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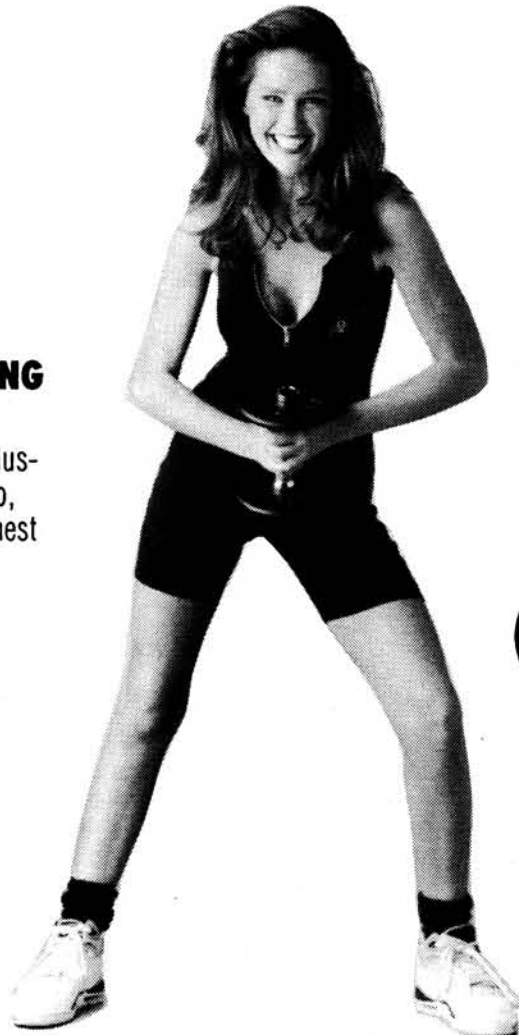
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The bottom line to this is that we have proven that it is possible for a woman to stand hip-to-hip with a man at the urinals; that a penis is not needed to write your name in the snow; that a woman, when in the woods, does not have to get in that horrid squatting position; and, that to most, urinals would be

a welcome sight in a women's restroom.

Thanks again to all of you at the *Planet*. I will keep you updated with the progress of my writings.

Sandra Wong
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THANKS TO PANETTA WE'RE BANKRUPT

The good news in a letter from Congressperson Panetta is that the radioactive 44,000 barrels rotting open on the ocean floor near the Farallone Islands just off San Francisco Bay will be covered by Panetta's appropriation bill for removal and safe disposal. Forty-four thousand barrels of what? Radioactivity in our crabs, fish, in our surfing, swimming, and boating waters? Where did 44,000 radioactive barrels come from? When will they be removed?

Like all the "answers" from our dear Mr. Panetta, they go around in circles. We pay him \$134,000/year, plus fringe; we grant him a \$3,600,000 pension; we automatically re-elect him without thinking now for some 17 years; he is Mr. Budget in Congress; he has been instrumental in creating the \$4 trillion national debt draining about 60 percent of the nation's interest payments and plunging America's dollar into almost a zero valuation on the world market — great accomplishments, what? But he cannot, will not, remove those 44,000 radioactive barrels dropped there by the dear, sweet UC Regents as their great gift to their constituency, we the people, as our fair share for making nuclear bombs and power plants, invented by some of our greatest minds, exported all over the world to spread our one true religion to all, like true-blue missionaries, to save even the lowly Third World peoples from ignorance, as well as ourselves, by gradually, inexorably murdering us all.

Yes, we must thank Mr. Panetta, his faithful Congress, and our duly elected Greatest of All Presidents, for bankrupting America with a nice \$271 billion Pentagon gift for 1993, so they won't starve, while 40 percent of our children, 11 percent of our elderly are near starvation in poverty, and in California alone, 4,825,000 American citizens, a 17-percent increase over last year, are on the verge of starvation.

No, we must always re-elect Panetta, our longest running pal, and his buddies, President Bush and Vice President Quayle.

No, we must not doubt these three, as the world stock markets teeter on the brink of collapse along with three largest, deregulated national banks. We must always remember that to worship America, to worship nuclear bombs and power, to worship incumbent elected officials, is the greatest and the most rewarding obligation. Who has ever heard of worshipping God? Heresy! They made lamp shades and candles out of such heretics under Hitler, burned or pressed them to death under the Puritans of Salem, Mass., bankrupted/ jailed them under Nixon/Senator McCarthy, and now! Starvation! Illiteracy! Irradiation!

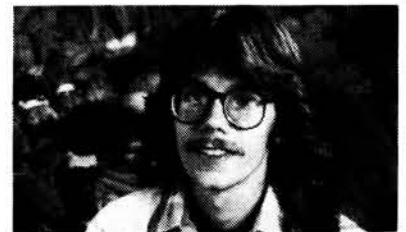
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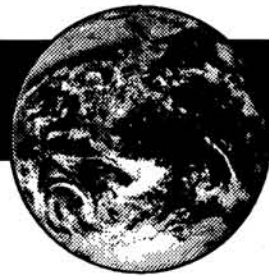


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LANE HAS IT WRONG ON GENERAL PLAN

In your interview with Santa Cruz Mayor Don Lane [September *Monthly Planet*], I was surprised by his statement that the general plan is "a sort of direction we want the community to go. It's the goal. It's not construction drawings. It's just a vision."

This comment reflects ignorance of state planning law. The general plan is the long-term guideline — usually 20 years — for community growth and development. It is a comprehensive guide, addressing all types of uses, including housing, shopping facilities, parks, schools, hospitals, industrial sites, and transportation.

Let me quote from a booklet entitled "Guidebook for Planning" published by Monterey County. It states: "In addition to guiding future growth, the general plan is *legally binding* on local jurisdictions. Once a city has formally adopted a general plan, new development approved by the jurisdiction must be in keeping with the plan's policies, standards and *locational criteria*" (italics mine).

Zoning must follow the general plan. That has been state law for at least 25 years. Courts ruled that people who bought property based on the general plan had a right to expect it to be followed. Now it's the law. The general plan has to be amended before the city or county can approve a project that doesn't conform to it.

Mary Barnett
Felton

KICKING AROUND

The press won't have Dick Nixon or Don Lane to kick around anymore.

Bob Lissner
Santa Cruz

NAVSTAR IMPORTANT FOR CIVILIAN NAVIGATION

In his article [September *Monthly Planet*] describing actions taken to cripple the NAVSTAR system and in doing so to hinder the ability of the United States to wage war, nuclear or otherwise, Mr. Aldridge neglects to address certain other ramifications of rendering this system inoperable. While the NAVSTAR system has certain military applications, it also serves a wide variety of civilian and commercial needs. The primary word that is compromised by this acronym is navigation. While the term navigator has come to refer to a member of an airplane's crew or the person sitting in the passenger seat of a car reading a map, it has its roots and most important significance on the high seas. *Navigare*, to sail.

Until NAVSTAR was developed, ships



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large and small were forced to find their way across the ocean by means of radar and Loran. Radar is only useful when in close proximity to shore or other ships. It offers no aid in the avoidance of underwater obstacles, which are the principle threat to seasoned sailors. Loran provides a read-out of a vessel's coordinates by means of radio towers placed along the coast. While this system is effective for coastal navigation, it is inferior in many respects to NAVSTAR. It is accurate to within a half mile, while NAVSTAR is accurate to within 50 feet, and there is a delay of about a minute between the positioning and its display. The system is incomplete and its range is limited. Because of this it is only useful within 100 miles of the coast and only in the northern Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.

Beyond the range of Loran, ships used to be forced to resort to navigate by compass, speedometer and chart, a technique very susceptible to failure. Of

course, there remains celestial navigation, a beautiful science, but one that is wholly useless under the cloudy skies that hang over much of the world's most treacherous waters.

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While civil disobedience may be an immediately effective manner by which the prospects for our species' and our planet's survival can be improved, we must carefully examine the full range of the effects of our actions before they are irreversible. We must be careful not to regress as we try to move forward.

Bryan Largay
Santa Cruz

WHY BLAME THE OLYMPICS?

This is in response to the article "The Cultural Politics of the Olympics" by Pete Shanks in the September edition of your paper.

My impression is that Pete is down on the modern Olympics because they epitomize the worst in human nature on a national scale. One example given is the seven countries that refuse to let women compete. Clearly the Olympics are not to blame for this since it is each country's prerogative to decide who has the right to be on their team. This issue ties into the issue of the limits of cultural rights, such as the right for Muslim nations to limit the rights of women. Another example cited by Mr. Shanks was the hypocrisy exemplified by the case of Magic Johnson, who was allowed to compete in the Games at the same time that the United States would not normally let an Olympic athlete with HIV positive compete in any Games held on our soil. Hypocrisy in any circumstance is clearly not something to like, yet it is a quality that can be found widely in the way people deal with one another. It's not necessarily worse in the case of the Olympics.

Why attack specifically the Olympic Games for being a particularly rotten embodiment of humanity? Good things abound from them as well. They provide role models and "heroes" for aspiring athletes. Some young people work towards the Olympics as a dream and a goal. And they're just fun. It is unfortunate that the negative side dominates his perception of them.

Steffen Eckart
Santa Cruz

SURVEY ON WOMEN AND URINALS WAS A SUCCESS

I just wanted to thank you for all the help you have given me with my work on completing my master's thesis by printing and then reprinting my letters on a woman's ability to stand while urinating.

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For some statistics: The average age was 32. There was a success rate among respondents of 84 percent. Among women under the age of 30, success was a whopping 98 percent. Women over 50 seemed to have problems conquering this. I'm not sure of the reasons behind this except that maybe childbirth and gravity have taken their toll. Dozens stated that they will or do stand nearly 100 percent of the time, while others sent me hate mail because they couldn't grasp, so to speak, the methodology behind the technique. I had two responses from the *Planet's* staff, though neither returned their survey! Ninety-five percent felt that installing urinals would benefit the overall population, save water, and speed up the process, while others weren't sure if the majority of women would have the nerve to use them because of lack of knowledge and societal conditioning that states women should be sheep and not deviate from the norm. I even received some responses from men disguised as women using pen names. I guess some men will do anything for a cheap thrill!

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The bottom line to this is that we have proven that it is possible for a woman to stand hip-to-hip with a man at the urinals; that a penis is not needed to write your name in the snow; that a woman, when in the woods, does not have to get in that horrid squatting position; and, that to most, urinals would be

a welcome sight in a women's restroom.

Thanks again to all of you at the *Planet*. I will keep you updated with the progress of my writings.

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THANKS TO PANETTA WE'RE BANKRUPT

The good news in a letter from Congressperson Panetta is that the radioactive 44,000 barrels rotting open on the ocean floor near the Farallone Islands just off San Francisco Bay will be covered by Panetta's appropriation bill for removal and safe disposal. Forty-four thousand barrels of what? Radioactivity in our crabs, fish, in our surfing, swimming, and boating waters? Where did 44,000 radioactive barrels come from? When will they be removed?

Like all the "answers" from our dear Mr. Panetta, they go around in circles. We pay him \$134,000/year, plus fringe; we grant him a \$3,600,000 pension; we automatically re-elect him without thinking now for some 17 years; he is Mr. Budget in Congress; he has been instrumental in creating the \$4 trillion national debt draining about 60 percent of the nation's interest payments and plunging America's dollar into almost a zero valuation on the world market — great accomplishments, what? But he cannot, will not, remove those 44,000 radioactive barrels dropped there by the dear, sweet UC Regents as their great gift to their constituency, we the people, as our fair share for making nuclear bombs and power plants, invented by some of our greatest minds, exported all over the world to spread our one true religion to all, like true-blue missionaries, to save even the lowly Third World peoples from ignorance, as well as ourselves, by gradually, inexorably murdering us all.

Yes, we must thank Mr. Panetta, his faithful Congress, and our duly elected Greatest of All Presidents, for bankrupting America with a nice \$271 billion Pentagon gift for 1993, so they won't starve, while 40 percent of our children, 11 percent of our elderly are near starvation in poverty, and in California alone, 4,825,000 American citizens, a 17-percent increase over last year, are on the verge of starvation.

No, we must always re-elect Panetta, our longest running pal, and his buddies, President Bush and Vice President Quayle.

No, we must not doubt these three, as the world stock markets teeter on the brink of collapse along with three largest, deregulated national banks. We must always remember that to worship America, to worship nuclear bombs and power, to worship incumbent elected officials, is the greatest and the most rewarding obligation. Who has ever heard of worshipping God? Heresy! They made lamp shades and candles out of such heretics under Hitler, burned or pressed them to death under the Puritans of Salem, Mass., bankrupted/ jailed them under Nixon/Senator McCarthy, and now! Starvation! Illiteracy! Irradiation!

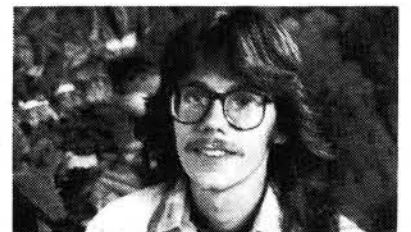
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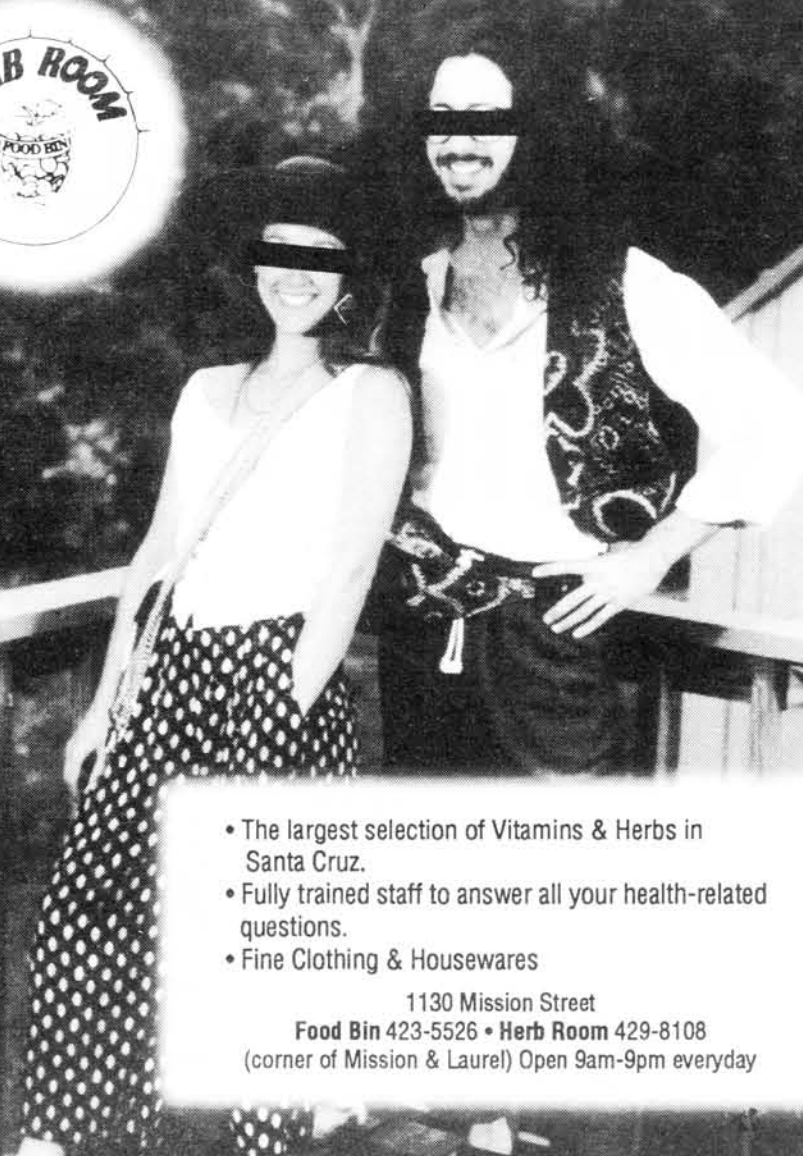


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PROP. 165: M • E • A • N & S • C • A • R • Y

BY JANET DIAMOND

Think of a government service, program or function you rely upon: Costal protection? Local community college classes? UCSC extension? UCSC? Anti-pollution enforcement? AIDS services? Home care for the elderly and disabled? Relatively short lines at the DMV? Now imagine life without it in the moment it takes to move a pen across a page. Zip. Gone.

Now think of a really regressive tax. Imagine that tax taking money out of your pocket in the time it takes to write a sentence and if you don't like it, there is no recourse. Don't write your state assemblymember or senator; they won't be able to do a thing.

That's the scary part of Prop. 165.

Proposition 165, dubbed — with no small degree of irony — the Taxpayer Protection Act, attempts to implement two sets of policies connected only by their potential disastrous effect upon the people of California. The most publicized set of items in this proposal are the "welfare reform" measures. The other less well known items, if enacted, would allow the governor to declare a fiscal emergency during which the governor could take 100-percent control over the state budget, cutting any program, service, agency or line item he or she chooses without input or control from the legislative branch.

Any discussion of Proposition 165 must address the two parts separately since they have no real subject matter connection. As the scary sections dealing with the redirection of power will have the most pervasive effect, let's look at that element first.

- The governor will not be required to make public his/her budget request until March 1. The governor's budget is the document that begins the annual budget debate. This is 49 days later than under current law, and since a budget agreement must be reached before June 30, the end of the fiscal year, the amount of time available for public debate and analysis will be reduced from 22 weeks to 15 weeks.

- The governor can veto or refuse to sign any budget adopted by the legislature either before or after the fiscal year begins.

- The governor can declare a fiscal emergency any time general fund costs are 3 percent more than predicted during a three-month period (fiscal quarter), or if the governor's own finance office overestimates state revenue by 1.5 percent and costs are 1.5 percent over budget during any fiscal quarter.

A governor-declared "fiscal emergency" allows exclusive executive powers to cut or eliminate spending in any category not protected by the state constitution; only constitutionally protected items and outstanding debt would be safe from arbitrary elimination. Or, if the governor chose, s/he could instead designate a new revenue source, also known as a tax, with no legislative debate or public accountability.

Now for the mean part of Prop. 165.

If you like tax breaks for the rich, blaming the victim, Proposition 13, and autocratic power concentrated in the executive branch of government, chances are you will love this initiative.

"Welfare reform," as articulated in Prop. 165, means eliminating income for hundreds of thousands of poor families in California. Currently, recipients of AFDC, the primary program providing income to families in poverty, receive monthly grants equal to 71 percent of the federal poverty standard. The poverty standard is set at the level that the federal government believes to be the minimum amount of money a family needs to survive. Even with a supplement of Food Stamps, the family income is only increased to 90 percent of the poverty level. Governor Wilson's Proposition 165 will cut this income to 55 percent of the poverty level within six months of passage.

Recipients of AFDC are predominantly children (69 percent). They reside primarily in single-family

homes (80 percent). Eight percent are children in foster care. The typical family of three, a mother and two children, currently receives \$663 dollars a month in AFDC assistance. Under the Wilson initiative the same family of three will receive \$507 a month. Since the local fair market rate for a two-bedroom rental in Santa Cruz County is \$775, it is clear that this family can barely survive now. With \$156 a month less they will be devastated.

As if this weren't enough, Proposition 165 continues its destructive path through California's poor families, elderly and disabled. Some highlights:

- Pregnant women with no other children will be unable to get AFDC until after delivery.

