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## BUILDINGS

# 'Acknowledging the past'

Campus communities react to Boalt Hall name removal

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On Thursday, UC Berkeley School of Law student Alex Mabanta awoke to the actuality of something he had been working on for his entire graduate career: the de-naming of Boalt Hall.

Mabanta, a second-year graduate student studying jurisprudence and social policy, served on the Building Name Review Committee, a group commissioned by Chancellor Carol Christ in 2017 to review building names. The committee spent almost three years circulating surveys and inviting public comment.

Although Boalt's name was officially struck down Thursday morning, Mabanta said the initial report highlighting Boalt's racist views spurred a change within Berkeley Law much earlier.

"Within fall of 2018, I saw a sea change in how the Berkeley Law school community rallied together in taking the lessons from the report," Mabanta said.

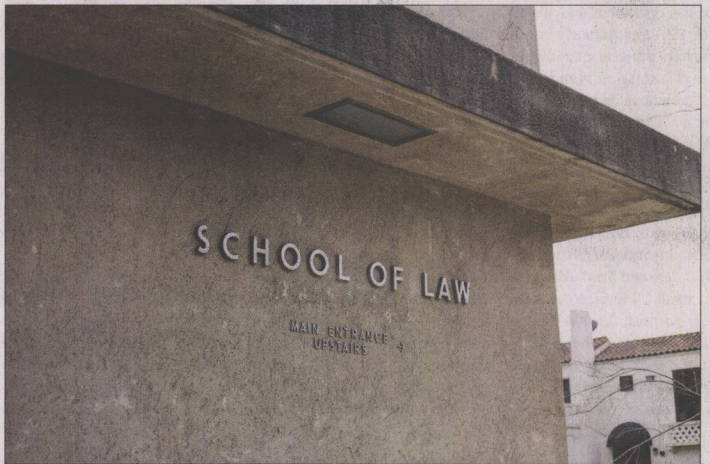
In the spring of 2017,

members of the public began urging Berkeley Law to dissociate from John Boalt — the namesake of the law school's main building — after Charles Reichmann, a lecturer at Berkeley Law, published an op-ed in the San Francisco Chronicle. Reichmann said he came across Boalt's name in a speech while doing research about the 19th century Chinese experience in the Bancroft Library.

Although initially hesitant to share his findings, Reichmann said he found it "difficult to keep quiet," given that the law school is home to many students of Chinese descent.

"The intention was never to erase history — quite the opposite," Reichmann said. "It was to broadcast a history that had been too long forgotten."

Tar Rakhra, a third-year Berkeley Law student, said he first heard of Boalt's tainted legacy when he initially arrived on campus. He created a video featuring



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ASUC Diversity Affairs Commission chair and member of the campus Building Name Review Committee Victoria Vera stated that she hopes the decision 'instills a sense of pride to the campus community.'

Berkeley Law students reading portions of Boalt's now-infamous speech out loud and voicing their reactions, which was then played at a town hall to display the student perspective.

As co-chair of the Asian Pacific American Law Student Association, Rakhra also helped write a letter addressed to Berkeley Law

Dean Erwin Chemerinsky urging that the law school dissociate from Boalt. Many campus student organizations signed the letter, as did several law student associations from universities across the country.

Rakhra said the de-naming "indicates that a law school is defined by its future and current students."

"It should always be evolving as times, cultures and values do," Rakhra said. "That's really what the law does too — as society's values change, why not law school?"

Integral to de-naming Boalt Hall was alumni involvement. Dale Minami, a distinguished Berkeley Law

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## MARIJUANA

# Berkeley dispensary move sparks public debate

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Berkeley's oldest medical cannabis dispensary, Berkeley Patients Group, or BPG, is moving to a new location on University Avenue.

Throughout its 20-year history, BPG has faced multiple threats of asset forfeiture from the federal government that ultimately drove the dispensary from its original location. After deciding to relocate once again, BPG has faced criticism from some Berkeley residents who are concerned about the implica-

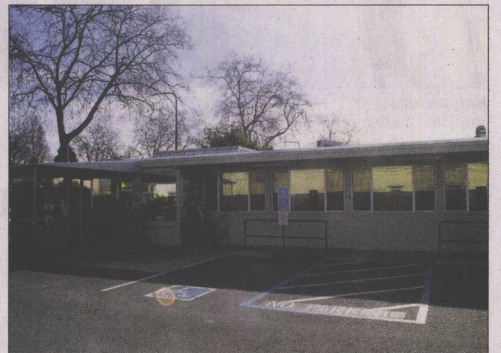
tions of having a cannabis shop in their neighborhood.

According to Etienne Fontan, BPG's vice president and co-owner, a timeline for this relocation has not yet been confirmed.

"When the feds kicked us out of our home ... back in 2012, we were forced to relocate," Fontan said in an email. "This was always intended to be a temporary fix until we could find a space that was similar in size to our original home."

In 2011, Melinda Haag, the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of California at the time,

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Some Berkeley residents near the new location of Berkeley Patients Group have expressed concerns about having the dispensary in their neighborhood.

## CAMPUS EVENTS

# Biomufacturing summit held at UC Berkeley

Innovation XLab hosted to foster connections between researchers, industry leadership

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The Department of Energy, along with the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, or LBNL, held the Innovation XLab: Biomufacturing Summit in California Memorial Stadium on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Over the course of the two days, about two hundred people involved in biomufacturing research and industries attended and participated.

"The way that they're structured is that we pick a science or a technology area that more than one of the national labs are focused on," said DOE Under

Secretary for Science Paul Dabbar. "(We) then bring people together on that particular science and innovation topic."

This year's summit focused on biomufacturing because of its relevance to the research conducted in the DOE's 17 national laboratories, according to Conner Prochaska, chief commercialization officer for the DOE.

LBNL was chosen to host this year's event because it receives the largest sum of money for biosciences from the DOE, said LBNL Associate Laboratory Director for Biosciences Mary Maxon, who helped organize the event.

"It's important for industry to know that the national labs



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Organizers sought diversity in the Innovation XLab summit's speakers to accurately reflect the varied challenges faced by biotech companies.

around the country have assets that are available to industry," Maxon said. "By helping industry, national labs are contributing to the US bioeconomy ... (which) is estimated to be about

\$959 billion." Adding to the discussion about researchers' relevance in the industry, Prochaska said that

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## FACULTY

## UC Berkeley professor to join National Institutes of Health

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UC Berkeley neurobiology professor John Ngai has been selected to join the National Institutes of Health, or NIH, to lead its Brain Research through Advancing Innovative Neurotechnologies, or BRAIN, Initiative — a government-established program aimed at advancing scientists' understanding of brain function.

As head of the initiative, Ngai will be in charge of the project's day-to-day operations and allocation of the organization's funds to research projects nationwide. Ngai will also work with scientists, foundations, industrial partners and Congress to establish a long-term plan for the BRAIN Initiative.

