to leave and complied.

2:30 a.m. — The Honolulu Police Department responded to complaints of loud noise and people drinking in the parking lot of the Music Building. Campus Security responded and cleared the party.

11:27 p.m. — Campus Security reported underage drinking at Hale Wainani. A report was filled.

11:37 p.m. — Two parties were arguing at Hale Noelani and Campus Security gave them a verbal warning. The incident was handled by both parties and they left the area.

FilmBriefs

Ka Leo Staff

Oct. 27 — The documentary "Hijacking Catastrophe: 9/11, Fear & the Selling of American Empire" will be shown on one of the O'lelo channels on Oct. 27 at 9:30 a.m. The documentary examines how a radical fringe of the Republican Party used the trauma of the Sept. 11 terror attacks to advance a pre-existing agenda, an agenda to radically transform American foreign policy while rolling back civil liberties and social programs at home.

The documentary places the Bush Administration's false justifications for war in Iraq within the larger context of a two-decade struggle by neoconservatives to dramatically increase military spending in the wake of the Cold War, and to expand American power globally by means of military force.

It will also show how the neoconservatives used Sept. 11 to advance their agenda with Lt. Col. Karen Kwiatkowski. Noam

Chomsky, Norman Mailer, Vandana Shiva and others.

Oct. 28 — "Liberty Bound with Christine Rose," the director and producer (documentary) "... takes an entertaining look at America's ongoing struggle to keep a comfortable balance between democracy, capitalism and fascism. This is a film about historic events that shape history. It is a film about courage and fear; ignorance and knowledge; propaganda and rhetoric."

The film will be shown at UH Manoa campus, Art Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 28 — "Honolulu Kerry in 2004 Meetup Group" will be shown at 7 p.m. In order to attend, you must be a member or sign up.

Oct. 29 — "Howard Zinn: You Can't Be Neutral on a Moving Train" at the UH Spalding Auditorium at 5 p.m. \$5.

Oct. 29 — "John Kerry: Going Upriver" will show at the UH Spalding Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. \$5.

Ben Cayetano moves from Capitol to UHM classroom

By Stanley Lee

Ka Leo Senior Staff Writer

From the State Capitol to Saunders Hall — not the most obvious career path for a retired politician. But now, former Hawai'i Gov. Ben Cayetano is speaking to students instead of legislators and grading papers instead of signing bills as an instructor in the University of Hawai'i at Manoa's Political Science department.

Cayetano is perhaps the perfect candidate to teach a class titled Topics in Hawai'i Politics. After all, he was the nation's first Filipino-American governor, serving from 1994 to 2002.

"Right now, I'm enjoying it," Cayetano said of his new job, which has received positive feedback from his students.

"I've talked to his students and they're pretty enthusiastic," John Goldberg-Hiller, political science department chair said. "His knowledge in some ways is very unique. The students are getting a good opportunity studying with him."

An opportunity studying with a politician was one of the reasons Goldberg-Hiller decided to let Cayetano teach. Along with another political science professor, the three discussed the idea of the former governor teaching for the first time over lunch last spring.

"It was an interesting opportunity for students to work with a politician and think on practical limits

on and even some of their (own) political theories," Goldberg-Hiller said. "Our university has a duty to the community to develop good scholars and knowledge of Hawai'i. He's helping us out in fulfilling that."

Goldberg-Hiller said this was no means to showcase the department or "make us look good in any way."

"We have a mission in teaching political science in the most interesting fashion we can," Goldberg-Hiller added. "This is a great way to do that, with a non-traditional teacher who has a lot to offer. We might start looking for other community leaders to be in some teaching opportunities."

Cayetano's class focuses on his eight years as governor. He has picked out certain issues during his tenure to discuss such as the economy, same-sex marriage, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and the Rice v. Cayetano case.

Cayetano, who is only teaching this semester, pointed out his class is a little bit different from other classes with a mix of discussions, writing assignments, readings and guest speakers, which have included former State Attorney General Margery Bronster and will later feature U.S. Rep. Neil Abercrombie and Rep. Ed Case.

"I try to teach or communicate certain facts to the students," Cayetano explained, "then I develop a question and have students respond to it — something like how

I was taught in law school, the case method."

"I used to persuade people to a particular point of view. Now I get them to look at different points of view instead of focusing on one."

Students have called him a tough grader and Cayetano said he looks at content and grammar while grading papers. He said e-mail has affected students' writing abilities, causing them to take shortcuts while writing papers.

"He's a little tough," Misha Lum, a senior political science major said. "He does that so that we get the most out of this class."

Lum signed up for the course after she found out Cayetano was teaching it, thinking it was a good opportunity to "get his opinion on the government."

Classmate Maria Villarin also registered for the class because of Cayetano, claiming the last opening during registration last spring.

"I wanted to learn how his administration worked and why he did and chose to do certain things," Villarin said.

While Cayetano was governor, Villarin said she doubted certain bills he signed. But with him as her instructor, Cayetano has been able to explain why he took certain sides on particular issues, helping her gain a better understanding of his decisions.

"It's better for him to say it than other people," Villarin said.

Boyfriend or fling, the choice is yours

By Tasha Tanimoto

Ka Leo Staff Writer

I'm in a very committed relationship with a guy that I am in love with. Before I started dating my boyfriend, I hooked up with another guy. It was purely a fling, and it ended when I met my current boyfriend. But now this fling is constantly telling me that he wants me again. I explain to him that I don't want that anymore, but he won't leave me alone. What do I do?
- Anonymous

Now when you say that he wants you, do you mean that he wants to have a fling again, or does he want

to advance into a relationship? The decision is purely in your hands no matter what this guy wants.