- Pregnant and parenting teens in most cases will be forced to live with their parents in order to be eligible for AFDC.

Teenage parents will lose an additional \$50 a month from their AFDC grant, bringing their total family-of-two income to \$359 if they have more than two unexcused absences from school in a month — even if they receive no child care subsidy and are unable to pay for child care for their baby (current cost of infant child care exceeds \$5 an hour in this county). If they meet the attendance requirements, they will get an additional \$50 a month.

- Children born while parents are receiving AFDC will be eligible for no additional money to cover the increased cost of maintaining a larger family.

- Cost-of-living increases for needy elderly, blind and disabled recipients of SSI will be eliminated for the next five years.

- Cost-of-living increases for in-home care services to medically needy elderly and disabled individuals will also be eliminated.

Even if this portion of Prop. 165 were alone on the ballot, it would deserve resounding defeat. The policies represented are built upon welfare myth, not welfare fact. In fact, the average family size is three, and the average length of time a family stays on AFDC is two years. The average parent is an adult, not a teen. Teen parents represent less than 3 percent of the AFDC population in Santa Cruz County. Furthermore, recent studies have found that of all factors correlated to teenage pregnancy, sexual abuse of the teen mother is the highest. Yet the Wilson initiative will force teen mothers back into these abusive homes.

Examining the relationship between the two parts of Proposition 165, one can find no logical link. The conclusion one must draw is no logical link exists because the link is political. Governor Wilson has chosen to use assistance for poor children, elderly, and disabled people as a smokescreen to distract the voter from his power-grab attempt to sabotage democracy in California.

The cynical use of prejudice, bigotry and misunderstanding of the causes and nature of poverty in America, to undermine public participation in civic affairs and to disenfranchise the legislative branch of state government, is what Proposition 165 represents. The governor's strategy depends upon an uninformed electorate for his win this November. Who does he think we are? ■

The League of Women Voters and other groups will host a debate on Prop. 165 on Thursday, October 8th, 7-9 pm, at the Loudon Nelson Community Center, 301 Center St., in Santa Cruz. Call 722-7949 or 457-1560 for more information.

Janet Diamond is the local coordinator for the No on 165 Committee.

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NAVSTAR ACTIVISTS GET LIGHT SENTENCE



PETE SHANKS/MONTHLY PLANET

By Pete Shanks

Supporters of the NAVSTAR action demonstrate outside the courthouse in Santa Ana on September 21st.

Peter Lumsdaine and Keith Kjoller, the activists who axed a NAVSTAR satellite at Rockwell's Seal Beach, California plant, were sentenced in Santa Ana on September 21st.

On May 10th the pair entered the Rockwell facility, began dismantling military guidance satellites, and were quickly apprehended. They faced the federal charge of damage to property being manufactured for the US government — a charge which could have resulted in up to ten years in prison.

Lumsdaine was sentenced to 24 months by US District Judge Gary L. Taylor, and Kjoller to 18 months. Both were ordered to pay \$15,000 restitution to Rockwell International and placed on supervised probation for three years after their release.

In sentencing the pair to the shortest prison terms allowed under current guidelines, the judge noted that he was mindful of the traditional principles of civil disobedience. In particular, he acknowledged that the defendants took full responsibility for their actions. The pre-sentencing report had complained that they did not show remorse or contrition, but the judge examined the sentencing guidelines and found no requirement for remorse, merely for responsibility.

"The whole theory of this kind of civil disobedience is to violate the law and stand up and take your punishment," he said.

The prosecution agreed, pointing out that you didn't have to agree with a law to take responsibility for having broken it.

The pre-sentencing report had recommended prison terms double what the government asked for, partly because it estimated the damage caused at \$2.8 million — several times the amount stipulated in the plea-bargain agreement. It also referred to the act as one of "terrorism" and, in apparent contradiction to claims that the satellite was for civilian use, referred to it as "defense equipment deemed necessary for national security."

The judge, however, accepted the original estimate of \$0.8–1.5 million as a reasonable stipulation, and insisted that emotive language would not sway his decision. In the words of Leonard Weinglass, Lumsdaine's attorney, "Judge Taylor is a remarkably sensitive man...[who] had to decide the worth of a human being versus the worth of a weapon system."

It is noteworthy that the prosecution stuck to its origi-

nal, low-end recommendations, despite the probation department's report. There is speculation that they were annoyed at the prospect of going back on the deal they made in June, under which the guilty pleas were entered.

Both defendants made moving statements, in front of a packed courthouse. "I tried to do what was possible, rather than what was permitted," explained a tearful Kjoller. "I tried to do what was right rather than what was convenient."

Lumsdaine made an impassioned plea on behalf of "those who are not here, those who have no standing," and explained that it was his love for his four-year-old daughter and "for all the people of this planet, the little people that Christ says will be the first to enter into heaven, that gave me the strength to go on and split open this...engine of murder and terror called NAVSTAR." He closed by quoting Robert Coles: "The issue is us and what we have become."

In refusing to include community service as part of their probation, the judge wryly noted that he was sure that these two would continue to perform community service anyway, and they would just end up in court wrangling with the probation department as to what was an appropriate form of service.

In a prepared statement on the sentences, Weinglass pointed out: "This year Rockwell was convicted of five felonies and five misdemeanors for polluting civilian neighborhoods due to poor nuclear waste management [see *The New York Times*, 6/7/92] and no one served any time. In contrast these two men, with one felony, are serving one-and-a-half and two years for it."

Demonstrations in support of Lumsdaine and Kjoller were held outside the Rockwell plant in Seal Beach; in their home town of Santa Cruz; in Colorado Springs, Colorado; and in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

During the hearing itself, about 50 supporters of the pair jammed the courtroom. They broke into spontaneous applause after Kjoller's statement, provoking a threat to clear the court. As the proceedings ended, Susan B. Rodriguez, herself a convicted Plowshares activist, led the crowd in a chant of:

"Swords into Plowshares! Disarmament has begun! We shall destroy the tools of war!" ■

Pete Shanks is a writer based in Santa Cruz.

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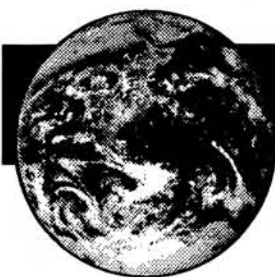
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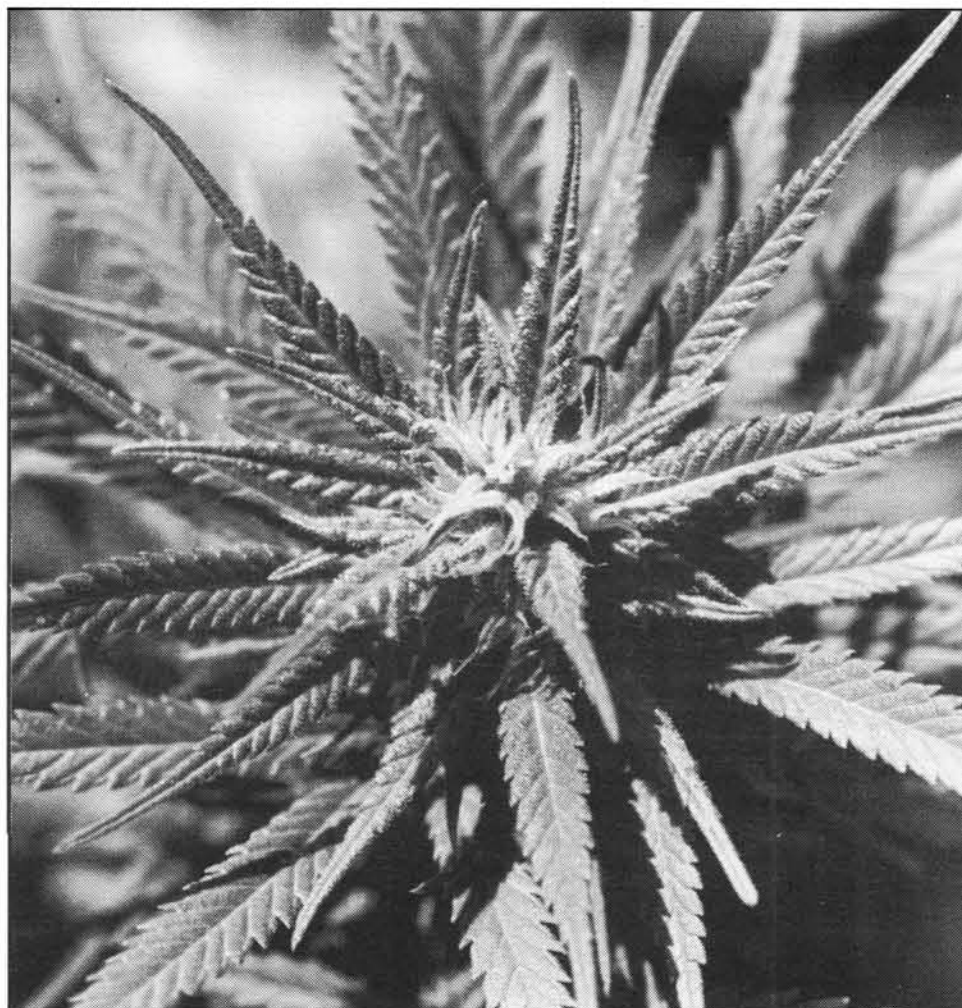
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THE OPEN PAGE

By Scott Imler

Marijuana & Health Care: Asking the Right Questions



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Unfortunately the ongoing debate about health care and its ever-increasing costs are too often limited to questions of how to pay and who will pay. Questions about what we are paying for and who is profiting are few and far between. When these pertinent questions do arise, as in the recent case involving price gouging by major pharmaceutical manufacturers (on the nation's 20 most commonly prescribed medications), the stories quickly disappear with nary a response.

The facts show that over the past 50 years the petrochemical/pharmaceutical industry and its government toadies have consistently lied and conspired to rip-off and poison the American people. In a downward spiral of environmental degradation and the subsequent medical response to the consequences, industry drug barons and their puppet regulators have locked the public in a self-perpetuating loop of cause and effect. Their profiteering is the cause and their profits the effect.

There is probably no better example of such lies and manipulation than those surrounding the question of the medical use of cannabis/marijuana. From the first days of marijuana prohibition the motives have been suspect. As an unrivaled natural source of medicine, fiber, paper, and fuel, cannabis/hemp was driven off the market with hysterical and racist hyperbole, thus making room for the emerging chemical giants like DuPont and work for unemployed prohibition bureaucrats like Harry J. Anslinger, who, as chance would have it, was related by marriage to the Mellon/DuPont financial empire.

Over the objections of the American Medical Association cannabis medicines were effectively removed from the market in 1937. At that time marijuana was the primary ingredient in over half of all medicines sold and was listed in the US Pharmacopoeia for over one hundred separate illnesses. Continued protests by the medical community and the public were met with bureaucratic intimidation and criminal sanctions which continue to this day.

Despite all of their money, technology, and synthetics, these 20th-century "snake oil" salesmen have been unable to develop safer or more effective medicinals than marijuana for hosts of illnesses and conditions, including the debilitating side-effects of their own pharmaceutical poisons. Our blind faith in their golden promises of modern medical wonder drugs has resulted in the loss of our most basic human rights to nourish and heal ourselves with the gifts of nature and our god.

The emotional and financial impact of catastrophic illness can be devastating in the

best of circumstances. For thousands of seriously ill Americans, who have a medical necessity for marijuana, the devastation is compounded by a government policy that ignores the best medical evidence and condemns patients to a criminal black market in their daily struggle for wellness.

The Controlled Substances Act provides for cannabis to be restored to the list of available medicines if "...a significant minority of physicians have accepted it as safe and effective under medical supervision."

In 1988, after the most extensive review of the record ever undertaken, the DEA's own chief administrative law judge, Francis Young, stated: "Marijuana in its natural form is one of the safest therapeutically active substances known. By any rational analysis cannabis can be safely used with a supervised routine of medical care. It would be unreasonable, arbitrary, and capricious for the DEA to continue to stand between those sufferers and the benefits of this substance."

Despite the concurrence of the Federal Appeals Court in 1991, the Bush administration has refused to reschedule cannabis.

Not only has the DEA ignored the recommendations of the courts but in March of this year, in the most cynical of political ploys, the Bush administration canceled the Compassionate Use Program for medical marijuana, saying there was no evidence that marijuana has medical value and is in fact unsafe. For the past 17 years this program has provided the only legal access to cannabis for the desperately ill.

Their safety concerns are particularly ironic given the incredibly toxic and addictive drugs routinely given to seriously ill patients. Chemotherapy drugs used to treat AIDS patients, for instance, are terribly damaging to the body. If cannabis destroyed your bone marrow or dissolved your pancreas, as do AZT and DDI respectively, we wouldn't even be discussing medical marijuana. Yet the DEA maintains that marijuana's safety and effectiveness is yet to be proven — after five thousand years of use by humankind — and the lies continue and our friends and families continue to suffer and die.

Santa Cruz County's primary AIDS-care physician, Dr. Arnold Leff, said of marijuana recently: "My commitment as a physician is

to ease suffering and do no harm. Both are often possible with cannabis medicines. It's a matter of common sense and compassion."

Dr. Leff is not alone. Seventy percent of cancer specialists have said that they would prescribe marijuana if they could. Over half of them have already encouraged patients to break the law and use marijuana. It is simply unacceptable to continue to make criminals of sick people and their families.

On November 3rd Santa Cruz County voters have an opportunity to send a clear and resounding message of "common sense and compassion" by voting Yes on Measure A, the Medical Marijuana Initiative. The question is simple: "Should licensed physicians be allowed to prescribe marijuana for patients with serious and life-threatening illnesses?" As the only initiative of its kind in the country this year, Santa Cruz will speak for America on this important issue.

While it is regrettable that circumstances and the lack of political leadership have put this public health issue into the electoral arena, compassion and human decency require that we act on behalf of our families and friends who need safe and affordable access to marijuana for medical use. We can't allow a handful of bureaucrats and the politics of profit to interfere with informed medical practice and intrude into our personal health care decisions.

Measure A is but one small voice in a growing national chorus for medical marijuana reform, which includes: 35 state legislatures, the Episcopal Bishops of North America, the Lymphoma Foundation of America, the National Association of Attorneys General, the California Medical Association, the National Association of People with AIDS, and the American Physicians Association for AIDS Care.

We are grateful for the local support of Congressman Leon Panetta, Supervisor Gary Patton, and Mayor Oscar Rios, as well as the Democratic Central Committee, the Central Labor Council, the Santa Cruz Criminal Defense Bar, the ACLU, the Lesbian & Gay Action Alliance, WILPF, and the National Organization for Women.

On Sunday, November 1st (see calendar listing), five of the remaining ten legal medical marijuana patients will speak in Santa Cruz about the national significance of Measure A. Their stories of struggle, hope, and survival are compelling. All are invited to attend.

In the words of Dr. Leff, Measure A will "ease suffering and do no harm." Simply stated Measure A is good medicine — not only for patients but for an ailing pharmaceutical industry poisoned by profit and greed as well.

Vote YES for Compassion. Vote YES for Common Sense.

Vote YES on Measure A. ■

Scott Imler is the author of the Santa Cruz Medical Marijuana Initiative and co-chair of the Measure A Campaign. He is a longtime Democratic party activist and served as a staff member for the San Francisco, Northern California and National Nuclear Weapons Freeze Campaigns.

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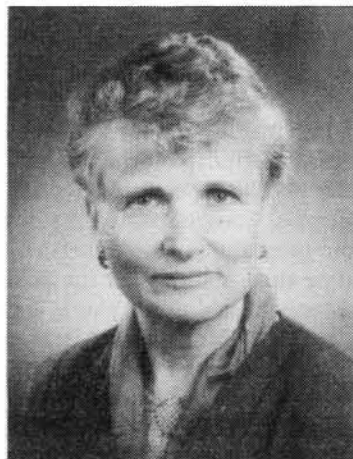
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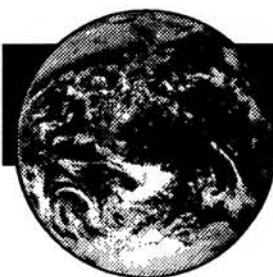
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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

By Shelly D'Amour

A Pork Barrel Test Ban?

The Bush administration handed test ban advocates an unexpected victory by deciding not to veto the historic test ban legislation passed in Congress last month. This means that, barring any last minute complications, the United States will have a test ban in place as of October 1.

Congress has attempted unsuccessfully to enact test ban legislation several times over the past 10 years. Twice, the House approved nuclear moratorium language — the last time being in 1988 — but the Senate has never done so. This year, congressional test ban supporters strategized a “two-track” approach by attaching the legislation to two different bills. Test ban language was attached to the fiscal year 1993 Department of Defense Authorization bills and the Energy and Water bills. The purpose of this was to increase the test ban’s chances of survivability throughout the budget process of each house of Congress.

The approach was more successful than originally imagined possible. In the end, test ban language remained attached to both bills in both houses. The reason, suggested Rep. Mike Kopetski (D-OR) was that “the collapse of the Soviet Union really forces the deciding votes. We really have to re-examine our whole nuclear weapons policy in this country.” Locally, California’s 17th district Representative Leon Panetta (D) voted in favor of the bill, as did Senator Alan Cranston (D). California Senator John Seymour (R) voted against it.

The bill temporarily suspends all US underground nuclear testing for a period of nine months, after which time testing will resume on a limited basis for three years, to be followed by a permanent moratorium in 1996. Under the terms of the bill, up to 15 underground explosions will be permitted during the three-year period to test the “safety and reliability” of the weapons.

The permanency of the moratorium after 1996 is linked to whether any other countries continue to test nuclear weapons. This is a change from the original language, which stated that the ban would remain in effect so long as the former Soviet republics did not test. According to news reports, officials in the Bush administration were able to convince the president that the ban would be short-lived, since it is believed that China will continue testing.

The decision by President Bush to permit the moratorium to go through does



not signal a sudden conversion on the part of the administration. Rather, Senate supporters of the test ban managed to attach the legislation to a major pork barrel project slated for the state of Texas — a state that the president needs to win in November, and where he is currently running neck-and-neck with Bill Clinton.

The moratorium was attached to language in the Department of Energy and Water Appropriations bill that provides \$550 million for the controversial Superconducting (superexpensive) Supercollider, a project which may create as many as 7,000 jobs and which is projected to cost in excess of \$8 billion. The Supercollider is a proton-smashing device that will study subatomic particles in a 54-mile tunnel, theoretically simulating conditions that existed just after the creation of the universe. The House had canceled funding for the Supercollider, but the Senate approved the \$550 million. Lawmakers saw their opportunity and the test ban provisions were subsequently linked to the language of the Supercollider funding bill.

All in all, it was a brilliant piece of bipartisan maneuvering — a combination

of good strategy and the right legislative vehicles. But more than that, the successful outcome was possible only because the congressional majority recognized that the Cold War was over, and that it’s time to move away from reliance on nuclear

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answers to our problems. “Many of the myths and rationales for nuclear testing have been shattered,” remarked Senator Mark Hatfield (R-OR), the test ban’s author in the Senate.

