

Thought For the Day

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Thought For the Day, Take 2

Maybe admissions should take a cue from the EE department and limit male admissions to lower the ratio.

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Prefrosh Weekend

by Snehal Adodra

It was that time of the year again — when Techers see high school students running around with questions like "What is UASH?"; "Who is the MOSH?". Yes, folks, pre-frosh weekend was here and is officially over.

Starting on Saturday afternoon, pre-frosh started arriving on buses for their first glimpse of Caltech. As the Admissions Office pointed out, there was an enormous increase in the number of pre-frosh. Last year saw the onslaught of 118 prospective freshmen, while this year the number jumped to 189. The Admissions Office was worried about the possibility of having enough hosts, but the students at Caltech came through.

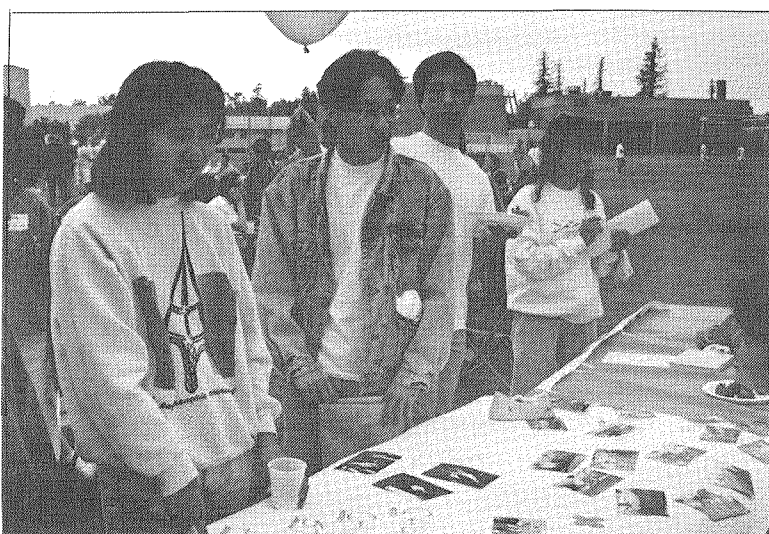
The outlook was not very good with buses arriving forty-five minutes late from the airport and some pre-frosh having to wait for over one hour at the airport. The Sunday barbecue was also supposed to have rain according to the forecast. Yet things looked up and even the weather was cooperating on Sunday.

The usual things were planned for the visitors, with discussion groups on Athletics, Minorities, Science Core Curriculum, and on the most important aspect at Caltech — the Honor System. There was also a general meeting with Dr. Apostol, Robert McKeown, and Harry Gray giving the students an overview of Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry at Caltech.

The tour of JPL was a popular attraction, as always, and was filled up very early. One of the big disappointments was the omission of the trip to Magic Mountain, which was very popular last year. Each



Jeff Martin volunteers to check in the prefroshettes.



Everyone but Steve Jun was happy at the Club Fair for pre-frosh on Sunday.

of the houses had something planned for the pre-frosh, starting with parties hosted on Saturday night.

During their busy schedule, the pre-frosh did find time to attend at least one class of their choice, even though they were discouraged from doing so due to space restriction in classes.

This weekend was meant to give the pre-frosh an idea about life at Caltech. Yet most of them did enter the campus with some preconceived notions about Caltech. One of the biggest worries was that they would not be able to handle

the pressure of work, and that they would have no "social life." They also had difficult decisions to make — choosing from universities like MIT, Harvard, Stanford, Harvey Mudd, and of course, Tech.

Despite these worries, the pre-frosh left with the idea that Tech is a "comforting and cosy place," and very different from its image.

The hosts had a difficult task as well. As one house president put it, "We have to make them like school" — and that is a tough job indeed. Of course, the results will not be known until next fall, when the new freshman class arrives.

E.E.'s Restricted

by Brian Kurkoski

Citing abnormally high student to faculty ratios, the Electrical Engineering department has drafted a proposal that would limit the number of students entering that major. The department would like to have about 30 students each in the junior and senior classes, which would bring the EE student to faculty ratio to 8:1, down from the current 16:1.

Specifically, the EE department wants to make two changes to the course catalog. The first states that "any student who has a grade-point average of less than 3.5 at the end of the academic year in the subjects listed under electrical engineering may be refused permission to continue work in this option." This proposal is designed to cut sophomores who do not achieve A- or B+ work in EE14, the only graded EE course required of those beginning in the major.

The second proposal requires that students wishing to enroll in EE32 and EE40 have a 3.5 GPA in EE courses or instructor's permission. Additionally, those not in the EE option must have instructor's permission before registering for either of these two classes. This requirement would allow Engineering and Applied Science

majors to enroll on a space-available basis. The "may" condition would permit the department to enroll EEs students who missed the mark, but were not at the maximum of 30.

Lowering the ratio is a sincere concern of the 14 members of the EE faculty, and the majority of them agree that there needs to be a change.

"Undergraduates are limited in their research opportunities. We can't require a senior thesis because everybody would want to do one, and there aren't enough faculty to advise them. We can't have new labs... We're really impacted here," said EE Prof. Robert McEliece.

These proposals were discussed between faculty and students at a meeting yesterday. Many students responded with concerns about the proposal.

"Setting a GPA requirement encourages students to do whatever it takes to get the high grade, like resorting to cheating or not following the rules of the class; this puts a strain on the honor system and creates a competitive atmosphere which has always been an evil at Caltech," said Anna Yeakley, a junior, ex-EE.

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Diversity Conference Today

by Jonathan Melvin

The second campuswide conference on Diversity at Caltech will be held Friday, April 27, 1990 in the Winnett Student Center lounge, from 12 noon to 2 pm. Food will be provided and all students, faculty and staff are encouraged to come.

Following the lively discussion at the last Diversity Conference, there was a consensus to hold a second conference. This conference will focus on specific questions. The panelists will speak briefly, to present some viewpoints on problems and to propose solutions. Most of the meeting will be devoted to discussion by the audience.

The key focus is on various aspects of diversity. Do we have problems? Why should we include diversity, and how? Does Caltech's efforts to include diverse students, faculty and staff measure up to efforts at other universities?

The following questions have been identified (although other questions will not be excluded):

Affirmative Action and Gender Issues: How can Caltech recruit students, faculty and staff from more diverse groups in our population? What is the need for affirmative action? Does affirmative action serve the goals of Caltech? Is it inequitable, or is recruitment without affirmative action inequitable? Is financial aid distributed equitably among different groups of Caltech applicants?

Are we aware of gender-related problems and effective solutions? Everyone wants more women on campus, but are we reaching out to them effectively and making them feel like an equal part of the academic community? Are hidden demands placed on women which are not placed on men? Are problems of adjustment of men in our changing world acknowledged?

Foreign/International Students: What are their concerns and needs? Can Caltech better address them? How can and should the campus help international students adjust to U.S. culture and to

Caltech culture? Do international students learn enough English at Caltech to get along and to be effective TAs? Could more be done to bring various groups of foreign students together with each other and with American students?

Minority, Ethnic, and Cultural Issues: What are the viewpoints of people from ethnic and cultural backgrounds not well represented on campus that make them unwilling to come to Caltech, even when offered attractive admission opportunities? How can we become aware of their problems, social pressures, etc. when we have no personal experience with them? Are we headed for disaster by not reaching "minorities" effectively when these minorities are actually members of majority groups in the world's population?

Issues of Sexual Preference: Are these issues similar to minority issues? Do people of differing sexual preference want or need to

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CRIME AND INCIDENT BEAT

CRIME TIP: The extension for the security office is x4701. Call them to report bad things, but if there is an emergency, call x5000.

