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# Missing Student Returns AFTER EIGHT-DAY ABSENCE

By Rachel McCarter  
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An eight-day search for a missing Cal State East Bay student ended in the wee hours Monday when the student arrived at her boyfriend's doorstep after abruptly disappearing the weekend before.

Police said Alexandra Weglowski, 19, who vanished early Oct. 22, showed up at her boyfriend's house at 4 a.m. Monday.

The Hayward Police Department (HPD) said Weglowski, who lives with her family, was last seen leaving the family home in Hayward around 1 a.m. Oct. 22.

Police said there is no evidence to indicate that Weglowski had been taken from her home against her will nor did it appear she had been prevented from returning home earlier.

They added that no crime had been committed by or against the previously missing communications sophomore during the time

she was missing.

"She returned home on her own accord," said Lieutenant Reid Lindlom of the HPD. "We confirmed that there was no foul play in her disappearance and that she had left for her own personal reasons."

Weglowski discussed plans to be picked up with an unknown person on her cell phone before leaving home on Oct. 22, police said. Afterward, she went outside and was not seen again until eight days later.

Although nobody saw her get into a car, it was assumed that she had been picked up, police said.

She did not say where she was going, who she was going with or when she would return. Her boyfriend said Weglowski left all her identification and credit cards at home.

Weglowski reportedly made one call from Tracy after her disappearance about 8 a.m. that morning. After that, she turned off her cell phone. She did not contact her family or her boyfriend again

until Monday morning, when she returned.

A missing persons report was filed by her family the day after Weglowski disappeared and the HPD told the University police she was missing. However, because she is an adult the police could do little more.

"We began investigating the report, and never found any evidence of foul play," said Lindlom. "We put out the report that she was missing to the university, but because she is an adult, we basically had to wait for her to come back on her own."

Although Weglowski did not contact her boyfriend or members of her family during the eight days she was missing, police said she did contact a friend in Pleasanton. Her MySpace account was accessed several times during her absence. Because of those two findings, police had no reason to believe any crime had or was being committed.

The campus police also joined the effort, searching the campus for Weglowski several times and going to her classes to inform her classmates she was missing and seek information about where she might be.

A message began circulating on Myspace as well, complete with a picture of Weglowski, her name, age and last known whereabouts. The message asked those with information to contact Weglowski's friends or the HPD.

The police could not comment any further as to any reasons she would have for leaving, but did say that she was not having any problems at home.

When Weglowski appeared, her boyfriend called her family and the police immediately. A classmate of Weglowski's, said she returned to class Tuesday and seemed fine but did not elaborate on what had happened during the course of the past week.

Weglowski and her family declined to comment for this story.

## University Support for Freedom of Speech Conflicts with Policy

By Anne Cunningham  
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Free speech was vigorously celebrated at last year's First Amendment Conference at Cal State East Bay.

However, a 'vendor permit for free speech' is required for anyone who wants to express an opinion, under certain circumstances while on campus, according to a 2003 CSUEB publication entitled, "Time, Place and Manner" (policies governing the use of campus facilities and on-campus activities).

When asked to define the parameters of free speech that would require a permit, Codie Howe of The Student Development/Judicial Affairs Department said, "Anyone who wants to express an opinion, is not trying to sell anything or make a profit, would need a permit. This excludes free speech for racial slurs or profanity. Just last week, I had to call an army recruiter and tell him the same thing," said Howe.

Not all members of the campus community feel this is a fair policy in that it may be a form of prior restraint and violates the first amendment.

"Time, place and manner limitations on free speech, if reasonable, are constitutional," said Tom McCoy, who teaches media law at CSUEB. "However, the application by CSUEB of the time place and manner regulation on the pure speech of registered students at a public university does not seem reasonable or evenhanded."

Last week, the Alliance for Social Justice, tabling permit in hand, staged a non-violent protest suggesting peace as an alternative to war, and

objected to military recruitment on the campus during the job fair. This action resulted in William Dinehart, Divisional Administrative Analyst, telling the club that since they did not have a free speech permit they would have to stop voicing their opinions.

"The students did not attempt to disrupt campus life, to block the walkways or to interfere with entry to campus buildings. They should have been allowed to exercise their first amendment rights of speech, assembly and petition," said McCoy. "The administration's actions were heavy-handed, ill-conceived and, in my opinion, unconstitutional. I find this a very poor example to set for a university dedicated to inculcating the values of a free society in its students."

Dr. Hal Gin, who headed Judicial Affairs for about 30 years and is now retired, said the policy has been in effect ever since he started at CSUEB.

"The spirit of the free speech policy is intended to maintain a peaceful campus. It is not to say that people cannot speak freely," said Gin.

Dr. Gin was consulted after answers about how long the policy has been in effect at CSUEB



Permissible Speech: Expressing a view like this one on campus without an official "free speech" permit violates university policy.

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Enforcement seems to be unevenly distributed and sporadic in nature, most likely because the responsibility is administered through the efforts of only two people, Howe and Dinehart, and occasionally by the University Police Department (UPD.)

