

# Last PDQ Bach Concert

by Gavin Claypool

That master of musical mischief, P.D.Q. Bach, will make his final appearance on Monday, April 1, at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium, in concert with the Pasadena Symphony.

For over 25 years Prof. Peter Schickele "of the University of Southern North Dakota at Hoople" has performed and interpreted the works of P.D.Q. Bach, the purported last and/or least son of J. Sebastian Bach—including several appearances on campus in Beckman Auditorium. (The show's stage manager likened those occasions to "performing inside a wedding cake.")

Music Director Jorge Mester will conduct the symphony for the "Final Farewell to Touring" concert. A long-time friend of Schickele, Mester conducted the debut P.D.Q. Bach performance back when they were both students at Juilliard.

The April Fool's Day program will feature many of P.D.Q.'s most notorious works, including the "1712 Overture," a glorious send-up of Tchaikovsky's "1812 Overture." The piece was "discovered" by composer Schickele in time for the Boston Pops centennial in 1985. Even Juilliard classmate Philip Glass does not escape the composer's sense of outrage(ousness), as demonstrated by "Prelude to 'Einstein on the Fritz'."

Schickele won the Grammy award for Best Comedy Recording in 1990 with *P.D.Q. Bach: 1712 Overture and Other Musical Assaults* and again in 1991 for *P.D.Q. Bach: Oedipus Tex and Other Choral Calamities*. If a recording of the farewell concert is released this year, he might well achieve a hat trick in 1992.

The concert improper begins at 8 PM. A pre-concert lecture on the estimable importance of the works of P.D.Q. Bach, delivered by Dr. Mary Ann Bonino and Rich Capparella, begins on stage at 7 PM.

A few tickets still remained at press time for this ultimate performance. They are available at the Caltech Ticket Office (x4652), the Pasadena Civic Auditorium box office (818/449-7360), and at TICKETRON outlets. Ticket

prices range from \$18 to \$35.

What other cultural attractions are there for Spring Break, this side of Palm Springs? At the UCLA James A. Doolittle Theatre, Noel Coward's "The Vortex" continues through March 31. Starring Stephanie Beacham and Rupert Everett, evening performances are Tuesday through Saturday at 8 PM and matinees are Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday at 2 PM.

The Thursday, March 21, 2 PM matinee performance has been designated a "Pay What You Can" performance. This innovative program allows audience members to purchase tickets at whatever price they can afford—whether it's ten dollars or one dollar. Tickets can only be purchased at the Doolittle box office (1615 N. Vine St., Hollywood) for cash on the day of performance (limit 2 tickets per person).

John McMartin, Lois Nettleton, and Glynis Johns move into the Doolittle for Stephen Sondheim's "A Little Night Music," following "Vortex." The musical opens April 18 and plays through June 30. Low-priced previews begin April 9.

Meanwhile, "Phantom" continues to haunt the Ahmanson.



Peter Schickele performs the works of PDQ Bach in Pasadena during his last tour.

# Swimmers Break Records

by Mark Igotia Spits

Last weekend Caltech's Swim Team travelled to Cerritos Olympic Pool for the SCIAC Conference Championship. Although both the men's and women's teams were a lock for fifth place, the Techers swam their way into the record book.

The three day meet started with a bang as the women's 200 yard Freestyle Relay consisting of Karen Ross, Karin Johnson, Jerri Martin, and Monica Holboko shaved five seconds off the school record to post a 1:54.31.

Later that night, Holboko placed a strong 2:25.59 for fourth place in the 200 Individual Medley. In the last event, the 400 yard Medley relay, Vania Lee replaced Johnson and the women set another record dropping eight seconds from the standard set in 1979.

The second day found the men swimming strong as Brian Shim, Korhan Gurkan, and Nick Pornsirak all placed in the 100 yard

breaststroke, while Keith Thompson, Mark Savellano, and Shim placed in the 400 yard Individual Medley. The 100 yard backstroke found Barry Stipe fighting off a bad start to place fourth with a 57.95 while Thompson swam to a speedy 1:03.84.

Diving in his first conference championship Allen Corcorran placed fifth on both the one and three meter. On the distaff side Vania Lee swam past her competition to place high in the 100 yard butterfly.

The distance swimmers were dropping time all during the meet, but it was in the 1650 yard freestyle that they really shined: Dave Geraghty, 17:46.36, Roger Moore, 18:23.18, and Tim Maddux 19:30.78. All had lifetime bests but Moore surprised everyone with more than a two minute better swim to get the day off to a great start.

The finals that evening found

Geraghty and Stipe placing in the 200 yard breaststroke. Barry Stipe swam the fastest time for that event in Caltech's history, 2:01.41, just missing NCAA Nationals qualifying standards. Next came Monica Holboko breaking the record in the 200 yard breaststroke with a 2:48.50.

Brian Shim finished off his college swimming career with a strong 2:30.79 in the breaststroke. Karen Ross set a lifetime best in the 100 freestyle, 1:00.65.

The last event was the 400 yard Free Relay and the women's team needed each member to drop time off their best swim to set a record. Ross led off with a solid 1:01.82. Johnson swam second and dropped five seconds to post an outstanding 1:03.92. The third leg was Lee's and she swam a quick 1:05.71. Anchoring the team was Holboko who brought it home in a 1:01.81 to shave three seconds off the old mark for a 4:12.21.