- 4/18 A stereo amplifier was stolen from an unlocked car parked near 328 S. Holliston. A second vehicle in the area appeared to have been ransacked.
- 4/19 At 4:28 p.m. a suspicious person was seen walking through the parking lots in the vicinity of Wilson and San Pasqual. The suspect reportedly was carrying a baseball bat as he looked inside cars. Caltech security located the man. He stated that he had only been in this country for a few days and was unfamiliar with the area. Officers told him that he would be arrested for trespassing if found on campus under similar circumstances again. He was questioned and released.
- 4/19 A student lost his Medeco-type keys.
- 4/20 A hard disk drive and a keyboard were reported stolen from a Fleming House computer room—the security cables had been cut.
- 4/20 A non-Caltech person left her purse on the desk in the women's gym office. When she returned it had been stolen.
- 4/20 A man was seen siphoning gasoline out of a black Camero and onto the ground in the IPAC parking lot. The fire department was called and firefighters put sand down to absorb the gasoline, then washed it down. The purse theft in the previous incident was reported to the Pasadena Police by the victim's boyfriend, Caltech Athletic Supervisor David Hernandez. The police recommended that the car, a black Camero, be disabled so that it could not be stolen. Hernandez chose to drain gas out of the car.
- 4/20 A man suspected of running up a \$24 tab at the Ath last summer was seen leaving the Ath at 7:50 p.m. The bartender and another employee followed him out of the building. As the employee went to call security, the bartender followed the man towards his car and accosted him. The suspect cursed at the bartender and drove off.
- 4/21 A suspicious person was reported riding a bike west on the Olive Walk at 5:55 a.m. The witness did not know the suspect to be a Techer. An officer search of the area revealed no one.
- 4/22 A student returned to his office after vacation to find that his desk had been disturbed. A room and a house key had been taken from his key ring, but the victim's auto key had been left. Also taken from the desk were several brownies.
- 4/23 A student was working in Beckman Labs at 2:05 a.m. when she saw what appeared to be five or six Techers. She called security. She did not know how they got into the building since the doors were locked and no one was allowed in. Total dollar value stolen this week: \$430 and some brownies.

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Memorandum's Waste Paper

Dear Dr. Everhart:
I found your memorandum concerning Caltech's recycling efforts (4/20/90) to be heartening, but its method of distribution to be discouraging. Every student was sent a personal copy, and while a few may have been deposited in white paper recycling bins, I am sure most of them were simply thrown out or burned. Since it did not contain dated material, I think it would have been more practical to mail one to each house president and have it posted on a house bulletin board.

I regularly receive personal copies of memos informing me that so-and-so has retired or someone has become the new chairman of a department. Usually this information is of no use to me and I would not be inconvenienced if I read the memo a week later on a bulletin board. As a sign of their relative unimportance, ASCIT no longer sticks mailing labels on some of their memos, choosing to simply leave a stack in each house. I urge the administration and various campus organizations, with your encouragement, to think more carefully about the necessity of mass mailings and possible alternatives.

Sincerely yours,
—Matthew J. Kidd

reject any petition, but I guarantee that it will take its time to review each and every one submitted. For example, in no place does it state that you can't petition for reinstatement for 1st term at the end of the previous 3rd term.

As a fellow senior, Ms. Lindelef should realize that there are many options open to someone who wants to find out about UASH. On pp.67-68 of the current Caltech Catalog, the scholastic standards that govern the actions of UASH can be found (and it's the students' responsibility to know them). On p.263, the names of the faculty members on UASH are listed. If someone has questions regarding the committee's policies, seek out one of those people. Otherwise, feel free to talk to either myself, Kevin Luster, or Bappa Mukherji—the student members of the committee (the IHC Secretary knows which students are on which committees, for future reference). And, finally, both of the Deans are available for any consultation or advice that any student wants or needs on any day (not just Add and Drop Days).

In closing, I would just like to say that in my 4 years (going on 5-UASH members don't all have 4.0's), I have hardly ever known a member of the administration to be unapproachable by, or unresponsive to, the student body. And, the method by which it was presented aside, Ms. Lindelef's suggestion about bringing a friend along for moral support is currently being considered by the committee.

Sincerely,
—Dave Jeitner
(Student Member, UASH)

B.C. Bashing

To the Editors,
On 24 APR 90 at 11:20 A.M., I began serving myself lunch, a part of which was a bowl of La Corona Mixed Berry Yogurt. When I removed the cup of yogurt from the salad bar, I found that the date on the bottom (clearly) read MAR 12. I then took the yogurt to the North House Kitchen.

After greeting the Student Food Service Director, Mr. Gary Hindoyan, I asked him whether he had yogurt cups refilled or replaced them as a whole. He denied refilling them. I then showed him the container of yogurt. He offered to me a container of Strawberry Yoplait Yogurt. I accepted it.

As I left, he argued that I had no right to complain about uncleanness in the kitchens because my room was likely also unclean. Although I did not grasp the logic of his argument I do recall a few of his more colorful statements. They included: "Why don't you shove it up your ass?", "Do you think your asshole is made of gold?", the fragment "... you fucking idiot. . .", "Why can't you [just (?)] act like a normal human-being?", and "Why don't you get your camera?"

In obscenity-punctuated speech he offered to inspect my room. He has not yet done so. (Later on the 24th, at about 1:30 P.M. Mr. Hindoyan offered an apology for his remarks.) Upon returning to the South House Kitchens at about 11:35 to continue my interrupted lunch-gathering, I encountered a person whom I believe was a food inspector, to whom I showed the cup of La Corona Mixed Berry Yogurt. I told him of Mr. Hindoyan's claim that he did not refill yogurt cups, although I commented that I believed that yogurt six weeks beyond expiration would look somewhat less appetizing. I find it disturbing that the other open containers of yogurt and cottage cheese in the salad bar had no date of expiration printed on them.

—Brandon Baumert
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Elect. Engineering

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Others felt that taking no action was better than instituting a GPA requirement.

McEliece's commented that improving the ratio was intended primarily to enhance opportunities for one-to-one contact and research. However, Jerry Hauck, EE senior, countered by suggesting that a research program be instituted. Such a program would limit enrollment for research opportunities, but nobody would be cut from EE as a major.

While these changes, if implemented, would affect classes with large numbers of students intending to be EEs, only 30 freshmen, 14%, expressed a desire to take that major. About 27% of the other three classes have EE as their option.

McEliece intends to take the proposals to the faculty board steering committee on Monday. The steering committee will then decide to pass the proposals on the

full committee. McEliece himself, however, is not pleased with the GPA requirement and may revise the proposal before the Monday meeting.

"We're not happy with this. We know it's a break from Caltech tradition, but there is no alternative," said McEliece at the Thursday meeting with students.

These two proposals represent only a short term solution. The EE department is also interested finding a permanent answer to the problem. Ultimately, says McEliece, the department would like to increase the faculty size. However, increasing the Electrical Engineering Department's faculty size would bring protests from other departments who would lose members because the total institute faculty size must remain about constant.

While the ratios remain high, the department is attempting to improve the classes in other ways. Next year, EE14 will feature three resident professors, Yu-Chong Tai, Rod Goodman and William Bridges, rather than a single visiting prof. The class will also incorporate lab work for the first time.

Ultimately, McEliece wants to see each EE to have his or her own lab workspace for the entire three years; also he would like to improve research opportunities for undergraduates.

Diversity

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be recognized? How does Caltech provide a positive atmosphere for people of varying sexual preference, and in what way could our environment be improved?

Competition with Other Universities: How do our efforts to include diverse people at Caltech compare with efforts at other top universities? Do we have a problem in this area? If so, are we at a competitive disadvantage in attracting good people to Caltech?

The moderator will be Carver Farrow, an undergraduate student who serves on the Y Executive Committee (EXCOMM). The panelists will be (in alphabetical order): Annmarie Eldering, graduate student (Environmental Engineering); Mary Kennedy, faculty (Biology); Clifton Kiser, undergraduate and Senior Class President; Jenijoy LaBelle, faculty (Humanities) and chair of the Affirmative Action Committee; Dan Langdale, staff and Director of Admissions; James Lee, faculty (History); Elaine Lindelef, undergraduate; Jon Melvin, staff (En-

gineering); Lucy Regan, graduate student (Chemical Engineering); Craig Steele, graduate student (Computer Science); Isaac Wong, graduate student (Computation in Neural Science); and Liping Yan, graduate student (Civil Engineering).

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—the eds.

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ASCIT Formal

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ASCIT Teaching Award

If you think a teacher or TA is deserving of an award, submit their name and the reason they deserve the award to ASCIT, 41-58 by next Tuesday.