For instance, at the university job fair the Political Science club was registering voters, which is a political act that would require a free speech permit as well as the tabling permit they had, yet they were never questioned as to where their free speech permit was.

"No, no one ever asked us, and we never had a problem," said Dustin Weber, of the Political Science Club.

Dinehart had attempted to enforce the free speech policy to restrict the Alliance for Social Justice from protesting military recruiters, yet totally ignored the Political Science club's efforts to register voters. Both of these actions technically require a free speech permit.

When asked why the policy was not evenly enforced, Dinehart was unavailable for comment.

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## Children Enjoy Halloween Celebration at Local Library

By Kenneth Montfort  
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"Calling all boys and ghouls, we're starting our costume parade in the children's library," was heard over the loudspeaker as the inaugural trick-or-treat Halloween parade at the Hayward Library kicked off.

After being closed for renovation, the Hayward Library opened its doors to the city's residents, young and old, small and tall, to come see the newly-revamped layout.

Visitors can walk into the main library where, books can be checked out, and the information desk has moved to the back of the checkout, which is more convenient for incoming visitors. The renovation includes a new technology center and a newly remodeled children's library with new series, area rugs with beanbags and "manga" comics, which provide children with an inside look at the Japanese comic world.

With kids in line to see the new space, the trick-or-treat parade got started promptly at 4:30 p.m. when kids got to meet the star of a silent film, Amy Martin, also commonly known as the children's and young adult librarian.

Martin was dressed as a damsel in distress from a 1940s silent film. Along with the other coordinators of the event was Sandy Fouts, Librarian 1 for Youth Services.

"Our goal of this event is to get as many Hayward kids involved into the events as possible," said Fouts, "as well as to give them candy and a tour of the complex."

About 20 youngsters flocked to the event from John Muir Elementary; costumes were not mandatory in this free-for-all event, so there were other children in the library who participated but were not dressed for the holiday.

The children started in the children's library and went through six stations to receive candy from different Hayward librarians.

"My favorite part about Halloween is getting candy," said 6-year-old, Karla Vega. Karla and her sister, Jackie, were dressed as bedtime twins for the event.

"I like to say 'trick-or-treat' at Halloween"

“My favorite part is checking the candy just to make sure that it's healthy for the kids.”

said 5-year-old, Jackie Vega. Jackie and Karla were accompanied by their mother, Pilar Sanchez, who was making sure the girls got enough fun and candy.

"My favorite part is checking the candy just to make sure that it's healthy for the kids," said Sanchez, jokingly.

Other outstanding costumes at the event were "The Incredibles," the diva Cinderella, and the little Esmeralda.

"It's something for the kids to do after parading around at school," said Fouts. "And parents get their money's worth as well."

Librarians want to do this event for the children again after taking two rounds of youngsters on a tour of the library.

"I remember coming here during Halloween as a kid," said Cal State East Bay student, Diana Cossio. "I feel like an alumni of the library."

The normal activities during Halloween activities are a magic show, a skit and a Halloween party. This year set a precedent as the library got more visitors than expected and staff members are looking forward to having another trick-or-treat parade next year.

Normal hours of operation for the library are Monday through Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and also on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Photo/ Lisa Daitch

Speaking Up: Joslyn Hullivan, a resident advisor at Pioneer Heights, expresses food service concerns of Heights' residents.

## New University Union Annex May Alleviate Food Problems

By Lisa Guggenheim Daitch  
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The new University Union building is now scheduled to open by mid-month, which is expected to relieve many of the food service problems that have abounded on the Hayward campus.

At an open forum held last Thursday in the University Union, ARAMARK representatives listened to concerns of members of the campus community in an effort to address those concerns as best they could.

The concerns most often expressed by those in attendance were quality, variety and cost of the food offered in the Bistro portion of the union building, as well as the limited availability of food throughout the campus due to the closure of other vendors.

"We're always looking to improve the quality of the food," said John Jones, District Manager for ARAMARK on the west coast.

But Henry Reichman, professor of history and Chair of the Academic Senate expressed his skepticism about the current food service.

"What strikes me is the incredible lack of variety and particularly of alternatives I might call 'adult food' - there's pizza, there's hamburgers and then there's a salad bar that almost always only has iceberg lettuce," said

Reichman, adding that he does not understand why only one entrée per day is offered, when this same facility used to offer multiple entrees regularly and served hamburgers fresh, unlike the currently offered reheated variety.

"As we get the new student union online, we're continuing to look at different varieties; we've added a buffet during the week at lunchtime to address just what you've brought forward - healthy options, good food - a plate lunch basically," answered Jones.

Others had concerns about the crowding and long lines in the Bistro area.

"It's very difficult to have to do all the food service out of one small venue without having the new union open," said Jones, explaining that registers have been added since the first week of the quarter, which he believes has alleviated the problem to some extent.

Monica Pacheco, executive director of the University Union, added that according to the most updated information she has, the new university union building, which is slated to



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