The Return of Robert Scheer

The return of Robert Scheer is a significant event in the history of American foreign policy. Scheer, a prominent journalist and commentator, has advocated against the United States' involvement in the Vietnam War and its subsequent policy in Indochina. His views have been consistent, even as the geopolitical landscape has changed. Scheer believes that the United States' approach to the world is flawed, and he has been a vocal critic of American foreign policy, particularly during the administrations of Richard Nixon and Ronald Reagan.

Scheer's return to the public stage is not just a personal one. It is also a moment of reassessment for American foreign policy. The United States' relationship with communist countries, especially China and Vietnam, has been shaped by a complex array of factors. Scheer's return to the public eye is a reminder of the enduring tensions between the United States and its adversaries, and of the continued debate over the appropriate course for American engagement in the world.

In the context of the Vietnam War, Scheer has been a prominent voice. He has argued that the United States' policy in Vietnam was not based on a coherent strategy, but rather on a series of ad hoc responses to the war. He has criticized the United States' failure to understand the complexity of the Vietnam War, and its inability to develop a coherent strategy for ending the conflict.

Scheer's views on American foreign policy are not just theoretical. He has been a staunch advocate for a pragmatic approach to foreign affairs. He has called for a reevaluation of America's role in the world, and for a more realistic approach to the challenges it faces. Scheer believes that the United States must be more careful in its foreign policy, and that it must be willing to abandon its naive assumptions about the world.

Scheer's return to the public eye is a moment of reflection for American foreign policy. It is a moment to consider the lessons of the past, and to think about the future. Scheer's views are not just about the past. They are about the present and the future. They are about the United States' role in the world, and about the challenges it faces. Scheer's return to the public eye is a reminder of the importance of his views, and of the need for continued discussion about American foreign policy.
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Ars Amore
Self-Honesty

Honesty, fairness, and having an open mind are characteristics many individuals pride themselves in displaying in their dealings with others. We, as intelligent and enlightened products of modern times, can, as friends, also be supportive and understanding when the need arises.

It isn't as if any of those practices are new, after all, we've just become less hypocritical and more willing to admit to practices that have been pursued for generations. Yet for all the progress in social tolerance and the awareness that sexuality has many different manifestations and nuances, many people have trouble being honest with themselves in dealing with their own desires and needs.

Unfortunately, there are many individuals whose acquired sense of rigid morality causes them to suppress their own true feelings. This conflict can be made even more difficult by the fact that moral restraint's primary reward is a smug sense of superiority, small compensation for the imposed hypocrisy of saying one thing and feeling another.

More difficult to understand, but still commonplace, are those who can be fully understanding of others' liberal mores (running the gamut from premarital sex to homosexuality), offering support and comfort to friends in distress, yet are still unable to be honest to their own feelings about sexuality.

Often, fear and apprehension have a role in this reluctance. All the various factors involved in establishing and maintaining a relationship, especially at Caltech, can be intimidating, and can make even the frustrations of unexpressed sexuality look preferable.

Although in recent years the stigma attached to being homosexual has lessened considerably, it is still a lifestyle with numerous complications. Although what leads to an individual's being gay (environment? genetics?) is still not known, it is undoubtedly a matter of being, not of choice. This is not to say that every adolescent homosexual experiment implies the participants are gay; on the contrary, such experiences are commonplace. But for those for whom it proves to be more than a phase, the conflicts that result can be devastating. For some, being gay would be at the price of family relations, profession, or religion.

To be secretive about being gay (the only possible approach for most until recently) is of course possible, but it relegates the experiences of this reluctance, especially at Caltech, can be intimidating, and can make even the frustrations of unexpressed sexuality look preferable.

To pursue gay partners is out of the question for them, since that would be forcing them to consider themselves gay. Sometimes the other partner in a relationship of this nature comes to realize him or herself as gay, in spite of the fact that for his or her lover, this is impossible.

This may sound like a specific case I'm referring to here, but it is in fact a common scenario. I have received many calls in response to this column, with many (although far from all) of them from incoherent gays on campuses in need of someone to talk to in an anonymous and non-threatening manner. The type of situation cited above has been mentioned in more than one instance (it also happened to me years ago), and is especially continued on page 5.
Inquiring Minds Want to Know

by Bill Banks

One day last summer I climbed a mountain in the Himalayas. At the top I found a guru (what else?) and I asked him about my purpose in life.

