Snow Falls Into Admissions

The new year has brought with it a few new additions to the Caltech community. Among them is Carole Snow, who was hired on July 1 as the new Director of Admissions to replace Dan Langdale who departed for Massachusetts last year.

Dr. Snow had worked at USC for the past fifteen years in various positions including Associate Dean for Student Affairs in the School of Engineering, Special Assistant to the Dean in the School of Arts and Sciences, and some teaching, but her interest in the position of Director of Admissions was enough to draw her to Caltech. During her stay at USC, she was involved with the selection of positions similar to the one which she now holds at Caltech. She chaired a committee that selected the Director of Admissions for USC, so she has some sense of what job requires, and has always been interested in it, and has even worked with admissions before, but has not had the opportunity until now to be directly involved.

Dr. Snow spent much of the summer getting to know Caltech—reviewing some of the applications for the current year, but now that the students have returned to the campus, she looks forward to getting to know the students in person.

Two students were recently hired in the admissions office, so that when visitors come to the office, they will have a chance to talk to them as well as the other admissions staff. "Students trust other students the most," she said, "in every survey I've seen." The two will also have the responsibility of publishing a newsletter that responds to questions and letters of applicants.

When asked about the unusual size of the incoming class, she responded that an unusually large number who had been admitted had decided to attend Caltech. She feels Dan Langdale and Admissions did an excellent job, one she hopes to keep up in the future.

She also intends to keep up the increased female to male ratio, saying, "I think it has been a matter of tradition, and not talent that so many more men [attended the Institute] than women in the past...If Caltech represents the best the world has to offer, we need to encourage the addition of women." She has tried to understand some of the problems that the school poses to women—many women don't believe they will find it hospitable, especially after a recent article that appeared in the Star News. "Even though there are many good people here, it requires extra energy for the women to live at Caltech."

The previous Director did most of the work in changes to the Admissions department, but some other changes are still occurring. In fact, she mentioned that the prefetch week policy was under review.

Dr. Snow, recently of USC, is the new Director of Admissions.

Women coming to prefetch weekend have expenses paid by the Institute. In the future, it is possible that need-based financial assistance alone will be provided.

"Caltech is the world at its best: It's not perfect, it's constantly changing and struggling, and it's an exciting place to be."
An Atypical Trip to Tijuana, Mexico

by Pete Carlin

In July the Caltech Y sponsored a trip down to Tijuana, Mexico. The trip was designed to help Tijuana YMCA construct a community center in a very popular barrio called Mariano Matamoros. With the community center, the Y hopes to provide day care and educational opportunities for the barrio.

Twelve people participated. During their two days in Tijuana, they were subject to a wide range of experiences. Living in a house for minors deported across the border to the INS, they performed manual labor on the construction site in Mariano Matamoros. One evening was spent visiting downtown Tijuana. Summarizing the experience, Dan Sandoval said, "I learned more in two days than I had in two years at Tech."

The range of emotions experienced by the participants were as varied as the experiences. Some were seeing teachers in Tijuana and Tequila in sight! the realities of life in a severely underdeveloped area for the first time. Some were shocked by the feeling that they were being helped more than they were helping. Some were humbled by the strength of character displayed by people they met. Feelings of guilt, inspiration, and hopelessness could be experienced without time to assimilate any of them.

All came away with more questions than they had begun with. Yet all felt the lessons they did learn, and the thoughts created by the questions raised, were invaluable.

The Caltech Y is committed to continued volunteer work with the Tijuana YMCA. A second community center is under construction, and there is an endless array of projects that can be worked on. Since the first trip, Y-sponsored groups have returned three times. The Y will be sponsoring trips approximately every month. Those interested in participating should come by the Y for information, or call x5163 and talk to Chris.
A Look at the New MOSH

Since April of the last school year, when it was announced that Louis Wilde had resigned as the Master of Student Houses, a committee of students and faculty has been conducting a careful search for a successor to the office. Now, nearly five months later, Professor David Wales has been named to the position.

Dr. Wales received his Ph.D. in Mathematics from Harvard, and arrived at Caltech in 1967 intending only a short two-year stay. But things don’t always turn out as planned, and he has been here ever since. Since then, he has served as Associate Dean from 1976-80 and Dean from 1980-84. More recently, he was the Executive Officer of the Mathematics department, a position he intends to vacate at the start of the school year in order to spend more time as the Master of Student Housing.