"Dr. Ngai's skillset is a perfect match for the position," said Walter J. Koroshetz, director of NIH's National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke division, in an email. "He is an accomplished scientist, he has operational awareness of the BRAIN Initiative (and) he is motivated by the desire to facilitate the work going on across the country to

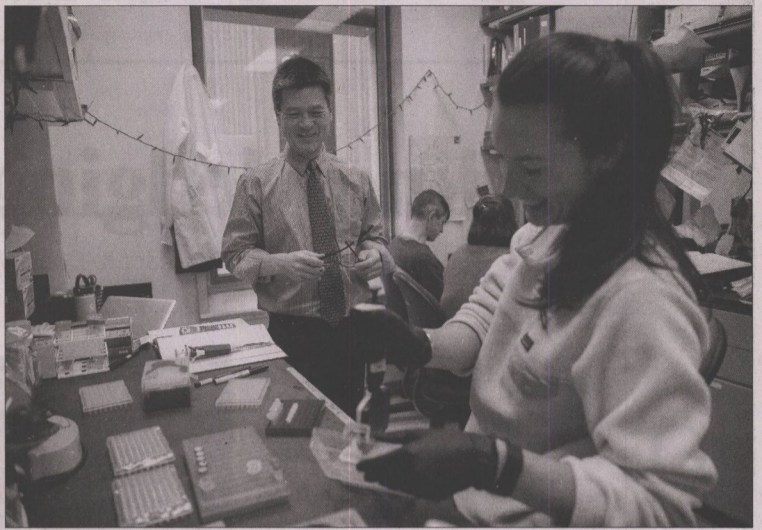
better understand how the brain processes information and how this knowledge can be used to diagnose and treat disorders of brain circuits."

As the world's largest biomedical research organization, the NIH established the BRAIN Initiative in 2013, aiming to advance neurotechnology and better understand how the brain processes information, according to the NIH press release. These advances will then be used to develop treatments for brain disorders.

Koroshetz added that scientists may also be able to find the exact brain circuit dysfunction behind a neurological disorder and alter the circuits to "normalize" them through the BRAIN Initiative.

Rebecca Chance, a post-doctoral fellow in Ngai's lab for over three years, said she was first drawn to the lab by Ngai's pioneering presence in the field through research funded by the BRAIN Initiative. She added that in the lab, Ngai stays up to date with new technology and is flexible in trying new techniques to gather data.

Ngai will move to NIH head-



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John Ngai, a neurobiology professor at UC Berkeley, has been chosen to join the National Institutes of Health to lead its Brain Research through Advancing Innovative Neurotechnologies Initiative program in Bethesda, Maryland.

quarters in Bethesda, Maryland to take on his position in March after over 25 years at UC Berkeley. He intends to continue his research on identifying the different cell types in the brain and the regeneration of neurons in the ol-

factory system, which governs the sense of smell, as part of the NIH intramural research program.

"I will miss my beloved Berkeley and all of its wonderful students, staff and my faculty colleagues, but I'm both thrilled and

humbled by this new opportunity to lead what I think is one of the most exciting and promising initiatives in the biomedical sciences today," Ngai said in an email.

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## LOCAL BUSINESSES



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Roy Lam, the founder of Alley Kitchens, was inspired by Japanese alley food and seeks to recreate its unique culinary and social experience through student-gear and affordable ramen, sushi and matcha at the restaurant on Telegraph Avenue.

## UC Berkeley alum opens Japanese alley-style restaurant Alley Kitchens

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Alley Kitchens, a restaurant on Telegraph Avenue styled after a Japanese-style alleyway eatery, had its soft opening Monday.

According to the restaurant's founder and UC Berkeley alum Roy Lam, his decision to open

the restaurant stems from his experience in Japan. While living in Japan, Lam tried various types of foods — from gourmet food to street food — but alleyway eateries were his favorite.

"The most Japanese food is in alley food," Lam said. "You think of Japan, lots of high rises and a lot of alleyways." These eateries were hard to find and largely targeted

toward locals rather than tourists, Lam added. In these eateries, a family could spend their whole lives making one particular type of food.

Besides enjoying the food and affordability, what really drew Lam to these eateries was the unique social aspect.

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the primary reason for hosting Innovation XLab is to help connect people in the industry with researchers and DOE leadership. He added that these connections help to keep the U.S. economy competitive.

Dabbar cited a specific example of such collaboration, stating that Oak Ridge National Laboratory 3D-printed a Shelby Cobra, and, more recently, SpaceX also 3D-printed metal components of their machines.

The summit also included a variety of panels, which discussed the profitability of biomanufacturing, the impact of biomanufacturing and artificial intelligence on sustainable production technologies, as well as biopower, bioproducts and biofuels.

"There are so many new small companies doing innovative things," Maxon said. "(Similar to that) practice where you take a microbe and you genetically engineer it, you can make egg whites without chickens and milk without cows. Agriculture is very energy intensive, and creates a lot of greenhouse gases. If you can make 20% of

what bakeries need for egg whites and you can do so without an egg, you've found out a way to make a protein source without land."

They also held a bioethics talk on the first day, given that biomanufacturing involves self-replicating organisms that are alive.

In addition to Dabbar, Prochaska and Maxon, the conference hosted a few featured speakers.

These speakers included "leaders" of the industry such as Emily LeProust, CEO of Twist Bioscience, and Magalie Guilhabert, head of microbial research at Bayer Crop Science.

While including industry leaders, Maxon said they also looked for diversity in the speakers they chose.

"Early stage companies talked about how hard it was to get venture capital funding. Larger, more established companies such as Bayer were talking about different challenges when you're established. They reflect different challenges in the biotech sector," Maxon said. "Diversity of people is important because ... we want to hear from diverse viewpoints. From diverse communities of people comes diversity of thought." ■

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alumnus known for his role in overturning *Korematsu v. United States*, was instrumental in organizing Asian American alumni of Berkeley Law, according to Mabant.

Minami compared the efforts surrounding Boalt Hall's de-naming to the activism at UC Berkeley during the Vietnam War and the Civil Rights Movement.

"One thing exciting to me is activism of the younger generation," Minami said. "To see this new generation step up and express outrage and act on it — truly inspiring."

Minami also stated that remembering Boalt's role in history was equally as important as removing

his name from the building, considering the impact that Boalt's actions had on communities of color. The school is currently looking at dedicating a professionally designed, museum-style display to Boalt's history on the first floor of the main law building, according to Charles Cannon, assistant dean at Berkeley Law, who served as chair of the Berkeley Law Committee on the Use of the Boalt Name.

Second-year law student Ari Chivukula, also a member of the chancellor's committee, said they appreciated that the campus now has a procedure in place to acknowledge wrongdoings of building namesakes and make amends while educating visitors.

"The naming of a building is a reward, in the same way that the placement of a statue can be a reward for a person's life and work,"

Chivukula said. "You need to make sure that while you are acknowledging the past, you do it in a way that doesn't appear as a celebration of the problematic."

