



Students win leadership, academic awards



A group of academic award recipients and sponsors gather at the Athenaeum for the annual academic awards luncheon.

-Courtesy of the Deans' Office

DEANS' OFFICE Contributing Writers

The 2013 undergraduate academic awards were presented during a luncheon at the Athenaeum, on May 9 hosted by Dean D. Roderick Kiewiet.

The Dean of Undergraduate Students hosted a lunch at the Athenaeum on April 30 to honor

and recognize this year's winners of the leadership awards.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

George W. Housner Prize for Academic Excellence and Original Research:

Andy Zucker, a senior majoring in Mathematics will receive this year's Housner Prize at commencement.

This award is given to a senior or seniors in the upper 20% of their class for an outstanding piece of original scientific research.

George W. and Bernice E. Green Prize: Megan Jackson, a senior in Chemistry, was presented the Green Prize. The Green Prize is awarded to an undergraduate or undergraduates in any class for original research, an original paper or essay, or other evidence of creative scholarship beyond the normal requirements of specific courses.

Jack E. Froehlich Memorial Award: The Froehlich Memorial Award is for an outstanding junior in the top 5% of the class who shows outstanding promise for a creative professional career.

Tiaxin Albert Liu, a junior in Chemical Engineering is this year's recipient.

Arie J. Haagen-Smit Memorial Award: Siduo Stone Jiang a junior in Chemistry and Biology, Jonathan Schor a junior in Biology, and Stanford Schor, a junior in Biology are the recipients of the 2013 Haagen-Smit Memorial Award, which is given to a chemist or biologist who has shown academic promise and has made recognized contributions to Caltech.

Fredrick J. Zeigler Memorial Award: Benjamin Wu, a sophomore

in Applied and Computational Mathematics and Zhaorong Jin, a sophomore in Mathematics were chosen as the joint winners of the 2013 Zeigler Memorial Award.

This award recognizes students studying pure or applied mathematics in their sophomore or junior year, who have shown excellence in scholarship as demonstrated in class activities or in preparation of an original paper or essay in any subject area.

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Need to know < **100** words about the world this week – topics sorted from good to bad
by *The Tech Eds*

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Hostages freed in Yemen	3 Red Cross workers were freed by mediation of local tribal leaders [BBC]
Woman scales Everest	1st Saudi Arabian woman climbs Mount Everest at 25 years old [NYT]
France for gay marriage	14th country to do so in the world, France legalized gay marriage [NYT]
S. Korea tests missiles	4 short-range missiles were tested off South Korea's east coast [NYT]
Tornado ravages Texas	97 homes destroyed, 6 killed by 1 of at least 10 tornadoes in Texas [NYT]
Commuter trains crash	70 people injured after two Connecticut commuter trains crash [CNN]

Food with Mannion!

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 Ever want to tell the world exactly what you think of said food?
 The Tech will be beginning a new column to chronicle the foodie experiences of new writers every other week... The Catch: They'll be going head-to-head with Tom Mannion who will be reviewing the same restaurant. If you have ever thought you were more of a gourmand than our resident master chef, now's your chance to prove it!
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ASCIT Minutes

Minutes for May 13th, 2013. Taken by Allika Walvekar

Officers present: Diego Caporale, Zach Rivkin, Pushpa Neppala, Malvika Verma, Mario Zubia, Connie Hsueh, Michelle Tang, Puikui Cheng, Monica Enlow, Connor Coley, Allika Walvekar

Guests: Alexander Mouschovias, Catherine Jamshidi, Margaret Lee, Austin Mayron,

Call to Order: 10:03pm

President's Report (Zach):

Sign ups for the Honor Code Committee have been posted. They will go down on Tuesday at 11:59pm.

Counseling Center: Zach and Connor met with students regarding the Counseling Center. Feedback in the anonymous comment boxes has been mixed but very thorough.

New ASCIT Secretary: Catherine Jamshidi

ASCIT Donuts happened last Wednesday. The BoD cut and stuffed strawberries to save \$400.