"Seek out the truth about Oreo cookies," he said, with a grin that convinced me that nothing was afoot. I decided the guy was nuts, but I had some extra time on my hands, and the people at Oreo, Inc. had always been a little hush-hush about operations, so I went to check it out.

Now, I pride myself on being observant. I took the official tour of the plant and until the end, I was convinced that nothing was going on. Then somebody asked the tour guide about Double Stuff Oreo cookies. The guide got really nervous and looked over to the supervisor, who was shaking his head. The tour guide then nervously "explained" that the Double Stuff manufacturing process was "about the same" as for ordinary Oreo cookies. I knew that something was going on.

I strayed away from the rest of the group and finally found what I was looking for: a door marked "Double Stuff." I opened the door and could not believe what I saw. Oreo cookie gnomes. Five hundred gnomes (which looked exactly like green Smurfs) lined a conveyor belt leading into the room. On the belt were Single Stuff Oreo cookies. The gnomes at the front would take a cookie off the belt, unscrew the top, then place the bottom half (with the luscious cream filling) back onto the belt. The tops of the cookies went into chutes which I can only assume led to the ice cream building, where Oreo Cookies 'n Cream was being made. The gnomes at the end of the conveyor belt would simply take two half cookies and stick them together, thus making a Double Stuff cookie.

After watching incredulously for ten minutes, I left and managed to leave the building unseen.

Later, I went back to the mountain in the Himalayas and told my guru friend what had happened. He said "Well done. You have discovered the eternal truth for which you sought. Your life is now complete. However...

"Yes?"

"If you're interested..."

"Carnation Instant Milk."
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...thought or hoped might exist in the future.

The importance of sex in a relationship varies from person to person. External factors also exert influence; a strong sex drive, combined with the lack of time or a need for discretion might make short-term liaisons with different partners attractive for some. These aren’t too hard to find, if one isn’t too picky about the choice of lover and doesn’t need much warmth and attachment. Long-term relations with a well-matched partner offer more emotional depth as well as physical satisfaction, at the added cost of time and commitment.

A successful match of this nature is virtually impossible to plan ahead for (unlike one-night stands). Circumstances just seem to conspire to bring compatible people together. Participation in clubs, common interest groups, or charities are a good way to meet people, but little planning beyond that is possible.

Free thinking and an open mind in matters of sexuality and relationships are desirable when dealing with others, but they are crucial when they concern yourself. It isn’t difficult to be honest with yourself; the information is out there for those who want it, from books, organizations, and even just concerned individuals. Some imponderable questions are less threatening if they are talked over, and sometimes a receptive ear can save a lot of grief.

For questions, comments, or a receptive ear (anonymity preserved, of course), contact Charles Barrett (577-8593) by phone, 1–99 by mail, or in care of The California Tech, 107–51.

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OXY WASHES CALTECH
by Doug Oute
The past two weeks have been a trying time for the Beaver faithful. Caltech ran into adversity in the form of Occidental College and La Verne, and dropped six games by a combined score of 92-10.

The Occidental series saw the death of the Caltech offensive, as the Beavers had only 8 hits in the whole three games. Credit Occidental’s pitchers with a fine job. Brandon Mymudes collected 2 hits in the series, and Michael Keating stole a base, and Jim Hamrick had a three run homer to account for the beavers runs. On a sad note, Min Su Yan was lost for the season when he collided with the leftfield fence while trying to catch a ball, and split his knee cap.

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The Beavers now move into the competitive part of their season. On Saturday they travel to Pomona to determine who will be the cellar dwellers of SCIAC.

by Neal
Freshman David Gates broke his own school record in the triple jump with a leap of 45 feet, 10 1/4 inches. His effort highlighted a double-dual meet in which Caltech beat La Verne 96 to 51 and lost to Occidental by a score of 124 to 36. Versatile Robbe Dow also contributed much needed points by placing in the high jump and the javelin. Other noteworthy performances were turned in by Jeff Tekanic in the hammer throw, javelin, shotput, and discuss, while John Beck ran strong races in the 400-meter dash and the 400-meter hurdles. But the thrill of the day came when Dave “Speed Merchant” Gallup soared over the pole vault bar at 13 6 inches for a lifetime best performance. Minutes later he narrowly missed setting a new school record as he nicked the bar at 14 feet 1 inch.