People of color account for 49% of the 2022 J.D. class, according to Berkeley Law's website. 11% are the first in their family to receive a college degree.

Victoria Vera, chair of the ASUC Diversity Affairs Commission and member of the chancellor's committee, said in an email that she hopes the decision "instills a sense of pride to the campus community."

"As a current first-generation student of color, I know how it feels to be isolated on this large campus," Vera said in the email. "I hope that this denaming is a step towards making this campus more inclusive but also opens the campus up to the conversation about our history." ■

## President Obama's HATE CRIMES against an Asian-American Family for seeking Truth and Justice

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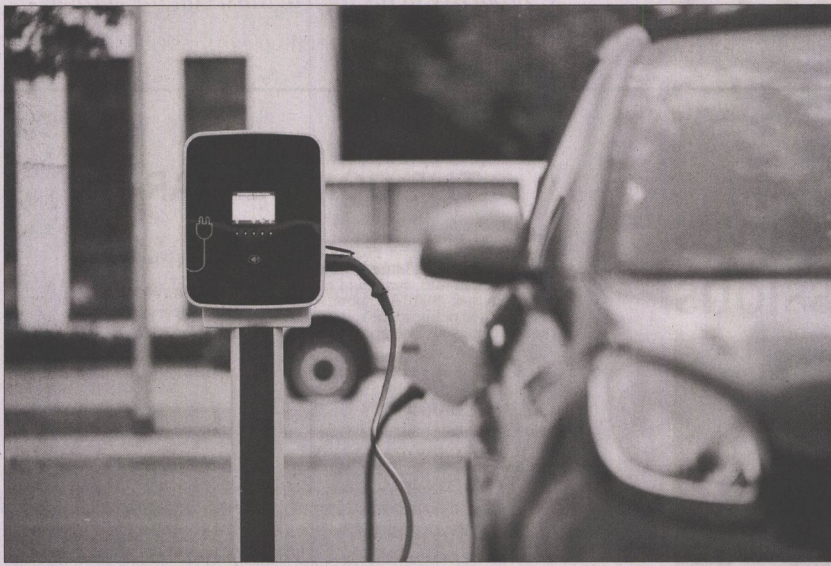
Today, it is important for the Public to know that our US Federal Government has secretly STOLEN, DESTROYED, AND ENSLAVED our FREEDOM, LIBERTY, EQUALITY, AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEMOCRACY by secretly NOT ENFORCING AND NOT DEFENDING our 14th Amendment (to provide all its citizens "equal protection of the laws" against Crime and Racism) as NBC continues to secretly maintain and enjoy Their UNLAWFUL, RACIST GRIP OF CRIME AND TERROR AGAINST THEIR KIDNAPPED AND TORTURED Asian-American Hostages who still seek TRUTH AND JUSTICE after being severely punished and confined by the US Federal Government (for 29 years) for being the 'INNOCENT VICTIMS' of Federal Crimes by NBC. President Trump should RESOLVE these Federal Crimes

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According to a report by Next 10 and Berkeley Economic Advising and Research, increasing electric vehicle, or EV, adoption in California could create up to half a million new jobs for low-income households and reduce air pollution.

## Report shows electric vehicle adoption benefits disadvantaged communities

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Next 10, an economic and environmental think tank based in San Francisco, worked with Berkeley Economic Advising and Research to publish a report Tuesday highlighting the expanded economic benefits of electric vehicles, or EVs, for disadvantaged communities in California.

David Roland-Holst, co-author of the report and campus adjunct professor of agricultural and resource economics, said the report details how as consumer demand shifts away from

gasoline toward other services, disadvantaged and low-income communities benefit from the additional service jobs created.

“In California, 70% of consumer spending goes toward services — much more job intensive. Service demand creates jobs across the entire economy and works significantly for lower-wage households because that’s where most of the unskilled labor categories are,” Roland-Holst said. “California spent \$60 billion a year on gasoline and if that money could be redirected to more labor-intensive in-state services it would be a huge stimulus in the state economy.”

The report explains how a conservative scenario predicts increased EV adoption in California could create about 394,000 jobs by 2030, while a model accounting for steeper declining costs and increasing vehicle model choices shows it could create more than half a million new jobs.

The study’s main argument focuses on economic justice, stating that innovation in vehicle technologies should be more equitable, seeing as low-income households are more likely to experience higher air pollution intensity, according to Roland-Holst.

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## ‘It was my blessing to know you guys’: ASUC senator announces resignation

BY ANGELINA WANG  
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ASUC Senator Jenny Jungmin Kim announced her resignation at the second ASUC Senate meeting of the semester Wednesday, during which controversies behind potential campus partnerships with religiously-affiliated hospitals were also discussed.

At the start of the meeting, representatives from UCPD spoke about its new community engagement unit,

which is comprised of dedicated personnel to support campus initiatives and will use one email address as a centralized point of contact.

UC Student Association President and ASUC External Affairs Vice President Varsha Sarveshwar later addressed the debate behind a campus partnership with Dignity Health, a Catholic nonprofit healthcare corporation.

While religiously-affiliated hospitals allow medical students to receive training and provide care, these hospitals can restrict certain types of help

provided, including reproductive care, abortions and gender-affirming care, according to Sarveshwar.

Sarveshwar explained that this was a difficult issue, as some believe that UC system students should not contribute to hospitals that deny certain types of care, while others believe that limited care is better than none. According to Sarveshwar, the final decision will be made by the UC Board of Regents.

Sarveshwar then updated the sen-

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OFF THE BEAT

## Jack of all trades



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As empty nesters, my parents often reminisce fondly about my brother’s and my childhoods. In one story, they recount the differences between us as we each learned to walk. Six years my senior, a poster child for persistence, my brother continued to take two steps before falling, gradually getting better and better until he could walk on those wobbly legs. Legend has it, I walked 26 steps on my first attempt before refusing to try again for the next six months.

Although I have no memory of this, it sounds like me. As is typical of the overachiever burnout, I have a habit of abandoning activities, both little and small, if I am not immediately good at them.

I quit show choir before high school because I couldn’t foresee myself auditioning for and making it into the award-winning competition ensemble. I quit my high school basketball team because I knew I couldn’t simultaneously balance schoolwork and improve enough to see playing time on varsity. I stopped scribbling the abstract drawings I had loved so much as a child because I was frustrated with my perceived inability to make realistic artwork.

Perhaps this is the largest indicator of my narcissism — that I want to excel in everything, and I want to excel immediately. Pair this personality trait with society’s constant rhetoric of marketing yourself — I grew up to wonder if every activity or passion could be material for a college essay, for an extracurricular section, for a potential letter of recommendation.

As a result, I regularly imposed twisted logic on myself. If I can’t be the best at this, then I might as well quit early and cut my losses. This was a result of pessimistic competitiveness, insurmountable pride.

But I think that a lack of hobbies, of an openness to try new things solely for the fun of it, is damaging. In high school, I put so much pressure on myself to specialize that I stopped doing the little things that I genuinely enjoyed.