The role of the MOSH has become more demanding in the last few years. In addition, since the creation of the Director of Resident Life position, which was intended to relieve some work from the MOSH, the individual interests and responsibilities of the DRL and MOSH have been in question. It seemed reasonable to allow the new MOSH and Kim West to decide for themselves what sort of division would be drawn in these respective jobs. Dr. Wales worked with Dean Brennen served as the MOSH, but the position has changed considerably since then. For the past few months, Kim West has been filling in for the MOSH, taking on both jobs, but the responsibility proved nearly overwhelming.

The middle-of-the-night student counselling duties that once fell upon the MOSH will now belong to the DRL. Dr. Wales intends to use the time this frees up to increase social interaction between the students and faculty. He sees himself as the faculty representative to students with respect to campus housing. Traditionally, the MOSH has always been a faculty member who taught classes, and had close interaction with the student body, even before being appointed—a tradition that made the MOSH a very approachable figure. Dr. Wales considers the change in job description—the shifting of power to the DRL as a relief that will allow him to get closer to the students, without other responsibilities taking up all his time.

Another change that has taken place is the relocation of the MOSH’s “headquarters” to the offices underneath Winnett. Professor Wales welcomes visitors to the office, and even has plans (barbecues?) that hopefully will be attended by students and faculty alike.

The new Master, Professor David Wales

March 1991

CRIME AND INCIDENT BEAT

6/11 Passenger-side wheels were removed from a 1969 VW bug in the Wilson parking lot. The victim first thought it was a prank, then found his friends didn’t do it.

6/17 A CD player and stereo were stolen from an office in Kellogg Lab—the room was locked, but no forced entry was noted.

6/23 Four green wooden boxes each weighing 153 lbs. were lifted from the Central Engineering Shop. No one was authorized to take boxes, but witnesses a man with some papers arrived, waved his papers around, and loaded all four boxes on to his truck and drove off. The boxes were later recovered.

6/30 Food stolen from Ricketts House fridge: 2 Knudsen strawberry lowfat yogurts 1 Bon Lait strawberry dairy dresser 1 Weight Watcher’s Garden Lasagana 1 fish dinner 2 Stouffer’s light choice chicken dinners 1 Von’s broccoli cuts 1 Lean Cuisine Chicken Parmesan

Miscellaneous camera equipment stolen from Beckman Institute. Equipment was property of Cambridge University.

7/13 $320 stolen from various rooms in Page House

7/13 Black two-piece Gianano swim suit with pink edges stolen from open room in Page House.

7/20 Electric scoreboard stolen from Fleming (total value $20).

8/12 Pay telephone reported stolen from Fleming near room 64.

8/16 Toyota Supra stolen from Chester parking lot, later recovered stripped in Canoga Park.

8/20 Miscellaneous computer equipment and programs stolen from an office in Weninett-entrance was apparently made through a window.

8/30 Mac Hci stolen from Church Lab.

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Welcome one and all to a brand new exciting year at the Caltech Y. Drop by September 30 at 12 noon for the first meeting of the Excomm. For anyone interested in a fun day outdoors, sign up for the Throop Peak Hike on Saturday, October 16. If you want your event sponsored by the Y be sure to come upstairs and see Chris before 11 a.m. on Mondays. Need work-study money? See Chris for more information. Anything else...just stop by the Y. We’re upstairs in Winnett. Just look for the flag.

Yearbook Editors Win Award

During the past summer, two of our Big T editors, Michelle Tseng and Emily Wen went to a yearbook workshop held by Taylor Publishing Company. The team won first place in Outstanding Achievement in Completed Yearbook Project. The workshop, held in Pepperdine University, aimed towards introducing innovative ideas and techniques to yearbook staff and editors for the publication of their 1992 yearbooks. Over 40 schools from all over Southern California, including Pitzer College and Occidental College, participated in the five-day workshop.

At the end of the week, each school was asked to design a complete theme project. The instructors stayed up until 4 a.m. the last day of the workshop to judge all the projects. An award luncheon ended the workshop, with prizes given in the areas of photography, copywriting, layout, and overall theme development.

“We are so amazed that we won!” said the editors.