With the signing of the test ban legislation, the Nuclear Weapons Freeze Campaign’s primary legislative goal for the past 10 years will have been accomplished. It’s a time to celebrate, but not a time to kick back. A permanent ban on underground testing is not by any means a “sure thing.” Bill Clinton indicated that, if elected, he would support a permanent moratorium. Regardless of who is elected the next president, test ban supporters will need to remain vigilant on this issue until a truly lasting ban is in place.

ACTION: If your representative and/or senators voted in favor of the nuclear testing moratorium, be sure to call or drop them a short note to thank them for their support.

B-2 (STEALTH) BOMBER

Bowing to the wishes of the Bush administration, Congress agreed to fund four additional B-2 bombers, thereby placing a permanent cap on the program at 20 planes.

Last year, Congress stated that it would cap the program at 15 bombers, while at the same time holding out the possibility of funding one additional plane. This year, both houses reversed that stance and agreed to provide an additional \$2.7 billion to fund the 20 planes that the president asked for. Amendments aimed at capping the program at 16 planes failed. California Senator Alan Cranston (D) voted in favor of the 16-plane limit, while Senator John Seymour (R) voted against it.

Supporters of the aircraft point to its radar-evading capabilities as a reason to continue production, while opponents contend that the B-2 is essentially a Cold War relic, designed for long-range warfare with an enemy that no longer exists. Whatever view one takes, no one can deny that the B-2 is the single most expensive weapons system in history.

When the stealth program was initially conceived, 132 B-2s were projected at a cost of around \$600 million each. By the time the final bomber rolls off the assembly line sometime in 1997, however, the program will have cost an estimated \$44.4 billion. At this point, estimates for the production of a single plane are running at \$2.2 billion a copy.

Northrop Corp., the principle contractor for the B-2, stated that approximately 6,500 of the current 12,000 B-2 jobs would be eliminated by 1995. Most of these jobs are in Southern California, although Northrop maintains some sort of B-2 sub-contract in virtually all 50 states.

STAR WARS

The Senate voted to approve \$3.8 billion for Star Wars as part of its deliberations on the fiscal year 1993 Defense Authorizations bill. The amount represents \$500 million less than the Senate Armed Services Committee recommendation of \$4.3 billion. Key Senate leaders worked out the compromise during the August recess following an unsuccessful attempt to resolve the issue on the Senate floor.

Prior to the congressional recess, Senators Dale Bumpers (D-AR) and Jim Sasser (D-TN) had offered an amendment

to reduce the Star Wars budget to \$3.3 billion, a \$1 billion less than the Armed Services Committee recommendation. The Senate defeated a motion to table (kill) this proposal on a vote of 49-43. This appeared to clear the way for a vote on the Bumpers/Sasser amendment. However, Senators Malcolm Wallop (R-WY) and Jim Warner (R-VA) blocked the vote by refusing a request for "unanimous consent," a parliamentary procedure which allows items to come to the floor for consideration. Frustrated senators worked out the compromise during the break for the slightly higher figure of \$3.8 billion. For its part, the House has approved the administration's full request of \$4.3 billion. The differences will be ironed out in a joint House/Senate conference committee which will meet soon.

F-15 FIGHTER JETS

On September 14, the administration notified Congress of its intention to sell 72 F-15 military aircraft to Saudi Arabia. This sets off a 30-day time period in which Congress can decide to oppose the sale. In the House, California Reps. Howard Berman and Mel Levine, both Democrats, have introduced a formal resolution of disapproval, which has been referred to the Foreign Affairs Committee. The committee will hold up a vote until a majority of committee members sign onto the resolution. To date, no one in the Senate has authored a similar resolution.

The president insists that the \$9-billion sale is necessary to protect American jobs in the aerospace industry. McDonnell Douglas, the company that makes the F-15, has been lobbying the administration and Congress hard, stating that anywhere from 20,000 to 86,000 jobs will be lost if the F-15 contract fails to go through. That figure is highly disputed by independent sources, however, some of whom put the actual number of layoffs at around 7,000.

In a recent letter to the president, leaders from more than a dozen national organizations pointed out that even in the best case scenario, the F-15 production line is slated to close down in 1997. The real challenge, the letter states, is to come up with effective plans for dealing with the massive layoffs projected in the defense industry as a result of the end of the Cold War. Creating products to sell in the international arms trade is not an effective way to employ people, or to contribute to a productive and peaceful post-Cold War era.

ACTION: Call your representative and senators today and ask them to vote against the sale of F-15s to Saudi Arabia.

FOREIGN AID

The Senate is scheduled to consider the fiscal year 1993 Foreign Aid Appropriations bill very soon. The bill contains a provision for \$11 million in military aid to the government of El Salvador. Senator Patrick Leahy (D-VT) had been spearheading efforts to keep the money in a special Demobilization and Transition fund. He was successful in the Foreign Operations subcommittee; however, the full Appropriations committee partially reversed this decision by allocating the \$11 million directly to El Salvador's military.

The Senate will also consider whether to send \$190 million in economic aid to the government of Nicaragua without strings attached. The Bush administration has

been pressing Nicaraguan President Violetta Chamorro to remove Sandinistas from key leadership positions within her government, especially in the military. In the Senate, Jesse Helms (R-NC) has been leading the effort to withhold funds until Chamorro complies with administration wishes. Chamorro has attempted to explain to the administration that the Sandinistas are still a very popular force within Nicaraguan society, and that her government must remain a coalition government if it is to survive. However, the US is bent on controlling the affairs of the Chamorro government as it was on that of her predecessor, Daniel Ortega.

Finally, the House will shortly vote on the Cuban Democracy Act (HR 5323). The act would place severe restrictions on the trade of food and medicine to Cuba, as well as increase penalties for US citizens who travel there. The purpose of the legislation is essentially to contribute to a climate of crisis in Cuba such that its citizens will want to overthrow President Fidel Castro in order to lessen their economic hardship. The act unfortunately has the support of Democratic presidential contender Bill Clinton, which means that it will probably pass, because congressional Democrats are currently loathe to do anything that might damage their party's frontrunner politically. ■

ACTION: Call your representative and tell him/her to oppose military aid to El Salvador and to vote no on the Cuban Democracy Act. Call your senators and tell them to support economic aid to Nicaragua without strings attached.

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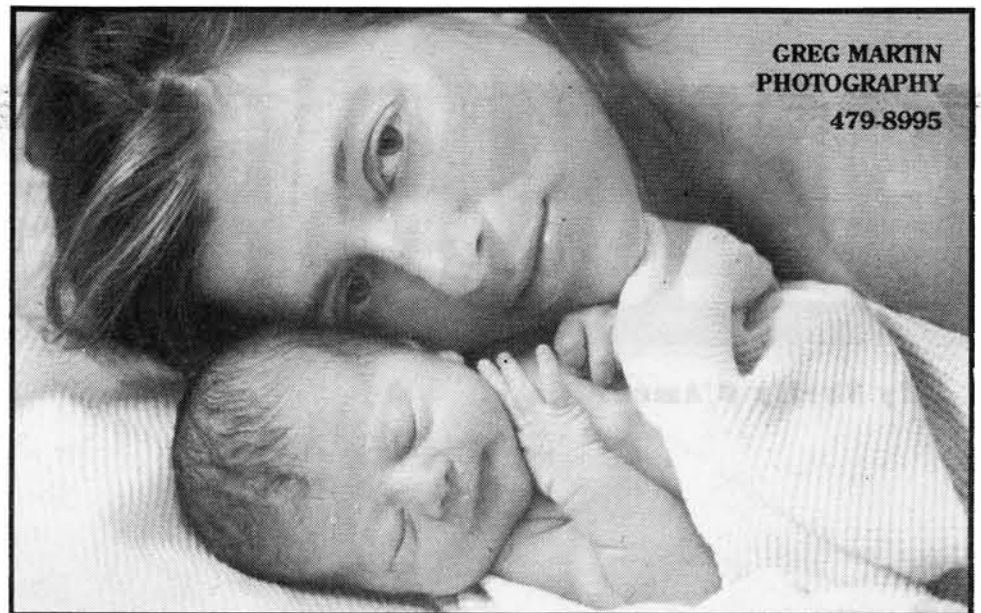
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By Shelly D'Amour

Bill Clinton could still lose the election this November. But it won't be easy. Two months after the Democratic National Convention, the Arkansas governor maintains a consistent 20+ percentage-point lead over incumbent President George Bush. Republican campaign strategists argue that most of that support is "soft" and will evaporate by Election Day. However, unless the GOP has some carefully crafted "October Surprise II" waiting in the wings, the polls prophesy a Democrat in the White House this January.

Unbelievable. I can hardly make myself put the thought to paper for risk of incurring some cruel twist of Murphy's (not Brown) Law. The last time a Democrat was elected to national office — Jimmy Carter in 1976 — I was voting for the first time (although I admit that my vote was actually a write-in for Barry Commoner).

"There are four ways that George Bush can win this election," stated GOP strategist Douglas Bailey recently, "but three of them are out of his hands." "The thing that is still in Bush's control is that he could articulate a picture of the America he wants to leave behind." However, articulating the "vision thing" has not been one of the president's strong suits. Bush's "vision" is not something you can gaze forward into so much as it is something you can piece together by looking back upon his four-year term in office. That record presents a pastiche of legislation and executive directives aimed at the systematic dismantling of a social agenda which was first articulated by Roosevelt, and later institutionalized into government by Johnson. Indeed, the true and lasting legacy of the Reagan and Bush presidencies will prove to be not, as they proclaim, less government into the affairs of citizens, but government of a different kind — government which seeks control over the private lives and personal decisions of the governed while eroding the public supports necessary for them to build independent lives.

On all fronts, from the environment to the family, from labor to civil rights, the past 12 years have witnessed the gradual collapse of programs and policies that have provided the country with its social foundation; one which, however imperfect and incomplete, at least attempted to produce some kind of rough level playing field while securing a safety net under the most vulnerable.

WHOSE FAMILY IS VALUED?

This year's brouhaha over "family values" provides a perfect case in point. While members of Congress, including some Republicans, have been struggling to enact significant family support legislation, the focus of the Bush/Quayle debate on the issue has been with a fictional television character. As the vice president garners prime-time media coverage for sending a present to Murphy Brown's baby, President Bush has been working more quietly behind the scenes vetoing legislation which would

give real flesh-and-blood working parents protected time away from the job to care for their newborns.

The Family Leave Bill would require companies of 50 or more employees to provide up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave for personal medical reasons, or in order to care for a newborn child, a newly adopted child, or a sick family member. The president vetoed the legislation, stating he would prefer to offer tax credits to businesses that voluntarily offered some kind of family leave program. In a surprise turnaround, the Senate voted to override the president's veto on a vote of 68-31. It is unlikely, however, that the House will be able to come up with the two-thirds majority that it needs to override the veto as well. Nevertheless, the vote signals the ultimate irony for President Bush in that, the one and only veto override he has ever been handed throughout his three-and-a-half-year term is on the very issue that his entire campaign is supposedly centered around.

In a similar vein, the administration raised strong opposition last August to a House-backed measure which would provide brief, intensive social services aimed at keeping troubled families together so as to avoid sending children to foster care. The House bill, adopted on a vote of 256 to 163, provides \$3.5 billion over a five-year period. Revenues would be generated through a 10-percent surcharge tax on incomes over \$1 million. The White House, predictably, attacked the measure as another "tax and spend" initiative. However, the president will not have to do anything official about the bill prior to the election because the Senate will probably not take up the legislation until after the new year.

WHAT ABOUT THE ECONOMY?

The economy, of course, is the real issue for most voters. And on this subject, Bush can hardly run on his record. His analysis of the problem: It's the Democrats' fault. His prescription: the line-item veto, plus a huge capital gains tax cut for the rich, while putting a spending cap on safety net programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, veterans' benefits and food stamps.

The president makes much of Governor Clinton's proposed tax increases — a net increase of \$92 billion over five years to be generated from those in the top income brackets — but has failed to adequately address why he broke his own "no new taxes" pledge in 1990 by enacting a \$137 billion tax increase.

In truth, neither candidate can really offer the kind of solution, the quick fix, that the electorate seems to want to hear. Indeed, the economy is the principal issue around which voter support for Clinton is the softest. Polls indicate that those who say they will vote for Bill Clinton are not confident in Clinton's abilities so much as they are stung by the harsh experience of living under Bush's economic leadership. The president's one hope lies in somehow being able to convince people that, given another chance, he can and will turn the economy around in a way

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Clinton really offer the kind of leadership that seems to be the principal issue around the election. Polls indicate that Clinton is leading by so much as they are living under Bush's economic policy. Clinton's hope lies in some people that, given another economic downturn in a way

he has not been able to. However, as Democratic strategy it's unlikely that Bush will be re-elected in the last 60 days to 90 days. Bush's only real recourse is to persuade enough Americans that he is the greatest choice, Clinton

THE CLINTON/GORE

Enter Bill Clinton and Al Gore, a Baptist odd couple: the Rhode Island class, alcoholic family pair, a family with a long tradition of political success. The fact that Clinton chose Al Gore as his running mate speaks to the Clinton administration's winning at least a portion of the Democrat's electoral support in the South, but will have to do so. In his adopted state of Arkansas, for example, the president is in a tight race with Governor Clinton, at the September 3 poll conducted by *Morning News*.

Clinton has chosen to present himself as a new kind of Democrat, one who calls a "third way" between the conservative forces and the more traditional wing of his own party. Clinton/Gore team balances the conservative and progressive forces, with strong progressive individual liberties and environmental protections (mostly owing to the latter), but with moderately hawkish positions on international economic matters.

SAVING THE ENVIRONMENT

On environmental issues, Clinton and Gore present a very distinct contrast from Bush/Quayle. The White House, having summed up where the Clinton vote is going to go, is only feeling that it has nothing to lose. Clinton has launched a full-scale front on environmental legislation. Clinton will make people more important. President Bush declared recessions in Washington state. Bush will sign an extension of the Endangered Species Act, rewritten to provide what he calls a "flexible" perspective; that is, until it pleases the Clinton administration over species preservation. Clinton would like to redefine what the effect of which would be the current wetlands in the U.S.

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he has not been able to demonstrate up until now. However, as Democratic strategist Mark Siegel points out, it's unlikely that Bush will be able to "do anything affirmatively in the last 60 days to undo the record of the last four years." Bush's only real recourse, suggests Siegel, is to persuade enough Americans that, although he might not be the greatest choice, Clinton would be worse.

THE CLINTON/GORE TEAM

Enter Bill Clinton and Albert Gore, a kind of Southern Baptist odd couple: the Rhodes Scholar child of a working class, alcoholic family paired with the wealthy scion of a family with a long tradition of politics and public service. The fact that Clinton chose another Southerner as his running mate speaks to the importance of winning at least a portion of the South in the Democrat's electoral strategy. As it stands, Bush is expected to carry most of the South, but will have to fight hard to do so. In his adopted state of Texas, for example, the president is in a dead heat with Governor Clinton, according to a September 3 poll conducted by *The Dallas Morning News*.

Clinton has chosen to present himself as a new kind of Democrat, offering what he calls a "third way" between conservative forces and the more traditional liberal wing of his own party. Overall, the Clinton/Gore team balances out as moderate, with strong progressive stands on individual liberties and environmental protections (mostly owing to Al Gore for the latter), but with moderate to potentially hawkish positions on military and international economic matters.

SAVING THE ENVIRONMENT

On environmental issues, Clinton and Gore present a very distinct difference from Bush/Quayle. The White House, having summed up where the environmental vote is going to go, and apparently feeling that it has nothing to lose, has launched a full-scale frontal attack on environmental legislation. "It's time to make people more important than owls," President Bush declared recently at a rally of timber workers in Washington state. Bush has stated that he will not sign an extension of the Endangered Species Act until it is rewritten to provide what he terms a more "balanced" perspective; that is, until it places a higher priority on jobs over species preservation. Additionally, the administration would like to redefine what constitutes a wetland; the net effect of which would be the elimination of about half of the current wetlands in the United States.

In his home state of Arkansas, Governor Clinton's environmental record draws mixed reviews. His progressive positions are tempered by the fact that his appointees to the various environmental oversight commissions are dominated by representatives of industry. In some instances this has produced disastrous results, such as severe stream pollution throughout the northwest part of

Arkansas by the poultry industry. In general, Clinton believes that the choice as laid out by the administration, between jobs and the environment, is a false one. In this respect it is to Clinton's very great advantage that Senator Albert Gore, an acknowledged leader in international environmental issues, is on the ticket. Gore will not only carry the environmental banner convincingly and forcefully, but he will probably be successful where others have failed in pushing Clinton to take bolder stands.

THE MILITARY AND THE NEW WORLD ORDER

Both Governor Clinton and Senator Gore supported the Persian Gulf War. More recently, Clinton indicated in May that he would support another military engagement against Iraq "if it were necessary to stop the development of [Iraq's] nuclear capability." Clinton supports a 33-percent cut in military spending over the next five years, a disappointingly low figure, given the fact of the end of the Cold War and the state of the US economy. On the plus side, the Arkansas governor supports a nuclear test ban and the elimination of the B-2 bomber.

Al Gore's performance on military issues is mixed at best. A member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, Gore is an acknowledged expert in the field of arms control. However, an examination of his voting record reveals a steadily declining approval rating from national disarmament organizations, with a high of 92 percent approval in 1986 to a low of 33 percent in 1989.

Gore consistently supported amendments aimed at maintaining SALT II and ABM treaty limits by voting against funding for weapons systems that would have challenged those limits. He also supported language for a nuclear test ban, as well as ratification of the INF Treaty. Additionally, Gore voted consistently against providing military aid to the Nicaraguan Contras.

On the down side, the senator was equally consistent in his support for the MX missile, and for Star Wars. In 1988 and 1989, Senator Gore voted against all amendments aimed at reducing the Star Wars budget, and in favor of amendments aimed at increasing it. During the same period, he voted twice against amendments aimed at reducing funding for the MX rail garrison basing mode. In 1986, Gore voted against the Hatfield amendment aimed at blocking the production of binary chemical weapons.

As governor, Clinton was resistant to the idea of moving MX plants out of Arkansas. Although he is on record in support of funds for retraining displaced defense workers, Clinton's preferred stance seems to be to keep the defense industry going as long as possible. During campaign stops at various defense-dependent communities across the country, Clinton has been quick to make known his continued support for whatever weapons system is being pro-

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duced there. For example, Clinton told crowds in Connecticut that he supports construction of the Seawolf nuclear submarine; while in Fort Worth Texas, he told voters that he supports continued production of the V-22 Osprey, which even the Pentagon doesn't want.

With respect to the Middle East, Clinton's position papers indicate his strong support for Israel. Over the past year, the Bush administration held up \$10 billion in loan guarantees pending a promise from Israel to cease construction of Israeli settlements in the Occupied Territories. Governor Clinton, on the other hand, expressed his support of the loan guarantees to Israel, with no strings attached. Clinton professes support for the Middle East peace process currently underway, but has criticized the administration for applying pressure to Israel. In his position papers, Clinton lays the bulk of the responsibility for the success of the peace process on the Arab nations. It is interesting to note that nowhere in his official statement does he reference the words "Palestine," "Palestinian," or "Occupied Territories."

Overall, a Clinton/Gore administration will take more progressive stands on arms

control than the current administration, but indications at this point are that it will not challenge the underlying assumptions that fuel the US military establishment. If this proves to be true, it will be a keen disappointment, to say the least. The assumptions that have driven the arms race up to this point in time have been predicated upon a world order that now no longer exists. To continue in the same vein, in the absence of any rival superpower, is to move more deliberately in the direction of US global military dominance.