I’m reaching a point now in which not every aspect of my life needs to be marketable. Hobbies are no longer necessary — there are no more extracurricular sections on applications where I can write a cheeky “I like to go on walks and play guitar.” Correct me if I’m wrong, but I don’t think my future employers are going to care much whether I can play pop songs on the piano. But now that the burden of having sustained interests beyond academics is much smaller, I see that the necessity is greater and the drawbacks are slim.

That’s why I’m trying to reframe the way I measure productivity. If I’m enjoying myself, then it’s not a waste of time. Not everything in my life has to be about manufacturing a profitable outcome, be it praise, professional development or the chance to make money. Taking the time to be creative or try new activities for no external reason — not to show anyone, not to turn in, not to sell — is my own form of self-care.

In early October, I had a vision of myself roller-skating into the sunset, gracefully spinning and gliding with ease. Perhaps the decision was spurred by the dormant influence of Ellen Page’s performance in “Whip It,” but without considering the bumpy terrain that calls itself the roads of Berkeley, I purchased a used pair of speed skates.

Three months later, I barely know how to turn or stop, and I teeter with a pink helmet across the tennis courts of the Berkeley Rose Garden before wiping out completely on the concrete. I’ll admit this is due in part to my lack of dedication — placed in the context of college life, skating is not necessarily urgent. A year from now, maybe I’ll waltz moonlight in a roller derby league (probably not), or maybe I’ll have already dropped the skates off at a Goodwill. After 20 years of overediting myself, I’m ready to wipe out in public and laugh alone in the meantime.

Everything I do. In the summer, before my apartment had internet, and there really was nothing around for me to occupy myself with, I picked up a sketchbook and some markers and started to draw. I hadn’t done this in earnest since elementary school. Instead of putting myself down for how it looked, I just kept doodling. The stakes were low, anyway. When you’re picking up a new skill, the stakes are always low. Drawing tiny cartoons has been a great way to face my perfectionism head-on. I follow my gel pen in whichever direction it feels like flowing; it’s some divine embrace of the grotesque and imperfect.

Even though I am much closer to the terrifying concept of adulthood than ever before, I don’t feel the same pressures as I did in high school. Taking time to live a more balanced lifestyle means my grades are not as perfect as they used to be. I’m learning to be OK with that. Maybe I don’t look as great on paper, but I’m starting to feel a lot more human. ■

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CORRECTIONS

A previous version of the photo caption accompanying the Tuesday story “Papyrus to close all stores, including its 2 Berkeley locations” incorrectly stated that Papyrus’ first retail location has been in operation for about 60 years. In fact, the store has been in operation for 47 years.

A previous version of the Tuesday article “Microsoft leases UC Berkeley space, puts focus on artificial intelligence” incorrectly stated that Bonsai and Semantic Machines are both the autonomous systems team. In fact, Bonsai is the autonomous systems team working on AI for machine teaching and Semantic Machines works on AI for natural language processing.

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“We are also setting an example for others in terms of taking the initiative and being proactive in the fight against climate change.”

—BERKELEY COUNCILMEMBER KATE HARRISON

## EDITORIAL

### Embrace electric stoves to decrease emissions



#### CITY AFFAIRS

Who knew the city of Berkeley's decision to ban natural gas would spark such a contentious disagreement with the California Restaurant Association?

The association recently filed a lawsuit, which asserted that cooking with natural gas is integral to preserving food quality prized by so many Bay Area residents. But, in a climate emergency, the transition to electric stoves only seems practical and necessary.

About 27% of Berkeley's greenhouse gas emissions come from natural gas use in buildings. The city's unprecedented example of passing legislation to ban natural gas demonstrates its commitment toward reducing citywide carbon emissions. More importantly, however, the ban will only affect restaurants in new buildings, which means that it will initially only impact the small handful of individuals who open restaurants in newly built storefronts. In the context of this lawsuit, the cooperation of those who move into new buildings seems like a small price to pay for the well-being of our planet.

The association's lawsuit further alleges that restaurant prices would increase, along with cooking time — a fair point to accentuate on behalf of Berkeley's top chefs who have worked hard on their craft. But instead of advocating for the city to reverse the ban, the CRA should petition the city to mitigate the high-cost associated with induction equipment by offering subsidies on the appliances — that feels like a reasonable alternative without having to compromise environmentally friendly policies. Additionally, once professional chefs become more

comfortable cooking with electric, cooking times will decrease.

Furthermore, with this ban, there will be more pressure on industry professionals to conduct the necessary research to make electric stoves more convenient, efficient and desirable. In fact, induction stoves already top consumer reports, and many have embraced induction for more delicate tasks. Electric appliances continue to become the primary choice for industry professionals and consumers alike, and they will only become more sophisticated with time.

As nearby cities, such as Menlo Park, contemplate following suit and passing similar legislation to ban natural gas, professional chefs will have to accept that electric stoves are on their way to becoming the norm. Eventually, industry professionals will become acclimated to electric stoves, thereby improving their craft and innovating around any limitations that the stoves may provide at the moment. After all, there isn't a plausible, sustainable alternative to seeking environmentally friendly options.

Switching to electric stoves can seem daunting when most culinary professionals have more experience cooking with natural gas. A new generation of chefs, however, must embrace electric stoves to stand in solidarity with the city's mission to decrease emissions and promote a healthier environment. Instead of being an adversary to the city's goals, the CRA should drop the lawsuit and focus on working with government officials to ease the transition from natural gas to electric. The planet's future depends on collective action to make a difference.

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### COMMENT BY DARIN

ON "NASA SHOULD CONSIDER IMPLICATIONS OF ARTEMIS SPACE PROJECT"  
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Mr. Banerjee, imagine the moonbase from the movie *Ad Astra*, an unholy glorification of consumer-capitalism. What would Jean Luc-Picard say if he had to travel back in time from the 25th Century in order to examine the socio-dynamic behaviorism thereof? Mostly I believe he would mime your sentiments. 'Conduct not fit for Starfleet officers,' comes to mind.

### COMMENT BY EASTBAYKID

ON "AS BERKELEY RESIDENTS FACE FELONY TRIAL, BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL AFFIRMS ITS 'RIGHT TO RESCUE' ANIMALS FROM ABUSE"  
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What absolute narcissistic arrogance and nonsense. Fact of the matter is that most of what happens in Berkeley stays in Berkeley, because even other goo-goo liberals are starting to figure out that a certain portion of the population is just plain loony.

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In my experience, protests have been outlets for people who all care about the same issue collectively. I went to a college protest recently and shared a lot of the same unspoken sentiments as my classmates. It helps you understand you're not the only one who thinks whatever you're protesting about is a problem.