Besides winning the grand prize of the workshop, Michelle Tseng also won third place in Layout Design. The yearbook currently is looking for people to help in the areas of copywriting and photography. If you are interested in working for next year’s yearbook, please drop by Lloyd House Room 153 for an application and further information.
Movie Review:

Barton Fink
Jonathan N. Tiplerlad

Barton Fink managed to distinguish itself at this year's Cannes Film Festival by winning the Best Picture, Best Actor, and Best Director awards—an unprecedented event in the festival's history. Evidently, the French found it to be of superior quality, as have the critics here in the United States. But the audience should be advised that before jumping into the car and going out for a night's entertainment, they should possess some notion of exactly what they are in for, because this film is indeed what its creators intended it to be: a work of art. It is deep, it is intellectual, and it is disturbing. It is not something that will have you leaving the theater happier.

Basically, and without divulging too much of the plot, Barton Fink is about the character of the same name. A budding playwright, Barton Fink is hired out west to the glamorous and promise of the Golden Age of Hollywood to become a temporary screenwriter. His visit, however, soon becomes a dizzying, twisting nightmare in a land of Babel. Surrounded by the products of the movie industry, Fink becomes a foil character caught in the webs of the studio asylums— institutions filled by the figures and shadows of men engrossed deep in the lost musings of a superficial world. Fragmented, broken, confused, Fink plunges along a Dante-esque descent into a Hollywood Inferno, roping the viewer along with him down to the depths of his suffering.

The first part of the movie is depressively morbid, and for the dyed amused, is occasionally a riot. But with each incredibly well-detailed, intricately developed scene, the audience is forced to become more disturbed by the film's story. The horrific, unsettling turn-point follows soon after Fink's seduction, and from then on the movie explodes into a grim surreal nightmare rising in crescendo until the final scene, which behaves like some denouement to leave the viewer with their own thoughts. In some ways, the film reminds one of a tragic symphony under the direction of a dark maestro—deep, brooding, deliberate, slow to build but incredibly intense in the after.

John Turturro does an excellent job as the confused, idealistic, and talented Barton Fink. John Goodman is a surprisingly good satanic figure, lord and master of his Inferno. Together, their roles bring home the purgatory of Fink's existence and rise it into fruition as an ultimate hell. Barton Fink is a amazing piece of work and should be the pride of the brothers Joel and Ethan Coen (director and producer, respectively). For those in need of a dark intellectual dreamscope or a vision of an artistic dystopia, this film would be highly recommended. It is the reminder for those of us living here in the bohemia of the other side of the California West Coast everybody-do-what-feels-good mentality, of the altered dreams that exist concomitant to the aspirations of budding entertainment wanna-be here in what the English once so vividly described in "Hotel California." See it.

Rating: R
Quality: Superb
Entertainment: Engrossing
Comments: Pathologically disturbing

Coffee House News
Hoyt Hudson, Coffeehouse Head Manager

It's my great pleasure to announce the grand opening of the Caltech Coffeehouse for the 1991-92 school year. We will be open for business on Monday, October 7. This year our commitment to quality, value, and comic books is certain to be unsurpassed in the food service industry. All those MANAGERS who worked last year and wish to continue working are urged to attend the MANAGER'S MEETING on Tuesday, October 1, at noon in the Coffeehouse. All WAITERS who worked last year and want to work must attend the WAITER'S MEETING on Thursday, October 3, at noon in the Coffeehouse. Students who wish to join the ranks of the elite Coffeehouse waiters should contact Hoyt Hudson (255 S. Hill, x762, Mail I-40) sometime before the waiter's meeting. Also, those who cannot attend these meetings must contact me in advance to avoid being left off the roster. Fronch, we'll be glad to have you join us next term.

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THIS WEEK

Willie Tyler, "America's foremost ventriloquist/comedian" who has appeared on "The Tonight Show," "The Merv Griffin Show," as well as in the movie "Coming Home" will be performing at The Ice House, October 3–5. Also, Ron Shock, an original member of the famous "Texas Outlaw Comics," will be appearing at The Ice House October 1 & 2.

Showtimes: 8:30 PM Monday thru Friday, with additional shows at 10:30–Friday, 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30 Saturday. For reservations call (818) 577-1894 after 12 noon. The Ice House is located at 24 N. Mentor Avenue in Pasadena.
Ice Hockey
By Brooks F. Anderson

I was going to name this article "Kill People for Fun and Profit"—which is arguably fitting considering the sport—but, alas, while one could debate the meaning of the word "profit," there are no monetary kickbacks (that I can mention) to Caltech players. (Although very skilled players who were able to discuss hypothetical aspects of this issue should contact George Yates at 415-04 or Dale Laird at 4292 between the hours of 9 AM and PM.)

