The Pope virtually visits Caltech

BY GERALD PALMOSO

John Paul II, Pope and leader of the Catholic Church, made a special visit to Pasadena on Monday, January 25, 1999. Although he was not physically there, a satellite connection between Mexico City and the Pasadena Civic Auditorium broadcast his ceremony held at Azteca Stadium onto the PCA's large projection screen.

Amazingly, the broadcast from Pasadena was coordinated through Caltech's own Newman Center, headed by Father Brian Wilson. Wilson, who gives Mass every Sunday in the Winnett Center, organized and then ran the event. There was a large turnout of Spanish-speaking persons, and Wilson had to use both Spanish and English to keep the participants informed during the ceremony.

By arriving at the stadium, the Pope rode through the city of Mexico city in a bullet-proof Mercedes jeep, passing by tens of thousands of faithful gathered to see him. Then, seated in the center of the stadium, the Pope received a thunderous ovation from the crowd. The Pope’s main message was one of a “New Evangelization,” in which he asked the youth of today to spread the Word of God into the third millennium. Speaking to over 100,000 gathered in Azteca Stadium, the Pope called all those in attendance to renew their consciences. He stressed the importance of North and South America in the future growth of Catholicism, and condemned social and racial discrimination.

John Paul’s message was supplemented by an emotional movie depicting images of natural disasters, death, violence, drugs, bloodshed, suffering, starvation, and guns, followed by a movie showing images of love, helping, medical advances, natural scenery, art, Princess Diana, Mother Teresa, food programs, and happy children. The movies then concluded with an image of the Pope himself.

Then at 5:00 p.m., a live speech from Pasadena emphasizing family togetherness and solidarity was broadcast to Mexico, Argentina, Brazil, Venezuela, and Peru. Similarly, all of these countries had a five minute time span to say what they wanted via satellite at appropriate times. All of these messages shares as a common theme: the commitment to the New Evangelization, and many thanked the Pope for strengthening moral and spiritual integrity in their nations.

The closing of the ceremony brought about tremendous grief as the Pope revealed the breaking news of the catastrophic Colombian earthquake. The stadium crowd silenced immediately, and a prayer was said just before the Pope left. The mood was shifted however, when the crowd gave the Pope one more ovation for his missionary efforts in their city. The Pope then left Mexico, and continued his trip to various parts of the Americas.
Students suffer from untreated depression

by Kevin P. Austin and Andrew Ellicott

Although depression is probably the most commonly experienced mental health problem, many people who are depressed do not realize that they are suffering from it, and less than half of the people who are depressed seek treatment. About 25% of the undergraduate students who visit the Caltech Counseling Center are depressed. The Counseling Center believes that many more are also depressed but don’t seek help.

Depression is a real psychological condition that requires help. People who suffer from depression and go untreated are much more likely to experience depression in the future. The average number of depressive episodes in a lifetime for individuals who go untreated is seven. However, depression is highly treatable with recovery rates close to 90% in those who do seek help.

Why don’t people seek help? There are a variety of reasons. The common one is that the symptoms of depression are easily confused with stress. People who are under a lot of stress may not realize that they are also depressed. Also, students sometimes see themselves as weak if they can’t manage on their own, and try to ignore their symptoms. They force themselves to work even when they are fatigued from depression and aren’t enjoying much in their lives.

Symptoms of depression include changes in eating habits, changes in sleeping patterns, loss of interest in enjoyable activities, withdrawing from people, trouble concentrating, inability to get work done, feeling irritable or restless, not having the energy to do everyday tasks, feeling guilty much of the time, worrying a lot, and having a bleak outlook for the future. Also, people who have a family history of depression are more likely than others to experience depression themselves.

Exhibiting any one symptom does not necessarily indicate depression. However, multiple symptoms over a period of more than two weeks are a good sign that one is experiencing depression. Having only a few symptoms for a short period of time probably indicates stress.

The connection between stress and depression may be biological. Sustained stress can affect the functioning of neuro-modulators that regulate sleep, hunger, and mood. Therefore, stress can be a risk factor for depression, as is a family history of depression.

The Caltech Counseling Center’s home page (http://www.caltech.edu/counseling) has several links to good sites that discuss depression. Included is a site from a depression person’s point of view and a couple sites that have depression screening tests online. Also, psychologists at the counseling center will screen students for depression and discuss it with several other sites with students.

Kevin P. Austin, Ph.D, and Anne Ellicott, Ph.D. are co-Directors of the Caltech Student Counseling Services. The counseling center can be reached at 257-31.

They are available to discuss stress, relationship issues, depression, family concerns, adjusting to Tech, adjusting to this country, and anything else that concerns interested individuals.