Officer's Reports:

V.P. of Academic Affairs (ARC Chair: Malvika)

Honor Code survey results came out. Pushpa and Malvika had a meeting with Ray and Anna and Pushpa will put together a report. Anna and Malvika want a Chi-squared analysis by house and year. SFL occurred last Thursday and was very successful with 10 professors in attendance.

Professor Guo is the Professor of the Month

The first BARC lunch (BoC, ARC lunch with faculty) is scheduled in 2 weeks

Met with Cassandra and will be helping with the teaching handbook - projects like FAQs about the BoC and "How to write a clear course policy"

Undergraduate Seminar Series on Thursday with Professor Alan Weinstein (Physics)

V.P. of Non-Academic Affairs (IHC Chair: Connor):

Alumni weekend was this weekend. All houses had receptions for their alumni.

Connor met the marketing team, and they want to figure out a way to know when cool events happen on campus. Connor will work with the IHC to come up with a solution.

IHC will get data on prefrash weekend soon, and will be using it to plan for next year.

The Student Life Q&A occurred on Friday. Minutes can be found on the Alumni FB group.

Director of Operations (Connie):

Connie conducted a walk through the SAC with Mario. She is working on inventory of ASCIT items, and getting them all back from the houses. She also wants to establish a good system for lending. She created a renting document, but is looking into starting something online.

Buying new things as she sees fit

Treasurer (Monica):

Went to pCard training with Zach.

Granted funding to OASIS and Totem.

Social Director (Michelle):

The Rathskeller event went well, and Michelle hopes to make it a termly event.

Upcoming Events: Movie night on Saturday May 25th, BFP on Sunday May 26th

Secretary (Allika):

Reformatted donut website pages for UCCs and RAs

If anyone has any questions or concerns about a section of the minutes please email the appropriate officer. We are happy to answer any questions.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:35

Caltech Y Column: Find what's new with the Y

**PHOEBE ANN
LAURA SANTOSO**
Contributing Writers

Hi everyone! This is the Caltech Y Column, designed to inform you about the Y and the opportunities we provide for you to inspire your passions, whether by participating in our programs or leading your own!

Founded by students in 1916, the Y was organized to provide extracurricular activities planned and implemented by students as an opportunity to gain leadership skills, discover their passions, and learn more about themselves. The mission of today's Y remains the same: to provide opportunities that will prepare students to become engaged, responsible citizens of the world.

The Y seeks to broaden students' worldviews and raise social, ethical, and cultural awareness through teamwork, community engagement, activism, and leadership.

The Caltech Y's mission and core values stand on five key pillars: leadership, civic engagement, service, adventure, and perspective.

Regardless of which pillars capture your interest, feel free to attend any of the below programs, or contact us to organize your own!

Upcoming Events:

Social Activism Speaker Series: "When I Die, They'll Send Me Home" – A Human Rights Perspective on Juvenile Justice in California

Elizabeth Calvin - Annenberg Lecture Hall – Tuesday, May 21st at 7:30 pm

Elizabeth Calvin, an attorney and Senior Advocate for the Children's Rights Division of Human Rights Watch, works for the rights of children in the juvenile justice and foster care systems.

An advocate for over 25 years, she investigates human rights

violations, publishes findings, organizes others to support a change in law, and lobbies legislators to take action.

Y Outdoors Events: Our leaders from the Y-Outdoors committee are also easing toward the summer months adventure style. Y Outdoors programs provide Caltech students, including novices and experienced outdoor enthusiasts, an exciting opportunity to explore with guidance.

Henninger Flats Trip (5/26-27): Rounding out the month, plans are underway for a camping and hiking trip to Henninger Flats for a couple of days during the Memorial Day weekend.

Explore LA Events: The Explore LA Series encourages students to join the Caltech Y on an adventure – from the mountains to the ocean – exploring museums, shows, cultural experiences, sporting events, outdoor adventures, and more.