# Tracksters Win Caltech Invite

by Chris Campo

Among the many Southern Californians catching rays shirtless in last Saturday's sun was Caltech middle distance runner Ned "Sprinklerhead" Bowden. Unlike most of his fellow worshippers, however, Bowden was basking for a tan while simultaneously running a 1500 meter race in the Caltech Invitational II Track Meet held here at Tech.

"Hey I just felt like taking my shirt off, o.k.?" was the Nedsters reply to an inquiry by this reporter as to why he DQ'ed himself by running without a uniform top. In spite of this loss of points, the Tech men pulled out a victory over all other teams in the meet.

By invitational scoring, Caltech was victorious with 139.5 points. Next was Biola with 131.5, Whittier with 108, Cal Lutheran with

103, Christ College with 26, Masters College with 9, and Southern Cal College with 6 points. The meet was a non-SCIAC event, and so Caltech's conference record was unaffected as a result. This also meant that unattached runners could compete in the meet if they chose, as non-scoring participants.

The meet started out with a bang, or rather a whistle, with the 10,000 meter event. Twenty-five laps and a world of hurt later, Techers Chris Campo and Mike Ida captured second place (36:10) and fourth place (40:09) respectively. As the race proceeded, stares from athletes warming up for later events and comments like, "they're insane" were common. Even jumper Jack Prater admitted, "You've gotta be a real man to run the 10k."

The steeplechase, arguably a much MUCH more exciting race to watch than the 10k, ensued soon after the enduranceheads had cleared the track. Aaron Matzner, running unattached, ran right on the tail of race leader Ed Yuh from Whittier for most of the 3000 meter hurdling and waterjumping event. Matzner's tactic succeeded in unnerving Yuh, who had to deal with the ominous sound of Aaron's footsteps for most of the race.

Those ominous footsteps carried Matzner past Yuh in the last lap, and on to a first place in a time of 9:52. Matzner, a 3-2 student transfer from Whitman College, decided to redshirt this year in favor of peaking next year. He may soon shatter the existing Caltech steeplechase record and will be the

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## CRIME AND INCIDENT BEAT

- 3/4 A student from Dabney parked and locked his bicycle to itself at the north side of Jorgensen Lab. The bike was taken.
  - 3/4 A new chainsaw was taken from the Physical Plant grounds repair shop. The cabinet is open all day during the working week.
  - 3/7 A white van with blue lettering "White House Linen Company" made a rapid exit from the Ruddock parking area, turned right, and struck a parked black Mercury station wagon. The car's bumper and tail light assembly were damaged. The driver left without giving identification. The linen company was contacted.
  - 3/7 A student from Blacker House observed three suspects attempting to steal a bicycle from the Ricketts House rack. The student apprehended one of the suspects and turned him over to security. The police were called, but the suspect was released because the student did not stay as a witness.
  - 3/8 Seven electric cable connectors and two mouse connectors were found damaged in room 154 of Jorgensen. The connecting tines were bent inward, rendering them useless.
  - 3/8 A set of double doors was taken down from the first floor of Spalding lab, creating free access to Spalding from the old steam plant, and into the vacant chemical engineering lab. It is unknown if any of the materials stored in the lab are missing. The doorway was barricaded.
  - 3/10 A faculty member returned to his car, which was parked on Arms Drive, and found a dent on the left front fender. The car was apparently struck in a hit and run incident.
  - 3/11 A witness observed someone go up to a vehicle parked on Wilson Street, break the window with a chain-like object, and remove the radio. Security was notified, but they could not find the suspect.
  - 3/11 An answering machine was taken room 205 of Guggenheim overnight. There was no evidence of forced entry, but an obscene message was left on the blackboard.
  - 3/12 A suspect threatened students swimming at a house on Del Mar with a knife, allegedly because their stereo was too loud.
  - 3/12 An unknown person was seen doing his laundry in the student laundry room. Security was called. Apparently the person knew a former student and found out about the laundry room through the student. Security warned the person and escorted him off campus.
  - 3/12 In another hit and run incident, a staff member had parked a rented 1991 Chevrolet Cavalier in the Michigan/Del Mar lot - another vehicle struck it and damaged the left rear panel.
  - 3/13 A Caltech faculty member left his bike in room 2 of Brown Gym. The bicycle was taken. The room was locked, but the door is keyed to a north campus master.
- Total value stolen or missing: \$1,220

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— letters —

Dear Editor,  
I commend Steve Bard's articles, "Dating Discussion," covering the Dating and Friendship Think workshops in the March 1 and 8 issue of the *Tech*. While reporting the facts of the event, Mr. Bard concurrently writes in an amusing style which conveys the atmosphere of the DAFT meeting.

I am impressed by his format, listing sample questions and answers as well as the main ideas stated.

I attended the first DAFT meeting, unfortunately missing the second one. Mr. Bard's articles made me feel almost as if I had been there.

With much thanks,  
Linda Springer  
Ruddock House

**Attention Flyfishers, Wannabes**  
Give a man a fish and he eats for a day, teach a man to flyfish and he forgets about eating. Trout season begins April 27th, flycasting classes begin March 26th. One month is all it takes. Classes will meet one evening per week and are open to the Caltech community. Contact 12th level don Troutmaster Thomas Perry x4705 or Harold "I just lost a huge one" Ginder x4701 for more information by March 19th.

