THE SOUTHEAST WILL RISE AGAIN

CRIME BEAT

Incidents:
2-23-89 Spartus wall clock stolen from Room 2 of SAC.
3-01-89 Phone harassment of Mosher-Jorgenson House resident.
3-02-89 Parked motor scooter vandalized in Synchrotron Lot.
3-03-89 Bike stolen from iron railing west of Chandler Loading Dock.
3-03-89 Panhandler on north side of BSB asked by security to leave.

Harold Ginder's Crime Tip: Do not cooperate with any of the three types of panhandlers which have been seen of late around Caltech. The first type is a person who asks for $25 to repair his/her broken automobile. The second type is a person who asks, with gas can in hand, "I need $5 for gas." The third type is a person who simply begs for money.

News From The Y

STUDENTS' TRAVEL AWARD - is a $2000 grant awarded to an undergraduate who would benefit from spending the summer of 1989 away from the academic community. Applications are due at the Y office by 5pm Thursday, April 6. All classes are welcome to apply. Check with the Y for more details.

ASSOCIATE STUDENT SUNDAY IS BACK! - The First Associate Student Sunday last October was an enjoyable way for both students and associates to get together in an informal setting. This is a welcome chance to enjoy a home-cooked meal with a family. Next term's Sunday is April 9, 1989. The time is set for 5:30 to 8:00. Sign up with 3 friends - there will be four students for each house. Signup in the Y or in your house.

DECOMPRESSION IS HERE! - This weekend, Saturday and Sunday from 8 to 12 in Winnett. Please stop by!

SKI MAMMOTH!! - Sunday, March 19 to Friday, March 24. Cost is $100, which includes lodging, transportation, and food. Sign up in the Y.

Odyssey 22

WILLIAM HALL CHORALE will be performing "Great Sacred Choruses", this Saturday, March 11, at the Pasadena Presbyterian Church. Tickets are available in the Y for $3.00!!

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-LEARN HOW TO KEEP YOUR HEAD ABOVE WATER

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If you are female and connected with Caltech in someway (undergrad, grad, staff, faculty, spouse), WE NEED YOU! for the Caltech Women's Water Polo team/club. Practices are tentatively scheduled for MWF 4-6 at the pool starting the first week of third term. For more information call: Margi 577-6524, Betsy x6182, or Karin 578-9171.

PASADENA PLAYHOUSE TICKETS - Subsidized tickets are available for the excellent play "Accomplice" at the Playhouse Friday, April 21. Cost is $10 for students, $20 for faculty and staff. Sign up in the Y. (And come by to find out what it's about...)

WEAKLY SPORTS CALENDAR

Day Date Time Sport Opponent Location
Fri. 3-10 3:00 pm Baseball Colorado College Caltech
Fri. 3-10 3:00 pm Tennis (W) USC at PCC
Sat. 3-11 All Day Fencing Women's West. Regionals Cal State Long Beach
Sun. 3-12 All Day Fencing Women's West. Regionals Cal State Long Beach
Sun. 3-12 11:15 am Ice Hockey U.C.L.A. #2 Pasadena Ice Center
Mon. 3-13 1:00 pm Golf Redlands La Verne
Sun. 3-19 3:00 pm Soccer Club (W) Spinoffs Almansor
Sat. 3-25 2:30 pm Basketball (W) Claremont-Mudd 0-9, 3-9
Sat. 3-25 11:00 am Ice Hockey Golden West
Sat. 3-25 11:00 am Track Occidental & Whittier
Sun. 3-26 1:00 pm Soccer Club (W) Spinoffs Almansor
Sat. 4-1 11:00 am Baseball (W) Menlo College Menlo College
Sat. 4-1 11:00 am Track Occidental & Whittier
Sun. 4-2 1:00 pm Soccer Club (W) Spinoffs Almansor
Thu. 3-30 2:30 pm Baseball San Jose State
Fri. 3-31 2:30 pm Baseball Santa Clara
Sat. 4-1 11:00 am Track Occidental & Whittier
Sun. 4-2 1:00 pm Soccer Club (W) Spinoffs Almansor
Fri. 3-3 Ice Hockey V.C.L.A. #2
Sat. 3-4 Track Claremont & Redlands Caltech
Sat. 3-4 Baseball(2) Claremont-Mudd vs. Claremont, M - W
Sat. 3-4 Tennis (M) Ponce-Pizner vs. Redlands, M 6-9
Sat. 3-4 Tennis (W) Occidental vs. Redlands, W 6-9
Sat. 3-4 Tennis (M) Redlands vs. Redlands, M 6-6
Sat. 3-4 Baseball vs. Redlands, M 6-6
Sat. 3-4 Track vs. Redlands, W 6-6
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The Last Rock Star

by Carl Roth

Nick Cave and the Bad Seeds live at the Club With No Name, Los Angeles, March 9, 1989.