You say you're in love with your boyfriend and that you're committed to him so the most logical answer would be to tell this guy to back off. Explain to him how you feel in your relationship. And tell him, nicely, that you don't want him anymore.

If he doesn't leave you alone, it's harassment. Let's hope it doesn't come down to that.

Good luck with this one. And I commend you for being so committed in your relationship.

Send all sex-related questions to tashatan@hawaii.edu

Honor society to celebrate inductees

Ka Leo Staff

This week, Beta Gamma Sigma, the University of Hawai'i's business honor society, is celebrating "Tapping Week" to recognize nearly 100 initiates for 2004.

Beta Gamma Sigma is the highest nationally recognized scholastic honor an AACSB-International accredited business school student can achieve, said Cindy Chen, president of BGS's Hawai'i chapter.

According to BGS's national Web site, the honor society has been in operation since 1907 when it was commissioned at the University of Wisconsin. BGS merged with University of Illinois' Delta Kappa Chi and University of California's Economics Club in 1913 to form the national honor society in existence today.

In an e-mail, Chen wrote, "The mission of Beta Gamma Sigma is

to encourage and honor academic achievement in the study of business and personal and professional excellence in the practice of business."

Membership in BGS is by invitation only. Every year, the top seven percent of juniors, 10 percent of seniors and 20 percent of graduate students in the College of Business are asked to join.

The benefits of membership include an alumni network, a student scholarship program, lifetime recognition and more.

Inductees for 2004 will be honored at the 2004 Initiation Ceremony and 35th Annual Luncheon on Dec. 4 at the Hale Koa Hotel with Robin Campaniano, CEO and President of AIG.

For more information, visit www.betagammasigma.org or www.cba.hawaii.edu/bgs.

SportsBriefs



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Wahine head coach Dave Shoji focuses his team after losing the first game against Rice. The Wahine beat the Owls in four games, remaining undefeated.

UH teams rise to new challenges

Ka Leo Staff

'Bows to travel without Shoji

The Rainbow Wahine volleyball team will be without head coach Dave Shoji for this week's road trip while he attends to family matters.

Shoji will stay in Hawai'i with his father, who is critically ill at a local hospital.

Associate head coach Charlie Wade will act as head coach for the two matches at San Jose State today and Boise State on Friday.

The Spartans hold a 14-7 record, 5-3 in the Western Athletic Conference, while the Broncos are 16-7, 5-4 in the WAC.

Warrior volleyball to hold intra-squad match

The University of Hawai'i men's volleyball team will conduct an intra-squad scrimmage this Saturday, Oct. 30, at 10 a.m. in Gym I on the UH

Manoa Lower Campus.

The intra-squad match is a best-of-five with the squad broken into white and black teams.

Playing on the white team will be setter Brian Beckwith, opposite Matt Bender, outside hitter Jose Delgado, middle blocker Delano Thomas, libero Eric Kalima, and newcomers Jimbo Clar, Kyle Klinger and Brandon Ricard.

The black squad will consist of opposite Pedro Azenha, outside hitter Matt Carere, middle blockers Dio Dante and Maulia Labarre, setter Daniel Rasay, liberos Alfred Reft and Brian Villaroman, and newcomer Jake Schkud.

The event is free and open to the public. Parking is \$3 and spectators may bring a beach chair to watch the match.

This is will be the first of two O'ahu events this fall, with an exhibition match against the University of Pacific scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 17, at 7 p.m. at the Stan Sheriff Center. That match will kick off an inter-island showcase of matches between UH and UOP, with games played on the Big Island (Nov. 18), Moloka'i (Nov. 19), and Kaua'i (Nov. 20).

UH golfers finish 13th at Barona

The University of Hawai'i men's golf team finished four strokes over par coming in 13th place at the Barona Collegiate Cup yesterday in Lakeside, Ca.

Leading the Warriors was senior Ben Douglas who shot a four-under 68 in the final round on the 7,043-yard Barona Creek Golf Course to enter into a tie for 21st. Comprising the UH team were: Pierre-Henri Soero (T40), Jarett Hamamoto (T52), Cody Wolfenbarger (T62) and Travis Toyama (T70).

Taking the title was Brigham Young University ending the three rounds with a 822, 42 strokes under par. Tied for second was University of Denver and Texas A&M following 19 strokes behind BYU.

Oscar Alvarez representing BYU won a sudden-death playoff against Denver's James Love, winning the individual title after they each finished 203, 13 strokes under par.

The Warriors return to host the UH/Turtle Bay Intercollegiate on Nov. 1-3 at the links at Turtle Bay Golf Course. Last season UH finished in a tie for the title along with the University of South Carolina.

Professor advocates diverse media sources

By Toya Webb

Ka Leo Staff Writer

Ibrahim G. Aoude, a professor of ethnic studies at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa, said Americans should not limit themselves to using U.S. media alone to get informed on issues.

In a recent interview with Ka Leo, he said that U.S. news organizations such as Fox News promises fair and balanced reports but it fails to deliver.

Aoude recommends several Web sites that will allow readers to make up their own minds about issues that affect them and the world.

One site that Aoude frequently visits is Tikkun.org. Although he is a Palestinian-born Christian, Aoude uses this Jewish site that addresses many controversial issues.