## OP-ED | National affairs

### Us versus them: How we should combat othering in our society to create empathy

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Abandoned, a girl lies on a damp floor in a dark room. Carrying a child inside of her after being raped, she herself was still a child. This is just one of many cases of misery caused by President Donald Trump's 2018 family separation policy. The majority of children suffered from mental trauma, and then there is "trauma after trauma." Many, like the girl, suffered from a catastrophe with potentially lifelong impacts.

In April 2018, the Trump administration announced a "zero tolerance" policy on illegal immigration, in effect allowing families to be separated at the U.S.-Mexico border. This policy seemed to be aimed at deterring an influx of illegal immigration, as Attorney General Jeff Sessions said, "If you cross the border unlawfully ... then we will prosecute you. ... If you're smuggling a child ... that child will be separated from you." Enforcing such a policy, the Trump administration presented itself as saving the U.S. from the negative effects of illegal immigration. But it's not obvious how using taxpayer-

ers' money to separate young children from their families somehow contributes to "making America great again." Moreover, such a policy seems to be motivated by the harmful stereotypical belief that immigrants are criminals and murderers, which Trump affirmed by saying, "They're bringing crime. They're rapists." Many criticize Trump for bringing out such a policy. But is it his fault alone? This policy represents an extreme version of deep-rooted prejudices, which many act on every day. It is our society telling the single story of immigrants corrupting our country that encouraged this policy of family separation.

But research has suggested that illegal immigrants do not commit crimes at a greater rate than American citizens who were born in the U.S. Between 2007 and 2016, the crime rate across most areas remained flat, while the number of undocumented immigrants increased from zero to 1,500 people (out of a 100,000-person population). There's no relationship between violent crime rates and the illegal immigrant population.

So what have immigrants done wrong

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## OP-ED | University affairs

### ASUC should condemn Bears for Palestine's display

Individuals involved in terrorist attacks must not be honored in campus buildings

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Pittsburgh. Poway. Jersey City. Monsey.

The list of cities afflicted by deadly anti-Semitic attacks is growing far too quickly.

We can continue to cite facts and statistics (the near daily attacks on Jewish com-

munities in New York, how 60% of all religious hate crimes in 2018 were classified as anti-Jewish, etc.).

But the bottom line is simple: Anti-Semitism isn't "on the rise" in the United States — it's thriving and incredibly dangerous.

That's why I was horrified to find Bears for Palestine's display in Eshleman Hall, honoring figures who carried out the same types of attacks in Pittsburgh, Poway, Jersey City and Monsey.

The ASUC Senate's University and External Affairs Committee must stand with

the Jewish community during these trying times and pass the resolution titled "Condemning Bears for Palestine for Their Display in Eshleman Hall Glorifying Violent Terrorists."

Bears for Palestine has every right to honor Palestinian activists, and there are certainly numerous notable Palestinian figures to choose from

Consider Bassem Eid, a prominent Palestinian peace activist who works diligently to call out human rights abuses in the Palestinian territories and bring both

sides closer to a peaceful, sustainable resolution.

Unfortunately, instead of commemorating activists, BFP commemorated individuals whose reputations stem from their murder of Jewish people.

Rasmieh Odeh. Fatima Bernawi. Leila Khaled. What did these women do?

Rasmieh Odeh was sentenced to serve time in prison in connection to the 1969 Jerusalem bombings conducted by the U.S.-recognized terrorist organization Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine; the

bombing of a SuperSol Supermarkets killed two Israeli college students shopping for groceries and injured nine others. Days later, Odeh attempted to bomb the British Consulate in Jerusalem — fortunately, this time no one was injured in the blast.

Fatima Bernawi made headlines two years prior for her attempt to blow up a movie theater in Jerusalem. She planted a bomb in Zion Cinema in 1967 in hopes of taking out viewers in order to protest a film detailing the

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# In our own homes: We should all support domestic workers

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Take Linda, a woman in Richmond who cleans homes for upper-class families in the neighborhoods of Berkeley, Piedmont and Noe Valley. Linda makes an hourly wage, negotiated separately with each family, and does not receive the workplace benefits that many of us expect such as health insurance, paid time off or sick leave. If Linda falls ill, she does not get paid that week and must draw upon her small savings.

Linda is one of the 2 million domestic workers in the United States, most of whom are women of color and/or immigrants. In fact, Black women and other women of color make up more than half of the domestic workforce, while immigrants make up 46%. They serve as house cleaners, nannies and health aides. Most make less than \$13 per hour. Their work is undervalued and lacks formal workplace protections. As a result, they are vulnerable to occupational abuses including wage theft, sexual assault, exposure to chemicals or other hazards and human trafficking. Their jobs are the least secure and also the hardest.

This is an area that requires change, and one that we are all empowered to affect. Support the domestic workers in your life by taking the following steps.

First, support the National Domestic Workers Alliance. The NDWA is a network of activist groups across the country. They advocate for basic protections for domestic workers, have built a benefits platform tailored to workers who move from job to job and are also a



political organization that promotes candidates who are dedicated to improving lives for domestic workers.

Second, paying domestic workers fairly and reliably can change their lives. 70% of domestic workers are paid less than \$13 per hour and the majority do not receive health insurance or pension benefits. A national network of employers of domestic workers recommends paying \$15-\$20 per hour. Of course, it is important to account for where you live, if the individual is working overtime and whether they have a long commute. Addition-

ally, the NDWA recommends giving the person who cleans your home a bonus around the holidays and a raise every year.

Third, providing these workers with basic benefits can create a secure safety net for them. Most of us hardworking members of the workforce expect basic benefits from our employers — paid time off, health insurance and life insurance. This is not the norm for domestic workers, however. If you and other individuals employ the same domestic worker, consider contributing to their health insurance. One way to do this is through a tool called

Alia, an online platform that allows clients of house cleaners to contribute to the benefits of the person who works in their home. You may also want to think about other benefits such as sick leave and paid time off.

Fourth, remember that your home is someone's workplace. Make sure it is a place where their health and safety are protected. Avoid exposing them to toxic chemicals, and have no tolerance for harassment and discrimination.

Lastly, set clear expectations. Before employing a domestic worker, create a contract.

Duties, wages, hours and workplace protections should be specified and both parties should agree to the contract.

All in all, these five simple steps can and will greatly improve the working and living situations of domestic workers across the world. We all must play our part in setting this new norm. ■

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## IMMIGRANTS FROM PAGE 4

So what have immigrants done wrong to generate these persistent assumptions?

In asking these questions, the first mistake is to regard immigrants as alien and abnormal. We unconsciously divide immigrants from the traditional American identity — often imagined as white, Christian and middle-class — and we project whatever we feel cannot be associated with this identity onto them. For example, if white American citizens are tagged with “wealthy” and “well-educated,” then immigrants are “lazy” and “uneducated” — any negative traits white Americans want to purge are then attributed to immigrants.

This process of demonizing Mexican immigrants is one form of othering, or an instant generalization. Once they are viewed as a nonself compared to the self — the white American identity — they can be freely abused. This othering demeans the nonself as inferior. Ongoing fear produces the image of immigrants as “murderers” or “criminals” without an actual basis in reality. Otherness forms a clear dichotomy and incompatibility between “us” and “them,” so treating immigrants as if they don’t have ordinary human needs, such as maintaining a family, becomes common.

