If you buzz in and answer correctly, your team gets points, and your team also gets a bonus question. Bonus questions can be discussed by the whole team (and the other team gets no chance to answer).

Players can buzz in and interrupt a question before the moderator has finished reading it. However, if you interrupt a question and give the wrong answer, your team is penalized some points (and, more importantly, the other team gets to listen to the rest of the question and answer it).

Anybody in the Caltech community, undergrad, grad, postdoc, faculty, or staff, is welcome to enter a team in the tournament. All you need is a team of four people.

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BY CHARLES PECK

Caltech loses Professor Ricardo Gomez

Professor Ricardo Gomez died unexpectedly early the morning of Monday, October 14.

Gomez came to Caltech as a Research Fellow in 1986 in experimental particle physics and spent the rest of his career here working in this field. He retired from the active faculty in July of this year. During his research career, Gomez was a valued member of the faculty who, in his early years here, exploited the Caltech 1 GeV electron synchrotron for production studies at what was then the high energy frontier of particle physics. He then helped to establish the new style of doing particle physics experiments at remote accelerators, contributing to Caltech-led experiments at Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center, the Brookhaven National Laboratory, and Fermilab. His research included studies of the photodisintegration of the deuteron, the photoproduction of various mesons from nucleons, and the interactions of high energy mesons with nucleons. He also searched for fractionally charged particles, made experimental tests of quantum chromodynamics, and investigated certain meson decay modes of special interest.

During his entire career, Gomez was intensely interested in teaching, contributing particularly to the introductory undergraduate courses and laboratories. It was not uncommon to find him absorbed in how to present some concept or other to his classes and he spent a great deal of time with both graduate and undergraduate students. With his legendary exuberance, he always took a strong interest in the students of his class, the new students of his class, and the returning students of his class. This year's CURJ will contain eleven papers from the summer of 1995, and will be published this April.

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The Outside World
by Myfanwy Callahan

HONG KONG -- With less than nine months of British rule left, the tables have turned on the colonial power. Where once Chinese were barred from high-ranking positions, young Brits are lining up for jobs in trucking companies and construction crews. Unemployment in Britain has caused many to turn to Hong Kong for work.

TOKYO, JAPAN -- Japan prepares for a new election this Sunday that will lead them towards a two-party system. The process will be gradual, and some problems still exist, such as the fact that the major parties all take the same positions on the issues.

MOSCOW, RUSSIA -- Doctors are advising against Yeltsin’s bypass surgery. He is severely anemic, and some estimate his chances for survival at only 40%. His surgery has been postponed until mid-November or December.

JERUSALEM, WEST BANK -- King Hussein of Jordan visited the West Bank on Tuesday for the first time since Jordan lost it to Israel in 1967. This was a show of support for Yasser Arafat, indicating that further delays in self-rule agreements for Palestinians could damage relations between Israel and Jordan.

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ROGAN: representative speaks to CETF

When an audience member pointed out that the air quality of LA has become an economic liability to area businesses and that this should concern a 27th district candidate, Mitchell informed her that Rogan supports fuel-efficient vehicles and funding for continued research.

An example of the kind of environmental control Rogan supports, according to Mitchell, is private sector conservation of rivers and lakes in Scotland and England.

There, fishing is very popular and the property rights of fishing spots are coveted. Owners of lakes and rivers charge people to fish; and since the owners have an economic incentive to prevent pollution and overfishing, they do so.

Rogan would like to balance economic and environmental concerns. He would like to see a “common sense, reasonable approach to environmental issues.”

Mitchell said that Congress must consider whether it is “worth it” to put people out of business when they’ve invested “billions of dollars and all their sweat, just to protect one little animal.”

An audience member asked whether or not Rogan thinks protecting one species is important.

Mitchell replied that Rogan has not sufficiently studied the issue.

Rogan believes that the government’s role in environmental issues should be reduced and mostly involve research and stifling private sector incentives. He would like to see funding for research into the extent of the damage to the atmosphere and discriminate costly controls. Alien landowners should be given incentives to conserve, said Mitchell, and when the government confiscates land for environmental reasons, it should reimburse the owners.

Rogan would like to reevaluate America’s wetlands policy, considering whether or not wetlands are worth conserving.

Rogan, according to Mitchell, votes independently according to what would be best for America. Mitchell said that Rogan does not always vote with his party, and in the past has disagreed with them on certain issues.

Mitchell pointed out that, while the League of Conservation voters had given Rogan a score of only 25 percent, the national Republican average was 7 to 8 percent. When the issue of which PAC’s contributed to Rogan’s campaign was raised, Mitchell revealed that Rogan dislikes fundraising.