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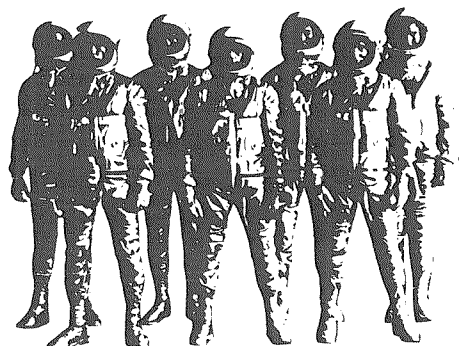


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ASCIT MINUTES

Noon Meeting

Present: Dave Geraghty, Pam Katz Rosten, Mark Lyttle, Aimee Smith, Scott Kister, Bill Swanson, Chris Brennen, Hall Daily, Aimee Ellicott, Barbara Green, Steve Koonin, Dan Langdale, and an assistant director of the Alumni Association

April 24. noon. Winnett Room A.

Overview: Dave gives a short presentation on what ASCIT has been doing, focusing on the recently approved budget, the Big T dues increase, appointed offices, upcoming Teaching Awards, possible radio station, ASCIT Formal on May 11, and Tanning Invitational on May 19.

Questions: Hall Daily: "Did TACIT come for money this year?" Dave: "Yes, but because of the general extravagance of their productions, they were budgeted far less than they requested." Chris Brennen: "Have you thought about putting aside money for a new van or rebuilding the present one?" Pam: "ASCIT has a surplus of approximately \$8,000 from last year so some of that will be set aside for possible van expenditures in the future."

Radio Station: Hall Daily: "What is this about a radio station?" Dave: "There seems to be a fairly large interest among the students, so I have been pursuing various avenues to assess the feasibility of a radio station." Hall says for help to contact KPCC and see how they operate. Steve Koonin asks if students will be able to start it up. Dave: "They did it at a state school, so I hope they can do it here."

The California Tech: General discussion of the editorial policy of the Tech. Is there any editorial policy? Scott: "Not really." Chris Brennan: "ASCIT has to quit pushing this subject under the rug." Dan Langdale: "I didn't mean to come out sounding like some older guy with a filter on life. I understand Caltech and student opinion more now." The Institute has had several cases in the past year of people being seriously injured by an Inside World. The Inside World began as merely an informational device for events such as parties and interhouse sports, so why can't it return to that. General consensus is that ASCIT should come out with an editorial policy regarding the Inside World, or individual houses should play a stronger part in control the excesses of individual Inside World writers. After the Student/Faculty Conference on

communication, the BOD will assess the best line of action to take.

Party Budget: Aimee gives a short presentation about her social budget, focusing on the fact that her budget will encourage more house interaction by funding multihouse parties more, and will give money for specifically non-alcoholic events. Chris Brennen drums up support for an ASCIT carnival, as the carnival proposed for the centennial celebration has been struck from the schedule.

Conclusion: Both the BOD and the faculty were pleased with the discussion that occurred and would like to continue with monthly meetings. Although no date is available at this time, the next ASCIT meeting with the faculty will be publicized once a date is settled on.

Night Meeting

Present: The BOD minus Jason MacLeod, Joe Andrieu, Sonny Arcilla, Dean Brettle, Larry Cheng, Sam Dinkin, Gary Eastvedt, Matt Fields, Jerry Hauck, Cathy Hafer, Mark Huie, Andrew Lundsten, Steve McLaughlin, Riki Moilanen, Chris Pluhar, Pete Rogan, Erich Schneider, Paul Socolow, Emily Wen, Anna Yeakley

April 24. 10:30 p.m. MOSH's

Excomm: Discussion of the Excomm for a while and get to see the people on the Excomm. Dave's proposed excomm is: Steve McLaughlin (chairman), Dean Brettle (Dabney), Cathy Hafer (Fleming), Anna Yeakley (Blacker), Larry Cheng (Rud-dock), Chris Pluhar (Ricketts), Pete Rogan (Lloyd), Ajay Chedda (Page). The Board approves (7-0-0) Dave's Excomm. Erich: "I can't think of anyone in Dabney who has the respect of the whole Dabney community."

Miscellaneous: The Big T editors finally received the release from Josten's for last year's contract signing problems. Riki and Erich receive money for a Dabney-Ricketts multihouse party. Discussion of *The California Tech* editor's salary is delayed for a week because nothing is on paper. Student Affairs has agreed to pay \$1200 for last year's CLUE. The BOD approves (7-0-0) the reimbursing of Dwight for an improvement to the athletic facilities as the project comes to fruition.

ASCIT Movie: The activities chairmen need \$2301 because Cinematch, which is no more,

View on the Honor System

By Jerry Hauck

A major concern raised at the Student-Faculty Conference on the Honor System was the need for more communication between members of the Caltech community concerning the Honor System. This weekly column was conceived in order to provide a forum for this communication. As previous members of the Board of Control, we hope our experience can provide insight into issues concerning the Honor System, although we do not claim to be "official" spokesmen for the Board of Control.

The Honor System exists because the students, faculty, and staff of Caltech have decided that they deserve the trust and respect afforded them by the Honor System. The survival of the Honor System depends on all members of the Caltech community actively supporting the Honor System, not just passively assuming that others will assure its success.

This passive attitude is reflected in the letter to the Editors last week. After listing three questionable actions, the author concludes, "You may ask why I have not reported them to the Board of Control ... [These events] were known to several other members of the community. Apparently, they

did not report them either. The point I want to make here is that honor system violations do occur and that sometimes they go unpunished." The Honor System cannot possibly survive if unhealthy attitudes such as this persist.

The Board of Control's purpose is not to police the student body. In this situation, it would have been better for the author or the other students mentioned to bring their questions or concerns to a Board of Control house representative or representative-at-large, the Board of Control chairman or secretary, the Deans, the MOSH, or the house RA's. Through this type of active participation, questionable actions can be addressed.

Another suggestion from the Student-Faculty conference aimed at increasing awareness was identifying current problem areas. The current Chairman of the Board has indicated three particular issues that should be addressed:

1) People may be ordering books, CDs, and tapes under false name and addresses. This, in and of itself, does not appear to put any community member at an unfair disadvantage. However, in order to collect on unpaid bills, companies may charge other members of the

Caltech community, or they may simply stop doing business with any Caltech address. Since this takes unfair advantage of community members, the Board may see reason to take action.

2) People eating board food without paying take advantage of Burger Continental and raise prices for other students. For these reasons, the Board of Control should be contacted in such situations.

3) While proper pranks are an enjoyable part of life at Caltech, under the Honor System they should be conducted with consideration given to other students' perceptions of the prank, their safety, and possible damage to property. It is also important to leave a truthful note indicating who was responsible. If unsure about these issues when planning a prank, feel free to talk to a Board member.

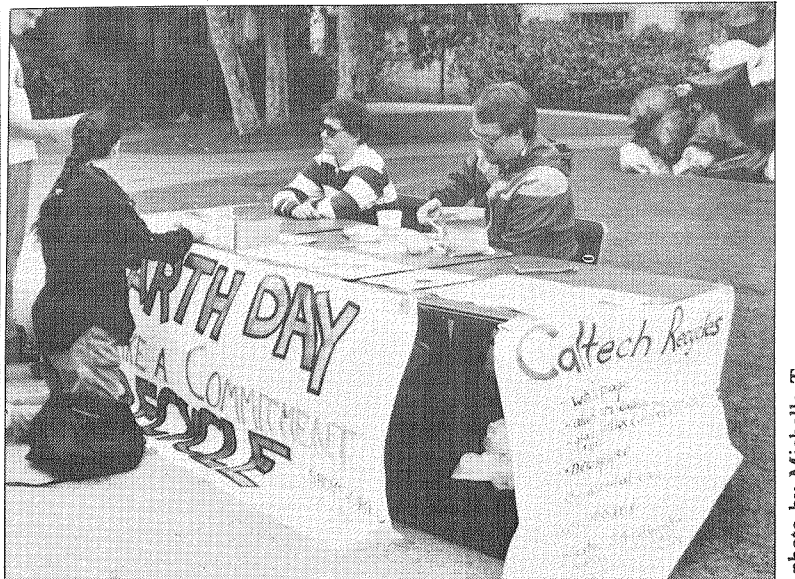
It is our hope that this column will encourage response and discussion among the community. Replies can be submitted to the Tech or we may be contacted individually. If you have questions or concerns for the current Board of Control, you can reach the chairman at campus extension 6200, or Mark Fey, 1-53, 577-4270, Jerry Hauck, 1-59, 568-1997.

owes them money and will not pay it. As the BOD had budgeted the movies \$2225 for this term, we will just give them \$2301 for this term.