The assumption of immigrants as “job stealers” can also be explained through othering. The contradiction within the social image of immigrants

reveals the problem with this assumption. In order to compete with Americans, immigrants have to be hardworking. But another damaging stereotype of immigrants is that they’re lazy. This negative image of immigrants is the outcome of an accumulative process of othering that is entirely indifferent to consistent reasoning.

Nowadays, it’s very easy to involuntarily other immigrants. When we tell the story of immigrants as “others,” we position Americans over immigrants. When we tell the same story again and again, the monolith of “bad immigrants” becomes real.

One might argue that even if immigrants are not evil human beings, they are still responsible for whatever fate they might face in the U.S., such as the family separation policy. Because immigrants have choices, they need to face the consequences of their actions. But this view does not capture the reality that many immigrants face. Imagine a person in a sinking boat, weighed down by all of his goods. As a rational agent, he can choose whether to lose all of his valuables and let the boat float or to hold on to them but allow the boat to sink. The person chooses to throw away all of the valuables to survive. This person in one sense has a choice, but he doesn’t have options.

Immigrants, such as those affected by the family separation policy, are likely to face a similar dilemma, making the choice to immigrate in order to survive. These are known as push and pull factors. Factors such as disease and poverty can “push” immi-

grants out of their homes and “pull” them into a new country because of other factors, such as the presence of job opportunities.

Before migrating, immigrants evaluate these factors. They know there is a risk in coming, legally or illegally, and yet they choose to come. We believe that it’s their fault for letting this destiny befall them. But the concept of push-pull factors present a rational entity who can choose like a free agent. As a Triqui immigrant stated, “In Oaxaca, there’s no work for us. ... A shoe like this costs 300 Mexican pesos. It’s difficult. We come here, and it is a little better. ... We still suffer.”

Push-pull factors provide the structural context that constrains choice. They don’t give immigrants options to evaluate; they eliminate options for them. Choosing voluntarily doesn’t mean choosing freely: Immigrants migrate to survive.

Immigrants are often seen as making free choices that entirely determine their fate. But when irrational assumptions are cleared out, the family separation policy seems more like a failure of empathy and understanding. Trump enforced such a policy to protect “us.” But the hatred that often comes with this identification makes people blind. Only by seeing immigrants without prejudice can we truly understand them, and only by understanding them can we produce more policies that truly benefit the United States.

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## ANTI-SEMITISM FROM PAGE 4

events of Israel’s Six-Day War.

The bomb failed to go off, and Bernawi was arrested, saving countless lives.

Leila Khaled rose to fame after two terrorist attacks in 1969 and 1970. Khaled is a senior activist of the PFLP, and she was involved in the hijacking of TWA flight 840 from Rome to Tel Aviv and El Al flight 219 from Amsterdam to New York City. Fortunately, no one was injured in the first attack, and the second was foiled by Israeli sky marshals.

Therein lies the problem we see today and have seen throughout history: the justification and glorification of Jewish death and Jewish fear.

When will we stand up as a society and condemn the killing of Jewish people for being Jewish? Whether these Jewish people are Israeli or American should make no difference.

It’s hard to feel completely safe as a Jewish person anymore.

I find myself second-guessing attending the concerts of Israeli artists, and I never sit by the street window during Shabbat dinners at Chabad.

Watching security pile up at the Jewish spaces I call home breaks my heart.

Is it really so much to ask that we don’t idolize those that cause this fear and pain in a university building?

How can Jewish students feel supported during these dark times when we walk through a campus every day that has posters of our murderers in its buildings?

As a Jewish student, I am tired. I am tired of having to fight for the acknowledgment of anti-Semitism on a campus that claims to stand up for the marginalized.

I am tired of having my people’s suffering justified to me time and time again.

I am tired of people’s excuses for why their own anti-Semitism is only “anti-Zionism,” as if the two are not practically identical.

But I also have hope.

I have hope that if our community is relentless enough, maybe our voices will be heard.

I have hope that people will begin to stand with the Jewish community and not simply push us to the margins.

I have hope that this period in Jewish history may not be as tragic as the past.

Maybe this resolution will be the beginning of the affirmation of that hope. ■

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## LOCAL BUSINESSES

## Berkeley plumbing business launches online fundraiser to minimize relocation costs

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The Sink Factory, a longstanding Berkeley plumbing business, has created a GoFundMe page to raise money to relocate before its current location is demolished.

The Sink Factory is the only plumbing store in the Bay Area that provides specialized parts and services for older and antique plumbing, according to owner Ragnar Boreesen. He added that The Sink Factory caters to customers who want to maintain old plumbing fixtures rather than replace them with newer models.

"We want to buy new, better equipment, we want to get state of the art lathes, we want to put in a 3D printer," Boreesen said. "We have to keep up with the times."

Boreesen aims to relocate the store by March, well before the demolition early next year, and the funds from the campaign will be used to help cover the high costs of moving and new machinery.

When it was founded in 1979, The Sink Factory was only a factory that made sinks. Boreesen

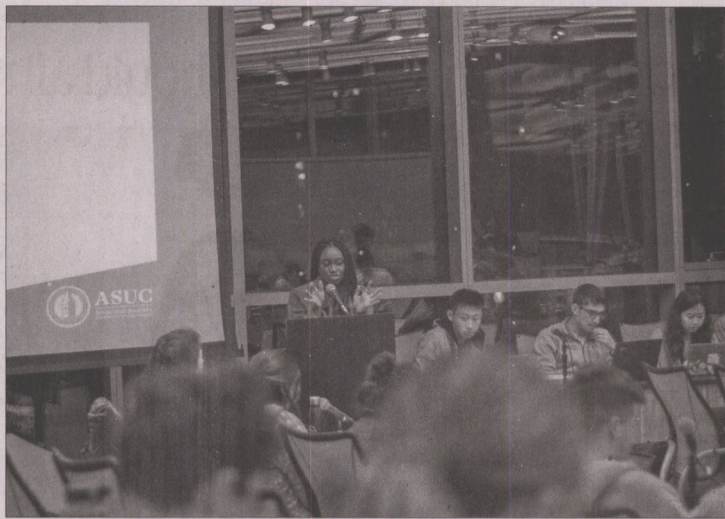
explained, however, that the rise of large plumbing brands in the 1980s caused the store to switch over to selling specialty plumbing parts and fixtures, rather than producing them.

"The face of retail is really changing a lot with the age of the internet," Boreesen said. "I always tell people, what Uber does to taxi companies, that's what Craigslist does to us. ... But I'm not giving up, we just need to adapt."

Boreesen added that The Sink Factory is having to adapt to changing conditions again. According to Boreesen, people can easily buy cheap used plumbing fixtures online through services like Craigslist, which has decreased The Sink Factory's sales of salvaged antique plumbing.