Mitchell described Rogan’s loss of his chief financial advisor after he voted in a way that displeased a contributing PAC. Mitchell also believes that the fact that environmentally conscious PAC’s don’t contribute to Rogan is due to the low score he received from the League of Conservation Voters.

Mitchell admitted that Rogan has in the past not focused on environmental issues. Instead, he has pushed crime and law enforcement. In the future, Mitchell says, Rogan would like to deal primarily with economic concerns.

Information about Jim Rogan’s campaign can be found on the web at http://www.cwire.com/rogan96/. Rogan’s campaign office can be reached by mail at 3525 N. Verdugo Rd., Glendale, CA 91208, or by phone at (818) 249-0529.

I bounced out of Urban Outfitters the other day with a foolish grin on my face and a box of penis-shaped pasta tucked neatly under my arm.

Two days after The First Wives Club opened, my girlfriends and I met to eat male-part macaroni and grip about the limp noodles in our own lives before graduating to the big-screen problems of Goldie Hawn, Diane Keaton, and Bette Midler.

Working on planning and evaluation at the appearance of a long overdue chick flick portraying men as losers has been better spent eating twinkies. Although artful and easy to follow, the movie lost some of its appealing women’s bite by creating nothing but caricatures to play opposite the three troubled New Yorkers.

The men appear on screen only to assure the audience that they really do deserve the revenge that their ex-wives plan for them. Except for Midler’s husband, they are so undeveloped that their eventual downfalls fall sadly short of the delicious satisfaction that one should feel when the stuff finally hits the fan.

Hawn’s alcoholism and Keaton’s neurotic petulance, if meant to be funny, don’t succeed; although one or two priceless moments occur when Hawn is at her drunkest and Keaton must overcome her fear of heights, Midler, portraying a stereotypical Jewish mother, is the least annoying, most entertaining character among the ladies.

Still, the humor in this movie does not appear with the leads: Keaton’s lesbian daughter, Hawn’s well-connected friend, and Midler’s interior decorator buddy provide not only flesh but fun to First Wives, and much of my time in the theater was spent waiting for them to come back on screen.

The revenge taken on the husband is swift and glossed over, and their fate afterward is to be doomed to the out-of-focus part of the camera lens for the remainder of their screen time. First Wives concentrates the finale of the movie on the healing of the three women through their unity, and leaves the viewer with a semi-satisfied feeling like eating frozen yogurt at Bashkin Robbins when everyone else gets a double scoop of Gold Medal Ribbon.

Perhaps, I thought while pushing my cartload of my soggy pop­
corn through the trash lid, I missed the whole point. I was disturbed by the fact that First Wives did not trumpet out, “Men are scum.”

The two days later I went in search of a feel-good movie that just happened to have the funniest women I know cast in the parts of serious ladies with real problems, kind of like Robin Williams was in Jack.

This time, Hawn’s age spots, Keaton’s neckerchief, and Midler’s big hair did not detract so much from the strength that I ex­pected to see in them, but rather added to the wounded power­lessness that they felt as middle-aged women suddenly torn from the lives they had been building for the past twenty years. Keaton’s whiny trips to her therapist built a dam­aged character who could, by the end of the film, be healed.

This time, when Keaton reads in a letter, “Maybe it isn’t the problem, maybe loneliness is,” the purpose of the film finally materializes. The women’s revenge on their ex-husbands is not nearly as important as the lost high school friendship that is rekindled in their vindictive enterprise.

The men are driven only by lust that they are unreal, and so far from the real first wives watching the film will dismiss them and focus instead on the real action: the important stuff that happens in the lives of the women who decide not to lose themselves in despair, that the four friends of Hawn, Keaton, and Midler do in suicide.

Empowered, but not angry, is the way the movie turns out, as the three middle-aged women go through their own mid-life crisis together, without the Lamborghini or tight-ass hood ornament of their male counterparts. In other words, The First Wives Club proclaims haltingly but humorously that life doesn’t end when your period does.
There are no new Caltech Y programs or events this week, but there are a couple of ongoing ones that you should remember:

First, if you’re a work-study student, you can make a difference and make money at the same time. You can earn $12/hr while participating in any of the community service programs the Caltech Y is involved in (such as tutoring local elementary or high school students, serving food to the homeless, or helping care for AIDS patients).

If you’re not a work-study student, you can still make a difference by volunteering your time to any of these programs. Talk to Chris at the Y (x6163) or e-mail him at sundberg@startbase1.