Many of the Explore LA events have been made possible with support from the Master of Student Houses (MOSH).

Caltech Student Health Fair (5/29): Members of the Caltech Y are again assisting in the fourth annual Caltech Student Health Fair under the guidance of the ExComm's own Catherine Xie '13 – chair of the event. Once again, a variety of health and wellbeing vendors will come to campus, along with displays and demonstrations from Caltech student groups and classes. It should be a fun and informative time once more.

Community Service Events:

Kids Reading to Succeed (6/1): Volunteers will read with children and participate in fun activities with them! This is a great way to give back to the community by helping kids with their reading skills. And the kids are super cute! For more information, please contact Phoebe Ann at pann@caltech.edu.

Union Station (6/2): The 56-bed Union Station Adult Center provides homeless men and women with safe, substance-free shelter, meals and supportive services - this facility serves more than 150 homeless men and women each year. Caltech-Y volunteers will help prepare, serve and enjoy a nutritious meal with the residents

of this homeless shelter. For more information, please contact Katja Luxem at kluxem@caltech.edu.

If you have any questions at all, feel free to contact the Caltech Y at (626) 395-6163 or caltechy@caltech.edu.

Go to the Email Lists tab at www.caltechY.org to self-subscribe to announcement lists for:

§ Y-Act: Community Service, Science Policy, Activism and Leadership Programs

§ Y-Explore: Outdoor Adventures, Social Activities and Cultural Events

For a student's perspective, feel free to contact Phoebe Ann at pan@caltech.edu or Laura Santoso at santoso.laura@gmail.com.



We are looking for **undergraduate students** to be **mentors** for a middle school summer camp on campus from August 5-9th. This year, our activities include working with Lego Mindstorm Robot kits.

Interested? Shoot an email to caltech@innoworks.org!

Join the conversation!

The new Caltech opinion journal, *The Hamiltonian*, is looking for writers to contribute articles on topics in science, technology, politics, economics, philosophy, history, social issues, foreign policy, and local events.*

Undergraduates, graduate students, faculty, and staff are all invited to participate. We are looking for writers committed to defending and exploring their views in accordance with the rigorous intellectual standards that make Caltech so unique.

For more information, contact us by e-mail at hamiltonian@caltech.edu

*Serial commas appreciated, but not required.

The Irreverent Review: Sean Carroll and *The Particle at the End of the Universe*

MICEALA SHOCKLEE
Columnist

In 2012, a worldwide group of hopefuls who had devoted their lives to a bet won the ultimate jackpot. The grand prize? One Higgs boson.

The vision, the struggle, the euphoria - and, as a byproduct, the science - these are the stuff of Caltech physicist Sean Carroll's latest book, *The Particle at the End of the Universe*.

A report written with charming eloquence, the book is well worth a read by any Techer. However, the Tech wanted more. Recently, we met with Carroll to find out the story behind the story.

Clean-cut, crisp-spoken and charismatic, Sean Carroll admitted that his experiment in professional duality was one of the hardest aspects of the project. Carroll is a physicist by trade but a journalist only by necessity.

Despite this "crutch," Carroll still managed to crank out the hefty paperweight of a book in a mere six months.

Carroll shared that a major concern while stringing together the narrative of the Higgs boson was finding a golden median. Where to rest on the scale between

grounded scientific research and a novel that had the aim of being - well, novel?

Enter: the pop science book. Part story, part sensation, part spokesperson, the pop science book holds a great deal of potential.

Though an often-abused genre, pop science is where the uninformed public turns most often to whet their factoidal cravings.

Besides, Carroll pointed out, outreach is what's going to keep science going.

He stressed that today's scientists need to remember that they live on borrowed money. It's the public that the money funding their labs, paying for their new grad students, and covering that free lunch at that conference last month ultimately traces back to. Scientists are a kept people.

A kept people that well may be worth their weight in gold, however.

While nearly any job is 90-percent grunge work, what other profession can say that their 10-percent - hell, that even their 90-percent is what's advancing the sum total of human knowledge?