There has always been a certain mystique surrounding the rock and roll musician. It suggests a certain lifestyle, fast, mischievous and short, that is very difficult to maintain in real life. Nick Cave, from Melbourne, Australia, comes probably the closest of any musician recording today, to that very ideal, the true rock star. His live performance gives a better reminder than the "southern soul" so often depicted in songs still exists.

After listening to his studio work, I wondered what a Nick Cave show would be like. His songs consist of the usual blues-influenced rock, with obligatory songs about girls, prisons and self-destruction. But viewing the following emotion portrayed in so many phylox bodies, I wondered whether the live performance would make the songs any more believable.

What I got at the Club With No Name that night was more than I bargained for. After initial name-dropping at the movie- and TV-trivia shows projected on the walls of the club, and the mediocre performance by the industrial-type opening band, the Wedgwood Incident, Nick Cave and his Bad Seeds took over in their Western-style suits and ties. The times they proceeded to play, though recognizable from his albums, took on a life of their own in concert.

Such songs as "Long Time Man," "Your Funeral, My Trial," and "Oh, I've Got a Black Dog" carry more class in his live version than I have heard on any of his studio albums, including his latest, "Tender Prey." His use of simplistic hymn-like rhythms, and a very romantic and virtuoso vocal style is carried over into his live performance, adding credibilitó to his skill as a performer.

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Track Team Loses, Finally

by John Raguso

All Caltech teams have now agreed that Claremont should be kicked out of the SCIAC conference because they are too good. Just last weekend, the track team went to Pomona to face Claremont and Redlands, and unfortunately suffered a convincing defeat, losing to Claremont again. But this is where some good news comes in—the women beat Redlands!

Led by freshman sensation Jeni Martin, who won the 1500 and 3000, the women beat Redlands in track for the first time ever, 70 to 54. Jeni, despite feeling weak due to sickness and lack of sleep, won the 1500 with a 5:02 and the 3000 with a 11:08. Liz Warner contributed immensely as usual with a 19.37 100, a 4.87 long jump, a 9.73m triple jump, a 25.93 discus, a 74.52 400, and a leg of the 4x100 relay.

Other great performers were Aibi Johs at the 800m with a 2:36 800 and a 5:24 1500; Kitt Hodges at the 3000 with a 8:36 3000, and a 75 60 400; Dee Morrison with a 30.85 discus, a 21.52 javelin, and a 8.1m shotput, and a 15.87 100; Gladys Chow with a 15.25 100, and a 31.2 200, and a leg of the 4x100 and 1500 relay. Also, Bibi Jentoft-Nilson with a winning 8.18m shotput, and a 15.87 100; Troy Brown, with a time of 2:20.

Other good performances were Sean Hilliard with a 52.38 400m; Chris Campo with a 17:47 5000 (even though he should have trashed the CMS guy); "Swoppin'" to the 2:00 mile; 14:09 5k; and a 11:11 mile, which is certainly the best record they ever had at this time of year.

The men did not have a good weekend. Due to injuries or personal conflicts, the men's team was minus Joe Tofftall, Greg James, Jack Frazer, Scott Kister, John Ragan, Paul Socolow, Gary East- vold, Dan Fries, Todd Kaplan, Ed Naranjo, and Dave Park. Without these key people, the team had a tough time against Claremont and Redlands. Although the Claremont team is too strong for us to compete with, these people probably would have tightened up the Caltech-Redlands scoring from 123-37 to about 94-69 or better. However, there were some good performances in the meet.

Ray Hu continued his great 800 performance by placing third with a 2:05, although he was boxed in most of the race. In that same race, Eric Stout took last year's SCIAC 800m champion, All-American Ryan of the net and making the PP play a little later on.