1990-91 ASCIT Budget: Pam presents a slightly revised budget, and it is approved (7-0-0). The main change from the budget in last week's Tech is a fund set aside for either replacing the ASCIT Van or getting an engine rebuilt in the future. For the complete budget, contact Pam Katz Rosten.

ASCIT Accounts: ASCIT has three account numbers, one for their general fund, one for the van, and one for the movie. ASCIT needs an account number for the copier. Gary says we have one, and Pam will look into it.

Stats: None worth mentioning, at least for BOD members whose parents receive the paper. Next meeting is Tuesday, May 1 at 10:30 p.m. in the MOSH's Office.



Earth Day 1990 kicked off on campus at Friday's lunch with the recycling display sponsored by the Caltech Environmental Task Force. The display was later moved to the Earth Day festivities at the Arroyo Seco.

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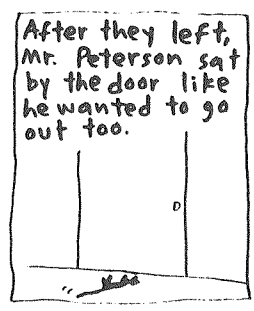
The Inside World

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Jim's Journal



by Jim

Dabney
 Tum tum da Dum! And again we made it through yet another pre-frosh weekend. Hopefully, but rather idealistically, there are no future little techers that will be running around on this campus in about nine months from now. Hey, I just call them like I see them, or hear them as the case may be. You know, this inside world scene ain't too bad. It's true, I'm not exactly making any friends, but I've done worse just talking to people in person. Speaking of talking let's hope that that was all our friend dan did with Amy's prefrosh this weekend. It would be horrid if in about a year there appeared a child that found pleasure in explosions and would never, ever shut up.

Speaking of which, I was noticing something about Seth's inside world last week. Is it just me or did he seem to be mentioning Dave Edwards' penis many, many times. Could you be developing a fixation Seth? I'd stop playing with this subject now. You've got to get a grip on this thing before it becomes to big for you to handle.

You know when you mention handling big things my mind begins to wander to thoughts of Mary Roe. It seems that a certain young sophomore in Dabney

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(whose asian decent I won't mention) is targeting her for a future love interest. The only problem that I see is that there is a slight size difference. Although I'm sure that our young darb would enjoy slow dancing with her. Up periscope! right guys? Good luck nameless young man

But back to pre-frosh weekend. I noticed that some people in Dabney House put up a banner on the Millikan Library. I believe it has something to do with Six Flags, but this is only conjecture since I don't ever get up that early. It seems that the Zitola dude may have been the participant. Whoops, I hope mentioning Richard R. Zitola's name doesn't get him into any trouble as the prankster. If I remember correctly the last time that this was done it was because a nobel awardee had passed on to his greater reward. Does the cancellation of a trip to Valencia compare? I'll have to think about that one.

I won't be the only one doing some heavy thinking here in Dabney. It's the Diana Barkan fan club and she seems to be possessing their thoughts these days. It seems that because of this woman's influence these young men are trying to learn all they can about the sex life of Einstein. It was really heartbreaking to see the poor boys come back from class with the realization that this woman was married. I haven't seen heads hung so low, so to speak, since the Olivia D'abo fanclub realized that she really wasn't interested in an engagement to Stanley Chen.

Finally, to demonstrate the dangers of speaking behind peoples back (as opposed to out in the open like in this forum) I'd like to relate a recent incident. It seems that a prefrosh here in Dabney was bad mouthing her host and said it in confidence to a Darb, one Chris Raymond. Chris then told some of his friends who gleefully received this news that someone would judge the poor host maliciously. Unfortunately, later when they were again reveling in the moment of this realization about the girl's judgment, one of the boys asked the other, Tracy Fu, what this prefrosh looked like. Tracy then proceeded to turn around and notice that the girl was standing a mere two feet away. Then they proceeded to ask what she thought of her host, at which time she began to LIE to them and say she was a useful, smart individual who's company she loved and if any of this false accusation stuff got back to her she would be greatly distressed. All three of the men involved were greatly embarrassed and disgusted with themselves, vowing never to be this silly ever again. Now I hope you learned a lesson from this little story and the plight of these nice young men. If your going to talk behind peoples back, make sure you know what they look like.

-the Dabney Dude

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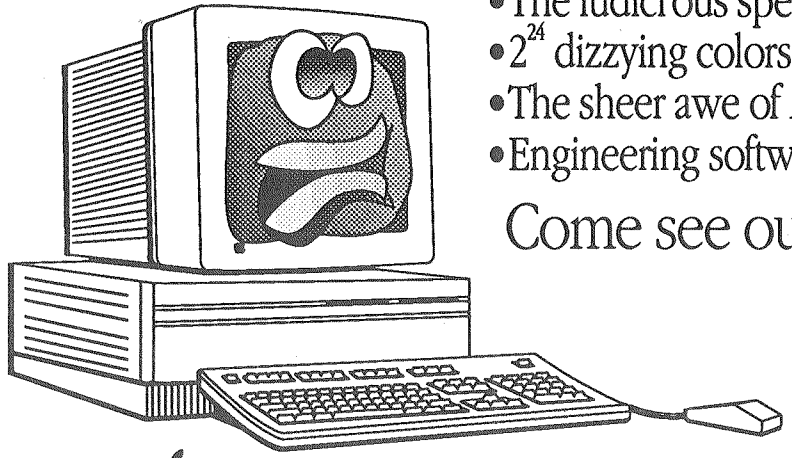
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The Inside World

Fleming

"Where are you? Nevermind... The Prefrosh Are Gone!!! BWAH-HA-HA!! And the world is a warm huggy place." (The preceding message is courtesy of Ingrid's Whiteboard.) Welcome to the first Fleming House Inside World of the third and FINAL term here at... wherever the hell this is. I heard somebody say something about where men are men, giants walk the earth, and the thundering herd is real. Sounds cool. Well, onward and upward.

Just when I thought I'd seen it all (or at least most of it), in the courtyard today, Bill told me his jeans were too long. SCAREEEEE!!

Yes, that's right, we all seemed to survive Prefrosh Weekend. And, unfortunately in some cases, so did all of them. They came in talking of admissions and SAT's, things even frosh here have forgotten (or so it seems). The pitter patter of little feet echoed through our hallowed BIG RED halls as they wandered through, discovering the true life of this oh so... dare I say "dead"?... campus. As "in the past," the ratio was thrown totally out of whack, much to the pleasure of more than a few techers. (Sound familiar, Rob?) But enough about my cute prefroshette.

Prefrosh learned the fear and aching stomach associated with cries of "Tommy's!!!" They developed a keen homing device for stereos playing "The Ride," and began to understand how shitty the parties on campus really are. Most of all, they learned, or should I say MASTERED, the concept of "How to get your host REALLY wet at dinner." All in all, our prefrosh—or is that prefroshes—were not at all a bad group of kids, including our adopted son Matt from Minnesota who cried, "Please don't make me eat in Dabney!! It's bad enough to have to sleep there." Poor kid. First Minnesota, and then Dabney.

Well, enough about our damn prefrosh for now. It's time for...

Top Ten List of Quotes I Found Written Down in Random Places of the House:

10. "It doesn't vibrate. It oozes." —Fuller
9. "A woman without a man is like a goldfish without a bicycle." —Anon.
8. "You guys always come in my room and eat my nuts." —RoboFLEM
7. "Life is like a penis. It has its ups and downs, it's never as long as you want it to be, and just when you're ready to make your mark, everything you say is spit back up in your face." —The Duke
6. "So we spread it out on the floor and we were doing it." —the most innocent frosh(ette)
5. "My hair is inflammable." —Just guess who----
4. "Women are like lava lamps. They are either too cold or too bubbly." —Mr. "I wish I were Tigger"
3. "You suck on it a little while and our mouth starts to hurt!" —the only woman in Alley Three
2. "What happened to all the white stuff? I just rubbed it in. Are you supposed to rub it in?" —the only frosh in Alley 1 who has a personal house list
1. "The world is a warm huggy place. It really is." —Gookman

And since the world really is a warm huggy place, I'd like to end by saying that Jeff Martin wants to say "Hi!" to his mom and three dogs—Berkeley, Sundance and Shadow—in Akron Ohio. (I wonder why he thought of them together???) Also this is the LAST time I will EVER write something of that nature in the Inside World. But... speaking of Martin... for those of you keeping score, the pillow/rugby/wrestling match is tied at one. Bye for now.