As *The Particle at the End of the Universe* teaches, those are numbers worth betting on.



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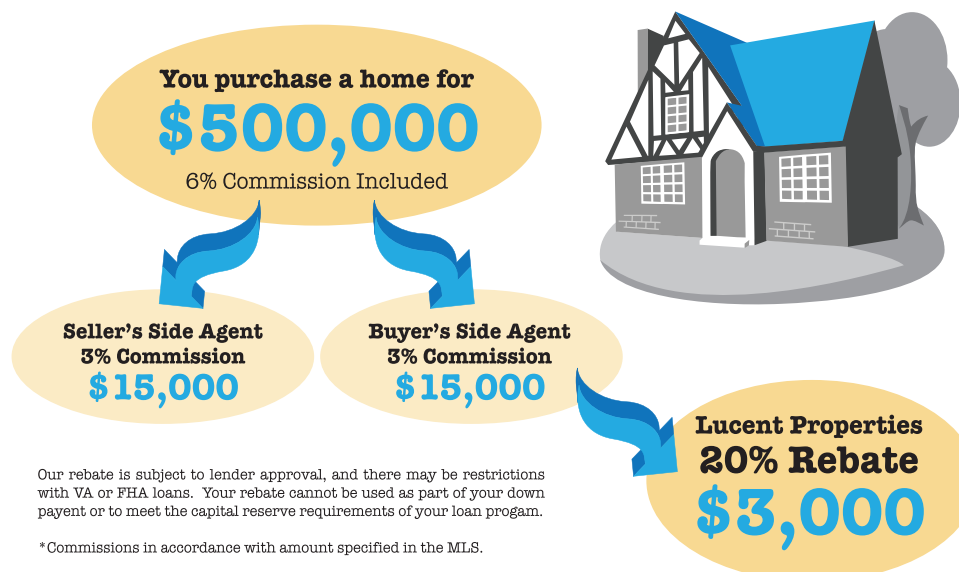
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Techers recognized for leadership on campus

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LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Frederic W. Hinrichs, Jr. Memorial Award: Avin Andrade and Diego Caporale are the joint winners of the 2013 Hinrichs Memorial Award.

This award is given in memory of Frederic W. Hinrichs, Jr., who served for more than 20 years as Dean and professor at the Institute.

The award bearing his name is made annually to the seniors who throughout their undergraduate years have made the greatest contributions to the student body and whose qualities of character, leadership, and responsibility have been outstanding.

Mabel Beckman Prize: Catherine Xie is the recipient of the 2013 Mabel Beckman Prize.

This award is given in memory of Mrs. Beckman's many years of commitment to Caltech's educational and research programs.

This award is for academic excellence and outstanding leadership skills, a commitment to personal excellence, good character, and a strong interest in the Caltech community.

Bibi Jentoft-Nilsen Memorial Award: Sarah Wright is this year's winner of the Bibi Jentoft-Nilsen Memorial Award.

This prize is given in memory of Bibi Jentoft-Nilsen, Caltech '89, an exceptional student leader.

After her untimely death in 1990, a fund was established to recognize outstanding student leaders.

Doris Everhart Service Award: Nikita Sinha was selected as the recipient of the Doris Everhart Service Award.

This award is given annually to an undergraduate who has actively supported and willingly worked for organizations that enrich student life, and the campus or community as a whole, and who has, exhibited care and concern for the welfare of students on a personal basis.

Deans' Cup and Campus Life and Master's Awards: These awards are presented to undergraduates whose concern for their fellow students has been demonstrated by persistent efforts to improve the quality of undergraduate life and by effective communication with members of the faculty and administration.

Misha Raffiee, Anna Ross and Chris Kolner received the 2013 Deans' Cup.

Supriya Iyer, Paige Logan, Stephanie Kwan, Alan Menezes, Collin Murphy and Pushpa Neppala were awarded the Student Life and Master's Award.