The Caltech Y’s weekly mountain bike rides are starting up for the year; the first one will be this Thursday, October 24. If you’re interested in taking your mountain bike somewhere a little more wild than campus walkways and Pasadena streets, stop by the Y to sign up. Again, you can talk to Chris at x6163 or e-mail him at sundberg@starbase1.

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**A.S.C.I.T. Minutes**

**October 13, 1996**

Present: Maria, Dave B., Grace, Alexi, Emily, Kohl, Kristie, Kara, Walt and Amy

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**Officers’ Reports**

- Kara - Starting the UROH and sending letters out to the professors.
- Alexi - there were meetings this summer about transportation. Head of the insurance company is rewriting the policy and the policy needs to be checked by lawyers and the insurance company. We’ll know more after that.
- Kristie - Was on Price is Right. The show airs Dec. 3. Watch your fellow Techer on the boob tube.
- Emily - “I have money!” The ASCIT party went well. Planning the Halloween party.
- Kohl - The preliminary version of the CLUE is out on the ASCIT web page (httppm, caltech.edu/ascit). Faculty-Student Conference will be held soon.
- Dave B. - “Rotation is over!!”
- Kristie - BoC talks are starting soon.

The next ASCIT meeting will be held Wed. 10/23, at 8 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Yam
ASCIT Secretary

**Quiz**

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Was a field of thirteen teams, i vied into morning and afternoon divisions, with a final set made on the late afternoon. (The hair-raising finals, a team of four grad students narrowly triumphed over a team of four undergrads. Who will be victor this year?)

If you would like to register your team for this year’s tournament (send the following information: Craig Leff at 1) team name (in activity in team names is encouraged);
- captain’s name, e-mail address and phone number;
- team composition (2 undergrads and 2 grads, etc.).

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Baseball MVP Awards

BY MASON A. PORTER

The American League (AL) MVP award is not as hotly contested as the NL ones. The principle candidates are catcher Mike Piazza of the Los Angeles Dodgers, third baseman Ken Caminiti of the San Diego Padres, shortstop Barry Larkin of the Cincinnati Reds, third baseman/shortstop Chipper Jones of the Atlanta Braves, outfielder Barry Bonds of the San Francisco Giants, and outfielders Ellis Burks and Andres Galarraga of the Colorado Rockies. Piazza nearly became the first catcher since Ernie Lombardi to win a batting title, but faded during the last week of the season along with the rest of the Dodgers. Larkin started slowly but ended up having an ever better offensive season than he did in 1995. Barry Bonds joined Jose Canseco as the only members of the 40-40 club. Burks and Galarraga both had their statistics inflated because of their home ballpark, although Burks performed quite well on the road as well. Burks does not deserve the MVP, but he does deserve to finish second in the balloting. Chipper Jones had an excellent season and should finish third or fourth in the voting, but the winner should be Ken Caminiti. He hit over .300 with 40 homers and over 120 RBIs. It is mostly because of him that the Padres won the NL West. Therefore, Caminiti deserves the MVP trophy.

BY RYAN COX

Soccer scores a win against La Sierra

The Caltech soccer team had a chance to prove itself Monday in a game against La Sierra. Caltech had lost to La Sierra during pre-season and had been defeated 12-0 by CMS just two days earlier. However, this did not prevent the team from playing well and defeating La Sierra 6-3. Clay Kishiyama and Pat Higgins each scored one goal. Pat Higgins was the first frosh this year to score a goal. The whole team played well and shows signs of improving.

The Caltech soccer team has also undergone a number of important changes this year. First, Head Coach Philip Howells and Assistant Coach Ken Kiessling have been joined by a new assistant coach, Julie Tingle. Assistant Coach Tingle has already proved a great asset to the team with her endless energy and stubborn insistence on performance. The new frosh class has also reshaped the team. Twelve of the twenty-three players are freshmen. Most of them are not starters, but there is potential talent among them. New team captains have been appointed, once again following the shift towards younger team. The team captians consist of three sophomores; Mat Barnet, Tony Payne and Frankie Dias-Laurence; and one senior, Clay Kishiyama. Assistant coach Tingle said that one of the reasons for the victory was that "we played as a team." This win will help to boost the team spirit and provide inspiration for the rest of the season.
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Mach shakes on union

by Geoff Smith

In what Ricketts President Phil Sutton has hailed as a "watershed event", Ricketts House and Sean Mauch announced an "eternal and holy alliance to purify the world of Dabney" on Wednesday night. An ebullient Mauch attended Ricketts dinner, clearly overjoyed at the chance to once again be united with his true spiritual brethren. After the handshaking was over, a teary Mauch led the house in a stirring rendition of "We Shall Overcome" that brought tears to the eyes of even the most jaded of Scurves.