—MOM

The Inside World

Ricketts1

I walked into the arcade. There, on the other side of the room, past the Pac-Man, the pinball machines, and the cheesy bowling booths, it stood. A flat table with about eight holes in it. Next to the table was a large mallet. I walked up and hefted the mallet. It felt good in my hand. Suddenly, one of the viscous beasts popped up through a hole. I pounded it savagely with the mallet. Ding! A couple more appeared and I dispatched them also. Ding! Ding! They began appearing faster and faster. Ding! Ding! Ding! Ding-DingDingDingDing!!! Eventually they overwhelmed me. I felt wet, but I knew that I had given them a good fight. Remember... Ding!

But on to more important things. Wasn't it nice of the administration to send us that nifty "How to" manual on sexual harassment last week? Now we know all of the ways to make life miserable for the women here. And remember "The Master's Office is another alternative for undergrads," as I'm sure all our friends in Dabney can attest to. In the wake of this year's outpouring of guidelines and policies, I expect that we will soon see Caltech's policy on another matter of vital importance:

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Joanna is quite pleased with the edicts from on high handed down to the Froosh Five. Now she has five slaves to drag off to Earth Day and other activist community service

deals. Concerning Earth Day, I think Ben summed up the majority opinion at dinner Monday. That's Ricketts—House of Social Awareness and Responsibility.

The corybantic shavelings of the house moseyed off to Dabney Wednesday night and gave them a demonstration of their harmonious talents. Unfortunately, they then returned and reverted to their normal cacophony. But soon they'll be gone to share with everyone else, so we'll have some peace for a while.

And now... It's back! Rude/Slander Futon: What is all of the commotion at the south end of Snatch. Both of the rooms seem to be busy with people going in and out. One appears to be the HQ of the Anti-Feminists society, but what's going on over in Guru's room? The computer room is filled with people flagrantly violating any number of policies by playing Leisure Suit Larry III. No one seems to be especially shocked though. Maybe the Froosh are more resilient in their sensibilities than they are given credit for. Erich claims that he gave up trying to gain employment as a personality backup, but he seems to do too good a job as Julian. The musical selections from the computer room, ABBA, Bee Gees, and Duran Duran, belie the truth. Ricketts, where the '70s never ended!

Senior Profile: Leopold Travis. During his first year at Tech, Leopold had the makings of an A-1 Geek, calculating Pi to ludicrous numbers of digits and getting stuffed in trashcans. But since then, he has developed into a true Stud, most notably after returning from a trip home this summer. He reappeared with his hair tied back, hints of color to his clothing, and a car. Then, once the year began, he took up karate, clearly to further his new image as a Superhunk. Taking on the characteristics of his anagram, Elvis, A Pot Lord, Leopold is certain to go on to grad school and life leaving a trail of broken hearts behind him.

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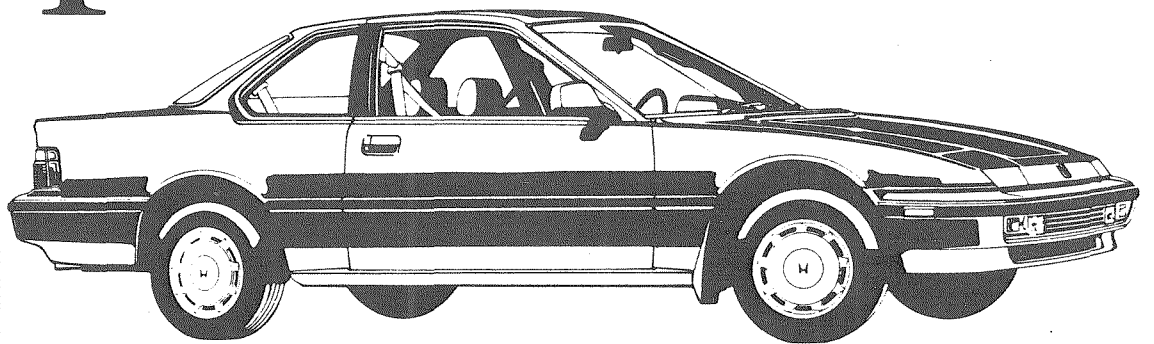
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International Day: Coming Friday, June 1. There will be a planning meeting for all interested in participating on Monday, April 30, at 8:00pm in room 13 of the SAC.

Ballroom Dancing is back! Featured this term will be the Viennese Waltz. Dancing is being held 4:00-5:00 p.m. Tuesdays in Winnett Lounge. The price for the whole term is \$20. Sign up in the Y.

The Inside World

Ruddock

I was flicking in the lounge, flipping through all the TV channels—just looking for something good to watch, when I found *Saturday Night Live*. I settled back to be a couch potato for the next hour and a half when suddenly, the words "DREAM SEQUENCE! DREAM SEQUENCE!" flashed in psychedelic colors before my eyes. Before I realized what was happening, I was sucked at warp speed into the dream world of TV land.

Suddenly, I heard a voice saying, "Live from Ruddock House, it's Saturday Night!" The audience was jamming to some really cool music. The heavy bass guitar could be the licks of only one person: Dave Peterson. As he finished a huge riff, John Bomberger walked out onto the stage. "Well, we have a great show tonight! FISHBONE is our musical guest, so stick around!" At that news everyone started pounding on their armrests. "So," he continued, "before we go to a commercial, are there any announcements?" The audience was dead (as dead as a live audience can be) quiet. "Are there any jokes?" he asked hopefully. As everyone peered at everyone else, John picked out a likely candidate, "Jenn! Do you have a joke for us?" Once again, everyone enthusiastically pounded on their armrests. I was almost jolted out of my chair! (Mudd probably recorded it as a 6.5.)

Stoically, Jenn stared back and flatly said, "No, I do not have a joke nor will I ever have a joke!" Excited faces turned to droops of disappointment. But Dave rescued the audience's spirits as he hit us with another barrage of guitar.

FLASH!

The scene cut to Colin sitting at a table with a bowl of cereal. He grinned at the audience and began, "Do you know how much B.C. food you'd have to eat to get 100% fiber a day?"

"Oh, no," I thought, "not another one of those long know-it-all speeches." "Well," he continued, "you'd have to eat ten pounds of B.C. seven days a week for the rest of your life," (loud groans emitted from the audience), "to get the dietary fiber that's in one bowl of Colin Blow. Yes, with one bowl a week, Colin Blow will clean out your system in a jiffy."

FLASH!

The scene changed to show Jing and Kim dressed in athletic clothes and standing in 1.5.

"Hi, I'm Jing!"

"And I'm Kim."

"And we're here to Beat—YOU—up! they said as they clapped their hands. "Alright, hear me now and believe me later, little birdy-man, I could break your little birdy legs and use them as toothpicks," said Jing as she pointed to Mark Land.

"Yeah," said Kim to Rich, "and I could just wrestle you to the ground and then bone-crush you." She clapped her fist into her palm for emphasis.

Mark and Rich both looked properly frightened.

FLASH!

Then suddenly I had a view of the outside of Ruddock. Fang was screeching down San Pasqual in Steve Chang's hot new red sports car! A nice tune started: "He drives around, all over the town, Fang the driving cat!" "Fang, the Cat Who Could Drive a Car," appeared on the screen. He drove into the Ruddock driveway and headed for a parking space. "Eeeeeerrrrrrr... BOOM!" The car scraped a tree and crashed through Chris and John's room. Dented and smashed, the car was hopeless (the room was even worse), but Fang backed up and drove down the street again! "He drives around, all over the town, Fang the driving cat!" faded into the background.

FLASH!

"Cable One," with a really lame picture of a family having a picnic, appeared on the screen. Then "NEAL'S WORLD" flashed around in psychedelic colors accompanied by guitar licks and voices screaming, "Neal's World! Neal's World!"

"Alright! Party on, Alan!" Neal said as he finished strumming his guitar. "Party on, Neal!" replied Alan.

"Okay, let's bring out our guest for tonight. Would you please welcome Matt Tucker." Neal resumed furiously picking his guitar. Matt came in and sat down next to Alan.

"Hey, dude, glad you could make it," greeted Alan.

"Yeah, dude, I'm glad to be here," Matt said as he adjusted his cap.

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"Hey, dude, have you seen the total sea of babe-itude at Caltech?" Neal asked. Matt grinned and said, "Oh, totally awesome, dude!"