The combination of intelligence, talent, experience and forward-thinking that these presidential/vice-presidential candidates and their advisors represent seem to offer enormous potential for change. It remains to be seen whether they will seize the initiative that history offers, and move beyond the failed military policies of the past toward a future which embraces everyone on the planet. ■

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QUAYLE QUOTES

We here at The Monthly Planet have enjoyed untold hours of laughter from our friend Dan Quayle. We pass along a few of the more descriptive quotes for your entertainment. Thanks to the folks at Quayle Quarterly.

"What a waste it is to lose one's mind, or not to have a mind is being very wasteful. How true that is." —Dan Quayle, speaking at an NAACP luncheon, 1989

"One word sums up probably the responsibility of any vice president, and that one word is 'to be prepared.'" —Dan Quayle on Larry King Live, 1989

"I believe we are on an irreversible trend toward freedom and democracy — but that could change." —Wall Street Journal, 1989

"You all look like happy campers to me. Happy campers you are, happy campers you have been, and as far as I'm concerned, happy campers you will always be." — Dan Quayle on a visit to American Samoa, Newsweek, 1989

"Mars is essentially in the same orbit...somewhat the same distance from the sun, which is very important. We have seen pictures where there

are canals, we believe, and water. If there's water, that means there's oxygen. If oxygen, that means we can breathe." — CNN, 1989

"We are ready for any unforeseen event that may or may not occur." —Columbus Dispatch, 1990

"If we don't succeed, we run the risk of failure." —Phoenix Gazette, 1990

"We're going to have the best educated American people in the world." —Los Angeles Times, 1988

"I wanted to be a golf pro, but my family pushed me into politics." —Spy Magazine, 1991

"Anyone who knows Dan Quayle knows he would rather play golf than have sex any day." —Marilyn Quayle, New York Newsday, 1988

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California Homeless & Housing...

HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

...was created in 1990 when two groups—the California Right to Housing Campaign and the California Homeless Coalition—became one. CHHC evaluated the candidates based on: (1) their position on the Wilson Welfare Initiative as an indication of the candidate's compassion and social responsibility to the poor (candidates in favor of CHHC's position oppose Wilson's Welfare Initiative); (2) whether or not they will support and/or strengthen the National Affordable Housing Act—the first comprehensive attempt by the federal government to provide help in homeownership; and (3) whether or not the candidate supports full funding for the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act—an attempt at sheltering and providing social services for the homeless.

California League of Conservation Voters...

ENVIRONMENT

...is a statewide political action committee founded in 1972 to elect environmentalists to public office. The League has chosen the following criteria to evaluate the candidates: (1) The California Desert Protection Act, which calls for the protection of one of California's last great ecosystems by creating three new national parks; (2) increasing auto fuel efficiency (AFE) standards to 45 mpg by the year 2000. This mpg goal is expected to save the nation 2.5 million barrels of oil per day, more than the U.S. imports from the entire Persian Gulf; and (3) requiring manufacturers to incorporate significant percentages of recycled materials in their products and packaging, creating a market for recycled products and relieving debt-ridden cities of some waste disposal costs.

National Education Association...

EDUCATION

...the nation's largest education organization is participating in the Campaign for New Priorities—a coalition effort working to reduce excessive military spending in order to reprioritize tax dollars for social needs, such as education. They have been consulted concerning the criteria to evaluate the candidates: (1) support for full funding of federal programs at the elementary, secondary and post-secondary levels; (2) the candidate's position on the use of "vouchers" for school choice—the NEA opposes tuition tax credits, vouchers or other direct or indirect mechanisms to channel public funds to private schools; and (3) support for the continued existence of the Department of Education and the Secretary of Education at a cabinet level office.

Health Access...

HEALTH CARE

...unites over 180 organizations in California dedicated to achieving comprehensive, affordable health care for everyone. Labor groups, seniors, religious organizations, AIDS activists, communities of color, consumer advocates and other activists agree that achievement of health care for all depends upon the following: (1) structural reforms that reduce administrative waste and eliminate unnecessary and inappropriate health care practices by placing a lid on health care spending; (2) quality health care through consumer choice of health plans and providers; and (3) health care security that covers everyone with benefits including long-term care and affordable limits on out of pocket expenses.

National Organization for Women...

WOMEN'S ISSUES

...has been at the forefront of the women's rights movement, working for women's equality and dignity, for 25 years. California NOW has used the following three issues as criteria for evaluating the Senate and Presidential candidates: (1) support of an Equal Rights Amendment to the United States Constitution; (2) support of the Freedom of Choice Act to keep abortion safe, legal and accessible for all women following the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* by the Supreme Court, this year or next (NOW supports the Freedom of Choice Act "without amendment"); and (3) support of the Violence Against Women Act currently pending in Congress.

California Labor Federation...

LABOR ISSUES

...in cooperation with the International Association of Machinists and Service Employees International Union, were consulted in regards to issues of concern to labor and union groups: (1) the candidate's position on the current North American Free Trade Agreement (candidates in favor of CLF's position oppose NAFTA); (2) support for the Anti-Worker Replacement Bill (the Anti-Scab Bill), which would prohibit companies from replacing striking workers permanently; (3) support for redirecting \$1-2 billion from the Department of Defense Budget for economic conversion efforts to help communities impacted by defense cuts make a smooth transition to a civilian economy.

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES

See the previous page for the areas of evaluation.

**Bill
CLINTON**
Democrat
Governor, Arkansas

**George
BUSH**
Republican
President

PEACE & JUSTICE

- supports a 33% cut in military spending over five years
- opposes mil. aid to El Salvador; supported use of force vs. Iraq
- supports a nuclear test ban treaty

- opposes a 50% cut in military spending; calls for a 3% cut over 5 years
- supported mil. aid to El Salvador; waged Gulf War
- opposes nuclear test ban treaty

HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

- generally opposes Wilson's Welfare Initiative
- supports funding for the Nat'l Affordable Housing Act
- no position on McKinney Act

- supports Wilson's Welfare Initiative
- signed National Affordable Housing Act but only limited funding
- opposes funding for McKinney Act

ENVIRONMENT

- supports increase in Auto Fuel Efficiency standard to 45 mpg
- supports "federally-mandated percentages of recycled materials for specific products"

- opposes increasing Auto Fuel Efficiency standards to 45 mpg
- opposes requiring manufacturers to use recycled materials

EDUCATION

- supports increase in federal funding for Head Start
- opposes use of vouchers
- supports continuation of the Department of Education

- supports funding for Head Start, but opposes increased funding altogether
- supports use of vouchers
- supports continuation of the Department of Education

HEALTH CARE

- supports some structural reform; no lid on spending
- choice of health networks; employers participate or offer own
- covers everyone; long-term care phased in through Medicare; consumer share of cost unclear

- supports no structural reform; no lid on spending
- no choice assured; some discriminatory marketplace rules would be changed
- no benefits or long-term care assured

WOMEN'S ISSUES

- supports the Equal Rights Amendment
- supports the Freedom of Choice Act
- supports the Violence Against Women Act

- opposes the Equal Rights Amendment
- strongly anti-choice, would veto Freedom of Choice Act
- no position on the Violence Against Women Act

LABOR ISSUES

- opposes the North America Free Trade Agreement
- supports the Anti-Replacement Worker bill
- supports defense funding for conversion, but not \$1-2 billion

- supports the North America Free Trade Agreement
- opposes Anti-Replacement Worker Bill
- opposes \$1-2 billion from defense for conversion

U.S. SENATE CANDIDATES

2-Year Seat

6-Year Seat

Dianne FEINSTEIN

Democrat
Former Mayor, San Francisco

- supports 47% cut with burden sharing by NATO allies
- no position on military aid to El Salvador; supported use of force vs. Iraq
- supports nuclear test ban

- generally opposes Wilson's Welfare Initiative
- supports National Affordable Housing Act
- supports funding for McKinney Act

- supports California Desert Protection Act
- supports increasing CAFE standards to 45 mpg.
- supports requiring manufacturers to use recycled materials

- supports increased funding for Head Start
- opposes use of vouchers
- supports continuation of the Department of Education

- no structural reforms proposed; no lid on spending
- unclear if choice assured
- everyone covered for basic, individuals could purchase more; no mention of long-term care, or out-of-pocket expenses

- supports the Equal Rights Amendment
- supports the Freedom of Choice Act without amendment
- supports the Violence Against Women Act

- opposes the North America Free Trade Agreement
- supports the Anti-Replacement Worker bill
- supports defense funding for conversion, but not \$1-2 billion

John SEYMOUR

Republican
U.S. Senator

- opposes 50% cut in military spending; calls for a 3% cut over next five years
- supports military aid to El Salvador; supported use of force vs. Iraq
- opposes nuclear test ban treaty

- supports Wilson's Welfare Initiative
- supports some funding for National Affordable Housing Act
- supports some funding for McKinney Act

- opposes California Desert Protection Act
- opposes increasing CAFE standards to 45 mpg.
- (refused to respond)

- supports increased federal funding
- supports use of vouchers
- supports continuation of the Department of Education

- no proposal, but is "committed to finding a solution...and working to help improve access and availability"
- no proposal
- no proposal

- not a co-sponsor of the Equal Rights Amendment
- supports the Freedom of Choice Act but voted to restrict young women's access to abortion
- co-sponsor of Violence Against Women Act

- supports the North America Free Trade Agreement
- opposed to the Anti-Replacement Worker bill
- supports funding for conversion, but not \$1-2 billion

Barbara BOXER

Democrat
U.S. Representative

- supports 50% cut in military spending over next five years
- opposes military aid to El Salvador; opposed use of force vs. Iraq
- supports nuclear test ban treaty

- opposes Wilson's Welfare Initiative
- voted for National Affordable Housing Act
- voted for full funding for McKinney Act

- co-sponsor California Desert Protection Act
- longtime advocate of fuel efficiency standards, supports increase in CAFE standards to 45 mpg.
- co-sponsor of legislation requiring manufacturers to use recycled materials

- supports increased funding at all levels
- opposes use of vouchers
- supports continuation of the Department of Education

- proposes two variations; each contains structural reforms to put a lid on spending
- choice of providers and/or plans guaranteed
- covers everyone; one includes long-term care; one has virtually no out-of-pocket, the other has some

- co-sponsor of the Equal Rights Amendment
- co-sponsor of the Freedom of Choice Act without amendment
- Author of the Violence Against Women Act

- opposes the North America Free Trade Agreement
- supports the Anti-Replacement Worker bill
- supports \$1-2 billion from defense funding for conversion

Bruce HERSHENSOHN

Republican
Television Commentator

- opposes ANY cut in military spending
- supports mil. aid to El Salvador; supported use of force vs. Iraq
- opposes a nuclear test ban treaty

- supports Wilson's Welfare Initiative
- opposes funding for National Affordable Housing Act
- opposes McKinney Act

- opposes California Desert Protection Act
- opposes increase in CAFE standards to 45 mpg.
- opposes requiring manufacturers to use recycled materials as "a waste and misuse" of taxpayer dollars

- supports Head Start, but opposes increased funding altogether
- supports use of vouchers
- opposes continuation of the Department of Education

- supports minor structural reform through voluntary pools; no proposed lid
- no guaranteed choice
- no guaranteed coverage; no long-term care or out-of-pocket limits detailed

- opposes the Equal Rights Amendment
- strongly anti-choice; favors a Constitutional amendment to ban abortion
- opposes the Violence Against Women Act

- supports the North America Free Trade Agreement
- (refused to respond)
- opposed to defense funding for conversion

Santa Cruz County Supervisorial Candidates:

IN THEIR OWN WORDS

Two of the five seats of the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors, those occupied by Robley Levy and Fred Keeley, are contested in November. Because no candidate captured a majority of June's voters in the second and fifth supervisorial districts, each race is a two-person runoff election. Both incumbents are part of the board's 3-2 progressive majority; a win by either challenger would shift the balance of power in the county to the conservatives. • The Monthly Planet sent each of the 4 candidates an eleven-point questionnaire on some of the major issues of the day. Below are their responses, printed verbatim.

2nd District

REASON FOR RUNNING

1) Why are you running for the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors? What do you see as the main issues in this campaign?

•Robley Levy: To work for the people of the Second District and to represent their concerns in the actions of county government.

The major issues at the heart of the Supervisorial race are the need to preserve the character of the communities in which we live, to protect the environment, to slow growth, and to provide the services that people need.

•Walt Symons: I am running for the office of Supervisor 2nd Dist. to provide ethical and fiscal leadership in a county government that has demonstrated fiscal irresponsibility, especially during the past 26 months of this recessionary period.

QUALIFICATIONS

2) What are your qualifications for being on the board of supervisors?

•Levy: As County Supervisor, I have a strong record of environmental protection and a commitment to slowing growth, the ability to deliver services that people need, and a solid knowledge of the 2nd District and its communities.

I have fought for significant increases in sheriff's patrols, development of parks, expansion of library services, provision of major traffic improvements (in the 2nd District and on Highway 1).

Education: B.A. St. John's College; graduate work at Columbia University.

Experience: Wife and mother; County Supervisor; Assistant to the Dean, Stanford Business School; technical writer, Bell Telephone Laboratories; technical editor, Coordinating Research Council.

•Symons: I will bring 35 years of leadership in public service and successful fiscal management, environmental experience from 32 years as a reserve officer in the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve, and successful business experience in leadership and management training.

DIFFERENT FROM OPPONENT

3) How are you different from your opponent?

•Levy: My strong support for environmental protection and slowing growth is a matter of record, my opponent offers promises only. I have a solid record of local community service, my opponent does not.

Local Community Service: organized the League of Women Voters of Santa Cruz; organizer of the Valencia Home and School Club; parent supporter, Watsonville Youth Soccer Club; Parent Volunteer at Valencia, Aptos Jr. and High School; Member, Planning Commission & Grand Jury; public member, LAFCO; governor's appointee, Regional Coastal Commission; elected 2nd District Supervisor; member, Congressman Leon Panetta's Monterey Bay marine Sanctuary Task Force.

•Symons: I differ from the incumbent in the vast background of successful business, administrative, and fiscal management experience that I will bring to the office.

MAIN ISSUE

4) What is the most important issue facing Santa Cruz County?

•Levy: Protecting and preserving the environment and the character of our communities and providing the services that people need.

•Symons: The most important issues in the county are: a) Protection of the environment and rural atmosphere; b) Controlling the growth of the county, especially the development plans of county government; c) Controlling the growth of county government and its fiscal policies.

OPEN SPACE

5) In this time of fiscal crisis, should the county allow more development in open space to generate more revenue?

•Levy: Revenue potential should not be the determining factor in development decisions. The character of the community and the neighborhood, the general plan and zoning and citizen participation should determine the appropriate scale and location of development. Our economic base, tourism and agriculture, demands that we protect certain lands from development, such as prime agricultural

land and timber preserves.

•Symons: The county should control all forms of growth, especially its own. Recession is reduced by offering service and encouragement to small business and controlling spending.

GROWTH MANAGEMENT

6) Do you think it's important to manage growth in Santa Cruz County?

•Levy: Yes, and I have worked hard to do so on the Board of Supervisors.

•Symons: Absolutely.

GAY RIGHTS

7) Do you support full civil rights for people who are gay, lesbian, or bisexual?

•Levy: Yes.

•Symons: Yes.

AIDS

8) Is Santa Cruz County doing enough about AIDS? If no, what should be done?

•Levy: Santa Cruz is working hard and innovatively to respond to the AIDS crisis. Are the resources sufficient? No. The county provides education and prevention information, coordination of case management, works with the Santa Cruz AIDS Project, provides confidential testing, participates in epidemiological studies and protocol development as well as some direct assistance to AIDS victims through medical waivers and grant supported projects.

•Symons: No one is doing enough about AIDS.

PEACE ECONOMY

9) Do you support the concept of cutting the federal military budget by 50 percent over three years and re-directing the money to meet human needs, create jobs, and protect the environment? If yes, what role should the county play to help bring this about?

•Levy: I support the concept of cutting back defense spending and redirecting those resources for human needs, jobs and environmental protection. Cutbacks of 50% over three years is an excellent goal. The county's role on this issue is largely one of advocacy to the federal government.

•Symons: The major use of funds from any reductions should be used to reduce the outrageous federal deficit.

CHOICE

10) Would you consider yourself to be pro-life or pro-choice?

•Levy: Pro-choice. I have advocated strongly for a woman's right to privacy and choice.

•Symons: I am pro-choice. This is an ethical and moral decision a woman must make for herself.

PARTY AFFILIATION

11) What is your party affiliation?

•Levy: Democratic.

•Symons: My party affiliation is Non-partisan.

5th District


REASONS FOR RUNNING

1) Why are you running for the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors? What do you see as the main issues in this campaign?


•Patrick Dugan: I am a candidate for County Supervisor from the Fifth District, because I believe that our community is in dire need of a change in perspective.

Over the last decade we have concentrated our efforts on Environmental Protection and Growth Management from the perspective of what we do NOT want. In the 90's we must approach our agenda of Growth Management from the perspective of what we DO want.

We must stop the accumulation of debt (nearly \$160 million) and begin to stimulate opportunity. The recruitment of environmentally sensitive businesses to fill our existing inventory of commercial space will stimulate employment opportunity and stem the rapid increase in the need for social ser-



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•Fred Keeley: We live next door to one of the most powerful economic engines in the world, the Silicon Valley. If we are not constantly on guard, the pressures for growth which originate largely from "over the hill", will result in rapid and permanent change in the basic character of our community. In response to that pressure, the voters adopted a comprehensive growth management system in 1978. They entrusted the Board of Supervisors to implement and manage that growth management program. I am seeking a second and final term on the Board of Supervisors in order to continue the battle to protect our environment and manage our growth. My opponent is a "development consultant" who, I believe, cannot be trusted to fulfill the voters' mandate to manage our growth.

QUALIFICATIONS

2) What are your qualifications for being on the board of supervisors?

•Dugan: I am a 17-year resident of the San Lorenzo Valley, residing in Felton with my wife Gert. For the past 6 years I have been a member of the steering committee of Citizens for Planning Reform. I am a member of the Santa Cruz Horseman's Association, and a Director of the SLV Chamber of Commerce. My business prior to the campaign was as a Land-Use Consultant, which means that I help individuals negotiate the maze we refer to as a Planning Department. As a Land-Use Consultant I have become a recognized specialist in Government Affairs, with a thorough knowledge of the ways of county government, its budget, and its policy-making processes.

•Keeley: I am completing my first term as a member of the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors. Prior to my election, I was chief of staff for Assembly Member Sam Farr (D-Santa Cruz/Monterey). During the early 1980's, I was staff to Supervisor Joe Cucchiara. I am presently chair of the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission and chair of the Policy & Finance Committee of the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District. I focus my public policy work primarily in the areas of environmental protection, growth management, and neighborhood preservation.

DIFFERENT FROM OPPONENT

3) How are you different from your opponent?

•Dugan: The incumbent and I differ in that I believe that the methods employed by government for the past two decades have brought us to the brink of financial catastrophe, locally, as well as at the state and national level. I propose budget process reform, not simply cutting government. We will institute efficiency and effectiveness audits to define and eliminate duplication of effort. The incumbent is schooled in a system that does not work. He will never abandon his agenda of "tax and spend" bureaucracy building. I will see to it that our system effectively and efficiently delivers services to those in need, at the lowest cost possible.