The key to old stores trying to adapt to the new retail environment is finding a niche and catering to customers who couldn't get the same service elsewhere, according to Boreesen.

"Old plumbing is designed to last for more than 100 years, if serviced properly," Boreesen said. "People who like old plumbing and want to keep it alive have fewer and fewer places to go." ■



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A potential campus partnership with Dignity Health and the recent security problems of the Hearst Gym Cages were among the updates discussed during the ASUC Senate's second meeting of the semester.

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ate on the diversity within her office. She said eight out of 10 of her senior staff members are female-presenting and eight out of 10 members are people of color, a change brought about during her term in office.

After Sarveshwar's presentation, ASUC Student Advocate Nava Bearson also presented updates to the senate, mentioning that she is working to obtain

institutionalized funding for free medical and psychological treatment of survivors of sexual assault and harassment, which would remove the need to continuously reapply for funding.

The senate then addressed the recent issues of vandalism, theft and unhoused people living in the Hearst Gym Cages, which are the storage spaces located behind Hearst Gym. ASUC Spaces Director Zeynep Yeltekin reported over thousands of dollars in losses from student organizations' cages because of theft. ASUC Executive Vice Presi-

dent Andy Theocharous suggested a security plan including security cameras and door alarms to prevent these occurrences.

Kim announced her resignation at the meeting, citing her need to take a break from work and school.

Kim added that her projects will be continued through other senators' offices. Though she will no longer be a direct representative, she asked the senators to be receptive if she or her former committee members reach out. "It was my blessing to know

LIGHT-DUTY  
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"I'd like to see the state double down on electric vehicle incentives and especially make it accessible to lower-income houses. Right now, lower-income houses can't afford these innovative ve-

hicle technologies," Roland-Holst said. "The U.S. has basically taken a top-down approach to electric vehicles and Teslas are an example of this — these cars are luxury goods."

Annie Yi Chen, campus senior and co-author of the report, said there is a concern that wider EV usage raises the issue of battery disposal, but also mentioned EV

adoption is moving in the right direction for the environment.

F. Noel Perry, founder of Next 10, said EVs rely on clean energy sources as opposed to gasoline. Perry added that transportation emissions in California account for about 41% of total emissions, and as vehicle miles traveled continue to rise, more people are opting for less fuel-efficient vehicles.

"The year 2030 is very important because over the next 10 years we hope there will be more EV adoption that will end up reducing emissions," Perry said.

Roland-Holst said the majority of California's Gross State Product, or GSP, is consumer demand, which drives the economy.

The report predicts, depending on the scenario, light-duty vehicle

electrification will increase California's GSP by between \$82 billion to \$142 billion.

"It's not about these seemingly abstract notions about saving the planet," Roland-Holst said. "This report is something much more tangible: how can we benefit Californians right now by doing the right things with electrification of vehicles." ■

PATIENTS  
FROM FRONT

"They (alleyway eateries) are tiny and fit only about 10 to 15 people who usually don't know each other ... but eat and drink with each other and become friends," Lam said.

When Lam returned to the United States, he visited many different restaurants, hoping to recreate that alleyway experience, but was unable to find a restaurant that could capture the same feeling.

Lam then set out to create his own restaurant and decided to open the restaurant on Southside because of its close proximity to students.

Lam's restaurant seeks to recreate this unique dining experience in which patrons are seated at a counter where they can talk to the chefs.

The restaurant also has a standing bar, another feature from Japanese restaurant culture where patrons can eat while standing. This feature could be

particularly helpful for students who don't have time to sit down and eat, according to Lam.

Another unique aspect of the restaurant is how it is organized into what Lam describes as three restaurants in one — a matcha shop, a ramen shop and a sushi restaurant. Customers order at the front counter where menus from each shop are available to choose from.

The matcha shop, Whisk, uses organic matcha from Japan and Straus Family Creamery organic milk.

The ramen shop, Kuroki, sells tonkotsu ramen, a ramen dish made with pork bone-based broth, and vegan ramen, made from kale and flour.

Umidon, the sushi restaurant, serves chirashi sushi, which is sashimi placed over sushi rice. The restaurant also serves donburi, a cooked dish involving cooked meat and fish over rice. Lam noted that the chirashi is made with fresh fish every day from a supplier.

"I want students to know that this is an environment where students can talk to the chefs and be comfortable and social," Lam said. ■

PATIENTS  
FROM FRONT

began sending letters to the landlords of cannabis dispensaries, threatening to forfeit their properties if landlords did not evict their tenants. This ultimately led to BPG's first relocation and culminated in a court battle that lasted until Congress renewed a prohibition on federal interference with state cannabis laws in 2017.

Now, with the prospect of a larger space, BPG plans to resume offering services including support groups, education and events, as well as an on-site consumption lounge for their patrons following this week's City Council decision to permit them.

"BPG hopes to offer a safe, welcoming environment for residents and visitors to consume their legally purchased cannabis without the fear of eviction or prosecution," Fontan said in the email. "Approving consumption lounges was a critical piece in ensuring cannabis is truly legal for ev-

eryone, not just privileged home-owners."

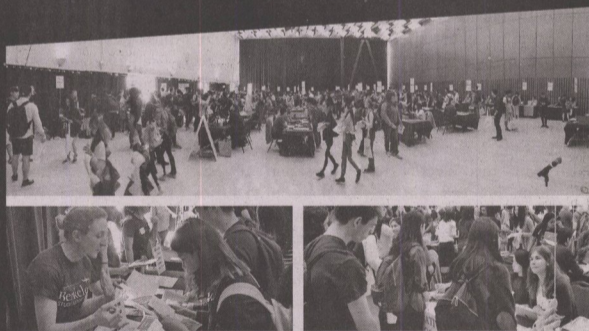
Following BPG's announcement, Berkeley residents from the neighborhood near the new location spoke out against the move, citing concerns over the new building's proximity to the west branch of the Berkeley Public Library as well as the public health effects of an on-site consumption lounge.

During Tuesday's City Council meeting, Berkeley resident Carol Denney expressed her disappointment in the city's consideration of consumption lounges in light of its smoke-free health policy, which bans the use of tobacco products in multi-unit housing structures.

Many other residents, however, have come out in support of BPG's move, citing the dispensary's long-standing place in the community.

"Having a 20-year history here, we had a large outpouring of support from letters on our behalf, to people showing up on Tuesday night to testify before the city," Fontan said in the email. "We love our Berkeley community deeply and they showed up for us, their voices loud and proud." ■

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# SPORTS

"This group has big things coming, and so much potential."

— JUNIOR UTILITY CLAIRE SONNE, CAL WOMEN'S WATER POLO

M. HOOPS

## Close, but no cigar: Cal falters late



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It was one of the most impressive nights this season for the Bears on offense. Four Cal players scored in the double-digits, but it wasn't enough to contain Payton Pritchard and the fiery Oregon offense.