"It's not like the mainstream media, it (offers) another point of view," he said. "Tikkun.org has a lot of readers and it offers a lot of information about the Israeli/Palestinian conflict."

Aoude urges Americans to take advantage of a variety of media sources because "there is no such thing as unbiased media."

AlterNet.org is another site Aoude recommends. While many media outlets in the United States portray American troops as being gung ho for war, AlterNet tells a different story. It currently features an article that details a soldier's painful, life-altering experience in Iraq.

According to AlterNet.org., Cpl. Tyson Johnson, 22, joined the military so that he could get off the dangerous streets of Prichard, Ala. But little did he know that he would wind up fighting a war in the streets of Baghdad.

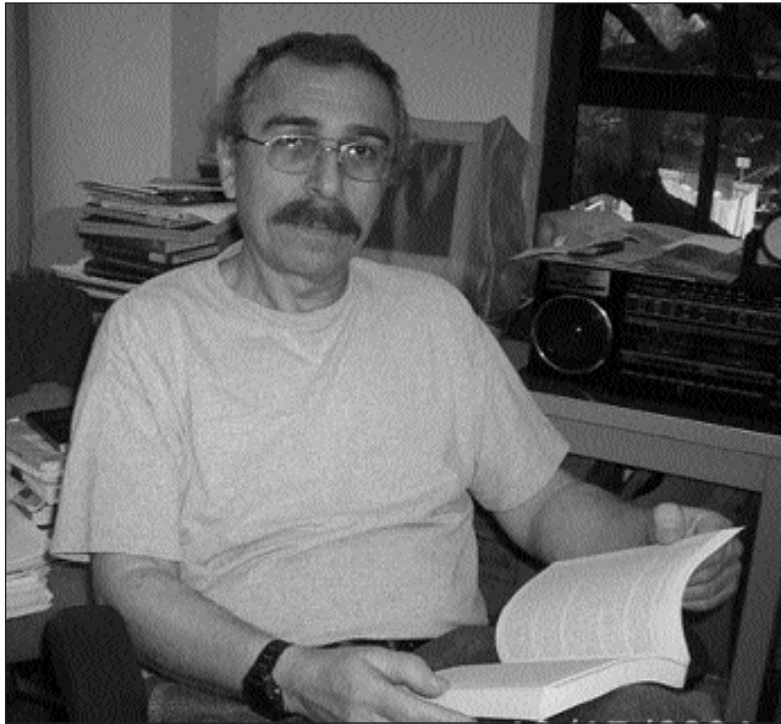
Johnson was nearly killed in the war. He suffered multiple injuries from shrapnel including punctured lungs and a riddled kidney.

Aoude also recommends Electroniciraq.net, which features articles that are usually not found on many U.S. mainstream Web sites. Electroniciraq.net is published by Middle East news publishers and includes stories from reporters who oppose the war.

Currently, electroniciraq.net has an article that tells about an Iraqi's brutal experience with American forces. According to the article, the 24-year-old was mistreated by U.S. soldiers when they broke into his family's home and cracked his nose with a gun barrel.

Aoude, co-editor of Arab Studies Quarterly, encourages people to read books, articles and other documents when trying to understand the war in Iraq.

Aoude said relying primarily on the news media is not very illuminating. Among his suggested readings are: "Oil, Power and Empire" by Larry Everest; "Full Spectrum Dominance" by Rahul Mahajan, and John Feffer's "Power Trip."



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Ethnic studies professor Ibrahim G. Aoude urges Americans to take advantage of a variety of media sources to gain a balanced perspective on world issues.

Aoude said that in Iraq "troops are getting killed because of a lie." He believes that accessing a variety of sources will allow people to discover different viewpoints on the war.

In contrast to Aoude's view, the Bush administration argues that the U.S. attack on Iraq was justified despite no weapons of mass destruction have yet been found.

Although the Bush administration and U.S. mainstream media portray the Afghanistan elections on Oct. 9 as a step toward democracy, Aoude disagrees with that view.

He said that "Afghanistan is not better." In last Wednesday's presidential debate, Bush said that, "As a result of securing ourselves and ridding the Taliban out of Afghanistan, the Afghan people had elections this weekend." Even though the ballots are still being counted, President Hamid Karzai has been projected as the winner.

Aoude said that he's not sur-

prised that Karzai is the all-but-certain winner. He suggested that Karzai was strategically placed in Afghanistan and that the C.I.A. installed its own men to control Kabul for that very reason.

He said that Afghanistan's election is not a step toward democracy because "Karzai only controls certain parts of Kabul while (Afghan) warlords control everywhere else."

Another site that Aoude recommends is DemocracyNow.org. The award-winning American site describes itself as offering different viewpoints on a variety of topics in a broader way than mainstream media.

When the American mainstream media fails to offer balanced reports, Aoude exhorts Americans to take advantage of a variety of media sources.

He said that the role of the media should be to educate. Because they have power and responsibility, Aoude said, they "should be a watchdog."

Recommended Web sites

- www.Tikkun.org – A Jewish Web site for Jews and Non-Jews alike that focuses on several controversial issues, including the Israeli/Palestinian conflict.
- www.AlterNet.org - According to the Web site, "AlterNet is a highly acclaimed Internet information source that provides readers with crucial facts and passionate opinions they can't find anywhere else."
- www.Electroniciraq.net – According to the Web site, "Electronic Iraq is a news portal on the U.S.-Iraq crisis published by respected Middle East alternative news publishers..."
- www.DemocracyNow.org- An American independent Web site with award-winning journalists who offer perspectives that differ from those of mainstream media journalists.