•Keeley: My opponent is a "development consultant." He is a developer of his own projects and an advocate for other people's development projects. I am a strong advocate for environmental protection and growth management, and have the formal support and endorsement of the Sierra Club and other pro-environmental groups and individuals. I am different from my opponent in that I have a proven record in favor of the environment and against massive growth and development. He, on the other hand, is pro-development as exemplified by his support of the Wingspread project in 1988.

MAIN ISSUE

4) What is the most important issue facing Santa Cruz County?

•Dugan: Aside from Environmental Protection and Growth Management, Fiscal Crisis is the most important issue.

In the last four years our county budget has almost doubled from \$150 million to \$282 million. Our debt has skyrocketed from \$36 million, ten

years ago, to \$160 million today.

The 1991-92 county budget was approved at \$244 million. Our supervisors spent \$282 million, or \$38 million more than was approved.

There is tremendous waste in government. The current board knows of the waste, supports it, and in so doing has misappropriated our tax dollars. I will make budget reallocation my goal. Service will be emphasized.

The top heavy administration will be downsized in a humane manner, by allowing early retirement, reassignment to productive positions, and through a freeze on the creation of administrative positions.

•Keeley: The most important issue facing Santa Cruz County is protecting our environment. The most critical aspect of this issue is managing our growth. I have been a strong advocate for the smallest growth rate each year I've been on the Board of Supervisors. My opponent has never supported the low growth rate. I have been a leader in the fight against off-shore oil drilling and for the establishment of the Monterey Bay Marine Sanctuary. My opponent has never taken a position on either of these issues. With the help of Assembly Member Sam Farr, I've written state legislation to give neighborhoods more protection against bad timber harvests. My opponent ducked this issue so that he wouldn't offend the logging interests.

OPEN SPACE

5) In this time of fiscal crisis, should the county allow more development in open space to generate more revenue?

•Dugan: There is no need to encourage development in Open Space in order to create opportunity. My emphasis will be on stimulating opportunity in the community in the commercial space that is already available. Open Space doctrine and Growth Management are compatible with a vigorous and environmentally sensitive private sector.

•Keeley: No. The County must continue to have strong growth management and environmental standards. We must not sacrifice our environment for a quick buck. In the mid-to-late 1970's, a pro-growth Board of Supervisors tried to grow the community out of some fiscal problems. They nearly destroyed our community. I will continue to fight for the lowest possible growth rate in our community.

GROWTH MANAGEMENT

6) Do you think it's important to manage growth in Santa Cruz County?

•Dugan: Growth Management is of primary importance in achieving balance between population, adequate housing, employment opportunity,

conservation of finite resources, as well as the ability of government to provide basic service levels to the population.

•Keeley: This is the most critical issue facing our community. My opponent is a "development consultant" who wants to see significant new growth and development. He is backed by the most vocal elements of the "pro-sewer" camp in the San Lorenzo Valley. They want to force a multi-million dollar sewer project onto the Valley so that unrestricted growth can take place. I am opposed to that plan. Managing our growth will continue to be my highest priority.

GAY RIGHTS

7) Do you support full civil rights for people who are gay, lesbian, or bisexual?

•Dugan: I support full civil rights for all people regardless of life style, color, creed, or religion.

•Keeley: Yes. I have been at the forefront of several major efforts to provide legal protections for members of the gay, lesbian, and bisexual community. I am proud to have the formal support and endorsement of BAYMEC, the leading gay/lesbian organization in northern California.

AIDS

8) Is Santa Cruz County doing enough about AIDS? If no, what should be done?

•Dugan: No level of government is doing enough about the AIDS epidemic. As your representative, I will lobby at every opportunity at the state and federal level, for more adequate funding for the programs that are required by those infected with the AIDS virus, and those infected with HIV but not yet facing complications of AIDS itself. The primary weapon in the prevention of the spread of AIDS can be summed up in three words: Education, Education, and Education.

•Keeley: No community is doing enough about AIDS. While the Board of Supervisors has funded several AIDS programs, and while I am a strong supporter of the Santa Cruz AIDS Project, it is also clear to me that we must do more. As the State government cuts funds to our County for health and human services, I will fight to retain funding for all AIDS and AIDS-related programs.

PEACE ECONOMY

9) Do you support the concept of cutting the federal military budget by 50 percent over three years and re-directing the money to meet human needs, create jobs, and protect the environment? If yes, what role should the county play to help bring this about?

•Dugan: This question is so hypothetical as to only allow for an answer which is rhetorical in

nature. As a human being, living in the best of worlds, I would support the reduction of military budgets around the world, including our own, by 50%. We do not live in the best of worlds however, and as county supervisor there is little that I can do to bring about an end to the military/industrial complex.

Our county budget should be directed at the effective resolution of our community's infrastructure needs, our social ills, the reaction of employment opportunities, and the protection of the environment in which we live.

I will, through the initiation of new budget procedures, see to it that we are able to provide services in the most effective and efficient manner possible, given our budget capacity.

•Keeley: Yes. I also believe that a portion of the defense cut savings should be dedicated to reducing the federal deficit. The deficit is literally robbing from the next generation, and is presently sapping vitality out of the economy. The County can and should support this effort to redirect defense funding into domestic programs. The argument in favor of the County taking such a position is that the County has suffered from more than a decade of federal reductions in health and human services while the defense monster was fed and fattened. While I support the United States having an adequate defense, the world has fundamentally changed in the last couple of years, and we have a chance to redirect federal spending to solve domestic problems.

CHOICE

10) Would you consider yourself to be pro-life or pro-choice?

•Dugan: My personal views on abortion have no place in local county government. I must represent all of the voters regardless of their views. I believe it is a misappropriation of county funds to spend taxpayer money to support any special group except as prescribed by law. The position of county government concerning choice and funding is prescribed by federal and state law. As supervisor, I will uphold the law.

•Keeley: Pro-choice. I authored the item at the Board of Supervisors which resulted in us formally joining as a "friend of the court" on the side of Planned Parenthood of America in the recent Pennsylvania case before the U.S. Supreme Court. I fully support choice.

PARTY AFFILIATION

11) What is your party affiliation?

•Dugan: Independent.

•Keeley: Like Clinton and Boxer, Democrat.

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Santa Cruz City Council Candidates:

IN THEIR OWN WORDS

Santa Cruz city elections are always interesting, and this year's council race is no exception. Progressives Katherine Beiers, Jane Yokoyama, and Mayor Don Lane, as well as conservative John Mahaney, are up for re-election. With Lane and Mahaney declining to run, the remaining incumbents face a field of 13 challengers for the four open slots. Most observers do not see much of a threat to the progressives staying in power; currently they hold a 5-2 majority. • The Monthly Planet sent each of the 15 candidates a nine-point questionnaire on some of the major issues of the day. Below are their responses, printed verbatim. Only Phillip Wightman failed to return our questionnaire.

Main Issues

1) Why are you running for Santa Cruz City Council? What do you see as the main issues in this campaign?

•**Katherine Beiers:** I've been involved in local politics for twenty-five years; beginning when I began the fight to save Lighthouse Field from a Shopping/Convention Center. I've served on the County Civil Service Commission, the City Historic Preservation Commission, the City Planning Commission, the Democratic Central Committee, and several others. For all those years my motivation has remained the same: to improve and protect the quality of life in the city of Santa Cruz and to ensure an open, diverse community with the highest and most humane standards of social justice.

The main tasks before us are: to rebuild our downtown in the business, cultural, and social heart of our city; to continue fighting for affordable housing; to protect and enhance our neighborhoods; to protect our environment; to continue and reinvigorate the tradition of citizen participation in government; and to guarantee a city government that is truly responsive to all its citizens.

•**Kevin Gary Clark:** I am running because I am aware of a great number of inequities in the actions of the current city council and the "progressives" who have controlled it for the last 12 years.

One way to address these inequities is to bring about district elections in Santa Cruz. This will make the council more responsible and responsive to the needs of local residents regarding affordable housing, education, fair taxes, alternative transportation, the promotion of local industries, and controlled growth.

Thomas Jefferson said something to the effect that every new generation should throw off the shackles of their forbearers and establish a new democracy to meet the needs of their generation. I concur.

•**Michael Simonton Everett:** I have a BS in Electrical Engineering from the Oregon Institute of Technology and have done post-graduate work at UC Berkeley. As a long-time resident of Santa Cruz, I hold 17 patents, many of which are used today. I have held management positions with Hewlett Packard, National Semiconductor, and Ampex. I am now President of Pandaco Pacific of Santa Cruz. I am pro-business, pro-choice, pro-equal rights, and extremely environmentally conscious.

The left and the right in this city must learn to compromise and work together to restore our economy! Refusing to negotiate is a major problem. The big issue is revenue. We must find ways to raise money or the lack of state funding will hurt our schools. Unless we solve this problem, our children and grandchildren will be little more than slaves after we are gone.

•**Dan Garr:** I am running for the City Council because I am the best-qualified candidate to provide the leadership necessary to rescue Santa Cruz from the economic depression in which it is mired. While the City Manager of Watsonville can state "...if you were sitting here six months from now, you would no longer know the earthquake had happened," (SF Chronicle, 9-14-92), six months

from now in Santa Cruz such a concept would be relegated to the purest fantasy. I support a Central Incentive Zone for downtown Santa Cruz where all development and development-related fees are waived, including parking, sewer, water, and schools. I also have a straightforward method of financing the Greenbelt without raising taxes. Neither the City nor the County have been straightforward re: funding sources for this issue. I am Professor of Urban Planning at San Jose State and an authority on Housing and Economic Development.

•**Joseph Ghio:** Santa Cruz needs a return to common sense. It needs councilmembers who are independent, open and not beholden to special interests. We need to emphasize our economic development so we will have the wherewithal to fund infrastructure and social needs our citizens need. The main issue involves maintaining our quality of life by protecting our environment and the integrity of our neighborhoods.

•**Hakin Abdullah Hassan:** As the first African-American to campaign for Santa Cruz City Council, I'm running not only to challenge city hall but to challenge the status quo. I have been in community service for 30 years, worked as an in-home service worker, in the senior citizen's network, Remedy Home Care, and have been ombudsman-trained.

The main issues of this election are low-income housing, sustainable lifestyle housing for the downtown and Beach Flats, new initiatives for democracy, including councilmember districts, and the elimination of racism in all political, educational, and economic institutions.

•**Linda Lemaster:** I am excited about this time for creative economic growth, expanding awareness about planet-loving, environment-saving measures which must be taken, and our social growth regarding our need to enjoy our diversity and overcome barriers to physically limited and other marginalized people in our community. I have varied skills, strong community advocacy experience and a long-standing personal devotion to our City.

My main goal is to work toward broader, more diverse and democratic representation on the City Council, which I will be doing whether or not I'm elected councilmember. I will fight, if necessary, to bring government policy-making out into all neighborhoods, and to include young people and others who are so often left out when the decisions affecting us are made. I think my imagination and passion and analytical abilities will help us in the puzzle and opportunity to inspire a vital downtown economy.

•**Cynthia Mathews:** Caught in the trends of a stagnated state and local economy, and compounded by continuing earthquake recovery, Santa Cruz is facing stressful times of limited budgets and hard choices. In this challenging climate I would hope to bring to the city council a combination of experience with local government, community service, a productive working style, and a commitment to widely-shared community values. I hope to be a part of a city council that inspires confidence in local government and a spirit of community.

My candidacy is an extension of over 20 years of involvement with the Santa Cruz community, including Planned Parenthood, the city Planning Commission and Zoning Board, Vision Santa Cruz, and Downtown Neighbors. Major issues con-

fronting us are completion of downtown recovery, economic development that draws on local strengths, implementation of Greenbelt protection, encouraging housing opportunities, working with the University, and ensuring that government is fair, open, and responsive.

•**James Ogle:** I am running for city council for democratic, economic, cultural and environmental reasons. I have worked towards progressive change in this city, and want to carry that struggle to the city council.

I want to see the people of Santa Cruz take back their city from the powerful, monied interests that threaten to destroy the natural beauty of the town. We can counter these interests through district elections.

Councilmember districts, which I envision as meeting together in the downtown area, can provide proportional representation to the neighborhoods of Santa Cruz. With districts, people will be empowered to act politically. They will have better choices, and louder voices.

•**Beau Rabb:** I have been in love with Santa Cruz ever since I arrived here nearly eighteen years ago in my old Barracuda with my huge loom tied on the top! I have seen it through many incarnations. There is a large disabled community here, drawn by the climate as well as other considerations. I believe the city council needs a member who is also disabled, understands their concerns and works actively to address them.

Santa Cruz has always seemed to me to be a proving ground, a kind of loosely structured school for artists of all kinds. I want to see this exciting and entertaining part of our society continue to grow and be supported.

I also feel the importance of supporting the need for a strong business base in Santa Cruz, and the need to emphasize the important part played by the Tourist Industry.

•**Mike Rotkin:** I am running for the Santa Cruz City Council because I believe our community can benefit from my experience and my commitment to rebuilding downtown, preserving the environment, expanding human services, and fighting for social justice. I am deeply concerned that a number of candidates who are describing themselves as "environmentalists" have never been active in environmental groups or worked on environmental issues. As a councilmember who helped lead the struggle to expand human service funding in our city from \$80,000 to over a million and a half dollars a year, I know that it takes more than empty words to expand senior meal programs, child care and other social services. Because of my long history of involvement in local environmental and social struggles, I know how much difference experience and commitment make to the future of our city on these important issues.

•**Bob Semas:** The kind of contentious politics that has evolved in Santa Cruz over the past decade has not served the city well. I believe we have a council form of government to provide balanced community representation and to set policy based on the best interest of the entire community.

I have lived in Santa Cruz for 40 years and have worked in local business for 20 years. I have served on city committees and commissions for 14 years, including the Planning Commission, Housing Advisory Committee, and Pogonip Task Force and Neary Lagoon Management Task Force. As a profes-

sional and as a community volunteer, I have seen how successful consensus building can be.

I want to contribute as one of 7 voices on the City Council to

— build community consensus and community pride;

— build a vital downtown core;

— build a tax base to fund social programs and basic services.

•**Michael Warren:** I care deeply about our community and believe it deserves better and more responsive City government. I feel we must move away from polarized politics and work together as a community to find balanced, practical solutions to the pressing problems facing our City. My background as a Psychologist, Public Affairs Television Producer and Coordinator of the community consensus-building group PRO Santa Cruz has uniquely qualified me for achieving this goal.

My major issues are: making local government more accessible and responsive; pursuing a vision of Santa Cruz as a vibrant, culturally diverse city; revitalizing our Downtown; encouraging responsible economic development so as to produce better job and housing opportunities; and increasing the City's revenue base in order to maintain an adequate level of City and social services.

I will be a Councilmember dedicated to moving Santa Cruz into the future and making it work for all of its people.

•**Phillip Wightman:** [Failed to respond.]

•**Jane Yokoyama:** My decision to run for City Council is motivated by my strong commitment to create policies and programs that can meaningfully implement our community's goals of equality, accessibility, and responsibility for all members of our City, regardless of color, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation or disability. I will work to lend new impetus to the rebuilding of Downtown, the creation and retention of good jobs and housing, as well as continue the active protection of our natural resources, especially the "Greenbelt."

Greenbelt

2) Do you support the Greenbelt ballot measure (Measure I)? If yes, how would you propose to acquire the land? Once acquired, what uses would you support for the land?

•**Beiers:** It is crucial that Santa Cruz voters strongly reaffirm their support for the Greenbelt by carrying Measure I with a strong majority in November. We must define and protect the identity of our city and not allow it to be lost in a blur of anonymous urban sprawl that could someday spread from Wilder Ranch to Monterey. We must match, on our local level, the commitment to our environment and to the special nature of this area, demonstrated in the Monterey Bay Sanctuary.

The degree of support for Measure I will have much to do with how the lands are acquired and what the price will be. I foresee that the uses for Greenbelt land will be varied, ranging from parkland to low-impact commercial and agricultural that do not interfere with the open, rural nature of the lands.

•**Clark:** I do support Measure I.

I would like to establish the Greenbelt without

raising taxes, although there are ways to use tax money without overburdening fixed-income property owners, of available options.

•Everett: Many years ago I worked on the original Greenbelt proposals with Dave Packard in Santa Clara. Our mistake at that time was that we did not ensure that the Greenbelts would be preserved in perpetuity, allowing later developers to put the land to their own uses. I support Measure I conditionally, so long as there will be a provision to keep this land in perpetuity.

•Garr: The Greenbelt Measure is moot. We have had a moratorium on development via Measure O for twelve years despite the fact that a moratorium is an interim land use control. Regardless of what happens, any judge will rule — when the moratorium is challenged — that the City has not acted reasonably since it has accomplished nothing towards fulfilling Measure O's mandate. The City should create a Park District per Chapter 4 of the State Public Resources Code and issue bonds whose proceeds may be paid out of the General Fund (5784.8a). Those funds will be realized from the development of the Skypark Property and will amount to less than 30% of the interest on the principal once invested. Until then the City should purchase options instead of wasting money on a police review board. County funds arise from building permit impact fees and from CSA 11. It should pay too!

•Ghio: Measure I directs putting certain events into play that should have happened 2 years ago, and certainly before any proposal regarding the Greenbelt lands was brought forward. Any well-lead Council would have started these actions already. If it takes a vote to spur them into action, so be it. Naturally I support it.

•Hassan: Yes. By selling municipal bonds, selling city assets, and saving money for the city through open-contract bidding.

•Lemaster: Of course I support Measure I, because I know we need to preserve and even expand the greening of our community. I also support regreening of all the neighborhoods within the City, and retrieving our reputation downtown as a "garden city."

I would like to see the land acquisition brought about by a wide medley of interests: from a Bond Initiative to "sweat equity" programs encouraging devoted neighbors to promote and protect indigenous green life, hands-on.

Light uses: bicycles and footpaths, perhaps organic co-op gardens that include plots for low-income and homeless workers, and people whose health needs a wholesome, safe environment. I do not support commercial developments within the Greenbelt proper. I could get behind a major Arboretum like ones in Seattle and Golden Gate Park. Maybe our Greenbelt areas could provide the right opportunity for a "lovers' lookout."

•Mathews: I support the adoption of Measure I, because it gives the community an opportunity to look carefully at strategies for long-term protection. At this point I feel it is premature to identify any single strategy; I would prefer to see appointment of a task force to pursue this in more detail — looking at resources from local to state levels, public and private — and come up with well-studied recommendations that have a good prospect for success. In general, I would prefer to see open space and low-intensity uses that are compatible with the concept of Greenbelt.

•Ogle: I do support Measure I.

To acquire the land, the city should consider issuing municipal bonds, sell some of its assets, accept strictly controlled development, and consider the full range of available options. Green space is important for our environment, and important for the overall health of Santa Cruz and its people.

•Rabb: I oppose Measure I. I feel more dialogue and compromise is needed between the city and the property owners, and creative, fair means arrived at to procure and then maintain the land involved.