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Sometimes the unthinkable happens. Sometimes Cal just goes on to win games it has no business winning. That's how Cal athletics work. That wasn't the case in this game, however.

The matchup looked like a

home game for No. 11 Oregon if you judged by the crowd — but when freshman Lars Thiemann scored the first points of the game on a short hook shot and Cal forced a shot clock violation on the Ducks' first possession, Haas Pavilion had some energy in it.

Thiemann had 6 points on 3-3 shooting after the first three minutes of the game —

and Cal was able to get out to an early 13-6 lead in the first five minutes. These five minutes may have been some of the Bears' best minutes offensively all season, as the blue and gold broke the full-court press with ease and knocked down their open jumpers.

What followed was a nearly five-minute scoring drought at the fault of five turnovers

### OREGON DUCKS

51.9	FG%	48.9
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18-4 (7-2)		

### CAL BEARS

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during that time. Cal's normal offense had returned. Oregon went on a 9-0 run and took its first lead, 18-15.

It wasn't until just over two minutes left in the half that the Bears would regain the lead on a three from forward Grant Anticevich, putting them up 29-27. A minute and a half later, Anticevich would go down the court to bury another one — and the Cal crowd was roaring.

In the first half, the Bears did a solid job of shutting down Ducks guard Payton Pritchard, who averages nearly 20 ppg, limiting him to just two points on 1-3 shooting. Cal's defense was in top form once again, and the first half was as close as it gets as a result.

Cal started the second half

slow, but back-to-back long-range bombs from guard Kareem South had the crowd roaring in Haas Pavilion. A three from guard Matt Bradley followed by an and-one from senior Paris Austin had the fans on their feet and the second half was starting off just as the first had, with the Bears leading 48-42.

Just when it seemed everything was going the Bears' way, Pritchard finally found his rhythm. After a miserable first half, he finished the game with 21 and was the spark that led Oregon's comeback after his team trailed 55-50 early in the second half. After going up 63-58, "Let's go Ducks!" chants could be heard throughout

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W. HOOPS

## Cal heads to Evergreen State searching for 1st Pac-12 win

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So you're telling me there's a chance? Yes — for everyone and anyone looking at Cal women's basketball conference record, yes, there is a chance. After a historically bad 0-8 start to their Pac-12 schedule, the Bears (8-11, 0-8) head to Washington for a battle of the bottom feeders to try earning their first conference win.

After emerging from a four-game gauntlet against top 10 squads Stanford, Oregon and Oregon State, Cal had it a bit easier last week, but fell again to Utah and Colorado. This weekend, however, the Bears have another chance at that elusive first Pac-12 victory as they face off with the two other teams at the bottom of the Pac-12 in Washington State and Washington.

Washington State (9-11, 2-6) stars the standout senior duo of Borislava Hristova and Chanelle

Molina. The All Pac-12 first team and honorable mention selections combine for 33.5 points per game, and torched the Bears for 54 points in their last meeting. Hristova is a smooth 6'0" forward who can score on all three levels, and Molina is a sharpshooter and playmaker who has converted 45 three-pointers this season at a 40% clip and doled out 4.5 assists a game.

Rounding out the Washington State squad is a flurry of international players, as only one Cougar is originally from the contiguous 48 states. Ula Motuga from Australia and Johanna Muzet from France both put up double-digit scoring nights on Cal in their last meeting.

Washington (10-9, 2-6) is led by superstar senior guard Amber Melgoza, who has been a dominant volume scorer for the Huskies over the past three seasons. After averaging 19.0 and then 18.1 points per contest in the last two seasons, she's taken a slight

step back to 15.4 this year, but still leads the team.

In the first matchup this season on Jan. 3, Melgoza showed no signs of that slump, as she completely dominated the Bears en route to a season-high 31 points. She hit the game-tying three-pointer — her only one of the contest — with one minute remaining, and then scored the go-ahead jumper with 15 seconds on the clock to earn the win for Washington.

Supporting Melgoza is a deep group, as Washington sports a rotation of 11 players that feature a combination of size and shooting skill. Six rotation players stand at least six feet tall, and seven have converted at least 10 three-pointers on the season. So while not high-powered, the Husky offense is balanced and can score from everywhere on the court.

In Pac-12 play, Washington and Washington State have struggled almost as much as Cal. The three teams sit together at the pit



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The Bears have lost eight straight conference games, but their opponents are of a similar caliber. The Huskies and Cougars are both 2-6 in Pac-12 play.

of the conference with a combined Pac-12 record of 4-20, having only earned conference victories against each other. And while that won't change this weekend, it provides hope for the Bears.

The Cougars enter on a four-game losing streak, and the Huskies are on a six-game skid. Last

time against Washington, Cal came back from a 12-point halftime deficit to take a late lead, but lost by three after Melgoza's heroics.

Despite their record, the Bears are showing some positive signs.

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W. SWIM & DIVE

## Bears travel to Hollywood for USC, UCLA matchups

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When someone mentions "Berkeley," what's the first thing to come to mind? The University of California, of course. Berkeley is not known for much more than Cal. When someone says "Los Angeles," however, a plethora of associations comes to mind: Hollywood, Universal Studios, their 10,000 professional sports teams and lots and lots of celebrities.

Something that does not immediately come to mind when thinking "Los Angeles" is their universities — specifically USC

and UCLA.

Why would anyone think of two schools that don't even have a top 20 ranked women's swim team, according to the College Swimming & Diving Coaches Association of America?

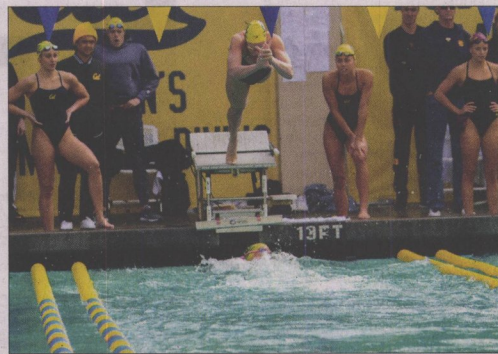
The Bears are coming off back-to-back dual meets against Arizona and Arizona State where they won handily, defeating both opponents by 95 points each.

The Trojans, on the other hand, are coming off of a 10-point loss at the hands of Minnesota, who the Bears defeated earlier in the season at the Minnesota Invitational. The loss of UCLA

dropped the Trojans dramatically from No. 9 to No. 24.

UCLA is undefeated in dual meets this season, but has faced mediocre competition to say the least. In their seven dual meets, not a single one was against a team ranked in the top 25. They also only defeated Arizona and Arizona State by an average of 33 points. To top it all off, the Bruins placed fourth in the Ohio State Invitational, a tournament with multiple unranked opponents.

Not all undefeated records are created equal, which is why Cal should be heavily favored coming



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Cal juniors Briana Thai and Abbey Weitzel both took home Pac-12 weekly awards this week and will lead their team to Los Angeles this weekend.

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