Teacher brings Indonesia home

By Jarrett Keohokalole
Ka Leo Contributing Writer

He has learned 11 different languages. He has lived in five different countries from Germany to Indonesia. No, it's not Indiana Jones, but Dr. Uli Kozok, Assistant Professor at Manoa teaching Indonesian language.



Kozok

Kozok has the unique ability to see things from an Indonesian viewpoint and knows how Indonesians feel about many issues in the world today. The ability to speak in so many tongues gives Kozok the capacity to see life from different perspectives, as language distinguishes itself not only by having its own vocabulary, but also by following the customs and ideas of a culture.

Kozok's knowledge of Indonesian is especially interesting since UH is one of only 14 Universities in the United States to offer Indonesian as a language.

Kozok follows Indonesian events and opinions daily on several of the many Indonesian newspapers published online. The opinions of Indonesians concerning international events are quite intriguing, particularly concerning the war on terror, since Indonesia has the largest Muslim population in the world.

Kozok said that while Muslim Indonesians believe in the self-defense of Islam, the sentiment was not directed at any one particular country. "It is

directed to those who pose a threat to Islam," he said.

He believes Muslims in Indonesia considered the invasions of Iraq and Afghanistan to be attacks on the Ummah, the worldwide spiritual community of Muslims. He said they simply view the situation in Iraq as an invasion, especially since it was done without UN permission.

Kozok described Indonesia as generally "a very moderate country." He said there are few Islamic fundamentalists there, and that they receive no general support from the rest of the population. However he did mention that the people of Indonesia do not support the US "war on terror." He said many consider the US as part of an alternate "Axis of Evil," which consists of Washington, London, and Canberra.

Surprisingly, Kozok said that although an overwhelming majority of the population does not support U.S. initiatives in Iraq and Afghanistan, Indonesians are more U.S. friendly than many of the countries in Europe, including his native Germany.

These views do not seem to waiver from global public opinion as a recent worldwide poll suggests. In a global survey conducted by GlobeScan Inc. and the University of Maryland, 30 of the 35 countries polled were in favor of Democratic candidate John Kerry for president of the United States over incumbent George W. Bush. Those polled said U.S. policy has been "worse" after Bush's term.

Kozok keeps up to date with Indonesians events and opinions

through Indonesian online newspapers such as Kompas and Republika.

He also follows Tempo Interactive, an Indonesian news magazine. Though Kozok reads the online versions of the newspapers in Indonesian, each Web site does have English translations available, though they are limited.

Kozok said that Indonesians have a traditional interest in world affairs and the majority of Indonesians keep up to date. Even those living in the remote regions of North Sumatra, where Kozok did his fieldwork, follow world affairs. He added, "They all knew the name of the German Chancellor, do you?"

Although 90 percent of the Indonesian population is Islamic, there are also Christians, Hindus and Buddhists. Though the population is overwhelmingly Muslim, Islamic political parties do not receive the most political support from the general population.

Most Indonesian political parties are secular, and the moderate majority shows little support for fundamentalists and less for terrorists.

The Portuguese first explored Indonesia in the 1500s. The Dutch later colonized there, and relinquished control in 1950 to the independent Indonesian government. Indonesia is made up of over 13,000 islands and home to more than 210 million people.

The first language Kozok learned was German, his native language. He began to study other languages in high school. He has learned Indonesian, Malay, the three Sumatran languages Toba, Karo and Simalungun, German,

English, Dutch, Latin, Greek and Italian. He has limited reading knowledge of French as well as Spanish.

Along with living in Sumatra and other parts of Indonesia, Kozok has been all over the world. He studied in Germany and Indonesia. He later moved to Holland and New Zealand, where he spent eight years as a professor at Auckland University. He is a permanent resident of New Zealand.

Three years ago he moved to Hawai'i and began teaching Indonesian. In addition to teaching, Kozok is an accomplished author. He has written five books and contributed to 18 others, not including yet to be published works.

He also works in translating ancient Indonesian and Malay texts. While recently doing fieldwork in Sumatra, he uncovered the oldest Malay manuscript in the world.

A list of Kozok's works and information about the Indonesian language program can be found on the UH Indonesian language Web site (www.hawaii.edu/indolang).

Recommended Web sites:

- **Tempo Interactive** - An Indonesian Magazine similar to Time
www.tempointeraktif.com
- **Kompas** - Indonesian Newspaper
www.kompas.com
- **Republika** - Indonesian Newspaper
www.republika.co.id

Filipino program shares cultural pride

By Darlene Dela Cruz
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Through the Filipino and Philippine Literature Program, Filipino students are finding ways to keep their culture's presence strong on the Manoa campus and in the community.

The Filipino program at UH-Manoa strives to preserve the Philippine language and identity through the courses and the extracurricular activities that it sponsors.

Although students with ethnic Filipino ties make up seven percent of the UH-Manoa student body, the program struggles to meet students' needs with its meager resources. Filipino students can explore Filipino language, history, literature, and culture through a number of Filipino classes offered on-campus.

According to Maria Sheila B. Zamar, an instructor of Filipino at UH-Manoa, the university's Filipino program is the only program in the United States to offer advanced Filipino classes.

UH-Manoa's Filipino program is also the only BA degree program available in the country in Filipino and Filipino literature. More than 200 students are currently enrolled in the Filipino classes at the university.