SCE also announced that it will provide $250,000 over five years for TriNet, with each dollar matched by a $3 contribution from the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) and the California Office of Emergency Services.

FEMA is funding 75 percent of the nearly $17 million TriNet Project. Caltech’s commitment to the effort is being funded by SCE, GTE, Pacific Bell, the Times Mirror Foundation, and others. The U.S. Geological Survey has provided more than $4 million. The California Division of Mines and Geology is another sponsor. Environmental Systems Research Institute developed the software that could create the ship wake maps for Caltech and SCE.

DNA...
Superbowl Sunday approaches

As we await Superbowl XXXIII, I can’t help but feel nostalgia to the highest degree. This game will almost certainly be John Elway’s final pro football game ever, and that is truly a loss for the sport. Undoubtedly one of the most popular players to ever wear a uniform, you can’t help feeling a little bit sad that he is quitting after the year. However, all feelings aside, the game must go on, and here’s my comparative analysis of the two teams.

Elway used to carry the team on his back throughout the 80’s and 90’s, but in the last few years, under Mike Shanahan’s revamped offense, Elway has had a much easier time at QB. Much of this is due to the awesome running of Terrell Davis, whose 2,089 yards rushing and 21 touchdowns led the league by a wide margin. Davis runs behind the blocking of a very talented offensive line and a superb fullback, Howard Griffith. But when the Broncos look for variety, they still have Elway, whose 93.0 rating is among the league leaders. In Rod Smith, Ed McCaffrey, and Shannon Sharpe, Elway owns one of the best receiving groups in the league.

The Falcons also have an unbelievable running back, and his name is Jamal Anderson. Anderson ran for 1,846 yards rushing, second to Davis, and has been very healthy all year. Meanwhile, Chris Chandler, quarterback, ended the season with a 100.9 rating, but he is very injury-prone. Chandler has been an unlikely hero of the offense, and the Falcon’s success will depend on how well he can hit receivers Terance Mathis, Tony Martin, who both average greater than 17.8 yards per reception. The offensive line is led by unheralded Bob Whitfield, and in order for the Falcons to pass well, the line must protect the immobile Chandler well. Finally, the Falcons have a mastermind coach in Dan Reeves, who gets the most of all his players, and who probably will mix things up to fool the Denver defense. Denver’s defense is led by linebacker Bill Romanowski, whom you may remember as the guy who spitted into J.J. Stokes face last year. Well, the guy is a menace when he’s playing football too. The man simply makes plays. Big plays. Whether they be fumble recoveries, interceptions, or tackles, the man just does it. In addition, speedy Darrien Gordon covers very well at cornerback, and he even doubles as a punt returner. Denver even has a good pass rush, with Neil Smith, Trevor Pryce, and Maa Tanuvasa leading the way. Finally you have veteran safety Steve Atwater, who arguably makes the hardest hits in football. However, all of these weapons mask Denver’s relatively weak pass defense, which was ranked 26th in the NFL.

Atlanta’s Jessie Tuggle has been with the team for 12 years, and every one of them has been outstanding. But the Falcons’ biggest strength is their ability to cause turnovers. They averaged 26.9 turnovers forced per game, which led the league. Their run defense is masterful, as they allowed only 3.3 yards per carry and 75.2 yards per game during the regular season. Much of this is due to their quick defensive line, which plugs the holes and stops runs to the outside. However, Atlanta’s pass defense is suspect, with the exception being Ray Buchanan, who is almost Deionessue.

The Falcons are underrated, and will be playing as the underdogs. Relatively speaking, I believe that they have gotten this far, they have nothing to lose. Meanwhile, there is a lot of pressure on Denver to win this final game for Elway. Since both run defenses are strong, the team that can throw the short pass well will control the game. The final divide might be the quarterback’s scrambling ability, in which case Denver has the edge. Finally, regardless of who wins, watch the commercials! Prediction: Denver 25, Atlanta 20.

Tim Raub’s Prediction: Atlanta 37, Denver 27
Present: BoD. Ben Dunn, Cynthia Gong, Robert Saliba. Kevin Bradley
Meeting called to order at 10:55.

Dealing with Guests
Nick - Danny cuts him the check for the ASCiT Movies.

Cynthia - The Broomball Club which has a group has been meeting in hedges of 20 to 35 every weekend for awhile. The need for night-time equipment. Ben - Danny cuts him the check for the CCA.

Kevin - The BoC Secretary dropped in to talk about CS and get into the printed edition. When will it be on line?

General Business

Resolutions - Baldeep has totally reworked the resolutions and submitted them for discussion. He will come back with some changes.