Several students were recognized for their leadership roles and contributions to the Caltech community at the 2013 Leadership Luncheon. The winners were treated to a meal at the Athenaeum with members of the administration. Students were nominated for this award by way of a campus-wide effort to allow students and faculty to identify those individuals most deserving of recognition for their leadership over the course of their time at Caltech.

- Courtesy of the Dean's Office

Mari Peterson Ligocki '81 Memorial Award: Vishnu Manoranjan was selected as the recipient of this year's Mari Peterson Ligocki '81 Memorial Award.

This award is made to one student who through his or her personal character, has improved the quality of student life at Caltech.

It recognizes the student who provides quiet support and kind encouragement to peers.

This fund was established by Mr. José F. Helú Jr. '79 to honor the memory of Mari Peterson Ligocki, '81, who possessed these qualities.

The Lucy Guernsey Service Award: Susan Liao and Eric Zhang are the recipients of this year's Lucy Guernsey Service Award.

The Lucy Guernsey Service Award was established by the Caltech Y ExComm in honor of Lucy Guernsey, the Y's Executive Director from 1989-1991.

The award is given annually to one or two students who have provided exceptional service to the Y and/or the community and exemplify a spirit of service.

You are invited to enjoy Chamber Music at Noon

Hye Sung Choe, flute
Hee Jin Yoon, harp

Tuesday, May 21, 2013

(if this is Ditch Day, concert will be postponed one week)

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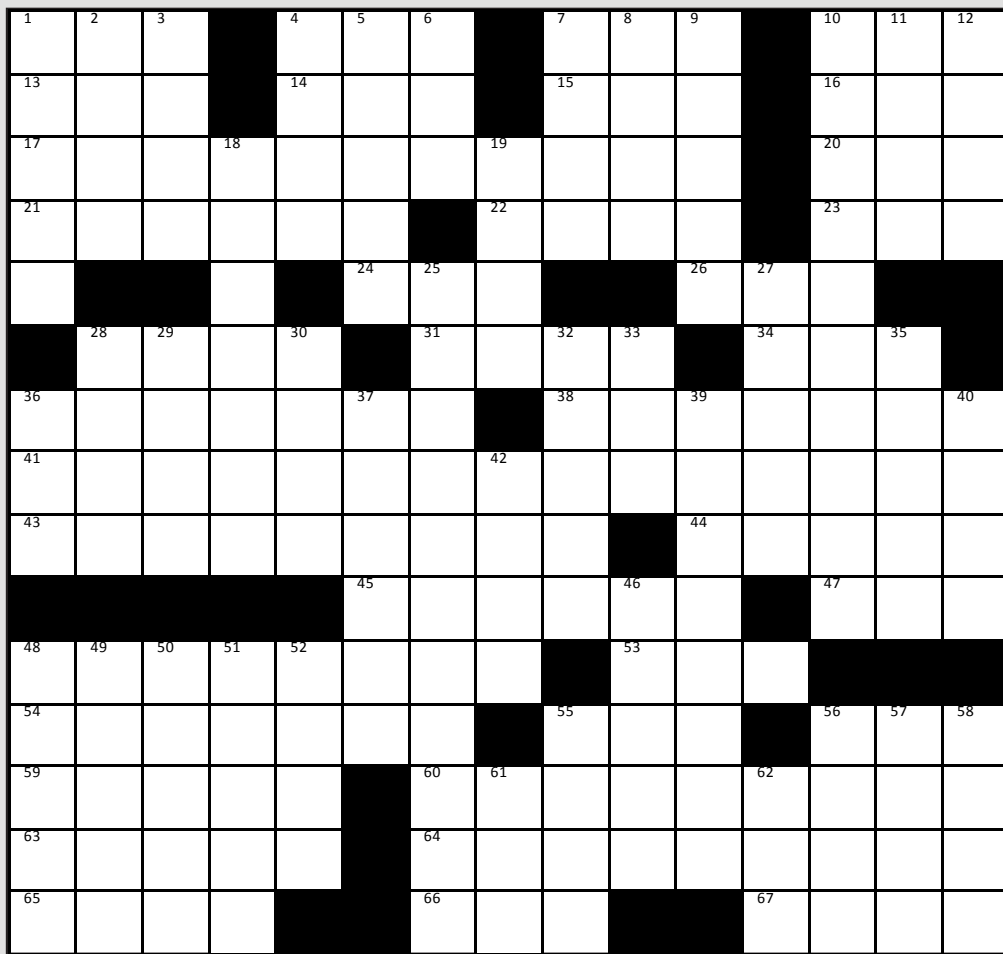