This year, Caltech will play hockey in Southern California's division 1. Yes, that's right. Caltech will participate in the freewheeling, fun-loving competition that made division one famous. Just imagine, there you are, skating along, when you spot some opponent with the puck. As he is near the boards, this is the perfect time to try that new maneuver. Your friend and mentor Dwight Bevog taught you while the two of you had some spare time in prison. In you go, full speed ahead.

At contact, you hear the satisfying crunching noise of a pelvis breaking when it shatters, and, after a quick check to make sure it wasn't your pelvis, you find the maneuver a complete success and skate off in search of someone else who might have a puck. Ah, the liveliness of division one!

So don't miss all the fun and the keen competition. If you are a good hockey player, this is your season for you. If you aren't a good hockey player but are prone to violence and can withstand fall from the roof, shatter pelvis, and be able to help the to the game, come out and watch as captains Jim Werner and Tigger (if Jaye lets me play) try to lead the Beavers to their first conference victory of the season.

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Water Polo
By Bob White

I believe it was George Carlin who said that "Water Polo is not a sport because it's extremely cruel to the horses." Unfortunately, that's partially true. No, there are no horses involved. Yes, it's extremely cruel to the players. What did I do during the pre-game? Polo, eat, polo, sleep, polo, eat, polo, sleep...

I arrived thinking two things: (1) I'm here for my own good, (2) It's only a game. Two days and fourteen hours of practice later, I woke up screaming. My teammates and I knew that the first few days would be bad. We knew what we had to do to be ready (i.e., stay in shape). The problem was that none of us did.

By day three, people were seeing the trainer in droves (I think I gained my little toe on my left foot, Jaye). Do you think I should skip practice?"

Amazingly, on day four and after, people felt much better. Perhaps we were used to seven hours of walk-out. Well, no. Perhaps it was that Coach Dodi cased up a couple notches. Well, maybe.

All those practices were put to the test early this week when we took on Chapman College and Chaffey College on consecutive days. A good effort on Monday set the stage for Tuesday before our hopes to recover their defeat. A Wednesday away game. Scunny Arcille, Jim Maddox, Mark Savellono, Alan Kulikov, and Chris Buchner powered their way to a generous support provided by seniors Derek Engin, Tamiaki Murakami, and Great Sinton.
Cross-Country Digest

by Ned Bowden

In case you missed the news on the front page of the L.A. Times, the Battling Beaver cross country team began another fun season on the sixteenth of this month. The returning head coach is Jim "100-mile-racer" O'Brien and the assistant coaches are Aaron Matzner and Carolyn Beck. With an influx of new runners and a good core of upperclassmen the team is looking forward to moving in the standings this year.

The new members are enjoying life cross-training in pool so that we can hit the ground running (carpe diem!) until THE CALTECH up in Santa Barbara. A training run in 24:49 with Six "fuss" from time to time. A break for lunch in 28:50 with plans of breaking Carol's legs for running too fast. The cross country team is still open to more runners. If you want to come out for a team and have fun or if you are a serious runner, you could use you. Running cross country is a good way to get to know new people and escape from your studies for a while. It promises to be a fun season and everyone is looking forward to getting new blood on the team. Hope to see you out there, Minnesota Twins and Atlanta Braves!

On Saturday the team had its first meet up in Santa Barbara. A traveling squad went up there for Fri-day afternoon to scan the course and stay in a hotel next to the beach in Ventura. The team went on a short run on the course at Westmont college and got mistaken for the UCLA cross country squad (that's like comparing Pee Wee Herman to Arnold Schwarzenegger). Unfortunately, two runners (whose names will remain hidden) got lost on the way to the course and nearly went all the way to Oregon before turning around. The night was capped off by carbohydrate-loading at an Italian restaurant. Dan "Terminator" Flees used this setting to tell everyone that "Anything over six miles minute pace is junk mileage."

Good first meet performances were given by every runner on the rolling course at Westmont College. Despite an aching back, Dan led the way for the men with a time of 28:46. Ned "Puzzle-head" Bowden wound his way by the famous Caltech alumni Chris Campo, but still finished second on the team. Jonah Michaud played the role of the team rabbit for the first two miles and then held on the rest of the way for a time of 31:21. In his first collegiate race, A. J. Lavin ran an impressive 33:44 and took the fourth position. Rounding out the top five was Ron Steiger, the first frosh to finish, with a time of 32:18. Matt Metz placed sixth with a time of 33:52. Matt could have run two minutes faster had he been allowed to wear his trademark hat and take off his shirt. Rounding out the top five was Betsy "I Either Have Guts Or I'm Crazy" award goes to Aimee Smith.