The full effects of this confluence of powers have not yet been determined. In the Vatican, Pope John Paul II, who had been acting as a mediator between Ricketts and Dabney, was rumored to have stayed up all night trying to find a way to meet this new development in the swiftly-escalating situation. The Pontiff, twitchy from "more cappuccino than you can possibly imagine, with a little Herbal Ecstasy thrown in for the hell of it", remarked "When you consider that Ricketts already boasts the power of Patrick Spradlin and Aaron Matz, the possible outcomes of a full or limited engagement of badass take on a positively chilling character, possibly threatening the fabric of space-time itself."

United States President Billy "fuller 'n a tick" Clinton was visibly shaken at a hastily-called press conference. When asked by a Tech reporter what effect Sean Mauch may have on the deterrent effect of the United States nuclear arsenal, he responded "Well, you don't have to be smarter than a barn full of hoot owls to know that it's not like he couldn't take any country out behind the woodshed and open up a whole can of whup-ass." Later in the conference, he seemed to be trying to back out of his gloomy outlook: "Just 'cause his dick's longer than a rake handle doesn't mean we can't come to some agreement here. It's not like we're not talking." Upon further questioning, it became apparent that the President had been told he could e-mail Mauch "any time he wanted", but since nobody in the federal government has any idea how a computer works, this action has yet to be performed.

Republican authorities seemed less concerned. Kim West, when pressed, commented "Does this Sean Mauch thing have anything to do with fire, swinging on a rope, or swinging on a rope over a fire? "Cause if it does, I'm going to come down hard on you bastards. Other than that, I don't give a rat's ass."

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THE INSIDE WORLD

THE WAR ISSUES

I HAVE NO SKILLS WHATSOEVER. THEREFORE I'LL BE EXECUTIVE EDITOR. IS "PUBLISHER" TAKEN?

BE ALL YOU CAN BE... WRITE FOR THE TECH!
A couple words from Fleming House

**FLEMING**

_A couple words from Fleming House

Fleming is a peaceful house; these skirmishes sadden and disturb us greatly,” said President William Penn.

Blacker also condemned the rumored alliance of certain other houses with the warring parties. “Ruddock’s possible support for Dabney is a cause of great concern to us. We are meeting with Ruddock’s diplomatic corps this afternoon to encourage them to remain neutral,” said Penn. Sources close to the presidency said that the Blacker-Ruddock meeting ended with Ruddock President Lon Christiansen leaving “wet behind the ears and disgruntled.”

Blacker invited Ricketts and Dabney to a peace summit, and is currently developing advanced training methods to get American soldiers to shoot at people instead of just sitting around smoking Pall Malls and flirting with the nurses in the French Resistance. He also says that the same techniques applied to soldiers are being integrated into modern virtual reality video games. Imagine that — just by playing Doom you get all the psychological training you need to kill someone by reflex — all you need is a gun, and someone at which to point it. I suggest Monitor.

Thank you and my lord Jesus that the Scurves finally did something about this illness that’s been festering inside all of us. No, there isn’t much we can do in our normal/normal peaceful interactions with other houses — Avery is off limits, because we don’t want the faculty to get any ideas. We don’t go into any houses that aren’t our own. Even wonder why all the Lloydies are starting to look like each other? Raping and pilaging are natural animal drives, and they have to be acted upon. Declaring war is just another way of satisfying all those dirty primal urges we all have.

At least, I assume we all have them. I know I do. You know what I’m talking about — jumping out of planes, doing that Tarzan-beat-your-chest thing, eating Micky D’s french fries, running nekkid thru the streets with a big Bob Dole mask shouting “Bill and Chelsea, sitting in: tree, I-N-C-E-S-T-T.” Don’t deny it, just yesterday you were thinking, “Hey, maybe I’ll run on traffic and expose myself, masturbate briefly, and then scam back into the bushes. And the maybe I’ll have some ice cream.

A good war is a simple, productive way to work through a kind of personality difference — and you get to kill people we don’t think the way you do.

I’m suggesting that we collectively take our self-enhanced warfaring skills and apply them to life at Tech. I mean advice for anyone foolproof enough to stand before this juggernaut unleased — this is, the Ricketts/Fleming war machine — instead of worrying about whether or not you flies have mated yet, worry about whether or not Dabney courtyard is mined. Don’t be dissuaded by the food service — be happy your toilet paper isn’t rationed, and that you can deal with your intestinal distress at your leisure. Don’t worry about the Rustics or the Mexicans invading (or even the Canadians). Worry about it dropping out of the sky dressed in full Spanish mission style camouflage and armed with tanks and portable industrial arm deodorant and shovels at rakes and VQ microbes at various other secret weapons.