The Filipino program is not only unique in its degree availability, it is also distinct in the way its students learn Filipino, as well. Zamar is among the professors in the Filipino program who utilize Filipino media in their classes to impart the language and culture to students.

"Media is the most efficient vehicle of culture," says Zamar.

An avid browser of Internet sites from the Philippines, Zamar tries to parlay material from Filipino Web sites into the classwork she assigns. "One of my goals in my (FIL) 401 class is to expose students to different types of genres, different types of writing and different dialects of Filipino," she said.

Among the sites Zamar frequents, she lists Kabayanonline.com.ph and Abante.com.ph, two newspaper sites from the Philippines written entirely in the Filipino language, as her primary online sources for class readings.

These Internet assignments allow for diversity in

her class exercises, she says.

Students in the Filipino program are also given a diverse array of out-of-class activities to foster their learning of the Filipino language and culture.

Filipino students can partake in Katipunan, UHM's Filipino language club, which was founded in 1992. "Katipunan is a language-based organization," Zamar said. "One of its goals is to provide students with a venue for them to use the language that they learned inside the classroom."

One venue through which Katipunan allows Filipino students to utilize their language skills is the Katipunan literary magazine. Writings from UH-Manoa Filipino program students are showcased in this Filipino-language publication, as are pieces written by Filipino community members. The magazine is published at the end of every semester.

Filipino students can demonstrate their oral mastery of the Filipino language through the Katipunan Song Fest and Drama Fest. Sheryl Salvador, a senior psychology major and former student of the Filipino program, describes the Katipunan Drama Fest as a competition among groups of 8 to 11 people.

"Usually it's 'class vs. class,' but if a (Filipino) class is too big, they have to be divided up and we write up a script based on a certain theme," Salvador said.

Drama Fest themes center on an aspect of Filipino culture, such as "Filipino mythologies" and "Philippine National Heroes." Drama Fest participants are charged with a three-fold task — they must serve as the actors, set designers and Filipino-language playwrights for their short plays.

The Katipunan Song Fest is a musical counterpart to the Drama Fest. The Song Fest keeps the same group vs. group competition structure and emphasis on Filipino cultural themes, but instead replaces acting in Filipino with singing in different Filipino musical genres.

Students serve as the song selectors for their groups, making sure the songs they sing fit the theme of the competition. Past themes for the Song Fest have included Filipino songs from the '70s and Filipino movie songs.

The Drama Fest is held every spring semester, while the Song Fest is held in the fall. Both events

are held on campus and are open to the public and are emceed entirely in Filipino.

Despite the competitive nature of the Katipunan Song and Drama Fests, these activities — as well as the in-class activities of the Filipino program — serve to unite the UH-Manoa Filipino student population under a common, stronger cultural and language bond. Through their increased exposure to Philippine media, music and drama, students become proud champions of the Filipino heritage.

"Growing up in a somewhat Filipino environment at home doesn't really teach you about the people, why we are the way we are, and different aspects of the culture," says Salvador. "(The Filipino program) made me realize that it is cool to be Filipino."

The UH-Manoa Filipino program is pressing on, despite facing a lack of funds. "One of the things that we constantly worry about is that we won't be able to offer the courses our students need ... because of budget deficits," says Zamar.

With only three full-time faculty members, one of whom is retiring this year, Zamar hopes the university will allow the program more funds to meet the growing student demand for Filipino courses. "For a long time, these courses were not offered," says Zamar. "It is only now that students are becoming aware of (them). We want to always have them available."

Recommended Filipino Web sites

Philippine Newspapers in English:

- www.philstaronline.com
- www.manilatimes.net
- www.bulatlat.com

Philippine Newspapers in Filipino:

- Kabayanonline.com.ph
- Abante.com.ph

Philippine Government Agencies:

- www.gov.ph
- www.ncca.gov.ph
- www.pia.gov.ph

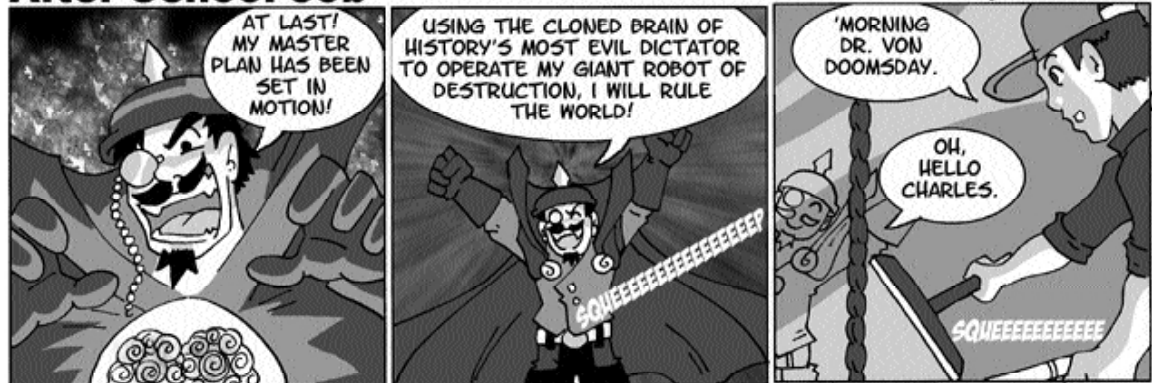
Other Filipino Resources:

- bibngka.com
- www.lakbypilipinas.com

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After School Job

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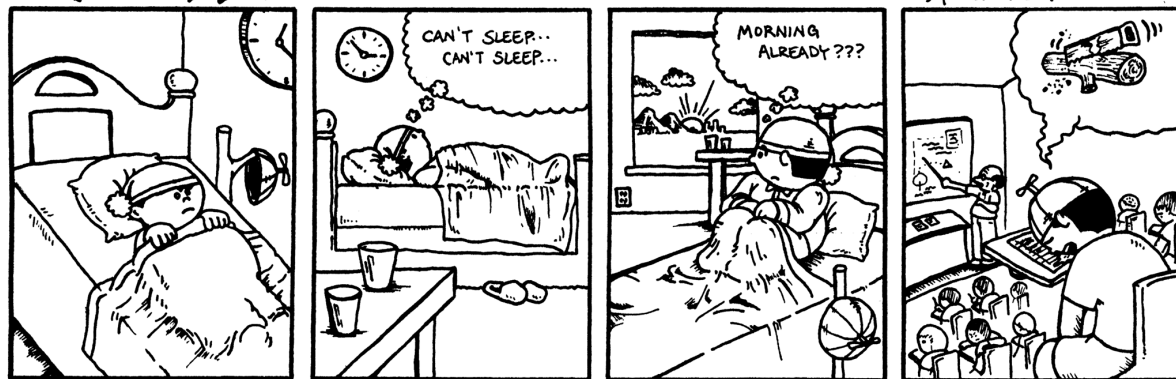
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Today's Job: High-rise Window Washer

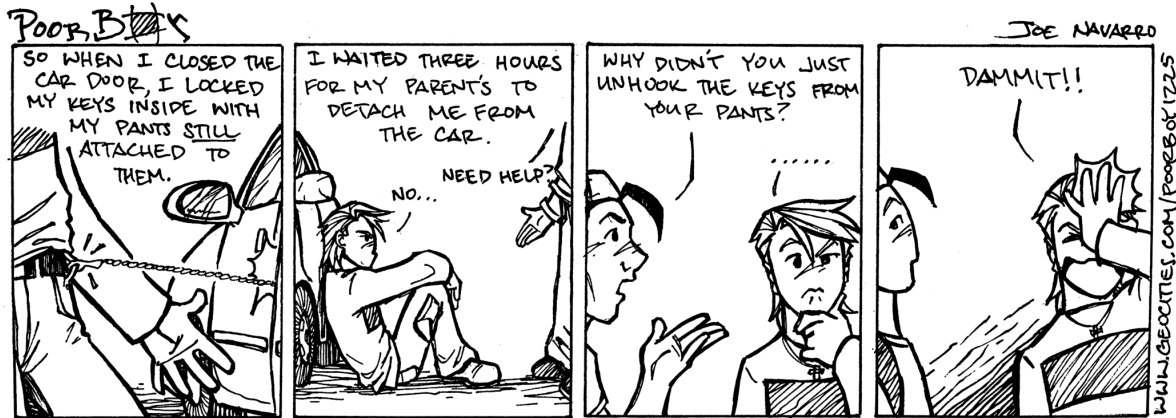


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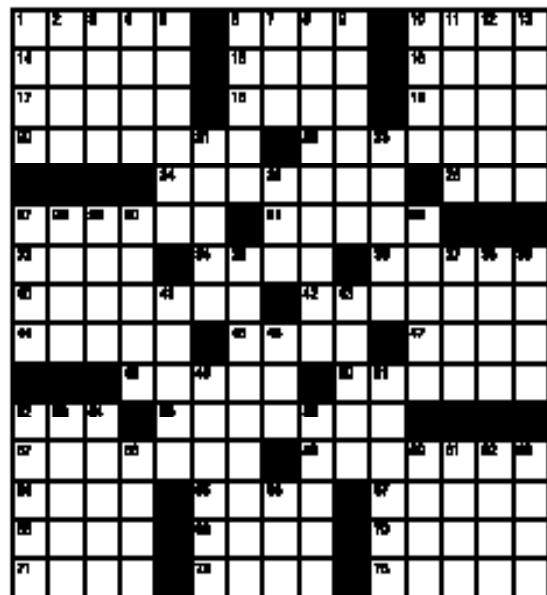
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JOE NAVARRO

Crossword

- ACROSS**
- All grown up
 - Cult historian
 - Appled
 - Cleveland suburb
 - Top-notch
 - Dynamic leader?
 - Avic
 - Type of pear
 - Sora of Virginia
 - Bridge framework
 - Clawed ladder
 - Post office's offering
 - 6th sense
 - Opening else
 - Therapist
 - Serapiet soldier
 - Gas container
 - Ransomed
 - Object to
 - Part of BLT
 - Glossy fabric
 - the line (obeyed)
 - Organic compound
 - Spirited mount
 - Element 63
 - Fr. holy woman
 - Tubb and Hemingway
 - Used potato
 - Expressed gratitude to
 - IAE word
 - Raincoat
 - Rock full of crystals
 - "Six Feet Under" character
 - Thal by fire
 - DeGennaro sitcom
 - Collective pronoun
 - Much breakers
 - Particular bias



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- DOWN**
- Promote original activity
 - Expensive
 - Inch
 - Bediment
 - Fish sauce
 - Casualty weapon
 - In addition
 - Remove letters
 - Fallenness
 - Author Celeb
 - Tenore's conduct
 - Opera highlights
 - Nonmalignant growth
 - Normalized
 - Overhead
 - British lake
 - High peaks
 - Thomas against
 - Evaluated
 - Audience
 - "Scarface" star Paul
 - Bus. sch. subj.
 - Remove text
 - Sign on a door
 - Head of
 - Hollywood
 - Poetic piece