**Tijuana Work Project**  
Spend the last half of spring break helping construct a shelter for homeless kids in Tijuana. Dates are the 26th thru the 31st. If you want to go, come to the Y this Saturday at 1PM to discuss final details. If you can't go, but want to help, scrounge up some carpentry tools we could borrow... or donate those old clothes/toys/equipment you never use. Bring contributions to the Y anytime next week - they will be appreciated!!! If you want to go but absolutely can't make the meeting, call Golda at x3760 or x6163 by Monday.

**Women's Issues Discussion**  
Sunday, March 17, please join us for an informal discussion of women's issues as they pertain to education and student life at Tech. Discussion is to be moderated by a counselor not affiliated with Caltech or the Counseling Center. All undergrads, grads and faculty are welcome at 7:30 PM at the Master's House. For more information contact Jennifer Jungkuntz at 564-8545 or Yu-Chien Kuo at 578-9504.

Track

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distance runner to watch next season.

Fellow classmate Scott Kister waged a tenacious battle for fourth place with T. Engles of Biola in the steeplechase. The two exchanged places several times during the race but it was Engles, who appeared as though he might cough up a lung any minute, who staggered across the finish line in the fourth place spot. Kister ran an admirable race, finishing in 10:51, just 3 seconds behind Engles.

In the 1500 meter event, Ned Bowden was Tech's hope for points. That hope was dashed, however, when the freshman runner removed his shirt and received a DQ. Bowden's time was an impressive 4:17. Although he didn't score points for Tech, he did get a chance to begin development of a much needed tan.

Aaron Matzner, not satisfied with a stellar performance in the steeplechase, decided to also jump into the 800 meter race. Matzner, in spite of fatigue, was sixth across the finish line in a time of 2:04. Behind Matzner, a battle was ensuing between Caltech Assistant Professor John Doyle and Ned Bowden. Bowden, eager for redemption

**MU 33 Day Change**  
MU 33—Music of the Age of Enlightenment (Bach, Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, etc.) — has a Monday 2PM organizational meeting time. Due to various reasons the class might meet on TR rather than MW. So if you wanted a fun class but thought there would be a scheduling conflict, do come.

after the 1500 meter fiasco, passed Doyle going into the final turn at 600 meters. The tough-as-nails freshman finished in seventh place (eighth if you count Matzner's unattached finish) with a time of 2:08.5. Doyle, unable to meet Ned's challenge, finished 2 seconds behind him in 2:10.3. Hopefully Ned won't have Dr. Doyle for a professor any time soon, as his grade may suffer if Doyle holds a grudge...

In the 400 meter event the surprise of the day came from Caltech runner Greg Dudey. The "birthday boy" (because of whom the entire Caltech team feasted on cake after the track meet! Thanks Greg! Oh, and sorry about those ruffians who doused you in the steeplechase water pit after the meet) ran like the wind, finishing ahead of even Brady "Animal" Montz with a scorching time of 52.7 seconds. Greg captured second place overall with his fantastic performance. Teammate Montz, a workhorse in several events at the meet, finished fifth in 53.6 seconds.

Dudey must have been on fire like candles on a birthday cake, as the sophomore sensation finished first overall in the 400 meter intermediate hurdle race with an inspiring time of 57.5 seconds.

Once the results from many heats in the 200 meters were sort-

ed out, Brady Montz's 23.0 seconds was good for second fastest time of the day. The Animal's teammate, Caltech football star Rob Whiteley, finished in a respectable 23.8 seconds two places back from Montz.

Steve Harkness, competing unattached, led the charge of the Tech Weightmen in the Shot Put, throwing 42 feet, 6.75 inches. Harkness' throw was the second furthest of the day. Teammate William Glenn, a discus specialist, captured a first place in the Discus Throw. Glenn's throw of 124 feet 10 inches was a bit more impressive than his performance in the 4 X 400 meter relay later in the day...

The jav-man of the day for Tech was Jeff Martin. Martin, coming off of a knee injury, threw 135 feet, 3 inches for a seventh place in the Javelin.

In the high jump, sprinter Rob Whiteley thought he'd give it a go and managed to tie teammate Bill Swanson for third place in that event. The pair of Beavers jumped 5 feet, 8 3/4 inches. Swanson's technique is a little rusty after a season of basketball without jumping training. Gary Eastvedt, competing unattached, sprung to an impressive 6 feet, 3/4 inches. Eastvedt, like Harkness and Matzner,

**Ray Bradbury to Return**  
The EUREKA Conference and the Caltech Bookstore are pleased to welcome science fiction author Ray Bradbury for an author signing on the Winnett Patio on Friday, March 22 at 1:00 PM. For further information on this and other EUREKA Conference events contact Linda McManus at 356-8471.

**Folkdancers: A Night In Bulgaria**  
On Tuesday, March 26 at 7:30 PM there will be an evening of Bulgarian Music and Dance. Anastasia Moskova will teach folk-dancing at 7:30 PM. Mitko Konstantinov, a musician with the National Folk Ensemble of Sofia will be leading the Nestinari Ensemble for live dance music.