Tennis Team Trampled

by Ari Kaplan

Last weekend, Caltech had some exciting games. On Friday, March 3rd, the Techs went to Claremont looking for some winning damage. During the pregame exercises, we were entertained by some Opera/Pop Music blaring on the loudspeakers. Many minutes passed before the game was ready to start, but one thing was missing—the umpires. Since no one from the audience volunteered to volunteer, we waited some more. The game finally had to be suspended when Jimbo lost an arm wrestling match to Claremont's muscle-bound, gradeschool-bound batboy.

The rescheduled game was on Monday, March 6th. Unfortunately, this time we lost. As it was stated in the LA Times: Claremont 14, Caltech 2. In the other games, we lost a double-header to Claremont on Saturday, March 4th, and on Friday, March 10th, we creamed PCBBC for a double-header, complete with hot dogs and soda. The beer put the Beavers 10 - 0 in the first game, and because he...
Flowering

God damn, frogs are stupid. For about the past week the frogs have been whining about how tough the Phys 1 labs are... (whine) "We have to solder..." (whine) Like I’m supposed to care? I’m a senior, I wish frogs would just go away. Wednesday, I go to my weekly meeting with Jerry Pine the Phys 1 prof, and I mention in passing that the frogs are having problems with their labs.

Of course none of the moron frogs have done this. Ask the professor of a class for help? Why? The Phys labs have been assigned for four weeks and in that time only one frog has ever mentioned to Jerry that they were having problems. ONE! He wasn’t even an ombudsman. And only once has anyone ever asked for help during his office hours. God damn, frogs are stupid. And that was only last week. They can bitch about to me, who doesn’t give a damn, but they can’t bitch to the prof?

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5. Frosh can hit waiters with napkins, but no one else.
6. All frosh get wet.
7. All short frosh with 30” vertical leaps who like rap music get wet.
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- Mr. Laughs and the Cheese

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Page WIN FREE SEX!

I knew that you were going to ask:
What do you call a bunch of Page boys standing around a pile of charcoal? A social event. I suppose it beats festering in the CS52 lab. (Remind me to change my mailing event to "Steel Subbasement.")

Oh, and don’t forget to send $26.83 plus $2.00 for shipping and handling to mail code 1-53 for your copy of "Really Stupid Waiter Tricks II: The True Professionals" Order now!

Here’s the second installment of Ajay’s Top Ten Lists:

Campus Condom Campaign Slogans

10. Cover your stink with your Willy.
9. Before you attack her, wrap your whacker.
8. Be sweet if you cover your Peter.
7. If you go into heat, package your meat.
6. Never smear her with an unwrapped pecker.
5. It’ll be sweeter if you cover your Peter.
4. Never her deck her with an unwrapped pecker.
3. Don’t be a loner: cover your boner.
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The search for a Capra sponsor continues. Not every professor at this school is a little League coach, and Jon is only going to buy that excuse ten more times! Presenting a new essay contest: Finish this sentence in 25 words or less: "I hate it when..." The winner will have the opportunity in double duty. Mira and Jon are working on the sixty-nine-ty-five. The 'P' woman seemed to be having a good time, and the Spalding pool didn't really exist itself.

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Buckle Up For Spring Break '89

by Varoujan Gorjian

Forum: Batman Sucks

You've never seen the Batman movie which is set for release this June, June. This article is not meant to be a review of the movie, but more like a preview of coming attractions. Through several sources I have information on the movie which I thought many of Caltech would be interested in.