•Rotkin: I support Measure I. I believe that we should use a combination of land-use regulation and outright purchase to preserve Greenbelt land

in open space uses. Property owned by families that live on the land and do not wish to develop it should be down-zoned to allow current residential levels. The other property should be purchased through some kind of assessment benefit district which includes both city and county residents. Measure I will allow us the time to carefully plan an acquisition process which is fair and will be supported by this community. A process involving broad citizen input should be created to determine allowable uses of publicly purchased Greenbelt lands. My own inclination is to keep it as natural as possible. I do not favor allowing development trade-offs as a mechanism for protecting some parts of the Greenbelt while others are allowed to be developed.

•Semas: I do support Measure I. The city will be enhanced and its boundaries defined by a greenbelt. The only lasting solution is to bring the land into public ownership. I don't think city residents will support additional assessments and special taxes. User fees would be more acceptable. Limited sensitive development, to the degree it could make public ownership possible, should not be precluded. The exact lands to be included in the Greenbelt deserve to be thoughtfully identified. An acquisition study must include consideration of public benefit and public access, relationship to adjoining land within and outside of the city limits, acquisition funding and ongoing preservation costs.

I support open space uses that are ecologically and economically sustainable, and that encourage use by a wide range of city residents. I feel that the natural history museum, trail system and homeless/community garden are highly appropriate uses.

•Warren: I fully support Measure I. I think City Government has been negligent in allowing twelve years to go by without developing a Master Plan for the Greenbelt lands identified by Measure O. I believe the Master Plan process must be broad-based, reflecting the diverse viewpoints in our community as to how to best deal with the acquisition and utilization of these lands. I further believe it is distinctly counterproductive to presuppose what this Master Plan process will uncover to be the options most in synch with community desire. A plan which is developed not from the wishes of any particular advocacy group, but from a true community consensus is likely to be the least divisive and the most effective. As with Vision Santa Cruz, I think we would do best keeping an open mind as the Master Plan process unfolds.

•Wightman: [Failed to respond.]

•Yokoyama: I strongly support the Greenbelt ballot measure because its passage will implement the planning for use and acquisition which will enable us to design the financing of the Greenbelt. I

would like to create a public endowment fund which would create a base for matching private foundation monies and be supplemented by public (governmental) monies. The task of determining the use and maintenance of these lands is assigned properly to the planning process of Measure I. I wish to see the environmentally sensitive resources protected from active use.

Outlet Center

3) Do you support the development of an outlet center south of Laurel St.? If no, how should this land be used?

•Beiers: I will never support a development that: removes housing opportunities; runs huge volumes of traffic through neighborhoods; distracts from and competes with local businesses downtown; and that shows every sign of being — if built — an enormous white elephant.

The land was wisely zoned for housing, and should stay that way.

•Clark: No, I want to see the area used for affordable housing. I believe the negative impacts of a retail outlet in that area, especially with respect to traffic, would be too great.

•Everett: I oppose the South of Laurel St. project. At this time, I don't know how this land should be used.

•Garr: I support the Factory Outlet. You cannot fund public services without a tax base. The reason why we lack this is downtown Santa Cruz is being redlined by commercial lenders because they have no faith in the competence or reliability of the City Council. When the mayor says of a developer, "He knows the risks of having faith in us" (Sentinel, 7-8-92 front page), that says it all. My Central Incentive Zone for downtown will revitalize interest in it as a place to build and a new Council will build confidence among lenders that their investments will not be placed at risk by incompetent decisions and discredited ideologies. In addition, downtown was in decline long before the earthquake. The St. George was used as a halfway house for state prison inmates. We need to think comprehensively about development because the City is on the ropes.

•Ghio: The market shows that there is a need for such a development in the Santa Cruz area. If not at Laurel than at the Nigh Lumber site or somewhere else out of the City. The economic impact

would be the same, and the City would not get any of the revenues and jobs such a project would generate. At least at this location, it is in the City, and we have the opportunity of drawing customers downtown and to the Beach area, thus helping to tie these areas together. Neighborhood impacts can be lessened by good planning.

•Hassan: Seems like no, but I'd like to take a survey of all the residents.

•Lemaster: I support the current zoned use: housing and light office. This is about the last place in the City of Santa Cruz that new low income and affordable housing can be created anytime soon. Besides, we do not have enough information about the traffic and environmental impacts to make a wise decision in the interest of everyone in the City about putting an Outlet center at that location. I would work hard to create well-planned commercial developments that lead to new jobs, but I don't believe we have to be reactionary or act desperate in order to attract interested new merchants. My vision for our Downtown is a place where anyone interested in commerce can participate like the Farmer's Market is now, only more often and more diverse. This will bring the people out who want to shop, and those people will know what types of commerce may thrive there.

•Mathews: The idea of creating a regional factory outlet center at this location is a disaster! It's completely out of step with Santa Cruz's traditional commitment to affordable housing, downtown recovery, neighborhood integrity, and unique community character...and I have actively opposed it! Development of the outlet center would require rezoning 3 acres of land currently designated for multi-family housing...a residential opportunity we can NOT afford to lose. A commercial development of this magnitude would create social isolation for the Neary Lagoon low-income housing project, and would stimulate new traffic patterns for visitor and beach traffic down Chestnut, undermining the stability of this established mixed neighborhood. It would also pose a grave threat to the pace of downtown recovery, in conflict with the community's priority for a completed downtown. We need to focus economic growth where it draws from and enhances community strengths, not undermines them.

•Ogle: I would respect the wishes of the residents of the Laurel St. neighborhood, since they are the ones who must live next to the proposed center. I would hope that all of the members of the city council would do so as well. Councilmember districts would help assure the city council is responsive to the desires of local neighborhoods.

•Rabb: Yes, we need to provide jobs and an anchor store for downtown.

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•**Rotkin:** I do not support the proposed factory outlet south of Laurel. It misuses residentially zoned land, slows the redevelopment of downtown, and would lead to traffic and parking problems throughout the downtown area. Laurel Street is already virtually impassable at certain times of the day. All of the economic consultants that gave Vision Santa Cruz advice about rebuilding downtown recommended building housing south of Laurel and concentrating retail development along Pacific Avenue and surrounding streets. The argument that the outlet will link the beach and the downtown is nonsense since people leaving the beach would have to go west (away from the downtown) to get to the outlet. The land should be used for a mix of affordable and market rate housing.

•**Semas:** Santa Cruz has suffered a steady exodus of retail businesses even before the earthquake. Sales tax revenue is an essential source of funding for our city's social programs and basic services. Retail trends are outside of city control — people shop where they can get value and service. Factory outlets and "Big Box" retail, like Costco, Price Club, and Office Club, are in demand and are successful. They will locate in this market area. Existing businesses will have to contend with the competition they represent. I believe the city can accommodate a visitor destination factory outlet on the proposed Laurel St. site. The necessary mitigation for traffic generation and loss of residentially zoned land (part of the site) have been identified.

The city benefits in three ways:

- shopping opportunity centrally located within the city;
- full time and part time employment opportunities;
- sales tax and property tax revenue.

•**Warren:** I support the development of an outlet center south of Laurel St. I think we must look realistically at our declining revenue base, and what it means in terms of the City's inability to supply that level of City and social services that its residents have a right to demand. Our Downtown is not coming back near as quickly as we would like in terms of commercial activity, and the proposed outlet center would be an "anchor" for both tourists and locals as well, bringing them into the Downtown area. Also, we need to begin the long recommended process of linking the Boardwalk-Beach area with Down-town, supplying a major destination for visitors to our area. There are certainly some trade-offs in terms of increased traffic in Downtown neighborhoods, but the good of Santa Cruz as a whole demands the increased jobs, revenue and shopping variety the project will create.

•**Wightman:** [Failed to respond.]

Yokoyama: As a worker in the City of Santa Cruz, I do support the development of an outlet center because I believe that it can provide opportunities for low-cost shopping for local residents, can complement the Downtown shopping opportunities through its marketing and connection by shuttles, and create jobs. The project has my support, however, only as a good project with sound environmental scrutiny and mitigations. Although this site is currently designated for housing, no housing has been approved despite submission of proposed developments.

Low-Income Housing

4.) What should the city of Santa Cruz do to meet low-income housing needs?

•**Beiers:** To start with the City shouldn't be giving away its prime housing acreage to pie-in-the-sky development schemes (see question #3). There

should be more intense and innovative attempts to provide a wide range of housing downtown, such as a student quarter, affordable and senior housing...as well as market rate housing. A denser, diverse population will go a long way toward making our downtown a vital and prosperous community center while relieving the pressure on our neighborhoods and on our outlying, Greenbelt lands.

•**Clark:** I and the other members of the Ad Hoc Coalition have formulated workable plans for ecologically sound housing for low-income and middle-class residents. For example:

— Require new developments to offer 25% of the units to low-income housing, and 25% to middle-income.

— Require a combination of passive solar lighting, ventilation, heating and cooling, as well as active solar water heating, photovoltaics, and energy efficient appliances. This will reduce the cost of living.

— Move swiftly towards sustainable transportation systems, such as light rail, bicycling, solar-car industries, and higher density housing.

— Encourage EcoVillas, ecosystems, and competition amongst developers for innovative energy-saving ideas.

•**Everett:** Fund via Federal 33%, State County and City funds 66% for labor of local out-of-work and seniors at cost. Merit: 5% supplied by local firms at real cost and 5% City and county to waive permit fees to cost only. Finance by bank at 5% Management to be by small local owners of like properties.

•**Garr:** The Neary Lagoon Housing Project is a disaster. The costly drainage system has now (as of 9-17) polluted the Bay twice, resulting in closed beaches. Further, it represents no net increase of low-income housing units over what a private developer would have built on the site of the proposed Factory Outlet. The City Council annihilated the competition to allow the CHC to waste millions of dollars that could have been better spent. Productive housing strategies include: linkage fees with new development if it can be demonstrated that the jobs created contribute to housing need in the low/mod price range; implementation of a viable second unit ordinance; the 15% affordability requirement for new construction; reinvigoration of housing rehab by the City; implementation of the Central Incentive Zone to create tax increments, 20% of which go to low-cost housing. Space permits only this much but there are more.

•**Ghio:** I think we've done a fairly decent job of providing below marketplace housing. Much of the housing built since the earthquake is of this type. Leveraging grants/funding as has been done lately should be continued. Keeping abreast of changes in government programs must be done by staff. Fee reduction/forgiveness has merit when a project meets citywide goals.

•**Hassan:** We should invest in Insurance Mortgage Housing, Federal Moderate Income Housing Projects, and Section 221 (D4) program participation. EcoVillas, sustainable housing, are also good ideas.

•**Lemaster:** The City has a broad-based campaign to promote both private and public development of new, better and/or safer housing. If elected, I'd mount an aggressive promotion about the existing incentives, waivers, rehab programs and opportunities here now. Then I'd call for a "Housing Congress" to include everybody's voices and experiences in the planning for future developments that are creative and innovative and hopefully will become more architecturally self-sufficient.

I'm proud of the Neary Lagoon model community, with its tenant-run management, and other smaller co-ops. I want still more wonderful models to empower our citizens and include those who are always left out of conventional, commercial projects.

I'd also work to liberalize standards in subsidized housing: gay and lesbian families, for example, currently may not share their homes; and enforcement of federal leases is capricious and heavy-handed. I support co-housing and real transitional housing.

•**Mathews:** I support the city's inclusionary housing provisions; a periodic review might be useful to see if modifications would lead to greater effectiveness in achieving the underlying goals. Co-housing and other alternative housing arrangements could find a useful niche in the range of housing opportunities as well. There should be an equal emphasis on preserving the quality of existing affordable housing, in addition to creating new units. The city's housing rehab program, code enforcement, and neighborhood protection measures are strategies to promote the ongoing quality of affordable housing. As an active member of Downtown Neighbors for over 15 years I have personally worked for decent housing and safe, affordable neighborhoods in our city.

•**Ogle:** To meet low-income housing needs we need to:

— Require new developments to offer 25% of the units to low-income housing, and 25% to middle-income.

— Require a combination of passive solar lighting, ventilation, heating and cooling, as well as active solar water heating, photovoltaics, and energy efficient appliances. This will reduce the cost of living.

— Move swiftly towards sustainable transportation systems, such as light rail, bicycling, solar-car industries, and higher density housing.

— Encourage EcoVillas, ecosystems, and competition amongst developers for innovative energy-saving ideas.

•**Rabb:** Encourage more downtown residency, atop businesses and in areas such as where the car companies used to be. Cut the red tape and offer incentives to builders. (tax cuts, etc.)

•**Rotkin:** The city should allow increased density in the south of Laurel and Beach Flats area so affordable housing could be built close to transportation routes, shopping, and city services. The housing should mix affordable and market rate housing so as to avoid creating ghettos. The University must be encouraged to participate in building affordable housing for students downtown. Ultimately, no local community can actually meet the affordable housing needs of its citizens without federal and state help. This is one more argument for changing national priorities away from the military and into domestic programs. The city should continue to support the Community Housing Corporation which has been able to build significant affordable housing despite the Reagan-Bush cutbacks in federal support for housing.

•**Semas:** Improved concepts of residential design and land use hold true potential to reduce the cost of housing. Current planning relies primarily on cost shifting, an artificiality which skews housing production away from moderate priced housing to inflated high cost houses on one hand and subsidized low income units on the other. Incentives for cost efficient compact residential design, reduction of mandated automobile facilities (parking and garages), clustering near transit hubs, and provisions for shared amenities need to be integrated into zoning and planning regulations.

•**Warren:** Our dependence on public monies for securing low-income housing has left us in a position where we do not have the experience or perhaps the will to deal with the realities of this issue. We need to "get in bed" with developers to work out "inclusionary" plans that increase our stock of affordable and low-income units. We need to give up our notion of Santa Cruz as being "built out" as a single-family home community. Higher density development will be necessary in appropriate areas of our city, such as Downtown, South of Laurel, and in proximity to UCSC so that we do not remain one of the least affordable places to live in the nation. Second unit legalization would be one initial step that could be taken to start the ball rolling, but we will need to go far beyond this in redefining ourselves as an urban community.

•**Wightman:** [Failed to respond.]

•**Yokoyama:** The City already has implemented a strong program and record for the creation and retention of housing affordable to limited-income families. We support the excellent work that non-profit corporations such as the Community

Housing Corporation and Habitat for Humanity have carried out to create innovation community-based housing. I would like to see the City provide for the legalization of accessory units that currently exist and the creation of co-housing.

Homelessness

5) Do you support the Santa Cruz Camping Ban? What should the city do about homelessness?

•**Beiers:** I cannot support the camping ban as long as there are people with nowhere to sleep. While recognizing that the causes of homelessness are at the national level, the City of Santa Cruz should continue and increase its efforts to see that no member of this community is without the basic necessities of life.

•**Clark:** The camping ban was established to keep campers from parking in front of peoples' homes, and protect individuals from the hazards of sleeping in the open in non-designated spaces. What we need are more designated areas for people to camp, a police policy of issuing first-time warnings, and reduced fines so that the homeless don't simply wind up in jail.

•**Everett:** See 4.) above.

•**Garr:** I support the camping ban; our neighborhoods are being overrun with vagrants — Seabright, Emeline St., etc. Santa Cruz has the highest per capita rate of violent mentally-ill in the State and the concentration of social service outlets in downtown — including the jail — have made downtown extremely unattractive and threatening for the last several years. We can't afford to serve this population without revenues and that relates to economic development. When we do have means, I favor a setting outside the urbanized area where shelter in trailers can be provided for far less than the Homeless Shelter; that property should be sold and the proceeds used for shelter in inexpensive mobile homes and to purchase vans for transport to medical and social services.

•**Ghio:** The camping ban should be continued. The homeless issue has many faces. The County plays an important role by providing necessary health services; a coordinated plan between City and the County must be expanded. Facilities for storage and taking calls and mail have merit.

•**Hassan:** We need designated camping areas. The police should follow a policy of first issuing a warning before writing a ticket for camping violations. Also, it's important that we lower the fines for such tickets.

•**Lemaster:** The camping ban as it now reads is unnecessarily stringent. It criminalizes people for being poor and homeless. I'd call for a moratorium on camping ban enforcement until we modify the ban, allowing alternatives along with it.

Homelessness is still growing, the result of massive Federal policy and fund abuses. When the river of Reaganomic refugees swells over, as it may this winter if California's proposition 165 cuts welfare and helping programs again (25% planned), then I would replace the ban altogether with public works programs designed to provide interim and transitional housing.

Until we as a community find a better, safer, and more friendly sanctuary, I also support lifting park curfews.

I know first-hand about selective police enforcement of the camping ban. A clean, humane, consistent City Council message can defuse this volatile situation. Call for my "Homeless" position paper! Sleep is not a crime.

•**Mathews:** The city's move to enforcement of the camping ban on a complaint basis seems like a moderate approach to a difficult subject. I support a range of services that respond to the specific needs of different homeless populations, including short and long term shelters, social service outreach, job and reentry programs, etc., with specific

emphasis on children and families. The long-term goal should be to break the pattern of homelessness whenever possible. Homelessness is a problem far bigger than the city of Santa Cruz can solve on its own; planning and provision of services should be done on at least a regional basis, with a view to improved state and national policies.

•Ogle: There are reasons for the camping ban — but the way the ban is enforced is unfair. According to some homeless activists, appropriate steps for reforming the enforcement of the ban include:

— Ticketing only when there is a clear danger to public health and safety.

— Issuing first-time-offense warnings

— Reducing the fines from \$150 (which no homeless person can pay, thus making jail-time

•Rabb: No. I would like to see a designated campground, with bathrooms and washing facilities and a center with assistance for employment, housing, evaluation, mailing address, telephones, etc.

•Rotkin: I support the camping ban, since I do not believe that camping on public or private land in a developed urban area like Santa Cruz is safe or healthy or that the citizens of the community will support it. On the other hand, I believe that the City of Santa Cruz needs to vastly expand the shelter and service programs that it provides to homeless individuals. Again, changes at the federal and state level need to be made to reverse two decades of neglect of our cities. The problem is as much jobs, education, and health services as it is housing, and a unified approach should be developed. Even without additional federal help, more community resources, both public and private, need to be put into this problem. Innovative approaches like the Homeless Garden Project, and the Inter-Faith Satellite Shelter need to be supported and expanded.

•Semas: Camping should be allowed in designated areas. I feel that allowing (forcing) people to sleep in places designed and used for other purposes is poor public policy and threatens individual dignity. Unfortunately, the city is not prepared to provide shelter, nor does it have the direct responsibility to do so. Should we attempt to take on such a social program and give it priority over other human services, the city should identify a suitable location that can be designed with an appropriate level of amenities. The area should be protected for the designated use and provide user organized maintenance. I would encourage the city to seek the cooperation of public social service agencies and private charities to integrate services to homeless individuals.

•Warren: In considering homelessness, we must recognize that it is a national problem not just one we're wrestling with locally. Also, the "homeless" are individuals with individual needs, and our responses must be individual as well. As a compassionate society we must assure everyone food and basic shelter. Beyond that we should try to supply services that allow people to overcome the cause of their homelessness rather than becoming more dependent on the services per se. Therefore, I

wholeheartedly support projects such as the Homeless Garden Project and the proposed Day Care Center. We should attempt though to avoid any further concentration of homeless services adjacent to our economic core. A society must maintain the right to protect itself against behavior which violates a community's standards. As such, the selective enforcement of the City's camping ban seems appropriate, but we should never make just the act of sleeping a crime.

•Wightman: [Failed to respond.]