Amendment - Alan proposes a change to the bylaws that would allow the BoC to ask the House Presidents to sit on cases where no enough past or present members of the BoC were available. This is the first in a line of changes that need to be made in the BoC documents. Mike moves to accept and Jaddeep seconds. The BoD votes unanimously (Denny and Derek not present) to submit the proposal to a vote.

Officer Reports
Derek - The deadline for getting into the printed edition of the UROH newsletter is this Friday. He hopes to have it out by the Friday after that.

Autumn - The card swipe thing on the copier is broken. It has been reported a couple of times.

Devi - The ARC met last week. Mike wants a nice ARC roster and the past minutes from their meeting. Derek is working on Alex's memorial tree. Mike is looking for a place to put the tree in. Autumn will drop off the stamp and drives.

Baldeep - We hired a program manager for the IT project. The search for a designer is still on. The first part of the project to come alive will be online voting. No more stolen ballots. No more protests. Mike and Baldeep met with Ricardo of APE. They are surrendering their data to our advances.

Meeting closed at 12:00.

The BoD votes to recognize the Broomball Club. The BoD votes to approve $153.19 for the Coffeehouse.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike D. Astle
ASCiT Secretary

Present: BoD (minus Devi and Danny)
Meeting called to order at 22:13.

General Business

Ben - Danny cut me for the election for President and VP will be on Monday. Mike proposes an additional amendment to that the ARC Secretary from the roster of elected offices. By unanimous consent (Alan was not present at the time of the vote) it will be put for voting in the upcoming election.

Alan - The BoC open business meeting was a day ago. A bylaw of administrators showed up. MAD props out to Jim Mehnick for being the only non-BoC student to show up.

Baldeep - The IT project is off the ground. Online voting is forthcoming. APE and the card system people are giving us access to their data. "Sanfosa" was viewed and criticised. Baldeep will be meeting with Patrick and Andrew.

Meeting closed at 23:21.

The BoD votes to give APSU $200 for their event. The BoD votes to give $225 to the Ultimate Club.

Meeting adjourned at 23:30. Respectfully submitted,
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Jaiddeep says there is no thing we can do about construction, you consult to help. Jaiddeep would like to remind everyone: when you're reminded to remind everyone: when the ball is stolen the BoC wants to recognize the student organization that s student and give them the job of Manager into several small jobs is discussed. Ordering and Employee Management are two obvious divisions that can be made. There is general agreement that student management is preferable. Anyone who thinks they are thinking of stepping up to the plate should talk to Baldeep.

Officer Reports
Derek - The UROH is done. There are 101 licenses for this year - 60% more than last year. Paper copies will be distributed and a web version will be available.

Autumn - The new TV and VCR are in the pipe. They are Panasonic. Baldeep takes some issue with Autumn's acquisition technique, but not by a god-sent plague. The copier is still out of commission despite repeated protests. Autumn is considering just throwing the TV in the Baldeep Pool and saying that it was stolen.

Hanna - Carmelized pears. Yun - Devi's permission has been obtained from someone to plant a tree on campus in memory of David Rosefield. The issue passes without discussion. Devi has still not received an ARC roster or any of their minutes to Mike for filing.

Danny - Our accounts are low but there is a $56,000 check in the bank.

Mike - The amendment voted upon today passed.
Elizabeth introduces intriguing characters, complex plot

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Despite the film’s simplifications, such as the movie’s presentation of very distinct protagonists and antagonists with black-and-white motives and vices that almost border on a child-like perception of good and bad, the film is amazing complex. The film draws upon the many characters plotting against the young Protestant queen, keeping track of the motives and roles each one plays, is to say, the least. The only asurity is that Elizabeth will survive. That feature means the challenge of yet another character, her most trusted adviser Walsingham (Geoffrey Rush, who also plays a role in “Shakespeare in Love”). Elizabeth’s growth in the movie chronicles the transformation of her rather naive disposition to the mercilessness that comes with the duty of理智的 monarch. Elizabeth, herself, is not as a very luck lady, rather than a shrewd engineer, as she fails to realize the extent of the plots meant to destroy her. Time after time, her false sense of security means almost her downfall, and it is only with the help of Walsingham that the assassins and usurpers are not directly after her.

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is that anyone who is interested should try an earlier book by the same author.

Seven Years of Highly Defective People
Scott Adams

A sure sign of a good book is when you are unhappy to get near the end. This is a Dilbert book with a twist, all of the strips have notes by creator Scott Adams in the margins and each section is introduced with a little background on what he was thinking when he came up with the character, if anything. It’s fun to learn the hidden jokes, which strips caused controversy or fell flat on their face and to have the cartoonist point out the places where he messed up. There really isn’t much to say about this except that if we had run a Dilbert strip in this space instead of this column, readership could have gone up about 500%.

