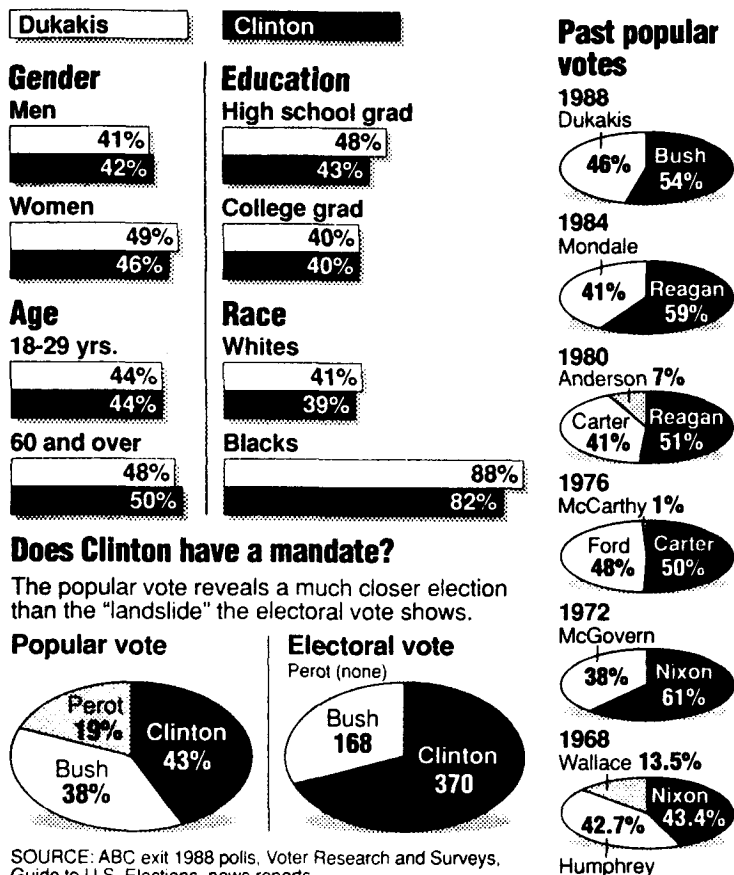


News

How Clinton ended GOP's reign

Michael Dukakis got 46% of the popular vote in 1988 and lost. Bill Clinton got 43% Nov. 3 and won. How? In a three-way race, Clinton matched Dukakis' level of support among many groups of voters.



 ★ **Weather for today**
 ★ Cloudy with 30 percent chance of morning snowshowers. The high will be in the low 40s.
 ★ **Extended forecast**
 ★ Friday through Sunday: Continued cloudy and cool on Friday. The high will be 45 to 55 degrees; the low 25 to 35. Partly sunny on Saturday with the high of 55 to 60 degrees and the low in the 30s. Cloudy on Sunday with a chance of showers. The high will be 55 to 65; the low 35 to 45.

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Aging, research, and multiculturalism Last of the spring lectures

by Gary Johnson
 News Editor

Dr. Judith Sugar, a research fellow at Borun Center for Gerontological Research at UCLA and associate professor of psychology at Colorado State University, Colorado Springs, Colorado, discussed "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Memory and Aging but Forgot to Ask" last Thursday, April 15.

The lecture, sponsored by Psi Chi, the national honor society for psychology students, was a presentation of the Humanities and Social Sciences Spring Speaker Series.

Sugar dealt with the "myths of memory and aging" and how "stereotyping has seriously affected the elderly."

She presented studies which have shown that age really has nothing to do with age, citing logs kept by a college student and a senior citizen, showing almost identical occurrences of forgetfulness, including type and frequency.

She also pointed out that we have "memories" and not "a memory."

She attacked the basic assumptions that society has towards her topic. First, "the idea that everyone has a set memory capacity at birth is false." Second, the ideal "perfect memory," one in which very little or nothing is forgotten, would be a horrible existence. Sugar described a certain case wherein the subject was

tormented by normal conversation; virtually every word spoken to him would relate to a certain memory he retained and he would not be able to concentrate.

The final Provost's Lecture Series speaker was Dr. Chester Wolford, associate professor of business and English. He spoke on "Teaching, Research, and TQM", which was originally scheduled for March 15, but was postponed due to snow.

Wolford stressed that "the academic disciplines have rejected wholesale the pursuit of excellence." He discussed his opinion that the entire idea of the University is now dead and gone. "The mind is not the center of the University anymore--the belly is."

Wolford talked about how America wants better teaching because that would make it "feel better in its bowels"--not for the sake of better teaching.

The University now satisfies the appetites and not the mind. It will give the students what the students want.

He summed up that we must return to the good old-fashioned lectures, to inquire within, to use inner logic, such as Buddha, Confucius, and Socrates.

He categorized Total Quality Management (TQM) and Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) are, again, merely tools to satisfy the belly of America. He said, "how many of us wake up in the morning, look in the mirror, and say, 'Let's see how much worse I can do

today?' It's obvious that we want to do better."

He said that Japan is successful not because of corporatism and TQM, but because they try to be better people through their work, thus making their work better through them. In such a way, there is no way that the work can decline.

"We must respect our ancestors by teaching our subsequent generations so that quality becomes a way of life, not just a slogan."

Wolford is author of several books about author Stephen Crane, the college text *Business Communication*, and other publications.

The final presentation of the Humanities and Social Sciences Speaker Series took place last night. Dr. Paul Lauter, the Allan K. and Gwendolyn Miles Smith Professor of Literature at Trinity College, spoke on "Multiculturalism and the Canonical Tradition," focusing on the fact that the Canonical tradition includes few minority or women writers.

Lauter spoke of his own experiences, saying that even though he had an excellent education attending Yale and the University of Indiana among others, he had little contact with minority or women writers.

He also attacked the idea that "one must be x to understand x."

Lauter stressed that cultural difference is a fact built by society which is not inherent in the different cultures.

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He wondered why the United States didn't focus more on the multiculturalism aspect of society, since the country is and has been from the start a multiculturalistic society.

Lauter is the founder of Feminist Press, the first and largest publisher dedicated to resurrecting lost works by women and minority writers.

He is most famous for his work as the editor of the *Heath Anthology of American Literature*, the first major college text to include significant numbers of women and minority writers. The two-volume set was the source of so much controversy that Heath publishes a regular newsletter to discuss the issues it raises.

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