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FACES	UNIT	ARAB
TRANSISTOR	GLUE	
PERT	SURGERY	
CAPITALS	MEANIE	
OZEN	ETA	BREED
PLASMA	ALLOU	
EEL	IMPRINT	PTA
BRAID	ESORT	
SCOUR	TOP	OLIO
HARROW	MUSHROOM	
ANAGRAM	LEAF	
DANG	TITLEROLEE	
GRUB	TREE	EDEMA
DYES	BEED	BETUP

- Puts up
- Slow people
- Meager
- Parrishbach
- Makes merry
- Editorial directive
- Follow orders
- Jodi Foster film
- Soft-drink nut
- Unopie
- Postmark
- Summer lng.

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Third party candidates offer choices

Polarized voting between Kerry and Bush sideline alternative candidates, with help from mass media



Dangerous Thoughts
Pablo Wegesend
Ka Leo Staff Columnist

By the time you are reading this editorial, all three of the presidential debates for the 2004 election will have finished. Of course, those debates involved only Democratic nominee Sen. John Kerry and Republican incumbent President Bush. Because of this, many people get the wrong impression these two are the only two candidates running for president.

There are others running for president.

There is Ralph Nader, who is running as an independent. His claim to fame is his battle with big corporations. He ran for president in 2000 with the Green Party. Nader made many democrats angry because he supposedly took votes away from then Democratic nominee Al Gore.

The current Green Party nominee is David Cobb, another anti-corporate lawyer. Like Nader, Cobb also has a far-left agenda. Cobb

and Nader think the Democrats aren't liberal enough on foreign policy, environment, civil liberties and economics.

The Libertarian Party has Michael Badnarik. He is antiwar, wants to privatize many government services, wants to legalize marijuana, and wants a bigger tax reduction than Bush. He believes the federal government should stay out of the abortion and gay marriage issues.

Republicans fear that the Libertarians take away potential voters worried about taxes, gun control and government bureaucracies. But the libertarians also out-liberalize the Democrats on the military draft, drug legalization and opposition to the Patriot Act.

The Constitution Party has Michael Peroutka. Peroutka is the far-right alternative to the Republicans. He thinks that Bush is too liberal on the federal deficit and immigration. He also dislikes the Patriot Act and thinks that Bush isn't vocal enough against abortion, homosexuality and secularization of public schools.

We have all these other choices and more; however, the media is next to silent on the so-called

"third parties." They pretend they don't exist. They pretend that all of America is totally aligned with either Kerry or Bush. That is impossible in a nation of 280 million.

Yet, there are political pundits who consider undecided voters as "stupid," never mind that many people are conflicted between voting for a lesser-known candidate or voting for the "lesser of two evils." Many, like me, may agree with Bush on certain subjects but agree with Kerry on others. We came to that conclusion through an enormous amount of time spent reading newspapers, searching the Internet and watching the news. Yet these pundits call millions of us "stupid" just because we refuse to totally align ourselves with the two over-publicized candidates? These mega-partisan pundits are acting stupid by implying that one must totally agree with Bush or Kerry.

Those of us who have the nerve to vote for a lesser-known candidate are demonized for wasting our votes. The partisan pundits blame third parties for taking away votes their parties are supposedly entitled to.

In 2000, the Democrats demonized Nader for taking away potential Gore votes. Notice that the pro-democrat pundits didn't even bother to encourage Gore to explain why his ideas are better than Nader's. It's as if they're not even confident in Gore being a better candidate issue-wise. It is ironic that the Democratic Party claims to be for the little man, yet they demonize smaller parties for taking away votes.

The Republicans are also guilty of the same thing. It is ironic that the Republican Party claims to be against the entitlement mentality, yet they criticize the Reform, Libertarian and Constitution parties for "taking away votes" from

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Republicans. As if Republicans are entitled to power. The republicans claim to be for personal responsibility, but in reality blame others for their loses. The Republicans claim to be for the free market, but they aren't willing to effectively market their ideas.

It is this arrogance of the two big parties plus the media's refusal to cover minor parties that is reducing voter turnout. In 2000, in the United States, only half of those eligible to vote actually voted.

Yet, in 1998, in Minnesota, 70 percent of those eligible actually voted. Why? Because in that year, Jesse Ventura was running for governor of Minnesota. Ventura was neither a Democrat nor a Republican. He was less for government bureaucracy, pro-privatization, pro-choice, and pro-gun. He even took the risky positions of being for legalizing prostitution, marijuana and same-sex marriage. With all that, he was able to defeat the two major parties. Plus, being a former pro-wrestler didn't hurt.

Imagine someone like that running for president. I think someone like that can win the presidency.

As for Ventura, he recently stated he wouldn't vote for Kerry or Bush.