If there is a particular genre or type of book you would like to see reviewed here, let me know at anytime@anytime. I don’t expect that anyone will actually respond, but this way I can go on reading whatever I like without feeling guilty.

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Dean's Corner

Smart Cookies

by Jean-Paul Revel

A and B Fair Oaks, diametrically opposite to the Greek restaurant? The sign said, something about "Lawrence picked up his fork to eat his desert", but I thought the building was damaged in a quake a few years ago and was repaired after the repairs. The sign has disappeared. I stopped the other day to check. You see I drive by and don't have the time to look unless of course the light is red, and it took a special effort to remember that I wanted to inspect the sign. Where am I? Oh, yes, I was about to tell you of things which go unnoticed for long times and suddenly strike you as being notable, or incongruous or otherwise remarkable.

By the lily pond in front of Baxter, next to Casanova's Lunar sculpture, there is a sign, a foot high perhaps, that says "No dogs allowed in pond." So what's so peculiar about that? All kinds of people walk their dogs on Campus and signs are needed. Or else the dogs will well, you know. Anyway the thought came to me that everyone on Campus, or nearly everyone, is so accustomed to dealing with smart people that may be we assume that even the dogs coming to Campus have an off-scale IQ, and know how to read. There have been horses that talk (not on Campus that I know of, but I am sure you have heard about Mr. Eo), and I think I remember dogs barking the right number of times when shown a sign. Although this can be explained away as the "clever Hans" phenomenon, i.e. animals responding to cues given by their owners, it takes nothing away from the postulated smarts of Caltech dogs. So it is thoughtful to have signs just at dog eye level, and in big letters, just in case. Warning dogs away from the ponds no doubt helps to protect the egret that comes by once in a while for easy pickings.

New that egret is quite extraordinary too. It must be a very smart egret to have discovered our ponds. An egret oasis in a world of chlorinated swimming pools. Could it be infrequent visits actually reflect a deep understanding of conservation practices? Or may there be a correlation between the coming of our distinguished and graceful visitor and the events posted at Baxter. So should I be alarmed at my peculiar rumina-
tions, should I? Actually, saying "alxxmed" reminds me of something else. On the North doors of Millikan, which were condemned a few years ago, forcing all of us with offices on the North side to walk around the building to enter, on the doors of the North side of Millikan there is a sign saying "Alarmed Doors". This strikes me as a very peculiar statement. A human being can be alarmed, and so can other sentient beings, smart dogs, prize egrets, may be even laboratory mice, most of which except for Algernon are not so smart, but they can be alarmed. Actually it takes practice not to alarm a mouse. So in my days in the lab I prided myself to be able to pick one up without alarming it, and pretty soon they would crawl up my arm, all fuzzy soft and smugged into a lab coat pocket cozy and warm in this tight place. Mice seem to like small tight places, they always go to explore when they are not alarmed. To come back to the library doors, one could say, "The alarm will ring when the door opens" or something shorter and pristine like "Emergency Exit Only", that grabs you, no?, but an alarmed door? How can a door have feelings?

Come to think of it one can imagine that some objects have feelings. The appeal of the car having feelings but me having feelings for it. A bit silly that's all. But there are times in the woods, in the mountains, at sea, in a plane, when looking out I feel suffused by a reverence which floods my heart and make me feel one with the inanimate world around me.

There is no cause for alarm. It's just your dean letting off steam. A flirtation.
**Announcements**

**SU RF at J PL Information Night**

The student winter/spring Federal Work-Study program is now recruiting graduate students for 1999-2000 academic year who are interested in working in the space science and applied research field. Graduate students who are employed under this program will be paid at current Federal government, Federal work-study rates. Positions are available in a variety of fields, including Engineering, Environmental Science, Computer Science, and more. Graduate students will be expected to work an average of 15 to 20 hours per week, during the academic year. For more information, please contact Dr. Jennifer Stover, 25-58, at jstover@caltech.edu. The deadline is January 13, 1999.

**May 10th at Caltech**

The Los Angeles Opera’s season will include Verdi’s La Traviata, Handel’s Messiah, and a new production of Mozart’s The Magic Flute. For more information, please contact the Caltech Office of the Registrar, 25-58, or visit <http://www.caltech.edu>.

**Nagoya University Program**

The 1999-2000 Nagoya University Program is now accepting applications from Ph.D. students and postdoctoral researchers for a six-month stay at Nagoya University in Japan. The program provides opportunities for collaborative research, cultural exchange, and professional development. For more information, please contact Dr. John Gulyas, 25-58, or visit <http://www.nagoyaUniversity.edu>.

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