Korean-born flutist Hye Sung Choe, is the winner of the 2007 National Flute Association's Young Artists Competition (USA) and the first and only recipient of the Artist's Certificate in the woodwind department in the history of the Eastman School of Music. She received a Doctor of Musical Arts Degree from the Eastman School of Music (Rochester, New York) in 2010. Dr. Choe played with San Antonio Symphony as Principal Flute for the 2008-9 season and is a Donald E. Hudson Visiting Artist at Caltech, coaching chamber music. She will be joined by harpist Hee Jin Yoon, a doctoral student at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music.

Sponsored by the Caltech Chamber Music Program, Student Affairs, the Donald E. Hudson Chamber Music Fund, and the Friends of Caltech Instrumental Music.

“39 Down is Conepatl; We’re Sorry”

By John Jacob



22. Daughter of Aleus and Neaera
 23. Government cryptography agency
 24. Frequently
 26. A female deer
 28. Directions if you start at Blacker, go to Ricketts, go to Lloyd, return to Blacker, and then go to the SAC, initially
 31. Pipe bombs, e.g., initially
 34. deg. * pi/180
 36. “Shall we go to your pier or _____?”
 38. “Spiderman is masker, but Superman _____”
 41. What a first-year Spanish student would say upon seeing figure-skating nightshade
 43. Caltech computer lab
 44. “Tengo la camisa _____”
 45. “All ye demons, _____”
 47. phony, pathetic prefix
 48. Blonde horse
 53. Ruddock interhouse
 54. Lack of sense; silliness
 55. proto____
 56. “_____er I finish this puzzle, I’m going to cry”
 59. _____ an eBay auction
 60. Russian princess movie not made by Disney
 63. Fragrant wood that repels moths
 64. Replacing the batteries
 65. Yoked animals
 66. Homer Simpson saying
 67. Fairies
- Down**
 1. Soap, Sp.
 2. One a-man, one _-____
 3. Wedding band
 4. An abelian group with a multiplicative structure
 5. Sunset, Sp.
 6. Not nope
 7. Holier than _____
 8. “Let freedom _____”
 9. A thing you need to own a house
 10. Peruvian delicacies
 11. Backs of ships
 12. Complete this clue, you will
 18. Michael Jordan’s Nike footwear
 19. “I _____ this crossword puzzle”
 25. Penalty for facemask in football
 27. “Do I call this Skurve frosh Alex Anemogiannis? _____?”
 28. Poptart cat
 29. Dscvrr f grvty
 30. “Frankly my dear, I don’t give a _____”
 32. Recent ASCIT president
 33. Sound a snake makes
 35. Denounce
 36. Like APA or Chicago
 37. “Down the _____ hole”
 39. Archaic term for skunk (Actually. We promise.)
 40. Quantity of paper
 42. “Did you know that Kurtis Carsch placed out of _____?”
 46. Hanging implement
 48. Chilean brandy
 49. What happened to Hawaii, Texas, etc.
 50. Feminine ugly, Fr.
 51. “Should we cook the pancakes on skillet? Or _____?”
 52. Sounds like Israeli Prime Minister Golda
 55. ASCIT president
 56. Don’t start a land war here
 57. Response to “How are you?”
 58. #hash____
 61. Matrix hero
 62. Lovable TV alien

- Across**
 1. One man, one _____
 4. G. BIV
 7. _____ la la
 10. Happy
 13. Spicy South American tomato spread
 14. Hard water?
 15. Concealed
 16. Alien plane
 17. With 3 down, 4 down, 8 down: a hit song
 20. “_____ be great if this crossword were good”
 21. “Should we play at festivals _____?”