•Yokoyama: I support the municipal ordinance prohibiting camping during certain hours in public venues. This ordinance is not designed to harass the homeless but to ensure that camping occurs in areas designed for such uses, with facilities such as bathrooms and showers. The City must continue to focus on the construction of affordable housing, resource centers for those homeless who need support to reintegrate their lives, and temporary shelters for those in need of shelter. We need to ensure that there are jobs for our residents to prevent future homelessness.

Seaside Boycott

6) Do you support the union boycott of the Seaside Company? How should the city of Santa Cruz respond to this labor dispute?

•Beiers: I definitely support the union boycott of the Seaside Company. There is little left the City could — or should — do to interfere in this struggle. Individual Councilmembers' refusal to attend events at Seaside Co. establishments means that City functions are no longer scheduled there.

•Clark: Yes, I support the boycott of the Seaside Company and any hotel that does not employ union workers.

•Everett: I oppose such a boycott of the Seaside Company. I believe it to be more destructive than constructive, as the Seaside Co. provides so many jobs, and to hurt Seaside in this way will make us shoot ourselves in the foot when the economy is so bad. The current dispute can be resolved with binding arbitration.

•Garr: I support a union boycott of the Seaside Company. The City should boycott Seaside Company facilities for official functions. More importantly, I'm very uncomfortable with secret meetings and rumors of what the City and the Canfields are doing behind closed doors. I'd like to see maps of what the Seaside Company owns and do everything with them out in the open. If I am elected, everything will be open to public scrutiny and out of the back rooms.

•Ghio: I do not support secondary boycotts. It hurts those not directly involved in the dispute. If the sides are willing, the City could facilitate meet-

ings between the parties.

•Hassan: Yes. I do think we should continue the protest and boycott the Seaside Company until we succeed. I also think that the Seaside Company, as well as the rest of our city, can contribute more to people of the Beach Flats, improving the local housing situation.

•Lemaster: I have supported the boycott since Canfield's purchase of the Holiday Inn, in solidarity with those workers I've met who have lost many kinds of benefits, and now are unable to earn sufficient wages for housing here unless they have several jobs.

I'm not sure City government is in a position to either support or avoid the practices of the Seaside Company. In every way possible, I will support the needs of the workers and challenge the management abuses in effect. Those business owners get plenty of breaks and they need to pass them along.

•Mathews: I personally support the boycott of Seaside Company facilities. The appropriate role for the city is to avoid direct intervention. Scheduling of official functions at Seaside Company facilities would appear to favor one side over another. It must be admitted that the Seaside Company is a major player in the local economy, so a non-confrontational resolution is to everyone's best interests.

•Ogle: I support the union boycott of the Seaside Company. I also believe the city of Santa Cruz should follow suit.

The City Council as a whole should begin negotiating with Seaside Company for a long-range relationship — a 25 to 50 year plan. The Seaside Company is a powerful influence in the city, and we should work together for everyone's benefit.

•Rabb: Yes, however, the response is up to the Seaside Co. and the Union. The City Council does not have a legal right to interfere.

•Rotkin: I support the union boycott of the Seaside Company. While the City has no place in determining the nature of a labor agreement between the Seaside Company and its employees, it does have a responsibility to see to it that the principle of collective bargaining is upheld. The attempt of the Seaside Company to break the union at the Holiday Inn is shameful and the City should not participate in any events at the Hotel or other Seaside Company businesses.

•Semas: I support the right of unions and individuals to picket and inform the public. I support the individual right to patronize businesses based on any lawful criteria, including a company's employee relation practices. Both labor and management have a responsibility to negotiate in good faith and conduct activities in accordance with the National Labor Relations Board.

The public funds spent by the city belong to the entire community, including union members and Seaside Co. employees and inventors. In the absence of a mandate from the voters, the city should seek the best value for the tax payer's dollar.

•Warren: I fully support a union's right to organize, and engage in actions such as strikes and boy-

cotts. But since I do not personally have a grievance with the Seaside Company, I reserve the right to choose if I will patronize Seaside Company facilities. I believe the City of Santa Cruz should try to encourage a speedy resolution of the dispute, but I do not believe it is the proper role of the City to take sides. The City could perhaps most help its workers if it redoubled its efforts to bring more job opportunities to the area.

•Wightman: [Failed to respond.]

•Yokoyama: I support the boycott of the Holiday Inn because this facility was a unionized workplace under its previous ownership. I believe that it is the city's responsibility to facilitate dialogue on the dispute and encourage its prompt resolution.

Navy Ship

7) As a councilmember, would you vote to invite a Navy ship to Santa Cruz?

•Beiers: I joined in the unanimous decision of the City Council last year to make it a policy that all non-polluting ships are welcome in our bay.

•Clark: I think that's a matter for the citizens of Santa Cruz to decide.

•Everett: It would depend upon their (and our) acting like good citizens.

•Garr: As Steven Kessler, editor of the defunct Sun newspaper editorialized, "take a sailor to lunch." We should invite a Navy ship to Santa Cruz and do everything we can to promote tourism and a ship is part of that. You can picket and demonstrate if you don't like it, but I think most citizens support this.

•Ghio: As a diverse community, no side should be excluded. We must be a City of tolerance, not of intolerance. Sure we should invite a Navy ship.

•Hassan: I would respect my constituents' opinions on the matter. Having a Navy ship visit would bring in revenue, and give the people a chance to see how their tax dollars are being spent. However, it's ultimately a choice for the residents.

•Lemaster: I would not support a ship whose image and mission is to promote or recruit for war-mongering. I might conceivably support visits from a ship whose meaning is clearly involving our historical legacy; Tall Flag Ships or the Merrimac, perhaps?

•Mathews: I would not initiate a Navy Ship invitation, but if there were a strong local movement I would consider it an appropriate response to community diversity... understanding that those opposed would make their views known. I would prefer visits by scientific, historic or humanitarian vessels with a positive educational value.

•Ogle: I would like to remain neutral on this issue.

•Rabb: Yes.

•Rotkin: If this controversial issue, on which the

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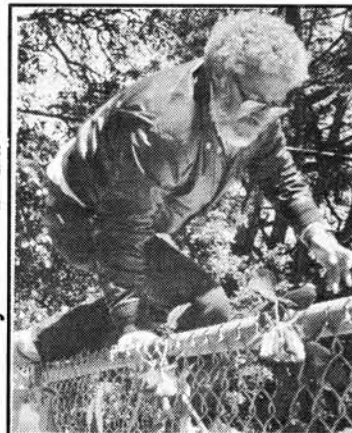


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City is clearly divided, comes before the Council again, I would vote to put this issue on the ballot before the voters.

•**Semas:** Sure. These ships represent different things to different people — a reminder that world peace and disarmament has not yet been attained, a patriotic symbol, or a curiosity. Individuals may tour the ship, picket the ship, or ignore the ship for any reason they choose.

•**Warren:** I believe in freedom of choice. People must have the right to evaluate all courses of action so that they can determine what is best. The US Navy is part of our heritage and current defense commitment. I would not hesitate to invite a Navy ship to Santa Cruz.

•**Wightman:** [Failed to respond.]

•**Yokoyama:** As a City Councilmember, I have taken action to delegate the responsibility to the City Parks & Recreation Commission. The Council can properly give direction for the criteria to be used in considering the invitation of Navy ships through their policies.

Peace Economy

8) Do you support the concept of cutting the federal military budget by 50 percent over three years and re-directing the money to meet human needs, create jobs, and protect the environment? If yes, what role should the city play to help bring this about?

•**Beiers:** Why wait three years? But, to be frank, the City of Santa Cruz has about as much influence over the military budget as it does over the San Andreas Fault.

•**Clark:** Yes, I support defense cuts. The money should be redistributed towards building the economy, helping low-income people, and eliminating the Federal budget deficit.

•**Everett:** I believe that my support for the Clinton-Gore ticket speaks for itself on where I stand on military cuts.

•**Garr:** The Military-Industrial complex has absorbed trillions of dollars. However, dramatically pulling the plug will topple the California economy; indeed, this is already happening and any simplistic solution could be dangerous. I'm not an expert on defense spending, but I do think this question warrants a more complex answer and greater expertise that what can be contained in 150 words. I consider our "Foreign Policy" to be a complete waste of time. A city like this one can't even solve its own problems; why would national government pay attention? We need to rebuild downtown and preserve our own natural setting. That is what this Council election is about. And that is what I am prepared to do with my education, back-

ground, and extensive experience in city planning.

•**Ghio:** Sure the federal budget needs to be reprioritized in light of changing conditions. Not only does military spending need reprioritizing, but the whole matter of taxation and spending. Yes, domestic programs need more attention whether health care, environment or schools. The City needs to let its wishes (and clout) known through the many organizations to which it belongs.

•**Hassan:** Yes, I support reducing the military budget especially with the end of the Cold War. I'm not sure how much we should cut, but the money should definitely be channeled into more worthwhile causes, such as creating jobs and meeting human needs.

•**Lemaster:** Yes! I am involved in Campaign for Budget Fairness, and helped to create out Alternative Budget, being promoted statewide as a long-term project to reverse fiscal butchery of state and federal leaders. I would redouble those efforts as a Councilmember. Also I'll do any and everything else that might accomplish the goal. I am active in Women's Economic Agenda Project and other networks, mostly housing-related. I think the City is prepared to be a strong advocate in redirecting resources toward human needs. I'd first propose a raise and/or housing allowance for all city employees, to set a standard on behalf of our workers. Santa Cruz established a viable local funding support system here while the rest of the nation's governments were chopping up our communities to feed big businesses and throwing money at savings and loans, rewarding them for theft and incompetence.

•**Mathews:** The bloated military budget has been a root cause of much of our federal deficit and the shrinking resources for more life-affirming activities. I'm not convinced we could actually pull off a 50% cut over three years without massive economic shock in communities around the nation...but the concept is laudable. The current discussions about the future of Fort Ord are a useful object lesson in the complexity of converting or diverting the military budget, both as to the short term anxieties and long term opportunities. Savings in a "peace economy" should be used to reduce the federal deficit and to support a broad range of productive programs, including health, education, environment, housing, public works and cultural programs. All of these would have direct benefit in the ability of local government to meet the needs and aspirations of the community.

•**Ogle:** Yes. This is a great idea. Although I'm not sure what the definite role of the city is to bring this about, I would not hesitate to add the voice of Santa Cruz to the call for redistributing military spending.

•**Rabb:** Yes. Support the congressmen who bring about change and encourage voters to do the same.

•**Rotkin:** Yes, I believe that the federal military budget should be cut by 50% over three years and the money directed to meeting human needs, creating jobs, and protecting the environment. I believe that the City Council in representing the

needs of its citizens should actively lobby for such a policy change at the national level.

•**Semas:** Yes, personally I do. As an individual I encourage my elected federal representatives to support this transition.

Bringing national issues into local politics, is divisive and detracts from our ability to build consensus on community issues. I feel that Santa Cruz, at this time, cannot afford the luxury of devoting city resources, elected officials attention or city staff time to other than local issues.

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•**Warren:** I support the concept of substantially reducing the federal military budget as rapidly as possible. What we must be conscious of though is not throwing our national economy into even greater disarray than is already the case by eliminating jobs and spending power that cannot be picked up by alternate industries. We have been dependent on the money generated by military contractors for so long, conversion will not be an easy matter. We need to research workable conversion mechanisms and reduce our dependence on military spending in a well-thought out manner that doesn't cause needless pain to our citizens. The City's role in encouraging this conversion process could be to actively pursue viable alternatives, so as to serve as a beacon to the decision makers on the national level.

•**Wightman:** [Failed to respond.]

•**Yokoyama:** I support the redirection of funds used for the federal military budget to use for human needs, including job creation and environmental and housing needs. There must be a strong conversion program implemented so that jobs lost in this process are replaced with similarly remunerative employment opportunities. The city's role in this is to provide lobbying of Federal representatives so that this conversion is actually implemented.

Choice

9) Would you consider yourself to be pro-life or pro-choice?

•**Beiers:** I am definitely pro-choice. No government has the right to impose its versions of private morality on its citizens. If our constitutional guarantee of individual liberty can be taken to include property rights...how much more should it include my right to control over my own body.

•**Clark:** I remember the '70s, and the back-door doctor for the rich and the coat-hanger for the poor. Therefore, I'm Pro Choice.

•**Everett:** I am unequivocally pro-choice.

•**Garr:** I am pro-choice. I believe that family planning is essential and that agencies such as Planned Parenthood should be easily accessed so that demonstrators do not interfere with the mission of family planning, which includes medically-safe

abortions.

•**Ghio:** This is not an appropriate city issue. Philosophically, I believe government has no business involving itself in subjects which are private matters such as this one.

•**Hassan:** That is a very interesting question. I am both Pro Choice and Pro Child.

•**Lemaster:** I consider myself both pro-life and pro-choice. I'm a mother of three who was once an isolated, pregnant teenager. I will fight to protect to protect the few steps toward equality and protection which women have accomplished in the past decades. "Keep your laws off my body."

•**Mathews:** Both professionally and personally I have a deep commitment to reproductive choice. As a founder of Planned Parenthood affiliates in both San Diego and Santa Cruz, I've been an outspoken advocate for choice for years. Government should protect equal access to services and opportunities, not intervene in private decisions.

•**Ogle:** I support a woman's right to choose.

•**Rabb:** PRO-CHOICE!!

•**Rotkin:** I fully support a woman's right to choose abortion and believe that the City should intervene, if necessary, to protect that right (for example, in the face of attempts by vigilantes of the Right to close abortion clinics).

•**Semas:** Personally, "pro-choice." Abortion is an individual choice that must be made with great care and with adequate education and societal support.

For the reasons stated above, I oppose city government taking any position on this issue.

•**Warren:** I am pro-choice. Being a parent, I find the idea of abortion personally distasteful and I think society should certainly discourage abortions through supplying comprehensive sex education and birth control information. But it is ultimately the right of the individual woman to make that most difficult choice.

•**Wightman:** [Failed to respond.]

•**Yokoyama:** I am pro-choice. There should be no governmental restriction of a woman's authority of her own body. Restrictions always burden low-income women disproportionately.

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Introduction to Re-evaluation Counseling. 4th Monday of the month. 519 Center St., Santa Cruz (basement of the parsonage of the Progressive Baptist Church), 7-9pm. Info: 429-9155

TUESDAYS:

Santa Cruz Action for Big Mountain meeting and video. Last Tuesday of the month. 911-A Center St., Santa Cruz, 7:30 pm. Info: 464-8633.

People for Animal Liberation meeting. 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. Call Cheryl at 429-5698 for location.

"The Open Door," a drop-in support group for battered women. 7-8:30 pm, Free, with free childcare. YWCA, 303 Walnut St., Santa Cruz. Sponsor: Women's Crisis Support. Call 425-5525 for information.

HIV Positive Drop-in Support Group. Meets every Tuesday night at 7-9 pm at the Santa Cruz AIDS Project (SCAP) office, 911-A Center St., Santa Cruz. All HIV+ individuals are welcome. No fee. Facilitators: Terry Cavanagh and Alan Lamb. Info: 427-3900.

Support Group for Women with HIV/AIDS. Meets one Tuesday evening each month from 6:15-7:45 pm. No fee. Sponsor: Santa Cruz AIDS Project. Info: 427-3900.

12-Step Group for People with HIV. Meets every Tuesday night from 6-7 pm at Trinity Presbyterian Church Fireside Room, 420 Melrose, Santa Cruz. All HIV+ individuals involved with or interested in any 12-step program are welcome. No fee. Sponsor: Santa Cruz AIDS Project. Info: 427-3900.

HIV/AIDS Spanish Support Group. Support group in Spanish for people with AIDS. 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month, 7-8:30 pm. Meets in Watsonville; call for location. Sponsor: Santa Cruz AIDS Project. Info: 763-3430, 800-400-3901, or 427-3900.

Support Group for Partners and Spouses of People Living with HIV/AIDS. 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:30-9 pm. Call for info and registration: 427-3900. Must call first to register.

WEDNESDAYS:

Women's International League for Peace & Freedom general meeting. 1st Wednesday of the month. Trinity Presbyterian Church, Poplar and Melrose, Santa Cruz. Call to confirm time. Info: 475-7451.

Christic Action Team meeting. The group works cooperatively on upcoming public information events and education outreach materials. Public input and participation is welcome. 7:30 pm, 509 Broadway, Santa Cruz. Info: 426-3254 or 426-2292.

City of Santa Cruz Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women. 1st Wednesday of the month. City Council Chambers, 809 Center St. Info: 429-3546. No meetings in August.

THURSDAYS:

National Organization for Women general meeting. 1st Thursday of the month. Loudon Nelson Center, 301 Center St., Santa Cruz. 7 p.m. Open to the public. Info: 335-7704. (Childcare provided; call 335-7704 first to confirm.)

Green Party Meeting. 3rd Thursday of the month. Loudon Nelson Center, 301 Center St., Santa Cruz, 6-9 pm. Info: 425-3193.

Cabrillo Students for Social Responsibility meeting. Cabrillo Fireside Lounge, Cabrillo College, 7 pm. Info: 458-2719.

Stop First Strike meeting. Resource Center for Nonviolence, 515 Broadway, Santa Cruz. 7:30 pm. Info: Sarah or Eric, 426-7970.

Support Group for Family and Friends of People with HIV/AIDS. Alternate Thursdays 6-7:30 pm. No fee. Sponsor: Santa Cruz AIDS Project. Call for info and registration: 427-3900. Must call first to register.

AIDS/ARC Support Group. Meets Thursdays 1:30-3:30 pm. Facilitator: Alan Dampsey. Sponsor: Santa Cruz AIDS Project. No fee. Call for info and registration: 427-3900. Must call first to register.

Treatment Update Group ("Project Inform" Update). 1st Thursday of the month. Open to seronegative and seropositive individuals. Locations vary. 7-8:30 pm. Info: 427-3900.

NOW's Reproductive Rights Task Force meeting. 4th Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm. Call 457-0931 or 427-9510 for location.

"The Open Door," a drop-in support group for battered women. 7-9 pm, Free. YWCA, 303 Walnut St., Santa Cruz. Sponsor: Battered Women's Task Force. Call 335-3371 for information or to request childcare.

FRIDAYS:

Graffiti Removal Volunteers/Bioregional Murals Project meeting. (No meeting Nov. 27th) Vision Santa Cruz, 1543 Pacific Ave., Santa Cruz, 5-7 pm. Info: 425-1430

SATURDAYS:

Peace & Freedom Party of Santa Cruz County meeting. 1st Saturday of the month. Business meeting and political discussion. Public input welcome. Loudon Nelson Center, 301 Center St., Santa Cruz, 2-4 pm. Info: 423-3062.

Bystander CPR. One Saturday a month (call for details). Shortened version of the regular Basic Life Support Course. Taught by Santa Cruz Firepersons. Co-sponsored by Health Development Foundation of Community Hospital. Free. 303 Walnut Ave., Santa Cruz, 9 am-1 pm. Pre-registration required. Info: 426-3062.

SUNDAYS:

Green Party meeting. 1st Sunday of the month. Loudon Nelson Center, 301 Center St., Santa Cruz, 4-7 pm. Info: 425-3193.

Co-Housing Orientation meeting. Last Sunday of the month. Loudon Nelson Center, 301 Center St., Santa Cruz, 2-4pm. sponsor: Santa Cruz Co-Housing Network. Info: Ruth, 426-5614.