"Yeah, dude, when I first came to Caltech, I thought I was in Babe-alonia!" Alan joined in.

Okay, that's all we have time for tonight. Party on!" Neal broke into a fury of guitar as they all said, "Neal's World! Neal's World!" and "NEAL'S WORLD" once again flashed all over the screen.

FLASH!

The words were replaced by pictures of guys in fashionable European clothes and "SPROCKETS" in large black and white letters. "Hi, my name is Jon Liljeblad, Psychomongol, and this is Shprockets. Pet mayh monkee! Pet mayh monkee! Okay, now it is time to dance." In a black turtle neck and black slacks, he danced semi-Egyptian style up to the camera and then danced off the screen.

FLASH!

Some very primitive music started playing and was accompanied by the grunting of "Mateo of the Cave People." Mateo, slightly crouched, appeared. "I am Mateo of the cave people," he proclaimed as he beat his chest. "I can do a great many things: sleep, eat, even play video games. Yet, I do not know how to walk with a woman." He stomped his feet sadly. He perked up his ears and then turned his back and walked away as "Mateo of the Cave People..." came on again and faded out.

FLASH!

Wearing a three-piece and a goofy grin, Duppy came in and sat behind a news desk. "Good evening folks, and what can I tell ya?" Someone off-screen started pulling on his sleeve.

"Can I take your picture?" he said in a high-pitched, whiny voice while continuing to tug on Duppy's sleeve. "I wanna take your picture. LEMME TAKE YOUR PICTURE!"

"Stop it, Annoying Keith. Hey, cut it out. I said stop that!" Duppy barely managed to push him off-screen before a loud noise interrupted.

"BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!"

"Oh, no, folks, don't look now—It's the Durasoff bunny!" Duppy said with an amused look.

Matt, wearing a huge set of pink rabbit ears and carrying a large drum, marched across the table. "BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOO—" The drumming stopped abruptly as he fell off the edge of the table and disintegrated in a vat of acid.

Duppy scribbled on the papers in front of him with an extravagant flourish of the hand and finished off with, "Guess what, folks. That's the news, and I am outta here!"

Whew! After that SNL, so was I.

—The Masked Trekkie and Forehead

Ricketts2

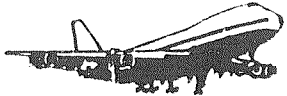
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The Inside World

Hands took over. He went to the beeping phone and picked it up. "Hello, this is the lounge. No, everything's fine here, just a minor...um... sexual disfunction. Situation normal... how are you? No.. not good, bad, real bad... aw hell." He stepped back and hosed the phone. "Duke," he yelled down the corridor, "this is going to really suck!" Meanwhile, I had found and opened Leah's cell. "Isn't that a little short for a Dormtrooper's?" "She asked pointedly. I hefted my gun, and it looked OK to me. "I'm Duke Phlikker; I'm here with Guru Kenobi. I've come to involve you in this hideous story." "Guru Kenobi, Grad Knight?!" "Where?" About this time, Hands yelled and the door exploded. He and Ross came rushing down the hall, laying down covering bursts. Leah squealed, "Hi big fuzzy wookie," and Ross grinned. The troopers kept coming and Leah yelled at us from behind a grating, "Get a clue, FROSH!" We all tumbled into the tunnels. "What an amazing place you've discovered," said Hands. He read off the wall, "Remember kids, fight crime, brush your teeth. Ut." Something was moving in the shadows and Leah shrieked. Out popped a short, twisted one-eyed dwarf. He said, "Hello, I'm looking for Disneyland. I know you won't tell me where it is. Nobody likes me, I'm just a poor little Mole. I'm so cold, and tired, hungry, and horny..." "That's pathetic." Hands shot him. We consulted with CPU-O and left the tunnels, heading back towards the landing deck. Immediately, Dormtroopers saw us and the chase sequence was on. Leah and I split off from the others and almost ran into a huge shaft filled with important looking blinking lights. The troopers were right behind us, so I swung my trusty bat-a-rang (\$2.50 from the Smoggoine Sears) and got a hold. I grabbed Leah and said, "How about a kiss, for luck?" She smirked and said, "Not until your pectorals pulsate." Resignedly, I swung us across. Hands and Ross had already gotten the terminals, and were waiting for us. Where were all the Dormtroopers? Then I saw Guru and a huge black-clad figure dueling beyond the watching troops. Dense Vader made asthmatic sounds and creaked when he walked, but Guru was working hard to keep up with him. Guru took a battle stance and Vader came in for a punch. "Boot to the head," said Guru, as he scored on the dark helmet. Vader shook it off and said, "No brain, no effect," in a thick Slavic accent. Then Guru saw me. He turned to me and leered a little. "Once you were the T.A. and I was the frosh. Now, I am the master," said Vader. "Only a master of Tetris, Dense," said Guru, launching another boot to the head. He continued, "If you strike me down..." "I will be the last master of the Force and will rule the galaxy," said Vader, wheezing with triumph. "I think not," said Guru, vanishing in a puff of logic. "NOOOO" I whined as I shot the doors for no good reason. Then I heard this voice inside me say, "Duke, RUN AWAY!" Hands pulled me aboard ship and we jumped away from the Lab Station.

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International Day, 1990

This year's Caltech International Day will be on June 1st (Friday). Students from various countries will display Caltech's diverse ethnicity via art displays, dances, food, etc. Live entertainment and the quality of food has made this day a great success for the last two years. Representatives from clubs or individuals interested are invited to the organizational meeting on April 30 (Monday) in Rm. 13 SAC at 8:00 pm.

For more information call: Amit Lal, x3968, or the Caltech Y, x6163.

Renaissance Pleasure Faire

The Caltech Y still has Renaissance Pleasure Faire tickets for \$10.50 (regularly \$14.50). Come in any time, Monday-Friday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Ballroom Dancing Is Back

This term's Ballroom Dancing is a continuation from last term's class (you will learn new moves!). The cost is \$20, and the times are 4:00 to 5:00 pm on Tuesdays in the Winnett Lounge. Sign up today!!

Entrepreneurial Dinner

Miton Mohr, former President and CEO of Quotron (stockbroker software systems) will be speaking on "Experiences in Technical Dependent Companies" on Tuesday, May 1, 1990 at 6:30 pm in the Athenaeum. The deadline for signups is today, April 27 at 5:00 pm in the Caltech Y. The cost is FREE but space is limited.

Sexual Preferences...

The Caltech Y and the Deans' Office are sponsoring the second round of talks on diversity at Caltech. See the article in this issue for details. Today, noon to 2 pm in Winnett Lounge.

YMCA Summer Jobs

If you like camping, and are interested in working in one of the many YMCA summer camps this year, nationwide, see Brian Redin at the Caltech Y.

Play Bridge

Play bridge at the Caltech Bridge Club this Monday. We meet every Monday at 7:15 pm at the Red Door Cafe in Chandler Dining Hall. No card fee, no membership fee, no partner needed. Undergrads, grads, faculty, etc. welcome.

SSSSP Tutors Needed!

The Summer Secondary School Science Program will be needing tutors from June 25th through August 9, 1990. The hours are from 9 am to 3:30 pm, Monday through Thursday. Needed are: 4 tutors teaching molecular biology, and 4 teaching chemistry. First preference is seniors, followed by juniors and then sophomores. Applicants may call x6207 or x6208, or visit Lee Browne's office at 107 Winnett Center.

Music For Brass

The Caltech Brass Ensembles, directed by William Bing, and the Caltech Men's Glee Club, conducted by Dr. Donald Caldwell, will be performing in Dabney Hall Lounge on Friday, April 27 at 8:00 pm. The Glee Club will perform Argento's *The Revelation of St. John the Divine*, and the brass ensembles will play music by Pachelbel, Bruckner, Buxtehude, and Ives. The concert is free and open to the public.

Fresh Baked Plants!

The Caltech Service League Plant and Bake Sale will take place today, April 27th from 8 am to 1 pm at the Winnett Patio. Join the Caltech family at this sale of plants and home-baked goodies. There will also be a raffle of unique plants and specialty baked goods donated by local merchants. Take your break with us at the Coffee Bar. Profits from this benefit are used to enhance the happiness and welfare of all Caltech students.

Interested in Sailing?

You too can use the Caltech sailboats. Find out how by joining the Caltech Sailing Club. Contact Axel or Martin at (818) 568-9168. Open to students, faculty and staff.