WEEKLY SPORTS CALENDAR

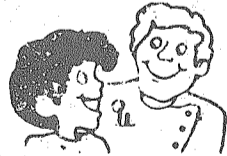
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Sun.	Mar 17	11:30 am	Ice Hockey	San Diego State	Pasadena Ice Center
Wed.	Apr 3	3:00 pm	Tennis (M)	Christ College	Caltech
Thu.	Apr 4	3:00 pm	Tennis (W)	Biola	Biola
Fri.	Apr 5	3:00 pm	Baseball	Pomona-Pitzer	Caltech
Sat.	Apr 6	11:00 am	Baseball	Pomona-Pitzer (2)	Pomona-Pitzer
Sat.	Apr 6	11:00 am	Tennis (W)	CS San Bernadino	CS San Bernadino
Sat.	Apr 6	12:00 noon	Track	Caltech Invitational III	Caltech
Sat.	Apr 6	1:00 pm	Tennis (M)	So. California College	So. Calif. College

Fascinating Info of the Y

They told me I had to put it in paper, so here it is. I can't really understand it, though. If anybody is a BIG enough LOSER to miss *Decompression* (Saturday and Sunday, 8:00 PM to midnight), then they deserve to miss out on the *greatest* event of the term. Of course you all know there'll be movies and tons of food. The *Comedy-Sportz* team will be there

Saturday and the *Roommate Game*, Sunday. Both start at 8:30 PM. Sign up and help out for two hours and you'll get a free T-shirt, but hurry up 'cause they're goin' fast. Also, there will be an *International Day Planning Meeting* at the Y, Wednesday April 3 at 4:30 PM. Please come by if you're at all interested in planning International Day.

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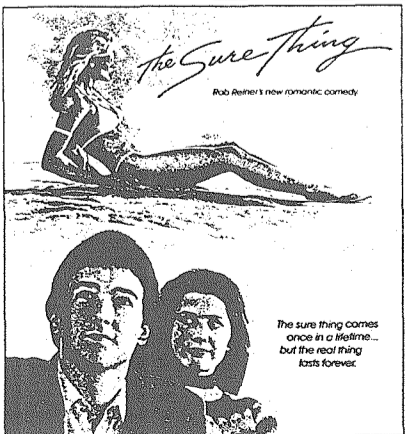
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is redshirting for next year.

Although they lacked a shirtless competitor such as Ned Bowden, the Caltech Women put in a fair showing at Saturday's meet, capturing third among the teams there by invitational scoring. The scores were: Cal Lutheran 175.5, Biola 109, Caltech 57, Whittier 50, La Verne 39, Christ College 37.5.

Caltech assistant coach and graduate student Carolyn Beck ran unattached to a respectable time of 5:10 in the 1500 meter run. Emmeline Naranjo ran to a second place time of 1:11 in the 400 meter hurdles. Golda Bernstein ran 2:47 for a sixth place in the 800 meters. Teammate Aimee Smith, working hard to battle back from a severe knee injury, finished one place behind Golda in 2:57.

Perhaps the highlight of the day for the women was Jennifer Remine's performance in the shot put. Jennifer threw 29 feet, 2 inches, good for first place. The sophomore weight athlete is considering Coach O'Brien's advice on improving throwing technique, "just get ANGRY!"

Those of you who see her day in and day out at the registrar's office may be interested in knowing that Lisa Waitz competed unattached in the meet, running the 3000 meters in a time of 14:46.

International Day Meeting

Mark your calendars now for a pre-International Day planning meeting Wednesday, April 3, 4PM at the Caltech Y. If you cannot make the meeting but are interested in helping out, stop by the Y and leave us your name, phone, mail, etc...

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# The Tech

**BEST OF CALTECH POLL**

**'91**

## Best of Caltech Poll

This year nearly 100 ballots were received for the Best of Issue, almost double that of last year, not bad for an apathetic campus.

Most of the responses were from students, quite a few from staffers, and pathetically few from faculty. What we present now, then, is the results.

## Best Mexican

1. Super A's
2. Taco Bell
3. Acapulco

Super Antojitos, with burritos as big as a Sunday newspaper, easily repeated as king of the burritos. Taco Bell edged out Acapulco for second.

## Best Chinese

1. Tie, Panda Inn and Taipan
3. Grandview Palace

In the closest race of the competition, Panda Inn and Taipan tied for first, while Grandview Palace was a close third.

## Best Pizza



This category produced a wide variety of opinions, with 19 different restaurants named. Tarantino's, with their daily all-you-can-eat specials and close proximity to Tech won this year after placing third last year.

1. Tarantino's
2. Tie, Domino's and Domenico's

## Best Off-Campus House

1. Frame House 341 South Holliston
2. Tie, 1170 Del Mar and 360 South Holliston

Even though the Holly had the best affiliated off-campus party of the year, it was unable to get into the top 3. The leaders were Frame

House (341 South Holliston), moving up from a tie for second last year, 1170 Del Mar, staying in second and 360 South Holliston. Last

year's winner Corona (344 South Holliston) received only one vote this year.