The Division of Humanities and Social Sciences is pleased to announce the following winners of its annual writing prizes. Please join our faculty and staff in congratulating these students for their outstanding work as thinkers and writers within our division.

Mary A. Earl McKinney Prize in Prose Fiction: Suna Li, “Ultrasound”

Mary A. Earl McKinney Prize in Poetry: Vivian Huang, “Untitled”

Hallett Smith Prize for the finest essay on Shakespeare : Vivian Huang, “Authority and Justice in Measure for Measure”

McClure Communications Prize for excellence in written communications skills:

English: Caroline Yu, “Through the Looking Glass; Eric Mukherjee, “The Consolation of Theseus”

History: Shayan Doroudi, “Secrecy, Science, and Shi’ism”

Philosophy: Vishnu Manoranjan, “Counterfactuals Require Careful Formulation: A Reply to Lange”

David M. Grether Prize for outstanding performance and creativity in the Social Sciences: Tong (Joy) Lu

Eleanor Searle Prize in Law, Politics, and Institutions: Rachel (Zeke) Millikan

Caltech athletes honored at awards banquet



Caltech athletes pose with their respective awards. Somebody should have probably offered Sarah Wright a hand.

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GOCALTECH.COM The Real Sports Editor

The 19th Annual Caltech All Sports Awards Show took place on Wednesday evening at the Braun Athletic Center. Over 75 percent of the student-athletes attended the Oscar style event. There were nine different award winners which were nominated by and voted on by the Caltech athletic department.

Outstanding Frosh

This award is given to a freshman male and female student athlete who has made the most outstanding contribution intercollegiate athletics this school year.

Male Athlete – Kevin Yu (Swim/Dive)

Female Athlete – Stephanie Wong (Basketball)

Francis W. Davis Outstanding Female Athlete of the Year

This award is given to the female student athlete who has made the most outstanding contribution in intercollegiate athletics this school year. The award may be given to a female student athlete in any class.

Team Sport – Hanna Dodd (Swim/Dive, Water Polo)

Individual Sport - Rebekah Kitto (Volleyball, Tennis)

Male Athlete of the Year

This award is given to the male student athlete who has made the most outstanding contribution in intercollegiate athletics.

Team Sport – Brian Penserini (Water Polo, Baseball)

Individual Sport – Eric Martin (Cross Country, Track/Field)

Directors Award

This award is given to a senior student athlete (Male & Female, may be more than one of each) who has made the most outstanding contribution in intercollegiate athletics during their entire Caltech athletics career in terms of athletic performance and intangibles.

This award is given to a senior who has a two-year minimum participation on an intercollegiate team.

Male – Brice Nzeukou (Soccer, Track/Field & Collin Murphy (Basketball)

Female – Sarah Wright (Soccer, Basketball, Track/Field)

Most Outstanding Athlete

This award is given to the student athlete (male or female) who has made the most outstanding contribution in intercollegiate during their entire Caltech athletics career in terms of ability, loyalty, leadership and interest.

By the wish of the donor, the award shall be presented only in such years as there is a worthy outstanding athlete. More than one athlete may receive this award if they are worthy of recognition. Although it is not required, it is recommended the nominee be a senior.

Sarah Wright (Soccer, Basketball, Track/Field)

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Also recognized were Thomas Kwong and Hanna Dodd as the Beavers SCIAC Scholar Athlete.

Thomas Kwong and Sarah Wright were honored by their fellow student-athletes as Sportsman and Sportswoman of the Year in the second year the awarded was presented.

Tennis teams recognized by SCIAC for success

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The Caltech tennis teams were recognized by the SCIAC for their success and sportsmanship on the courts during the 2013 season.

The league coaches vote on the season ending all-conference awards.