Ok, the most important thing is who has been picked to play the title role of Batman, that obsessed, unstoppable, tough, borderline psychotic, scary creature of the night. Who? Who? Mr. Moon - Michael Keaton. (By the way, if the above characterization of Batman does not seem too accurate, tune in to the Sixties Batman TV series, then you can brush up on your Batman in the Dark Knight comic book series available at the Cof- feehouse.) If you never saw "Mr. Moon," Michael Keaton is the same actor in the comedies "Night Shift," "Gung Ho," and most recently in "Beetlejuice." Why would any director in his right mind choose a short, balding, wimpy comedian to portray the Dark Knight? The answer to that is: Rich, who directed the movie, Tim Burton, is the director of those great action films dealing with obsessed people, "Pee-Wee's Big Adventure" and "Beetlejuice." The announcement of the lead role which came at the 46th Annual World Science Fiction Convention was greeted with boos and hisses from the audience. The main objection was that Keaton does not look like Bruce Wayne aka Batman. As the story of Batman goes, as a child Bruce Wayne witnessed the brutal murder of his parents, and so he dedicated his life to fighting crime; thus he set out to learn all the fighting arts from around the world and build up his physique to withstand enormous pressure and danger, so he could fight criminals in his home town of Gotham City. Yet Keaton is hardly a body-builder or tall enough to scare anyone. How did Hollywood remedy this situation? By giving Keaton a Batman suit which comes with "muscles." In my opinion this defeats the purpose of Batman. How does Keaton look in the suit? The general consensus of many was that the costume was not good. I am not familiar with from whom has seen the suit in the movie, whether he has seen the Batman movie theaters, and from the limited pictures that have been released is that he looks like an "action figure." So far the movie seems to be on a direct road to a disaster, but there are few saving graces. Keaton got critical acclaim for his portrayal of an alcoholic in "Clean and Sober." The villain is going to be the Joker, played by Jack Nicholson. In the previews he seems to be an excellent Joker who looks very much like the drawings in the comic book. The supporting cast is filled with famous people like Jack Palance (Shane) and Kim Basinger (Never Say Never Again). My Stepbrother is an Alien). The script written by Sam Hamm is said to be serious. The story is a closely guarded secret, but it is known that it will contain the origin of the Joker.

What surprises me is that the studio seemed to be following the formula for the only successful transfer of a comic book character to the silver screen which was "Superman: The Movie." There the script was by an experienced writer, Mario Pino (The Godfather), the villain was played by a famous actor, Gene Hackman (The French Connection, Mississippi Burning), the supporting cast was filled with people, Larry Hagman, Ned Beatty, and Marlon Brando. The makers of the Batman movie did the same thing as the previous movie, yet with the two most crucial roles they chickened out. While the director of Super- man, Richard Lester, was an experienced action movie director, Burton is not. Also, Christopher Reeve was an unknown yet experienced dramatic actor who looked like the drawings of Superman, if you do not believe that, get a Curt Swan drawing of Superman and place it next to a photograph of Reeve as Superman and you will see what I mean) but Keaton neither looks like Batman nor is he an experienced dramatic actor.

In the looks it makes the makers of Batman tried to cash in on the 60's Batman character by inverting comic talent in the movie rather than staying true to Batman's character. I was really looking forward to the movie but when I am very apprehensive. There is still a chance that by some miracle the movie turns out to be good, but my glimpse of the movie, that hope is fading for me.

My highest hope is that when I see the movie I would say: "That was a good movie, but it wasn't the Batman."
Fencers

by Perry Ribsou

The noble Fencing Team finished off in style by defeating Cal Poly Pomona last season at UCLB. This final match allowed the team to Cal Poly Pomona for the season. In addition, the team placed Calkenn well above its arch rival, Occidental College. One fencer remarked, "We crushed them into the ground and they danced upon their bones."

All things considered, the seas­ son was quite successful. Each men's team captain placed within the top ten in the league in their respective weapons. Robert Col­ ler, a foilist, who had a total of 22 victories for the season, commented on his performance: "The game is attack, parry, riposte, maim, disfigure, and kill." Patrick El-Azem, another foilist, was last seen sharpening his blade in prepara­tion for next season, as the team should seriously pull in a few victories for the season. Carlos Del Rey, who gained important experience, with 23 victories. Joe, a frosh fensing sensations, Matthew Garza, Keny, Farnham, F. Ho and Parsons-Gates, for more information. The awards were presented over the Social Security booklet. The Intern is expected to work at Sandia for several months could be shared by several organizations. If your club has books it needs to or would like to give away, you Star Trek fans (the original series, or the franchise), write to: Stephen King and Clive Barker. Del Rey, $16.95. Like Saturday, the JV also won its arch rival, Occidental College.

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This season was Coach George Closy's last, as he will be retiring from coaching next year. Everyone on the team benefited from George's teachings. He also had the proper philosophy regarding fencing instruction at Caltech. 'I'm not here to teach you to win. I'm not here to teach you how to fence.' The team will miss you, coach.

The saber team is over, fencing instruction still continues. So if you have the time third term to learn a challenging but fun martial art, stop by the gym Tuesday and Thursday nights at 7:30. See you there!

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