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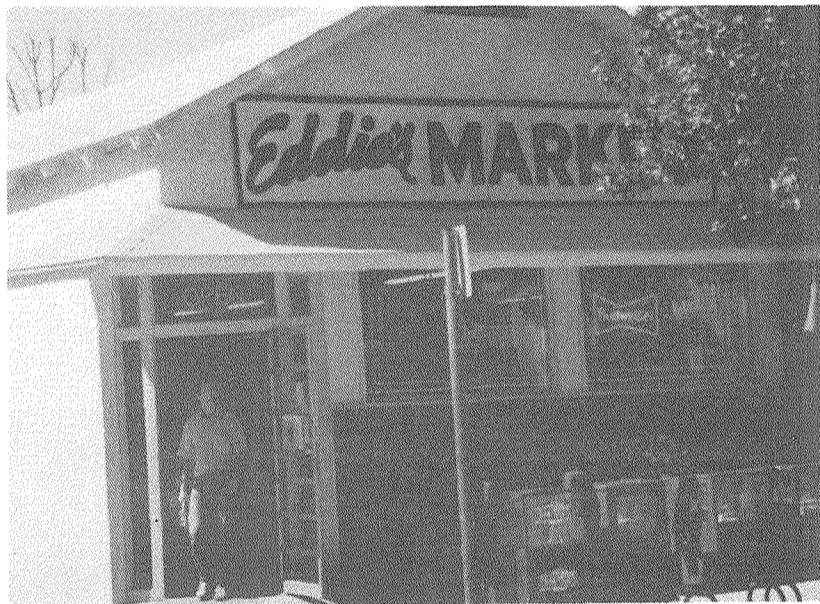
# Best Thai



1. Pataya
2. Ko Saipetch
3. President Thai

Pataya won this hands down, although Ruddock House's block voting scheme vaulted Senior Ko Saipetch into second place.

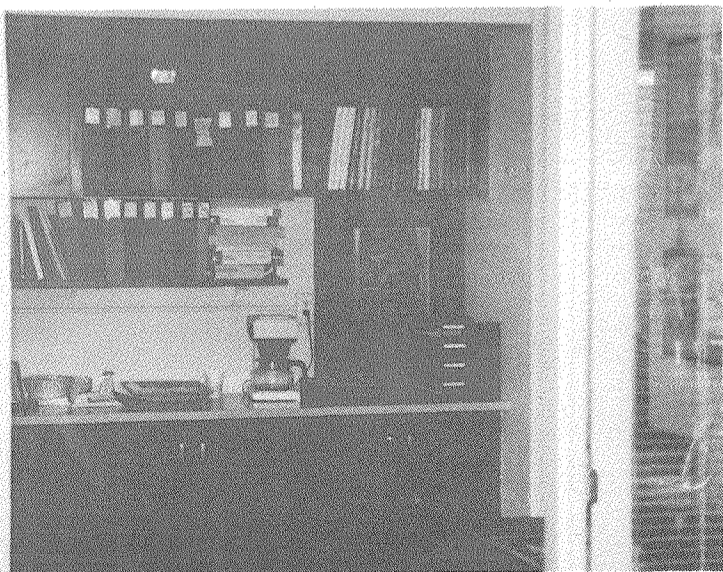
# Best Sandwiches



1. Eddie's
2. Subway
3. Lee's Hoagie House

Eddie's Meat Market spanked the competition for the second year in a row, beating out second place by nearly 20 votes. Eddie's is the place to go for lunch, especially for those without a car or in a hurry. Subway edged out Lee's Hoagie House for the coveted distinction of second-best sandwich.

# Best Place to Buy Condoms



"Why buy condom's when you can get them free?" was a popular response. The favorite places to get condoms was the MOSH's office. The Health Center was second. Some people still buy them, at the bookstore, which edged out last years winner, the SAC for third.

1. MOSH's Office
2. Health Center
3. Bookstore

# Best Hamburger



1. In-n-Out
2. Islands
3. Tommy's

Evidently a lot of Techers get that In-n-Out urge, as the drive-thru hamburger stand nearly doubled the number of votes of second place Islands. The Tommy's run, a longtime Tech tradition seems to be less popular now. Tommy's finished a distant third.

# Best Coffeehouse Waiter

**NONE**

1. None
2. Shane Sauby
3. Hoyt Hudson

The best coffeehouse waiter is no coffeehouse waiter according to our readers. We received a wide variety of responses ranging from there are no good coffeehouse waiters to this question is an oxymoron. In a surprise showing, Shane Sauby finished second, ahead of Hoyt Hudson.

# Most Annoying Coffeehouse Waiter



1. Shane Sauby
2. Tie, Dave Jeitner and Hoyt Hudson

Shane's second place showing for best coffeehouse waiter was surprising, because he was the overwhelming (favorite?) for most

annoying. He repeated as most annoying with a thirty-vote victory over second place. With Shane receiving so many votes, Dave Jeit-

ner and Hoyt Hudson shared second with only a couple of votes for each.

# Best Grocery Store



1. Ralphs
2. O' Doms
3. Vons

Ralphs won for the second year in a row with "everything you need everytime you shop." Techers like late night shopping, and Ralphs is the closest 24 hour grocery now that the Pantry/Pavillions changed their hours. Ruddock House's in-house grocery, O'Doms was second, and Vons third.

# Best Excuse for Not Graduating in 4 Years

Just about everybody had some reason not to graduate on time. AMA 95 and Ph 106 were popular choices as well as those who wanted to stay "for the amazing social life," and "the babes." One student replied, "my advisor barely acknowledges my existence." Below is a list of some of the more interesting ones we got.

10. Too Much Fun at All Those Parties
9. Wanted to Call Friends at Alumni Phone Night
8. No, Not the Real World! No...!
7. My RA's Dog Ate My Homework (for Moles)
6. My EE 91 Project Blew Up
5. Mom and Dad Rented My Room
4. Extra Sports Eligibility
3. My Alarm Didn't Go Off
2. I've Fallen and I Can't Get Up
1. Nintendo

# Best Music Store



For the second year in a row Poobah's dominated this category with five times as many votes as the nearest competitor. Canterbury moves up a spot to tie Tower and the Wherehouse.