For the third straight season Rebekah Kitto was named the SCIAC first-team all-conference women's tennis squad.

The junior went 10-0 against conference foes this season while posting a 19-0 overall record in dual matches.

She played 14 matches at the No. 2 singles position and five at the top singles spot.

Currently she is ranked 11th in the ITA west region rankings.

She is the first Caltech female tennis player to earn the league's highest honor three times.

Her 19 wins set the school record for most dual match wins in a single season. In addition to her single season mark, the junior

has already recorded 44 wins in her career which is also a school record.

Kitto went 6-1 against regional ranked opponents with her lone loss coming to Ariana Mokhtari (UC Santa Cruz) in the quarterfinal round at the annual Ojai Tournament. Kitto will participate at the 2013 NCAA Singles Championships next week in Kalamazoo, MI. Monica Li earned second-team all-conference honors. The native of Boulder, CO went 13-7 in dual match play, with a 6-5 mark against SCIAC foes.

She played 14 matches at the No. 1 singles spot where she went 9-5 while posting a 4-2 record when playing in the No. 2 singles

position. The first-years 13 dual match wins are the second most in school history tying her with Kitto (2012), Natsuko Kagawa (1997) and Alexis Johnson (1996).

With Kitto and Li both earning all-conference accolades, it marks the first time the Caltech women's team had two individuals receive all-conference honors in the same

season--it has been quite the year for them.

For the sixth time the men's team was honored by the league with the conference sportsmanship award.

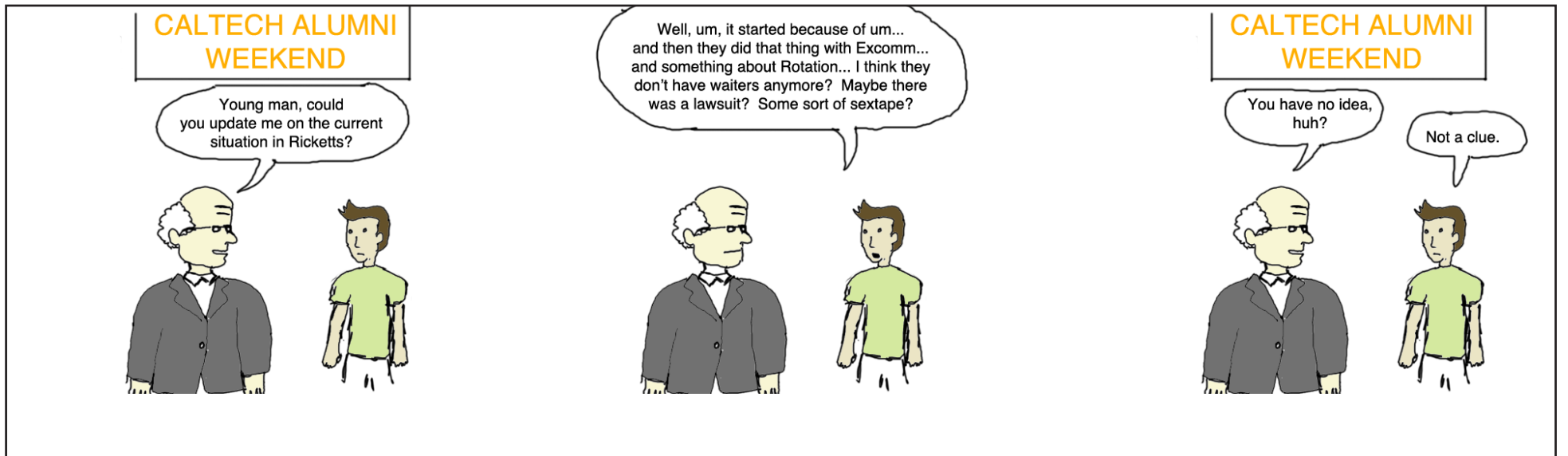


Kitto and Li prepare for a hard-fought doubles match. Sorry, I got nothing.

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Acquired Taste

by Dr. Z



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