Don Shepard Essay Contest

The Don Shepard Essay Award contest is open to all freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. Three \$500 prizes will be awarded.

To qualify for one of the prizes you must submit an essay (around 500 words) types, or neatly and legibly written, describing a program for your social and cultural enrichment, whether it by pursuing a new hobby, taking lessons, traveling or sightseeing.

The contest will run until May 14, 1990 and you may bring your essay to the Master's Office until that time. Winners will be announced the week of May 14.

Free Food Money!?!?

The Caltech Y along with the Caltech Service League have allocated monies (lots of) to encourage student/faculty interaction. Specifically, students can receive \$25 to defray the cost of a lunch, dinner or some cultural event with a faculty member. All events must be pre-approved through Brian Redin at the Caltech Y.

Gay/Lesbian Discussion Group

On the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month, all students, staff and faculty are invited to an ongoing discussion of Lesbian/Gay topics, from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. After the talk, time is devoted to informal talking, with refreshments provided. This confidential meeting is held in the Health Center Conference Room; call x8331 for further information.

Free Money

In its annual display of generosity, the Caltech Student Investment Fund will be giving over \$4,000 to Caltech clubs and organizations. Money is for capital improvements only. Please submit one page proposals to: SIF Disbursements, 142-58. For more info, call 568-9855. Proposals must be RECEIVED no later than 5:00 May 17.

Grads—Apply For Housing!

Graduate student housing applications for 1990-91 are now available. If you need an application form, pick one up at the Housing Office. Deadline to apply is May 1, 1990. A lottery will be scheduled to allocate the available rooms.

May Day Festival

The Caltech/Occidental Medieval Renaissance Society will be holding a May Day Festival on Saturday, 5 May 1990. It will be from 10 a.m. to midnight, at Occidental College. Events include bardic singing, jousting, heraldry and court dancing. Admission is free. For more information, call Wes Boudville, x4293.

Hey All You Creative Types

Fang is an intercollegiate literary magazine. It is looking for short fiction, non-fiction, poetry, and photographs of drawings. Contact Jo at (213) 745-1417 or Eric at Fleming 47 if you are interested in submitting material and/or becoming a regular correspondent.

Graduating Students!!

Now is the time to fill out your "Graduating Student Survey" to let us know what you're doing with your life after Caltech!! If you're still not sure what you're doing, let us know what your possibilities are. If you do know what you're doing, please take a few minutes to completely fill out the survey. We need your information by Friday, May 11 or as soon as possible thereafter. Remember, all information is CONFIDENTIAL so be complete. Thank you.

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Applications are available in the Financial Aid Office at 515 S. Wilson Ave. The deadline for submitting completed applications to the Financial Aid Office is 5:00 pm on May 4, 1990.

Need Financial Aid?

All undergraduates applying for student financial aid are reminded that the priority deadline for submitting documents in support of 1990-91 aid applications is May 1, 1990. Applications will be reviewed as completed. Please contact the Financial Aid Office with any questions.

AT&T Awards

On Monday, April 23rd, the sixth AT&T Research and Development Awards of \$500 each were presented to four Caltech undergraduates. AT&T donated this money to recognize juniors in the Division of Engineering and Applied Science for academic excellence and service to Caltech and the community. The awards were presented over dinner at The Athenaeum by Mr. Alex Gillon of AT&T to: Larry Cheng, Gregory James, Scott Kister, and Annetta Papadopoulos.

Scholarship Listings

The Financial Aid Office has applications and/or information on the following scholarships. All qualified students are encouraged to apply. The office is located at 515 S. Wilson, 2nd floor, phone x6280.

California Council of the Blind is offering a number of awards to applicants who will enter or continue studies at an accredited college or university in either undergraduate or graduate status. Awards will be granted on the basis of academic scholarship and other factors including financial need. Deadline for application, transcripts and records is June 1, 1990.

The American Petroleum Institute will grant scholarships to students with permanent residency in Kern County. Several criteria used are scholastic ability, financial need and level of school and non-school activities. Deadline for a completed application form and up-to-date transcript is May 7, 1990.

The Society of Women Engineers announce their 1990-91 Freshman and Reentry Scholarship Program for all qualified women students who have been accepted into the engineering curriculum. Deadline for applications and supportive materials is May 15, 1990.

Automotive Hall of Fame is offering scholarships for the Outstanding Scholars and Hall of Fame Resume Bank programs and a scholarship from the Hall of Fame's Automotive Educational Fund. Deadline for submitting a complete application is May 31, 1990.

Japanese Government Scholarship for 1990: Applicants must be U.S. citizens between 18-30 years old as of Oct. 1, 1990, third year students specializing in a field concerning Japanese language or culture. Application forms are available at the Consulate General of Japan, (213) 624-8305, attention: Ms. Ildiko Gedeon. Deadline for submitted applications is May 3, 1990.

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Rock 'Til You Drop

By Ian Agol

This past Saturday, 72 rock climbers from the greater L.A. area participated in the 2nd annual "Rock Til You Drop" climbing competition sponsored by Sports Chalet in La Canada. All routes took place on two Enterprise overhanging climbing walls set up for the event in the Sports Chalet parking lot. These consisted of rough fiberglass panels attached to metal scaffolding, which had various changeable holds attached to them to vary the difficulty of the climbs. The preliminary route was a 5.10a climb, which 95% of the participants completed. Only 7 climbers finished the second route, rated at 5.11a, which qualified them for the day's final route. Only one of the climbers completed the final route, rated at 5.11d.

Seven of the participants were from Caltech. Impressive showings were put in by Rudy Hofmeister, who tied for third for the day, and by Matt Newlin and Remy Sanouillet, who fell near the top of the second climb, placing them in the top ten and qualifying them for next week's finals. Also, Rich Gilbrech, Suzanne Paulson, and Neil Humphrey made admirable climbs. Since there were fewer than ten women climbers, Suzanne will go on to next week's finals.

Every participant received a "Rock Til You Drop" t-shirt, and many received entrance prizes of various climbing equipment. It was a fun day of climbing, watching others climb, and meeting other climbers. The finals will take place next Sunday in the Sports Chalet parking lot, La Canada, starting at 9:00 in the morning. Qualifiers from last Saturday's competition as well as the competition to be held next Saturday at Huntington Beach will participate in the finals at La Canada. All those interested in climbing should go watch and support our Caltech Climbers.

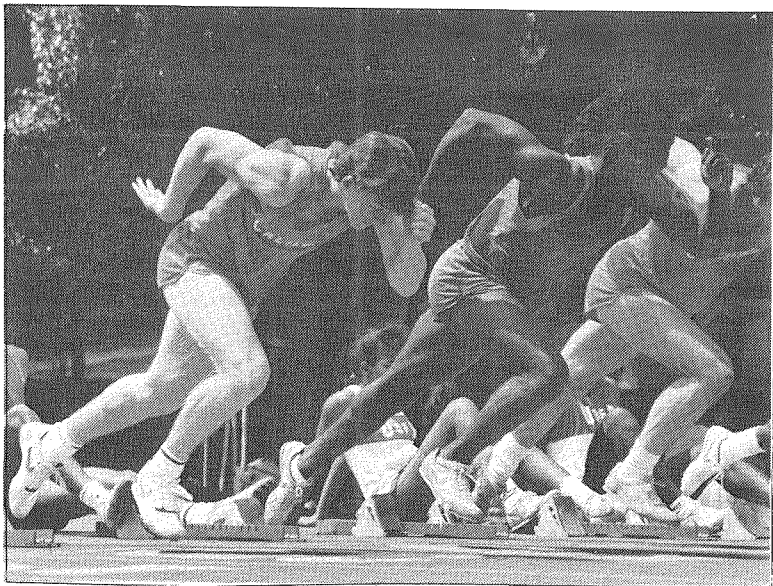


photo by Sheldon Lim

Rob Whitely (left) and Brady Montz shoot out of the starting blocks in the 100 meter race. Caltech faced LaVerne, Pomona-Pitzer, and Redlands in the SCIAC meet at Caltech's track.

Track Team Goes 1-2

by Chris Campo

Saturday April 21 should have been dubbed "Speedy Saturday" as several Beavers shot to season bests on the all-weather Caltrack. Although Redlands pounded Caltech (112-43) and Pomona pounded Tech (122-35), the Techers took out their frustration by crushing LaVerne (96-9).