1. Poobah's
2. Tie, Canterbury Records, Tower Records, and The Wherehouse

# Best Word For Vomiting

People really liked "Ralph." They just loved it. They loved to write it down over and over and over. "Ralph" they would write. Or, maybe "Ralping." Sometimes "Ral" or "Ralping", or even "Randy Ralph," but generally "Ralph."

Oh sure, there was some "upchucking" and "spewing chunks," but "Ralph" was the winner. The following is a list of some more descriptive terms.

10. Calling Ralph on the White Porcelain Phone
9. Bowing to the Ivory Idol
8. Gorm and Brad Threatt Nude Wrestling
7. Spew Red White and Blue
6. Tuna Salad Swimming Upstream
5. Technicolor Yawn
4. Purging My Soul
3. Making Gary's Chili
2. Going to B.C. Dinner
1. Bombing Saddam

# Best Local Band



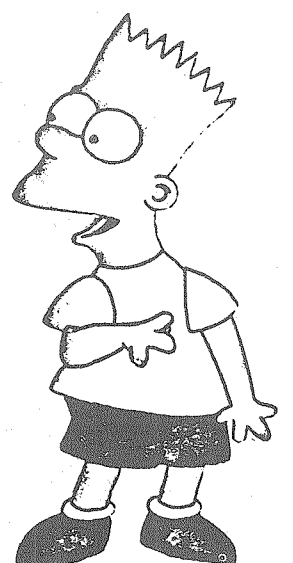
1. Everyband
2. Fistful of Yen
3. Snotty Scotty and the Hankies

Last year, the local band category was led by off-campus bands such as Snotty Scotty, NWA, and the New Marines. This year, Everyband and Fistful of Yen, two on-campus bands managed to displace Snotty Scotty to third.

# Best T.V. Show

1. *The Simpsons*
2. *Twin Peaks*
3. *Parker Lewis Can't Lose*

Although *Dobie Gillis* garnered several votes he was unable to muscle his way into the top 3. Still a leader by a large margin, most of Tech can be found in front of a TV on Thursday nights watching the adventures of Bart Simpson. David Lynch's twisted, but cancelled show, *Twin Peaks*, is second. *Parker Lewis Can't Lose* replaces *Married With Children* as the second most popular FOX network show.



# Best Line to Get A Woman/Man In Your Room

Many readers submitted their best lines to get a man/woman in their room. None of them gave a success rate, however. Many of them were related to homework,

"I've done my 95. Want to copy it?"  
 "Let me help you do your homework."  
 "Do you need class notes?"  
 One (honest) reader said he

doesn't have a best line — none of his ever worked. Below is a list of fifteen of the more creative lines we received.

15. So, Do You Want to Play Nintendo?
14. We Are Going To Fuck.
13. Nylon Fishing Line
12. Come In...
11. Hey Baby, Wanna Check Out My Hard Drive?
10. FREE BEER!
9. The Best Thing About Your Legs is Where They Meet
8. Hey Baby Wanna Integrate My Love Function?
7. You, Me...The Nasty
6. Pretty Fucking Please?
5. To Help Out the Oil Shortage, Wanna Do Some Drilling?
4. Have You Ever Seen a Crisp, New \$50 Bill?
3. I'm Having a Party in My Room, but DAPAC Says It Has to be Under Three People
2. Hey Baby, I'll Be Making 50 Grand in a Few Years, Want to Make an Investment?
1. I've Fallen and I Can't Get (It) Up

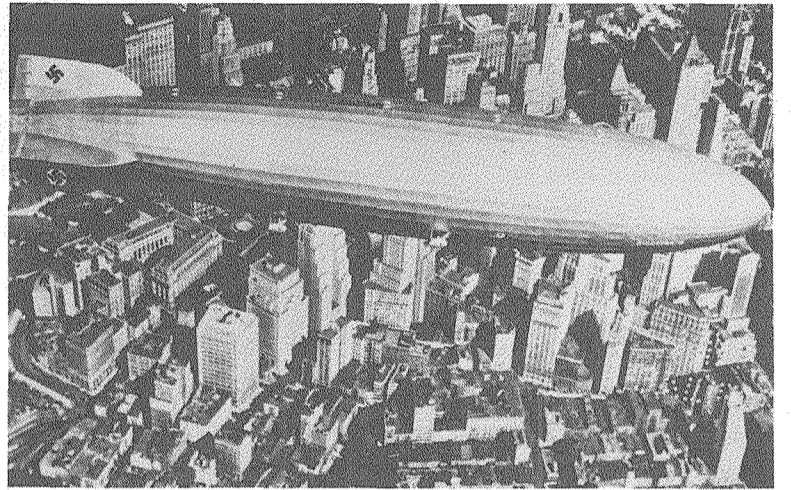
# Best Radio Station

Last year's winner KLSX was defeated soundly by KROQ this year. It appears that more people at Tech are willing to say "KNAC kicks my ass" this year as KNAC

moves into second place. These are radio stations people listen to more than other radio stations. Isn't it all so interesting?

1. KROQ
2. Tie, KNAC, KLOS, KLSX

# Favorite Band



1. Led Zeppelin
2. The Grateful Dead
3. Pink Floyd

Although their favorite radio station was KROQ, Techers remain loyal to the seventies when picking their favorite bands. Leading this category were Led Zeppelin, The Grateful Dead and Pink Floyd.