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Caltech's men got off to a fast start in Santa Barbara

Women's Volleyball: A Fresh Perspective

by Amy Oldenburg

If you've seen certain girls who walk funny, don kneepads, and generally smell bad, you've met some of the volleyball team. We practice four hours a day in morning and evening sessions, and we've really gained a lot from the experience besides accumulating an overwhelming load of dirty laundry. The freshmen on the team have a special bond because we're all going through this for the first time together. We've been discovering new and exciting places to eat together everyday, and have been cross-training in pool so that we can be pool goddesses in a few years. The new members are enjoying life to its fullest (carpe diem!) until - classes begin.

There are a lot of freshmen playing this year, with a wide range of skills. This makes it difficult for everyone to improve simultaneously. But now that I can go up and down stairs without gasping for pain, I can see that the practice is paying off, and by next year we'll be really excellent, with a core of experienced sophomores returning to the team. Finally, in order to avoid confusion, it should be noted that there are actually two women's volleyball teams. One, which I wrote about, is purely undergraduate. The other is for the best of the graduate and undergraduate players. Both teams generally practice together.

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Jim's Journal

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by Jim

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Each mailbox will be assigned to one person, until he or she leaves Caltech. Some large packages will still be delivered to the Mail Room, and in that case, a notice will be left in the mailbox.

The mailboxes will be issued at registration, or the key can be picked up from the Mail Room at Keith Stading between 8:30 and 4:30 Monday through Friday. Lost keys will cost $35 to replace, and can be picked up at the Mail Room.

Outgoing mail must be stamped and placed in the box labeled U.S. Mail. In order to charge the postage to a personal account, it must be taken to the campus Mail Room. The mail in both the U.S. Mail box and the Internal Mail box will be picked up twice a day, Monday through Friday.

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Caltech Annual Book Sale

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A surprise move by the University of Southern California Trojans has shortened the year for the Caltech Beavers Football Team, billed as the first “Safe Sex Bowl” the competition was to take place this Saturday at the Superdome in New Orleans. A spokesman for the Trojans gave the fickle excuse that they “just couldn’t come.” The coaching staff has speculated that the Trojans were unprepared for the Beavers and so shied away for an easier opponent — say Florida State or perhaps the Huskies. Team members believe that the Trojans became unwearyed at the sight of the Battle’ Beavers impressive personnel and opted to pull out of the game early.

The remaining year, Caltech has lined up some fierce opponents and will stir up old rivalries. Opening day is this Sunday at 1:00 p.m. against the Norwalk Outlaws at our very own Beaver Stadium. Although it’s only a scrimmage, crowd turnout is expected to be very heavy. Come early, the pro scouts and media need to grab all the good seats.

The preseason brought along a good turnover in the freshman department. Incoming frosh Alan Blaine, John Baker, and Chris Dupala, known collectively as “The butcher, the baker, and the candlestickmaker,” promise to make this year a brutal hits. Jeff “The Dick” Dickert and Brian “Brewmeister” Brewington achieved that beaver-tooth mouse sharpness and will likely have the best nicknames this season. First year lineman Jesse McReynolds will be showing off his deadly “Reynolds Wrap” to those who dare to challenge the Beaver dominated trenches.

The Beavers return several undergrad starters from last year. On the offensive line are tackles Chon “Ouch, my finger’s stuck” Torres, Steve “Why go to the barber when I have these fine clippers?” Harkness, and Joe “I can’t believe it’s...” Long. “Joeling” Joe is currently on injured reserve after losing a fight with a curtain rod. Also back is a fine receiving force of Rob “Communist Soccer Fag” Whiteley, Ast “bari bo bari banana fans so fat” Pine, and Dave “I’m in a senior and will graduate—yeah right!” Ross. Known around the camp as “Those Three Guys,” they’ll be gearing up for some great grabs. Also returning in Paul San Clemente a.k.a. “That Extra Guy Next To Those Three Guys.”

The team also welcomes back some new blood to the flock. Returning from a year in limbo (read Oregon) is defensive (although of the offensive by aroma) tackle “Drop Dead” Fred Sloneker. Also back from a year in wide receiver Brian “Just call me Archie” Duchowney. In addition we are graced with the return of the child prodigy Carl “Sagan” Feierabend (over) fresh from his Midwest tour. It’s also rumored that the 6-6’ 375 pound fullback Jon “Purple Grimace” Kawamura may not opt to go pro but join the Beaver attack. If so the grinning evil thick purple menace is sure to be an earthshattering force to be reckoned with.