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2-MONDAY, OCTOBER 12
Healing Global Wounds. Ten days of events, including an indigenous people's forum in Las Vegas and a demonstration at the Nevada Test Site, are scheduled for early October. Make plans now to attend this unprecedented event, demanding an end to 500 years of injustice to Native Americans and an end to nuclear testing on native lands. Sponsors: the Western Shoshone National Council and the Global Antinuclear Alliance. Info: Western Shoshone National Council, P.O. Box 140115, Duckwater, NV 89314, or call American Peace Test, (702) 386-9834, or the Nevada Desert Experience, (702) 646-4814. For car pool information from Santa Cruz, call the Nuclear Weapons Freeze at 458-9975. (The WILPF bus has been cancelled.)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3
Beiers Campaign Country-Western Dance and BBQ. Something different! All you can eat — all you can dance; a benefit for the Katherine Beiers Reelection Campaign. At the home of Woutje Herrick, 130 Rathburn Way, Santa Cruz, 2-6 pm, \$15.25 per person. Sponsor: Katherine Beiers Campaign. Info: 426-6108.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3
& SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4
Bike Fest '92. A wide range of events, including a classic bike contest, bike clinic with Q&A, swap meet, art show, craft and game booths, comedy and live music, and a benefit raffle will be featured at the First Annual Bicycle Trip Bike Fest. The festival will be held at the Bicycle Trip, 1127 Soquel Ave., Santa Cruz. Info: 427-2580.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4
Monterey Bay Area Walk for AIDS. This 10-kilometer (6.2-mile) walkathon will raise much-needed funds for the Hospice Caring Project of Santa Cruz County, the Monterey County AIDS Project, Salud Para La Gente Community Clinic, and the Santa Cruz AIDS Project. The walk begins at San Lorenzo Park, travels through downtown Santa Cruz, along scenic West Cliff Drive, past the beach and Boardwalk, and returns to the park for live music and food. 9 am-2 pm. For more info or to register as a walker, call the 24-Hour Walker Hotline, 1-450-2346.

"Exclusively Role Models," a group of high school models, have designed a benefit fashion show in order to help raise money to support the "It's OK To Say No" child abuse prevention program, an educational project focusing on personal safety and abuse prevention. The fashion show will take place at The Brass Rail Bar & Grill, 171 Main Street, Salinas. There will be two shows, one at 2-4:30 pm, and one from 6-8:30 pm. Admission is \$10 and includes hors d'oeuvres, the "Role Models" Fashion Debut, and pre-show entertainment. Info: Nedda Lentini, 375-3675, or Laura Haddan, 757-9148.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 & MONDAY, OCTOBER 5
LGCC Volunteer Staff Trainings. If you can work two hours a week and want to help others find out about what's happening in the Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Community, sign up now for the next Orientation Class. Sunday's class is from 4-6 pm, Monday's is from 7-9 pm. Info: 425-LGCC.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5
"Report from Russia." UCSC Professors Michael Urban, Politics, and Peter Kenez, History, discuss their trips this past summer to the Commonwealth of Independent States (formerly the Soviet Union). Part of the Adlai E. Stevenson Program on Global Security Fall



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1992 Colloquia, held Monday afternoons in the Silverman Conference Room, Stevenson College, UCSC. Refreshments are at 3:30 pm; lecture begins at 4 pm. This event is co-sponsored by the IGCC. Info: 459-2833.

Jain Monks to Speak on Active Nonviolence and the Universal Co-dependency of All Things. Traditionally forbidden to travel, recent changes have allowed some Jain monks to venture beyond India. The two monks, Saman Shitprajna and Saman Shrutpranja, have an in-depth knowledge of Jainism, have received advanced training in meditation and conducted meditation camps, and have traveled to the former Soviet Union and Hungary as well as many European countries. They will be speaking at the Resource Center for Nonviolence, 515 Broadway, Santa Cruz at 7:30 pm. A \$3-5 sliding scale donation is suggested. Info: Anita Heckman, 423-1626.

James Warren, Socialist Workers' candidate for US president, will be speaking at local colleges about his campaign to help present a socialist alternative. Cabrillo College Amphitheater, 1-3 pm; and at UCSC, in the Student Center Multipurpose Room Annex at 7:30 pm. Sponsor: Youth for Warren & DeBates. Info: Juan, 429-9239, or Marc, 429-8739.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7
"Meet the Organic Farmer" will introduce local farmers who produce food using natural methods. Farmers will present slides about how they grow the food that is sold year round in Santa Cruz followed by time for discussion and socializing. Organic refreshments will be served. Louden Nelson Center, 301 Center St., Santa Cruz, 7-9 pm. \$3-5 donation appreciated. Sponsor: California Certified Organic Growers. Info: Sam Earnshaw, 476-6432.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8
Proposition 165: A Debate. For: Jane Armstrong, Alliance of California Taxpayer and Involved Voters. Against: Sam Farr, Assemblymember, California

Legislature. Moderated by the Santa Cruz League of Women Voters. What will you call it...power grab, or taxpayer protection? Find out at the Louden Nelson Community Center, 301 Center St., Santa Cruz, 7-9 pm. Info: 722-7949, or 662-0488.

Keepers of the Forest & Voices from Oka. Documentaries on current indigenous struggles from the Lacandon rainforest in Mexico and the Mohawk people in Canada. Featured speakers: Michael Guillen, Mayan writing specialist, recently in the Lacandon leading a tour, and another speaker to be announced. Part of the Video Series Commemorating 500 Years of Indigenous Resistance, Resource Center for Nonviolence, 515 Broadway, Santa Cruz, 7:30 pm, donation: \$3-5 sliding scale. Sponsor: Resource Center for Nonviolence. Info: 423-1626.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9-TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13
Tantra Yoga Retreat at Mount Madonna Center. Tantra Sadhana, including breathing practices, mantras, visualizations, meditation, and postures, plus theory classes, including question-and-answer time with Babaji. Instruction for all levels. Registration opens Friday evening. There will be a program for children (2-1/2 years or older) during all class sessions. The retreat will end on Tuesday with a Tantra Ceremony, a beautiful, ancient ritual that includes flower offerings, the chanting of mantras, and meditation. Tuition is \$55 plus fees. For more information call 847-0406 between 11 am and 5 pm, or write the Mount Madonna Center, 445 Summit Rd., Watsonville.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10
Protest Ostrich Festival Race. People for Animal Liberation and other Bay Area animal rights groups will protest Morgan Hill's First Annual Ostrich Festival. Help stop an exploitative fad at its start! A car pool will be leaving from the Food Bin/Herb Room, Laurel and Mission Sts. at 11 am. Info: 429-5698.

Los Munequitos de Matanzas, Afro-Cuban percus-

sion, vocal and dance ensemble direct from Cuba, will be performing "Patakin," a full-length piece about the history of Africa and Afro-Cuban folklore at Mission High School, 3750 18th St., San Francisco, at 8 pm. Tickets available at BASS Ticketmaster (510) 762-BASS — preferred seating: \$15 adv./\$17 day of show; general: \$13 adv./\$15 day of show. (\$2 discount for seniors, disabled, and children 12 and under.) Sponsors: La Pena and the Mission Cultural Center. Info: (510) 849-2215, or (415) 821-1155.

"All Our Colors: The Good Road Concert." Part of a three-day musical celebration commemorating 500 years of survival of the Western Hemisphere's indigenous peoples. Saturday's event will feature Santana, Jackson Browne, Steve Miller (acoustic), Mickey Hart & Friends, John Lee Hooker, John Trudell, White Boy & The Wagon Burners, and Red Thunder. Native American arts & crafts, food & dance, and a special Pow Wow dance demonstration will take place. Proceeds will benefit the Traditional Circle of Elders & Youth. Shoreline Amphitheater in Mountain View, tickets are \$25 in advance for reserved seats, and \$15 for lawn seats. Sponsor: Bill Graham Presents. Info: BASS Ticketmaster (510) 762-BASS.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10- SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14
"The Heart of the Garden." Selections from the photographic exhibition of the Homeless Garden Project, by Kate K. Stafford, will be on display at the Santa Cruz Community Credit Union, 512 Front St. Santa Cruz.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11
LGCC March on Washington Fundraiser/Kickoff. Come see the film from the 1987 March on Washington, and hear local speakers talk about what it was like to go and be a part of history. Louden Nelson Center, 301 Center St., Santa Cruz, 7 pm. \$5-10 sliding scale donation includes dinner. Sponsor: Lesbian and Gay Community Center. Info: 425-LGCC.

Protest 500 Years of Genocide. Demonstration & Civil Disobedience will occur in San Francisco. Sponsor: American Indian Movement. Info: (510) 655-0901 or (415) 552-1992.

"Healing the Sacred Hoop: The Next 500 Years" Part of a three-day musical celebration commemorating 500 years of survival of the Western Hemisphere's indigenous peoples, Saturday's event will feature Bonnie Raitt, Don Henley (Acoustic), Todd Rundgren, and Floyd "Red Crow" Westerman. Native American arts & crafts, food & dance, and a special Pow Wow dance demonstration will take place. Proceeds will benefit the International Indian Treaty Council. Being held at the Shoreline Amphitheater in Mountain View, tickets are \$25 in advance for reserved seats, and \$19.50 for lawn seats. Sponsor: Bill Graham Presents. Info: BASS Ticketmaster (510) 762-BASS.

"The Get Lost (Again) Columbus Opera." A year of ceremonial protests and performance ceremonies in resistance to 500 years of genocide featuring original music and libretto by White Cloud Wolfhawk Eagles Xochipillcueponi, in honor of the ancestors for the sake of world peace and justice. With the voice and drums of the Blood Road Singers, Jennifer White Owl Jaguar and friends. Fort Mason, Bldg. C, Room 260, San Francisco, 2 pm, or at Ashkenaz, 1317 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley, 8 pm. Admission is \$9. Sponsor: Tribes Quetzacoatl and Living Fire. Info: (510) 223-0357.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12
YES Tour Kickoff. Youth for Environmental Sanity is a group of multicultural youth, age 17-20, from around the country, whose purpose is to educate, inspire, and empower students to take a positive action for our planet and our future. The YES Tour, featuring guest speaker John Robbins, author of *Diet for a New America*, and internationally known singer/songwriter Karl Anthony, will kickoff at the First Congregational

Church, 900 High St., Santa Cruz, at 7:30 pm. Donations requested: students/seniors, \$6 adv./\$8 door; adults, \$12-14 adv./\$14-22. Info: 426-2011.

"Capitalism and the Environment — A Socialist Perspective" by Omari Musa, Member of Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers Union (OCAW), and Socialist Workers Party candidate, 9th US Congressional District. At the UCSC Student Center Multipurpose Room Annex, 7:30 pm. Sponsors: Young Socialist Alliance/Youth for Warren & DeBates.

"On the Road to (and from) Rio." UCSC Faculty & students who attended the "Earth Summit" in Rio de Janeiro will talk about their experiences. Part of the Adlai E. Stevenson Program on Global Security Fall 1992 Colloquia, held Monday afternoons in the Silverman Conference Room, Stevenson College, UCSC. Refreshments are at 3:30 pm; lecture begins at 4 pm. This event is co-sponsored by the IGCC. Info: 459-2833.

An International Day of Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples Music Festival. A free, all-day event, featuring Native American and indigenous speakers, exhibits, artisans, food and entertainers, including Floyd Westerman and Charlie Hill, will take place at Crissy Field in San Francisco, at the foot of the Golden Gate Bridge. Part of a three-day musical celebration commemorating 500 years of survival of the Western Hemisphere indigenous peoples. Sponsor: Bill Graham Presents. Info: Mary Scott for BGP, (510) 649-8965.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

"Foreign Policy Challenges for the Next Presidential Administration." Panel discussion, part of the Adlai E. Stevenson Program on Global Security Fall 1992 Colloquia. This event is being held at the Pacific Cultural Center, 1307 Seabright Ave., Santa Cruz, from 7:30-9:30 pm, and is being co-sponsored by the IGCC. Info: 459-2833.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17-

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

Art & Bike Earthquake Festival. A benefit for the Monterey/Santa Cruz County Gallery Association and Cycle America, the small local show will feature arts & crafts, food booths, bicycle exhibits, solar & wind power exhibits, live jazz, and more. The festival will take place along at the Santa Cruz Town Clock from 11 am-5:30 pm. Info: 454-9610.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

"Human Rights in Harmony," a special benefit performance featuring the Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir, Kitka — Eastern European Women's Vocal Ensemble, and Linda Tillery & Her Band, will take place at the Flint Center for Performing Arts, De Anza College, 21250 Stevens Creek Blvd., Cupertino, at 7 pm. Ticket are \$18 adv./\$20 at the door, and are available at BASS Ticketmaster. Sponsor: Amnesty International. Info: 374-7670.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

"What's Next in the Middle East?" With Professor Kiren Chaudhry, Political Science, UC Berkeley. Part of the Adlai E. Stevenson Program on Global Security Fall 1992 Colloquia, held Monday afternoons in the Silverman Conference Room, Stevenson College, UCSC. Refreshments are at 3:30 pm; lecture begins at 4 pm. This event is co-sponsored by the IGCC. Info: 459-2833.

Beiers Campaign Indonesian Feast and Auction. Bid for a weekend in Tahoe, gourmet dinner for two, and many lower-priced items. At India Joze, 1001 Center St., 6:30-10 pm. \$20-50 sliding scale, \$15 for students and seniors. Sponsor: Katherine Beiers Campaign. Info: 426-6108.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

LGCC Annual Membership Meeting Find out what the center has been up to this last year. Voting for board members and bylaw changes, too! Cabrillo College, 400 Building, 7 pm. Info: 425-LGCC.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

Women's International League for Peace & Freedom Joint Meeting. An account of the recent International WILPF Congress in Bolivia by Emily Lewis will be the feature of this joint meeting of the Pajaro Valley and Santa Cruz WILPF. Ms. Lewis will speak in English and Spanish. Tamale lunches prepared by displaced worker members will be for sale. Child care will be available by reservation. Watsonville Community Center, 120 Second St., at 11:45 am. Info: Rosalind Reddick, 722-5691.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

United Nations Day Observance and Celebration

presented by the United Nations Association, whose purpose is to "study the fundamental basis of peace with justice and the machinery necessary for its development." Features the Peace Child Ensemble as well as speakers on current world affairs. Pacific Cultural Center (Broadway and Seabright), from 7-9:30 pm. Info: Steve, 338-6110.



ELLA SENERES/MONTHLY PLANET

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

"Political Transition in South Africa" With Dr. Pearl-Alice Marsh, Director of UC Berkeley's African Studies Center. Part of the Adlai E. Stevenson Program on Global Security Fall 1992 Colloquia, held Monday afternoons in the Silverman Conference Room, Stevenson College, UCSC. Refreshments are at 3:30 pm; lecture begins at 4 pm. This event is co-sponsored by the IGCC. Info: 459-2833.

Public Hearing on Preventing Violence Against Women. This hearing is a time for people to come together to share ideas, suggestions and concerns about what the city of Santa Cruz needs to do to help prevent rape, domestic violence, sexual harassment, and other forms of violence against women. Join with

the Commission to help create a violence-free community by addressing the commission in person, or submitting a written statement. The hearing will be held at the City Council Chambers, Santa Cruz City Hall, 809 Center St., at 7 pm. Info: 429-3546.

Introduction to Re-evaluation Counseling. A brief

overview of a theory of human behavior, offering a fresh, hopeful view of human nature and an explanation for irrational behavior, presented by Roland Saher. In the basement of parsonage of Progressive Baptist Church, 519 Center St., Santa Cruz, 7-9 pm. Info: 429-9155

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

Santa Cruz AIDS Project Trainings for volunteer massage practitioners will be Wednesday, October 28, from 7-10 pm, Saturday, October 31, from 9 am-5 pm, and Sunday, November 1, from 9 am-5 pm. Participants must be certified massage practitioners. They will be trained to work directly with people with AIDS/HIV and the issues that the work involves. There is a \$35 donation for the training, but scholarships are available. Info: La Verne Coleman, 427-3900.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

Democracy For the Few of the Many? A panel discussion featuring Michael Parenti, author of *Democracy for the Few, Inventing Reality: The Politics of Mass Media, and Power and the Powerless*, Sara Diamond, author of *Spiritual Warfare: The politics of the Christian Right*, and Norman Solomon, author of *Unreliable Sources: A Guide to Detecting Bias in News Media*. Extensive question and answer session. Palo Alto

Unity Church, 3391 Middlefield Rd., Palo Alto, 7 pm. \$5-15 sliding scale admission. Sponsor: Peninsula Peace & Justice Center. Info: (415) 326-8837.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

LGCC Halloween Dance. Costume contest, prizes, thrills and chills at the Loudon Nelson Center, 301 Center St., Santa Cruz, 7-11 pm. Info: 425-LGCC.

Beiers Campaign Costume Party with music and refreshments. At Ben Rice's house, 316 Berkeley Way, Santa Cruz, 8 pm-midnight. \$5 and up. Sponsor: Katherine Beiers Campaign. Info: 426 6108.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Medical Marijuana Patients Summit. Hempseed

pancake brunch with panel discussions by health care providers and five of America's 10 legal marijuana smokers. At Loudon Nelson Center, 301 Center St., Santa Cruz, 1 pm. Sliding scale donation \$5-20. Sponsor: Santa Cruz Citizens for Medical Marijuana. Info: 429-8819.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2

"Bosnia & Hercegovina in Past and Present" With Professor Wayne Vucinich, History, Stanford University. Part of the Adlai E. Stevenson Program on Global Security Fall 1992 Colloquia, held Monday afternoons in the Silverman Conference Room, Stevenson College, UCSC. Refreshments are at 3:30 pm; lecture begins at 4 pm. This event is co-sponsored by the IGCC. Info: 459-2833.

The Panama Deception to Open in Santa Cruz on October 15

At press time the film makers who brought you *Cover-up: Behind the Iran-Contra Affair* announced that their second film, *The Panama Deception*, will open at the Santa Cruz Nickelodeon Theatre on October 15.

The *Boston Herald* calls the film a "cinematic Molotov Cocktail." The Panama Deception reveals what George Bush, the US Congress and the mainstream media have been hiding from the American public in regard to the true objectives of the Panama invasion of Dec. 20, 1989.

The time and frequency of the initial week of screenings at the Nickelodeon will not be set until one week before the opening. Every screening will be attended by representatives of the Empowerment Project (makers of the film) and experts on Panama.

For further information call Bert Muhly at 426-2798.

WOMEN'S SELF DEFENSE WORKSHOPS

Plan now to attend these free workshops at the Loudon Nelson Center, 301 Center St., sponsored by the City of Santa Cruz Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women:

- Beginning Self Defense (19 & older) Tuesdays, 7-10 pm, October 6-November 24
- Beginning Self Defense (19 & older) Wednesdays, 7-10 pm, October 7-November 25
- Self Defense for Young Women (13-19) Wednesdays, 5-7 pm, October 7-November 25
- Self Defense for Girls (8-13) Session One Tuesdays, 5-6:30 pm, October 6-October 27
- Self Defense for Girls (8-13) Session Two Tuesdays, 5-6:30 pm, November 10-December 1
- (Intermediate) Self Defense Against Weapons Saturday, December 5, 10 am-5 pm

For more information, please call 429-3546.



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FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 464-8691.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 462-0161.

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