# Best Newspaper

In this category, the Ruddock contingent stuffed the ballot box for the BFD, their house newspaper,

and they were able to edge out the Tech for first place. Coming in third was the LA Times.

1. BFD
2. The California Tech
3. The Los Angeles Times

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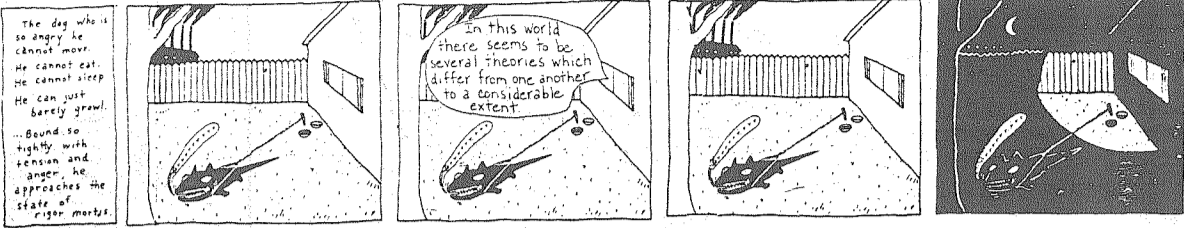
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# Comic You Want in the Tech

THE ANGRIEST DOG IN THE WORLD

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Calvin and Hobbes won in this category, but why do people want it in the *Tech* when they can read it in the *LA Times* every day? Second place went to Life in Hell, but

it is in the *LA Weekly*. Tied for third were Angriest Dog in the World and Jim's Journal. The point of this category was to help the editors possibly pick a new comic, but

it appears our first choice is Angriest Dog in the World. Although the editors like it, we are sure more people would hate it than Jim's Journal.

1. Calvin and Hobbes
2. Life in Hell
3. Tie, Angriest Dog in the World and Jim's Journal

## Best Teacher



This category had the most variety of any in this year's poll. However, three teachers stood out: Harry Gray, Yaser Abu-Mostafa, and David Politzer. Chris Brennan

received one vote for best looking teacher. Others with more than one vote were Erik Antonsson, Chris Brennen, Hall Daily, John Feiler, and Valentina Lindholm

1. Harry Gray
2. Yaser Abu-Mostafa
3. David Politzer

## Best Feature of the Tech

In a new category, three features of the *Tech* combined to take almost eighty percent of the vote.

Crime and Incident Beat tied for first. The other two major votegetters, Jim's Journal and Inside

World, were on most people's ballots as either the best feature or the worst feature of the *Tech*.

1. Tie, Crime and Incident Beat and Jim's Journal
3. Inside World



## Worst Feature of the Tech

Jim's Journal completed an amazing double winning both the best feature and the worst feature

honor. Pulling up to tie Inside World as a despised feature were opinions, specifically those of grad

students according to some. Other votegetters were "anything written by Fru or Shane Sauby".

1. Jim's Journal
2. Tie, Inside World and Opinions

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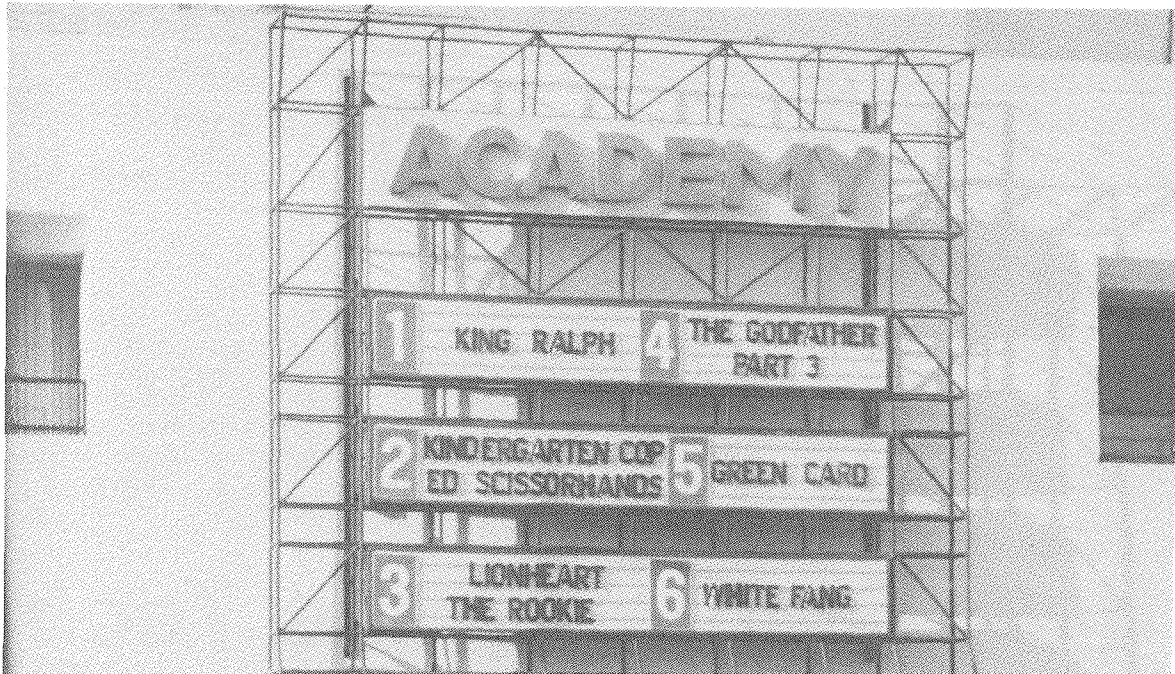
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# Favorite Movie Theatre



1. Academy
2. Pacific Hastings
3. Mann's Chinese

From these results it appears that a starving college student prefers the cheap deal over good sound and picture quality. The Academy wins by a large margin over traditional favorites, Pacific Hastings and Mann's Chinese.