**THE HOUSE OF LOVE SAYS....**

MAKE LOVE NOT WAR ♥
WAR!
Darb acts precipitate Ricketts’ declaration of war

by Ricketts House War Council

Kartalov to darbs: “We will crush you!”

Ricketts House: In response to the heinous and unforgivable atrocities committed against Humanity and Ricketts house, the Scurves, after much careful deliberation and reasoned caution, have decided “enough is enough.”

Reacting to the already infamous Pot Dye Incident, all loyal members of Ricketts voted unanimously at last Thursday’s house meeting to declare Total and Complete War on dabney house. One outraged scurve stated simply, “We didn’t start it, but we sure will finish it.” Another scurve summarized even more succinctly, “dabney eats kids.”

Several Scurves emphasized the importance of this decision. “We can no longer stand idly by and watch dabney subverting our citizenry. The time has come for action, and we must take it. Containment is no longer an option. The only rational policy is pursuit.” Hitaine Patel, apparently outraged, screamed for hours about the “moral degradation and turpitude” of dabney house. (Hitaine was subdued only after being injected by large doses of sedatives).

When questioned about Ricketts tack, President Phil “Phil Sutton” Sutton replied, “We have always been at Peace with Blacker. We have always been at War with dabney.” President Sutton was then asked about his mental state and replied, “I’m baked out of my gourd.” When asked to elaborate, he said, “dabney gives me a three-alarm case of the Red-Ass.”

Events of Tuesday, October 8th 1996

Gods-Emperors of Ricketts House gashed their teeth and were not available for comment. Admiral Emil Kartalov merely exclaimed, “Catastrophe.” Some foresaw the current breakdown interhouse relations. On Monday evening, Dabney expelled ambassadors and severed all formal relations, only one short day after the meeting of the Population Internment Conference.

As one envoy for peace exclaimed, “dabney’s behavior to date has been ludicrous.” Ironically, the seat of all of dabney’s peacetime government, their “hot tub,” may have been the cause of current breakdowns. Said a loyal Scurve ambassador, “Not all darbs are this bent on self-destruction. I myself witnessed one lone voice of reason among the darbs, a famed negotiator known simply as ‘Shaft.’ He truly was a cat that would not cop out.” As soon as Shaft made his opinion known, however, he was suddenly drawn into the murky depths of the “hot tub” and was never heard from again. Avoided by all loyal members of Ricketts House due to reasons of Health, Morality, and Unwanted Pregnancies, the condemnation and suggested destruction of the “hot tub” has been a “sticky” point of House relations for some time.
Darbs make malicious attack on pot

by Ricketts Ministry of Truth

Ricketts House: In a malicious act paralleled few times in human history, depraved darbs initiated an attack on the Pot in Ricketts courtyard. At approximately 12:00 am Wednesday morning, the assailant, easily identifiable as a member of dabney house by his bare feet and tie-dyed clothing, stumbled into Ricketts courtyard in some sort of "smack"-induced stupor. Shortly thereafter, although details are sketchy, he apparently attempted to "smoke" the Ricketts Pot. Eyewitnesses report that the darb fashioned a make-shift pipe out of the Pot and took several deep "tokes."

The assailant then, in a most heinous and inexcusable act, attempted to tie-dye the Pot. Using a large sheet and copious amounts of dyes he stained it over the Pot in hopes the darb would seem through. Many have begun to refer to the events of this portentous evening as the Pot-Dye Incident.

The original Ricketts Pot, a beautiful marble structure, was donated by Robert Millikan himself. Since then, the Pot has been rebuilt several times, with the most recent reconstruction ending this past summer. Not since the Petrifed Feces Incident of '63 has such utter disrespect been shown by dabney house. Never again can the Darbs be allowed to run amok. Some speculated that the assailant was confused, and initiated the attack upon hearing of some other sort of "pot" in Ricketts courtyard. Most, however, assumed that this was a callously calculated act by the most belligerent of houses, dabney. By now, the atrocities originating in dabney are widely known and even more widely despised. Many suspect the Pot-Dye Incident is the culmination of a carefully orchestrated plan to draw Ricketts into conflict. If this is the case, one wise Scurve said, "The Horror, the horror!"

If its war that they want, its a fat kick in the face they'll get."

Wanted: MERCENARIES

Ricketts House encourages all adventure loving Pageboys and Flens to join the fight against tyranny and oppression.

• Low risk (come on, they’re Darbs)
• High compensation
• Visit the tropical south!
• Rape and Pillage!!!

All interested parties should apply to the Ricketts House Standing Army.

Be All you can be.