Staff, faculty, and grades round out the beaver lineup this season. Sure to be delivering some punishment on the gridiron are Sydney “Bubba Paris” Colston, Larry “Spin” Campbell, Greg Thomas, Scott Vaughn and newcomer Steve “The Scoundrel” Scandore. Stiffling our adversaries with outstanding secondary play will be Don “Catch that f***ing ball” Thomas, Robert “I can see for miles and...” Miles, and Derek Perdue. The offensive backfield is manned by Sam “Sanny” Gonzales.

As usual, the Beaver playbook is bound to be full of surprises with Head Coach Wendell “One Eyed” Van Blarcom keeping an eye on the gridiron veteran Jimmy “So very determined” Brown and Phillip “Scrub-driver” Ruttmiller. Filling out the beaverdam defense are Juan Ron, Mike Scott, and Derrick Russell. As for the remaining year, Caltech is returners Rene Stone and Dan Gardner, Ronald Holt, Ken Lau, and Jim Penate.

Keeping the beavers in shape to play the role of the “Mistress of the Training Room” are Elvia Tashima and her cohort Craig.

A surprise move by the University of Southern California Trojans has shortened the year for the Caltech Beavers Football Team, billed as the first “Safe Sex Bowl” the competition was to take place this Saturday at the Superdome in New Orleans. A spokesman for the Trojans gave the fickle excuse that they “just couldn’t come.” The coaching staff has speculated that the Trojans were unprepared for the Beavers and so shied away for an easier opponent — say Florida State or perhaps the Huskies. Team members believe that the Trojans became unwearyed at the sight of the Battle’ Beavers impressive personnel and opted to pull out of the game early.

The remaining year, Caltech has lined up some fierce opponents and will stir up old rivalries. Opening day is this Sunday at 1:00 p.m. against the Norwalk Outlaws at our very own Beaver Stadium. Although it’s only a scrimmage, crowd turnout is expected to be very heavy. Come early, the pro scouts and media need to grab all the good seats.

The preseason brought along a good turnover in the freshman department. Incoming frosh Alan Blaine, John Baker, and Chris Dupala, known collectively as “The butcher, the baker, and the candlestickmaker,” promise to make this year a brutal hits. Jeff “The Dick” Dickert and Brian “Brewmeister” Brewington achieved that beaver-tooth mouse sharpness and will likely have the best nicknames this season. First year lineman Jesse McReynolds will be showing off his deadly “Reynolds Wrap” to those who dare to challenge the Beaver dominated trenches.

The Beavers return several undergrad starters from last year. On the offensive line are tackles Chon “Ouch, my finger’s stuck” Torres, Steve “Why go to the barber when I have these fine clippers?” Harkness, and Joe “I can’t believe it’s...” Long. “Joeling” Joe is currently on injured reserve after losing a fight with a curtain rod. Also back is a fine receiving force of Rob “Communist Soccer Fag” Whiteley, Ast “bari bo bari banana fans so fat” Pine, and Dave “I’m in a senior and will graduate—yeah right!” Ross. Known around the camp as “Those Three Guys,” they’ll be gearing up for some great grabs. Also returning in Paul San Clemente a.k.a. “That Extra Guy Next To Those Three Guys.”

The team also welcomes back some new blood to the flock. Returning from a year in limbo (read Oregon) is defensive (although of the offensive by aroma) tackle “Drop Dead” Fred Sloneker. Also back from a year in wide receiver Brian “Just call me Archie” Duchowney. In addition we are graced with the return of the child prodigy Carl “Sagan” Feierabend (over) fresh from his Midwest tour. It’s also rumored that the 6-6’ 375 pound fullback Jon “Purple Grimace” Kawamura may not opt to go pro but join the Beaver attack. If so the grinning evil thick purple menace is sure to be an earthshattering force to be reckoned with.

Staff, faculty, and grades round out the beaver lineup this season. Sure to be delivering some punishment on the gridiron are Sydney “Bubba Paris” Colston, Larry “Spin” Campbell, Greg Thomas, Scott Vaughn and newcomer Steve “The Scoundrel” Scandore. Stiffling our adversaries with outstanding secondary play will be Don “Catch that f***ing ball” Thomas, Robert “I can see for miles and...” Miles, and Derek Perdue. The offensive backfield is manned by Sam “Sanny” Gonzales.

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