# Best Caltech Sports Team

1. Football
2. Hockey
3. Club Homeboy

The two teams with the most campuswide recognition came in first for best Caltech sports team. Football and hockey and far more votes than the third place finisher, Club Homeboy. Many of hockey's votes came with notes applauding the hockey coverage of Jim Caron in the *Tech*. Ruddock's Bufu Choo Choo Wrestling had a large number of votes, but we ignored them.

# Best ASCIT or Y Event



The top two finishers from last year simply changed places with broomball edging out Decompression for best ASCIT or Y event. The Tanning Invitational jumped into third spot knocking Mudeo out.

1. Boffo Bonecrusher Broomball
2. Decompression
3. Tanning Invitational

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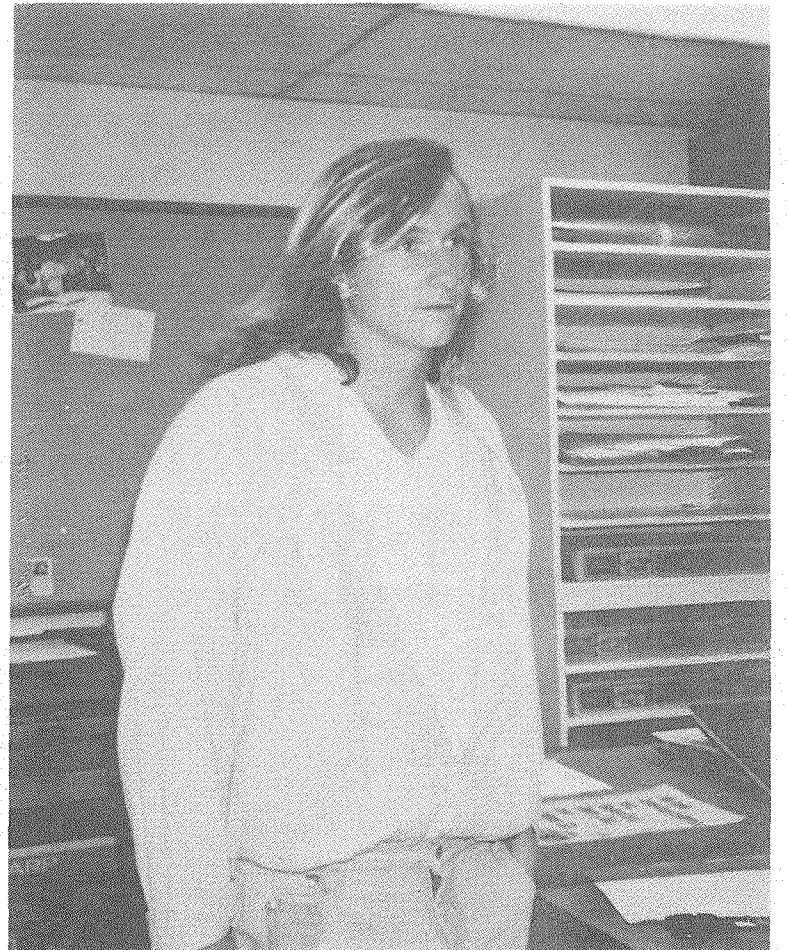
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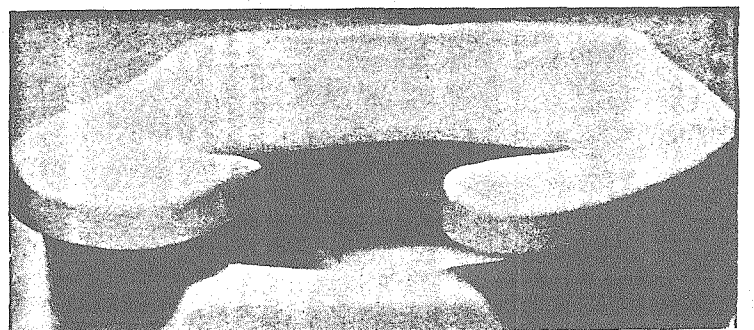
# Best Outgoing ASCIT Officer



1. Aimee Smith
2. Dave Geraghty
3. Jack Prater

"What does this category mean?" "You must be kidding." "Not Dave." "Not Bill." "I'd most want to go out with Aimee." were the five most common responses in this category. ASCIT officers receiving the most votes were Aimee Smith, Dave Geraghty, and Jack Prater. Shane Sauby received a vote in this category even though he wasn't/isn't an ASCIT officer.

# Best Toilet



Students used this category of the houses. The low swooping, bag on the other houses as every house was mentioned at least once. The sink in room 234 of Ruddock House, the Fleming door, and the Page wall were the most mentioned

1. The sink in room 234 of Ruddock House
2. The Fleming door
3. Tie, The Page wall and the SAC

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