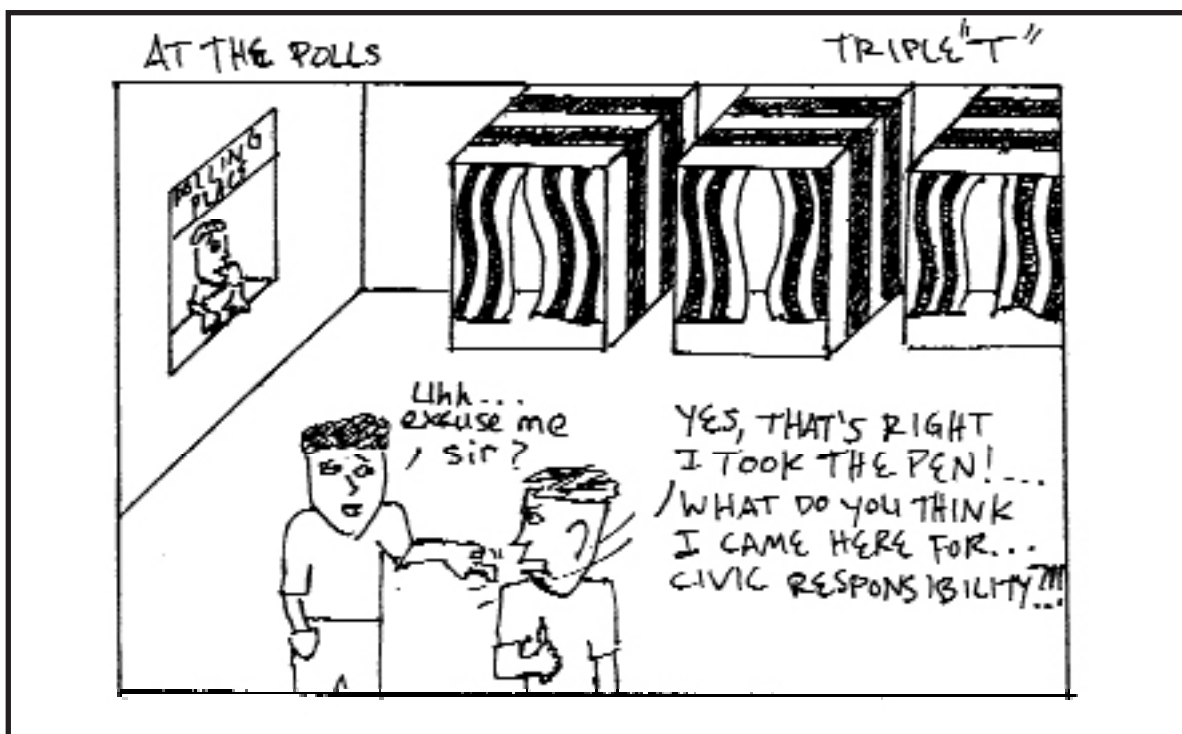
As for me, I like Bush for being tough on Islamic terrorists and being pro-immigration; however, Bush is wrong when using the federal government to restrict abortion, same-sex marriage and medical marijuana.

As for Kerry, I agree with him on abortion, civil unions and being tough on al Qaeda; however, Kerry was too inconsistent on too many issues throughout his campaign.

In my opinion, the best minor candidate is the already-mentioned Michael Badnarik of the Libertarian Party. I agree with him on medical marijuana, abortion, same-sex marriage, guns and the draft. I hope he takes a gradual approach to privatizing certain government services. Going too fast on that can be a disaster; however, he doesn't seem tough enough to take on Islamic terrorists. Hopefully, someone can reason with me on which candidate to vote for on Nov.2.

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Rainbow cheerleaders show their home team support down on the field.

Rainbow Warrior Michael Brewster (6) runs the ball against San Jose in the first quarter of the UH Homecoming game at Aloha Stadium.

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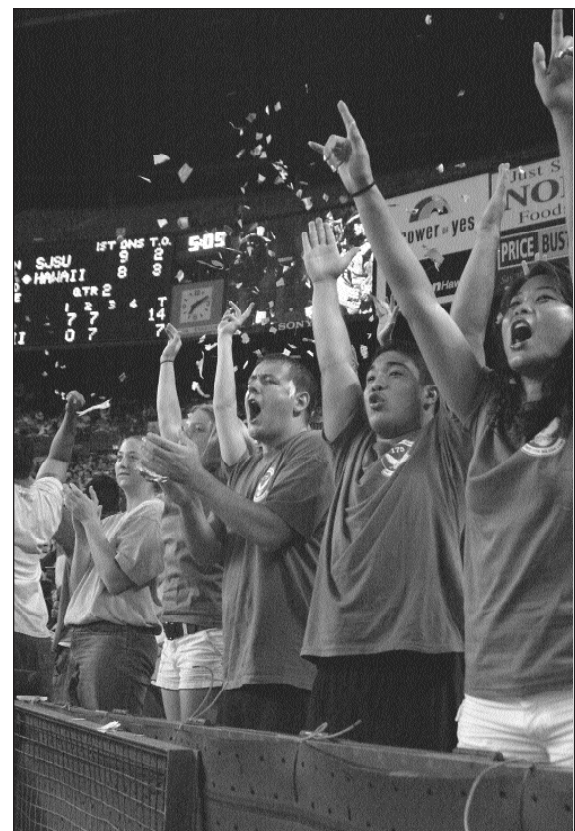
Game On!

Rainbow Warriors vs. San Jose State Spartans

LEFT: David and Gabby Perry of the "Palolo Maniacs" spirit group scream up a storm in the stands. UH bested SJSU in a 46-28 win in front of a home crowd of 31,074 on Saturday night.

RIGHT: The Genki Sushi Man, the Geico Gecko and other mascots square off during halftime at the annual Homecoming Mascot Bowl game.

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UH's Air Force ROTC goes wild as Hawai'i scores its second touchdown of the game.