The Track and Field team is now 2 and 4 on the year and will host U.C. S.D. and Westmont College this Saturday, with the first field event scheduled to start at 11:00 am and the first running event at 12 noon.

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New Time

The time of the weekly Friday meeting of the Executive Social Committee will be changed to 6:30pm, effective immediately.

Portfolio

The Caltech Student Investment Fund (and maybe even its board of directors) will meet on Wednesday at 5 pm in the Millikan Board Room, beginning two days ago.

Seniors Wanted!!!

Seniors wanted as research subjects.

The Career Development Center is beginning an exploratory research project to examine and help explain the profile of today’s Caltech undergraduate. We need seniors who will volunteer for approximately one hour of testing. You will be given two separate tests—a vocational inventory and an assessment of your personal values. The tests will be computer scored and a profile of the interests and values of the graduating senior will be developed. (Next fall, the tests will be tested to produce a comparison profile.) Your individual results will be made available to you if you wish. The tests will be administered in groups in Winnett Clubroom I. Scheduling testing times are:

Tuesday, April 23, 4:30-5:30pm
Friday, April 26, 1:30-2:30pm
Saturday, April 29, 11am to noon

Please volunteer yourself as a research subject! Call the Career Development Center (x3631 or 6262) and sign up for the test time most convenient for you.

Ath Formal

The time for the Ath Formal is drawing near—Friday May 24th is this year’s date. Start thinking about that special someone you’d like to ask! Watch this space for details on tux and floral discounts and other important information. If you’re interested in working on this year’s formal, come to the Executive Social Committee meeting on Sunday the 21st at 7:30pm in the Y Lounge, or call Sam Wang at 576-9796.

Christian Fellowship

Jim Dyke, the collegiate pastor at Lake Avenue Congregational Church, will be speaking this Friday evening. The topic is prayer, our personal communication with God. The meeting is in 210 Thomas at 7:30 pm and everyone is welcome. The Square Dance was a big success, but someone left behind a windbreaker. Please come to Roddick 101 to claim it.

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Place: Red Door Cafe
Date: Sunday April 21
Time: 1:00 pm (sessions run 1pm-4pm and 7pm-10pm)

Five-man teams are O.K. if you only want to play one session.

There is an entry fee of $5. BIIHHGGG prizes to the winners! For more information, call Jeffrey (x3474, 793-0814).

Milked Dry?

Each year Caltech awards upwards of twenty Institute and Carnation Fellowships. These awards are based solely on academic and/or research excellence, and are available to any freshman, sophomore, or junior enrolled at the Institute.

If you are interested in applying, applications available in the office of Phoebe Ray (304 Braun). They should be returned by April 30.

Ebell Scholarships

Ebell of Los Angeles is offering awards of scholarships based upon character, scholarship, health, and the need of a well-prepared female student, entering Fall school term. Applicants must be a legal resident of Los Angeles County, and have a minimum grade point average of 3.25. Applications are due March 1, 1985. For applications and further information, please come by the Financial Aid Office, Parsons-Gates, 10-31, or call x6280.

Like Mom Used To...

The Caltech Service League will hold its annual Plant and Bake Sale on Friday, April 26 from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm in Winnett Patio. Come buy a cup of coffee and some home-baked cookies, and meet the volunteers who bring you Thanksgiving turkeys, Christmas boxes, etc., who help finance many student activities.

Spring Blood Drive

Caltech will be having its spring blood drive next week, on April 23 (9:45am-2:30pm), 24 (1:15pm-6:00pm), and 25 (8:15am-1:00pm) in Winnett Lounge. There will be a competition between the seven houses, as follows: the house with the highest percentage of eligible blood donors will win 1/2-keg of beer or an equivalent amount of soft drinks. Make appointments in advance if possible, but drop-ins are welcome. For appointments, call Linda Martin, extension 6374 (Personnel).

Deadline Jr.

This is the real last reminder that the Dean’s Office is once again awarding the Junior Travel Prizes. These cash awards are available to encourage juniors to rest their weary minds and bodies before their senior year. If you are interested, please write up a short description of your proposed travel and a tentative budget. Proposals are due in the Dean’s Office, 102 Parsons-Gates, by April 19th. That’s today, so act fast.

Read All About It

There will be a meeting of the staff of The California Tech today at 12:15pm in room 127 Baxter. (This is also known as the class PA 15.) Feel free to stop by if you’re interested in working on the Tech.