In the sprints Brady Montz and Rob Whiteley were the men of the day. Montz motored through the 100 meter race in 11.55 to finish third. Teammate Whiteley ripped a 23.66 in the 200 meter race to finish sixth.

Greg Dudey, Tech's premiere 400 meter hurdler, ran a swift 58.07 to finish second in his event.

The middle distance races were highlighted by performances from freshmen John Freeman and Alan Thompson. Freeman ran fast from the outset in the 800 meters, coming through the first 400 in a blazing 57 seconds. John held on to come back in 60, finishing second with a time of 1:57.5. Fellow Beaver runner Alan Thompson also took it out fast in his race, running 65 seconds for the first 400 meters of the 1500 meter race. Thompson then settled into his pace and finished a strong fourth in 4:25. Steeple-man Scott Kister ran a

season best 11:13 in the 3000 meter steeplechase to finish second.

In the field events, two Randy's excelled. Randy Stevenson cleared an impressive 13 feet to take second place in the pole vault. Teammate Randy Ralph was first in the high jump with a height of 6'4.75". In the triple jump, Jack Prater ran, skipped, and hopped his way to third place with a jump of 41'7.75".

The Women

The scores on the women's side were Redlands 66 - Caltech 36, Pomona 112 - Caltech 16, and Caltech 62 - LaVerne 28.

Highlighting the meet for Tech were a few key performers, Kitt Hodsdon was the sprint performer of the day. She was fifth in the 100 (15.57) and fifth in the 400 (1:08).

Emmeline Naranjo, Tech's premiere hurdler in the absence of injured Liz Warner, was fourth in the 100-meter hurdles (18.74) and third in the 400- meter hurdles (1:18.4).

Jennifer Remine threw the shot 28'7.5" to finish fourth in that event.

With the competition of the SCIAC Championship meet, to be held Friday and Saturday nights at the University of Redlands, Tech's track season for 1990 will have ended.

by Jim

Jim's Journal



WEEKLY SPORTS RESULTS

Day	Date	Sport	Opponent	Results
Fri.	4-20	Baseball	PCBBC	14-4
Sat.	4-21	Tennis (W)	Claremont Mudd-Scripps	0-9
Sat.	4-21	Baseball (2)	Cal Lutheran	3-15, 2-12
Sat.	4-21	Track	LaVerne, Pomona-Pitzer, Redlands	vs. LaVerne, M 96-9, W 62-28; vs P-P, M 35-122 W 36-112; Redlands, M 43-112, W 36-66
Sat.	4-12	Tennis (M)	Pomona-Pitzer	0-9
Wed.	4-25	Tennis (W)	Whittier	4-5

WEEKLY SPORTS CALENDAR

Day	Date	Time	Sport	Opponent	Location
Fri.	4-27	1:00 pm	Track	SCIAC Championship	Redlands
Fri.	4-27	3:00 pm	Baseball	Occidental	Occidental
Sat.	4-28	10:00 am	Tennis (W)	La Verne	La Verne
Sat.	4-28	11:00 am	Baseball (2)	Occidental	Caltech
Sat.	4-28	1:00 pm	Track	SCIAC Championship	Redlands
Sat.	4-28	2:00 pm	Tennis (M)	La Verne	La Verne
Mon.	4-30	7:00 am	Golf	SCIAC Tournament	Pomona-Pitzer
Tue.	5-1	3:00 pm	Tennis (M)	Christ College	Caltech
Fri.	5-4	12 noon	Tennis (M)	SCIAC Tournament	Whittier
Fri.	5-4	12 noon	Tennis (W)	SCIAC Tournament	TBA
Fri.	5-4	3:00 pm	Baseball	Claremont-Mudd	Caltech
Sat.	5-5	All Day	Tennis (M)	SCIAC Tournament	Whittier
Sat.	5-5	All Day	Tennis (W)	SCIAC Tournament	TBA
Sat.	5-5	11:00 am	Baseball (2)	Claremont-Mudd	Claremont
Sat.	5-5	1:00 pm	Track	Northridge Open	Cal State Northridge

Tech Pilots Storm Arizona

by Barry Sheehy

Defying the appalling weather for which southern California is so well-known, members of the Caltech Precision Flying Team escaped from the LA Basin to compete in the annual SAFECON flying contest.

Once again there was stiff opposition from the pseudo-military flight teams of Embry-Riddle, Cochise College, San Jose State, Mount San Antonio College, Arizona State, University of Arizona, Orange Coast College and Palomar. Dressed in "Top Gun" flight suits and addressing each other by handles such as "Equalizer" and "Wing Man", these future professional pilots take their competition very seriously indeed. But they weren't ready for the onslaught of Tech.

The contest was held in Sierra Vista, near the Mexican border in South-East Arizona. The Caltech team had made lengthy advance preparations, and was eager to get airborne. Jim Kaufman, Joe Sivo, Thomas Buettgenbach, Kevin Condroski, Rob Ferber and Barry Sheehy had done their flight planning and packed their bags, but the weather was not co-operating. The thick cloud which is so common in Los Angeles refused to go away, and frustrated team-members spent all day Friday polishing the airplanes at the airport. Condroski and Buettgenbach took off and scouted for any clear weather which would allow them to get over the mountains. Late in the afternoon they found it, and were in Blythe by nightfall. Ferber and Sheehy held off, but the weather cleared enough for them to make an early-morning dash out of the

Basin, arriving in Blythe by 6a.m. Despite heroic efforts Kaufman and Sivo were unable to find clear weather and were forced to cancel.

Leaving Blythe at dawn, Thomas Buettgenbach and Kevin Condroski made it to the contest with minutes to spare, and turned right around to compete in the cross-country navigation event. Both turned in impressive performances under difficult and turbulent conditions, reaching their checkpoints within seconds of the designated times on flights of over one hour duration each. All four fliers competed in the rest of the events, with Rob Ferber stunning the "macho dudes" by landing his Cessna right on the target in the spot-landing contest - a rare achievement. The "bomb-drop" event was generally thought to be the most fun, with aircraft playing follow-the-leader to the drop zone and back.

In the face of such determined and highly-trained opposition, the Caltech team did not win any of the events this year. However, Caltech was the only school to feature in the keynote speech at the prize-giving dinner, and not only once, but twice. The speaker encouraged the competitors always to pursue excellence, as Caltech is so famous for doing. He also remarked that flying in the cross-country event as Thomas Buettgenbach's check-pilot had been the most fun he'd had in ages.

The party at the motel afterward went on until the early hours of Monday, when the partygoers climbed out of the jacuzzi to get some sleep - even "macho-dude" (and dude-ette) pilots need their sleep before the long flight home.

Food Committee Notes of the meeting on April 19, 1990

Witnesses to the Event: Gary, Dave Stevens (Chrmn.), Andrew Lundsten (BL), Maggie Taylor (DA), Jessica Barnett (FL), Emily Wen (LL), Allen Corcorran (PA), Debi Tuttle (RI), Jen Forman (RU), Patti Pratt, Nancy Carlton, and Denise Schaeffer.

Nutrition News: Denise Schaeffer, a Registered Dietician, has recently joined us. She comes from UCLA. She'll be evaluating BC food (with Gary) on its fat content, nutritional value, variety, balance, sodium level, etc. She will also be helping Gary work on 4 or 5 week menu cycles, since she's brought all the recipes (including vegetarian) from UCLA. She would like input from YOU about what you would like to see (or would rather never see again!) So TALK TO YOUR FOOD REP about it, because Denise has no idea what the students want and needs some guidelines. She will also be having office hours in a few

weeks, for people who would like to talk to her personally.

Complaints: aluminum from baking pans gets stuck to rice crispie treats, food should have individual serving spoons during dinner, dirty silverware, employees handling food in an unsanitary manner (if you see this, tell Gary or Steve immediately!), vegetables overcooked (they sit too long on the steam table before dinner), underripe fruit (esp. bananas and pears).

Requests: strawberry, boysenberry, and other-berry pies, 2% milk, more nonfat milk, more tea varieties in South Kitchen. Compliments: like the strawberries and mixed fruits, the pot roast was tasty, Fruit Loops, Yoplait, and Apple Jacks are quite popular, the pancakes were good, and the meatball sandwiches were OK. Possibly . . . we may be seeing frozen yogurt in the ice cream machines once a week or so.

Respectfully submitted,
Debi Tuttle

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